



FRIENDSHIP—Two friends who met in war-devastated Korea renew their friendship in pleasant surroundings on the tulip-covered grounds of Parliament Hill, Ottawa. Canadian Press war correspondent, right, became interested in bright Pak Jong Yong, who was a houseboy for him in Korea. In January Pak Jong Yong was brought to Canada to study scientific agriculture. His fellow students call him Johnny Young. When his studies are completed Pak will return to help rehabilitate his native land. Boss is on his way back to resume coverage of the Canadian armed forces. (CP PHOTO)

Indian Experiment May Aid Korean Recovery

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Germans Riot In New Red Cold War

BONN.—West German's impending peace contract brought bloody week-end battle to industrial Essen and reports today indicate that East Germany's Communist rulers are getting ready for a drastic step up in cold war against the west and tighter Russian east German ties.

One young Communist was killed in the Essen riot in which police broke up a clash between anti-Reds and 30,000 Communist-led youths demonstrating against plans to rearm west Germans for western defence. Scores were injured and there have been arrests.

'Robot' Secretary Takes Over When Boss Not In

VANCOUVER. (CP)—An "automatic secretary"—a telephone recorder invented by two Vancouver men—will be put into production by a British manufacturing firm, it has been learned here.

Douks Close School in Island Site

VICTORIA.—Doukhobors at Hilliers on Vancouver Island have stopped sending their children to school. Hilliers, a colony, was established some years ago by the late Michael Veregin (the Archangel). He broke away from the radical Sons of Freedom in the Kootenays.

The Doukhobors operated their own private schools, using basic British Columbia curriculum with the exception of social studies and health which might conflict with their beliefs. The school had twenty pupils.

Department of education officials said a school inspector will be sent into the settlement this week to investigate.

The move is being interpreted in some quarters, however, as a protest against the death last year of Veregin who died not long after being released from prison. Doukhobors say reason for the school closing is that "elders are slipping away from ideas instituted by Michael. The school was one of these."

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Young Boy Finds Bodies

LONDON.—Sharp eyes of a nine year old boy led to the discovery yesterday of the bodies of three persons who were shot to death in a lonely gully near Muncney on an Indian Reserve.

The dead are Mrs. Lydia Riley, 64, of Muncney, her niece, Mrs. Beatrice Henry, about 30, and her husband, Herman, about 32. Police disclosed no motives for the shooting.

Jap Fishermen Drop Flowers

TOKYO (CP)—Kyodo News Agency said fishing fleets of three Japanese companies began operations in the north Pacific Sunday. Japanese fishermen cast wreaths of flowers into the sea of Attu and Kiska Islands in the Aleutians in memory of the Japanese soldiers killed there during the second world war.

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35 Killed at Argentinian Boxing Match

BELLEVILLE, Argentina (CP)—Thirty-five persons were killed Saturday night when a brick wall being used as an improvised grandstand collapsed on spectators at a boxing match here. At least 20 others are reported in a serious condition.

Hospitals are crammed with injured, with anxious relatives huddled in corridors and waiting rooms.

The disaster occurred in an open space enclosed by two 16-foot walls. A canvas roofing heavy with accumulated rain-water pulled in one of the walls.

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POLITICAL ROUNDUP

McRae Remains Candidate In Spite of Injuries

In spite of injuries received in the accident at Kemano Bay on Saturday, J. D. McRae intends to continue with his campaign as Liberal candidate in the forthcoming provincial election. Mr. McRae received two broken ankles when a ramp from the landing floats to the dock at Kemano collapsed Saturday. He was taken to Vancouver General Hospital, where it was discovered he had two broken ankles and other injuries. His condition this morning was reported as favorable.

C. H. Orme, Victoria, arrived in the city on Saturday's plane to direct the Progressive Conservative election campaign for T. M. Christie in the forthcoming provincial election.

One of the early arrivals in Prince Rupert, Mr. Orme came here in 1908. Shortly afterward he established Orme's Drug store, which he operated until 1936. In that year he moved to Victoria, to return here during the war years.

Assisting Mr. Orme in conducting the campaign will be J. R. Morrison, who arrived in Prince Rupert in 1910.

Frank Calder, CCF candidate for Atlin in the provincial election next month, is expected to return to the city today from a trip to Stewart and the Naas River. He expects to begin a campaign trip with George Hills, provincial CCF candidate for Prince Rupert.

Publisher Tells of Kemano Tragedy

Two men are in hospital, one is dead, following the Saturday morning accident at Kemano Bay which sent three visitors to the Aluminum Co. of Canada Ltd. power site tumbling 30 feet with a collapsing ramp.

Memorial services are being held tonight for G. A. (Alex) Hunter, late managing-editor of the Daily News.

In Prince Rupert General Hospital, John F. Magor, Daily News publisher, is confined with two broken feet and ankles. He described the tragedy on his way to hospital Saturday afternoon in an ambulance.

