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"IN ON A BINGO RAP . . ."

Editor at Dawson Creek, pilot die in plane crash

C of C president survives ordeal

DAWSON CREEK (CP) — The survivor of a plane crash is in hospital here today while the bodies of two men who died inside it were found later by RCMP and flown to Dawson Creek by helicopter.

Thomas Humble, president of the Dawson Creek Chamber of Commerce here, suffered severe burns to his hands and feet when the Piper PA12 crashed Friday morning on a flight from Hudson Hope to Dawson Creek, a distance of about 50 miles.

Killed when the craft went into a "screaming power dive" during a snowstorm were the pilot Ron McAuliffe, and Walter Murphy, editor of the weekly Dawson Creek Star.

Before he was put under sedation, Humble told of the trio's last minutes before the crash.

"We were flying into a snowstorm, then Ron lost the horizon," he said. "We didn't know up from down and the air-speed indicator read 160 miles an hour."

An experienced pilot said a Piper PA12 cruises at 115.

Humble said he screamed:

"Turn off the switch. We've lost everything."

BURNS ON IMPACT

The plane burned on impact in dense bush and muskeg near Jackfish Lake, 65 miles west of here.

Humble said Murphy died immediately and he pulled McAuliffe and Murphy's body from the plane.

"McAuliffe was still alive and his clothes were on fire. I ripped off his jacket."

Humble, who had six children, said he cared for McAuliffe until he died Saturday.

Humble told his rescuers he crawled two miles from the wrecked aircraft to a road near the Maleport Logging Company Saturday, then cat-napped propped against a log.

The operators of the mill found him and police went in to bring the wounded men here. Humble's wife, who was under sedation Sunday, was still in shock.

The crash came as the trio returned from the site of B.C. Electric Company's proposed dam on the Peace River. They had been interviewing Dr. Gordon Shrum, chairman of the company who was on a flying visit to the area Thursday.

Death toll on holiday reaches 60

By The Canadian Press

Ontario and Quebec led a high toll of traffic fatalities in Canada during the Thanksgiving weekend.

A Canadian Press survey of accidental deaths during the holiday period, taken from 6 p.m. Friday to Monday midnight, counted a total of 60 deaths. Forty-three were on the highways.

Seven drownings were reported, six in Ontario. There was one death by fire, in Alberta, three hunting accidents and six deaths through unclassified causes.

Provincial figures with traffic deaths bracketed:

Ontario 26 (15), Quebec 14 (11), Alberta 5 (4), Manitoba 4 (4), Nova Scotia 3 (3), New Brunswick 3 (1), British Columbia 3 (3). A Saskatchewan (2). No deaths were reported in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, during the year 1960, in the City of Prince Rupert, six lives were lost as the result of fire, and property damage amounted to $96,320

AND

WHEREAS, loss to life and property can be substantially reduced by the practice of good fire safety habits,

THEREFORE BE IT
PROCLAIMED

THAT the Nationally recognized Fire Prevention Week commencing Sunday, the eighth of October, and ending on Saturday, the Fourteenth of October in the present year be officially observed and I recommend that ALL FIRE HAZARDS AS EXIST in this City BE REMOVED OR CORRECTED, during this Observance.

E. W. Becker,
Fire Chief and Provincial
Local Assistant Fire Marshal.

Big drive underway to cut fire losses

Prince Rupert City Council, its regular Fire and Fire Departments, today intensified the drive to keep fire losses down in the city.

As National Fire Prevention Week, October 8 to 14, went into its third day, Fire Chief Earl W. Becker urged "every man, woman and child to do their part in the fire prevention campaign."

"Fire losses can be reduced by removing the causes," Chief Becker said.

He said that the city's fire losses were dropping and that he wanted to keep them that way.

A nine - year survey of city building and marine losses due to fire, shows that the highest loss was in 1958 when fire damage totalled $186,068 and the lowest was in 1952 when fire loss amounted to $16,800.

