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TAKE YOU AWAY FROM IT ALL—It's \$62,000 worth of bride and groom as Alf Battle (right) is introduced to his mate Lady Larry 95th in Philadelphia after both were flown in from the Middle West. Alf Battle is the \$50,000 prize winner of the Champion Poiled Hereford competition while Lady Larry is the \$12,000 international Heifer Champion. New owner of Alf Battle is Delaware's Governor J. Caleb Boggs.

## South Coast Oil Probe Planned This Summer

Lands Minister announced today that a newly-formed committee will be sent to find out if there is an oil pool off the coast of British Columbia south of Vancouver. The committee will be headed by a former oil industry official and will include representatives from the federal government, the province, and the oil industry. The committee's task is to determine if there is a commercially viable oil pool in the area. If one is found, it could be a major discovery for the province and the country.

**TEACHERS' PAY**  
The B.C. Teachers' Association has agreed to a new contract with the provincial government. The contract provides for a 3% increase in salary and a new pension plan. The teachers' union had been on strike for several weeks, but the government offered a settlement that was acceptable to both sides.

**BONNER GOES EAST**  
VICTORIA (CP)—Attorney-General Bonner flew to eastern Canada Friday amid reports that he will negotiate "important government business" in Montreal. Mr. Bonner will also attend a conference on inter-provincial highways. He is expected to be in Montreal for several days.

**CITY YOUTHS  
Get Two Years  
For Break-Ins**  
Two city youths, Henry Spalding and Barney Dixon, felt the lash of Magistrate W. D. Vance's tongue yesterday afternoon in police court when he sentenced them each to two years in the B.C. Penitentiary on each count for a series of breaking and entering charges and thefts.

**FOOTBALL**  
Wolverhampton Wanderers defeated the English League champions Tottenham Hotspur 2-1 in a thrilling match at White Hart Lane. The goals were scored by Wolves' forward and Tottenham's defender.

**ITALIAN SLAYS  
Five, Suicides**  
ASTI, Italy (AP)—Roberto Ruffa, a farmer of nearby Catthole, killed his mother, two sisters and two brothers with an ax Friday, then hanged himself to a tree. Ruffa had been released from an insane asylum four months ago.

# Russia Breaks Off Relations With Australia Over Petrovs

## Phone Dispute Snags Army; McCarthy War

By JACK BELL  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Karl Mundt (Rep.-S.D.) said today that the Senate investigating sub-committee may have to re-write what he called its "fuzzy" order for seizure of records on telephone calls in the McCarthy-Army dispute. With the sub-committee's national televised hearings in recess until Monday, Mundt said in an interview that there is some doubt about the legality of making public transcripts of monitored conversations without the consent of both parties. "If this matter gets into the courts, we don't want the whole investigation to go down the drain because of a legal technicality," he declared.



**SCIENTISTS SCOFF** but motorists in Prince Rupert and elsewhere across North America fume as the mysterious blight of peck-marked windshields spreads. A Toronto used car dealer displays this cracked windshield, reporting that the cracks spread in two hours starting from a tiny pit on the glass. Nothing this bad has been reported in Prince Rupert but not far behind is the windshield on Bill Vance's car, which sports a large crack.

## Ash Seen To Fall on City; Test by Geiger Negative

Possibility that some of the ash now positively seen dropping on Prince Rupert, may be particles of coral from the South Pacific was voiced this morning when at least half a dozen fishermen reported seeing a half hour fall of some mysterious substance. Another separate report received just after lunchtime said that for a few minutes a similar fall of fine particles was observed on Third Avenue between Third and Second Streets. The fishermen, who wished to remain unidentified for fear of ridicule, all swore that for half an hour this morning a fine powder fell all around the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-op plant at Fairview. The particles, about the size of a sugar grain disintegrated after a few moments, but left no mark. The fact that no moisture was left after evaporation discounted the theory that it might be a brief snow storm.

One small boy managed to keep a particle in the palm of his hand for a few minutes while onlookers tried to identify it. While one fisherman said the dust was the size of a grain of sugar, another said that it looked like particles of cigarette ash. Still another said he believed that it was coral dust taken up to great heights after an atomic or hydrogen bomb test and blown over the whole of North America. Meanwhile Jack Hitchcock of Superior Auto told The Daily News that at least 20 cars with pitted windshields had had the tiny spots that seem to accompany the pitting tested by a geiger counter. While the counter showed no radio activity, specks react statically with metal.

