

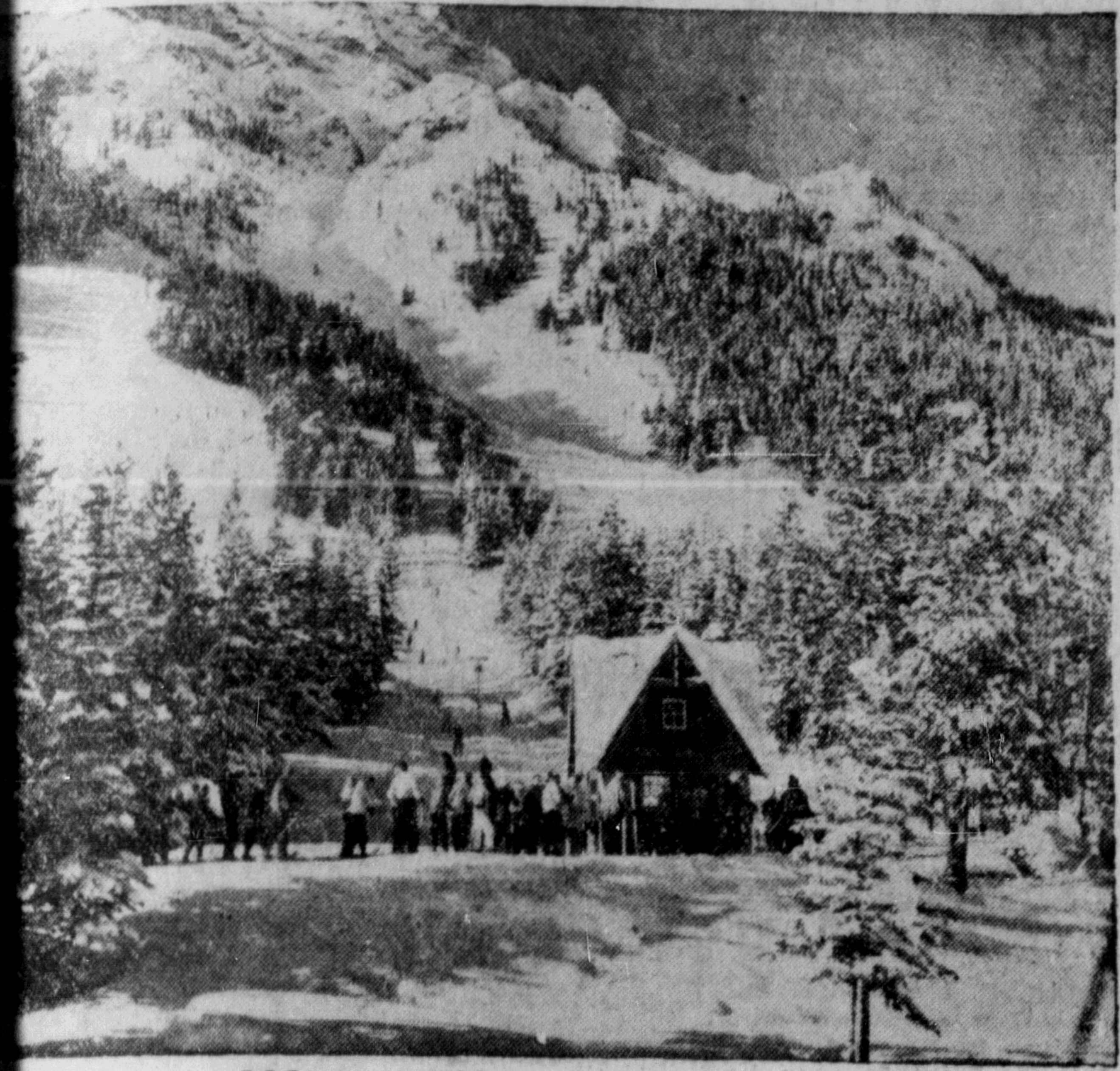
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Winter Wonderland

ENTHUSIASTS gather at the foot of two of the three rope tows at Banff, Alta., to be up the slope. At left centre, among the evergreens, a group of skiers can be seen down the practice slope.

