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Blonde For Christmas

FOR TWO WEEKS during the festive season, blonde Lorraine McAllister of Vancouver entertained Canadian troops in the forward positions in Korea. Accompanied by accordionist Karl Whalen also of Vancouver, the pretty singer arrived Christmas Eve. Some members of the Lord Cathona's Horse Squadron heard her via wireless sets in their tanks. Others saw her first-hand. At the forward bunkers are: (left to right) Karl Whalen; Maj. J. S. Roxborough, officer commanding, Saint John, N.B.; Tpr. Pete Donald, Victoria, B.C.; Sgt. Terry Williams, New Westminster, B.C.; and Cpl. Bill Atchison, Cranbrook, B.C. (CP from National Defence)

Ratepayers Group Requests Council Withhold Approval of Diesel Power

Letter to city council asking it withhold endorsement of proposal by Northern B.C. Power Company to increase its capacity here by spending estimated \$450,000 on a diesel plant has been filed.

The appeal letter was received by the revived Community Ratepayers Association, which in a second letter said the association would like to appear before the court of revision to test against new property assessments.

With letters were signed by Mrs. Jean Alderson.

ARMY MISTAKE COSTLY

OTTAWA.—An army mistake that pumped gasoline into tanks already being used for oil cost the Canadian taxpayer \$6,560, Watson Sellars, auditor-general, reported Monday.

The loss was not reported by the army, he said, but came to light during an audit examination of revenue and expenditure transactions.

A report to parliament said the gas was shipped in tank cars to Churchill, Man., and pumped into storage tanks which already held fuel oil.

C. Cocktail Lounges in July Promises Report from Victoria

ANCOUVER (CP)—The Vancouver News-Herald says in a dispatch from Victoria that British Columbia will have cocktail lounges by July 1 under the new liquor act amendments planned for next month's session of the legislature.

The front-page story, which has no source, said the act would be amended to permit cocktail lounges in constituencies where voters in favor of liquor legislation voted in the June plebiscite.

Only four of 41 riding were in favor.

Following the plebiscite, a one-man liquor inquiry commission was appointed by the provincial government to report on how most British Columbians would prefer to do with drinking. The commission reported the government 60 recommendations but they have not been made public by the attorney-general.

The News-Herald says other legislation planned will permit beer parlors to serve sandwiches and soft drinks, "and there may be soft music, but no floor shows."

The dispatch, which notes many hotels and restaurants have rooms ready to convert into cocktail lounges within a few weeks, adds establishments serving liquor by the glass will have to also serve food.

Other forthcoming changes, the story says, are:

"Liquor store purchases will be streamlined with written orders and special cash cages abolished. It will be possible to order liquor as one does a loaf of bread. However, wines and beers will not be sold in groceries."

"There will likely be a three-man liquor commission. At present it's a one-man board."

"In general, there will be more liquor outlets, and they will be rigidly supervised."

Pavlukoff Wrote He Wanted Quick Death

ANCOUVER (CP)—Walter Pavlukoff, 38, was formally charged in the August, 1947 murder of Mrs. Petrie, Vancouver bank manager, yesterday in police court and remanded for eight days.

He was arrested in Toronto Thursday after a five-year hunt and returned to Vancouver to face the murder charge.

Earlier, in a neat, white and blue suit, Pavlukoff, the widowed mother of the murdered woman's son, appeared in a Toronto suburb.

Mrs. Vera Pavlukoff did not appear, but another son, who came to the door of the home, said:

"Thank you for letting us know."

Pavlukoff carried two letters to the time of his capture. One was a Christmas letter—started in 1947 and finished Dec. 29—addressed to his mother, and the second was addressed to "To whom it may concern."

On the outside of the second letter was a note that it was to be opened only in the event he was found dead or dying.

DIE QUICK

Ironically, it said, police disclosed today that Pavlukoff "wants to die quick." He also told of an unhappy childhood "tortured with poverty."

The letter contained a wish that his body be cremated "and the ashes spread far and wide."

In the Christmas letter to his mother, he said: "I have been free four years. I hope to make it five."

Pavlukoff, who started his crime career in Chicago at the age of 19, eight years ago, told a Vancouver court "crime does not pay."

He said he did not go straight.