Up to September 30 of this year, fire losses have amounted to $46,085, some $40,000 less than last year when losses totalled $96,320.

Other fire losses during the nine-year period are as follows: 1953, $38,547; 1954, $38,243; 1955, $111,000; 1956, $159,305; 1957, $115,635; 1959, $109,900; 1960, $96,320.

As part of its Fire Prevention Week campaign the fire department has publicized the annual observance in the press, on the radio and in theatres.

Home check lists for fire hazards, against fire dangers and smoking in bed have been distributed to all hotels and clean-up campaign posters have been posted throughout the city.

The auxiliary fire department is staging a demonstration on the use of fog in controlling and dousing oil fires at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at Algoma Park.

Fire department publicity chairman Lt. J. S. Furness said that more than 100 Sparky Club members have graduated and others are being encouraged to register for future classes.

Lt. Furness said that Sparky Club instructors were prepared to give lectures to Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, babysitters or any group interested in fire safety and what to do in case of fire.

B.C. ROUNDUP

West coast shipyard to get Northland job

VANCOUVER (CP)—A $7,000,000 shipbuilding contract for two ships of revolutionary design will go to a westcoast shipyard even though western bids were not the lowest, Captain H. J. C. Terry, president of Northland Navigation, said Saturday.

The two 225-foot-long vessels with capacity for 300 passengers — sleeping accommodation for 104—and 300 cubic tons of cargo will form a link between Vancouver and projected Alaska ferry service to Prince Rupert.

Capt. Terry originally planned to have the vessels built in Holland because of cheaper construction costs.

Lease granted

PENTICTON (CP) — Voters Saturday approved granting a 20-year lease with a 10-year tax exemption to the Penticton Golf Club. On another ballot they also approved the dissolution of the Parks Commission. Parks business will now be conducted in the same manner as any other department.

Rescue attempt

VANCOUVER (CP) — Air Sea Rescue reported Monday night a fishing vessel with one man aboard ran aground at Brooks Bay, north of Tofino on Vancouver Island. An aircraft reported the man reached a beach and had a fire burning. A rescue attempt was scheduled to be made today.

Scouts rescued

VANCOUVER (CP) — Ten suburban Burnaby scouts received a lesson in rescue operations Monday when RCMP and firemen in nearby Coquitlam took them from an island in the fast-flowing Coquitlam river. The boys went onto the island Sunday to camp overnight when the water was low enough to wade. Monday morning they found the river was too deep and fast-flowing to wade back.

Founder remanded

PENTICTON (CP) — Clifford Moore, founder of Boys Town B.C. was remanded to Friday without plea when he appeared in police court here charged with violating the Securities Act. Bail for the former city contractor was set at $6,000. Moore, who established Boys Town on a ranch near Hope in 1958, was arrested in Vancouver by the RCMP on orders of the attorney-general's department.

Election hints

KELOWNA (CP) — Kelowna's civil election December 7 may see aldermanic seats contested, although at this time, some aldermen remain uncommitted as to whether or not they will run for office. Mayor R. F. Parkinson said he would run for his third two-year term as the city's chief magistrate.

Decision reserved

VANCOUVER (CP) — Mr. Justice A. E. Lord of the B.C. Supreme Court reserved judgment in the case of Vancouver lawyer Iqbal Sara who is seeking to have his marriage to Amar Sara declared invalid. Sara says the marriage was performed under Indian law which permits a man to have more than one wife.

FOREST FIRE TOTAL, COSTS IN RUPERT AREA UP OVER '60

The British Columbia Forest Service here said that there have been 279 fires in the Prince Rupert Forest District this year, 140 more than in 1960.

There were five new fires reported during the week ended October 6, and the cost of fighting this year's fires rose to $565,500 compared to $64,024 last year.

With typical fall weather conditions settling in all over British Columbia the fire hazard has dropped to low.

The number of fires this year for the province now totals 4,602 or 504 more than last year.

