

Drama Entries Biggest In History of Festival

An increase in drama entries and a decrease in musical entries for the forthcoming festival was reported today by the syllabus committee of the Prince Rupert Music and Drama Festival Association.

Entries for the seventh annual festival to be held here May 11 to 14, closed Monday, with about 150 musical entries registered, as compared to over 200 last year.

Mrs. W. S. Kergin of the syllabus committee, said the decrease in entries probably was due to the strict deadline set this year. In past years, several extra weeks had been allowed for entries.

The drama section, however, will be the biggest in Rupert festival history, with four adult plays, one from Rupert and three from Terrace; four local high school plays and one play from King Edward Elementary school.

The increase in drama entries was attributed to appointment of Ian Dobbie as drama adjudicator. Mr. Dobbie, who directed the recent Rupert Little Theatre

production of "Streetcar Named Desire," has had wide experience in theatre work.

Mrs. Kergin reported the usual number of elocution and choral speaking entries in the drama section.

In the musical section, there are entries from vocalists, pianists, choirs, bands and various solo instrumentalists, but for the first time in several years, there are no entries from Ketchikan or Hazelton. However, Terrace entries have increased to about 15.

Three native groups will join the ranks of choral competitors this year, from Kitkatla, Greenville and Aiyansh, and the Aiyansh band will compete as usual.

A new item in the musical section will be a mixed vocal octet from Prince Rupert. Dancing entries have increased but not as much as had been expected since dancing classes started here this season. There are entries in ballet, Scottish dancing and folk dancing.

Divers Tial Salvage Job On "Kathleen"

JUNEAU — Two young Juneau men who took deep sea diving lessons in California, are making their first "business dives" in an attempt to salvage cargo and gear from the sunken luxury liner Princess Kathleen.

The Canadian Pacific Steamships cruise liner went down at Point Lena, 17 miles south of Juneau, in September, 1952, and lies under 60 feet of water.

The salvagers are Magnus Hansen, son of a pioneer fisherman who figured in many Alaskan sea stories, and Wendell Johnson.

They put their salvage buoy on the wreck last Saturday. The \$5,000,000 Kathleen has been abandoned by underwriters and is free game for salvage operators. Hansen and Johnson said they are interested in miscellaneous machinery and cargo. Rumors say they might also find considerable cash aboard the ship.

Remember When Boston Bruins great defence trio of goalie Tiny Thompson and defencemen Eddie Shore and Babe Siebert were placed on the annual All-Star National Hockey League team 18 years ago today, the first time any team's rear-guard had received such unanimous acclaim. That team had Hooley Smith of Maroons, Charlie Conacher of Toronto and Dave Schirmer of New York Americans on the front line.

PHILADELPHIA—Jimmy Siro 136 Philadelphia, outpointed Reuben Davis, 131½ Philadelphia, 8.

British Protest Attacks

CAIRO (Reuters) — British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson met with President Mohamed Naguib for 25 minutes today and protested strongly against a series of attacks on British soldiers in the Suez canal zone.

The embassy said Maj. W. R. Burhill died of bullet wounds in the stomach and that Capt. I. Wilson was wounded in the shoulder.

The attack occurred at El Ballah airport, north of Ismailia. Two other incidents were reported today in the disputed Suez, where two British soldiers

were killed earlier this week, three others were wounded.

In the other incidents today the embassy reported: Five Egyptians fired Sten guns at two British army vehicles in Fayid, but no casualties were reported; fifty minutes later an Egyptian threw a hand grenade into a British army vehicle at Suez, but the passenger tossed it out before it exploded.

of the slain automobile dealer, petition that is being considered by Mrs. Wells' mother, Frank Ward of San Francisco.

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Aunt Named to Guard Estate of Pupil in Slaying

FAIRBANKS, Alaska — The Probate Court of this interior Alaska city Friday named an aunt as guardian of the estate of a little Marquam Wells, the pawn in the Wells slaying and suicide case.

