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Missing Mill Operator Found Dead on Road

Ice and Snow Storms Eastern Canada and U.S. Wreaking Further Havoc

Ontario Power Lines, Communication Systems Disrupted—Property Damage In United States Running Into Millions

WINDSOR (CP)—A snow and sleet storm lashed across southwestern Ontario Thursday, snapping power lines, disrupting communications and traffic.

Windsor took the brunt of the storm. Forecasters said the centre of the storm would move eastward to London, Hamilton and Toronto early today. One-half of the City of Windsor was plunged into darkness as hydro-electric power lines were broken from the storm that swirled in from Michigan.

New Year's Drowning Tragedy

A New Year's night drowning claimed the life of a Sunnyside man whose body was recovered less than two hours after he had fallen into the Skeena River near the cannery wharf.

George Green, fisherman and brother of eight, lost his life when he slipped between his boat and snow at 7 o'clock last night. He was stepping onto his boat when he slipped on the snow-covered deck, falling into the water. His body was recovered about 9 o'clock and taken to Port Edward. It was brought to Prince Rupert later.

CABLE WORKERS WALK OFF JOBS

NEW YORK (CP)—Overseas communication Union workers went on strike in four cable companies today, tying up an estimated two-thirds of the facilities of transmissions between the United States and the rest of the world.

The walkout, which involved 500 employees, began at 1:01 p.m. Central Standard Time, while federal conciliators were attempting to bridge the differences between union and company negotiators. Disagreements were on provisions of new contracts to replace those which expired last night.

A spokesman for the unaffected cable companies expressed belief that they could handle the bulk of traffic ordinarily carried by strikebound companies.

LOCAL TIDES

Saturday, January 3, 1948

High	6:44	19.4 feet
Low	19:04	17.2 feet
High	0:13	5.6 feet
Low	13:05	8.0 feet

Trading Suspended

NEW YORK (CP)—New York Stock Exchange announced today that trading would be suspended tomorrow because of storm conditions.

"White" New Year Greet City

Prince Rupert entered 1948 whitened by a three-inch snowfall that began falling early New Year's morning after a night of sleet and rain that did little to halt the night's merry-making.

The snow began to fall shortly after 5 o'clock New Year's morning, continued throughout the day and stopped this morning when the sky began to clear for the first time in days.

The snow blanket was a major factor in several minor auto mishaps, causing cars to skid over curbs and into ditches, but no one was injured.

where under way, extending into the small hours of the morning.

Roisterers pushed over the decaying guard rail on the McBride Street sidewalk between Third and Fourth Avenues shortly after midnight, New Year's Eve. The City Engineer's department placed red lanterns there to warn pedestrians.

A fire at the Pioneer Laundry on New Year's Eve damaged a quantity of linen in a linen closet and scorched woodwork before it was put out by the fire department. Cause of the blaze, the only one with the exception of a chimney fire, is not known.

The chimney fire at the residence of Bert Sheppard, 229 Seventh Avenue East, was extinguished without damage to the building.

The police reported no arrests over the holiday.

INCREASE PRICE OF FUEL OIL

TORONTO, (CP)—Increases in prices of gasoline and fuel oils throughout Canada were announced today by the Imperial Oil Company.

In British Columbia the price of stove and furnace oil increased 1 1/2 cents a gallon. Gasoline prices were not advanced in B.C., pending decision of the Petroleum Control Board.

Heavy industrial fuel oil and engine diesel oil advanced 1 1/2 cents a gallon.

14 KILLED AS TRAINS CRASH IN MISSOURI

OTTERVILLE, Mo., (CP)—Alexander W. Weddell, former United States ambassador to Spain and Argentina, and 13 other travellers were killed New Year's Day in a collision of two passenger trains near this Central Missouri town.

Approximately 12 persons were injured, five requiring hospital treatment.

The collision occurred during a heavy snowstorm while the Missouri Pacific's "The Missouri" was travelling from St. Louis to Kansas City in two sections. The engine of the second section rammed a pullman of the first section.

