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Port Simpson Native Acquitted On Charge Of Murdering Uncle

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Jury Deliberated Only 50 Minutes

James Albert Dudoward, 26-year-old Port Simpson fisherman, was acquitted Tuesday on all counts of a murder charge in connection with the death of his uncle, Wilfred White, last September 5.

The jury returned its verdict of "not guilty" 50 minutes after ence. Mr. Justice said to the

retiring at 5:05 p.m. Plea of self defence was enered by defence counsel Doug Hogarth. Crown Counsel T. W. Brown, QC, asked for a maximum verdict of manslaughter, saying 'I cannot see murder in this

But Doudoward was freed on all counts.

Evidence in the two-day trial disclosed that White had attacked Dudoward on his fishing boat, throwing heavy wrench, a ham- leading up to the fight on Dudomer and a screwdriver at the ward's boat, the Laura Louise.

broken beer bottle ward "had done everything he as a weapon, inflicting deep could do to appease the man.' gashes on the face and neck of White had been living with the tal later that day.

siding over the case, extolled What had brought the concrown counsel in asking for a flict to a head, said Mr. Hogarth Blueprints for Annacis Island, reduced verdict and placed as was White's continual assertion it is stated, show development issue to the jury the matter of that he had built the Laura Lousimilar to Trafford Industrial whether or not accused had been ise, the accused's boat, when Park near the Manchester ship justified in using "such a bar- evidence had shown White only canal in England, where 200 to barous weapon" to defend him-spent a little time at work; and

jury and summing up the evid- without the money.

Was the accused justified in using the weapon he used in relation to the force of the attack by the deceased? That is the very essence of the case as I see it.'

In his dramatic plea to the jury for an acquittal of the accused, Mr. Hogarth said that "Jimmie had his back to the wall. He couldn't escape. He was forced to protect himself."

Mr. Hogarth recounted events White had seriously provoked Dudoward had defended him- the accused, he said, yet Dudo-

his opponent who died in hospi- Dudowards at Port Simpson. He was Jimmie's uncle, but behaved

Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson pre- in a very aggravating manner. when given \$40 to buy tools, had spoken by 26-year-old James and employ 50,000 to 70,000 per- In explaining the law to the returned without the tools and Dudoward late yesterday as he

Proposed development would Claimed He Built the Boats 3 1

sis on manufacturing, and in- began telling a visitor on the cused did not intend to use that cluding light, medium and heavy boat that he (White) was the weapon then." builder. Dudoward had told "Jimmie thought, as he told dicts: Factories would be built by a White to "forget about the boat, you from the witness stand, that group and leased or rented to we are having a good time." the broken bottle would scare manslaughter;" or "not guilty."

Dudoward told him to get off the "I can't think of anything came and George McAdams, fore-In the meantime a \$150,000 boat. Accused later called the Jimmie could do further to pre- man of the jury stood and faced causeway, 2,000 feet long, will police to remove his uncle from vent bodily conflict. He was the judge to say, "Not Guilty," be built from the island to the the boat "to avoid any trouble forced to use the weapon he had Dudoward looked straight before shore of the Fraser to carry rail because Willie White was get- in his hands," pleaded Mr. Ho- him.

be built by the federal govern- Dudoward to a fight, but accused to police when he learned of change. It remained as impasment, after engineering tests by countered with a bribe of liquor White's death . . . 'I did it is sive, as stolid, and as expressionanswer, White had kicked Dudo- Mr. Brown, in asking for a two-day trial for his life. would be away from home or ister Chevrier has assured the throwing the wrench, hammer Dudoward was in a rage. He had was a free man.

it" the federal government will This was followed by White and destroy." build a deep-sea dock on the calling Dudoward filthy and ob- Mr. Brown at one time called missed."

> The name calling was followed Willie White." by a final challenge to fight, "But I would like you to be yer, Doug Hogarth, who had T. W. Brown, QC, is prosecuting Corporal Brue, RCMP, who arbeer bottle in hand.

