

**TOMORROW'S TIDES**

Thursday, January 7, 1954  
Pacific Standard Time

3:00	20.5 feet
14:42	21.9 feet
8:45	6.8 feet
21:14	1.9 feet

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY

# The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Published at Canada's Most Strategic Pacific Port— "Prince Rupert, the Key to the Great Northwest"

OL. XLIII, No. 4 PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1954 PRICE FIVE CENTS

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY,  
113  
VICTORIA, B. C.

**ORRIN'S DRUGS**

Daily Delivery

Phone 81

## Weather Case Solved

### Four Charged for '48 Shooting

By The Associated Press  
DETROIT. — Authorities bringing criminal charges against four men today announced a "solution" to the attempted assassination of union leader Walter Reuther in 1948.

"This is the solution, but it goes farther," Wayne county prosecutor Gerald K. Brien said.

Two of the accused men are in custody, one is being sought and another is reported in a local penitentiary.

Brien and Donald S. Leonard, city police commissioner, announced the arrests and charges.

Two of the accused men were identified as Carl Renda and his father-in-law, Santo (Sam) Renda, both witnesses before the Kefauver Senate crime investigating committee here in 1948.

Renda is in custody at police headquarters. Perrone is being sought.

**OTHERS NAMED**

One named in the charges is Peter Lombardo, described as an inmate of the penitentiary at Tedde Haute, Ind.

Brien did not give out full details of the arrests but said he has evidence as to what really happened. This is the first time it may go farther.

There may be other involvements.

Charges against the four men contained two criminal offenses. One charged with assault with intent to murder, another conspiracy to assault with intent to murder.

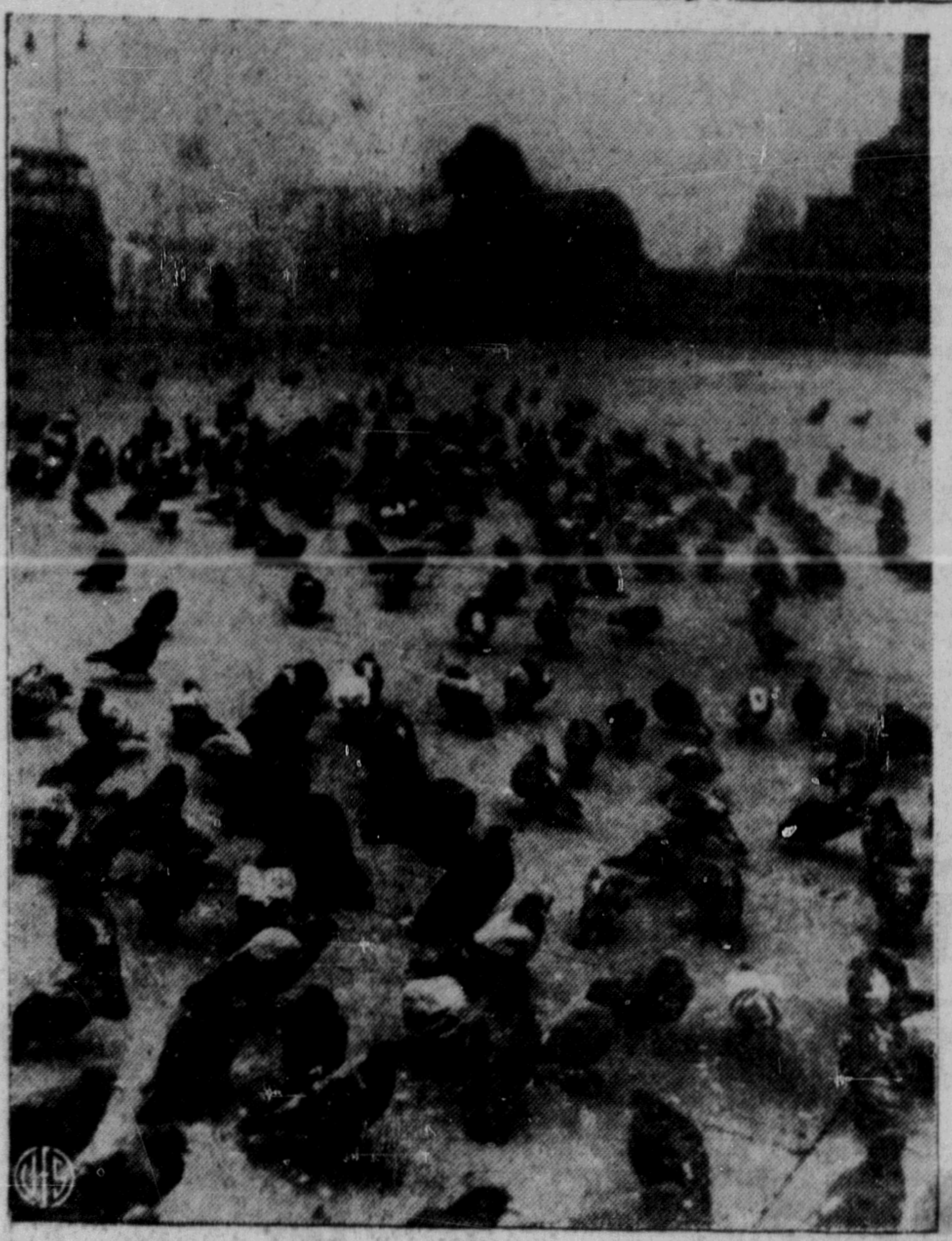
The attempted killing of Reuther and the attempt also on the life of his brother, Victor, more than a year later, were the result of a two-year investigation.

