

ate Fish Draw Highest Prices

Highest price of the year was paid on the Halibut exchange this morning to the Joan W II which landed 47,000 fish from the coast.

Altogether only three ships reported in and the average price was more than 25 cents a pound.

The Joan W II received 25.2 cents a pound for 30,000 pounds, 20 cents for heavies and 14 cents for chickens. The contract was purchased by Pacific Fisheries Limited.

Only other Canadian boat in was the Aleutian Queen with 100 pounds. She received 25.1, 20, 14 from B.C. Packers.

An American boat, the Seabird, sold 40,000 pounds to Royal. She received 25.1, 20 and 16 cents for the 3,000 pounds of chicken.

One boat docked Saturday, the Margaret I, with 30,000 pounds. She received 22, 18, 15 from Royal.

2,000 Lumber Workers Paralyzed; Evacuate Camps

VANCOUVER.—A strike by 32,000 members of the International Woodworkers of America at midnight Saturday has paralyzed British Columbia's lumber mills and sawmills.

Workers from dozens of camps throughout the province already streaming into Vancouver.

The strike—first since the 1930s—is expected to have a serious effect on the province's entire economy.

BC's major industry, valued at \$325,000,000 last year, is being indirectly, it is estimated, for nearly 55 cents of the dollar earned in the province.

The union called the strike on Saturday at midnight Saturday night date of the 1951 contract and the operators refused to reach agreement at an hour conference called in Vancouver by the provincial Labor Relations Board.

John Allen, secretary of the union, said the IWA had tried to reach agreement for 60 days but the operators had refused to "bargain in good faith."

The union rejected the board's offer of a 10 per cent wage cut and 10 per cent cost-of-living adjustment for no wage increase.

The board also said the Labor Relations Board had been asked to direct an industry-wage government supervised strike vote on Friday.

Plans for taking the vote were rejected but time did not permit to be taken on that date. Arrangements were being made to take the vote next week.

However, with the strike now in effect, it is not known what the Labor Relations Board will do, or whether, under the Industrial Conciliation Act, the strike will be declared illegal.

Canuck Troops May Quit Koje By Mid-July

KOJE (CP)—Canadian troops may be withdrawn from Koje by mid-July, it was learned today.

A. E. L. Cohen, Pembroke, Ont., commander of "Baker" Company, Royal Canadian Regiment, on guard duty at the big United Nations prisoner of war camp, said British Defence Minister Lord Alexander mentioned the target date for Canadians' withdrawal to officers of the R.C.R. yesterday during an inspection trip through their camp.

Meanwhile, the United States Eighth Army plans an extensive work-and-play program for the Communist prisoners of war once the prisoners recognize Allied authority completely.

Brig.-Gen. Boatner, Koje commander, hopes to start the program soon after he has finished splitting the present large, unruly compounds into small units.

Dispersal operations probably will be completed within a week. Lord Alexander inspected the POW stockades today. He toured the island in a jeep driven by Boatner.

Alexander was accompanied by Gen. Van Fleet, U.S. Eighth Army commander, and a party of leading military and diplomatic figures.



THE YOUNG HEAD of what was formerly known as the British Empire, now a Commonwealth covering a quarter of the earth with 550-million people, has already taken up the round of duties that will in the future make up her life. Pictured is Queen Elizabeth (left) exchanging smiles with a stall-holder at the recent British Industries Fair in London. The fair, held annually, is the world's largest shop window. This year Americans and Canadians were prominent among buyers from more than 100 countries. The Americans numbered over 1,000.

Rupert Fishermen Vote Down Union Proposal; Ask Last Year's Prices

The majority of Prince Rupert fishermen do not want to strike—but neither do they want to accept the latest offer by the fishing companies of this year's fish prices.

Of 325 fishermen, 184 Saturday afternoon here voted against the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union proposal to either get the asking fish price or go on strike June 22.

But all unanimously endorsed a motion they would accept last year's prices on all species.

Union's latest demand is for sockeye 26 cents; coho 18, pinks 10 and summer chums 7½ as against the company offer of sockeye 25, coho 13, pinks 7½ and chums 5½.

Last year's prices were a cent down on sockeye and half a cent down on pinks from the present union demand.

T. E. Parkin, UFAWU local secretary, said today he believed that the fishermen would "unanimously" along the coast agree to last year's prices.

Main reason, said Mr. Parkin, why fishermen outvoted the union proposal here is because most of the fishermen voting were natives.

