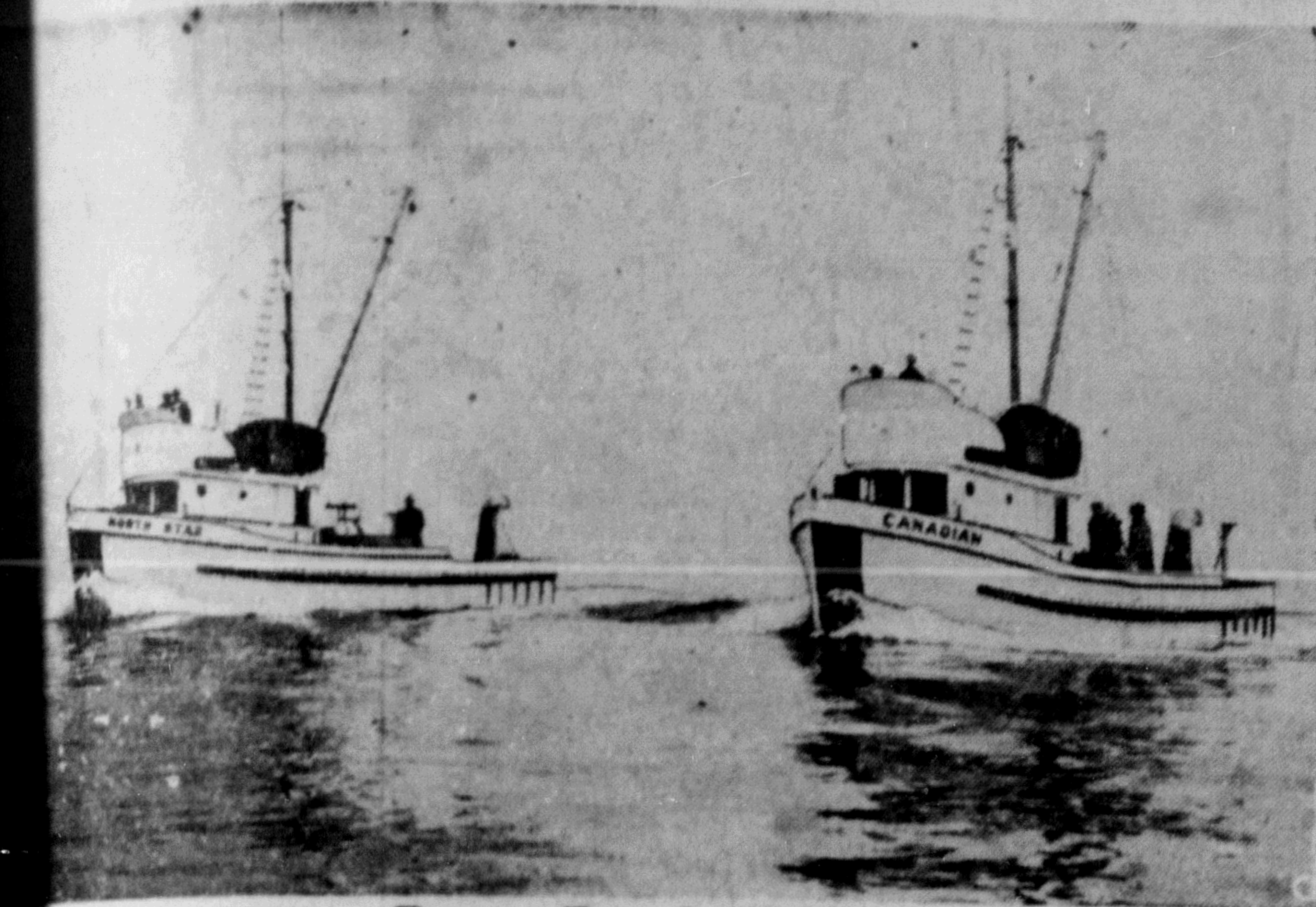


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Boats For Ceylon

WEST COAST COMBINATION fishing vessels, built in Vancouver, will operate off the coast of Ceylon. They are being supplied by Canada under provisions of the Colombo Plan for economic development of South and Southeast Asia. The craft, together with a trawler named the Maple Leaf, will demonstrate Canadian fishing methods and undertake a survey of fisheries potential off Ceylon for a year. Later, they will be operated by Ceylonese fishermen.