RELIEF FORCES NEAR KONITSA

ATHENS (CP)—Greek army relief forces pressed to within sight today of embattled Konitsa, where a weary 1,000-man garrison has been holding out since Christmas Day against furious attacks by an estimated 5,000 guerrillas.

Military authorities said the juncture of relieving forces with the garrison could be expected about noon. Rebel losses in the immediate Konitsa area were estimated at 300 dead, 600 wounded and about 100 captured. The wounded were being taken to Albanian hospitals, military sources said.

CANADA SEEKING NEW DELEGATE TO UNITED NATIONS

OTTAWA (CP)—The Dominion government now has decided against appointing Dana Wilgress as chief of Canada's permanent delegation to the United Nations and is searching for another candidate. It was learned today.

The cabinet apparently felt it was too much to have Wilgress undertake the heavy task at the United Nations after his long siege of international conferences in the last two years. At present he is Canadian minister to Switzerland.

SON HELD AFTER FATHER'S DEATH

VANCOUVER (CP)—Police today investigated the death of Harold Willshire, 55, who died New Year's Eve allegedly after a fight with his 18-year-old son.

The son was arrested New Year's Day after running to a neighbor's home and crying: "I've killed my father."

The boy is held without charge, pending investigation.

Nehru Protesting Pakistan Action

NEW DELHI (CP)—Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, accusing Moslem Pakistan again of helping invaders of the border state of Kashmir, said tonight that Hindu India has appealed to the Security Council of the United Nations on December 30 for intervention.



BRITAIN'S JERUSALEM POLICE HAVE BUSY TIME—British police file along a street in Jerusalem after an Arab mob had wrecked Jewish stores and inflicted heavy damage in the area. In the background, members of the Jewish army Haganah try to salvage some of the equipment tossed into the street by Arabs angered over partition.

Prince Rupert Weather Reached Extremes of Sun, Rain in 1947

Prince Rupert's weather in 1947 was a thing of extremes, setting records for sunshine, rainfall and low temperatures in comparison with other recent years.

For instance, sunshine glowed on the city for 873.42 hours, the most since 1944, and more than 57 hours greater than in 1946.

Rainfall, however, captured the real record. In 1947 there were 107.95 inches, the most since 1939.

Last year also met the record set in 1916 for low temperature. On January 31, 1947, the mercury dropped to three degrees below zero, touching, but not exceeding, the 30-year minimum.

Highest temperature during the year was 78 degrees, reached on May 27, which was one degree higher than the 1946 maximum. Top temperature registered since 1940 was 81.5 degrees, registered in July, 1941.

Here is a chart of the annual weather records since 1938. Sunshine is given in hours and rainfall in inches:

Year	Sun	Rain	High	Low
1938	996.6	74.58	78	12
1939	899	118.94	76	10
1940	972	91.76	78	16
1941	1168	93.5	81.5	15
1942	925	82.96	81	22
1943	930	90.76	77	1
1944	978.3	74.3	78	24
1945	828.3	90.45	80	31
1946	816.3	103.32	77	17.2
1947	873.42	107.95	78	-3

December, 1947, with 19.9 inches of rain was the wettest month in the 10-year period. The only month that approached its moisture-laden total was November, 1939, when 18.63 inches of rain fell.

However, for some unaccountable reason, it also was one of the brightest Decembers on record, with 18.32 hours of bright sunshine.

Maximum temperature during the month was 48 degrees, and the minimum 30. Barometer readings showed a high of 30.14 inches on December 4 and a minimum of 28.94 inches on December 18.

Average temperature for the month was 39.5 degrees. Maximum wind velocity was 42 miles an hour from the southeast on December 22, reaching 48 miles an hour in gusts.

Holy Land Strife May Delay British Army Withdrawal

LONDON (CP)—Authoritative government sources said today that Great Britain may be "compelled" to delay her scheduled military withdrawal from Palestine in August, if violence between Jews and Arabs continues.

