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The Big and the Small

PART JEWELL of Toronto doesn't have to look far to find out what's up. The six feet, six inches tall Cadet Cpl. Harvey Spaven of Hamilton, Jewell, a piper with the 48th Army Band, stands four feet seven inches. Both are in "C" Company at Ipperwash Army Camp where they are undergoing annual summer training in the field.

Canadian Soldier Rides Soviet Truck From N. Korea to Freedom

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.—Four hundred Allied war captives, including Joseph Pelletier of Ontario, rode Russian trucks to freedom today. Pelletier, a 26-year-old Canadian, was on a five-week Korean exchange with one of the Nations troops, in exchange for 74,000 Communist soldiers. Pelletier said 392 more will be liberated Thursday. He was listed as missing May 7 and believed dead. A member of the 1st Battalion of the Royal Regiment, he was captured after a patrol May 2, just two weeks after he reached the front line.

FIRST WORD
In Chatham, his wife said she was thrilled by the news of his release. It was the first definite word she had received that he was a prisoner of war.

Pelletier and 70 Americans came out of the bleak Communist prison camps with laughs and heartfelt thanksgiving to be homebound.

For them and 320 other former Allied captives the Korean war had finally ended, nine days after firing stopped at the front July 27.

However, the joy was blurred by a grim report from the first American officer released.

WORKERS ASKED TO HELP FINISH THE JOB AT RINK

Heavy work at the Seal Cove rink of the Prince Rupert Club has been completed but there are still a few light jobs to be done.

It was disclosed this morning by President Jack Laurie that another plea to members to go to the rink tonight to finish the job so ice machines can be turned on in time for the work party begins at 7 p.m.

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Cross Water Safety branch would come to Prince Rupert to give tests to candidates. If enough didn't take tests, she said, Mr. Mitchell would not be able to come.

Members of swim classes were told that from now until the end of the season, 12 noon until 2 p.m. is set aside for those taking lessons at the pool. There will be no public swimming at that time. Times for pupils were set as follows: 12 noon, junior girls; 12:30 p.m., junior boys; 1 p.m., beginner girls; 1:30 p.m., beginner boys.

At 6:30 in the evening, Miss White said she would give instruction in diving, strokes, synchronized swimming and life saving methods.

She also asked for names of anyone who wished to take part in the Second Annual Park Board swimming gala set for August 16.

Council To Issue Proclamation Asking Co-Operation Of Public

First Move Made To Seek Solution

Prince Rupert city council will issue a proclamation tomorrow asking the co-operation of the public in preventing any further disturbances such as have occurred in the downtown area during the past two Saturday nights.

This was decided at a special meeting last night. Council also passed a resolution asking the RCMP to exercise more restraint in addressing persons with whom they come in contact.

At the special meeting called to ponder a solution to the problem, council went into regular session at 11:05 p.m. and adopted a report of the committee of the whole.

The committee recommended to council "that the mayor, with the assistance of the city solicitor, prepare an official proclamation for publication in the Prince Rupert Daily News tomorrow and Friday stating the position of the city council with regard to the recent disturbances and requesting co-operation of the public, and pointing out the serious consequences of not co-operating with the authorities."

It recommended also that council request the officer commanding the Prince Rupert subdivision, RCMP, "to instruct his staff to foster better public relations by acting in a more courteous manner with the people with whom they come in contact."

Decision to issue the proclamation was reached after an hour's meeting of the committee of the whole starting at 10 p.m. Council tried to establish both the causes of the disturbances and to find an answer to the immediate problem, which is giving Prince Rupert such a black name across Canada.

Acting on complaints made by citizens to individual aldermen that police in some cases had acted too abruptly without giving reasons for their actions, council passed the recommendation concerning courtesy.

People wishing to attend the council meeting at 11 p.m. were amazed at the rapidity at which the meeting was held and concluded.

Only two matters had to be attended to: acceptance of the report of the committee of the whole and the adoption of its recommendations. The whole matter took only three minutes.

The council meeting was called following a round-table conference Monday night attended by Mayor Harold Whalen, aldermen, Inspector Taylor of the RCMP, and Indian Superintendent Anfield, at which the disturbances were discussed.

L. G. Gelinas Rites Held

Requiem high mass was sung Tuesday morning at Annunciation Church by Bishop A. Jordan for Louis George Gelinas.

Mr. Gelinas, 37, was killed in a logging accident at Juskatla last Wednesday.

Born in St. Barnaby, Quebec, Mr. Gelinas had worked at Juskatla for two years. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Gelinas, Vancouver, and a sister, Mrs. George Laframboise, Espanola, Ont.

Russ Accept Bid to Meet With Big 3

WASHINGTON.— Britain, the United States and France are expected to consult promptly on Russia's acceptance of their bid for a Big Four meeting on German unification this fall.

Soviet objections to joint action among the western powers, as set forth in a note released by Moscow Tuesday night, were regarded here as mainly propaganda.

They did not appear to make the slightest difference in the thinking of western diplomats, who were due to go ahead with proposals fairly soon for a date and place for the Big Four foreign ministers' meeting.

