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Krueger calls for Civic ballot recount as Prusky leads by narrow margin

NORMAN BELLIS
. . . tops poll

DARROW GOMEZ
. . . second highest

JAMES W. PRUSKY
. . . fifth attempt wins

New alderman wins seat on fifth attempt at polls

A close-fought battle involving a recount of votes resulted in a standing alderman losing his seat and a candidate who has repeatedly tried for council honors being elected in his stead by a slim margin of nine votes.

W. J. Prusky was elected with a total of 765 votes against Alderman Michael Krueger's 754 on a recount called by Mr. Krueger.

The first count figures showed a six-vote majority for Mr. Prusky with figures at 765 and 759.

A total of 1,661 voters cast ballots for six candidates for three aldermanic seats.

Alderman Norman Bellis was returned with a count of 1,064, topping the poll; with Alderman Darrow Gomez second with 922 votes. H. J. Scholten polled 697 and V. P. Dexter tailed with 395.

Polling was slow throughout the day as eight polling clerks attended the small number of voters who did attend out of a potential of 3,780.

The school bylaw referendum for $542,150 for school construction, school additions and equipment passed overwhelmingly with a "Yes" vote of 1081 against a "No" vote of 301. Twenty-seven rural votes were cast, said School Board secretary Arne Lien.

RECOUNT CALLED

At the conclusion of voting at 8 p.m. last night the ballot box was opened and votes counted. The count was supervised by the Returning Officer R. W. Long, deputy Returning officer David Wilson, candidates and scrutineers.

At the conclusion of the final count of votes, which was double-checked by Mr. Long, Mr. Krueger decided to have a recount.

During the recount a number of votes were challenged by both Mr. Krueger and Mr. Prusky and a very few "spoils" were declared valid by Mr. Long and brought into the count, which accounted for the difference in figures at the conclusion of the recount.

Advance poll votes had been taken into account prior to Mr. Krueger's move.

Following the final check Mr. Long made the formal announcement that Alderman Norman Bellis, Darrow Gomez and Mr. Prusky were elected aldermen for 1962 and 1963; and that the school board referendum had passed by the necessary two-thirds majority.

Mr. Prusky said: "I'd like to thank all those who voted for me and to congratulate all who came and did their duty at the polls today. During my term of office I'll do my best to further the progress of this city and work to the fullest extent of my ability." This is the fifth time Mr. Prusky has stood for council. He previously was elected an alderman in 1954 and served one period.

Mr. Krueger has served on the city council for the past 10 years. He said that he has not given any thought as yet to whether or not he will stand at the elections next year.

V. P. DEXTER
. . . loses first try

MICHAEL KRUEGER
. . . out after 10 years

H. J. SCHOLTEN
. . . fails at polls

ELECTION RESULTS AT GLANCE

Below are the progressive counts, including the advance poll count, in yesterday's civic elections. Candidates are listed in the order they appeared on the ballot and the successful candidate's votes are listed in black face type.

				Final
Bellis	260	633	1061	**1064**
Dexter	102	244	395	**395**
Gomez	226	547	921	**922**
Krueger	190	450	757	**759**
Prusky	211	470	765	**765**
Scholten	171	423	695	**697**

RECOUNT

Krueger	**754**
Prusky	**763**

SCHOOL BYLAW REFERENDUM

YES	1081
No	301

Fish dispute meeting to be arranged soon

A meeting between the Canadian Fishing Company and the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union will be arranged as soon as possible, a company spokesman told The Daily News yesterday.

The union has been trying to arrange a meeting between themselves and the company for some time to iron out points of dispute relating to the company's Butedale operation.

The major point at the moment, said Homer Stevens, secretary of the union, was over the appointment of an arbitrator. The company had stated, he said that their solicitor was out of town and no meeting could be arranged until his return.

The company said yesterday that their lawyer had since returned and a meeting would take place as soon as possible between the two organizations.

Major bone of contention, next to the matter of arbitration, is that of the use of herring seiners in the Kitimat area. The union contends that men laid off have not been re-employed as agreed upon by the company at the time. "This only strengthens our conviction that the written word of the company means little and stalling is their favorite tactic, concluded Mr. Stevens.

Katangan troops told 'poison arrows' as all-out war called against UN

ELISABETHVILLE (Reuters)—President Moise Tshombe today took over personal control of his forces—under order to "poison your arrows" and fight until the last United Nations soldier has been killed or forced out of Katanga.

