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City Teachers Seek \$40,000 Salary Increase



PARLIAMEN POLITICAL LEADERS—These are the men who will debate the Throne Speech in the Commons at the session of Parliament tomorrow. Their discussions may be a prelude to an election. A general election is expected to be called by the end of 1953. Three of the leaders, photographed on the left, are (from left to right) M. J. Coldwell, CCF leader; Prime Minister St. Laurent and George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader. Inset is Solon Low, leader of the Social Credit party. (CP PHOTO)

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Worst Polio Epidemic in B.C. Declining; Cases Total 548

VICTORIA (CP)—British Columbia's worst polio epidemic is declining, Dr. G. K. Amyot, deputy minister of health, reported Tuesday.

The polio epidemic is on the wane throughout the province," he said. "The number of cases reported has been lower each week since Sept. 13."

Total for the province to date is 548, with a death toll of 30. There were 304 cases for the same period in 1947, a previous record year.

School Board Hears New Wage Proposal

Increases which would cost the city and district an additional \$40,000 have been requested by the Prince Rupert District Teachers' Association.

The request was made to the School Board at a special meeting last night by the salary committee of the association.

The city of Prince Rupert contributes 46.9 per cent of the cost of teacher salaries and rural areas contribute 53.1 per cent.

If the increases are granted they will take effect January 1, 1953.

While the provincial department of education annually makes a grant to school districts based on the number of teachers, it is not affected by any additional salary increases.



WESTERN PUBLISHER—Walter A. MacDonald, 55, succeeded the late John M. Imrie as publisher of The Edmonton Journal in 1941. He had become business manager of The Journal in 1937 after many years of newspaper work in Vancouver where he received his elementary and high school education. Mr. MacDonald was named first vice-president of the Canadian Daily Newspapers' Association in 1952.

None Injured as Car-Ferry Crashes Into Nanaimo Dock

NANAIMO—The 6,200-ton car-passenger ferry, Princess of Nanaimo overshot her landing here Tuesday night and thundered aground after smashing into a marine gas and oil station and moored fish-boats.

The Nanaimo was refloated at high tide today with the aid of five tugs.

A preliminary survey showed little damage.

No one was injured, neither ashore nor on ferry.

Failure of an electrical signal system was blamed for the shore-denting antics of the ship.

The Nanaimo cut her swath of destruction through harbor shipping while docking after the 35-mile trip from Vancouver.

Passengers were removed by the motor vessel Atrevida, last of them reaching shore three hours after the accident.

Her wanderings left the Nanaimo within 100 yards of the Nanaimo post office, with a 10-degree list to starboard and her stern wedged between the shore and the CPR wharf.

City Defers Home Service Application

H. L. Knutson has applied to the Public Utilities Commission for permission to operate a shoppers' service here with station wagons.

This was disclosed in a letter to city council from William Brown, superintendent of the Motor Carriers' Branch of the PUC.

Mr. Brown asked council's views on the request before dealing with it because the PUC already was reviewing an application by the bus line here for increased fares.

After considerable discussion, Ald. George Casey moved that council withhold its decision until the bus line issue was settled and six aldermen favored the move while Alderman McLean and Gomez dissented.

An amendment by Ald. McLean that council deal with the application at the present time, seconded by Ald. Gomez, was defeated when Mayor Harold Whalen cast the deciding vote.

Explaining his idea to council, Mr. Knutson said it would be a personalized service in which he would pick up housewives at their home, bring them down town to shop and take them home with their groceries. Children six years and under would ride free and each person would be allowed 30 pounds of groceries.

Ald. McLean said the service would not affect the bus company because under Mr. Knutson's plan he would be calling at the citizen's home and returning them, whereas persons riding buses, board and alight at set stops.

Those in favor of dealing with the application at the present time were Aldermen McLean, Gomez, Krueger and Glassey. Contrary were Aldermen Hills, Currie, Casey and Prusky.

Street Costs Too High Say City Fathers

The city is going to seek the view of citizens on Sherbrooke Avenue regarding construction of a road past their homes.

Cost to the city of building a road is estimated at \$14,500 as against \$9,500 for the owners.

Several aldermen feel the city's share is too great because the section is sparsely settled and the road would be a dead-end street.

At the last regular meeting, council endorsed a motion by Ald. George Hills that for economical reasons the road be constructed where a lane now is located. Aldermen George Casey and Darrow Gomez dissented.