He indicated also that continuation of the conflict might force the British government to surrender its Palestine mandate to the United States earlier than May 15, as originally planned.

ANTI-INFLATION BILL FOR FRANCE

PARIS (CP)—Premier Robert Schuman presented the new anti-inflation bill to the French National Assembly today and threatened to resign if any changes were voted in it.

The bill is designed to raise about 120 billion francs (billion dollars). Schuman decided to withdraw a previous anti-inflation bill, approved last week by the assembly. The amendments to the previous measure cut the expected income from the bill by about one-third of what had been originally planned. The premier said the new bill was a compromise and told deputies he would accept no changes.

After hearing the premier's statement, the assembly recessed until mid-afternoon.

THROAT CUT, MAN RECOVERS

His throat slashed, Archie McNeil, Port Edward cannery worker, was brought to hospital here at 1 o'clock this morning by city ambulance.

Ambulance attendants John McLean and A. Dewar brought McNeil to hospital from his home after receiving a call from Port Edward shortly before midnight.

McNeil, being treated by Dr. A. W. Large, was reported this morning to be recovering.

CANADA TO GET HIGHER PRICES FROM BRITAIN

OTTAWA (CP)—New higher contract prices will be received for bacon, beef, eggs and cheese which Canada will sell to the United Kingdom in 1948, it was announced today by Agriculture Minister Gardiner at a press conference.

New rates include: \$36 a hundred pounds for Grade A No. 1 sizeable Wiltshire sides at sea-board, compared with \$29 under the 1947 contract. Beef prices vary according to quality will advance by \$3.25 a hundred pounds for red and blue quality. Eggs will be 5 cents a dozen higher than in the 1947 spring prices.

RANGERS WIN 4-0 IN SCOTTISH DIV.

LONDON (CP)—Rangers today defeated Celtic 4-0 in the Scottish A Division for Gaelic game.

Bert Albertson Left Snowbound Prize Car 10 Miles From Home

Helge Sorensen Locates His Partner Only Shortly After Death—No Trace Yet of Automobile

The still-warm body of H. (Bert) Albertson, Dorreen sawmill operator, missing since December 24, was found Wednesday afternoon on the Highway, 10 snowbound miles west of his home.

Albertson apparently had collapsed or was hit by a falling tree in a vain attempt to walk home a week after his car had stalled during a blizzard on Christmas Eve.

Albertson's body, still warm, indicating that he had died only a short time before, was found at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon by his partner, Helge Sorensen, who had set out from Dorreen that morning to seek him.

Up to this morning, searchers had found no sign of the car, a Chevrolet ruffled on December 12 by the Prince Rupert Rotary Club, in which Albertson set out from Terrace at 5:30 p.m. on December 24.

It was believed to be less than three miles west of where Albertson's body was discovered, and the possibility that it went over the bank is discounted.

Only part of the road not covered by Sorensen and Constables Brue and Rogers of Terrace was a three-mile stretch which runs through comparatively flat country, with no steep precipices on either side.

It is thought that Albertson lived for almost a week in his stalled car, and then set out for either Pacific or Dorreen. He collapsed or was struck by a falling tree in the deep snow after walking between two and three miles.

It is known that he had a considerable quantity of food in his car when he left Terrace. He had purchased it during his brief visit to that village. He lived on it for a week.

Sorensen, who set out from Dorreen with a sleigh pulled by horses, stopped when he discovered his partner's body, across the Skeena River from the station at Pitman.

Albertson set out from Terrace during a blizzard. His absence was not discovered until Sorensen telephoned to Terrace on December 30 and learned that he had left for home on Christmas Eve.

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86-Inch Snow Fall "Trifling" To Stewart

STEWART — The 86-inch blanket of snow which mantles this Portland Canal metropolis is termed "trifling" by its residents who are used to much greater snow depths.

It had little effect on the holiday spirit which warmed the community during the Christmas-New Year holiday week, and thanks to the Public Works Department, traffic was maintained.

