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HISTORIC DOCUMENT, a picture from the film found in the camera of one of the school teacher Hans Rupp (centre, back to camera) rubbing the hands of his fiancée, while other pupils do their best to ward off the numbing cold. The 10 German boys and their teachers perished in a blizzard recently on Mount Dachstein near Ober-Gurgl.

"Overdriving of Vision" Blamed Fatal Mishap Near Terrace

A young motorist, who was driving west at the time, also was heard. Mr. Koch said he remembered the Bell car approaching him at moderate speed, while he was travelling about 40 miles per hour.

Within less than 10 seconds of passing the Bell car, he had heard a crash almost at his rear bumper and had thought he had a blow out. He had pulled into Atrill's garage near the scene to investigate and looking back along the road saw the wrecked cars.

He had driven back to the Bell car and with the assistance of Roy Atrill, using a tow rope, pulled the car back onto its wheels to release three people pinned beneath it. With other passengers-by he had taken the injured to hospital.

Among those injured in the crash were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wesley, parents of the dead boy, and James Bolton, all of whom had been picked up by the Bell car a few hundred yards west of the accident scene. Mrs. Wesley is still in hospital in Prince Rupert, suffering broken arms and legs. Her husband, suffering a fractured pelvis is in Terrace hospital. Bolton, who suffered broken legs and head cuts is home from hospital. Mrs. Bell, also injured, was taken to Vancouver for treatment.

STABBING PROVES BLESSING IN DISGUISE TO VICTIM

DETROIT—Samuel Wilson stabbed Felix Hammett in the stomach and actually did him a favor, police reported.

The pair argued and Wilson slashed Hammett. Doctors at Detroit's receiving hospital discovered Wilson had laid bare Hammett's appendix.

The appendix was badly infected. Doctors finished the appendectomy and the patient recovered.

Wilson didn't seem to mind the 60-day jail sentence, but said he was unhappy about having to pay Hammett's \$373 medical bill.

No-Accident Record Unmarred At CCC as Campaign Near End

Officials at Columbia Cellulose are keeping their fingers crossed today as the plant goes into its fifth and final day of Forest Products Safety Week without a lost-time accident. Safety Week ends at midnight tonight.

The Watson Island plant has joined with other mills and logging camps in B.C. in promoting safety consciousness during the week under the slogan "Let's Make Safety Count."

The slogan, which was the prize winner of a contest last year, stems from the first initials of Labor-Management Safety Conference, plant personnel manager Dan Doswell said. Mr. Doswell stated that this week's safety bulletin stressed that it took a lifetime to make a safe worker, but that the record could be marred in a second.

MARKED DECREASE
Forest industry accidents in B.C. during Safety Week have shown a marked decrease compared with the same period in 1953, logging officials reported in Vancouver.

Partial figures released by the B.C. Loggers' Association and B.C. Lumber Manufacturers' Association, sponsors of the safety week which ends Friday, show five accidents have occurred so far this week compared with a

BULLETIN

TERRACE—An RCAF DC-3 flew into Terrace this morning from Sea Island, Vancouver, on a mercy flight and picked up Mrs. W. M. "Bill" Priest, dangerously ill with a cerebral haemorrhage. An RCAF nurse and doctor were aboard the plane. Mr. Priest, formerly of Prince Rupert, accompanied his wife on the trip.

Aid Urged To Improve Shipping

**Green Suggest
\$1,000 Subsidies**

OTTAWA (CP)—Howard Green, PC—Vancouver-Quadra, said Thursday night that Canada's deep-sea merchant marine is disappearing and called on the government to reverse the trend.

"Even Switzerland has a merchant marine, and it's going to be bigger than the Canadian merchant navy by the end of June," Mr. Green said in the Commons.

He was supported by Charlie Gillis, CCF-Breton South, who said Canadian exporters are sabotaging Canada's merchant marine by using cheaper foreign vessels.

Much of Canada's big wartime merchant fleet has been transferred to British registry, where operating costs are lower. By June 30 there will be only 21 sea-going freighters under the Canadian flag, compared with 147 in 1947.

