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Salmon fishing halted
Skeena River closed 10 days

Salmon net fishing in the Skeena River area will come to a halt at 6 o'clock tomorrow night and must remain at a halt for 10 days. The closure does not affect the southern part of the river.

Whitmore, chief superintendent of fisheries, said the closure is a conservation measure. The order says fishing must stop from 6 p.m. August 15, to 6 p.m. August 24.

Whitmore also announced that on August 24, gillnets of less than 6 1/2-inch mesh will be allowed. Fishermen at the time are using sockeye nets which vary in size.

Skeena River area exports to Port Simpson in the north end of the Channel.

Conservation measure is in effect every season, although the closure this year is a time when the pink salmon run is reported at its peak.

Men have been averaging over 100 a day in the past week and are "plugged" with salmon already have been set for that year with a pack of 400,000 cases.

Fishermen received 25 pounds for sockeye, only a third of that for pinks, a veteran fisherman said.

Warehouses are piled with cases of salmon from operations and some year's pack also is still in storage.



PARACHUTE PATTERN—About 20 paratroopers of the Royal Canadian Regiment's Second Battalion form a picturesque pattern as they descend to the St. Thomas, Ont., Municipal Airport. The air exercises were part of the Elgin County centennial celebrations. The paratroopers took the airstrip in a mock battle from the defending Elgin Regiment. (CP PHOTO)

CCL Protests Appointment of Sands as Deputy of Labor; Claims 'Payoff'

VANCOUVER (CP)—Canadian Congress of Labor Wednesday protested the appointment of William Sands as deputy minister of labor.

Appointment of William Sands as deputy minister was announced Tuesday by new Social Credit Premier W. A. C. Bennett.

Recently the Provincial Labor Relations Board certified the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union (FVWU) as bargaining agent for workers in 30 Okanagan Valley plants. This wiped out the certification held in three plants by United Packinghouse Workers (U.P.W.)

(CCL). Sands was the TCLC organizer in the Okanagan. George Home, president of the B.C. Federation of Labor (B.C.F.L.) charged at a meeting of Greater Vancouver and the Lower Mainland Labor Council (CCL) that Sands while on the payroll of the Packinghouse Workers in 1946, "undermined its standing and position in the Okanagan by assisting in the organization of a rival company-promoted pretence of a union."

Jim Bury, secretary of the Labor Council, said the Premier was "paying off" Okanagan with Sands' appointment.

Axe May Fall on BC Civil Service Workers

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier W. A. C. Bennett said Wednesday a general scaling down of British Columbia's 10,000-person civil service is planned by the new Social Credit government.

Casualties Total 926

OTTAWA (CP)—The Army Wednesday issued its 125th casualty list of the Korean war reporting two men killed in action and four wounded in action. All were from the 1st Battalion of the Royal 22nd Regiment.

Latest list brings to 926 the number of casualties suffered so far by Canadian troops in Korea, including 162 dead, 791 wounded, 64 injured, eight missing and one listed as a prisoner of war.

RCMP Plane Bringing Dog Held by Fog

AN RCMP plane bringing a police dog to Porcher Island to search for 10-year-old Evelyn Doucette, was grounded by bad weather at Alert Bay late Wednesday and has not been able to continue northward.

RCMP here said at noon today no trace has been found of the little girl who has been missing since shortly after supper Tuesday night.

Former City Alderman Dies in South

William H. Montgomery, former city alderman and one of the fathers of the city hydro-electric plant at Woodworth Lake, died Tuesday in hospital at New Westminster.

He would have been 80 years old on October 11. Mr. Montgomery was one of the pioneer residents of this city and one of Prince Rupert's earliest aldermen. He had been in failing health for several months.

Canadian Troops Come Home

SEATTLE (CP)—Delayed a week by mechanical difficulties, the U.S. troopship Frederick Funston docked here Wednesday with 326 Canadian veterans of the Korean war.

Troops were greeted by Brig. W. J. McGill, British Columbia area commander, and within an hour of docking were aboard a special train which will carry them to points across Canada.

WELSH PIONEERS

SALTCOATS, Sask. (CP)—Nearly 500 old-timers registered for the 50th anniversary celebration of the arrival of the Welsh colony here. Gifts were presented to the three oldest pioneers, Mr. and Mrs. R. Morris and Mrs. W. Thomas.

Man Loses Life Fighting Burns Lake Forest Fire
B.C. Woods Stricken by Many Fires

1 Missing, 6 Saved From Trap of Flames

BURNS LAKE—Out of control and advancing about two miles every hour, the 5,000-acre Tintagel forest fire moved deeper into rich timber stands Wednesday night.

In Victoria, the Forest Service said the forest fire situation was "the worst it's been this year" with 1,000 men fighting 149 fires throughout the province.

The two worst blazes are the Tintagel outbreak and at Mosher Creek, in the Bella Coola valley, where fire has ripped through 1,000 acres of timber.

Wednesday, the 20th straight day without rain, seven new fires were reported in the Vancouver forest district, where hazard has resulted in a ban of logging operations.

A steady wind was driving the Tintagel fire northward toward Babine Lake when a sudden shift in the wind Tuesday de-toured the fire away from the village of Tintagel, eight miles east of here on the Prince George-Prince Rupert highway.