Each of the two CIO union leaders was shot at his home by a would-be assassin who fired a shotgun through the window.

Whether it was the same man on both occasions police could not say.

Reuther was shot April 20, 1948. Victor was shot May 24, 1949. Walter lost part of an arm as a result. Victor was blinded in one eye.

Walter Reuther is president of the United Auto Workers and also president of the



**GROUND BY THE HEAVY FOG** are London's famous Trafalgar Square pigeons. They were as startled as other Londoners to see a purple hue in the murk over the city recently. An Air Ministry spokesman said it was caused by "the presence of water in the atmosphere and shallowness of the fog, allowing the sun to shine through and break up the fog bank, thus giving a rather purplish effect."

## City Dump Rat Free In Poison Campaign

No rats have been seen at Prince Rupert's garbage dump at the city limits since December 28, city works superintendent G. E. Beaton said today.

So effective was the poisoning campaign, started early in December, that daylight checks, made by standing and watching for half-hour spells, showed that by December 16 only 57 rats were counted as survivors of the thousands which infested the dump prior to its closure.

On December 20th watchers counted 39 rats and less than a week later, December 26, only nine were spotted. On December 27, after the dump had been closed for more than three weeks, two rats were seen and the next day only one was left.

Daily checks since have disclosed no rats.

The poisoning of the city dump was carried out in conjunction with the area land-fill project at Alsema Park, where for the past three weeks a dragline and tractor has been impacting and covering the city's daily garbage quota.

The city had a week's free demonstration of the machine and to facilitate the anti-rat campaign the council rented the machine for a further two weeks at \$65 per week. The machine has but a few more hours to work.

Mr. Beaton said today that if the city does not buy the machine "we will have to go back to dumping garbage at that rat-breeding ground out on the highway."

At a recent council meeting the city superintendent said the machine was sufficiently versatile that it could be used for only two hours a day on the garbage fill project and could be used anywhere else in the city for ditch-digging, leveling ground, obtaining fill and ground clearing for the rest of the work day. Cost of the machine is between \$28,000 and \$29,000.

## RCN Cruiser To Make Trip To Tasmania

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian cruiser Ontario will participate in ceremonies marking Queen Elizabeth's visit to Tasmania next month.

The RCN said today the 10,000-ton warship will sail from her Esquimalt base Jan. 13 on a training cruise to Australia and New Zealand.

Following a visit to Melbourne from Feb. 6 to 12, the Ontario will proceed to Hobart for a 12-day stay where her crew will participate in festivities marking the Tasmanian visit of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh.

From Hobart the ship will sail to New Zealand for visits to Milford Sound, Dunedin and Wellington.

The ship will then return to Australia for calls at Sydney and Brisbane. She is due back in Esquimalt April 15.

**Correction**

Due to an error the name of one of the members of the Library Board appeared incorrectly in Tuesday's edition of The Daily News.

The name should have read Mrs. George A. Hill, not Mrs. George Hills.

Other members of the board are: Alderman Ray McLean, T. B. Black, A. D. Ritchie, W. C. Hankinson, Mrs. W. S. Kerwin and Mrs. Basil Prockter.

All standing committees were named Monday night by Mayor George Hills.