Mr. Green said that of the 21 ships remaining in June, only 14 will be in the deep-sea trade. There were rumors that eight of those, in the Canadian National Steamships fleet, would be sold. Seven other ocean vessels were engaged in the coastal trade.

The Vancouver member, a consistent advocate of a Canadian-flag merchant fleet, suggested a subsidy of \$1,000 a year for each vessel.

He criticized the government's stand that in wartime it could get back 90 ships which had transferred to British registry. If Canada counted on a ship pool under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in another war, she would have a weak voice with only the 90 ships, all of which were old.

If the merchant navy were regarded as a wartime necessity, he asked, "what's the use of building a big escort navy when we haven't any ships to escort."



PETITE JO BARNUM is lifted like a peanut by circus elephant Tiny as she visits the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey circus in New York. Jo, a five-foot skater in an ice show, is a descendant of P. T. Barnum, the famous circus impresario. Tiny is famous for pulling Barnum's personal horseless carriage across the U.S.

Britannia Escorted Home By Warships and Yachts

LONDON—Big grey warships joined millionaires' yachts and fishing boats today in welcoming home Queen Elizabeth in the English Channel following the sovereign's six-month world tour.

As the royal yacht Britannia cruised along the south coast through a morning mist, thousands of Britons crowded the cliffs and beaches to watch.

They saw three lines of warships outside Plymouth approach the Britannia where the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and their two children stood smiling on the bridge.

The battleship Vanguard thundered a mighty 21-gun salute as it neared the royal yacht, due in London Saturday.

A light wind blew the smoke from the saluting guns over the assorted collection of yachts, trawlers, pleasure steamers and even rowboats off the shore.

Overhead, RAF planes and a helicopter swept the skies.

RISE BEFORE DAWN
—Thousands of Londoners had risen before dawn and travelled by special buses to the south coast for a view of the homecoming. They stood on the shore or crowded into gaily-decorated steamers for a closer look.

Small boats, burdened almost to the water's edge with passengers, bid a thriving business throughout the morning. Gazing through binoculars, the Queen saw her excited subjects waving flags and handkerchiefs.

The 17 warships took only a few minutes to form up around the royal yacht before leading the triumphant progress up the channel to the mouth of the Thames river.

Earlier today the Queen had awakened in St. Austell Bay, Cornwall, to her first sight of England since last November. She was on deck early to gaze at the golden sands and the small, quaint fishing village.

72-Mill Rate Fixed At Special Meeting

Prince Rupert's \$1,163,209 budget, the highest in the city's history was passed yesterday when City Council approved passage of the annual rate by-law.

Approval was given the by-law which set the mill rate at 72, at a special meeting of the council and no changes were made and no formal complaints made.

Suggestion that a formal complaint should be submitted was made Wednesday night by Parks Board Commissioner Art Murray who took exception to the city council's plan to spend \$8,724 of the Algoma Park Trust account.

However, today Parks Board chairman Pat Forman said that he believed that the 24-hour deadline to have items placed on the agenda for special council meetings, would preclude lodging of the board's complaint.

Of the 72 mills, 40,291 are raised for the general rate, 25,374 mills for school costs and 1,898 mills for the Civic Centre and the cemetery.

The \$1,163,209 includes \$809,010.52 for the running of the city, public works projects, police, waterworks, telephone system and social assistance. Another \$172,044.35 is collected on interest on debenture and then paid out on debt principals and interest. School costs, up approximately \$14,000 this year, amount to \$169,474.06.

Council also approved a grant of \$500 to the Prince Rupert Airport committee. The group wishes the money in order to employ the services of an engineer for an independent survey regarding establishment of a landing field here.

The board of works referred back to the city without recommendations the matter of acceptance of tenders for the city's annual gravel supply.

After considerable discussion as to the quality of gravel, the lowest tender, submitted by Kaien Gravel Limited was accepted. The bid covers 8,800 yards of gravel at a cost of \$33,360, f.o.b. at the city stock pile. This price, it was pointed out, included tax.

Armour Salvage's bid for the same amount of gravel, when tax was added, is \$33,474.

