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Clash at Council Meet

Meeting Called to Order

Several Times During Debate

operation of city business last night led to one of the

liveliest and most heated council meetings in many

Charge of skullduggery and "behind the back"

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months.

Mayor Harold Whalen was

called upon frequently to de-

would be asked to leave.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

olunteer Fire Brigade



Heading For B.C.

BICYCLE BUILT FOR THREE a young British family intends to travel across Canada from to Kelowna, B.C. George Whitford, 32-year-old wartime commando, his wife Margaret. son Jimmy, 2, sail this month for Canada from England. Practising on an English oad, with mother and father on the tandem and the youngster in his own speciallyside-car, the Whitfords plan to settle in Kelowna where Mrs. Whitford's uncle and aunt, d Mrs. Guy Reed, have a fruit farm.

cred Assistance in Labor sputes Upheld by Minister

visiting speaker in the About 120 heard his address ment of Christopher W. Pritction campaign, Labor at the Canadian Legion Hall as chard of Vancouver, as commis-Lyle Wicks last night he spoke in support of the local sioner for labor on the workthe Social Credit gov- Social Credit candidate, Bill men's compensation board. He had reached a new high Murray.

success in settlement of Mr. Wicks also took the occa- had met with wide public apsion to announce the re-appoint- proval.

TY'S FIRST TRAFFIC WAL BEGINS OPERATION

pert joined the 'big city' ranks at 5 o'clock vesterday he town's first traffic signal went into operation at the ection of Third and Fulton.

dephone Superintendent Eric Janes said another light installed immediately at Third and McBride.

he signal operates with the green and red flash system a.m. until midnight, after which the caution signal is Third Avenue with full stops on Fulton.

Ibreaker Duguid Charged th 10-Year-Old Holdup

African employees of sawmill on the lower Mount Kenya stood offered no resistance Mau Mau gang butan Italian woman and children Saturday. s reaching here said band, Pietro Melocelli working at the office the Valles when the ruck at his house. Vicere Mrs. Nerena Meloher daughter, Maria her son, Mario, 10. Mel-African cook also was the attack.

oner Year

was recaptured Wed- increased to 20 years. the point of a shota furious battle with to one year for es- Hitch-Hikers

osed a concurrent six- AS Criminals sed a concurrent sixentence of assault on chaired convict, who the nose of Constable Queen with a scythe efore he was subdued en with a shotgun.

w sentence will start impletion of the year was serving at the time ape March 23. He eludat the Vancouver ospital, where he was examination from

TORONTO (P) — Jail-breaker the \$15,000 hold-up of a Toronto business was off. bank 10 years ago. He was remanded without bail to May 4.

The 38-year-old Duguid arrived here under police escor earlier in the day from Vancouver, where he was arrested for breaking into a theatre.

With him on the trip was Henri Seguin, who faces a murder charge in connection with the taxi owner last year.

Duguid will go on trial for the \$15,000 armed robbery of Toronto branch of the Dominion Bank in 1943. He also faces charge of robbing \$19,000 from

charge when he sawed his way funds short by two million dolout of Welland County jail six lars." years ago and fled to western

Canada. Seguin was arrested December 16 at Williams Lake, B.C., after police wounded him in a gunfight after a bank holdup:

Escapina He was originally sentenced to Prince George attempted murder of bank man-VER _ (P) _ William ager Leonard Hillier. However, 22-year-old prison es- the crown prosecutor appealed the sentence and it was later

Federal Bureau of Investigation records show that two out of every five hitchhikers have a criminal record.

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said the work of Mr. Pritchard garbage collection unit. good for 10 years, is effective

their proper work.

all labor disputes were settled 9 so Ald. Gomez could make the the next council meeting. by conciliation. The figure is trip. now about 65 or 70 per cent, and (Ald. Gomez took his vaca- the \$17.50 per diem rate be rewe aim at 75 per cent."

Harry Duguid, one-time plastics was now meeting twice a week inals, was charged Monday with soon as the first pressure of of this council is trying to con-

EARNED HIS SALARY

"As a result of the increased efficiency, I was told that I had earned my salary 10 times over," the speaker said.