**WEATHER**

Synopsis

The weather over southern remains very mild. Over temperatures along the were in the low forties. unsettled conditions are to persist in these regions through Thursday.

In the northern part of the the Arctic air is beginning to move slowly southward into Prince George and Cariboo regions.

**Forecast**

North Coast region — Cloudy with a few showers today and tomorrow. A little colder. Wind westerly 15.

Port Hardy and high Thursday at Port Hardy, 34 and 40; at 30 and 38; Prince Rupert, 32 and 38.

## Mild Weather Fools Flowers, Garden Blossoms Out

Sunset rose.

Mrs. Priest reports she has never before seen flowers blooming in Prince Rupert this late in the season. Several years ago she had roses for Christmas but nothing else. She also notes that spring bulbs in neighbors' gardens are shooting up and that some of her plants are showing new growth.

The plants blooming now in her garden flowered as usual last summer and she thinks perhaps the mild weather of the past few days has fooled them into thinking spring is here again.

Mrs. Priest's home today was brightened by a bouquet from her garden, including Sweet Peas, Siberian Wallflower, yellow daisies, pink and white daisies, white Arabis, and a pretty yellow

# Costly Woodworkers' Strike Ends After 99-Day Shutdown

## 4th Arrest Seen in U.S. Robbery

By The Associated Press  
WASHINGTON. — Secret service agents hunted today for \$31,700 still missing in the New Year's Eve theft of \$160,000 from the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

They speculated that the search might lead to a fourth arrest in a case that "cracked" Tuesday with the nabbing of a bureau employee, his jauntily-dressed wife and a soft-spoken little flagpole painter on a tip furnished after all-night soul-searching by the father of the woman.

The three were arrested following a 5 a.m. phone call to Virginia state police by Irving Grant, father of Mrs. Mamie Landis, and ended with the recovery of \$128,300, in three separate caches, of the loot which apparently was smuggled from the money-printing plant in a suit jacket.

Those accused: James Rufus Landis, 29, a \$142-an-hour checker in the heavily guarded plant which makes the government's currency. Landis is held in \$50,000 bail on a currency theft charge.

Landis' 26-year-old wife, Mamie, held on \$10,000 bail despite her denial of any knowledge of the theft.

William Giles, 27, the flagpole painter, who freely admitted driving with the Landises to the Virginia tenant cabin of Irving Grant in an effort to hide \$95,000 of the "hot" currency.