Boy Scouts Set Goal of \$1,500 Annual Campaign For Funds

Prince Rupert and District Boy Scouts Association launched an annual campaign for funds with an objective of \$1,500. It is part of a national drive

put on every year by scout associations across Canada to derive funds to carry on their work. In Prince Rupert, bulk of the funds collected this year will go

to completion of the Boy Scout lodge at Grassy Bay and for training a new group of leaders. Campaign manager Stu Furk said today volunteers for leader training are needed as well as funds. A leadership training class opens here in April under Jim Blain, field commissioner, of Prince George.

More than 250 boys are enrolled in either cub or scout troops here. Including a pack recently started at Port Edward, there are six packs and four troops. All work in connection with scouts or cubs is done voluntarily.

The movement, which is worldwide, is open to all boys and is considered one of the greatest organizations in training young boys as good citizens and in battling juvenile delinquency.

All citizens will be asked, through the mails, for a contribution of at least \$1 which entitles the donor to a membership in the local scout association.

Headed by Commissioner F. E. Anfield and Assistant Commissioner George Kearley, the executive of the association here includes the following prominent citizens:

Dred Conrad, president; Dr. J. D. Galbraith, vice-president; Bill Doumont, secretary; Jim Taylor, treasurer; Martin Saunders, Jack Martin, Bill Seaby, John Magor, Ted Boulter, John McLeod, Harold Thom, Father F. J. Rayner, Jack Davis (Port Edward), Insp. Taylor, RCMP, Bob Cameron, S. A. Kleiback, George McClintock and Stu Furk, directors.

Two Injured In Car Crash

Two Prince Rupert residents miraculously escaped serious injury last night when their car was in collision with an east-bound freight train at the Shames level crossing, 70 miles east of here.

Thomas McMeekin, wholesaler, and Mel Burrisson, manager of Canada Packers Ltd., were taken to Terrace hospital for treatment where they were treated and released, a Canadian National Railways official said.

Injuries were confined to bruises and slight cuts. An estimated \$1500 damage was suffered by the car. The accident occurred at 8:15 p.m.

WE MAY SEEK EMBARGO ON SHIPMENTS TO REDS

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Eisenhower administration may consider an embargo on all shipments to Red China as an alternative to proposals for a risky naval blockade. The move is among those some highly-placed administration officials thought might come before the strategy-making National Security Council for discussion at a White House meeting today.

Pirates Roam Mediterranean Snagging Cigaret Smugglers

PATRICK CROSSE

(Reuters)—Pirates are again roving the Mediterranean again for the first time since the fierce Barbary were wiped out years ago. They have come in the wake of

the smugglers who run thousands of tons of cigarettes from Tangier to Europe's Mediterranean coasts every year.

"We have heard plenty of stories of piracy, but so far these new buccaneers have only preyed on smugglers," an Italian coast guard official told a reporter. "So good luck to them."

A British owner of a large yacht which cruised around Mediterranean ports all last year added: "It is often difficult to draw the line between the crews who run cigarettes into Europe and the pirates who attack them."

He cited the case of a small Dutch ship which was overtaken by a speedy pirate launch after leaving Tangier with a big cargo of American and British cigarettes.

"Bristling with guns, they had no difficulty taking her over and locking up her crew," he said.

"They sailed her to a rendezvous off the Sardinian coast where they delivered her cargo to Italian offshore smugglers, pocketed huge profits, released the crew and made off quickly in their own launch which had followed."

Although the ships loaded with cigarettes which clear for sea at Tangier are obviously taking part in smuggling, they cannot be challenged legally until they enter the three-mile limit of European waters.

There is little hope of entirely stamping out the smuggling as long as a 79 per cent tobacco tax makes it profitable, said another ship owner.

Watch Stolen 30 Years Ago Returned to Pense Postmaster

PRINCE RUPERT, (CP)—In 1920 W. O. Bull, a postmaster at Pense, Sask., inscribed a watch with his name and address on the back as he arrived in Pense to visit his father.

The watch was a gift to the postmaster at the time of his arrival in Pense. It was given to him by his father in appreciation of his service in the First World War.

He returned to Canada 10 months later, he had more of the missing watch and as the years passed it faded in his memory.

Last September a letter arrived addressed to "The Legion, a public official or postmaster, Pense, Sask." As postmaster and a member of the Legion, he felt entitled to open it. The letter concerned his lost watch.

The watch had been inscribed "To W. O. Bull from Pense and district for service in the Great War."

Postmarked Whitehorse, Yukon, the letter was from an English girl, Hilda Regan, who explained she would like to get in touch with Mr. Bull.

The Pense postmaster replied and later he got a letter from the girl's father.