Discussing compensation, Mr. Wicks said that on taking over his new office he was struck by the large volume of allegedly discriminatory cases coming to slaying of a Maxville, Ontario, his attention. The situation prompted the government to engage the services of a Toronto Captain Payne actuarial firm.

"The situation was not improved by the last-minute action of Re-Elected the previous government in rais-He was awaiting trial on that he charged. "It left the reserve

> Mr. Wicks said that, if re-elected, the Social Credit government

PRINCE GEORGE (P)-'Strides' and 'Squares,' rival gangs, fought

Seventy-five of them, all juveniles, lined up in a field outside the city limits and battled until By Committee the arrival of police. One gang member suffered a slashed marine and fisheries committee throat, others had cuts and took just 14 minutes today to

be laid against 42 of the juven- The bill already has been ap- change in temperature.

ing worn by rival gangs.

work, such as the granting of certifications, off the shoulders of our conciliation officers and department where it rightfully

Mr. Wicks maintained that the Ontario, to pick up the new part-time labor relations board Packmaster and truck and drive established by his government it to Rupert. He arrived back was working "marvellously well" home late last week.) and that it was eliminating duplcation. Observing that the board len stepped into the picture and manufacturer who became one he predicted that it would be of Canada's most-wanted crim- meeting only once a week as

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a pitched battle here with knives Halibut Treaty

penses incurred by Alderman mand order as several aldermen Darrow Gomez to go back east, attempted to speak at the same obtain the Packmaster and time or argue between themdrive it back to Prince Rupert. Both Aldermen Krueger and At one time, His Worship informed veteran alderman George Ray McLean explained that the Casey that if he did not recog- cost of sending a man for the

Ald. Casey demanded to know

who authorized payment of ex-

nize the demand for order he unit was included in the figure approved by council. The meeting started off in an It was then Ald. Casey said orderly fashion with reports the request by Ald. Krueger "is

from the various committees re- completely out of order . . . canceiving attention and endorsa- not be entertained, because the Packmaster is already here." | Tere | Official The charge of "skullduggery" Ald. Krueger said council had was made by Ald. Casey during endorsed two motions to pura discussion of the city's deci- chase Packmasters and actually sioner in Canada, Sir Archibald sion to purchase a Packmaster "we are still in our rights to Nye will be officially welcomed NOT IMPARTIAL buy another one and that's why to Prince Rupert tomorrow by Alderman Mike Krueger had I asked only if it was in order Mayor Harold Whalen and city asked to have a motion passed to rescind the February mo- aldermen. last February 9 to purchase a tion.'

Packmaster be rescined and to Said Ald. Casey: "There's have another motion endorsed skullduggery in the whole thing the March 9 meeting and I say there never was any money authorized to pay Ald Before receiving an answer. Gomez's expenses.'

gave it to inspectors of the labor Daily Rate Considered Too High

belongs." Mr. Wicks said. "As a He also maintained that the Ald. McLean moved that the result, the conciliation officers per diem rate of \$17.50 paid to city treasurer be asked to draw can give full-time attention to officials on out-of-town busi- up a list of the total cost of the of the city for Sir Archibald after Sitting as committee of the "Under the previous govern- and suggested it was raised benses in bringing it here, and Wednesday morning. ment, only about 40 per cent of from \$10 to \$17.50 last March that the report be available for

tion and went back to Windsor duced to \$10.

At that moment, Mayor Wha lafter calling Ald. Casey to or ness. I maintain every member duct the business of the city to the best of their ability."

Ald. Casey attempted to speak and the mayor demanded that he refrain from interrupting.

The mayor said Ald. Casey intimated that the council was not conducting city business in a proper manner and that he inferred there were "underhanded" methods of operation

the Imperial Bank branch at ing the pensions of widows and Stamford, Ont., in 1947. Stamford, Ont., in 1947. the previous governous and widows and dependents to get more votes," UFAWU Prexy pounds order.

The union's election commit- business. tee reported today that Captain to a vote, only Ald. Casey favotes over Kurt Larsen, his only ed for the mayor to quip: opponent. The count was 1,035 "Well, you're a lone

ness agent, and Homer Stevens, ment on the matter. secretary, won re-election.