Magor had been flown in from Kemano.

"We were just leaving the dock to go down to the float, to emplane. Jack (McRae) was first on the ramp, Alex (Hunter) second, and I stepped on last."

"As soon as my full weight was on the ramp, something gave way. In a second we had dropped 30 feet to the hard beach below."

Magor said he saw Hunter lying near him, McRae a few feet further. He tried to rise, then apparently fainted until ambulance attendants were bending over him.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Norton Youngs and Duncan McRae were on the dock, witnesses to the tragedy.

Mr. McRae said the ramp appeared to be attached to the dock by chains. Two men had just preceded the accident victims. The ramp had been recently installed, he said.

Ambulance 10 miles away was notified immediately and reached the scene within a few minutes, said McRae, who helped construction employees near the scene carry the injured trio up a steep bank. The newsman died shortly after efforts were made to give him oxygen in the Kemano Bay hospital.

An inquest into his death today was adjourned until May 20 by Coroner Don Forward.

Jack McRae is in Vancouver General Hospital with two broken ankles.

—WEATHER—

Synopsis

Pressure remains low off the coast but a ridge of high pressure is building through the interior of the province. Variable cloudiness and scattered showers are forecast for coastal areas particularly in the northern part. The interior should enjoy considerable sunshine over the next two days although some showers will develop in the late afternoon. Little change in the present temperature pattern is looked for.

Forecast

North coast region — Mostly overcast with intermittent rain or drizzle. Little change in temperature. Wind southeast 25 in exposed parts and 15 elsewhere. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow — at Port Hardy, 45 and 58; Sandspit, 42 and 55; Prince Rupert, 45 and 55.

Peace Rally At Gardens Not Peaceful

TORONTO—A peace rally sponsored by the Canadian Peace Congress at Maple Leaf Gardens last night included a number of not so peaceful incidents.

Several times during the two and a half hours incidents of minor skirmishes broke out when some of the audience, estimated at 8,000, voiced objections to speeches. Disturbances were greeted by special bands of "ushers" who "escorted" hecklers from the building.

At one point, newspapermen and photographers in front of the speakers' platform attempted to leave their section and get to the disturbance in the corridor. They were greeted by a locked gate and a group of bouncers barring their way.

When several photographers attempted to climb over the boards they were manhandled by "committee men" with threats of breaking cameras. Police prevented an outbreak as reinforcements of reporters and young leftists flocked to the scene. With police standing by, the gate remained open the rest of the evening.

Object Said To be Meteor

SEATTLE.—U.S. Air Force investigators and astronomers, after checking hundreds of eyewitness reports, said today the fiery object which exploded with violent force over Seattle and the surrounding Puget Sound country early Sunday was probably a meteor. They continued questioning witnesses from Olympia, 50 miles south of here, to Bellingham, 80 miles north, however, and started a search for "strange" materials they said might have come from the meteor.

The object flashed across the sky at 1:26 a.m. Sunday. Airline pilots and ground observers said it exploded with a blinding flare and burst into flaming streamers. The rumbling concussion that followed rattled windows and shook doors.

Women's Progress

ALERT BAY, B.C.—The Native Brotherhood of British Columbia for the first time has elected a woman member. She is Doris Hall of Bella Bella. The brotherhood announced it will elect other women at its autumn convention, when council members are named.

Memorial Service Tonight For G. Alexander Hunter

A memorial service will be held tonight at the First Presbyterian Church for G. A. Hunter, of Currie Apartments, who died Saturday morning following an accident at Kemano Bay.

Dr. E. A. Wright will conduct the ceremony. Hymns will be "Lead Kindly Light" and "Abide With Me."

Funeral is to be held in Vancouver at T. Edwards Funeral Chapel, at Tenth and Granville Street, Friday, 2:30 p.m., Rev. Dr. A. M. Sanford officiating.

Arriving here today from Vancouver for the service are Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter, son and daughter-in-law; Mrs. Rose McRae, sister-in-law; Mrs. Georgina McRae, sister arrived from Cobourg, Ontario. Miss Audrey Hunter, daughter, arrived from Nanaimo yesterday.

Several groups will attend the service in a body, including the Gyo Club, of which Mr. Hunter was a charter member, the Chamber of Commerce and the city council.

Services will be at 7:30 p.m. No flowers are requested by the immediate family. Remains will be shipped to Vancouver tomorrow.

Accused Calls No Defence

A plea of guilty to a murder charge was accepted here this morning by a Supreme Court assizes judge after a three-hour closed hearing.

Arthur Bruce Cunningham, 65, was sentenced to hang August 5 by Mr. Justice H. S. Woods.

The accused man had confessed to police to the murder of a 70-year old pensioner farmer, Albert Thorsen, of Endako, last October 2.

