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# Mayor Of Sydney Charged With Murder

## Ken's Member Found Ottawa Hard Working, Co-operative, Friendly

**Satisfactions and Disappointments—Good work, helpful co-operation and friendly spirit of political differences were among the which formed outstanding impressions for (Ted) Applewhaite, Skeena's tyro Member, who after attending his first session of Parliament in Ottawa. He and Mrs. Applewhaite reached yesterday morning's session.**

Mr. Applewhaite, here and in the riding of Skeena, arrived early in the year of the middle of February.

He was a little hard at the end of the first session, but he put into words, "said Mr. Applewhaite in an interview, "my one outstanding achievement was one of work during the last few days of the session, when the sitting until 11 o'clock at night, to me that my own got further and further Doubtless, that was due to my inexperience, of course, that I approached the wrong man."

## Arms Are Standard

**OTTAWA**—Canada, the United States and Great Britain today formally made public one of their worst-kept military secrets that they have been working together on standardization of arms and training since 1947.

Informed quarters here said that the announcement includes no new or immediate developments in the long, gradual process of standardization.

## Collision Is Fatal

**C.N.R. Freight Trains in Crash in Manitoba**

**DAUPHIN, Man.**—One man is dead and five others are injured following a head-on collision Sunday between two Canadian National Railways freight trains at Dutton Siding, 24 miles west of here.

Dead is Douglas Lytle, aged 24, of Highfield, Manitoba, brakeman, who died when pinned under the wheels of a derailed box car. He had leaped from one of the freight trains just prior to the crash-up.

Injured are Roy Wells, W. B. Ballantyne, Peter Crowder, R. D. Ross and H. E. Lavalee, all of Dauphin.

The mishap occurred when an eastbound freight, heading from Kamaskias to Dauphin, with 35 box cars and an extra engine, rammed head-on into a westbound engine and caboose.

## Co-Operation

"It was a source of satisfaction," Mr. Applewhaite said "to read the correspondence between the Prime Minister and British Columbia's Premier and to note that British Columbia expressed unqualified willingness to participate in constitutional discussions."

"I would like to express the hope," said the member for Skeena "that everyone who attends the Dominion-provincial conference in January will do so in a really co-operative spirit and will work toward a permanent and satisfactory solution of the vexed questions of constitutional amendment. After all, we are all one country and we should surely be big enough now to settle our own differences in a reasonable manner."

Mr. Applewhaite commented briefly on the oil pipe line bills which came before Parliament and were shelved by the House although passed by Senate. "It may be less majestic or something like that to say it but I was certainly not very favorably impressed with the tactics employed by opponents of the bills," he said.

Mr. Applewhaite dubbed as "the most popular" act of the session the Fulton Bill consisting of amendments to the Criminal Code designed to stamp out not only "crime comics" but also obscene and disgusting books and advertisements—what one of the members described as "literary garbage."

The Skeena member admitted quite frankly that he had been unable to clear up satisfactorily some of the smaller problems affecting different parts of the district. "There are many of them still to be finally disposed of," he said. "At times I seemed

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## Miner Trapped, Hope Fading

**BLAIRMORE, Alberta**—Weary crews of miners today continued round-the-clock digging with hope fading that they will find alive 66-year-old Ben Carter, trapped in a cave-in which claimed the life of another miner at Greenhill Colliery here last Friday. All regular work in Greenhill mine has ceased as the miners concentrate all their efforts on finding the missing man who is the father of five children.

● A. MacKenzie Furniture Ltd. announces that their store will be open each day of this week from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. only. Closed half-day Thursday. (11)

## Kunming Is Recaptured

**TAIPEH, Formosa**—Kunming, important Second World War base, was recaptured today by Chinese Nationalists. The fugitive Chinese Nationalist government announced here.

The government said that its twenty-sixth army had seized the large South China city from defending provincial troops who took it over as the nationalist government fled here from Chengtu.

The turncoat general, Lu Han, governor of Yunnan Province, hurriedly fled westward along the Burma road.

## Is Building Battleships, Submarines

**LONDON**—Jane's fighting ships, authoritative naval publication, said today that the Russians are believed to be building three ultra-modern 35,000-ton battleships equipped with radio-controlled aerial torpedoes and rockets. Two others are said to be in the blue print stage and possibly in shipyard stocks.

Russia is already known to possess two battleships.

The Soviet Union also envisages, as part of the five-year naval building program, a fleet of from 750 to 1000 long-range submarines by 1951, Jane's said.

## Final Classes Held Tuesday

The festive season is nearly here and for students of city public and high schools it means 13 days of "freedom." Commencing Wednesday, schools will be closed until the morning of January 4.

As for teachers, some of them will journey south for holidays while others will remain to enjoy holidays here.