The orders were issued by Katanga radio Thursday night as Tshombe returned to Elisabethville where the four-day battle has left the fate of the capital still in the balance.

The radio called on every Katangan to "choose his Gurkha, his Swede, his Irishman, his Norwegian — we know there are enough of them for all."

"Poison your arrows," the radio said. "The battle will not end until the last UN soldier has left Katanga or has been killed by our bullets or poisoned arrows."

The UN stand was just as firm. A UN spokesman said the UN will stop fighting only when the Katanga troops lay down their arms.

"The military are now in charge," the spokesman said. "Even if the Katanga government made proposals to us, we are not empowered to discuss them, and the only thing we could do would be to pass them on to New York."

PREMIER FLIES

Tshombe returned here from Paris by way of Ndola and Brazzaville.

The Prince Leopoldville Hospital in Elisabethville was hit by about 50 mortar shells during a night-long barrage.

Doctors and nurses said the firing came from UN Swedish and Irish camps.

Abdullatif Saccar, third-ranking UN civilian official in the Katanga capital, admitted the UN forces fired mortars in the direction of the hospital but claimed they were aimed at a military camp — Camp Tshombe — 800 yards from the hospital.

Dr. Roger Friart, in the hospital during the attack, said there were about 700 patients there at the time.

"Forunately not one of them was badly hurt though a few were hit by flying glass. It was a miracle nobody was killed or wounded by the bombs."

Shells also landed in the Negro quarter south of the hospital, and Katanga officials claimed four African civilians — including two young girls — were killed and a Roman Catholic church was hit.

About 100 Congolese university students today smashed up several British embassy cars during a demonstration outside the embassy in Leopoldville.

The British government has been accused by Conor Cruiser O'Brien, former UN Katanga chief, of hindering the UN operation in the breakaway province.

Associated Press correspondent Adrian Porter, riding into Elisabethville Thursday after a train trip from Northern Rhodesia, reported:

"We were told the line to the main station had been blown up. Besides, there was some fighting going on near the station.

". . . A railway official drove us to a hotel in the centre of Elisabethville. It was a drive through empty streets, closed shops and a few cordons of Katanga troops.

"White and blacks stood or sat on their porches in groups watching and listening to the crump of bombs and clatter of machine-guns."

Attacker given small cash fine

John William Lincoln, 21, of Kitkatla was fined $25 today when he appeared in police court before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite on a charge of assault causing bodily harm.

Lincoln pleaded guilty to the charge which was laid following an incident about 9 p.m. November 10 when Gordon Russel, 21, of Port Edward was assaulted. Russel received a cut on his nose and a swollen eye and required hospital treatment.

A juvenile involved in the same case denied his delinquency to the charge and has been remanded pending magistrate's decision.

Citizenship papers given eleven people

Eleven persons pledged allegiance to the Queen and then received their Canadian citizenship papers in a ceremony held before His Honor Judge W. A. Schultz Monday in County Court.

Following the oath of allegiance, the clerk of the court read a letter from the minister of citizenship and immigration, the Hon. Ellen Fairclough, who extended a welcome to the new Canadians.

Each person then received his or her citizenship papers and a copy of the letter.

The new citizens are: Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Frohnert of 139 Ninth Avenue East; Drago Ilicic of 1717 Second Ave. West; Mr. and Mrs. Olaf O. Maeland of Port Edward; Mrs. Aagtje Van der Ende of 210 First Street; Hendrick H. Bakker of 613 Eighth Avenue East; Hans P. M. Zimmermann of 1021 Second Ave. West; Mr. and Mrs. Guenther E. Elfret of 300 Eleventh Avenue East; and Mrs. Annemarie Lemke of 855 First Avenue West.

Judge Schultz made a 20-minute address to the group stressing the qualities which make Canada an excellent country in which to live; the qualities of a good citizen; and the qualities expected of a new citizen.

W. C. Hankinson, president of the Canadian Citizenship Council in Prince Rupert, extended a welcome to the new Canadians on behalf of the council and the citizens of Prince Rupert.

Rev. Ivan Gamble, president of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Bible Society, presented each new citizen with a bible on behalf of the society.