City Plans Five-Year Program

1953-54 Budget Planned

Currie Report Battle Resumes

By The Canadian Press

OTTAWA.—The 1953-54 budget is in the making, according to information given Monday in Commons by Finance Minister Douglas Abbott.

Mr. Abbott said a study of departmental expenditures has been completed and that he has started to work on the budget itself.

Canadians should know within the next two months what is in store, either higher or lower taxes. Betting around parliamentary corridors is that lower taxes, especially if an election is called for this fall.

CURRIE REPORT

Meanwhile, the Commons turbulent battle over the Currie report resumed today after a day which set the stage with a lavish series of preludes.

At the first day of the sittings Monday, after the Christmas recess, these developments crackled:

- The annual report of Auditor General Watson Sellars threw new fuel on the fire by criticizing the armed forces' accounting systems. The Defence Department later issued a statement quavering with most of what he said.

- Prime Minister St. Laurent contradicted that part of the Currie report which says there were horses on the army payroll at Camp Petawawa under the guise of non-existent laborers.

- It was learned that the government is likely to launch an independent inquiry into how the CCF got hold of an advance copy of the Currie report which differed in some details from the final report itself.

- Lt. Gen. G. G. Simonds, chief of the general staff, issued a message to the army which struck back in eloquent and fighting language at army critics. He said the army should not be "discouraged or depressed by criticisms which are neither founded in truth nor justified in the light of our positive achievements."

-WEATHER-

Forecast

Clear along the mainland coast, elsewhere variable cloudiness with snow flurries in the northern part, and intermittent rain or rain and snow mixed in the southern part. Not much change in temperature.

Winds northerly 20 except northeast 35 in mainland inlets. Low tonight and high Wednesday at Port Hardy, 25 and 33; Sandspit, 15 and 25; Prince Rupert, 10 and 20.



NURSES RESCUED 92 children when fire broke out at a baby clinic in Montreal's east end. No one was injured in the blaze, brought under control in a half-hour. Babies of tubercular parents are housed in the clinic for treatment and observation.

Taxi Men Ask For Parking Law Change

Final action on a bylaw to amend the street traffic and parking bylaw was deferred by city council last night for two weeks to give the police and licensing committee time to reconsider modifications suggested by a group of taxi operators.

The group, represented by city lawyer Doug Hogarth, asked council to increase the parking limit from 60 seconds to five minutes, allow three cars to park at taxi stands on Third Avenue instead of the lone cab permitted under the present bylaw and set the five-minute parking limit hours from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in place of the suggested 8 a.m. to midnight hours laid down in the proposed amendment.

Mr. Hogarth said taxi operators do not object to enforcement of a traffic and parking bylaw but urge that it be modified because "they find it almost impossible to abide by the 60-second limit."

In submitting a memorandum, which he said had been signed by 75 of the businesses on Third Avenue "actually affected by this bylaw," Mr. Hogarth said his clients made a count of parked cars between the proposed 8 a.m. and midnight hours from Thursday to Sunday which showed average number was 51.5 "and there's room for 140 cars between McBride and Seventh, the area affected by the bylaw."

A petition submitted by merchants on Third Avenue between Fifth and Sixth Streets, read to council before Mr. Hogarth spoke, agreed with the proposed changes.

Mr. Hogarth asked council to consider carefully his clients' requests in view of the fact the "majority of merchants also object to the change."

Alderman Mike Krueger suggested the count was taken during the cold spell and that it did not give a true picture of the situation.

In answer to Ald. Darrow Gomez, Mr. Hogarth said peak period of the count was at 8 o'clock last Saturday night when there were 114 cars parked on Third "out of which there were only nine cabs."

City Clerk Bill Long, explaining the proposed change, said the 60-second limit was put into the bylaw only as a means of enforcement.

The time limit applies only to parking and does not affect loading or unloading at any time either in specially-marked-out taxi zones or any portion of Third Avenue. "A car is not construed to be parking while loading and unloading."

After the revised parking bylaw No. 1191 was put into effect last Aug. 25, taxi zones were established at all downtown street corners from McBride to Seventh.

"Since there is no parking allowed in these zones at any time, the 60-second limit does not apply," said Mr. Long.