Laurent Praises Co-Operative Effort of Western Powers at SHAPE

WILLIAM STEWART
 Staff Writer
 Louis St. Laurent said the Russian efforts to the North Atlantic Organization are evidence of ineffectiveness. He spoke to the military representatives of 14 Western powers bound together in NATO during a brief visit to the headquarters, eight miles from the outskirts of Paris.



PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL (left) shakes hands with Prime Minister St. Laurent at the door of 10 Downing Street, following a meeting Saturday. The Canadian prime minister made his first stop on his world tour. Appearance of the British prime minister was a source of rumors that he had had a slight stroke.

Council Refuses To Return Permit to City Taxi Owner

The council last night voted to reject an application of Anthony Klamut, taxi owner, for return of his chauffeur's permit.

The vote was the same as one taken on the police and licensing committee recommendation that the application be rejected.

Klamut's permit was taken from him by RCMP following his conviction on a liquor charge here in December.

"You're getting pretty tough," Ald. George Casey told council.

He said Klamut had offered to put up a bond with the city that he would only drive the limousine to the airport if his permit was returned to him.

"A man can commit murder," he said, "and when he's done his time he can take up any occupation he likes. But here if a man is caught selling a bottle of whisky, you debar him from his occupation."

No one argued with Alderman Casey.

City Clerk Bill Long said the city solicitor had advised council that it could not enter into such a bond. Ald. Bellis said that if Mr. Klamut wanted to make such a deal he should take it up with the attorney-general.

City Grants \$100 Toward Cost Of Sending Delegate To Ottawa

Aldermen Score Action of Liberals

City council last night granted \$100 to the special committee initiated by the Chamber of Commerce toward sending A. Bruce Brown, MLA, to Ottawa on the drydock issue, but not before aldermen severely criticized the local, federal and provincial Liberal association executives.

The Liberal groups were rapped for making an appointment of a city representative before consulting other groups.

The grant resulted from a request from Orme G. Stuart, chairman of the special committee asking for \$100 toward sending a city representative to Ottawa regarding sale of the drydock.

Alderman Mike Krueger asked why it should be any of council's business "since it had been stated in the press and over the radio that the Liberal party were looking after the matter."

Mayor George Hills, a member of the committee, said it was the special committee's wish that the representation be non-political and that the committee didn't want the Liberal



THIS CAT of the Louis H. Williams household is no dumb animal. If the tabby happens to find some milk in the bottom of a glass, he's too shrewd to dump the tasty liquid on the floor. Instead, he dips a paw into the glass (left) and then relays the milk to his mouth (right).



Read Story From Daily News

He also read yesterday's Daily News in which a letter from J. D. McRae, president of the Skeena Federal Liberal Association, claimed that the press release given The Daily News was misinterpreted. The letter assured the special committee that it wanted support of all city groups in sending Mr. Brown to Ottawa.

Mayor Hills, in answer to a question from Ald. Bellis said the two additional city council members named to the special committee last week didn't attend the Saturday and Sunday meetings of the special committee.

He also said he had fought in the committee to have a non-political representative sent.

Request Not Well-Received

Ald. Bellis said that the Fishermen's Co-operative Association had been approached as a city organization. The Co-op he said, was non-political and non-sectarian and the request for money didn't "go down very good" since the move originated with the Liberal party.

"Mr. Brown is a fine man," he said, "but since there had been no action from our Ottawa MP, I say that Mr. E. T. Applewhite, Liberal MP for Skeena, should resign and that there should be a by-election."

"The decision was made for the committee by the Liberal association," Ald. Krueger insisted. "I heard it on the CBC news before the committee was held."

Ald. George B. Casey said that he had stressed at a special city council meeting last Thursday that the council should work with one group, that there should be no differences of opinion or more than one group.

"This was not done," he said, "the Liberal party association executive came out and selected a man without asking anyone else. I'm not against Mr. Brown going. I'm against the way the appointment was made," he said.

"I'm vigorously opposed to other parties jumping in after the Chamber of Commerce initiated the move to fight for the drydock. How much money has the Liberal party offered? They're just a 'butlinsky' that's all," he said.

Alderman Bill Bremner said that city council had been asleep at the switch in allowing the appointment to be "kicked around" as long as it had been. However, he said, he favored the choice of representative and moved the \$100 be granted. His motion was seconded by Ald. McLean.