The three western governments seemed certain, however, to take a long and careful look at Soviet suggestions for including Red China in a possible conference later on, decreasing world tension generally.

Britain recognizes Communist China; the United States and France do not.

The Moscow note was due for careful study here, U.S. officials said. Initial reaction was that the Russians appeared to have accepted the meeting proposal in a manner which made further negotiations desirable.

Decisions on a formal reply may await the return of State Secretary Dulles, now in Korea.

Tom Christie Appointed To New Post

Appointment was announced today of T. M. Christie as local representative for Investors Syndicate of Canada Ltd. and Investors Mutual of Canada Ltd. This is the first time a permanent representative has served here for these two affiliated companies.

Mr. Christie has an extensive background in the banking, insurance and general brokerage business. Before the war he lived for nine years in Toronto where he ran his own brokerage firm. He moved here six years ago after his discharge from the army.

Mr. Christie's territory in his new position will include Kitimat and Terrace, in addition to Prince Rupert. Office space will be arranged here in the near future.

Bomber Plunges Into Sea Rescue Planes Speed to Scene

LONDON.— A giant United States Air Force RB-36 reconnaissance bomber plunged in flames into the icy North Atlantic today and several hours later a searching aircraft reported wreckage and survivors.

The searching plane, a U.S. SB-29, said the survivors were seen bobbing on the 15-foot high seas 420 miles west of Prestwick.

Twenty-three men jumped into the Atlantic from the downed aircraft. The searching plane did not say how many survivors it had sighted.

A report at noon said a British ship has rescued one survivor from the crash.

The meagre reports received here indicated that the men parachuted from the huge bomber, world's largest plane in regular operation, at 2,400 feet. It was thought, however, that some might have stayed aboard and tried to ditch the aircraft in the waves, running as high as 10 feet.

Nineteen American and British military rescue planes roared off runways in Britain, France and Ireland and headed for the scene. The Royal Navy frigate Tenacious based from Londonderry, Northern Ireland.

The 10-engine plane, a reconnaissance version of the atom-bomb-carrying B-36, was enroute from Travis air force base in California to England on a training mission.

The RB-36 has six gasoline piston engines and four jets. A commercial airliner of Slick Airways reported hearing the distress message and charting the downed plane's position as about 220 nautical miles west of Prestwick, Scotland.

B.C. Chief Of R.C.M.P. Starts Probe

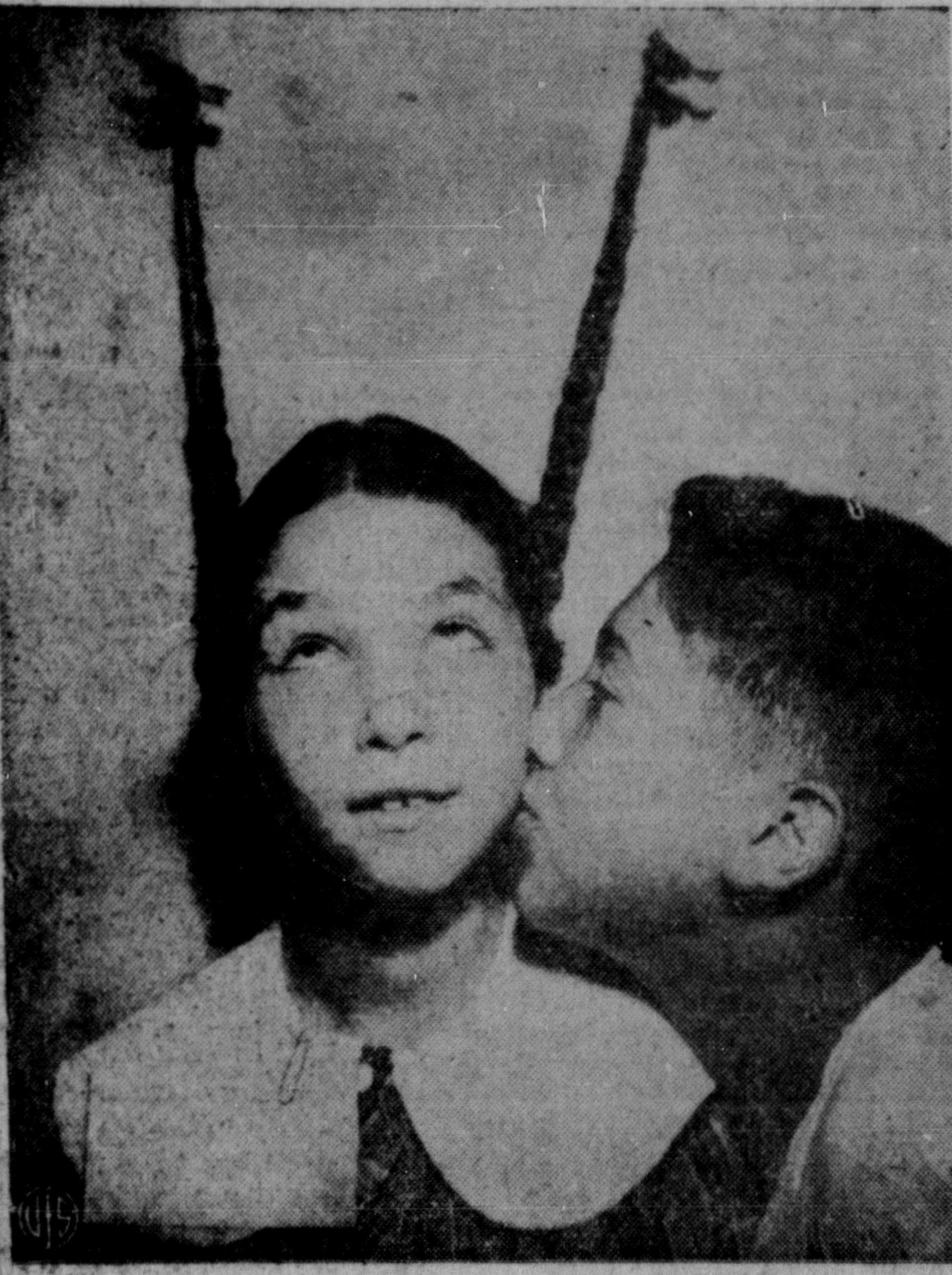
RCMP assistant commissioner C. E. Rivett-Carnac arrived in Prince Rupert this morning to start a personal investigation of the demonstrations which have occurred in the downtown area of the city on two consecutive Saturday nights.

