

Park Board Members Question Spending of Money at Centre

Park Board Chairman Pat Forman has been directed to call an immediate meeting with the Civic Centre executive to discuss operations of that organization.

This was decided last night after commissioners criticized spending of money budgeted by the Park Board to the Centre. Because most of the Park Board members are leaving for vacation this week-end the meeting probably will be called for tomorrow night.

Action Demanded On Tennis Court Works Department Criticized For "Lack of Co-Operation"

Prince Rupert Parks Board, at a special meeting last night, demanded city works department speed up blacktopping of tennis courts on Second Avenue.

City Works Department Criticized Failed to Move Debris in Park

The Parks Board is annoyed at the city council and the works department.

At a meeting last night, called primarily to discuss operation of the tennis courts on Second Avenue, members, one after the other, blamed the "lack of co-operation from the works department, even at the best of times."

The chairman of the works board must, and should co-operate with us," said one member of the board. "We're trying to improve the city and we need this co-operation."

It was moved by Commissioner Murray that "we write the board or works chairman that last year's council and this year's council both promised to remove all the debris from the site of the old exhibition buildings at Roosevelt Park and such has not been done to date, and if it is not done immediately, it is the intention of the Park Board to have a private contractor clear the site and charge same to the board of works."

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Balagno and endorsed unanimously.

Secretary Peter Lien hardly had time to get the wording of this resolution on paper before Commissioner Eby moved that "we also write City Council and state that the Park Board is in need of fill and seek their advice, and ask them if they have the means of directing the works department to spots where we could use it in our park development program."

This motion was seconded by Commissioner Murray and was passed without a dissenting vote.

Low Fare Set to Edmonton Show

WINNIPEG—Low rail fares to the Edmonton Exhibition, July 14-19, were announced today by R. H. Powers, vice-chairman of the Canadian Passenger Association.

The low rate of one way fare and one-half for the return will be good in all classes of accommodation.

Tickets will be on sale here from July 12 to 18.

Oil and Mining Boom in North Country Predicted by Territories Commissioner

OTTAWA (CP)—Rulers of the vast Northwest Territories were told Wednesday the north may soon bolster Canada's oil boom and that its mining prospects could easily double the population there in 10 years.

The predictions came from Maj.-Gen. H. A. Young, commissioner of the Territories, gathered together in Ottawa.

The little parliament is composed of five civil servants and three elected representatives.

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FIRE BY NIGHT—This aged woman, her face a mask of misery, walks barefoot, a blanket covering her night attire, as fire forced her and some 700 other residents of a home for elderly persons in Toronto out during the early hours of this morning. No one was injured. Cause of the fire in the building, the former Christie Street Military Hospital in northwest Toronto, was not immediately determined. Many of the elderly persons were asleep at the time of the fire and were roused by nurses. (CP PHOTO)

Mayor Whalen Receives Petition Asking Resumption of Sunday Boat

Petition asking resumption of the Sunday boat arrival here was presented to Mayor Harold Whalen this morning for endorsement by the city council.

A delegation representing wholesale and retail grocers in Prince Rupert, all of whom have signed the petition, presented it to the mayor. His worship will forward the petition to Gerald C. McBean, managing director of Union Steamships Limited in Vancouver.

Copies of the petition will be forwarded by the grocers to E. T. Applewhite, MP for Skeena and other government officials.

Eight Killed, 20 Injured In Greyhound Bus Crash

WINNIPEG (CP)—A hurtling Greyhound bus smashed rear of standing truck killing eight persons and injuring about 20 others.

RCMP at press time were still working at the morgue to identify the dead. All the dead were passengers in the bus. Six of the injured were released from hospital after treatment.

Killed were five women and three men. Their names were withheld pending notification of next-of-kin.

The Northland Greyhound bus, northbound from Minneapolis to Winnipeg, smashed into the rear of a huge semi-trailer truck at St. Norbert, 13 miles south of Winnipeg.

The force ripped the bus open like a giant sardine can.

Nose of the bus shredded, the roof was pried up and half of one side crumpled.

The truck, owned by Royal Transportation Company, Winnipeg, was badly damaged. Apparently there was no one in it at the time of the crash.

Driver of the bus, Robert Stavos, of Crookston, Minn., escaped with a broken arm.

"This is the worst accident Greyhound Bus Lines has ever had in Western Canada," said Grant Smith, Winnipeg Greyhound superintendent.

Russ Veto Inquiry Proposal

Compiled from CP Despatches

Russia today vetoed a United States proposal for an impartial inquiry into Communist germ warfare charges.