On the day in question, White and stood waiting, "but the ac-

garth.

island big enough for one or two scene names . . . "you heard the preamble to the bodily enships, and expanding later to them here in court, Such names counter between the two men are enough to provocate any nor- "a Maggie and Jiggs fight of mal man to lose his self control," throwing things. The accused wasn't really frightened of the accused was free to go.

> then White began his attack, a as fair in your judgment as you yourself would want to be judg-Dudoward picked up a bottle ed by a 12-man Indian jury,"

THE HORSES PERFORMING in the RCMP musical ride don't frighten easily. A four-engine aircraft skims overhead but they don't budge an inch. Flags, bunting and tin cans have been used to train the horses not to bolt when big crowds act up.

Father Welcomes Son With Hug As Young Man Walks Free

By LARRY STANWOOD

"It is wonderful to feel that on, for several years. wind in my face again." Those were the first few words left the court house.

A few moments earlier, the same man had been sitting in the prisoner's dock in the court room while a 12-man jury filed in to return one of three ver-

"Guilty of murder; "guilty of When the climactic moment

But as the prisoner heard the The causeway, it is said, will Then White had challenged "It was as Jimmie's first words verdict, his countenance did not less as it was throughout "the

First to greet him was his law- lawful excuse. pleaded for his life and won.

"I must see my father," said Terrace is defence counsel. in the balance.

crowded spectator gallery shook and chattels of the owners." his hands, silently.

mother, waiting in a downtown ing. hotel room.

evidence of drinking which had had been surprised by a police Before approving the bitterly-

After the trial Dudoward said: "I'm never going to touch another drop of any kind of

"It is hard for me to think that I'm free." The Dudowards are going

back to Port Simpson, to their home on the reserve.

"Your boat is ready to go fish-

Jimmie, who spent some six Christie, for 24 years tenant asserted there is nothing com- The Reds again ignored Allied part of the coast. He is a fishof the Notting Hill death house pulsory about the U.S. program nomination of Pakistan as a erman and a trapper, but has

the Hudson's Bay Company respect for his country than store at Port Simpson, off and ever before.

"I put myself at their mercy. Now he's going back to fish- Today I am a free man. Thank ing, but he says he has greater God."

MORE THAN 500 SAVED IN CHANNEL FERRY CRASH

HARWICH, England (P)-The channel ferry Duke of York, carrying 437 passengers and crew of 70 was torn in two today in a collision with the American transport Haiti Victory in the North Sea.

All passengers-including a mother and baby trapped several hours in the after-part of the British vessel-and most of the crew-were rescued by ships in the area.

Trial of Terrace Resident Opens in Assize Court Here

on to learn the date of thousands" because so many Hardman said Transport Min- ward on the head, following by manslaughter verdict, said that spring assizes of the Supreme | When the owner was notified it in mind to punish, mutilate Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson said: Court here before Mr. Justice J. by police after Vachon's arrest. "The accused may now be dis- O. Wilson is Phillippe Auguste several items in the store and

Vachon of Terrace. Dudoward stood up, six-foot Vachon faces a charge of Kerr Ltd. had been found distall, in the box, but he didn't breaking and entering with in- arranged. move for several minutes. Mr. tent to steal, and of having in A safe had been mutilated, Justice Wilson said again, that his possession by night, house- and other goods removed. Nothbreaking instruments without ing, however, was found missing.

attorney. Robert F. Dumont of rested Vachon.

man then-who had been separ- opening of the trial this morning guson, Carl Mattson, Edward ated from his family since Sept. he would call evidence alleging Capstick. Melville Peak-Voke, 5 last-eight months-waiting in that Vachon entered the premi- Henry Arne, Lloyd Mooney. prison cells while his life hung ses of Little, Haugland and Kerr Frederick May, John Davidson, Ltd., Lakelse Avenue, Terrace, Robert Menzies, James Caruso, Father and son hugged each on the night of October 28 last John Thompson. other. Others pouring from the "intending to steal the property

Mr. Brown said evidence Red-coated policemen came would also show that houseand shook his hand. The freed breaking tools, a drill bit and man's sister, Audrey Dudoward, a wrench were found on Vachran from the court house to on's person, and how these tools bring the news to an anxious could be used for housebreak-

During the trial there was said Mr. Brown, that Vachon vote was 56 to 35.

