

Monday, December 16, 1952
Pacific Standard Time

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WA Hold Contract

No Decision By Operators

VANCOUVER (CP)—International Woodworkers of America said it will not ask for re-opening of its current wage contract with operators.

After last summer's strike, mediation terms, either by union or operators could go to the mediator, Chief Justice Sloan, to have contract re-opened between Jan. 1 and Jan. 1.

The union said its decision was based upon its "inability to come out of such an open-ended contract."

The organization has never before in the best interests of membership," a union statement said.

Billings, spokesman for operators, said the matter under consideration but no decision will be announced for a few days.

Rainmakers Head For Ketchikan

Memorial High School's rainmakers took to the air today to meet Ketchikan's Kay-Bears in an attempt to win the international high school basketball trophy.

Rainmakers, who lost one and one in a two-game series Dec. 4 and 5, must win both in the return match to win the trophy.

Games are scheduled for today and Wednesday nights. Rainmakers win, they take away for the first time in three years. Rules of contest are that a team win three out of four to get the cup. In event of a tie, the team holding the trophy from the previous year's game retains it.

Mc-Hill players who made trip are Bill Morrison, captain; Rod Tait, Fred Kristman; Dick Nickerson, Bill Becker; Harold McKay, Gordon Cameron; Jerry Ford, Ron Cleone; and Letourneau; Jack Evans; Darrel Young, manager.

They return on the Canadian steamer on Thursday.

Douks Protest Night Raids

VANCOUVER (CP)—Sons of Freedom Doukhobors at nearby farms have protested to the RCMP and Attorney-General Bonner over night raids on the RCMP.

A letter of protest says the Doukhobors are frightened women and children when they raid Doukhobor farms searching for terrorists.



LEONARD JACKSON STEVE SUCHAN

Two notorious gunmen of the Boyd gang will end their careers on the gallows tonight. At one minute past midnight, after a reprieve, Steve Suchan and Leonard Jackson will be executed back-to-back for the murder of Detective Edmond last March 6. Mrs. Jackson has cabled the Queen, asking to intervene. The two are shown behind bars in Toronto.

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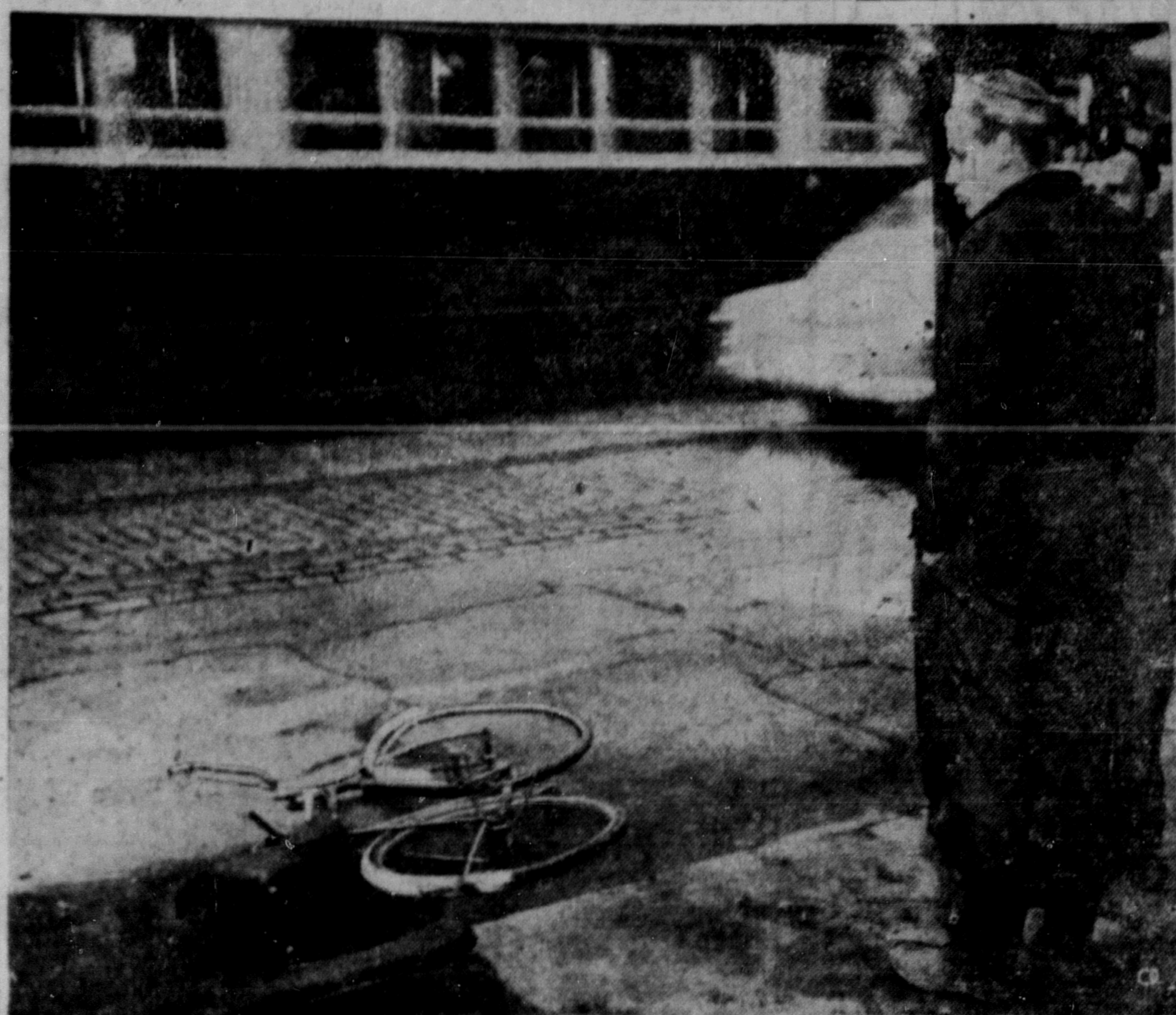
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Tragedy Strikes Bicycle Rider

