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EMPLOYED sharecroppers and day laborers await their turn to appear before the court in Kennett, Mo., to appeal for relief. The state welfare department and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide food from surplus stocks to such needy persons. Hundreds of workers in the cotton-producing "Boot-heel" state because of a virtual industrial revolution with a growing trend toward mechanization of farming operations, two years of drought that reduced the number of cotton farmers, and a normal seasonal slump in farm employment.

American-British Policy Suffers Back From Labor Party Split

West may dissipate a public-opinion advantage gained from the Russians' adamant position at the Big Four foreign ministers' conference in Berlin. Generally, west European Socialists have opposed the idea of a West German military con-

IN SCHOOL RED CROSS KINSMEN POLIO FUND

Prince Rupert Kinsmen Club's polio fund was swelled by a donation from the Junior Red Cross of Borden. A gift for the polio fight came from the youngsters' fund in which they gave up pocket money to raise Junior Red Cross activities and occasionally other

and Lewis, president, and Evelyn Rowe, secretary of the Red Cross group, both 11-year-old, grade six, presented the \$30 to Bill Bond, chairman of the polio campaign, this morning.

grant represents "self-denial" funds from the 300-odd of Borden school over the past two weeks.

Basketball Teams For Kitimat Series

Both Memorial basketball players today for the Kitimat players who visited and 12 girls made the team. The last trip for local girls was to Ocean Falls four years ago. Senior boys' teams have travelled to Ketchikan and other points but this is the first trip for the present team, made up of five Inter-B league boys and five juniors.

Making up the boys' team are Terry Shenton, Mike Young, John Newton, Eugene Nelson, Nelson Morven, Gerry Bowes, Robert Duncan, John Lambie, Chester Stewart and Don MacIntosh.

Girls making the trip are Marilyn Farmer, Myrna Knutson, Sue Martin, Beverley Votrakoff, Yvonne Jackson, Elizabeth Jones, Aina Carlson, Louise Wood, Sonja Selvig, Sonja Hansen, Sonda Giske and Ann Wick.

The youngsters will return home Thursday.

Two Survive 300-Foot Drop In Big Truck

TRAIL, B.C. (P)—Two men survived a 300-foot drop in the cab of a heavily-loaded five-ton trailer after it plunged through a guard rail on the highway six miles east of here. Most seriously injured was Gordon Matheson of Granum, Alta., who suffered a badly fractured leg. Injuries to Gordon Lindholm of Fruitvale, B.C., were described as minor. Both men were treated at hospital here.

The truck was carrying a load of cheese and stationery to the coast from Alberta. Both the vehicle and the cargo were a total loss.

Pistol-Swinging Puerto Ricans Injure 5 Senators In Congress

Naguib Returns To Cairo

CAIRO (AP) — The Egyptian government strove to keep public order today following the return of ousted President Gen. Mohamed Naguib as chief of state and a new outbreak of mob violence.

All government universities—past "hotbeds of mob action"—were ordered closed indefinitely after wild demonstrations Sunday in which police wounded 12 rioters. One police officer also was hit by a shot from a student.

The police opened fire as disorderly, slogan-shouting crowds of young people surged toward Replacan Square from all over the city to cheer Naguib, the popular hero.

Naguib, waving and smiling, appeared on a balcony at the presidential palace and appealed in an impromptu speech for "moderation and forgiveness."

Facing the first anti-government riots since the army overthrew ex-king Farouk 19 months ago, Naguib, and the man who supplanted him briefly last week, Lt.-Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser, patched up their differences.

Good Citizen Award Tomorrow

Prince Rupert's Good Citizen of 1953 will be named tomorrow night at a dinner and presentation in the Commodore Cafe at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. J. P. Cade, first winner of the Alex Hunter Good Citizenship Shield, will make the presentation. John Magor, publisher of The Daily News, will speak on good citizenship, and Alderman G. P. Lyons will explain the methods employed in selecting a Good Citizen.

The four citizens chosen from an original list of 25, in alphabetical order, are: Mrs. T. J. (Jessie) Boulter; Dr. R. G. Large, R. G. Moore, and Major W. C. Poulton. One of these will be named "Good Citizen of 1953."

Jay Burns will be chairman, in the absence of Gerry Lemire, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.



