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Daily Delivery

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Organized Labor Enters Civic Election; Slate Is Nominated

Organized labor will again be in the civic election in Prince Rupert this year.

At a special session on civic affairs and a slate consisting of four aldermanic and board candidates.

OKALLA GIRLS ARE STILL OUT

Narcotic Offenders Still at Large Following Break

VANCOUVER. — Police are still searching without success so far in downtown Vancouver for three women prisoners, all blondes, who escaped from Okalla Prison Thursday night.

The escapees were Thelma Nyman, aged 21; Mavis McDonald, 20, and Margaret McNeil, 20. They had been serving sentences for possession of narcotics.

Rainmakers Win Again

Ketchikan Again Outplayed by Prince Rupert High School

Before a large crowd last night the Bo-Me-Hi Rainmakers made it two straight over the Kayhi Polar Bears by defeating the Ketchikan visitors 51 to 32.

Featuring the evening were the half-time activities of the Bo-Me-Hi Cheer Squad. With the Gymnasium in darkness, they did their torchlight parade.

The game started out with both teams employing the fast breaks. Kayhi put the zone defence in a bag and played man to man.

The fast play began to tell on the Polar Bears and they slowed down. Bo-Me-Hi continued to pound the defence with fast breaks.

It was a much different played game than the first. Kayhi's man-to-man play gave the game speed all the time.

The Rainmakers had a tough time in the first half of the game even though they led at the half.

CANADIANS FROM CHINA

Special Arrangements Being Made to Bring Eighty of Them Home

OTTAWA. — Arrangements have been made for some eighty Canadian s in China to return home by air, the Department of External Affairs announced yesterday.

CAIRO POLICE CHIEF SLAIN

Three Guards Also Killed in Riot With Grenade-Throwing Students

CAIRO. — Police Chief Selim Zaki Pasha was fatally injured today by an exploding hand grenade in a student riot at Fuad University.

Police said that three police guards were also killed by grenades of striking students.

The university had opened today after a two-day shut-down because of riots.

ISSUE IN BALANCE

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CANADIANS TAKE LEAD

Appear Headed for Victory Today in First Bid for International Badminton Honors

TORONTO. — Canada is on the way to victory in its first bid for international badminton honors. The Dominion took three games to one lead over India last night in the first round for the Thomas Cup and the world's championship.

Two singles and three doubles are facing the Canadians tonight and they need only two more wins to qualify for the second half of the round against the United States in Pasadena, California, next week-end.

Three Thousand Chinese Perish In Ship Disaster



MELKMATV INHERITS \$600,000— Erik Gunnar Sjoeborg, 58-year old milk route foreman, is shown (wearing fedora) receiving congratulations from fellow employees after it was learned that he had inherited \$600,000 from Mrs. Hevy Hansen, an aunt, who died in Copenhagen, Denmark.

TRANSCONTINENTALS AND THEIR MONOPOLY; FALL INTO LETHARGY

(By PAGE RIDEOUT, Peace River)

It would appear by a news despatch from Victoria, that Premier Johnson had returned from Parliament Hill with the understanding that the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railway companies are no longer interested in the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

That they have enough on their hands to develop their present rail lines. Thus, after thirty years of heartache and pain, the British Columbia government finds its white elephant is still thirty miles up in the air while the people of the Peace River Empire have been laboring (but laboring in vain) for three decades of years for the realization of a rail artery to the Pacific—and are still in dreamland.

For years the people of Cape Breton Island have been dreaming of some kind of a modern way of crossing the Straits of Canso but yet have not awakened to a realization.

Thus, these few items, with many others that could be listed, demonstrate the fact that, if a railway proposition turns up anywhere between the Atlantic and the Pacific, the promoters of such enterprise find themselves up against one or both of our Trans-Canada systems who apparently have admitted to Premier Johnson the fact that they have all on their hands they are able to handle.

If one should consult the index pages of the Railway Guide, that person would find that there are over one thousand railways doing business in the United States. But, not one of them can pick up a man on the Atlantic and put him down on the Pacific.

THE WEATHER

Forecast

Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast with rain, occasionally mixed with snow this afternoon. Cloudy with scattered snow flurries tonight and Sunday.