Many ex-students attending U.B.C. and other educational institutions will be home for Christmas with yarns of Varsity and city life spur to wide eyed youngsters and adults alike.

Members of the Bo-Me-Hi basketball squad began holidays early when the team journeyed to Ketchikan Friday to play the rival Kay-Hi team. The players are not required to return to classes Tuesday.

Teachers of King Edward public school extended an invitation to parents to visit classrooms today, to view Christmas decorations and study various activities of children since the beginning of the school term.

## New Houses Are "Chicken-Coops"

**Vancouver Not Pleased With Units in Fraser View Project**

**VANCOUVER**—The federal government's \$9,000,000 low cost Fraser View housing development in South Vancouver is a "chicken coop" project, Jack S. Woods, president of the Vancouver Builders' and Contractors' Association, said at the week-end.

Mr. Woods, along with Ald. Archie Proctor, chairman of the Vancouver Housing Authority, and members of the Architectural Institute of Canada inspected the area Friday.

"In my opinion," Mr. Woods said "people are not getting their money's worth out of the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. For \$200 more per house a real permanent home could be built. In these homes there are no closet doors, they are unplastered and there is uneconomical cheapness throughout."

## LOGGERS KEEP AIR LINE BUSY

Saturday was an extra busy day for the Queen Charlotte Airlines. On that day, there were second sections on all flights plus the entire carrier fleet. Flares were being taken south from logging and other camps on the Islands. In fact there has been an almost continuous shuttle service.

Northern B.C. Region—Overcast with snow today and tomorrow. Continuing cold. Easterly winds 30. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Telegraph Creek five below, ten above.

L. M. Feistenthal returned to the city on Saturday afternoon's plane from a two weeks' business trip to Vancouver.

Mrs. George Rudderham returned to the city on the Coquitlam last evening from a trip to Vancouver and Seattle.



**RESCUE PILOT**—Peter Borden, St. Louis of Ottawa and Vancouver, 26-year-old flying officer on leave from the R.C. A.F., is waiting on Deception Island in the Antarctic to fly to the rescue of 11 British scientists marooned on Stonington Island, 1,800 miles from the South Pole. FO. St. Louis, once a bush pilot, was hired by the British government to make the attempt in a small Norseman aircraft. He now is assembling the plane for the 400-mile flight from Deception to Stonington. (C.P. Photo)

## Keep Haines Highway Open

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## Fire Is Fatal To Small Girl

**VANCOUVER**—Fire gutted a two-story house here Sunday and claimed the life of 4½-year old Annette Rigby. The blaze started in the kitchen, apparently from an overheated stove and spread through the house quickly.

T. L. Williams, pioneer resident of Port Clements, is in the city on a business visit.

## HOCKEY SCORES

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
Saturday  
Detroit 3, Montreal 4.  
Chicago 7, Toronto 1.  
New York 3, Boston 1.  
Sunday  
Toronto 2, New York 0.  
Boston 3, Montreal 1.  
Detroit 5, Chicago 3.

**Pacific Coast**  
Tacoma 6, Vancouver 5.  
New Westminster 3, Seattle 0.  
San Francisco 11, Portland 4.  
Sunday  
Tacoma 7, Seattle 1.

## LOCAL TIDES

Tuesday, December 20, 1949  
High 1:51 20.4 feet  
13:26 23.4 feet  
Low 7:23 7.9 feet  
20:19 1.0 feet

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## Snow Coming In Cold Snap

Mercury in thermometers dropped to 20 above, the lowest reading so far this winter. The reading was also recorded at 10 p.m. Sunday. Minimum temperature for Saturday was 21 above at 10 p.m.

Cold weather without a dash of snow would not do, therefore, the weatherman predicts snow for late this afternoon and Tuesday. Overcast skies commenced this morning and will continue through today and tomorrow. Wind velocity today was south east at 30 miles per hour.

The Digby Island forecaster stated the future outlook until 8 a.m. Tuesday as snow flurries pushed around by a fresh north westerly wind.

"The skies being more overcast, the temperatures are sure to rise," he stated hopefully.

The cold weather brought the first skating of the winter on nearby lakes and ponds including Morse Creek and Oliver Lake although the ice was not of sufficient thickness to make safe the enjoyment of this winter sport.

## Kayhi Wins Over Booth

Ketchikan High School trounced Bo-Me-Hi in an exhibition game at the Alaskan town Saturday night by a 56 to 29 score. This was the first game won by the Kay-Hi boys, and had no bearing on the International series, which was won by Prince Rupert by virtue of their first three game victories.

Ketchikan started with a big lead in the first quarter, and was only threatened in the third period.

Bo-Me-Hi, with the series already won lacked interest and fight and were penalized heavily for fouling, losing Scherk, Spring Carlson and Moore for five persons, only Webster of the first string, being in the game when the final bell rang.