CURTIS BOXER shows dismay in his face after being told that the London dog show in which he was scheduled to appear has been cancelled as the result of an electricians' strike. He'd gotten all dressed up for the canine gathering, after looking forward to it for a long time, only to have the whole thing called off at the last minute.

Nehru Rejects Eisenhower Offer of Arms Aid For India

NEW DELHI, India (P)—Prime Minister Nehru today rejected President Eisenhower's offer of arms aid for India and demanded the withdrawal of American observers with the United Nations cease-fire team in disputed Kashmir.

By giving military aid to Pakistan, Nehru told parliament the United States had intervened in the Indian-Pakistani fight over the Himalayan state and the American observers therefore "can no longer be regarded by us as neutrals."

At the end of 1953 the United States had 14 officers with the 48-member UN military mission supervising the Kashmir truce. Eisenhower's offer of American arms aid has done less than justice to us or to himself," the premier declared, continuing: "If we object to military aid

being given to Pakistan, we would be hypocrites and unprincipled opportunists to accept it ourselves."

Announcing the aid to Pakistan last week, Eisenhower said the United States would give "most sympathetic consideration" to any request from India for such help. In a letter to Nehru he also assured India that the United States will see to it that Pakistan used the arms for defence only.

New Licence Plates Needed

Prince Rupert motorists who failed to buy 1954 licence plates last week were given a break by city police today—but things will be different tomorrow.

Midnight, February 28 was the deadline for attaching the new licence plates. Motorists not displaying new plates today were liable to a minimum fine of \$25 or a maximum of \$300.

However, Sgt. H. L. Norman said that, since the deadline day was a Sunday, police would overlook cars on the streets with the old 1953 plates today. But, tomorrow, police will crack down on offenders.

Canada Tied With Leaders

STOCKHOLM (CP)—Canada is up with the leaders after three days' play in the world hockey tournament, tied for first place with Russia, Sweden and Czechoslovakia, the three other pretournament favorites.

Czechoslovakia, picked by many observers as the pretournament choice, whipped Switzerland 7-1 when the eight-team round-robin affair opened Friday. The next day the Canadians downed the Swiss 8-1.

Meanwhile Russia's flashy Moscow Dynamos were blanking Norway 7-0. Canada repeated the whitewashing job Sunday—but the score was 8-0.

Duke's Former Valet 'Fired'

OTTAWA (P)—The Duke of Edinburgh's former valet says he has been fired from his latest job because of a series of articles he has written about the Queen's husband.

John Dean, 33-year-old head butler to Sir Archibald Nye, Britain's high commissioner to Canada, packed his bags Saturday. He said Sir Archibald fired him because of the articles appearing in a London publication, the Sunday Pictorial. Sir Archibald could not be reached for comment.

B. C. Meets Ontario Rink In First Round

EDMONTON (P)—Perfect curling weather is expected today for the opening of the 25th annual Canadian curling championships.

The weatherman forecast a high of 10 below zero, a welcome change for the curlers from the recent thaw.

The 44 curlers from 10 provinces will parade onto the ice for the official opening shortly before 3 p.m.

First draw will see British Columbia play Don Groom of Sudbury and his northern Ontario rink.

WEATHER Forecast

Northern B.C. Region: Variable cloudiness becoming cloudy by evening. Rain tomorrow. Milder tonight. Winds light increasing to southeast 30 in exposed areas this afternoon.

Low tonight and high Tuesday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 32 and 24.

Thirty Shots Fired Before Group Seized

WASHINGTON—A group of men and women—shouting "free Puerto Rico"—fired pistols from a house gallery at Congress members today and hit at least five.

In milling confusion the members first ducked, ran, then turned back to aid their injured colleagues.

Spectators grappled with the pistol wielders in the gallery and police leaped after them.

The wounded were: Alvin M. Bentley (R-Mich.), Ben F. Jensen (R-Iowa), Clifford David (D-Tenn.), Kenneth A. Roberts (D-Ala.), George H. Fallon (D-Md.).

Bentley was struck through the chest. He dropped to the house floor apparently seriously injured. Jensen also was on the floor in a big pool of blood.

Roberts was carried out on a stretcher.

Davis, hit in the leg, remained in a seat, being treated by a nurse, after the wounded were removed to hospitals.