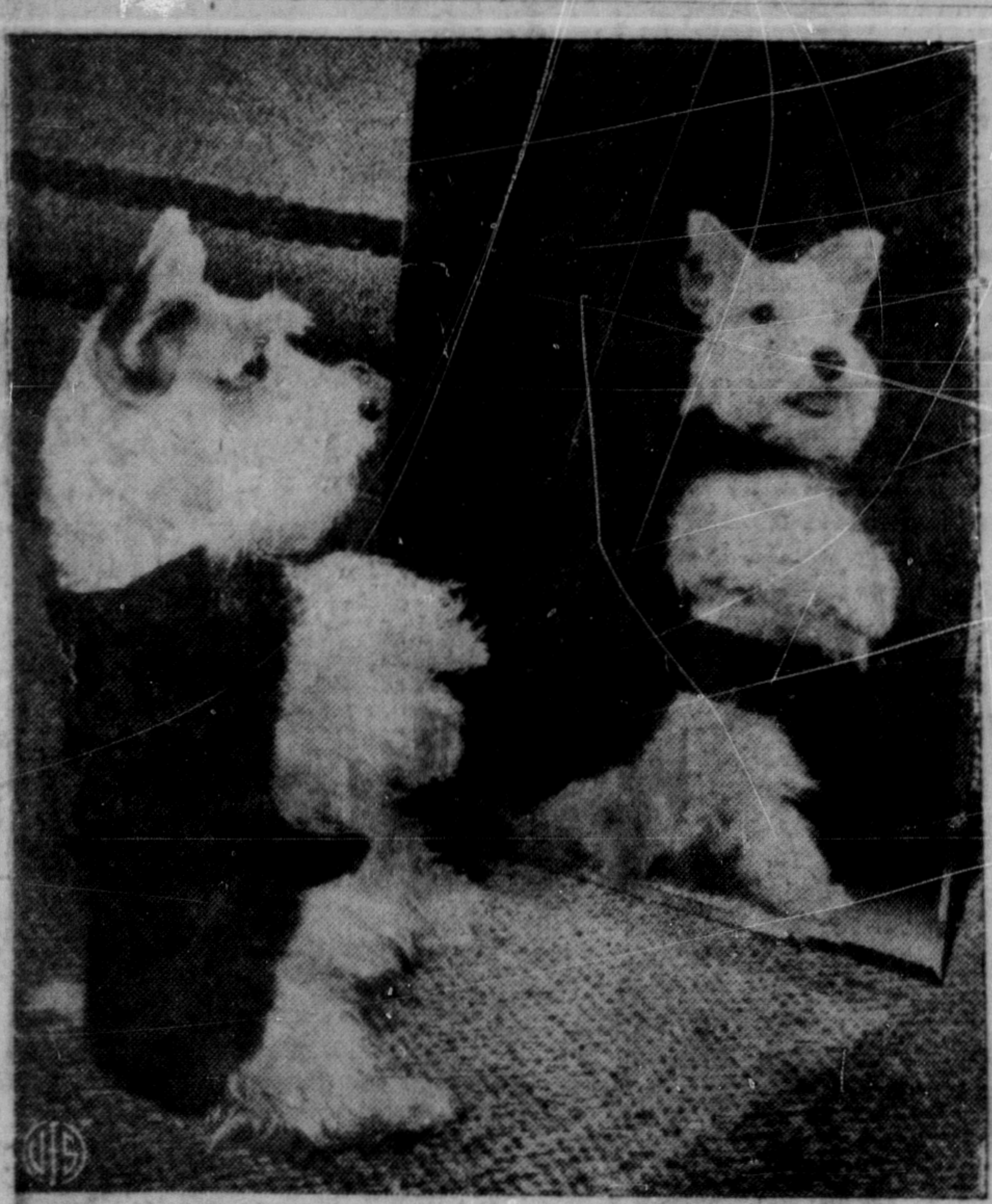
**SAY ADMIT THEFT**

Officials said Landis admitted stealing 8,000 cracking new \$20 bills from their paper coverings and stuffing plain paper in their place. The dummy packages were not discovered until after the New Year's week-end.

"I did so for the future of my family," said Giles. "I can't give them all the things I want to give them."

Police said Mrs. Landis' father agreed, when one of his visitors produced a gun, to hide the money after his daughter and her companions dropped in on him Sunday night.

Then, up till dawn, he wrestled with his conscience and fear of the law. He told his wife what had happened. She had a heart attack. Finally Grant went to telephone. He had, he told the police, "a big pile of treasury money"—and was "scared to death."



**GYPSY**, Hollywood television performer, seems to react in typical female fashion as she admires her new mink. The five-hundred-dollar coat was a Christmas gift from an admirer. Fans have given Gypsy many other coats, blankets and thirty hats.

## Pearson Urges Cohesive Team For Talks With Russia, China

MONTREAL (CP) — External Affairs Minister Pearson urged last night that the free world negotiate as a "cohesive team" in dealing with Moscow and Peking.

"We hear too often the 'voices' rather than the 'voice of freedom,'" he said in an address to the Canadian Public Relations Society here.

The minister also warned against the "insidious pressure of enticing doubletalk and bewildering blandishment" used by the Communists to split the western nations.

"Very far-reaching developments may be taking place behind the Iron Curtain," he said. "If so, we should keep an open mind and a clear head about them. These developments may make it possible to advance the policy of peaceful co-operation between states to which we of the free world are committed."

"On the other hand, words of peace and goodwill which come now from the Communist camp may represent merely an orthodox and normal shift in party tactics, designed to disarm and deceive us."

"In a coalition of free states, large and small, powerful and weak, each has its own voice, each has its own pride, prejudice and public opinion."

"There may be no more imperative necessity facing us in 1954 than that of working out and applying satisfactory and effective methods of consultation and co-operation within this coalition, so that we can negotiate with the Kremlin and Peking as a well-knit and cohesive team . . ."

## Man Remanded In Theft Case

John Donovan, who appeared in police court this morning before Magistrate W. D. Vance, charged with theft of a sum of more than \$25, was remanded for eight days.

Donovan is charged with stealing nearly \$100 from Roland Dale Griffiths last December 13.

The two residential areas on the north arm of Burrard Inlet made their opposing views known in emphatic fashion following announcement by Premier Bennett Monday night that he will recommend extension of the railway from Squamish to North Vancouver. The premier said he would recommend a start on the extension early this year. Estimated cost is \$12,000,000.