Lewis of Ketchikan was also benched for fouls but shared top scoring honors with Hingman, each getting twelve points.

Bo-Me-Hi scored as follows: Carlson 1, Spring 4, Webster 6, Scherk 5, Moore 1, Bill 5, Ratchford 2, Sharpe 4, Kristanson 1, McChesney.

Tonight Bo-Me-Hi completes the northern jaunt with a game at Metlakatla, Alaska. They will play the fast-stepping Vets, who last year lost to the Harlem Globe Trotters by one point of course the Trotters were a tired bunch at the time, having played 4 games in eighteen hours and short two men at Ketchikan.

## CHINESE PREMIER RESIGNS

**TAIPEH, Formosa**—Reliable sources said that Yun Hsi-Shen had resigned as Premier of Nationalist China. The resignation may foreshadow a sweeping government shuffle geared to win United States support.

## McNAUGHTON MEDIATOR LAKE SUCCESS—General A. G. L. McNaughton of Canada was directed by the United Nations Security Council to conduct preliminary mediation of the Kashmir dispute between India and Pakistan. The vote to appoint McNaughton was 9 to 0 with Russia and the Soviet Ukraine abstaining.

## AIR PASSENGERS

To Vancouver (today)—Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Mathews, Mrs. A. H. Webster, A. Dixon, A. Orr, T. Doucet, T. Carey, D. Fisher, A. Woodell, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. MacTier, K. Nelson, A. J. Macdonald.

To Sandspit (today)—A. Col-linson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown.

To Port Hardy (today)—A. Chapman.

From Vancouver (Saturday)—Mr. Todd, Mr. Olsen, Mrs. Scharif, W. McIntyre, L. Feistenthal, Miss Hese, G. Peachy, S. Madsen, L. Bissette, I. Brooks.

From Sandspit (Saturday)—G. Lee.

## Aged Man Is Victim Of Hit-Run Incident

**SYDNEY, Nova Scotia (CP)**—A charge of murder was laid today against Mayor Dan Jack McLean following the death last night of Joseph MacKinnon, city registrar of voters. Magistrate Vernon Read heard the charge read by Police Chief R. J. Macdonald.

McLean, who was taken to hospital last night, did not appear in court but it is considered likely he would hear the charge read formally later today and would then be remanded.

McKinnon, a 63-year old cripple, died in hospital late last night after the police had found him lying severely injured in an alley in the south end of Sydney.

Police said MacKinnon had been injured in an undetermined mishap involving a car which did not remain at the spot. Later the police said that they had seized the car which was identified as that of Mayor McLean.

## Prelude To Xmas Season

**Happy Musical Gathering At Civic Centre Sunday Night**

"O come all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant, O come ye . . . ."

And they did come—approximately 600 citizens of Prince Rupert. They came to the Civic Centre auditorium last night to raise their voices in melodic tribute to a Man born 1950 years ago this month.

Among the most beautiful songs in the world are Christmas carols. And a tugging at the heart develops whenever any of these melodies are presented—whether by a choir, orchestra or an audience itself.

On the stage acting as master of ceremonies was F. E. Anfield, who did a very fine job. Peter Lien, leader in musical activities here, conducted the orchestra which comprised 25 members of the Prince Rupert Symphony Orchestra and Prince Rupert Shrine Club Band. The large choir cannot be left out of the limelight.

To choose the best liked carol of the evening is difficult. But it would be safe to say "Silent Night" was one of the highlight numbers. The first stanza was sung by the choir and the audience. The choir then picked up the second verse alone. During the final verse, the orchestra and audience joined in.

During the singing of "We Three Kings of Orient Are" three solos were presented. Each rendering a verse were J. Davie, Len Sykes and J. S. Wilson.

Opening the performance, the orchestra played as an overture a medley of carols entitled "Beneath the Holly" and "Adeste Fideles". Following community singing of three carols by the audience, the choir of sixty voices from various city choirs presented the ever popular "Gloria" from Mozart's "12th Mass" and, from bass to soprano, the members gave a fine rendition.

The orchestra rendered the "Hymn of Thanksgiving".

All who attended, as one big enthusiastic and happy family, enjoyed the evening. The program was well prepared, a fitting prelude to the Christmas season.

## Youths Rob Bank, \$1,000

**BURFORD, Ont.**—Four youths held up the Bank of Toronto here today and escaped with about \$1000 in cash. Burford, Brant County village of about 700 population, is ten miles west of Brantford.

## HOLIDAY SEASON CLOSING HOURS

Retail stores in the City will remain open until 8 p.m. December 23rd, closing at 6 p.m. on December 24th. Stores will be closed December 26th and 27th and January 2nd as well as Thursday afternoon each week.

**Prince Rupert Retail Merchants Ass'n.**