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See how this advice would have worked out for Mr. Abel in today's deal. When he doubled Mr. Dale's vulnerable four spade overcall, Mr. Meek slipped down in his seat until only

West dealer.			
North (Mr. Meek)			
S-6 4 2	H-6 5 4	D-8 6 3 2	
C-7 4 2			
East			
(Miss Brash)			
S-Q J 8 7	H-A K Q J 10 7	D-9 7 4 3	
C-A 10 5			
South (Mr. Dale)			
S-A K 10 9 5 3			
H-5			
D-A K Q			
C-K Q J			
The bidding:			
West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	4 H	4 S
Dbl. All Pass			

the top of his head showed above the table. With typical pessimism he expected to be down at least four.

Actually he had nothing to worry about as Mr. Dale made his contract — because Mr. Abel failed to keep his exit card.

The pile of hearts was opened and Miss Brash won with the ten and returned the jack, which Mr. Dale ruffed.

Mr. Dale was prepared to find all the outstanding trumps on his left and he started to prepare for a trump end-play. He laid down the king of clubs. Mr. Abel won with the ace and now let go the most important card in his hand—his last heart.

Mr. Dale ruffed again, then cashed the ace of spades, the queen and the jack of clubs and his three top diamonds. Now he simply led the ten of spades and Mr. Abel was gone. He won with the jack but had to return a spade from the queen-eight into Mr. Dale's king-nine.

As Mr. Meek emerged pale but smiling from the depths of his chair, Mr. Abel realized, too late, that he should have led back a club or a diamond after winning with the ace of clubs.

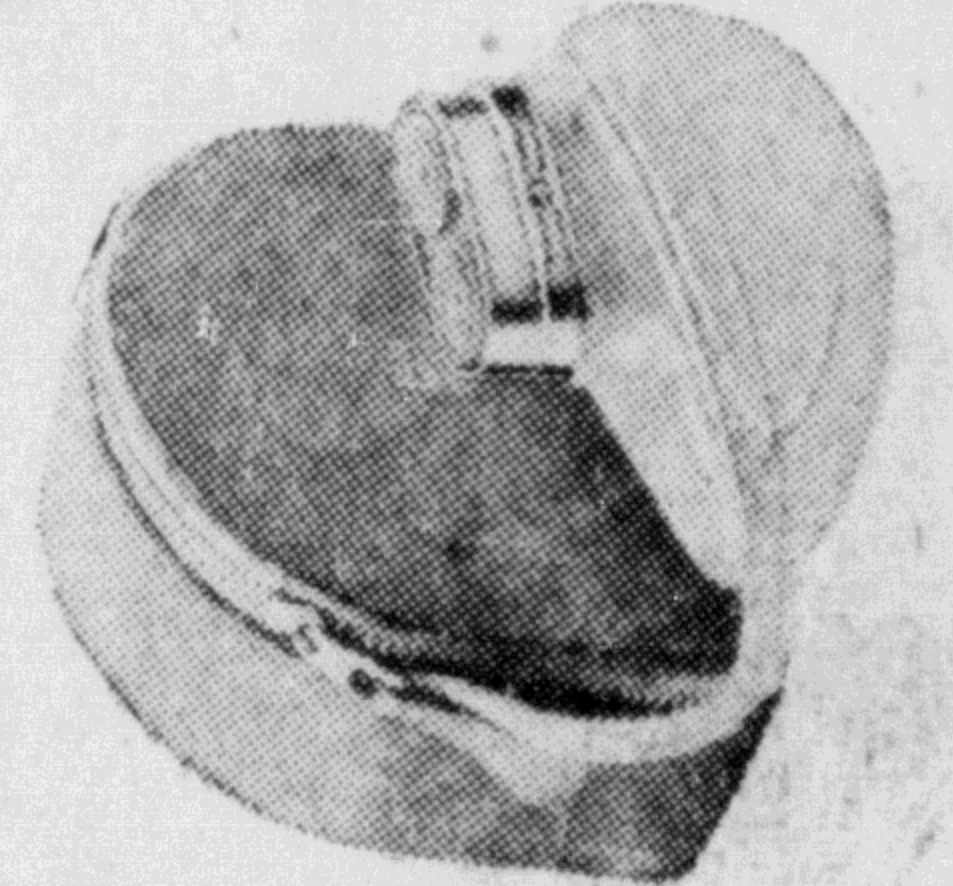
If he had, he would have been able to set the contract. And Mr. Meek probably would have disappeared entirely from view.