When he was arraigned at 9:30 a.m. today, he pleaded guilty.

In the lengthy hearing, Mr. Justice Woods asked for evidence of the sanity of Cunningham and evidence that no reasonable doubt existed that accused in fact did murder Thorsen.

Prosecuting Counsel Gilbert Hogg, QC, told the court he had told Cunningham of the consequences of a plea of guilty; that there was only one sentence the trial judge could impose.

Accused answered Mr. Justice Woods: "I am fully aware of that, your Lordship."

Two psychiatrists testified they had examined Cunningham and found him to be of "average or better intelligence." Both said they were certain accused was mentally fit to make the plea and to realize the consequences.

Dr. R. A. Campbell, psychiatrist at Oakalla prison farm, told the court Cunningham had said:

"I killed him for money."

Thorsen was found shot dead October 2 by an Endako merchant, who was worried because the victim had not shown up for his usual weekly mail call.

The aging pensioner lived in a one-room shack on a little farm a few miles from the Central B.C. village, some 40 miles west of Prince George.

RCMP Const. Jack McDonald told the court Cunningham had walked into the Clinton RCMP office afternoon of October 11 to say:

"I have come to give myself up. I have committed murder."

Sgt. R. B. McKay of the same detachment took the confession statement later in evening in which Cunningham stated he shot Thorsen on October 1, and that he would lead the police to the murder weapon.

Meanwhile, Prince George RCMP were investigating the pensioner's death. They found the rifle under an outhouse, several hundred feet from the shack. The weapon contained a live shell in the breach and several more shells in the magazine, said Sgt. Terry Stewart, who conducted the investigation.

When Cunningham led a Clinton police officer to the outhouse and found the rifle missing, he said:

"Some children must have taken the gun," according to police testimony.

Dr. Campbell said he had examined accused at Oakalla in April.

"Cunningham told me he had spent 21 years of life in prisons across Canada. In 1951 he had been charged with a murder in Prince George, but was acquitted."

"I found this man to be of average or better intelligence with an education equivalent to first or second year university. His memory was accurate. He said he smoked moderately and engaged in occasional heavy drinking."

"Although he was indifferent as to his future—a certain apathy to his charge—my impression is he is certainly fit to stand trial or to make this plea."

Dr. D. C. McDonald, psychiatrist at New Westminster penitentiary, said Cunningham was born in Nova Scotia, date given as 1887. He was a veteran of World War I at which he had

suffered shrapnel wounds. Accused had begun "his anti-social behaviour at about 30 years."

Mr. Justice Woods said this was "a very extraordinary case." "It is very seldom the accused in a capital charge will plead guilty. I must consider very seriously whether or not I will accept the charge."

After three hours of evidence, the trial judge asked for a reprieve. Cunningham rose slowly, aid said:

"Guilty as charged, your lordship."

And throughout the hearing the grey-headed man, of slight build, wearing glasses, looked bored. He rose several times from his seat in the prisoner's dock to answer questions by Mr. Justice Woods. He was dressed in a brown, tweed sports jacket, wore a tie with a bright metal tie clip. He looked straight-away at the judge who read out the sentence of death with no emotion was visible on the doomed man's face. A few witnesses and police officers were in the silent courtroom.

Indians Lead Browns in Doubleheader

NEW YORK (CP)—Half of Cleveland's vaunted big four pitching staff came through again Sunday as the Indians polished off the St. Louis Browns 1-0 and 3-1 to increase their American League lead to two games.

Bob Lemon limited the Browns to two hits in the first game, and big Mike Garcia scattered eight in the second. The quartet, Lemon, Garcia, Bob Feller and Early Wynn have accounted for 14 of Cleveland's 17 victories.

The Indians picked up ground as the Boston Red Sox, erstwhile runner-up, dropped a 1-0 decision to the New York Yankees. The Red Sox slipped to third place with the Washington Senators moving into second. The Senators turned back Philadelphia Athletics 5-2 in 11 innings in the opener of a double header. The second game was rained out after two innings.

The Brooklyn Dodgers chopped New York's National League lead to one game by edging the Philadelphia Phils 4-3 in 10 innings. The Giants' doubleheader with Boston was rained out.

Errors by losing pitcher Howie Fox and shortstop Gran Hamner enabled the Dodgers to win. Fox misused in the ninth to set up the tying run and Hamner booted one in the 10th to pave the way for the winning run, which Roy Campanella drove in with a single.

The Cincinnati Reds tied Chicago for second place, beating the St. Louis Cardinals 8-5 while the Cubs split a twin bill with Pittsburgh, winning the opener by losing the second game 11-2.

Giant Meteor Explodes Over Seattle

SEATTLE.—A giant meteor swished across western Washington and exploded. Greatest damage seems to have been inflicted on people's nerves. A second rumble broke the celestial visitor in from four to ten large pieces.