BICYCLE ON ROADWAY, coat on sidewalk, mark death on an east-Toronto street. Standing at the right, still dazed by the tragedy, is John Jerow, 25, driver of a tractor-trailer under whose dual rear wheels 24-year-old Lawrence Liberty, the bicycle rider, fell and was killed. It was Toronto's 57th traffic fatality in 1952.

Airline Wins Prize

Stranded Alderman Sees Real Need For Land Airport Here

George Hills, M.L.A. of Prince Rupert and also city alderman, had something to say this morning about the need of an airfield here.

He and Ald. Mike Krueger returned yesterday by air from Victoria and Vancouver after meeting with the B.C. Power Commission as a city council delegation.

Victoria Follows Government Plan To Rule Out Parties at City Hall

VICTORIA (CP)—Christmas parties within the city hall have been ruled out this year.

City Manager Cecil Wyatt said today a directive will go to all departments advising that the hall will close at noon on December 24 and no parties will be held in the building.

The directive follows the pattern set by the provincial cabinet last week.

2 Men Injured in Accident On Highway to Port Edward

One man was taken to hospital and another was slightly injured this morning when the car in which they were driving collided with the rear end of a department of public works truck on the Prince Rupert-Port Edward Highway.

In Prince Rupert General Hospital with head injuries is Robert Laird, 20, of 1865 Seventh Avenue East. Other occupant of the car, receiving bruises, was Ronald Michael, same address.

The two were returning from Port Edward when the incident occurred opposite Miller Bay Hospital at 8:30 a.m.

The truck was sanding the highway, made icy and slippery from an overnight frost following last night's rain.

Downtown streets and sidewalks also were highly treacherous this morning before being sanded down by city works department.

40 Aboard Broken U.S. Ship

LEGHORN, Italy (CP)—The 3,000-ton U.S. Navy refrigerator ship Gromet Reener broke in half on the rocks of Leghorn harbor today with 40 men aboard.

She was driven aground by gale-whipped seas.

Three men were carried to safety by breeches buoy across the raging water but in the afternoon the line was used to operate it snapped.

The first man to reach shore said no one aboard was hurt.

The vessel drifted about the harbor for several hours before it crashed on the rocks.

Hospital Group Plan Meeting

VANCOUVER (CP)—The provincial government's order to "freeze" hospital expenses during 1953 will be discussed at a special general meeting of the B.C. Hospitals Association here Jan. 5. Health Minister Eric Martin will be invited to attend.