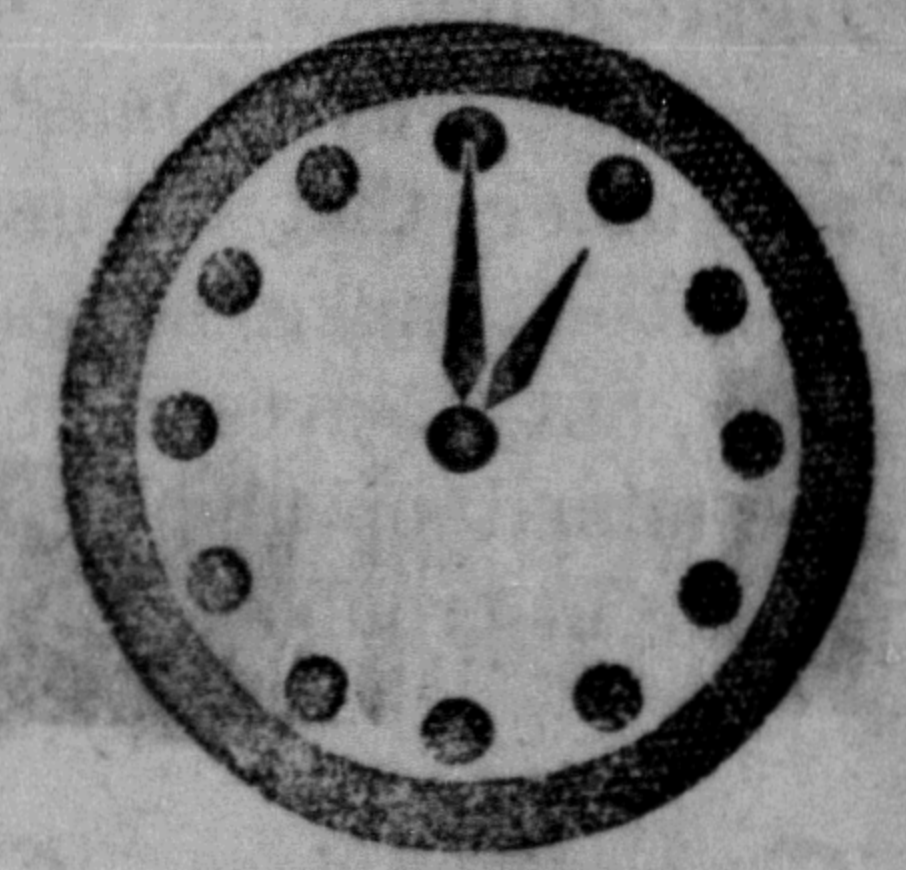
## Documents A-Blaze In Both Countries

CANBERRA (CP)—Documents went up in flames in embassies 12,000 miles apart today as Russian diplomats here and Australians in Russia prepared to return home after Friday night's break in diplomatic relations over the Petrov case. In Moscow, the Australian embassy staff worked at top speed to be ready to depart by Sunday night, reports from Russia said. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet deputy foreign minister, told the Australian charge d'affaires, Brian Hill, Friday that he wanted the Australians out in "three or four days." The Russians here, recalled by the Kremlin and not ordered out, can take their time.

The break in relations was called by Russia in a note protesting granting of asylum to Vladimir Petrov, former embassy official and secret police chief in Australia, and his wife Evokiya. The note said Petrov was a criminal who should be arrested by Australia for theft and that Mrs. Petrov had been "kidnapped" by Australian government officials. The break in relations was called by Russia in a note protesting granting of asylum to Vladimir Petrov, former embassy official and secret police chief in Australia, and his wife Evokiya. The note said Petrov was a criminal who should be arrested by Australia for theft and that Mrs. Petrov had been "kidnapped" by Australian government officials.

**REJECTED DEMAND**  
Australia had rejected the demand for the return of Petrov when it was made earlier, and is keeping him in a secret hiding place. Mrs. Petrov was reunited with him after a tumultuous incident in which she was taken from a plane at Darwin just as she was about to depart with Soviet agents for Moscow. In that incident, the Soviet note charged, "Australian police used violence against the second secretary of the embassy..." and subjected the Soviet diplomatic couriers to forcible search with the use of physical violence.

**REDS DISARMED**  
The two couriers had been disarmed by the Australian police at Darwin after the Russians tried to bar authorities from talking to Mrs. Petrov. Moscow radio's announcement of the note was the first the Soviet public had been told of the Petrov case. It is not yet known when the 51 adults and children connected with the Soviet embassy here can get out of the country. There also is the Sydney correspondent of the Tass news agency and his wife. Meanwhile, the staff today was busily destroying all documents they could not carry with them in a secluded spot in the embassy garden, where a huge fire was burning.



## Move Clocks Ahead Tonight

Tonight at midnight Daylight Saving time comes into operation in Prince Rupert and residents will lose an hour's sleep.

Also unless clocks are put ahead one hour at midnight, worshippers tomorrow are going to arrive at city churches in the middle of the sermon. The time change will affect passengers for the Canadian National Railways and Steamship companies but not those planning to travel by Canadian Pacific Steamships or Canadian Pacific Airlines.