Standing trial on two counts accused had been searched and

office of Little, Haugland &

First witness to be called was

Jurymen chosen were: Albert the husky, dark-haired young Mr. Brown told court at the Dickens, foreman; George Fer-

Debate Ends

WASHINGTON (P-The Senate today ended its longest debate in 15 years by passing the Eisenhower-backed bill to establish state ownership of oil riches Further evidence would show. lying under coastal waters. The

"No one is required to take taken place during events lead- officer and that the accused had fought legislation, the Senate any psychiatric treatment with- ing up to the tragic moment attacked the policeman. When rejected a dozen last-ditch

Due to mechanical difficulties the Columbia Cellulose Company plant at Watson Island will be closed for "several

Cause of the trouble is a fracture which developed Monday in the giant chipper shaft which processes all logs on their way to becoming pulp. To arrange for a replacement, Mr.

will be carried out, Mr. Jones said. He added that in the meantime a number of employees will be occupied with necessary repair work.

A NUMBER of eye-catching maneuvres, the Mounties' musical riders do a sudden gallop each other in what appears to be an almost certain head-on crash but which actually nto this striking circle of men and horses. The maneuvre is called the Dome. The RCMP ride will be performed at the Royal To irnament in London after the Coronation.

glish Duke Buys B.C. Island Establish Industrial Site

Westminster has bought and said its development as an ment, but commented: cre island which, it is industrial community will go become a \$150,000,000 ahead as soon as possible. Vancouver businessmen, who

J. Hardman, British have followed negotiations on the representative of the project, are credited with putting iesday announced com- the \$150,000,000 tag on ultimate f the purchase of An- development.

and in the Fraser River. Hardman said he could not

TIZENS INVITED TO SEE OW HOSPITAL OPERATES

those interested in having a look through the Prince General Hospital are invited to make a conducted tour building on National Hospital Day, May 12, Doug son, administrator, announced today. Nurses will be on to show visitors through the premises.

me of admission will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. As an mal feature of the occasion, the women's auxiliary will tea at the nurses' residence to which all visitors are

ection Date Withheld ntil After Coronation

wait until after the -would disfranchise "tens of bia.

Minister St. Laurent clear in the Commons but he did not write ly-accepted speculation date will be Monday. 10, or Monday, Au-

mments came after eming (PC-Toronto asked him, amid conuproar in the Liberal correctness of newsports Monday that Auet dates had been se

purposely refrained ving at even a tentaelection before the Cor-

pught the Coronation land. important enough event constitutional set-up of

busy with farm activities.

-WEATHER-Synopsis

Southern and central regions of British Columbia enjoyed another very mild night. Minimum temperatures ranged from 50 to 55 at the coast and from 40 to 50 over much of the interior.

Warm air still blankets these areas but a relatively cool air mass from the Pacific is drifting slowly into the southwest corner of the province. Isolated sion about the next late afternoon thunderstorms are to be expected over the entered in the Rupert Rod &

Forecast

North Coast Region: Cloudy of the Common- today and Thursday. Occasional o stand on its own and light rain or drizzle. Little ammed or blurred or change in temperature. Winds by political contro- easterly 20,

Low tonight and high Thursdeming argued that an day-At Port Hardy, Sandspit election—it would be the and Prince Rupert, 45 and 55.

nsmen Coronation Contest cked by City Businessmen

most every business man in Prince Rupert is backing dinsmen Club's Coronation Contest which begins this

etails of the contest—to run four weeks—will be anick Bell, agent here for Canadian Pacific Airlines, said

his firm is working with the Kinsmen to make the st "a real success" and hinted that a plane trip to ouver may be one of the prizes. rank Skinner of Union Steamships also is backing the While he did not disclose any details of the contest, Mr.

