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TOMORROW'S TIDES

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High	11:17	20.5 feet
Low	5:10	9.1 feet
	18:03	4.5 feet

Lack Of Police Training Hit Following Constable's Death

Acting Chief Admits No System in Force

VANCOUVER (CP)— Lack of even one day's training during 14 years on the Vancouver police force may have cost Constable Gordon Sinclair his life, police commissioner Brig. William Murphy said Friday.

Brig. Murphy criticized the lack of both rookie and advanced training for Vancouver's force, with a demand that city council find money to set up a training system. It was his first appearance at a police commission monthly meeting.

Acting Chief Constable Alan Rossiter admitted that Const. Sinclair had never had one day's training.

Eighteen per cent of the 662-man force have never had a day of training in their lines, Brig. Murphy said.

Of the uniform force of 492 uniformed men, 24 per cent have not had a day of training.

Brig. Murphy made two references to Const. Sinclair, slain by prowlers Friday.

The first was when he said the "shocking death" prompted him to speak out on training at his first appearance on the three-man commission, although this might seem "presumptious" after being appointed only four weeks ago.

Again, after he finished speaking, he interrupted Chief Rossiter to say:

"Just one more thing, chief. The man we lost the other night was one of the 24 per cent who never had a day of training in his life—if he had, he might not be dead today."

"That's right, he had no training," said Chief Rossiter.

"I have been shocked and appalled at the training given the Vancouver police force," said Brig. Murphy.

A man might start as a rookie and become chief constable without a day's training, he said.

"The underworld is a pretty smart outfit. It's always thinking up new methods. So the job of law enforcement is no longer a question of a fat man with a billy stick."

Since Const. Sinclair joined the force in 1941, a school for rookie constables has been established, giving them four weeks training, plus a time as partner to an experienced officer.

Acceptance Unlikely Says Archer

VANCOUVER (CP)— The RCMP superintendent asked to lead Vancouver's war against the underworld doubts he will be able to answer the call.

"The chances are 90 to 10 against my being able to accept the appointment," Superintendent George Archer said Friday night after he was asked to take over as Vancouver police chief.

The 55-year-old head of the Vancouver subdivision said he would communicate with senior RCMP officers at Ottawa before discussing the matter further.

"I have told the mayor I will discuss the offer with him when I have been advised of the reaction of my superiors in Ottawa," he said.

The 750-man Vancouver police force has been headed by acting chief Alan Rossiter since last July when a royal commission investigation of the department was ordered at the request of the Vancouver police commission.

Walter Mulligan, who filled the police chief's post for 8½ years, was placed on leave of absence for the hearings.

He was fired on his own request Oct. 31, saying his status as chief had been destroyed by the methods of the public inquiry headed by R. H. Tupper.

The appointment would be on a temporary basis and then would be thrown open to competition.

Meanwhile, a 33-year-old Vancouver salesman and a 22-year-old logger were still held in the slaying of Constable Gordon Sinclair Wednesday night.

A 19-year-old girl and a 17-year-old youth, also picked up a few hours after the policeman was shot, were released earlier in the day.

Police commissioners voted Friday to ask city council to post a $5,000 reward for information leading to conviction of the killers.

In addition, a personal reward offer of $1,000 has been made by Mayor Hume.

Donations to a fund established to aid the dead officer's family were still coming in but totals were not released.

Woman Stoned By Cypriots

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — A mob of Cypriot children, led by girls, today stoned a British housewife who was shopping alone here. First reports said the housewife suffered little injury.

Montreal Shaken By Riots

are Increase parks Outburst

MONTREAL (CP) — Violence flared anew on Montreal streets early today as a band of about 25 men and youths attempted successfully to revive Friday night's destructive outbursts against buses and streetcars.

Police moved in quickly to break up the gang at the east-end intersection of Ontario and Lorimier streets after the windows of three streetcars were broken. The rioting stemmed from a student demonstration called to protest a recent increase in streetcar and bus fares. Assistant Chief Inspector William Minogue said three of the men were arrested on charges of disturbing the peace. A total of 500 police was on hand to serve as flying squads in breaking up any new outbreaks of violence, he said.