It is recalled that council some months ago passed two separate bylaws forbidding taxis to park on Third Avenue at any time but in the Aug. 25 bylaw operators were given the right to park one car in front of their stand.

The memorandum was presented to Alderman Gomez to show his committee during their deliberations.

Survey To Estimate Public Works Needs

Streets, Sidewalks Improvement In Order of Merit—"Worst First"

A five-year public works program will be inaugurated in Prince Rupert this year with work being done on roads and sidewalks in order of merit.

This was announced by Alderman Mike Krueger, chairman of the board of works committee, at council meeting last night. He said a city-wide survey is being conducted at the present time to determine the amount of work needed on all roads and sidewalks, cost of materials and the job considered most urgent.

The survey is being made by works superintendent Don Stewart.

Ald. Krueger said everything that needs to be done will be listed in the report and urged all other aldermen to bring to the attention of the works superintendent any jobs they consider should be done.

WORST FIRST

"We want to do the worst roads and sidewalks in order of merit," he told council in recommending adoption of his first report as head of the works committee.

It is the first time such a plan has been drawn up and, according to aldermen, means the city's roads and sidewalks will be repaired, rebuilt or whatever is necessary under a "cut and dried plan."

While Ald. Krueger could not say how much money would be spent by the department this year for this work, he said that by obtaining a survey the works superintendent will know what is to be done and the time it should take to complete.

Out of an overall budget of \$168,000 for the works department last year, \$32,500 was allocated for road improvements and \$11,000 for sidewalks.

Up to the end of October a total of \$34,355 had been spent on rebuilding roads and paving work and \$6,876 for sidewalks.

One of the major road projects of the year was work on thoroughfares for the nearly-completed Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation homes.

A total of \$140,000 was spent by the department up to Oct. 31.

City Squad Defeats Metlakatla Cagers

Prince Rupert's Manson-based Challengers overcame an early lead last night to drub visiting Metlakatla (Alaska) Merchants 59-46 in the first of a two-game total-point exhibition stand at the Civic Centre gymnasium.

Behind Rupert's 20-point-making bucket man Art Olson, the Hartwig-coached squad walked away from the visitors after the second half which ended 24-22 for the Challengers.

But the Merchants were plenty supplied with hustle, and a two-thirds capacity crowd in the gym were thrilled time and again by long-shooting veteran Frank Bolton who scored most of his 18 points from distances greater than 25 feet.

At least twice the 37-year-old playing coach swept the ball clearly through the hoop from a few feet short of the centre line.

Highly-rated Harry Lang, all-star Alaskan circuit guard, got away a few telling side shots but an effective defence tied him up most of the way.

Lack of rebound tactics by the Merchants was the visitors' downfall while Challengers' powerful bucket man Olson proved a game-saver under the hoop.

Playing coach of the city team, Don Hartwig, kept three of his Mansons league players and himself on the front string last night—Spring Olson and Webster—with second stringers, including Flaten and Holkestad, on the bench for brief relief jobs.

It was evident that Hartwig is

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5-Way Hockey 'Deal' to Aid Polio Drive

Hockey enthusiasts here are hoping the weather stays bright and cold for at least five more days.

If it does, the citizens can look forward to "the greatest hockey game ever played in Prince Rupert," said Bill Stone this morning as he interviewed members of the Gryo Club in an attempt to see a team against the Elks Club on the Rotary tennis rink this Sunday.

The rink has been placed at the disposal of the clubs by the Parks Board with proceeds to be donated to the Kinsmen Club polio fund.

All hockey players are asked to attend a meeting in the Elks Hall at 8 o'clock tomorrow night to discuss the game.

While it has not been settled yet, members of the city detachment RCMP, under playing coach Sgt. Harry Norman, may play a match against the city hall staff in a preliminary game.

The city force at present is made up of several former prairie men and is reported able to ice a formidable team.

In the interval hundreds of citizens are getting in many hours of practice both on the Rotary rink and at Lake Oliver.

The cold spell, which froze the lake and made skating possible, is expected to continue. Official overnight low recorded at the Digby Island weather station today was nine degrees above zero.

There has been no rainfall over the city since January 4, although a one-inch fall of snow covered the city last Saturday.



ART OLSON
... top scorer