Mr. Regan, a former Liverpool policeman, said he bought the watch in a pawnshop. He tried to trace the owner but no one had ever heard of a town named Pense.

On his retirement, the daughter took the watch to use as a travelling clock and brought it with her when she toured Canada in 1952. While hitch-hiking through Saskatchewan, she saw a signpost bearing the name Pense. After arriving at Whitehorse, she wrote the letter to Pense.

So almost 32 years to the day it disappeared, the watch came back to Mr. Bull.

Elevator Workers To Strike

VANCOUVER (CP)—Strike action which he said would virtually cripple grain shipments from Vancouver and New Westminster was threatened Tuesday night by a spokesman for 250 grain elevator workers.

Ed Sims, spokesman for Local 233 of the Grain Elevator Workers Union (TLC), told a labor meeting the strike will start at 8 a.m. Monday in the two ports unless a settlement is reached.

He said the companies have refused to negotiate further after turning down a majority recommendation of a conciliation board.

The majority report recommended an increase of five cents an hour for night work, 10 cents dust premium for certain jobs, eight instead of six paid statutory holidays, double time for all overtime over eight hours a week, and insertion of classifications in the agreement.

(The Prince Rupert grain elevator, which is government operated, would not be affected by such a strike.)

Order Keeping Dogs at Home Lifted Here

The order restricting dogs to leashes or confinement in Prince Rupert has been lifted, RCMP Inspector Taylor announced today.

Dogs may now be allowed to run at large.

The order was imposed recently by the federal department of agriculture to curb the spread of rabies in the central and northern sections of western Canada.

It may be reimposed anytime, however, Inspector Taylor said, but such action will only be taken if a case of rabies develops within a 50-mile radius of here.

Movement of dogs from one area to another however remains restricted and permission to do this must be obtained from the RCMP.

Kid Gavilan Fights Tonight

CHICAGO (AP)—Champion Kid Gavilan, near three to one favorite, defends his world welterweight title against television's Cinderella kid, unbeaten Chuck Davey, before 20,000 fans at Chicago Stadium tonight.

It will be Gavilan's 50th defence of the 147-pound crown he won from Johnny Bratton, May 18, 1951.

About 20,000 persons are going to pay up to \$25 apiece to watch Davey try to capture Gavilan's welterweight crown.

Davey, fair-skinned and blond, is quietly serious, almost studious. Gavilan, sleek and dark, is jovial, often boisterous.

Davey, a Detroit policeman's son, was reared in comparative security—one of the "haves"—compared to the bleak "have-not" background of Gavilan, son of a Cuban fieldworker.

Davey is a graduate of Michigan State College and is qualified to be a high-school principal. Gavilan got most of his education in the ring. He had his first bout 15 years ago at the age of 12. He went to school a few hours each day and whacked at sugar cane with a bolo knife the rest of the time. He says he got the idea for his much-publicized "bolo punch" from this field work.



THESE WORKMEN had to rely on a rowboat to take them to work when a flash flood, caused by an ice jam, overspilled the St. Lawrence river into the Montreal suburb of Longueuil. More than 200 families were forced to abandon their homes as ice and water filled streets and flooded basements. Longueuil's worst flood since 1945 receded the following day as quickly as it began.

Gales Strike Again; Damage Figures Up

LONDON (CP)—Gales today threatened new floods around North Sea coastal areas, while heavy snows snarled up other sections of Britain and northern Europe.

Ships were locked in harbors by heavy winds that started Tuesday.

Winds along Britain's east coast spurred thousands of troops and volunteers sandbagging big gaps torn in southwestern sea walls by the disastrous floods of 11 days ago.

At The Hague, Premier Dr. Willem Drees estimated damage caused by floods in Holland at \$265,000,000.

He warned that the figure is a preliminary one.

"Nobody can tell how long it will take to repair the dikes, or the cost involved in strengthening the dikes," he said.

He said the damage "represents a serious blow to the Netherlands' economy."

The WEATHERMAN Says

Synopsis
A strong ridge of high pressure lies over the coast and storms in the Pacific are being forced to move quite far to the north.

Forecast
North coast region: Variable cloudiness today with light rain this evening in the northern part. Intermittent rain tomorrow, mostly in the northern part. Milder tonight; wind southeast 15 in the southern part, and 25 in the northern part.

Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy, 35 and 45; Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 40 and 48.

BERLIN (AP)—East Germany's Communists boldly threatened today to seal off West Berlin if the Bonn Republic ratifies the European Defence Pact.