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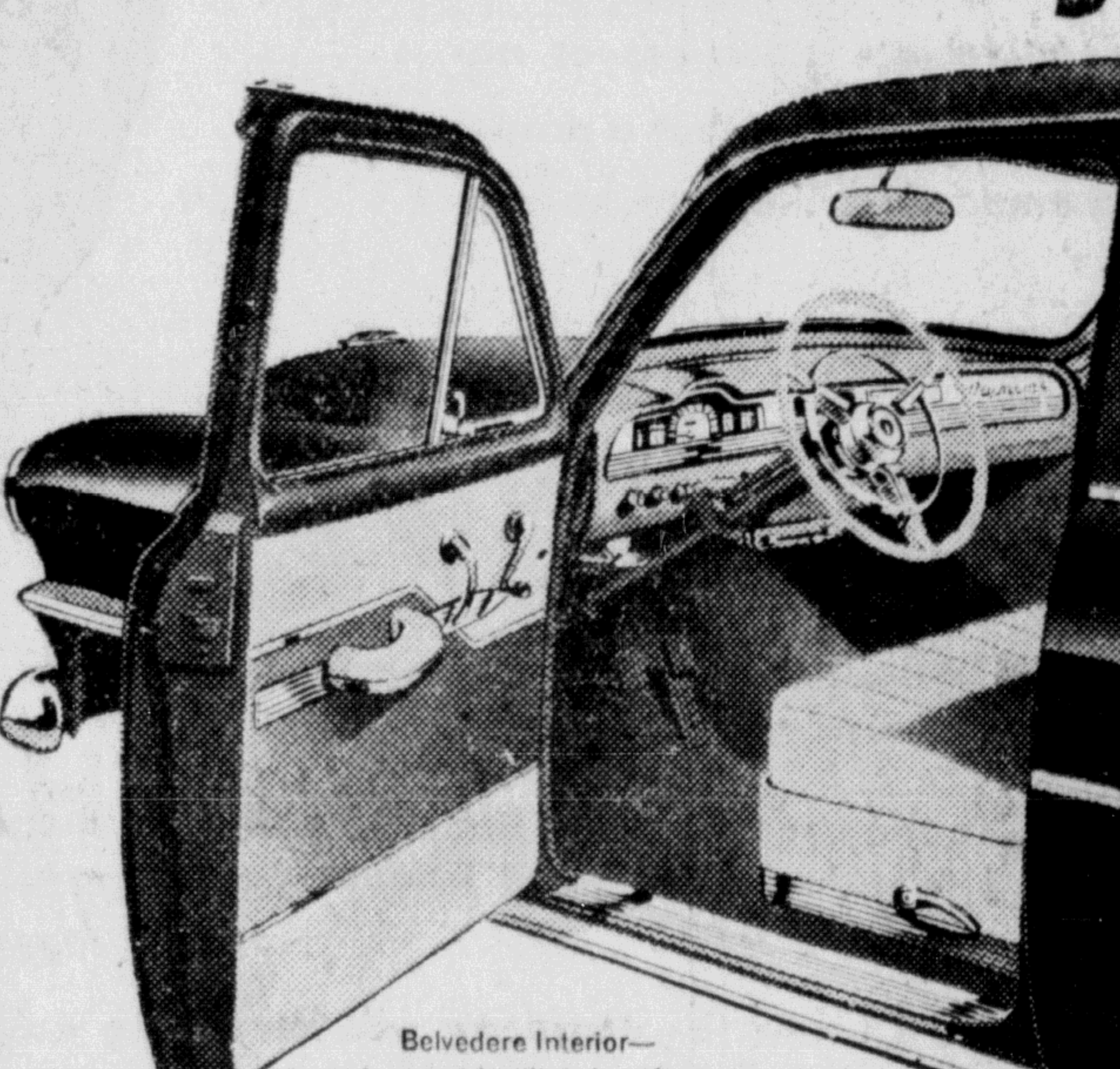
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