Alfred H. J. Swencisky, president, said telegrams have been received from hospitals all over the province expressing alarm at the order fixing hospital expenses for 1953 at the 1952 level.

"This is just one more example of why we need an airfield so urgently here."

"We landed in Port Hardy on a DC3 in pretty rough weather, which I understand was much worse than any weather you had up here. With that type of plane being able to land in Prince Rupert there shouldn't be very much hold-up at any time."

Ald. Hills said he and other passengers spent two nights in Port Hardy and one at Sandspit on the trip he figured would land him here Thursday night.

"I chose the plane because I was greatly interested in the elections" (Thursday was civic election day here.)

But Ald. Hills had much praise for Canadian Pacific Airline officials everywhere.

"We knew they weren't taking any chances flying in bad weather, so we weren't ever worried."

"What's more, they treated us royally everywhere." He said that all stranded passengers were well billeted and well fed, some staying in available hotel rooms, others in private homes.

"At Sandspit there were more than 180 passengers waiting to leave, either for the north or south. They took the best of care of every one of us," said Mr. Hills.

The northbound passengers were cleared from Sandspit Sunday morning with two flights.

These flights also brought mail to the city, also delayed for four days.

Referring to the need and advantage of an airfield here, Mr. Hills pointed out that a direct flight Canso seaplane had to turn back Saturday on account of weather, while a DC3 (land plane) made the trip to Sandspit uneventfully and landed easily.

This plane, which was to connect with a return flight to Prince Rupert, was 15 minutes late and the Rupert flight by the Canso had to be cancelled because of adverse weather here.

Aldermen Hills and Krueger were appointed by city council last week to seek an interview with the B.C. Power Commission for answers to 20 questions the city compiled in connection with what the Commission might do in supplying future city power.

A special meeting of city council tomorrow or Wednesday night will hear the result of the interview.

49 Trapped In Gold Mine

MANILA (CP)—Forty-nine miners were trapped and presumed killed today when a river broke through a gold-mine shaft and engulfed them in a thundering wall of water.

It was the worst mine disaster on record in the Philippines.

Water rushed into the 400-foot-deep tunnel of the United Parascala Mining Company on southeastern Luzon.

82 Killed, 120 Wounded In Korean POW Camp

MAN WHO FOUND \$25,000 GETS \$2 REWARD IN MAIL

MONTREAL (CP)—Alexander Severson, 22, isn't so sure honesty is the best policy.

He found an envelope containing \$25,000 in cheques last Friday while walking his girl friend home and turned it over to the owner.

The reward—\$2—arrived by mail today.

Ike Praises All UN Soldiers in Korea

NEW YORK (CP)—President-elect Eisenhower Sunday returned from his 21,000-mile trip to the Korean battlefields and the Pacific with "renewed confidence that a satisfactory solution in Korea can be speeded."

He said his 16-day journey "marks not the end, but the beginning of a new effort" to bring an honorable end to the Korean fighting.

"This is not the moment to state more than that resolve," he declared, "for we face an enemy whom we cannot hope to impress by words, however eloquent, but only by deeds executed under circumstances of our own choosing."

His hopes and resolves were outlined in a formal statement shortly after he landed at La Guardia Field.

Eisenhower had high praise for all United Nations soldiers and units in Korea. The combat records "are worthy of their countries' proudest traditions."

The president-elect is expected to meet General MacArthur some time during the week to discuss the Korean war.

St. Laurent Tables Currie Report

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent today tabled the Currie report on army handling of stores and told the Commons it contains "some sweeping and severe statements."

He urged these not be taken out of the context "because the report itself says it does not fit the facts to indict or smear the whole army works services personnel because of the sins of a handful of crooks."

The report by the accounting firm of George S. Currie, former deputy defence minister, climaxed seven months of investigation touched off by Camp Petawawa thefts.

It makes 44 recommendations. It reports a general breakdown in the system of administration, supervision and account. It was only at Petawawa where extensive irregularities over a prolonged period of time took place.

"There, a combination of lax control, poor discipline and the presence of dishonest personnel proved disastrous."

Russian Aide Barred From Entering U.S.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (CP)—A jovial young Russian, confidential aide of the highest Soviet national in the U.N. secretariat, has been barred from the United States for attempted spying. He also has been dropped from the U.N. payroll.