Accompanied by Inspector Taylor, head of the Prince Rupert sub-division, the commissioner first consulted with the mayor, city officials and Magistrate W. D. Vance.

Earlier this week Inspector Taylor appealed to the public to bring any complaints they may have about policing in Prince Rupert to him personally at sub-division headquarters.

CCF Candidate Returns Home

Harry Archibald, CCF candidate in Skeena riding, accompanied by George Hills, his official agent, returned last night from successful meetings held in Smithers and Telkwa.



HER PIGTAILS are in the clouds and her eyes are on the pigtails as nine-year-old Iris Baratta gets an admiring kiss from brother Louis at the Children's Air Society's pigtail contest in New York City. Iris won the hair-raising event hands-down, as she was voted the young lady with the longest pigtails.

Man Fined \$100 For Shouting On Street at 'Dangerous Time'

Jack Veefkand, charged with creating a disturbance by shouting last Saturday night, pleaded guilty in police court today before Magistrate W. D. Vance and was fined \$100 and costs, or in default two months' imprisonment.

Police evidence said the accused made himself conspicuous at a "very dangerous time" by shouting "Heil Hitler."

Robert Taylor, who pleaded not guilty Monday to a charge of creating a disturbance by swearing, was found guilty this morning by the magistrate and fined \$20 and costs or 10 days.

Crown witnesses said Taylor had used swear words, but stressed that they might have been directed to either the police or the crowd on Fulton Street early Sunday morning.

Taylor under oath told court he believed he was arrested because he was walking and not running. He was not in the habit of swearing in public, he said, and denied that he vented his feelings at either the crowd or the police because he had been neutral on the matter.

Mrs. Willa Ray appeared for the defence. T. W. Brown, QC, prosecuted.

Also as a result of the demonstration near the city hall Saturday night, John Graham McKenzie appeared in police court charged with being a

Trials Reduce Rush

BERLIN (AP)—The Communist hunger blockade and a rash of terror trials today severely reduced the rush of East Germans to receive free American food parcels in West Berlin.

Despite police threats and rain, hundreds of persons from Soviet-occupied East Berlin still came over for aid.

Prince Rupert Rated Richer Market

Special to The Daily News
NEW YORK.—Prince Rupert stands out as a rich market with families earning more and spending more than those in most cities in Canada.

This is revealed in a new, copyrighted survey of buying power, covering Canada and the United States, prepared by Sales Management.

Larger incomes made it possible for families in Prince Rupert to buy more and live better than those in most other places. This is indicated by the volume of business done by the local retail stores during the past year.

The figures show that this retail activity reached the high mark of \$14,297,000, an increase over the 1951 record of \$12,471,000. It was much more than the total to be expected for a city of its size. On the basis of population, local retail business should have been only 0.588 per cent of the national. Actually, however, it was 1.229 per cent.

The large-scale buying, which meant more luxurious living, was made possible by better earnings. The data shows that the 2,700 families in Prince Rupert attained a net income, after deduction of personal income taxes, of \$13,116,000, which was a gain over the \$13,055,000 accounted for in the prior year.

Divided by the number of families in Prince Rupert, it represents an income per family of \$4,358. This was more than was earned generally throughout Canada, an average of \$4,336 per family, and than the \$4,390 per family in the province of British Columbia. The figures, it is noted, are straight arithmetical averages.

The fact that sales exceed income locally points to the conclusion that Prince Rupert is the trading hub for a wide surrounding area.

How each community stands with relation to others in purchasing ability and economic well-being is shown in the survey by a "quality of market" index. This is a weighted figure that takes into account population, income, sales and other factors. Prince Rupert's index is given as 151, or 51 per cent above the national average.