OTTAWA (P) - The Commons inch. Police said today charges will Convention Act.

Northern Pacific Halibut Fishery showers. Cluody with showers ers—the last big obstacle.

again Wednesday. Not much Lt.-Gen. William K. Harrison

west coast halibut fishery.

ness for the city was too high Packmaster, including all ex-

Ald. Casey then moved that

TOO MUCH

get along "quite well" on \$10. Vanderhoof immediately after Ald. Gomez said: "I'd like to the meeting. know what is in the back of Born in Dublin, Sir Archibald city business and "I don't feel ment, the Leinsters.

ticular interest in raising it to \$17.50," said Ald. Casey. "but say it was increased just so you the age of 33, that he decided to enced fireman to investigate the

could make the trip." The two aldermen attempted to discuss the matter at the same time and again Mayor Whalen told Ald. Casey to "be

"If you can't maintain order, you'll leave," said His Worship. NOT LEAVING

Ald. Casey and he continued to that position until 1948 when he respondence." talk to Ald. Gomez as the mayor became Britain's first high compounded his desk demanding missioner to the new Republic of

VANCOUVER (P)—Reg. Payne picture when he said "it was couver last night, Sir Archibald for Sidney, Vancouver Island, twice brought up in committee told members of the Vancouver Must Resign halibut and solmon troll fisher- that \$10 was not enough for a Board of Trade that British man, has been re-elected presi- man away on city business. It businessmen "will sell more and was decided he should not have invest more in Canada this year nett said Monday school inspecdent of the United Fishermen to spend any of his personal because they can and because tor Ray Williston of Prince and dropped in leaflets by Allied and Allied Workers Union (TLC). money while conducting city they must."

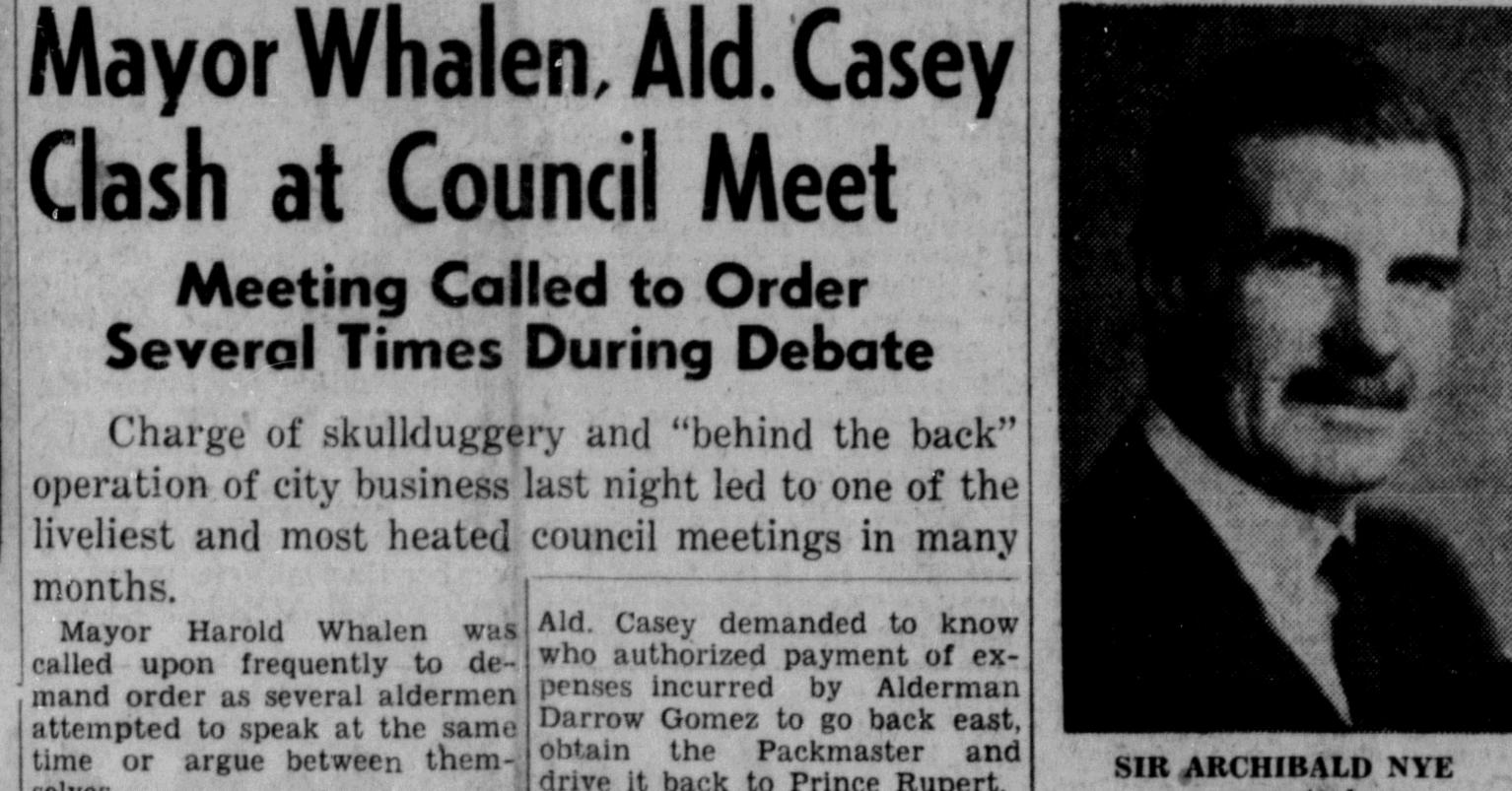
Payne won re-election by 94 vored the reduction, which call-