While the total number of fires increased, the costs of fighting them were $710,452 below the 1960 total of $4,659,253.

Vancouver District had 2,068 fires, Prince George 518, Kamloops 1,132 and Nelson 604.

Well-known fisherman Matthew Stewart dies

A well-known former fisherman from Kincolith, Matthew James Stewart, died Saturday in Prince Rupert General Hospital. He was 60.

Mr. Stewart fished up until a few years ago before becoming caretaker at Cassiar Cannery.

He is survived by his wife Esther of Cassiar; three sons, William Charles and Benjamin, all of Cassiar; three daughters, Phyllis of Vancouver and Winnifred and Esther of Cassiar; two bothers, Charles and Arthur of Prince Rupert; and one sister, Mrs. Bertha Haines of Port Edward.

Services will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Ferguson Funeral Home with Very Rev. Dean G. T. Pattison officiating. The funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Interment will take place at Fairview.

PREMIER W. A. C. Bennett in a Fire Prevention Week message said today:

"The tragic toll of devastation by fire, whether in forest or urban community, is the concern of every city and citizen in the province of British Columbia.

"For that reason, I am pleased to commend the participation of the City of Prince Rupert in this year's observance of National Fire Prevention Week.

"The authorities of your city have indicated that they do not intend merely to pay lip service to this most important cause, but are concentrating on a year-round fire-prevention program.

"It is a worthy battle and one which should enlist the co-operation of every responsible member of the community.

"I heartily endorse the action of the City of Prince Rupert in mustering its forces against the dreadful assault of fire upon lives and property."

Car damaged in accident

Damage amounted to about $50 Monday night when a car driven by Armande Dare of the Walden Apartments went off the road and crashed into a ditch at the side of Highway 16 near Kwinitsa.

Drivers fined

Richard Boyd Bury of 1023 Third Avenue West was fined $15 or in default of payment sentenced to eight days in jail this morning when he pleaded guilty in police court before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite to a charge of driving through a flashing red light.

Miss Lois Catherine Haffey of 414 Sixth Avenue East was fined $10 and $2 costs or five days when she pleaded guilty to a charge of failing to proceed from a stop sign with caution.

Later in juvenile court a city juvenile was sentenced to an indefinite period in the Industrial School for Boys at Brannon Lake when he admitted his delinquency to a charge of stealing a bicycle.

Births in city ahead of 1961

Births, marriages and deaths in Prince Rupert up to the end of September this year are far ahead of the figures for the same period last year.

According to vital statistics released today, by government agent Howard Harding, there have been 203 births, 77 marriages and 77 deaths registered up to September 30.

For the same period last year, there were 264 births, 63 marriages and 64 deaths registered.

During September there were 46 births, 11 marriages and eight deaths recorded.

City driver acquitted of negligence

Mr. Justice J. G. Ruttan closed the Fall Assizes of the B.C. Supreme Court here Friday shortly after the last case concluded.

A nine-man, three-woman jury took only one hour to bring in a verdict of not guilty against David John Lorette, charged with criminal negligence.

Lorette was charged following a Highway 16 accident July 13 which took the life of Marvin Joseph Stanley Batiuk.

Andrew George, originally charged with manslaughter, was found guilty of common assault and ordered to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for one year. He was also interdicted.

George was charged in connection with the June 2 death of Joseph Leon at Burns Lake.

A. A. W. Macdonell served as defence counsel for both cases while Gilbert Hogg, QC, and Harvey Jessop from Kitimat, acted for the Crown.

Three fire calls during weekend

City firemen responded to three calls over the Thanksgiving weekend, two of them false alarms.

At 4:20 p.m. Sunday firemen attended an overheated stove at 727 Fraser Street, where damage amounted to scorched walls.

At 3:45 on Monday morning a fire truck rushed to the corner of Eighth Avenue East to find that a call box had been pulled and that there was no one there. Two minutes later a truck went to another call from Seal Cove school where another false alarm had been turned in.