Ald. Ray McLean, who visited the locality a fortnight ago said he believed the city would be well-advised to prepare for construction of a road in the lane and recommended that council rescind its original motion of several months ago.

Ald. Casey said the owners had petitioned for the road construction and that it should be done. Ald. Gomez criticized aldermen for suggesting that the lane be made into the road and also reminded council about the petition.

Left Wingers Shut Out by Labor Party

LONDON (CP)—Aneurin Bevan and his left wing rebel supporters were shut out of the Labor Party's "shadow cabinet" in ballot results announced today.

The vote was conducted among Labor members of the House of Commons to pick debate leaders of the out-of-office party.

Chinese Cook Committed on Customs Count

Wah Chang Loong, chief cook aboard the deep-sea freighter Ocean Venus, was committed for trial in a higher court at a preliminary hearing in police court here yesterday on a charge of smuggling.

The Chinese was arrested by Canadian Customs officials last Saturday after he left the ship carrying a shopping bag which, police said, contained strands of imitation pearls and 10 cigarette lighters valued at \$200 or over.

He appeared before acting police magistrate Sid Johnston.

He will probably appear before Judge W. D. Fulton in County Court later this week.

The Ocean Venus is loading barley at the Dominion Grain Elevator and is scheduled to sail for Japan on Saturday.

Duke, Duchess May be Invited to Coronation

LONDON (CP)—Court circles speculated Tuesday that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor probably will be invited to the coronation next June and that gesture will complete the Duke's reconciliation with all members of the Royal family.

The Duke, who abdication in 1936 started a train of events which brought Elizabeth to the throne, is here for a short visit with Queen Mary.

Public Not Interested in Throne Speech; Want to Know About Likely Tax Reduction

PRINCE RUPERT (CP)—These last few days in the Commons at the session of Parliament have been curiously quiet in government circles. A general election is expected to be called by the end of 1953. Three of the leaders, photographed on the left, are (from left to right) M. J. Coldwell, CCF leader; Prime Minister St. Laurent and George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader. Inset is Solon Low, leader of the Social Credit party. (CP PHOTO)

less if no Speech from the Throne was in preparation.

Such public indifference is a noteworthy departure from the traditional pre-session atmosphere. Normally a last-minute bustle of preparations coincides with final hours of sometimes painful public suspense to create a mounting excitement of expected great events. But this year there is no such build-up. It wouldn't be right to say that the public was cynical in its attitude towards the session's legislative program. But it plainly isn't attaching much advance importance to it.

ONE-TRACK PUBLIC

The somewhat unwelcome inference which the Cabinet ministers draw from the apparent lack of advance interest in the Throne Speech is that the public is concerned stubbornly with only one thing, namely, the prospects of lower taxes.

Recognition for that one-track attitude bothers the government rather badly. It wishes that the public mind could be diverted from its concentration of the moment on the tax issue. The Cabinet's current definition of a political miracle is anything that would cause the electorate to forget temporarily the bite that taxation is taking out of their pay envelopes and the levels to which a post-war inflation has boosted living costs.

PROMISE OF INACTION

With the interest of the public focussed upon taxation, the budget supplants the Throne Speech as the hard core of real concern in the new session. But the budget isn't due until some weeks after the Christmas recess. It follows that the pre-Christmas weeks ahead are more likely to be perfunctory than spectacular.

Actually, it's difficult to see how the pre-Christmas weeks can develop major importance. The Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance will be in London. Hon. Paul Martin, key Minister in any possible revival of a health insurance scheme, will be in New York. With these senior figures thus engaged elsewhere, it's a safe wager that the caretaker Cabinet that will remain on the job isn't going to initiate any really major business. It will be content to have things run in a normal routine. Politically, its aim will be a holding war.

Prison Riot Broken by Shotgun-Firing Guards

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (CP)—Shotgun-firing guards last night broke up the third major riot this year at the Southern Michigan prison, the world's largest walled penitentiary.

More than 2,000 convicts, some wielding butcher knives and clubs, joined in the melee that lasted two hours.

Even then the situation was described as "so tense, anything could happen."

Despite 20 shotgun and sub-machine blasts into the air, no one was shot, and no guards were grabbed as hostages as they were in the bloody and costly mutiny in April and the less violent one in July.

One convict suffered a scalp wound, apparently from a flying plate or other missile, as the riot flared up in the prison dining hall and spread into the yards and cellblocks.

Forces Closing of Single Mill

HOODY, B.C. (CP)—A mill here employing about 100 men is closing down because of production costs and other factors.