again, Alderman Casey." Last week Alex Gordon, busi- There was no further com-

WEATHER Synopsis

throughout the interior with total falls varying from one

iles. The others escaped a police proved in principle by the House. Winds southerly 15 today and intend to become involved in of prisoners. The bill would ratify the Can- south 20 Wednesday. Low to- protracted and useless argu- Whether prisoners will be and 64 disabled prisoners from The clash was touched off by ada-United States treaty signed night and high Wednesday at ments." a dispute over distinctive cloth- March 2 for preservation of the Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince The session at Panmunjom held in Korea while their fate is ised 605. Among the disabled Rupert, 40 and 52.



. . . enroute here

for the man who rose from the rank of private to that of lieu- not impartial. tenant-general in the British army and now is senior United Kingdom High Commissioner.

lar meeting last night to arrange the city's arguments were use- to come and get us out of the the luncheon and a possible tour less

7:30 p.m. tomorrow night, also \$25,000 a year. will be greeted by Mrs. F. E. An. | Cost of fire protection field, president of the Women's Prince Rupert last year amount-Canadian Club, sponsors of the ed to \$61,082.21-an average per "That \$17.50 a day, plus trans- meeting, and her executives. He capita cost of \$4.02. portation, is too much," said the will be dinner guest of the club. MAKE SURVEY alderman, adding that he could He will board the train for

that \$10 a day would nearly He was made a second lieuten-looking over operation of brigant in 1915 and his gallantry won ades at places designated by "I don't say you had any par- him the Military Cross. He re- council. take up law. He passed his ex- systems in effect elsewhere. called to the bar.

> Imperial General Staff and his their operation. promotion to the rank of lieu- Ald. Casey said he could see of \$50,000.

Ald. McLean then got into the Before departing from Van-

tacular"-is in prospect because vincial election. British exporters are forced to Mr. Williston won over Lew tions command has come up with countries, he said.

Conciliation Board Report Accepted

Establishment of a voluntter or partial-volunteer fire department here will be investigated by city

This was decided at council meeting last night after alder- Inspector men unanimously accepted the majority report of a conciliation board awarding firemen a five-per-cent increase in wages retroactive to last January 1, and other benefits.

binding on both parties, was handed down April 15 follow-

ing a two-day hearing here. The city clerk was instructed

ment with the firemen. While Ald. Ray McLean said the city "had no alternative but | convenience. to accept the award," he entered motion criticizing the ap- lar meeting of city council last pointment of a Vancouver man night on request of Ald. George as chairman of the board who, Casey who does not think the he said, did not meet with ap- municipal affairs here are conproval of the city representa- ducted "properly." tives on the board.