People of Kitkatla Praised For Public Works Progress

Skeena Indian Superintendent F. E. Anfield today paid tribute to the people of Kitkatla for outstanding improvements in their village, and to the children of Hartley Bay who won the agency school competition this year.

In his regular Friday morning radio broadcast, he told the Kitkatla people they could be proud of their recent accomplishments, which include completion of a village waterworks system and general community clean-up.

The general functioning of their village government was improving greatly under leadership of Chief Councillor Mrs. Grace Vickers and her council, and the people were making a determined effort to live under the new council system. Law and order was improving, especially among young people, he said.

The Hartley Bay youngsters, he said, are rightly proud of their school, which won the agency competition. In the contest, schools are judged for attendance, cleanliness, maintenance of the building and general deportment of the children.

Some 78 children attend the Hartley Bay school, built in the year 1951-52. They promised to look after it when it was turned over to them, and they have done just that," he said.

Julie Prockter Awarded Highest Marks Of Festival With Comedy Performance

Top marks of the Prince Rupert District Music and Drama Festival to date went last night to high school actress Julie Prockter, "a born comedienne."

Adjudicator Ian Dobbie gave Julie a mark of 98 for her portrayal of Hepzibah in the Booth Memorial High School play, "Rise and Shine," saying that she was one of those rare people who have an instinctive talent for comedy.

The play was one of two Booth school plays, which, with dancing classes, comprised last night's session of the festival.

Classes in elocution, choral speaking and drama were heard at the morning session and instrumental and vocal work in the afternoon.

Second highest marks of the festival, 93, went to young Michael Greene, in elocution, who gave a dramatic recital of "Casey's Revenge."

More elocution, dancing and drama were scheduled for today with two Terrace plays to comprise tonight's final session of the Seventh Annual festival.

Thursday morning at the Civic Centre, the large audience listened to four classes in choral speaking. Mr. Dobbie, drama adjudicator, said that he was impressed with the general presentation of the groups and thought the standard very good.

SPOKE WELL IN UNISON
Conrad Street School, grades 3 and 4, spoke well in unison, diction was fine. He thought they could make better use of phrasing.

The Annunciation School group had beautiful diction, excellent tone and interpretation. He thought their projection a little low.

Borden Street School, Class 4, had a good tone, fine diction, good projection and interpretation.

Choral speaking by Grades 5 and 6, King Edward School, was next. They had a strong opening with excellent projection.

In the Grades 4 and 5 elocution classes, the adjudicator found the interpretation good, diction precise and projection clear. He thought phrasing could be emphasized more.

Sue Madely and Michael Greene were outstanding in the elocution classes. Sue gave an excellent interpretation and Michael won the adjudicator's

praise for an outstanding piece of workmanship.

A play presented by King Edward School, Div. 2, Grade 6, "The Wise Men of Gotham," was an enjoyable production. Mr. Dobbie said the direction was well handled and the pantomime particularly good. Reactions were good and line sequences well worked out. David Allan as the mayor of Gotham gave a good performance. Allan Cazes as Hodge carried his part well. Brian Thom turned in a well sustained performance. All the characters lived up to their parts and made the play come to life.

NO RELATIONSHIP
Mr. Dobbie has his own way of marking the drama numbers and stresses that there is no relationship between music and

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Sh Boats to Area 2

Prin Customs office has that some 85 boats will be with the office for order to be on the spot for halibut season official-ly at 12:01 a.m. Sunday

the district Dominion office has issued 122 permits for halibut fishing. Reports on the season are available early Monday. G. S. Reade, district supervisor of fisheries said today. Actual amount of catch could not be known, he said, but the trend for the season was established by then.

WEATHER

Coast region—Sunny with light clouds today and tomorrow. Light breeze from the north and high at Port Hardy and 36 and 60, Sand-



MOTHER NATURE recognizes not the seasons of the year, hence Santa Claus, either five months late or seven months early, enters the picture once again. Here, the right jolly old elf, fondles a new member for his reindeer team, as Blitzen, the proud parent, stands by with a wary eye on the cameraman. This is the first fawn born to the Alaskan reindeer which were flown to Santa's workshop in North Pole, N.Y., from Alaska, last August.