McNair, president of the mill, said the plant would re-open in demand for cedar in the United States.

Two years ago No. 1 cedar shingles sold for \$2.70 a square more than now and cost was about \$2.70.

HOCKEY SCORES

WHL—Vancouver 5, Edmonton 2.
Vancouver 2, Saskatoon 11.
OHL—Kelowna 8, Vernon 2.

Weatherman Says

Synopsis
The disturbance moving southward will bring light rain to the southern B.C. coast after its passage moist from the Pacific will re-entire cloud and rain over the coastal areas.

The interior and there will be scattered showers in the districts today, spreading to the interior tomorrow.

Forecast
With showers today and tomorrow. Not much change in temperature. Winds westerly 20, increasing to 30. Low and high tomorrow at 43 and 48; Sandspit at 43 and 48; Sandspit at 43 and 48.

B.C. AUTHOR RELATES INTRIGUING STORY OF CANADIAN STATESMAN

King Book Reveals Startling Events in Late Premier's Life

By CLYDE BLACKBURN
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA—Mackenzie King's fear of trouble in Korea brought him close to a break with his chosen successor Louis St. Laurent, two years before the Korean war broke out, Bruce Hutchison reports in his book, "The Incredible Canadian," now off the press.

This is one of the previously untold stories in the newspaper man's painstaking account of the life and times of Mackenzie King

Prime Minister of Canada for 22 years before his retirement in 1948. (The book is published by Longmans Green.)

In more than 150,000 words, Mr. Hutchison, editor of the Victoria Times and author of "Canada, the Unknown Country," gives a frank and sometimes cruel account of Mackenzie King's thoughts, motives, actions and utterances during 50 years of Canada's often-turbulent political history. The book gives evidence of a most-exhaustive

study of the records and an intimate personal relationship with the late Prime Minister.

The book attributes to Mackenzie King a great deal of wise statesmanship, a great deal of cold, ruthless political astuteness, and a degree of pettishness and absurdity.

Most incredible of the stories—that describing Mackenzie King's capitulation to cabinet demands for conscription in 1944 in the face of a real or imaginary threat of revolt by

the army—has already appeared in print as an extract.

That story has not been denied or commented upon publicly by those surviving who were concerned most closely with the stormy events of October and November, 1944.

Another passage, incredible to those who believed they knew Mackenzie King, tells of his keeping in his employ a servant he believed to be a Communist spy and, for amusement, confiding to him pretended sym-

athies for Russia.

The Korean incident occurred in 1948, the year Mackenzie King resigned. He had been away from Ottawa and Mr. St. Laurent, then external affairs minister, was acting Prime Minister. The then Justice Minister, J. L. Ilsley (now Nova Scotia's chief justice) was leading Canada's delegation to the United Nations.

The Prime Minister returned to Ottawa to find that Mr. Ilsley, with approval of Mr. St. Laurent,

had accepted a place for Canada on the United Nations Korea Commission.

Mr. Hutchison said Mackenzie King was "incensed." He was obsessed with fear of war in Korea and believed such a step should not have been taken without consulting him.

"Ilsley prepared to resign," the book says. "St. Laurent said little but made it clear that he

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U.S. Capable Of Attack, Says General

SEOUL (CP)—General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff, said today the air force is capable of beginning aggressive war against the Red's Manchurian bases at any time the U.S. government changes its war policy.

Gen. Vandenberg, on the last leg of a world tour of installations under his command, told reporters "the air force is in a position to do anything the administration wants done."

B.C. Lawyer To Stand as Tory Leader

VANCOUVER (CP)—Les Bewley, prominent young Progressive Conservative, announced Tuesday he is a conditional candidate for leadership of the British Columbia Progressive Conservatives.

The 35-year-old Vancouver lawyer said he would permit his name to go before the Nov. 29 leadership convention—but would withdraw immediately if E. Davie Fulton, Member of Parliament for Kamloops, agreed to run.

'Heavy' Ice Halts Curling Temporarily

Play at the Prince Rupert Curling Club was at a standstill last night because of poor ice conditions.

Officials said "heavy" ice was caused when the automatic control which governs the flow of brine failed to operate correctly.

Draws which were to have been played will be completed later in the season. Remainder of draws for this week will go on as scheduled.

Two games set for this Sunday have been cancelled. They are Bateman-Collinson and Kellogg-Rowbotham. Other Sunday games will go as scheduled.

REALLY DAMP
The Ruwenzori mountain slopes in the Belgian Congo have an average annual rainfall of 200 inches.