The motion, which was en- Casey and Ald. Ray McLean dorsed unanimously, will be sent promptly asked the reason for to the Labor Relations Board. It this move. said the city feels that the Ald. Casey said he wanted the chairman-Robert Hewitt-was inspector to come here "for the

Commenting on the motion, straightened out, whereby we city clerk Bill Long, who pre- will carry out the duties of the sented the city's brief, said "the city council under the Municivarious comments made by Mr. pal Act, which I don't think City Clerk Bill Long was in- Hewitt at the start of the hear- we're doing now. structed by council at the regu- ings gave us to understand that

his arrival on the Prince Rupert whole, aldermen then discussed the suggestion that a volunteer Sir Archibald, who will speak brigade be formed as a means in the Canadian Legion Hall at of saving the city an estimated

sistant fire chief W. H. (Buster) McLean. Hill be appointed by council to make a survey of volunteer fire your mind in this matter," then left school in the fall of 1914 at departments in Ketchikan and explained that it was the first the age of 18 to enlist in the B.C. and submit a report to time he had been sent away on ranks of the famous Irish regi- council before any action is taken. Hill would spend time

> mained in the service after the Only Ald. George Casey obwar and it wasn't until 1928, at jected to sending an experi-

aminations and in 1932 was Council instructed the city Clark has offered a \$50,000 reclerk to write cities which have ward to every Communist flier In 1941, at the age of 45, he volunteer and partial-volunteer to deliver a Russian-built jet was appointed vice-chief of the brigades and obtain reports on plane to the Allies. The first

tenant-general followed shortly. no useful purpose in sending He was appointed governor of Hill "around the country when "Well, I'm not leaving," said Madras after the war and held we could get all we need by cor-

VICTORIA (P)-Premier Benand Korean languages by radio George will have to resign his planes. A gradual improvement in position before he files nomina- In offering rewards to Red trade-"nothing sudden or spec- tion papers for the June 9 pro- pilots who land their planes on

make up in Canada for slipping King, Social Credit member of a jet age version of an accepted sales in leading sterling market the last legislature, at a nomin- tactic in the gaudy era of Chinating meeting Saturday night. ese warloards.

council.

The board report, which is O City

The inspector of municipalities for B.C. will be to draw up the necessary agree- invited to come to Prince Rupert at his earliest This was decided at the regu-

> The motion to invite the inspector was put forward by Ald.

purpose of trying to get us

"I think we should invite him

tangles we are in." Mayor Whalen said he knew of no tangles but added that he would "welcome the inspector

The city clerk was instructed to write a letter to the inspector asking him to come and the approved motion stated that council wants a full report on his findings before he leaves.

Ald. McLean moved that as- what he finds," said Alderman

would receive an extra bonu

The move is aimed at disrupting the combat efficiency of the Communist air force in the Korean war. The United Nations Far East

commander-in-chief guarantees

safety to each refugee pilot, and asylum in a country without Communist domination. Clark's appeal was broadcast Monday in the Russian, Chinese

U.N. Negotiators Threaten Intermittent rain fell over-night at nearly all points To Break Off Renewed Talks

talks unless the Communists They were hung up on three closed by the Reds. North coast region - Cloudy come up soon with a concrete main points:

again Wednesday. Not much Lt.-Gen. William K. Harrison . Length of time after an ar- In seven days they turned back

was the third since negotiations decided.

PANMUNJOM (P)-UN negotia- were revived Sunday in an effort | Meanwhile, the Panmunjom quarter to three-quarters of an tors today threatened to break to decide what to do with prison- gate to freedom for sick and off renewed Korean armistice ers who refuse to go home.

approve the 11 clauses of the with sunny periods today. A few proposal for exchanging prison- Neutral state to handle the shipment of 84 disabled allied balky prisoners.

said the UN command "does not mistice necessary for disposal 684-149 Americans, 470 South

wounded allied prisoners stood

The Communists said Sunday's prisoners ended their delivery Korean men and one woman shipped to neutral state or be other countries. They had promwere two Canadians.

ANNA DIAM