A total of 110 persons were arrested by midnight Friday night police moved to end a six-hour riotous demonstration that followed suspension of Montreal's street car and bus service.

The demonstration, innocently conceived by students as a protest parade against the fare increase, developed into wild scenes, reminiscent of a vicious hockey riot last March 17 following the suspension of Maurice (Rocket) Richard of Montreal Canadiens.

BUS SHARE BLAME

It was the house in the hockey riot, leather - jacketed youths were conspicuous among the trouble-makers but Chief Inspector Ernest Pleau said the students were not blameless.

They did as much as anyone," he said.

Eyewitnesses said that older men, too, were to blame since some of them had joined in the demonstration and directed the youths in wrecking operations.

The hoodlums, operating in groups of several hundred, wielded sticks, bottles, stones and street signs as the cut trolley poles smashed streetcar and bus windows, and attempted to set the crippled vehicles afire.

Some 40 persons were injured, none seriously. Officials of the Montreal Transportation Commission said 172 street cars and buses were damaged. The TC estimated property damage at at least $50,000. Four buses each suffered damage in excess of $1,000. It would be some time before an estimate could be made on the loss in revenue.

ENGAGEMENT RINGS clutched firmly in their hands, Billy Chow, 22, (left) and Jim Eng, 23, both of Toronto, leave Vancouver on a 7,000-mile trip to Hong Kong on a wife-hunt. They are two of the four youths who are making the trip. All hope to find wives in Hong Kong where single women are said to outnumber men. (CP Photo)

Move To Provide Swim Pool Through Car Bingo Endorsed

A recommendation that the Kinsmen Club be allowed to operate car bingo games to establish a trust fund for construction of an indoor swimming pool at the Civic Centre was unanimously agreed on at a meeting of the Civic Centre Association's general membership last night.

The recommendation will be referred to the board of directors which will be asked to bring it up at the Association's annual general meeting in January. It was also recommended that a committee be established immediately to study all aspects of the project.

Meanwhile, on the basis of approval already given by the Civic Centre executive, the Kinsmen Club announced it plans to hold a car bingo game at the Civic Centre on December 23. It will do so in the understanding that earmarking the proceeds for a swimming pool must rest with the decision of the annual meeting.

QUORUM LACKING

President T. Norton Youngs pointed out that since a quorum was lacking at the meeting, it must be regarded as an "informal" gathering whose recommendations could be handled by the board of directors in any manner that it saw fit.

The meeting was called to consider a resolution submitted by the Kinsmen Club which read "that the Kinsmen Club will organize and operate under the sponsorship of the Civic Centre, bingo games as frequently as possible, the first prize for which shall be a car with the entire proceeds going towards the establishment of a special fund for the building of an indoor swimming pool.

ONCE A MONTH

"The Club believes that car bingo can be profitably operated at least once a month and are prepared to give this project their entire support for as long a period of time as is required for the establishment of a sufficient reserve to start the undertaking."

Reviewing the history of the project, Mr. Youngs recalled that in 1945 it was estimated that the cost of building an indoor pool measuring 75 by 35 feet would be $95,000.

"At that time we also considered putting in bowling alleys to help finance the project. This called for construction of a two-story building which would have cost $215,000, plus another $20,000 for the bowling alleys themselves."

COSTS INCREASED

He estimated that since then construction costs had risen to a point where an indoor swimming pool alone would cost in the neighborhood of $150-160,000.

"This, of course, makes it a big undertaking," he said. "Nevertheless other communities have carried out similar projects by passing by-laws to cover the expenditure. I believe that in view of the desirability of an indoor swimming pool for Prince Rupert, there is a definite possibility that ratepayers would be prepared to accept such a by-law."