CNR officials said this morning that the Eastbound train will now leave at 9:20 Daylight Saving time, or 8:20 standard time on which all railways and steamships operate. The Rupert bound train will arrive at 10:35 Daylight Saving and city time or 9:35 standard.

The regular Wednesday Canadian National steamship "Prince George" will arrive at 12 noon city time and leave at 1 a.m. Thursday morning, city time, for Ketchikan. It returns to Prince Rupert at 8 p.m. city time Thursday and leaves for Vancouver at 12:15 a.m. city time Friday.

The CPR Canadian Pacific Steamships, however have advanced their sailing and arrival times one hour standard so that residents will go aboard or meet the Sunday boat at exactly the same time as before. The CPR ship will arrive at 8 a.m. city time Sunday and leave at 10 p.m. city time.

Canadian Pacific Airlines departure time remains the same, 11:45 a.m. every day including Sunday.

## Liquor Store To Stay Open Till 11 p.m.

Prince Rupert liquor vendor David Bain announced today that commencing May 15, the liquor store will be open from 10 a.m. until 11 p.m. daily, except Sundays and statutory holidays.

Mr. Bain received the order in a letter from the liquor control board in Victoria last night. The letter made no mention of hours to be observed on Thursdays, regular afternoon closing time for the liquor and other stores here.

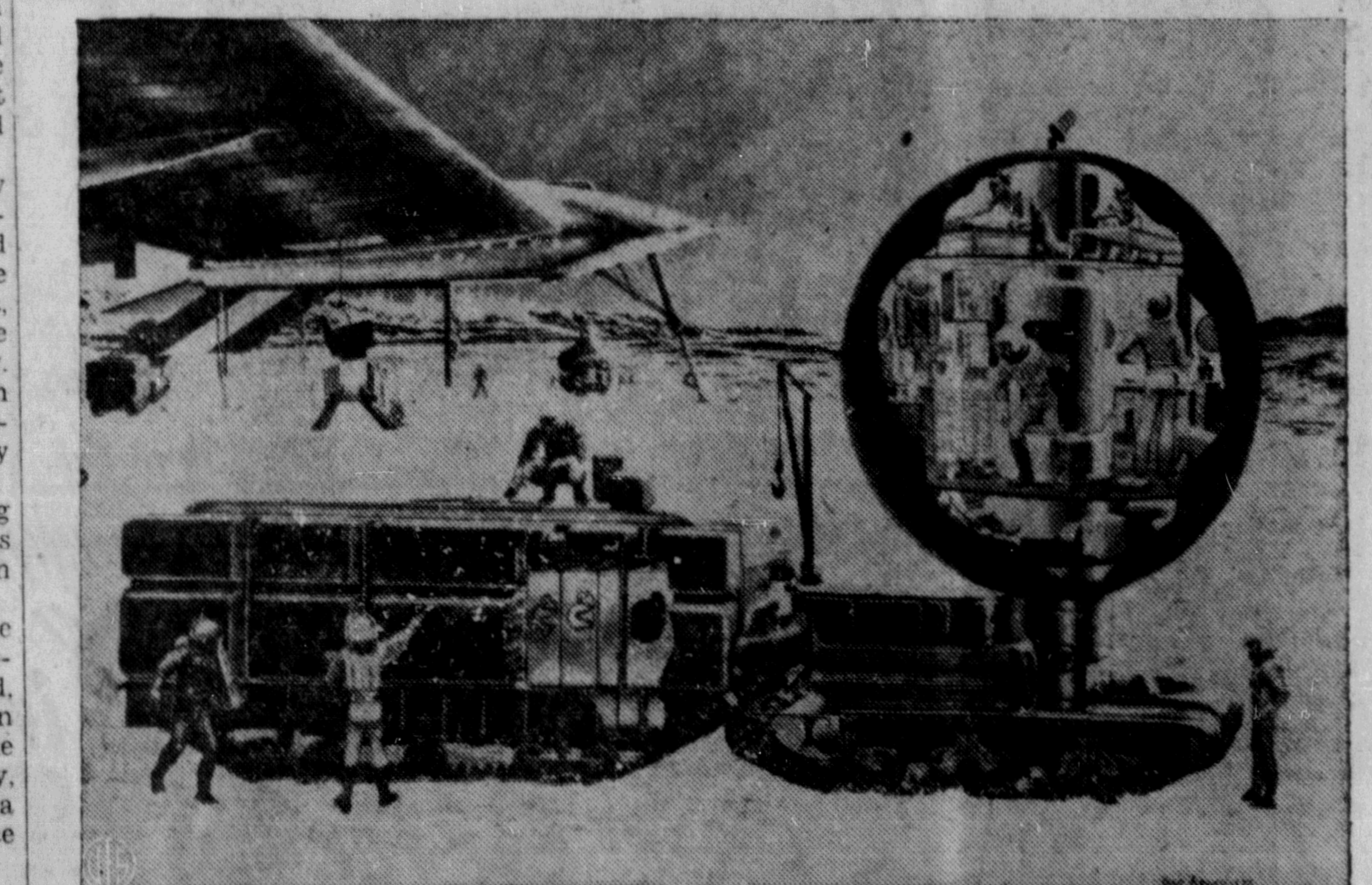
City Council, in a resolution supported by the Chamber of Commerce and labor groups recently pressed for extension of liquor store hours, due to the evening hours of arrival and departure of trains and boats carrying tourists. The store formerly closed at 6 p.m.