Fallon also was reported to have been hit in the leg.

Two men and the women who wielded pistols were seized.

The shots were fired from automatic pistols as the men and women shouted for freedom for Puerto Rico. They fired at random from a corner of the visitors' gallery.

As police seized the group and rushed them to police headquarters in downtown Washington, one of the three tossed a Puerto Rican flag into the air.

"I am sure I saw four persons shooting," Rep. Louis E. Graham (R-Pa.) told reporters. "The woman was shooting into the ceiling but I am sure that three men were shooting down into the chamber."

This is the second violent demonstration here for Puerto Rican independence in recent years.

On Nov. 1, 1950, two Puerto Rican revolutionists attempted to shoot their way into Blair House, temporary residence at that time of President Truman.

One of the Puerto Ricans and a White House guard were killed in that battle.

It was reported that 25 to 30 shots were fired before the pistol wielders were seized.

Pranksters Keep City Firemen Busy

Prince Rupert firemen were kept busy over the weekend, answering five alarms in just over 24 hours, including false alarms and chimney fires.

A prankster set off two false alarms in quick succession early Saturday morning. The first, from the alarm box at Sixth Avenue and Donald Street at 1:45 a.m., was followed in four minutes by an alarm from a box just down the street.

At 1:50 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Saturday, the firemen rushed to chimney fires and at 2:30 a.m. Sunday they answered a third chimney fire call.

No damage resulted from any of the blazes.

Police Quell Wild Attack; 21 Killed

KHARTOUM, Sudan (P)—Police bullets beat off a wild attack on the British governor-general's residence today by yelling Sudanese tribesmen brandishing steel-tipped spears in a demonstration against visiting Egyptian President Mohamed Naguib.

At least 21 persons were reported killed, including the British police commander, Col. H. S. McGuigan, and six of his men. More than 100 persons were wounded, 30 of them critically.

Authoritative sources reported the Sudanese police chief, Brig. Martada El Mahdi, among the victims.

The clash came after more than 30,000 demonstrators agitating for and against Naguib massed in the capital.

Members of the pro-independence Umma party, brandishing spears and shouting anti-British and anti-Egyptian slogans, marched on the home of governor-general Sir Robert Howe, where Naguib was being entertained after his arrival by plane from Cairo.

Sudanese police, under British officers, first tossed tear gas grenades at the pressing crowd and then opened fire when the tribesmen charged with out-thrust spears. The seven slain policemen fell before the spear charge.

Naguib came here with Egyptian guidance minister Salah Salem for the inaugural session today of the Sudan's first parliament. After the fighting, the governor-general announced the ceremony would be postponed indefinitely.

The police bullets sent the tribesmen, who had marched under waving red and green banners bearing the white crescent Umma, fleeing for shelter. The government declared a state of emergency in the tense city as ambulances carried the victims of the clash to hospitals.

Gas Claims 23rd Victim

VANCOUVER (CP)—Domestic gas claimed its 23rd victim of 1954 here Sunday when Barclay Montgomery, 76, was found overcome by the deadly fumes.

A milk man, making deliveries to the apartment where Barclay lived, smelled gas and notified the proprietor.

Police said Barclay was found sitting in a corner of his suite, a gas jet on a heater across the room partially open. Police said a small leak discovered in the gas line probably made Barclay insensitive to the smell of gas over a period of time.

"Cuthbert Seal II" Dies After Brief Visit Here

Tragedy ended a short-lived visit here this week-end of another "Cuthbert." A baby seal died on the dock by F. E. Hunt's Cow Bay waterfront shop some time last night.

This seal, a hair seal rather than a fur seal as the original Cuthbert was, was found climbing onto the dock at noon yesterday by Arloph Ivarson, a watchman at Atlin Fisheries.

Mr. Hunt took the baby seal to his store and attempted to feed it some milk with a bottle and nipple.

They left the seal on the

dock last night, thinking possibly he was frightened by the human attention, but found him dead this morning.

Mr. Hunt believes the seal was only a few weeks old. It was only about 30 inches long and weighed less than 25 pounds.

Cuthbert II probably was washed ashore in Saturday night's storm and possibly jammed between floats and injured internally.

Cuthbert I, a fur seal found here two months ago, died at Stanley Park zoo in Vancouver.