The Security Council voted 10 to 1 for an investigation in Red China and North Korea by the International Red Cross.

Soviet delegate Malik warned in advance that he would veto the U.S. proposal because Chinese and Korean communists had not been invited to take part in the debate.

U.S. delegate Ernest Gross said Malik's action definitely proved the falsity of the Communist charges.

NEW PLAN

Meanwhile at Munsan, Communist negotiators offered a new plan for breaking the Korean truce talks deadlock, but Allied spokesmen said the proposal contained a "lot of gimmicks and potential gimmicks."

Major-General Harrison, Jr., said the red plan "may be an important one and it may not."

The reds have indicated that they may ease their demand for the return of all military prisoners in United Nations stockades, provided the 20,000 Chinese captives are returned.

They asked for secret sessions to discuss the proposal.

Gen. Harrison immediately called for an adjournment until Friday to study it. He did not reply to the Communist demand for secret sessions.

VAN FLEET AGREES

From the war front, General Van Fleet, Eighth Army Commander, said this morning he fully agreed with British Defence Minister Earl Alexander's statement in London that greater military reserves are needed in Korea.

The General, in a telephone interview with a Reuters News Agency correspondent in Tokyo, said: "There is no commander in the world who does not like to have more troops. I fully concur with Earl Alexander's remarks."

The Eighth Army commander said he has enough manpower to hold off a Communist attack.

His reply was to a statement by the former Governor-General of Canada at a Dominion Day luncheon in Canada House.

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Group Formed To Protect Rights of Working Man

Terrace Citizens Ired By Threats to Workers

Reports of unlawful procedure in a drive for union membership at Terrace have culminated in formation there of an association known as the Civil Rights League.

A spokesman for the group said here today that a number of loggers and millworkers in that community, 95 miles east of Prince Rupert, have been told that if they did NOT join the IWA they would not be able to get or hold a position in the industry.

"Some of the men threatened are working in mills that have no union contracts and others are those now out of work because of the IWA strike," said the informant.

In a statement, he said: "there has occurred to an alarming degree an obvious attempt by representatives of an organized body to infringe on the civil rights of the individual by use of threats and intimidation."

Statements have been made threatening the livelihood of the working man in Terrace with a view to forcing him to join an organization against his will."

NOT AFFECTED

Because of the situation, he continued, "a group of citizens, many not in any way affected by this particular issue, have formed an association the aims and objects of which are to prevent such venturesome attempts to undermine the rights of a democratic people."

He said a "well-attended" meeting was held in Terrace last Friday at which a temporary executive was established and empowered to draw up a constitution to be submitted to the membership for ratification with a view to registration under the Societies Act for incorporation.

"The Civil Rights League," he continued, "is prepared to furnish legal aid to any individual or group of individuals, to support any justifiable action considered necessary to maintain their constitutional rights."

"Our contention is that this law of civil rights is the only legal weapon we have with which to fight this threat."

"Both the operator and the individual should have the opportunity to stand up for his own rights and be in a position to prevent anyone dictating to him what union he should join."

Sole purpose of the meeting last Friday, he stated, was to discuss means of protecting the rights of individuals.

More than 500 pamphlets outlining the aims and ultimate objects of the league have been printed and are being distributed to citizens in Terrace.

All major logging operations in the Terrace area have been at a standstill since the IWA-called strike began June 14.

A Terrace grocer visiting here today said merchants already are "feeling the affects" of the strike and the "town generally has been hard hit by the lack of spending power."

