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CAMPBELL RIVER, B.C. (CP)—A light plane coming in for a landing at the airfield here Saturday night clipped a parked car and cartwheeled across the field. Richard Lusk, 25, died Sunday in hospital from his injuries. Jack Going, pilot, an Ella Steele, and occupant of the four-seater plane, were seriously injured. The plane, owned by British Columbia Airlines, was demolished.

No Magnetism, Just Stinginess, Violence Stops Wrist Watches

LONDON (AP)—The British Medical Journal today scoffed at the idea that personal magnetism or electricity may be responsible for stopping watches worn by certain people. It suggested the idea originates with: Excitable persons who are more violent than they know. Gullible persons who are poor observers. Stingy persons who buy cheap watches.

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PATTERN OF INDUSTRY as traced by these 103s beamed at Alford Bay in the Queen Charlotte Islands, has been broken. The lumber strike is now in its eighth day, with still no sign of a let-up, with 32,000 workers idle. Throughout the lumber industry, the above picture is repeated a hundred times when in full swing along the rugged coast of British Columbia.

City Calls Out Diver to Examine Water Pipe Leak

Report of a leak in the water pipeline off Shawatlans will be investigated tomorrow by a diver from Armour Salvage & Towing Company.

A tug, under command of Captain Reg. Green will tow a diving scow and equipment to the scene. The diver, Ray Montgomery and officials from the city waterworks department will make the trip.

The leak was reported to the waterworks department by patrolman Mike Corney after it showed on his graph.

Although the leak has not affected water in the city, officials said today it could not be repaired quickly.

First reports say the break is in one of the 14-inch intakes from Shawatlans to Prince Rupert. A valve will be shut, cutting off the flow while the diver investigates.

While officials are not sure of the trouble, it is believed a gasket at one of the connecting pipes may be broken.

It is the first leak reported in the line since 1947.

Water supply for Prince Rupert starts from Woodworth Lake, where it enters a 45-inch pipe, later churns through an 18-inch pipe and is diverted through the two smaller pipes at Shawatlans.

Reds Kidnap 43 German Rail Workers

HELMSTEDT, Germany (CP)—British soldiers back up West German police at the disputed frontier point near here in defiance of Communist keep-away orders following the kidnapping by Red police of 43 West German workmen.

The workmen were seized yesterday by Russian led East German police as westerners dismantled a railroad spur. They were released early today without explanation.

The kidnapping occurred in a pocket of land 500 yards deep which was part of the Soviet zone state Saxon Antaul that was given to West Germany when the frontier was permanently established.

Following the incident, armed West German frontier police and British troops went into the territory despite a Red warning not to penetrate into the pocket. The Communists made no effort to halt the western patrols.

Buckerfields Purchased by Winnipeg Firm

VANCOUVER (CP)—Federal Grain Ltd. and Pioneer Grain Company Ltd. of Winnipeg have purchased the controlling interest in the \$3,000,000 Buckerfields Ltd., it was announced last week.

Edward E. Buckerfield, who founded a grains and fertilizer business here in 1919, will remain president. Buckerfields, largest producer in the British Empire of dehydrated cereal and legume grasses, employs between 400 and 500 workers.

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Union Heads Reject Back-to-Work Deal

VANCOUVER.—British Columbia's 32,000 striking woodworkers decided Saturday night to stay on strike, but 6000 fishermen who had threatened to quit Sunday instead decided to postpone their walkout at least until July 19.

Municipal Officers Meet For Conference

VICTORIA (CP)—Doubt as to whether wages of municipal officers is "commensurate with type and variety" of their duties, was expressed by B. C. Bracewell, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs.

He was addressing the opening session of the 13th annual conference of Municipal Officers' Association of B.C. in Empress Hotel.

City and municipal clerks, treasurers, comptrollers and assessors came from all parts of the province to consider problems and municipal affairs.

Last year's record high of 95 registrants is expected to be repeated at the two day parley.

"The department of municipal affairs and municipal officials need each other," Mr. Bracewell said. "Closest co-operation makes for best results for both."

Hon. A. D. Turnbull, minister of municipal affairs and health and welfare said "progress of municipal government was in ratio to the progress made by officers."

"Facilities in B.C. and Canada for formal education in municipal affairs is argely lacking," he said. "Those in the field can learn only by experience, personal study or from others in the field."

Election of officers was slated to be held. Cecil Wyatt spoke on the city manager system.

J. W. Wilson, executive director of the Lower Mainland Regional Planning Board will speak Friday morning and F. L. Shaw of the Power Commission in the afternoon. The B. C. government will give a banquet Friday night to close the conference.

Historic Flyer Dies In Utah

CALGARY (CP)—The story of Capt. Wilfred Reid (Wop) May, who died Saturday of a heart attack at Provo, Utah, is parallel to the history of aviation in Canada.

May, who learned to fly in the Royal Flying Corps, fought in the First World War, was one of the first winners of the McKee Trophy, was one of the first bush fliers, completed many sensational mercy flights and organized one of the West's first commercial air companies.

He was manager of the repair depot in Calgary that Canadian Pacific Airlines is operating for the RCAF.

Wealthy Dog

VANCOUVER (CP)—A dog here that will chew anything found a large envelope and started chewing, scattering \$180 in bills. Police were called and the money was returned to Dr. M. L. Edgar, who lost the envelope on the street a few days previously.

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