her said he was certain it would be well-received by the hs and "some lucky person will be getting a boat trip . . ." nother plane trip is in the offing aboard an Ellis Airlines according to Karl Lundstrom, who said his firm is among backing the Kinsmen in their drive to obtain funds to de fun for the children.

southwest of New Westminster, estimate the ultimate invest-

"You can imagine the project as big as the whole downtown district of Vancouver. The Duke's personal fortune will supply the money."

250 industries are concentrated self.

DIVERSIFY INDUSTRY

diversify industry, with empha-

man, is planned for 1954.

and road traffic.

WA (CP)_Canadian vot- | first August election since 1867 the University of British Colum- to have White leave the boat. In self-defence."

Duke that "as soon as we require and screwdriver at him. handle 25 to 30 ships.

Two More Fish Entered in Salmon Derby

Two more salmon have been mountains of the lower main- Gun Club annual spring salmon derby to contest this week's

19-pound, four-once fish weighed in by Jack Lindsay, and 16-pound, seven-ounce fish weighed in by Hector MacDonald. The latter fish was taken off the Fairview Co-op plant,

sett, near Cow Bay. as well as seasonal derby prizes. stone. Boats and motors are

John Christie Pleads Innocent

available for rental at the

Yacht Club, which is the offi-

cial weighing-in station.

clerk, pleaded innocent today to alarm. charges of murdering four wom-London apartment.

which has yielded up remains of to provide psychological treat- neutral custodian of 48,500 pris- also been employed as Indian six dead women, was committed ment. for trial.

tenants. First factory, said Hard- But White insisted, until Willie, but he kept on coming.

ting very quarrelsome."

said Mr. Hogarth.

in his hand, broke the bottom ended Mr. Brown. American, British Ideas Differ on War Prisoners

WASHINGTON (AP)-Britain nounced that a "small group" Entries made Sunday were a and the United States have of Americans who "have shown somewhat different ideas of what symptoms of having succumbed to do about released war prison- to Communist indoctrination" ers who have been touched by were being flown to Valley Forge Communism during their Kor- Pa., army hospital for mental as

ean captivity. The British war office is sendthe former in front of E. Lip- ing all repatriated British pris- Saturday: oners home promptly, believing This is the second week of the that if any "disindoctrination" derby which ends June 21. A from forced Communist teachprize will be given for the heav- ing is required, the place for it jest fish weighed in each week, is around the family hearth-

> returned soldiers psychological up to them, entirely." treatment if they want it, and if not to send them home whenever their physical condition permits. No Progress A few of 22 released British In Truce Talks soldiers who landed in England

well as medical treatment. The army spokesman said

out his own consent. The men when young Dudoward had to finally subdued and arrested, amendments. have been told they can take defend himself from an aggrestreatment or if they don't want sor who was his uncle. The American idea is to offer it they are free to go home. It's

had kind things to say of their PANMUNJOM (P) - A United treatment and some denounced Nations truce negotiator said LONDON (CP)—John Christie, the Korean war. But their gov- today "zero" progress had been ing," the 62-year-old father told 55-year-old owl-eyed trucking ernment evidence no great made toward Korean armistice his son after the Reds rejected a pro-A U.S. Army spokesman here posal to free 32,000 North Kor- months in the army during the en in his shabby back-street preferred to make no comment ean prisoners who refuse to go final stages of the Second World