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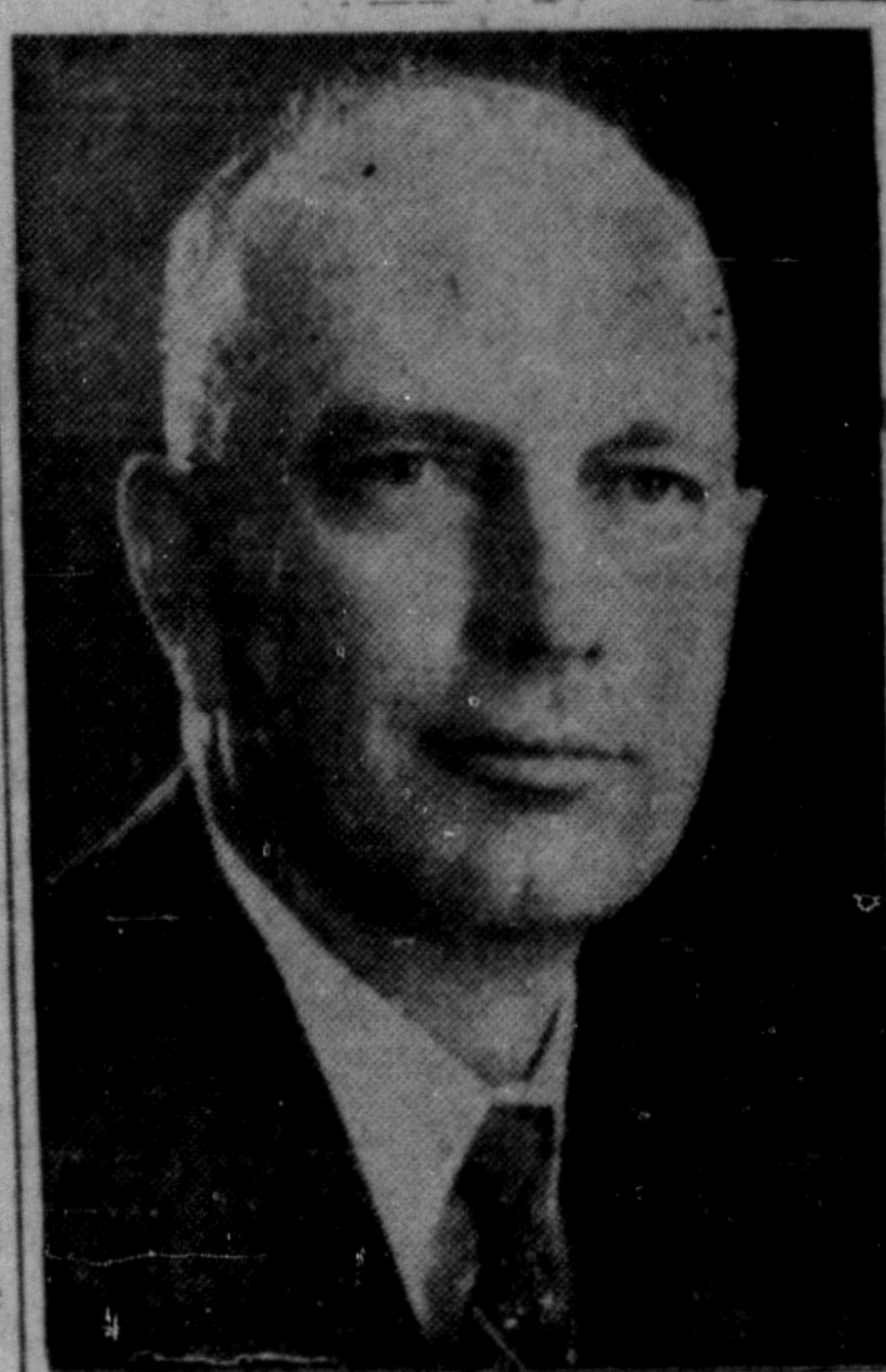
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NHL Rejects Cleveland Bid to Enter Major Circuit For at Least a Year

TORONTO (AP)—Cleveland Barons, top-ranking American Hockey League team for many years and one of the wealthiest clubs in any circuit, has been refused a berth in the NHL for at least a year.

Their bid for entry was rejected yesterday when the two parties failed to agree on what constitutes working capital. NHL governors agreed they wanted the Barons in the big league, but only on a workable basis and left the door open for the club to apply again in the 1953-54 season.



NEW POST—K. L. Robertson, former city ticket agent at Winnipeg, has taken over here as general agent, passenger department, Canadian National Railways. He succeeds William Cruickshank, who has been transferred to Vancouver as district passenger agent for B.C.

Trawler Strike Called Off

The 10-week-old strike of trawler fishermen was called off late Wednesday by union officials.

The strike involved 100 men—aboard 30 trawlers here and in Victoria and Vancouver. Fishermen sought a minimum price agreement on cod and sole.

Homer Stevens, secretary of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, said the strike was called off because more than half of the 30 boats have gone into other types of fishing.

"We will renew efforts for minimum price agreements in the fall," Stevens said.

New Air Bases

BELGRADE (AP)—Yugoslav, semi-official government news agency, is circulating reports that neighboring Hungary has been rushing construction of fortifications and air bases along Yugoslavia's border.

TIDES

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High	11:15	16.0 feet
	22:48	20.1 feet
Low	4:53	4.7 feet
	16:36	9.0 feet