UNDER CITY CONTROL

He added that if a by-law for this purpose were passed, the public would have to accept the operating deficit that the project was bound to incur. Such an arrangement would mean that operation of the Civic Centre would move largely under city control, with possibly the parks board being directly in charge.

"However, when we think of the money involved, we should also think of the great need for such a pool here," Mr. Youngs observed. "Considering the lack of beaches and other recreational facilities in general, I know of no place where a pool of this sort would be a bigger attraction or more likely to succeed."

ONE MILL INCREASE

Speaking as an individual member at the meeting, R. W. Long suggested it was conceivable that an increase of one mill in the tax rate would be sufficient to pay for the project.

Urging quick action as far as the Kinsmen proposal was concerned, Ray McLean remarked that right now the federal government was studying possible

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Road Defect Not Cause Of Mishaps

Negligence Claim By TLC Refuted

Only one out of 154 accidents which occurred on Highway 16 over a period of nearly two years was caused through any defects in the road, the Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council was advised this week.

An RCMP report requested by provincial Highways Minister P. A. Gaglardi revealed the figures.

Mr. Gaglardi asked RCMP in the Prince Rupert area for the report after the TLC went on record October 13 as condemning the highways department for "negligence in not providing guard rails and other safety measures in places where needed on Highway 16 between Prince Rupert and Terrace."

The TLC wired Mr. Gaglardi that lack of safety measures on the highway had resulted in many fatal accidents and other mishaps where motorists had been seriously injured.

At its regular meeting this week, the TLC was informed in a letter from Mr. Gaglardi that one accident only from January 1953 to November 1955 had resulted from "a defect in the highway."

The other 153 mishaps had occurred through other causes, which the highways minister said he was not at liberty to disclose.

Mr. Gaglardi concluded:

"If at any time you feel we are negligent and have proof that such is the case . . . I will be pleased to correct the situation."

OC Soccer

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP
Second Round

Bedford 3, Watford 2
Bishop A 0, Scunthorpe U 0
Bradford 4, Workington
Bradford 24 Workington 3
Brighton 1, Norwich 2
Chesterfield 1, Hartlepools U 2
Darlington 0, Accrington S 2
Derby C 1, Boston U 0
Exeter C 6, Uendon 2
Halifax T 0, Burton Albion 0
Leyton O 4, Brentford 1
Northampton T 4, Hastings U 1
Reading 2, Aldershot 2
Shrewsbury T 0, Torquay U 0
Southport 0, Grimsby T 0
Swindon T 1, Peterborough U 1
Tranmere R 0, Barrow 0
Walsall 2, Southampton 1
Weymouth 0, Southend U 1
York City 2, Mansfield T 1

Division I

Arsenal 2, W Bromwich 0
Aston V 3, Preston N E 2
Blackpool 4, Everton 0
Bolton W 0, Birmingham C 0
Cardiff 3, Charlton A 1
Chelsea 2, Newcastle U 1
Huddersfield T 1, Tottenham H 0
Manchester C 3, Luton T 2
Portsmouth 3, Manchester U 2
Sunderland 2, Sheffield U 2
Wolverhampton W 3, Burnley 1

Division II

Blackburn R 2, Leeds U 3
Bristol R 1, West Ham U 1
Doncaster R 3, Port Vale 0
Hull City 2, Notts C 0
Leicester C 5, Bury 0
Lincoln C 0, Fulham 1
Liverpool 1, Barnsley 1
Nottingham F 2, Swansea T 1
Plymouth A 4, Middlesbrough 0
Sheffield W 0, Rotherham U 2
Stoke City 4, Bristol City 2

Division III Southern

Coventry 3, Newport C 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division A

Aberdeen 3, Rangers 0
Celtic 0, Kilmarnock 2
Falkirk 1, Hearts 1
Hibernian 0, Dundee 3
Motherwell 2, Clyde 2
Partick T 1, Airdrieonians 3
Queen of S 2, East Fife 1
Raith R 1, Dunfermline A 1
St. Mirren 5, Stirling A 2

Division B

Albion R 1, Berwick R 2
Alloa A 2, Third Lanark 4
Ayr U 4, St. Johnstone 3
Brechin C 2, East Stirling 2
Cowdenbeath 4, Hamilton A 0
Dumbarton 4, Montrose 1
Dundee U 4, Morton 2
Forfar A 3, Stranraer 2
Queen's P 2, Stenhousemuir 0.