Mayor Hills said he wanted council to know just where he stood in the matter.

"As you know I have strong political convictions. I assumed the responsibility of representing the city council on the spe-

Survivors Tell of Being 'Flung' Into Air as Plane Disintegrates

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — What is it like to be hurled into space and marooned on the snowy wastes of Alaska?

Six airmen who were catapulted into the air last Friday when a United States air force C-47 "disintegrated" in flight, told last night of their experience.

They were among 16 men on the plane. Searchers have found the bodies of three. Seven are still missing among them Lt. Col. W. West Watson of the British joint military services mission on the U.S. army staff at Washington.

A ground party which battled deep snow 15 miles to the scene of the crash from the little town of Curry, 75 miles northeast of here, Monday night reported it had found three bodies.

The six rescued men talked with reporters at nearby Elmendorf air force base after being flown to safety.

All six suffered exposure, shock and various cuts and bruises when they parachuted into the blizzard-bound wilderness.

None of them could explain the accident, which happened on a flight from Elmendorf to Fairbanks, 275 miles to the northeast.

Both trios constructed makeshift shelters and huddled together Friday night in below-freezing temperatures awaiting dawn and rescue.

Two veteran Alaska bush pilots, Cliff Hudson and Don Sheldon, played key roles in the rescue. Hudson first sighted snow off the coast is acting as a find spurred the search and Sheldon later landed his light plane twice in a blinding snowstorm to take survivors to safety.

Three survivors were picked up at the site of the wrecked plane. They had joined after reaching the ground and walk-

CAGERS FROM KITIMAT HIGH PLAY HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

School cheers will ring out in the Civic Centre Saturday night when two basketball teams from Kitimat High school invade Prince Rupert to play two Booth Memorial High school squads.

About 25 boys and girls from Kitimat will be here and the Bo-Me-Hi Rainbirds, coached by Sheila Hicks, will host the Kitimat Girls' team in the opener. A combination of Inter B and Junior Boys' league players from Bo-Me-Hi under the guidance of Don Hartwig will play the Kitimat boys in the second game. Bo-Me-Hi will have its cheer sections on hand led by the high school cheer leaders. During their visit the Kitimat students will be taken on a tour of the Columbia Cellulose plant at Watson Island.

French, Laotians Gird For Defence of Capital

SAIGON, Indo-China (AP) — French and Laotian defenders of Luang Prabang braced today for an "imminent" attack from the Communist-led Vietminh. The rebel invaders were reported within 25 miles of the royal Laotian capital on the banks of the Mekong river.

Laos' rheumatic old King Sisavang Vong vowed once more that the city of 142,000 would be defended "until the end." He made the same pledge last spring when the Vietminh invaded to within 12 miles of the city, then withdrew without a major battle.

This time there is every indication that the fight will be joined.

The French said today that they have completed their major defences against the onslaught.

The Vietminh invaded Laos from the north early last week sending at least a division through the jungles and down the valleys of the Hou and Suong rivers toward the capital.

As the rebels advanced, the French and Laotian forces had many civilians withdrawn under cover of intensive French air bombardment, leaving rice stocks burning behind them in an effort to destroy food the Red fighters need.



AKYAK, MEMBER OF AN ESKIMO TRIBE living near Perry River, 75 miles inside the Arctic circle, gets his first look at civilization. Akyak was flown out of the north by an RCAF Dakota which carried food and supplies to destitute Eskimo families at the small settlement, 1,100 miles northeast of Edmonton. He was taken to hospital at Edmonton for treatment of an undisclosed ailment. Shown with Akyak is Sqdn. Ldr. Mel Bryan of Fort William who piloted the Dakota on its three-day 3,000-mile flight to Perry River.

- WEATHER -

Forecast

North coast region — Sunny with cloudy intervals today and Wednesday. A little cooler. Light winds.

Low tonight and high Wednesday at Fort Hardy 30 and 42, Sandspit 32 and 42, Prince Rupert 28 and 42.

Pope 'Better'

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Pius spent a "fairly good" night, and his improvement continued today. The Pontiff will be 78 years old on March 2.