The Russian is Nikolai Skvortsov, personal assistant to Constantin E. Zinchenko, assistant secretary-general for security council affairs and former press officer for V. M. Molotov.

Both he and Zinchenko have been in Russia since last summer.

News that Skvortsov had been barred from returning broke amidst demands from U.S. officials for the U.N. to clean house and signs that several delegations want the whole issue of subversives in the U.N. aired fully and openly.

Only 2 Vote Against School Bylaw

Of 75 ballots returned in rural district voting last Thursday on the Port Edward school bylaw, all but two voted in favor.

Returns are yet to come from Hunt's Inlet and Port Simpson, school board secretary Mrs. M. M. Roper reported today, but voting in those areas is believed to have been "very light."

Here's how the rural areas voted:

Port Essington, 10 for none against; Oona River, eight for, none against; Digby Island, 10 for, one against; Port Edward, 14 for, none against; Prince Rupert rural polling station, 21 for, one against.

Total number of voters eligible was 369 with less than a third voting.

City electors voting on a similar bylaw, but approving expenditure of \$42,000 as against the district's share of more than \$45,000, passed it 1177-147.

The bylaw calls for construction of a six-room school at Port Edward at a cost of \$167,960.

The province of B.C. shares half this cost.

Second Bribe Offer Bared

VANCOUVER—Second attempt to bribe Vancouver boxers was reported Saturday by Dave Brown, coach of the Police Mutual Benevolent Association Boxing Club.

He told reporters he was offered \$100 if three of his amateur fighters would lose in bouts against Washington boxers here Dec. 4.

He said he hadn't reported it to the Vancouver Boxing Commission "because I treated it just as a joke."

Sonny Jones, professional middleweight, claimed Thursday night he had a bribe offer—\$300 "Christmas money"—if he took a dive in the first round of a fight here.

Riot Broke Out In 6 Compounds

PUSAN, Korea.—Eighty-two North Korean civilian internees were killed and 120 wounded Sunday in a mutinous uprising on the island of Pongam, the Allied prisoner-of-war command reported today.

The internees, reclassified prisoners of war, injured two United States soldiers and two South Korean soldiers.

An official announcement said the U.S. and South Korean troops quelled the uprising.

The announcement said the uprising occurred in Camp 1C on Pongam, small island west of Koje off the southern tip of Korea.

About 3,600 of the camp's 9,000 internees participated in the simultaneous uprising in six separate compounds.

The Allied command said many of the mutineers were former inmates of the notorious compound 62 on Koje where bloody rioting broke out last Feb. 18 when Canadian and British troops were sent in as guards after the riots were quelled.

Teachers Letter Withheld

Contents of a letter mailed by the Prince Rupert District Teachers' Association in reply to the school board's refusal of a salary increase request may be made known tomorrow.

The letter, said school board secretary Mrs. M. M. Roper, would be turned over to the school board "some time today" and the contents could not be given to the newspaper beforehand.

Teachers Saturday stated they had written the board in answer to its refusal to grant a \$40,000 yearly increase for the district's 62 teachers.

The letter, salary committee chairman R. H. Davidson said, "will result in the fixing of salaries for 1953."

Court Rejects Murder Appeal

OTTAWA (CP)—The Supreme Court of Canada today dismissed the appeal of Mrs. Arthur Pitre of Quebec from a murder conviction arising out of the time-bombing of an airliner Sept. 9, 1949. Mrs. Pitre is scheduled to hang Jan. 9. Two others already have been hanged for their part in a plot which sent 23 plane passengers to their deaths.