A RANGER IN A FOREST OF CHRISTMAS TREES is the unusual job of Bert Smith in England. Armed with a gun, dog and walkie-talkie, he's on guard against raiders in the yule tree grove. Smith and other members of Britain's Forestry Commission will be on the lookout from now until Christmas for gangs who use trucks to raid the Christmas tree plantations in an area called New Forest.

Australian Government Wins Landslide Victory

MELBOURNE (AP) — Prime Minister Robert Menzies' right-wing coalition government won a landslide victory over its Labor opposition in the Australian general election today.

Three hours after the polls closed, the Liberal-Country party coalition appeared certain of boosting its standing in the House of Representatives from 64 seats to 71, with four still in doubt. At this stage Herbert Evatt's Labor forces had won only 47, compared with 50 in the previous Parliament.

Menzies' supporters had claimed victory from the time of the first returns, and soon after the polls closed predicted a majority of more than 20 in the new House, compared with seven in the old.

Evatt himself had a comfortable lead in his own constituency of Barton, which had been regarded by Labor as a doubtful seat.

Driving Conviction Quashed

A police court conviction against Herbert Walbauer, 225 First Avenue East who was charged in November with driving a car without due care and attention, was quashed and ordered set aside yesterday in County Court by Judge W. O. Fulton.

The fine of $25, costs was ordered returned to Walbauer who had pleaded not guilty to the charge, been convicted and then filed an appeal.

The charge arose from an accident November 7 in which a car driven by Walbauer was in collision with one driven by Paul Sokolowski at the corner of Second Avenue West and Third Street. Sokolowski was also charged with driving without due care and attention but pleaded guilty and was fined.

The appeal was heard Wednesday, Thursday and was completed yesterday in County court. W. N. Poole appeared for the Crown while A. Bruce Brown represented the appellant.

WEATHER

FORECAST

North Coast Region: Gale Warning revised.

Cloudy with showers of mixed rain and snow turning to rain. Intermittent rain Sunday. Becoming milder. Southerly winds 15 increasing to southerly gales 30 and occasionally reaching southeast gales 40 on Sunday. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Port Hardy 40 and 46, Sandspit, and Prince Rupert 35 and 45.

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Jaycees To Hold Light-Up Drive

The Prince Rupert Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas Light-Up contest will be held again this year, with judging to take place December 22 or 23, Jack Breen, contest committee chairman said today.

Light-Up Contest entry blank will appear in Monday's issue of The Daily News.

If enough entries are received, a possible tour of the city will be arranged for the public, Mr. Breen said.

Semi-Annual Co-Op Meet Underway

The semi-annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association got underway this morning at the Civic Centre, a Co-Op spokesman said today.

President Martin Erikson is chairman for the meeting, which continued this afternoon and will sit again tomorrow.

Some 60 Co-Operative members attended the morning session. No visiting dignitaries will be attending the two-day parley it was reported.

Princess May Visit Canada In June London Paper Hints

LONDON (AP) — The Daily Telegraph says there is a "suggestion" that Princess Margaret would visit Canada next June. The occasion would be the maiden voyage of "her own" ship, the Cunard liner Carinthia. The princess is to perform the naming ceremony when the 20,000-ton ship is launched at Glasgow next Wednesday.

Princess Margaret has never visited Canada. She is said privately to have expressed the desire to do so but a royal visit is contingent of many factors.

The Carinthia is the third ship in the Cunard line's new Canadian-service passenger fleet. The Saxonia was launched by Lady Churchill February 17, 1954, and the Ivernia by Mrs. C. D. