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WORK HAS BEEN STARTED at Camp Gagetown, 11 miles from Fredericton, where Canada's army camp will be located. To cost \$40,000,000 and cover 436 square miles, it is expected to be ready for troop accommodation by 1956. One of the main sewer lines is being made ready and preliminary clearing work is under way.

## Candidates Make Final Pleas to Electors at Ratepayers Meeting

Final plea to the electors was made by candidates at a meeting in the Canadian auditorium last night, sponsored by the Community Ratepayers Association, each was given an opportunity to express their views.

Under the chairman, John McLean, the candidates were called in alphabetical order and the public was given an opportunity to ask questions.

Tomorrow will choose a mayor and four aldermen. Harold Whalen and George Hill were called for the post of chief clerk.

The four retiring aldermen—George Casey, Bert Currie, John Currie and Mike Currie—were also present.

## Hills Against Levies Which Affect Tax Rate

Mr. E. Hills, candidate for mayor of Prince Rupert, last night he is opposed to levies which might affect the city's financial structure.

## Candidates in Election

Three present vil-  
commissioners and three  
are contesting the  
commission vacancies in  
the election.

and their spon-  
sors are as follows:  
Lambly, lunch coun-  
cillor, and a previous  
councilman, sponsored by E. C. Sargent and W. G. Melvin.

G. Little, lumberman,  
previous commissioner,  
sponsored by J. H. Smith and  
J. McMillan.

P. Phillips, salesman,  
previous commissioner,  
sponsored by E. C. Sargent and  
J. McMillan.

deKergommeaux, gar-  
dening candidate, spon-  
sored by Harold K. C. Smith and  
J. McMillan.

man (board chairman) and myself made a tour of the city parks after we were told that we had these monies for the beautification of Roosevelt Park," Mr. Currie said.

The provincial public works department, the city engineer and well-known and expert amateur gardener Charlie Balagno, also a member of the parks board, told the other members of the board it would be foolhardy to try to beautify Roosevelt Park and for that reason the parks board urged development of the Algonia Park area.

Ald. Casey told the audience that if they only knew the amount of stealth that went on in the city council, they would realize why he tried to delay things.

"I don't believe in working in the dark," he said, "I like to conduct my business in the broad daylight."

Speaking of what he termed "skulduggery by the inner circle," he said in "the first place Whalen, Krueger and McLean wanted to get \$380,000 for a diesel installation at the drydock."

"I opposed it singlehanded," he said because he didn't want to burden the B.C. Power Commission with additional capital investment if it took over from the Northern B.C. Power Company.

Ald. Krueger, in answer to discussion on the power question, said that when the city council passed a resolution voicing its decision to invite the British Columbia Power Commission to supply Prince Rupert with power the vote was unanimous.

The resolution was moved by Alderman Casey and seconded

by Alderman Darrow Gomez.

Ald. Krueger said, "Alderman Gomez was not away at the time and there was no kidnapping as claimed by Ald. Casey."

Ald. Krueger said that seven aldermen were present at the meeting in question. Only Alderman Kay Smith being away on leave of absence.

The resolution had to be unanimous, he said, to give the B.C. Power Commission sufficient power to proceed to the Lieutenant-Governor in council and make plans for supplying Prince Rupert with power.

Last word from the B.C. Power Commission was that negotiations are still proceeding, Ald. Krueger said.

John Currie, told the meeting that he was supposed to be the ing just the same," he said, "and silent alderman. 'I've been working I've held up my hand for a lot of good things and against a lot of bad ones.' He said he was not asking for votes but he had the qualifications if called upon.

Herbert F. Glassey said that he was an independent and not sponsored. "Once you're sponsored you must follow that group," he said, stating that if any group wanted a candidate to push some project that might be beneficial to the city, it didn't necessarily follow that it could be done. A person on the council knew what the city's finances can and cannot do, he said. He said that with his experience on the finance and utilities committees he would, if elected, serve the people to the best of his ability.

Phil Lyons said that although he was sponsored by the Civic Affairs Association no one was dictating to him. It was the electors' business to look after the biggest business they should be concerned in, the city of Prince Rupert.

"There's too much petty bickering and personal hatred goes into elections, which proves a poor basis for choosing people for the city council," he said.

Mr. Lyons said that there had been a lot of criticism of the city council "most of which was unfounded."

He said the voter should consider the candidates' qualifications. "You are choosing men who will ruin this city or build it."

John H. Mair appeared confused as to the election in which he was campaigning. He told the people present that "the power question is your business, vote how you like on the power question. (There is no power question before the electors.)"

James W. Prusky former alderman and president of the Ratepayers Association, said he opposed all the referendums concerning special levies. He still thought that a \$6,000 grant should entitle everyone to membership in the Civic Centre and that the municipal buildings referendum needed clarification.

He urged the parks board to keep developing all the parks simultaneously.

He repeated his challenge of last Friday defying Mayor Harold Whalen to prove that he is or ever was a Communist and this time asked the editor of The Daily News to prove likewise.

Walter Smith urged his listeners to "get men up on the city council who will forget pettiness."

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## Envoy Dean Gives Reds Ultimatum

By The Associated Press

PANMUNJOM.—United States envoy Arthur H. Dean threatened today to break off tottering preliminary Korean peace talks unless progress is made in a reasonable time, and the Allied delegation prepared to head home for Christmas.

"It is apparent that the American delegation will be out of here before Dec. 20," one high source said. "Our boys are packing."

Communist insistence on Russia attending the peace conference as a neutral observer rather than as a voting participant has stalled negotiations to arrange the peace talks.

Dean told the Reds he will not be bullied into accepting Russia as a neutral and said he has full authority from the United Nations to walk out whenever he feels there is no chance of reaching agreement.

Meanwhile, another 30 South Korean war prisoners who refused repatriation unanimously reaffirmed decision to remain under Communist rule.

Allied explainers have talked with 220 prisoners without getting a single one to change his mind.

No apparent progress has been made in the preliminary peace talks since they began Oct. 26.

## WEATHER

Forecast

North Coast Regions: Mostly cloudy today and Thursday with scattered showers. Little change in temperature. Winds westerly 25 today frequently reaching 35 in exposed areas decreasing to westerly 20 this evening.

Low tonight and high Thursday at Estevan Point 38 and 44. Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 34 and 42.

## "Sovereignty" in Northland Stressed by Prime Minister

OTTAWA (CP)—It is "very important" that "non-Canadians" in Canada's northland respect Canadian sovereignty there, says Prime Minister St. Laurent.

In a Commons speech Tuesday, he mentioned this "sovereignty" five times.

## Newspaper Strike Ends

NEW YORK—The city's biggest newspapers resumed publication today, bringing news and ads to millions of readers after the worst strike in the history of New York journalism.

AFL photo-engravers and the publishers agreed Tuesday, the 11th day of the strike, to a fact-finding board proposed by federal mediators to consider the dispute over wages and fringe benefits.

Under the agreement, 400 photo-engravers involved will get a \$3 weekly wage increase plus 75 cents worth of other benefits. This is the same package which the publishers stood on all along. The fact-finding board can recommend additional amounts. The union originally sought a \$15 package, then scaled this down to \$7.50.

The publishers estimated that the \$7.50 package, extended industry-wide in New York, would cost them better than \$3,750,000 a year.

Members of all unions refused to cross the picket lines, forcing the papers to suspend operations.



WITH AN ENORMOUS, 64-pound cabbage as her "scepter," 17-year-old Wilhelmine Soller reigns as "Miss Sauerkraut of 1953" at a Bavarian cabbage festival in Ismaning. The buxom daughter of a local cabbage grower, the queen was chosen over a dozen contestants.

## Only Mark To Use On Any Ballot is X

Some 2,800 Prince Rupert electors have the opportunity tomorrow of going to the polls at the Civic Centre between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. to elect a mayor, four aldermen, and mark their approval or disapproval of four referendums.

Although this year's voters' list includes 2979 names of property owners, licenceholders and householders at least 45 limited companies failed to nominate a representative to cast the company's vote. It is estimated that a good 125 property owners are absent from the city although their names are on the voters' list.

How many of the remaining 2,800 will go to the polls remains to be seen. Last year's civic election, usually quieter

than when there's a mayoralty race, brought out 1,477 out of 3021 listed voters; or less than 50 per cent.

Returning officer R. W. Long and assistant returning officer Miss Audrey Wrathall will supervise proceedings at the Civic Centre.

Top ballot out of the set of six will be for the mayoralty election. Underneath in the following order are the referendums on municipal buildings, the transfer of the Roosevelt Park reserve funds, the one-mill levy for Algonia Park development, the one-mill levy for the Civic Centre, and on the bottom is ballot for the aldermanic contest.

The returning officer stressed:

● Ballots must be plainly marked with the pencils provided in the polling booths. Ink-marked ballots will not be counted and all other markings besides an X will spoil the ballot.

● The only mark to be used in voting on any of the ballots, including the referendums, is an X. Last year ballots were spoiled when people answered referendums with a "yes" or "no."

● On the aldermanic ballots an elector may vote for any number of candidates up to and including four, if he or she wishes. But if any more than four Xs are placed against the names the ballot will be spoiled.

● Should a voter spoil a ballot unwittingly, he may return the ballot to the returning officer and obtain a new one. If a voter spoils one ballot it doesn't ruin the other five ballots.

● The returning officer advises all electors to read the instructions on the printed form in every polling booth before marking the ballot.

The prime minister also reiterated that Canadian resources in the north must be reserved for Canadian use.