"These people depend for their livelihood on the spring run of sockeye on the Skeena and Naas rivers. Deadline for the strike vote falls on the same day as opening of these rivers for fishing. If they don't fish at the opening of the season, they lose a lot."

"But, they are only 10 percent of the total fishermen in the union," Mr. Parkin indicated that the total vote count along the coast would be in majority in favor of the union proposal.

Mr. Parkin said the union also "strongly criticized" the companies' recent statement that fishermen were not given the chance to vote on the latest price offer.

"As everyone can see, we voted on that offer Saturday. We did not have to call a special vote—

Claxton's Son Drowns In Lake

SEPT ILES, Que. (CP)—David Claxton, 22-year-old son of Defence Minister Claxton, drowned Saturday in Guys River near the Ungava iron ore shipping centre at Knob Lake.

A report reaching here said he apparently slipped while wading in the swift river and was carried into deep water by the current. His body was not recovered immediately.

Doukhobors May Have Set Mill Fire

BRILLIANT, B.C. (CP)—RCMP here are investigating the possibility that Sons of Freedom Doukhobor terrorists started a fire which caused \$50,000 damage Sunday when it destroyed a planing mill and stacked lumber.

The Terrace camp, established about 18 months ago, was producing between seven and eight million board feet a day. The logs are sent by train from Terrace to the huge Cellulose plant on Watson Island.

It is reported that about 40 carloads of logs were completed Friday at Terrace ready for shipment to Prince Rupert.

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Russian Jets Down Swedish Plane On Air Rescue Mission

Seven-Man Crew Rescued At Sea

STOCKHOLM.—An unarmed Swedish military plane was shot down today by two Russian MIG-15 fighters but its seven-man crew was rescued later at sea by a German merchant ship, the Swedish Air Force command announced.

Two of the crew were reported wounded. The men said they had been attacked seven times by the Russians.

The plane, a slow-flying Catalina rescue craft, had been searching a Swedish Air Force transport missing since Friday with eight men aboard. It is feared this plane, too, has been downed by Russians, reported to be holding vast air-sea manoeuvres off the Soviet Baltic coast.

Sweden made a strong protest to Russia over shooting down the plane in the Baltic about 60 miles off the Estonian coast. It was received in the Swedish foreign office by Soviet Ambassador Constantin Rodionov.

Angry Swedes gathered outside the Soviet embassy jeered at Rodionov and spit into the embassy compound.

News that the airmen had been rescued spread joy through Stockholm. A previous report said empty life rafts were found about 95 miles off the coast, in the area where the Catalina was attacked. This caused the air force to say it believed the seven men aboard were lost.

Hunt's Inlet Ballot Return Not In Yet

One polling station is still to be heard from in Prince Rupert electoral district, Returning Officer A. Bruce Brown said this morning.

The ballot box from Hunt's Inlet, tiny village of about three dozen people on Porcher Island, has not arrived here. There is no telephone connection and Mr. Brown believes the box will come by mail.

Count from 26 of 27 polls reported sent George Hills, CCF candidate, into a 238-point lead over Jack McRae, Liberal seeking re-election. Art Murray, Social Credit, was third, and Tom Christie, Progressive Conservative, last.

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Because of the situation a number of loggers have expressed the intention of going by train and car to Vancouver.

One logger who arrived here Sunday from Terrace said he was taking five other men with him in his car trip south.

Columbia Cellulose officials would make no comment on the work stoppage, other than say they will pay the men.

STURDY IMMIGRANTS
Inverness County on Cape Breton Island was named after the Scottish County from which many of its settlers came.

Fraser Flood Danger Over

CHILLIWACK (CP)—Flood danger in British Columbia's Fraser Valley is over for another year.

Water resources officials here said Saturday the muddy Fraser has begun its gradual decline to a normal run-off. This year's spring run-off, they said, was "ideal."

Conditions appeared right for a flood in early May but cloudy, cool weather over the Fraser's upper reaches retarded snow melting and kept the level steady.

The river held above 16 feet for three weeks, but only once surged close to the 18-foot official flood point, May 24, when the level read 17.93 feet.

The 1952 freshet has paralleled last year's with a slow climb through May to a 17-foot peak, and a slow decline in June.

Father, Six Children Die In Home Fire

NORTH BAY (CP)—A father and six of his children died today when trapped upstairs by flames which roared through their frame house in suburban Widdifield township.