SMUGGLED SWEETHEART—Loboria Sarraolandia, 30-year-old Spanish sailor, and Rita Cappelloni, his 25-year-old Italian sweetheart whom he smuggled aboard a Greek freighter in a duffelbag, will be deported from Canada, according to immigration officials at Vancouver. She was concealed for 52 days in Third Engineer Sarraolandia's cabin on the freighter Panagiotis Countantaros. He had to reveal the stowaway's presence when he could no longer smuggle food to her. (CP Photo)

Canada to Give U.K. Millions

OTTAWA (CP)—Production Minister Howe announced yesterday a \$320,000,000 program to aid the United Kingdom through defence-equipment gifts, purchases and capital assistance. He also denied that Canada lacks sympathy for Britain's financial problems.

"The Canadian government is prepared to do more for the U.K. than for any other country in the world," Howe said in an interview.

He said that Canada this year will send about \$150,000,000 worth of armaments to Britain as a gift under mutual aid, purchase of about \$100,000,000 worth of defence equipment from British factories and provide some \$70,000,000 in capital assistance to help establish some key U.K. defence plants in Canada.

New Liner

VLISSINGEN, The Netherlands (CP)—Construction of an ocean liner, as yet known only as M273, for the Swedish-American Line is nearing the launching stage at the De Scheide shipyards here. Six of her nine decks have been laid and she now stands 65 feet above her bed.

One firefighter was burned to death, another is missing and six made their way to freedom late Wednesday when a raging forest fire near Burns Lake broke out of control, trapped the men and destroyed valuable fire-fighting equipment.

Dead is Howard Gordon, mill-worker at Burns Lake, where his wife and five children reside.

Missing is J. H. Hunter. Names of the men who reached safety were not known.

The fire already has razed an area of 8000 acres between Tintagel and Boer Mountain, and although it is still burning fiercely, Forestry Department officials said weather conditions this morning were aiding the firefighters.

Humidity in the area is reported going up considerably and low-lying fog is hanging.

The eight men were trapped in the southwest corner when a high wind drove flames over their heads.

Forestry Minister Einar Gunderson and Bernard Allen, retiring manager of the Canadian National Railways in Vancouver, are new appointees to board.

James Stewart, PGA chief engineer and acting deputy railways minister, was reappointed. One vacancy will remain for a time and there has been speculation that J. A. Kennedy, PGE general manager, may be appointed to a vacant director's post, if he wants it.

Mr. Kennedy has submitted his resignation but it must go before the new board of directors at their first meeting.

Former directors were Byron Johnson and Herbert Anscob.

AGREEMENT—Meanwhile, the government intends to fight to the last ditch to force Canadian National Railways to carry out its famous 1912 agreement.

"We expect the CNR to carry out that agreement," Premier Bennett said Wednesday.

The agreement, which still has several years to run, was made between the government-owned PGE and the old Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, now the CNR.

Under the terms, GTP promised that on completion of the PGE to Prince George, all freight originating on the GTP from eastern points and headed for Vancouver must be routed down the PGE.

With the PGE now nearly completed to Prince George, the old agreement takes on an added importance.

First of the great Arctic explorers was John Davis of Britain who reached west Greenland in 1587.

-TIDES-

Friday, August 15, 1952
 (Pacific Standard Time)

High	10:27	15.1 feet
	21:57	17.6 feet
Low	3:51	6.0 feet
	15:46	10.7 feet

BULLETINS

Village in Fire Ring

MALLOET (CP)—The tiny settlement of Moha, miles northwest of here, was almost surrounded by forest fire today and residents prepared to evacuate. The Yakom lumber mill in the village destroyed by fire, touching off a roaring blaze in the woods.

Bandits Rob Bank of \$71,000

WARREN, Ohio—Three armed bandits masked their faces and forced the car of a Warren bank teller Charles Foley off the road today and robbed him of about \$71,000 cash.

Columnist Dies Of Heart Attack

WEST CHESTER, Pa. — Mark Sullivan, 78, nationally known newspaper columnist died of a heart attack last night in the Chester County hospital.

Lightning Kills 1, Burns Pal; Heat Melted Cans in Packsack

ELLENSBURG, Wash. (CP)—An injured mountain climber, hit by the same lightning bolt that killed his companion, said Wednesday "the heat was so great it melted the cans in my pack."

The pack was on his back. Bob Grant, 19, told of the ordeal on his arrival here on a Coast Guard helicopter that snatched him from Mt. Stuart, in the Cascades.

Fruit juice cans in Grant's haversack were fused together by lightning that burned him and killed Paul Brinkoff, 20.

"I was about 20 feet from Paul when the first lightning bolt struck us Sunday," Grant related from the stretcher on which he lay with his burned feet bandaged. "It knocked me about 20 feet."



MILLION-DOLLAR FIRE—The Capilano Timber Company mill at New Westminster has been destroyed by fire of unknown origin. Damage to the mill, one of the largest shingle plants in B.C., was estimated at \$1,000,000. It resumed operations about two weeks ago after a seven-week lumbermen's strike. (CP PHOTO)