## Loss in Wages Over \$1 Million

By The Canadian Press  
PRINCE GEORGE. — The costly 99-day-old strike of B.C. woodworkers has ended and sawmills throughout the northern interior began humming again today.

A compromise contract formula was reached yesterday by the Northern Interior Lumbermen's Association and the International Woodworkers of America (CIO-CCL).

Some 1,600 mill workers and loggers were idled and another 3,400 men in allied trades were put out of work by the dispute.

An operators' spokesman estimated today that more than \$1,000,000 in wages were lost during the strike.

The new agreement calls for a general 5½-cent hourly wage increase and an industry-wide maintenance of membership clause, one of the union's key demands.

A union spokesman said the formula was approved by more than 90 per cent of the IWA members.

The union had previously turned down settlement recommendations by Judge Arthur E. Lord, appointed as a one-man royal commission by the provincial government.

Judge Lord had approved a six-cent hourly pay increase but had turned down the union's demands for a compulsory check-off. In a sharply-worded statement the judge accused the IWA of "irresponsible" activities during the strike.

He is slated to conduct a similar inquiry into the 12-week strike of woodworkers in the southern B.C. interior.

The northern workers originally asked for an 18½-cent hourly increase over the basic rate of \$1.29½.

## Hospital Workers Get 40-Hour Week

Members of the Prince Rupert Civic Employees' Federal Union Local No. 5 employed at the Prince Rupert General hospital have been granted a 40-hour work week but a conciliation board which heard representations from both parties, declined to grant them a wage increase.

Hospital administrator Doug Stevenson said that the conciliation board recommended that the hospital workers be granted the shorter work week at the same rate of pay they received in 1953 for a 44-hour week.

Also granted was a 20-cent differential per full shift for those working evening and night shifts and three weeks' holiday with pay after five full years' service.

The board composed of W. H. Brett, chairman; F. E. Anfield, hospital nominee, and John G. Dyck, union nominee, declined to recommend that the employees come under Federal Unemployment Insurance Commission benefits and also refused to grant orderlies and utility workers the same rate of pay as similar workers in the Vancouver General Hospital.

The union had requested a 15 per cent across the board wage increase.

The conciliation board's award is binding through mutual agreement between the hospital and the union.

## City Workers Afraid of Falls On Boardwalks

Fear that slippery or slimy steps and boardwalks in front of city homes may result in accidents to city employees was expressed last night at the monthly meeting of the Civic Employees Association.

Members suggested that if home-owners would place chicken wire on slippery or slanting walks, garbagemen loaded down with containers would stand a better chance of avoiding mishaps.

## Date Set For Hearing

A conciliation board will open hearings here Friday into the wage dispute between hotel owners and beverage dispensers.