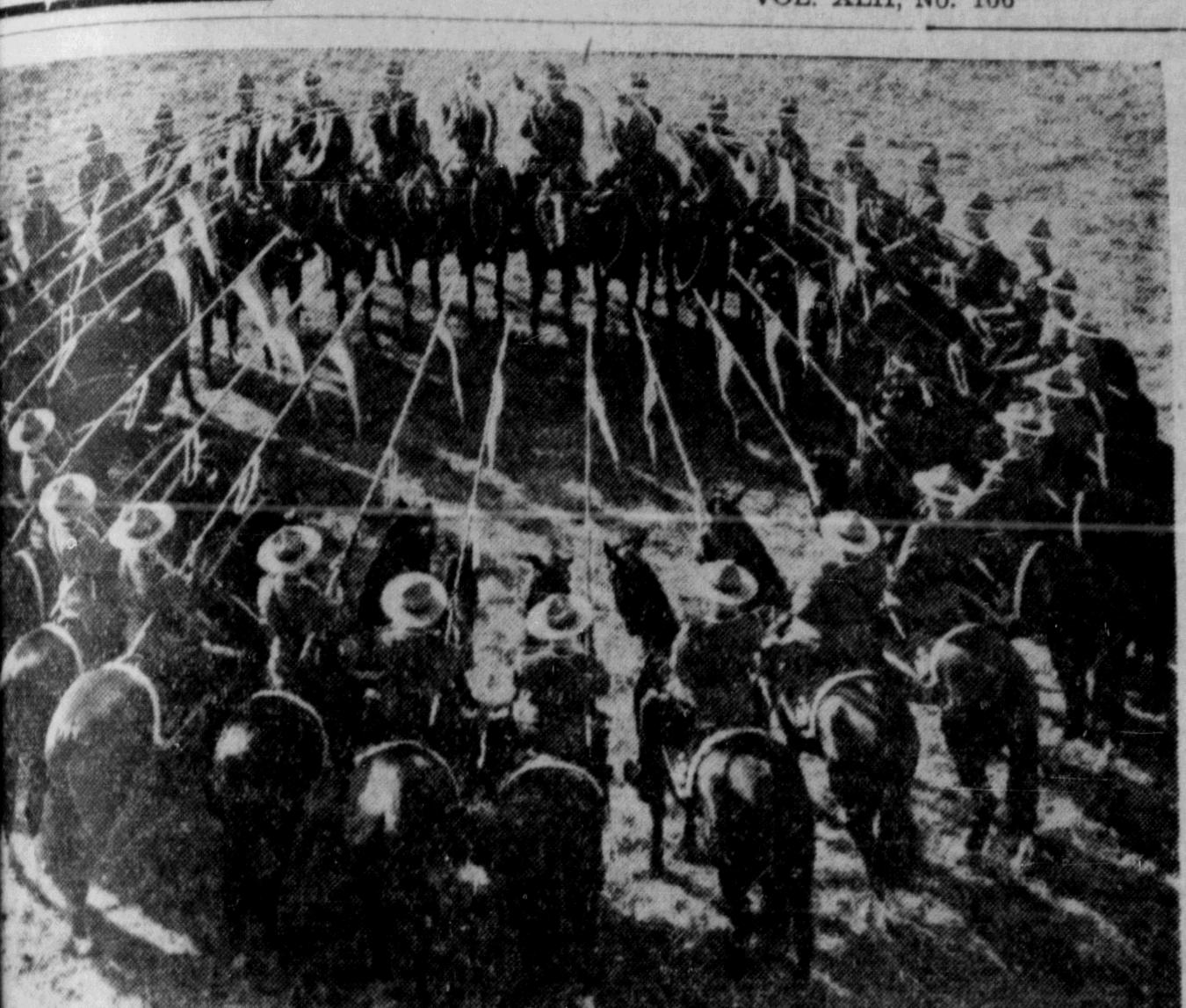
> oners who refuse to return to constable on the reserve for over The U.S. Army last week an- their Communist homelands. 'two years; as an employee of

on the British policy. But he home after a truce is signed. War, is well known along this

Cellulose Plant Closed Due to Mechanical Trouble

days," W. C. R. Jones, manager, announced today.

Jones departed this morning by plane for Everett, Washington, where another shaft is stored. During the shutdown the annual inspection of machinery and boilers, which had been planned for late in the summer,



The Musical Ride