He said he was referring to the government rejection a year ago of a U.S. application to use of Yukon water power for industries in Alaska.

## Police Hold Boy

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. (AP)

A 13-year-old boy shot his father to death in retaliation for a beating, deputy Sheriff Billy Blanton reported. Jim Patterson, 67, died from a shotgun blast which tore off his right arm and part of his face. His son, Robert Patterson, 13, was held on a murder charge.

## Eye Specialist Meets Patient

A successful mercy flight, to the rescue of an injured woman in Kitimat, was completed in quick time this morning by Queen Charlotte Airlines.

A Norseman plane, piloted by Roy Berryman, made the round trip to Kitimat and back here in about 2½ hours, bringing a woman suffering a serious eye injury to hospital here for treatment by an eye specialist.

Mrs. N. G. Stevens of Kitimat suffered the eye injury in a badminton game when she was struck with a racquet.

She was operated on in Kitimat and then rushed here to see Dr. K. O. Fleming, Vancouver eye specialist who, with Dr. G. C. Large, Vancouver ear, nose and throat specialist, is in Prince Rupert this week for special clinics.

The QCA dispatcher here received the SOS call from Kitimat at 9:20 a.m. today and in 20 minutes, pilot Berryman was in the air with the Norseman and on his way.

The plane left here at 9:40 a.m., touched down at Kitimat at 10:51 a.m., took aboard Mrs. Stevens on a stretcher, and her husband, took off from Kitimat at 11:19 a.m. and landed here at 12:19 p.m.

An ambulance met the plane at the air base here and rushed Mrs. Stevens to Prince Rupert General Hospital, where Dr. Fleming was waiting.

Mr. Berryman reported good flying weather helped speed the mercy flight.

## \$300,000 Loss In Barge Upset Near Ketchikan

SEATTLE (AP)—Reports have been received here of the capsizing of a big barge near Ketchikan with a cargo of cement and automobiles.

Loss in the mishap, which occurred during the week-end, is estimated at possibly \$300,000, about \$100,000 for cargo and \$200,000 for the 328-foot barge.

Barge owner was the Portland Tug and Barge Company of Portland.

Felix Schlickeisen, president of the firm, said reports indicate the barge hit a reef when the tug anchored in a snow-storm.

The tug later pulled it free and went about six miles to the Ketchikan vicinity. The barge tipped over after settling in the water.

## Charles Sankey Found Dead

Charles Sankey, 58-year-old Port Simpson native, was found dead this morning in a ditch by the railway tracks at Port Edward.

He was found by RCMP Const. B. Groneweg about 100 yards east of the Nelson Brothers plant. He is believed to have drowned in the ditch which is flooded with water at high tide.

Mr. Sankey, who was last seen when he got off the midnight bus from Prince Rupert last night, was born in 1895. A widower, he is survived by five children.

## BULLETIN

TERRACE — Will Robinson, veteran realtor and pioneer resident of Terrace, died suddenly at his home here this afternoon. He had been in ill health for some months although was able to get out for car rides. Mrs. Robinson was with him at the time of his death.

## London Express Urges Britain To Quit U.N.

LONDON (AP)—Lord Beaverbrook's London Express advised Great Britain today to quit the United Nations because the UN's activities "are damaging to the prospects of world peace and ruinous for the Empire."

The Express claims a circulation of more than 4,000,000. It follows an independent political line but is Empire-minded.

In an editorial, the paper stated:

"What can Britain expect to get from membership in the United Nations except trouble and abuse? Britain and the dominions have only six votes between them—and one of those goes to South Africa which takes no part in United Nations affairs."



CAUGHT in a web of sunshine, sand and netting is lovely Shirley Sibre, having a wonderful time for herself at Jacksonville (Fla.) Beach. She's a "catch" any man would be proud of.

## LUMBER DIRECTOR DIES

VANCOUVER (CP)—Edward Blake Ballentine, 56, a director of MacMillan and Bloedel, Ltd., died here yesterday. He had resided in Vancouver since 1922.

## Citizens Warned To Put Correct Addresses on Christmas Letters

"We won't be able to give delivery service until after Christmas," he said, "and we cannot guarantee delivery before December 25."

He also warned that if a pre-paid two-cent Christmas card is found to contain a long message, the recipient will be taxed double or the card will be returned to the sender. A spot check of Christmas cards has already disclosed persons have been using Christmas cards as letters and mailing them for two cents.

Five words of greeting are the limit on two-cent prepaid cards.

The postmaster also noted that two-cent cards do not receive air-lift treatment but are subject to the same mailing dates as parcels.

Deadlines for mailing parcels and two-cent pre-paid Christmas cards are: December 10 and 12, Maritimes and Quebec, and Ontario; December 14, Prairie provinces; December 15, British Columbia; and December 17, local delivery.