Dead are: Fred Thibault, 40; Gerald, 16; Rene, 10; Lynn, 7; John, 5; Patrick, 4, and Betty, 3.

In hospital are the mother, reported in critical condition, and Lee, 7, twin brother of Lynn, and Lorna, 8.

-TIDES-

Tuesday, June 17, 1951
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	9:38	16.2 feet
	21:44	19.5 feet
Low	3:37	5.5 feet
	15:20	7.9 feet

Rain, Cold Doesn't Stop Swimmers

Four hardy little souls went swimming in the pool at McClymont Park on Sunday.

The rain didn't bother the children as they romped about in the pool, operated each year by the Civic Centre for the Parks Board.

A Parks Board member was on the scene early Sunday when the water began filling the tank and later in the evening he supervised the draining.

If the weather keeps warm the Parks Board hopes to have the pool open daily. A swimming instructor is on duty at all times.



RECENT PATROL, carried out by the Canadian destroyer HMCS Nootka off the west coast of Korea, protection was provided for a number of small islands lying off enemy-held territory. By night the destroyer dispersed Communist troop concentrations ashore and, in the daylight hours the Nootka took medical and food supplies to local defenders. Shown above strolling through a main street of a Korean village are four crew members of the Nootka. Left to right, they are PO Rene Rollins, Verdun, P.Q. and Halifax; Surg.-Lieut. Robert E. Stewart, Toronto, the ship's medical officer; PO Fred Randall, Halifax and PO Howard Bailey, Saint John, N.B. and Halifax. (National Defence Photo)

board Athabaskan

Korean Stoicism Touches Canuck Tars

Editor's Note: Bill Boss, Canadian Press staff writer with the forces in Korea, recently spent 10 days in the Canadian destroyer Athabaskan in Korean waters.

By BILL BOSS
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AT SEA, ABOARD HMCS ATHABASKAN — A small junk is alongside, the second to do within two hours.

There was a sick call—a patient being taken to the doctor on the big Canadian warship.

In answer to the first junk the ship's medical officer, Surg.-Lieut. C. A. West of Mimico, Ont., went ashore with a medical officer packed with supplies.

He had spent more than an hour there looking into aches and pains in a clinic improvised on the beach, leaving the supplies behind when he returned. They would keep the island healthy until the next visit. Funny they didn't bring this man to me when I was there."

he mused as, from the junk, a woman was helped to climb the ladder let down over the Athabaskan's side.

BAFFLING SYMPTOMS

Taken into the ship's sick bay, her symptoms baffled the "Doc." She could have had any of a number of troubles. He spotted glandular tuberculosis, but that wasn't causing the severe abdominal pains of which she was complaining.

Then through painful questioning he discovered that her husband had kicked her in the stomach the night before when he returned home drunk, and that blood probably was flooding the abdominal cavity. It would have to heal itself.

West treats more sick Koreans than he does Canadians. His major concern with his Canadians is to keep them well. The Koreans know that they can ask help from any of the Canadian destroyers whose doctors are unflinching of their time.

"They always ask for medi-

cine," West says, "and we always give them as much as we can because I figure it is the best way of cementing friendships."

"These people are so grateful for anything we can do for them."

West's is one attitude toward the Koreans. The ship's complement caught something of it last winter when Athabaskan evacuated 48 North Korean wounded off the island of Taewhado.

A TOUGH JOB

The Koreans were suffering from wounds more than two days old, shrapnel and burns. Seven were so dangerously ill that West began operating immediately. He was still working on the last in the captain's cabin, hours later, when the ship reached Inchon. There the wounded were sent ashore to a civilian hospital.

The stoicism of those Koreans, and of the others West had treated, was not lost on the crew.

Said one: "After seeing all those people we were carrying

out hurts around by ourselves for a long time. It was quite a while before Doc had any business from us."

Since then Korean junks regularly come out from the islands or the mainland coast to intercept Athabaskan's path and ask for medical help. West always goes if the captain says the timetable permits.

Such meetings are the Canadians' only associations with Koreans, apart from the crews of the four R.O.K. navy vessels regularly working with them.

They tie up alongside Athabaskan almost daily, and the crews exchange visits.

Athabaskaners have had only one shore visit to Korea in all the while they've been here—three hours each at Inchon.

Their ignorance of Korea is monumental. They have never seen the Canadian armed services' handbook on Korea, and the two or three copies that are aboard have remained in officers' cabins.