In a proclamation that amounted to an outright threat of the blockade, the Socialist Unity (Communist) party of East Berlin said "further isolation" is in store for the Red surrounded city.

It called for negotiations between East Germany and the Soviets to accomplish: Withdrawal of all military garrisons from Berlin; abolition of sector borders dividing the city, and banning of "terror organizations," which the East says include American Radio raids, and the Free Jurists league.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer had said he will call the Defence Treaty for ratification of a vote in the West German Parliament between March 10 and 15.

Backs Kenney Stand To Give CCF Chance

By The Canadian Press

VICTORIA.—The British Columbia Legislature rolled through its fifth day of the throne speech debate Tuesday on quips of Tom Uphill, 78-year-old Labor member for Fernie.

He criticized the Liquor Inquiry Commission for its condemnation of conditions in some hotel beer parlors and said B.C. had better-run, cleaner hotels than any he had ever seen. "I could tell them (the liquor commissioners) more about liquor in 10 days than they could tell me in 10 months," he said.

Mr. Uphill said Social Credit would have been defeated in the next election if it had not rescinded its one beer at a time order in taverns.

He supported Liberal leader E. T. Kenney's stand that if the government fell, the CCF should be given a chance to form a government without an election being called.

He said it might get to the point where British Columbians were going to the polls oftener than women to hat shops.

Tony Gargrave (CCF—MacKenzie), at 26 the youngest member in the house, followed the oldest member, Mr. Uphill.

He said secondary roads should receive more attention and that fishermen should be included under provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act.

He said farmers in the Bella Coola valley were being over-assessed on land values. Assessment on one property had jumped from \$400 to \$46,000, he stated.

Mr. E. Sowden (L—North Vancouver) urged northern extension of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to the Peace River and its southward extension to North Vancouver.

Canada Urges U.S. Lift Restrictions

OTTAWA (AP)—The Canadian government, in a sharply-worded note of protest, today urged the new Eisenhower administration to remove restrictions on dairy imports as quickly as possible.

The note was delivered by a Canadian Embassy official in Washington to the U.S. State Department.

The note said restrictions, imposed in June, 1951 under the Truman administration, were an "infringement of international agreements."

Grain Loading May Start Friday

The freighter Lake Atlin, now in drydock here for annual inspection, is expected to be ready for loading at the Dominion grain elevator Friday afternoon.

Two other grain vessels are expected this month. First the Greek ship Georges Panoras is expected Feb. 16 and the Lake Winnipeg between Feb. 26-28.

About 940,000 bushels of barley are on their way to Prince Rupert between here and Jasper.

'Secret' Books of Army Orders Come Back to General Macklin

Said the General, in an article entitled "The Good Old Days . . .":

"In my office there are seven beautifully bound little booklets all marked "Secret." These contain the minutes of the Militia Council for the years 1907 to 1913 inclusive. There is one volume for each calendar year, and the series runs from Volume III to Volume IX. It has always been a source of regret to me that Volume I

and II of the series are missing. Appearance of the article a few weeks ago started Col. H. M. Jackson, MBE, ED, director of war service records in Ottawa thinking. A search of his books revealed the lost orders, and he has sent them to General Macklin.

The complete set now rests in the General's office at Army headquarters, a treasured link with the army's "good old days."



BRITISH COLUMBIA'S first Social Credit premier, W. A. C. Bennett, is shown escorting Lieutenant-Governor Clarence Wallace up the steps of the legislative buildings in Victoria during a ceremony accompanying the opening of the 23rd B.C. legislature.

Two Remanded In Theft From Salesman's Car

Two men were remanded in police court this morning by Magistrate Walter Vance in connection with the theft of \$100 worth of crockery and glassware from a salesman's car Monday night.

Angus Buchanan McPhail, no fixed address, and Albert Laverne Dobbins, 45, of 1336 First Overlook Street will re-appear in court Saturday to answer to the theft charges.

RCMP allege McPhail and Dobbins broke the window of the locked car, parked in front of the Savoy Hotel, then took the loot to Dobbins' home. Some of the stolen goods were recovered there last night in a raid by police.

Other items, police believe, were "dumped in the chuck because they considered it worthless."

Goods belong to Ernest Nerlich, traveller of Toronto who arrived here Sunday.

The items found at Dobbins' home included stemware glasses, crystal salt-and-pepper shakers, crockery and ceramic ware, and a two-foot model of a gnome, such as is commonly used in garden decoration.

Bruce Brown is prosecuting attorney and Doug Hogarth appeared for the defendants.