ELECTION IN BERLIN

Deduction Tomorrow Will be on Whether Vote is Heavy or Light

BERLIN. — Western Berliners will vote tomorrow for a new city administration. The ballot is merely a list of three anti-communist parties competing for municipal jobs but the east-west struggle for Germany has made a local political contest a straw in the wind to show which side the Germans prefer.

If a high percentage turn out to vote, the western powers will claim German endorsement of their fight against the Soviet. If the voting is meagre, the communists will hail it as an indication of desire to force the westerners out of the city.

CROWDED VESSEL SINKS IN RIVER

TOLL GREATER EVEN THAN THAT OF TITANIC IN 1912

SHANGHAI (CP)— A small ship crammed with Chinese war refugees exploded and sank out of Shanghai late last night with loss of more than 3,200 lives.

Some 4,250 Chinese were reported to be aboard the ship, the China Merchant Steamship Co.'s 2,099-ton Kiangya. It blew up amidships and sank less than an hour from the mouth of the Yangtze River.

A company spokesman said that the Kianga had a capacity of 1,186 passengers but was unofficially carrying 2,250—mostly from Nanking.

He said that another 2,000 clambered aboard at Shanghai. Tonight about 200 bodies had been recovered as six rescue boats were searching.

Cause of the blast is not determined but reports advance several reasons, sabotage, a mine or boiler explosion.

Battle of Nanking On

Pressure of Communists on Nationalists Eased for Time Being

NANKING.—Communist pressure eased today on Nanking's new defence line, 100 miles north of here. The armies of the communist general, Chen Yi, in East China are reported to have turned north to intercept 250,000 government troops marching down from abandoned Suchow.

Government military sources said that an ensuing battle south of Suchow would settle the fate of Eastern China.

Suchow troops were last reported 60 miles north of the line and were already running into stiff resistance.

HOCKEY SCORES

Pacific Coast League Vancouver 6, Tacoma 1 Oakland 2, San Francisco 1

LOCAL TIDES

Sunday, December 5, 1948 High 4:40 18.2 feet 16:05 19.0 feet Low 10:17 9.9 feet 22:50 5.2 feet

Another Vancouver Bank Robbed; Unknown Amount Taken By Bandit

NOTE TECHNIQUE EMPLOYED AGAIN

Royal Branch at Granville and Robinson Street Held Up During Rush Hour

VANCOUVER. — A lone gunman escaped with a sum of money from a downtown branch of the Royal Bank of Canada today. Members of the bank staff estimated unofficially that he got away with \$1000.

A slim man with a blotchy face pushed a note through the cashier's cage window, forcing the teller, Lois McLeod, to hand over the money.

The bank which was robbed is located at the corner of Robson and Granville Street in the heart of the shopping district. It was crowded with customers.

A similar robbery November 22 netted a gunman \$350 from the Dunsmuir Street branch of the Imperial Bank of Canada.

Crowned Grain Growing Kings

CHICAGO. — John T. Klink, Hairy Hill, Alberta, was adjudged the International Oats King at the International Grain and Hay Show here this week. William R. Beattie, Staples, Ontario, became soybean king.

U.N. ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNING

PARIS. — The fourteen-power steering committee of the United Nations today approved an American proposal to adjourn the United Nations Assembly here by the night of December 11 and 12. Russia supported the adjournment. Canada opposed it. The vote was 8 to 4.

ARE HERE FROM COQUALEETZA

Dispersal of 180 patients from the Department of Indian Affairs native sanitarium at Coqualeetza, near Sardis in the Fraser Valley, which was recently damaged extensively by fire, has brought five new cases to the Miller Bay Hospital here. Many of the patients who had to be evacuated from Coqualeetza have now found temporary shelter and treatment in a building in the immediate neighborhood of Sardis. Others have gone to the new Indian hospital at Nanaimo while others have been taken as far as the Charles Camshell Hospital at Edmonton.

LONDON. — London's Finbury Council is to be asked to make register office weddings "more impressive" by having a uniformed porter to meet the wedding parties at the Town Hall door and vases of flowers in the chamber.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Table listing stock prices for various companies in Vancouver and Toronto. Includes columns for company names and their respective stock prices.

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FAT AND LAZY

We who are now on the Western side of life may recall what a powerful railway system the old Grand Trunk was until it developed the transcontinental bug and we all know what happened. Many of the old-timers (Continued on Page 2)