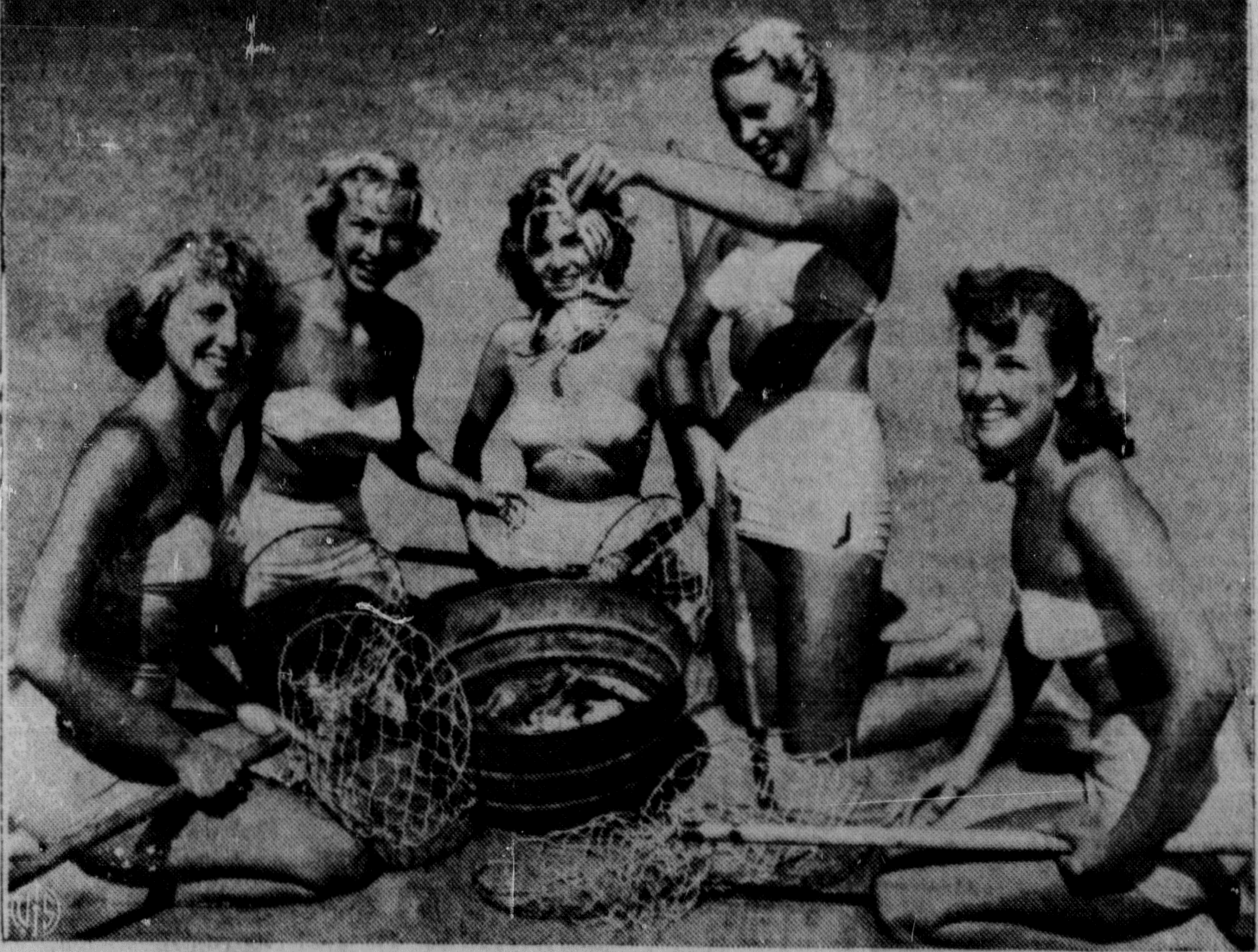
S. D. Johnston has been named chairman of the board. George J. Gerrard, business agent will represent Local 636 of the Beverage Dispensers' Union and Scott McLaren will represent Prince Rupert members of the B.C. Hotels' Association. Hearings will take place in the city council chambers.

A. Bruce Brown will present the brief for the union, which is seeking a 25-cent-an-hour wage boost and fringe benefits including one extra holiday.

## CUT IN LICENCES APPLIES ONLY TO PASSENGER CARS

VICTORIA (CP)—British Columbia's 10 per cent cut in motor vehicle licence fees applies to passenger cars only, motor-vehicle branch officials said Tuesday.

"Commercial vehicles are not eligible for the reduction," a spokesman said.



**THIS QUINTET** of lovely ladies would rather go crabbing than splash about in the ocean off Jacksonville, Fla., Beach. But, as you can see, the girls are mighty cautious about handling the little monsters.

## Colorful Desert Prospector 'Death Valley Scotty' Dies

STOVEPIPE WELLS, Calif. (CP) — Death Valley Scotty, desert prospector and a colorful western figure for half a century, died Tuesday night. He was 81.

Scotty, whose real name was Walter Scott, died at the fabulous castle with which his name had been associated for years.

At his bedside was Miss Mary Liddecoat, president of the Gospel Foundation, who was his constant companion for the last two years.

Dr. E. V. Wallace, Scott's physician, said he was summoned to the castle Tuesday and found Scotty in "very, very dangerous condition."

Scott suffered a gastric hemorrhage three years ago but recovered and had been exceptionally active for his age. He felt fine earlier Tuesday, and greeted visitors to the castle.

Scotty's benefactor, Albert Johnson, owned the castle, 170 miles north of Las Vegas, Nev. When the Chicago insurance executive died about six years ago he left the property to the Gospel Foundation, with the provision that Scotty was to live the rest of his life there.

Walter Webb, business representative of the foundation, said Scotty is survived by his widow and a son, Walter Scott, Jr., whose whereabouts he did not know.

Scott was long a storied figure in the desert, where he struck it rich several times and each time ran through his fortune. Around the turn of the century he hired a special train to take him from San Francisco to Chicago and the run set a speed record that lasted for decades.