A new "Sicard" rotary snow plow purchased by the Public Works Department has done excellent work in clearing the highways. The road to Silbak-Premier mine was closed briefly and it required the motive power of two jeeps to enable a number of married men to get home at Christmas.

House-to-house visiting was carried on through the week and hospitality flourished despite the snow.

SAWLOG SCALE GREATER THAN 1946 LEVEL

Sawlog scale for the Prince Rupert forestry district in 1947 was greater by more than 87,000,000 board feet than in 1946, records supplied by District Forester J. E. Mathieson reveal.

Production last year totalled 253,288,573 board feet, as compared with 171,269,003 in 1946.

However, the output of poles and piling last year was less than half the 1946 level. Last year, pole and piling production totalled 2,320,047 lineal feet, while in 1946 it was 4,978,898.

Last month's sawlog scale was 25,425,342 board feet as compared with 14,394,433 in December, 1946. Pole and piling scale dwindled to 63,905 feet last month while in December, 1946 it was 855,991.

Railroad tie production last month, was sharply above the corresponding month in 1946. There were 16,721 ties cut last December, as compared with 9,976 in December, 1946.

There were 10 cords of wood cut in December, while in the same month of 1946 there were 564 cords cut.

Sawlog production last month was made up as follows:
Fir, 701,991
Spruce, 13,140,389
Cedar, 4,502,389
Hemlock, 4,826,493
Balsam, 1,338,158
Jackpine, 718,066
Miscellaneous, 197,724

Romanian Royalty Asks Swiss Visas

BUCHAREST (CP)—The Romanian government asked today for 35 visas for the former King Michael, Queen Helen and their retinue to enter Switzerland.

A reply was not expected before late Monday or Tuesday, because the Swiss offices close at noon on Saturday.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.

Vancouver	
Bralorne	10.25
B. R. X.	.08
Cariboo Quartz	2.60
Dentonia	15 1/2
Hedley Mascot	.88
Minto	.02 1/2
Pend Oreille	2.65
Pioneer	3.25
Premier Border	.04 1/2
Privateer	.31
Reeves McDonald	1.25
Reno	.11
Salmon Gold	.21
Sheep Creek	1.02
Vananda	.20
Congress	.03 1/2
Pacific Eastern	.04
Hedley Alang	.03 1/2
Spud Valley	.20
Central Zeballos	.01 1/2
Silbak Premier	.46

Toronto

Athona	.08 3/4
Aumake	.23
Beattie	.82
Bevcourt	.50
Bojbo	.16
Buffalo Canadian	.14
Consol. Smelters	98.00
Conwest	.92
Donalda	.83
Eldona	.84
Elder	.66
Giant Yellowknife	6.00
God's Lake	1.02
Hardrock	.33
Harricana	.07
Heva	.22
Hosco	.39
Jackknife	.06
Joliet Quebec	.40
Lake Rowan	.13
Lapaska	.11
Little Long Lac	1.48
Lynx	.07 1/2
Madsen Red Lake	3.00
McKenzie Red Lake	.60
McLeod Cockshutt	1.48
Moneta	.36
Negus	2.25
Noranda	49.00
Louvicourt	1.37
Pickle Crow	2.30
Sherrit Gordon	3.00
Steep Rock	2.19
Sturgeon River	.20

GUERRILLAS AT KONITSA FLEE

ATHENS (CP)—War Minister George Stratos said today that guerrilla forces are fleeing into the Grammos Mountains after defeat in the Battle of Konitsa, where a week-long siege was lifted yesterday.

COUPLE DIE IN TRAFFIC CRASH

VANCOUVER (CP)—Two persons were killed in suburban Lulu Island early Thursday in a traffic accident that marred an otherwise light New Year's holiday traffic record in the Lower Mainland.

The dead are:
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Malpinka, Vancouver.

Police said the couple were struck by a B.C. Electric Company bus by Edward Butchart of New Westminster.