## Cancer Receipts Now at \$3,580

Prince Rupert Cancer Society campaign chairman Ron Allen was jubilant this morning as he reported that \$3,580.95 had been donated only three days after the start of the fund raising drive. Mr. Allen said that there were still 15 local canvassers to be heard from and no outside donations had yet been received. Quota for this district was \$2,000.

## WEATHER Forecast

North coast region—Sunny today, variable cloudiness on Sunday. A little colder. Light winds. Low tonight and high Sunday at Port Hardy, 30 and 50; Sandspit, 35 and 50; Prince Rupert, 30 and 48.



**TO MARS... AFTER MANY MOONS**—Trips to Mars have been predicted by Dr. Wernher von Braun, Chief of the Guided Missile Development Division at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala. Writing in the current issue of Collier's Magazine, Dr. von Braun says the trips will probably not come about for at least a century and will take more than two and a half years, round trip. Above is the scientist's blueprint of how men will live on the red planet during more than a year they will have to wait for it to swing into a favorable position for the return trip to earth. Space travelers will live in inflatable, pressurized spheres mounted on tractors (right). They will enter and leave through air locks. Cutaway of the tractor in the foreground shows closed-circuit engine, run by hydrogen peroxide and oil. Trailer cutaway shows fuel supply and cargo (left). Space ship is in background.

## Nass Leaders Given Queen's Medals

### Chief Bright, Mrs. Martha Azak Reiterate Allegiance

A memorable occasion for two settlements on the Nass river during which Chief Michael In-spring Bright, of Aiyansh, and Mrs. Martha Azak, of Canyon City, received Coronation medals was described today by Indian agent Frank Anfield who made the awards. Speaking of the ceremony at Aiyansh, Mr. Anfield said: "Chief Michael Bright, age 85 years, blind and feeble, but in full uniform as honorary president of the band, was led to the platform, following which I gave an address and pinned the Coronation medal on Mr. Bright's uniform. The old blind bandmaster was given a great ovation by his people."

"Then followed a number of choral selections by the Aiyansh choral society, comprising a group of some 35 men and women whose voices, though untrained by modern standards, were true and full." The choir, conducted by George Robinson, sang in four parts. After this performance there were speeches by Chief Michael Bright and Chief Councilor Munroe. "It was a great evening for Aiyansh whose people over and over expressed their deep appreciation of the high honor bestowed on them," Mr. Anfield said.

At Canyon City, a village of 83 inhabitants, almost the entire population was at the landing to greet Mr. Anfield and Constable B. Groenoweg, RCMP. Later at the newly-completed hall a speech of welcome was given by Edward Azak, deputy Chief Councilor, in the absence of Ernest Azak, Chief. "Other addresses followed, then came my own address, after which a dear old lady, long over 70 years of age, Martha Azak, with 72 living children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, was escorted to the platform and duly honored by the Queen in the Coronation medal. "She made a lovely speech, filled with humility and gratitude and closing with a plea to the younger people to remain worthy of the honor bestowed on their village and people," Mr. Anfield said.

In her address, Mrs. Azak spoke of the village's happiness in having the Queen notice its boat-building accomplishments and added: "We want to say that we quite well understand that such an honor as this medal is given for victories and work done in the days that are past. We know that just having this medal will not make us the top village in the agency for 1954. "Therefore we ask you, Mr. Anfield, to inform Her Majesty the Queen that we have industrious plans for the immediate future to prove further that we are a progressive people. We hope to gain permission and assistance to develop the timber wealth of this upper Nass river area."

Remarking that fishing is in a precarious condition and that her people wished to remain independent if at all possible, Mrs. Azak said that plans for tapping timber resources include development of hydro-electric power. Expressing thanks to Inspector W. M. Taylor, RCMP, who attended one of the previous ceremonies and had a member of his force in attendance for all others, Mr. Anfield said: "The presence of these officers in full scarlet and gold made a fine impression and was much appreciated by the Indian people in every village."