Following this, the new Canadians were guests at a coffee party arranged by the Citizenship Council and representatives of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

Fish landings still well up

Fish landings in Prince Rupert last week totalled almost 5,000,000 pounds according to the weekly report from the Department of Fisheries.

The report showed that the total catch was made up of 2,398 tons of herring and 198,300 pounds of bottom fish.

Included in the bottom fish were: 56,000 pounds of sole; 5,600 pounds of grey cod; 4,500 pounds of ling cod; 18,000 pounds of mink feed; 1,000 pounds of shrimp; 1,500 pounds of crab and 111,700 pounds of clams.

The clams were taken from Areas 3, 4, 7 and 8 while the remainder of the bottom fish was landed by three trawlers from Areas 4 and 5. Herring was landed by 27 deliveries from Areas 4 and 8.

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World News Briefs

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — The Space Agency announced plans Thursday night to develop a two-man space craft capable of making a rendezvous with another vehicle while both are in orbit around the earth.

PEKING (Reuters) — Leaders of China's "Democratic" parties, which co-operate with the Communist government, issued statements today supporting Peking's stand on the Sino-Indian border question.

ELIZABETHVILLE (Reuters) — President Moise Tshombe today accused the United States of "murdering Katanga as Russia murdered Hungary" in 1956. He said in a statement: "The Americans are sending dollars, aircraft and diplomats to The Congo — everything except soldiers."

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain has agreed to supply the United Nations with bombs for British-built planes operating in The Congo provided they only are used against pirate aircraft on the ground or against air strips, it was announced today.

LONDON (AP) — Scotland Yard today raided the headquarters of an anti-nuclear organization that plans a runway sitdown Saturday to immobilize three U.S. air bases in England. Four officials of Earl Russel's Committee of 100 were reported to have been arrested on charges of "incitement and conspiracy" under the Official Secrets Act.

POINT ARGUELLO, Calif. (AP) — A rocket designed to set off flares in space for an earth-measuring experiment shot skyward today. The air force said the flares, not visible to the naked eye, would be photographed by special cameras on land and at sea.

20-year contract needed—Bennett

VANCOUVER (CP) — Premier Bennett says that to get a "proper price" for Canada's share of Columbia River downstream benefit power there should be a minimum 20-year contract with the United States, cancellable at any time after 10 years.

Mr. Bennett told an interviewer here Wednesday on his demand for long - term hydro sales to the U.S.:

"Here is what we need to get a proper price—a minimum 20-year contract cancellable at any time after 10 years by the B.C. government giving notice — not the U.S. giving notice."

Parked car rolls

A car, supposedly parked, rolled down Eleventh Street about 6:10 p.m. yesterday and smashed into a sidewalk in front of a house owned by Thomas Morrison at 112 Eleventh Street.

The vehicle, owned by Lorenz Hanzel of 208 Ninth Avenue East, apparently rolled down on its own accord.

Theft charges stood over

Istvan Torok of Prince Rupert was remanded until December 18 today when he appeared in police court before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite on two charges of theft over $50.

Torok, represented by defence counsel, A. A. W. Macdonell, pleaded not guilty to the charges. Bail was set at $500. The charges involve the theft of a watch and money.

Parked car hit

A parked car owned by R. R. Whiteley of 1452 Sixth Avenue East was struck by an unknown vehicle about 9 a.m. yesterday. Mr. Whiteley's vehicle, which was parked in front of the post office, suffered about $40 damage.

B.C. ROUNDUP

Business outlook 'good' for 1962 says Bonner

VICTORIA (CP) — An optimistic outlook for business in 1962 was forecast in a report released Thursday night by Trade and Commerce Minister Bonner.

However, labor is not expected to benefit from the improvement since the report noted that present resources and manufacturing developments are not at a rate sufficient to fully employ the growing labor force.

V-P resigns

VANCOUVER (CP) — Dr. Harry L. Purdy has submitted his resignation as a vice-president of the British Columbia Electric Company, the giant power utility taken over by the government last August 1.

Millionaire charged

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Vancouver millionaire stands charged with the attempted murder of a Vancouver doctor. In hospital under police guard charged with attempted capital murder is Patrick Blake Ballentine, 34, former Toronto advertising business executive who inherited some $3,000,00 when his lumberman father died in 1954.

Hitchhiker killed

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — A 58-year-old man, attempting to hitch a ride during a heavy snowstorm, was killed Wednesday night when hit by a car. Enoch Alexis of the Stoney Creek Indian reserve south of Vanderhoof, died near Cluculz Lake, 40 miles west of here.

Hope held slight

VANCOUVER (CP) — Officials Thursday night held out little hope for four men on board a 54 - foot herring dragger that went down in heavy seas the night before. Searching air craft and vessels have sighted an overturned dinghy, two life jackets and a hatch cover.

Hit, run driver caught, charged

Raymond James Sklapsky of 400 Eighth Avenue West was fined a total of $45 and costs today when he appeared in police court before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite on charges of hit-and-run and driving without insurance.

Sklapsky pleaded guilty to the charges and was fined $35 on on the hit-and-run and $10 on the insurance.

He was charged following an incident about 5:10 p.m. November 25 when the car he was driving collided with three other vehicles and he failed to remain at the scene.

RCMP said he was apparently heading west on Sixth Avenue East near Ambrose when he collided with a vehicle driven by Bert Logan of 1151 Eighth Avenue East; collided with another vehicle driven by Robert Ritchie of 1920 Fifth Avenue East; and then collided with a parked vehicle owned by Arthur Lees of 1120 Sixth Avenue East. They said that after hitting Lees' vehicle, Sklapsky backed up and drove away.

He was arrested about one hour later and jailed. Damage in the accident amounted to more than $600. Sklapsky's licence was also suspended for one month.

Fall from pile injures man

A city man is in good condition in Prince Rupert General Hospital today following an accident Tuesday afternoon when he fell off a pile of sacks.

Antonio Fernandez of 1057 Ambrose Avenue is suffering bruises received when he fell 20 feet in the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Association's reduction plant at Fairview.

Rear-end collision after sudden stop

A two-car collision near the intersection of First, Second and Third Avenues West about 12:10 p.m. yesterday caused more than $100 damage.

A car driven by Mrs. John Johnson, 1800 Atlin Avenue stopped suddenly to avoid some children who had run onto the road. Another vehicle driven by Peter Martinovich of 1717 Second Avenue West, which was following behind, collided with the rear of Mrs. Johnson's vehicle.

Prince Rupert has now gone 1,052 days without a fatal traffic accident and 252 days without a fire fatality.

PROVINCIAL ROUNDUP

Civic defeats widespread

By The Canadian Press

Mayor Mabel Anderson of Alberni and Mayor Jack Fitzwater of Kamloops led a parade of defeated candidates in civic elections in British Columbia communities Thursday as voters turned out incumbents in large numbers.

Six city mayors, the mayor of one town, two district reeves and five village chairmen seeking re-election were defeated, along with a host of aldermen, councillors, commissioners and school trustees as voting took place throughout the province.

Plebiscites for fluoridation also fared poorly, with three of four communities voting on the question rejecting the idea of adding fluorides to drinking water supplies to try and improve dental health.

BYLAWS APPROVED

Most of the $10,600,000 in money bylaws were approved, however, along with referendums for Sunday movies in the Vancouver-area district of Richmond and Sunday bowling in Penticton.

Mayor Anderson, centre of controversy in the Vancouver Island city of Alberni since her election two years ago, was thumped out of office by former alderman Fred Bishop, a familiar figure in Alberni who polled 1,005 votes to Mrs. Anderson's 383.

The victory is expected to end disputes between the aldermen and the mayor, who during the last two years frequently has been removed from the chair by the councillors so she could not interfere with city business.

Two other women seeking chief magistrate posts in B.C. cities also suffered defeat, Mrs. Carrie Jane Gray falling for a second time before Mayor Garvin Dezell in Prince George, and Mrs. Myrtle Vickberg losing to Mayor Bill Moore in Courtenay.

SMALL MARGIN

Mayor Fitzwater in office for 10 years, was upset by C. H. Day in a two-way race in Kamloops, losing by a 77-vote margin.

In Penticton, where Charlie Oliver is retiring, former B. C. Chamber of Commerce president Maurice Finnerty was elected in a four-way battle, beating his nearest opponent by 55 votes.

WEATHER

Mainly sunny along the mainland Saturday. Cooler tonight. Winds northeast to 25 Saturday. Low tonight and high tomorrow, 28 and 42.

TIDES

Sat., December 9, 1961
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	02:15	20.6 feet
	14:01	23.3 feet
Low	07:50	7.0 feet
	20:30	1.6 feet