A 12-foot skiff, owned by the Department of Fisheries, was recovered in the harbor several hours after it was reported missing from the entrance to Shawatlan Basin Sunday.

The boat was anchored just off shore and an official said it apparently drifted loose and was later picked up.

Prince Rupert has now gone 9 9 3 days without a fatal traffic accident and 1 7 3 days without a fire fatality.

Two taken to hospital after car leaves road

Two city men are in hospital in satisfactory condition today after being injured when the car in which they were travelling plunged into a ditch on Highway 16 near the Khyex River Saturday night.

Taken to Prince Rupert General Hospital by City Ambulance were James Rollason, 19, of Suite 210, 740 First Avenue West and John Reid, 23, of 1345 First Overlook Street.

Rollason received a fractured hand in the accident and Reid a cut on his forehead. Both were considerably shaken up.

RCMP at Port Edward said that the pair were travelling west from Terrace around 6:30 p.m. Saturday when their car left the highway and plunged into an eight-foot ditch on the eastern side of the Khyex bridge.

Damage to the car was extensive.

Cow Bay man in hospital after mishap

A 41-year-old Cow Bay man was taken to Prince Rupert General Hospital Monday night after being in collision with a car near the intersection of Third Avenue and McBride St.

Clarence Hall is in good condition suffering a cut in the head. He was in collision with a vehicle driven by Joseph Arsenau of 438 Eleventh Avenue East.

RCMP said road conditions and visibility were poor.

Bottom fish, herring total 250,000 pounds

Fish landings in Prince Rupert amounted to more than 250,000 pounds, the Department of Fisheries announced today.

The total catch included 3,500 pounds of halibut; 130,500 pounds of bottom fish; and 510 tons of herring.

Included in the halibut catch were: 1,500 pounds of medium and 2,000 pounds of large.

The bottom fish catch was made up of 48,500 pounds of sole; 50,000 pounds of black cod; and 32,000 pounds of crab.

Halibut and black cod were landed by four boats operating in Areas 1, 2AW and southeastern Alaska.

Four boats caught herring in Barnard Cove while seven vessels landed crab from Areas 2AE and 4.

Red Shield drive now at $4,530

The Salvation Army's Red Shield fund campaign stood at $4,530.33 today as it climbed towards its $5,850 objective.

Campaign chairman George W. Cook said that persons who had been missed in the residential canvass could leave their donations at Cook's Jewellers, The Salvation Army Citadel or the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

Macleod named Commons leader

LONDON (CP) — Prime Minister Macmillan Monday relieved Iain Macleod of the colonial secretary's portfolio and named him leader in the Commons and chairman of the Conservative party.

The switch — announced two days before the annual conservative party conference at Brighton — was one of the highlights of the first major cabinet shake-up since the 1959 general election.

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World News Briefs

MONTREAL (CP) — President Urho Kekkonen, 61, first Finnish leader ever to visit Canada in an official capacity, arrived here by jet from Helsinki this afternoon.

LONDON (Reuters) — All adults will have a vote in the April elections scheduled for Britain's East African protectorate of Uganda, it was announced today.

UNITED NATIONS (CP) — Foreign Minister Jaja Wachuku of Nigeria today told the United Nations Assembly the great powers are falling from the pedestal of greatness to one of insanity and smaller countries should form a counterbalance to save mankind from destruction.

Warning given

The Klewnuggit Light, (list of Lights No. 514) has been reported extinguished, Capt. E. O. Ormsby, district marine agent for the Department of Transport reported today.

He said the light will be repaired as soon as possible.

WEATHER

Widely - scattered showers Wednesday morning, clearing during the afternoon. Little change in temperature. Winds west 15 in exposed areas near Queen Charlottes, light elsewhere. Low tonight and high tomorrow 40 and 50.

TIDES

Wednesday, October 11, 1961 (Pacific Standard Time)

High	02:05	20.3 feet
	14:10	21.3 feet
Low	08:06	5.0 feet
	20:33	3.5 feet