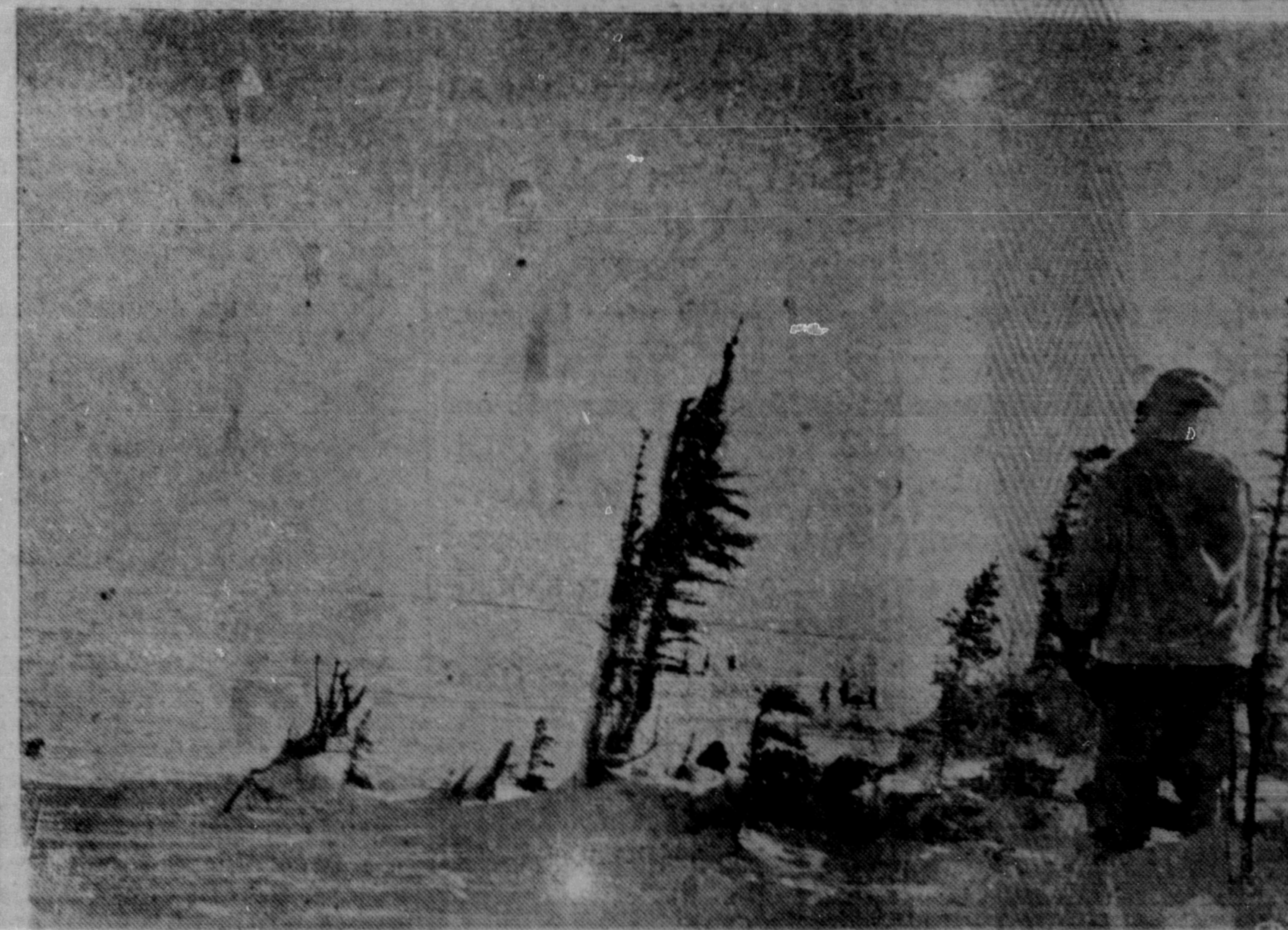
TOKYO POST as Canada's first ambassador to Japan will be taken by former fisheries minister R. H. Mayhew, who left today for the Orient. Here Mr. Mayhew looks at a cigarette case embossed with a golden salmon, given to him on his new appointment. James Sinclair, MP for North Vancouver, was appointed to succeed Mr. Mayhew.

The WEATHERMAN Says

Forecast
North Coast Region—Sunny today, a few clouds tonight clouding over near daybreak. Cloudy Tuesday with occasional light rain in northern sections. Little change in temperature. Winds light today and south tomorrow. Low tonight and high Tuesday at Port Hardy 32 and 45; Sandspit and Prince Rupert 35 and 42.

Whisky Price Jumps 20 Cents

VICTORIA (CP)—The provincial government has approved an increase in the price of Walker's Imperial rye whisky. The increase is from \$4 to \$4.20 for 26 ounces.



IN THE WILDERNESS near Fort Churchill, Man., a member of the 1st Light Battery (Para) of the Royal Canadian Artillery watches supplies drift earthward on parachutes dropped from an RCAF supply plane. It is part of the Army's Exercise Prairie Tundra.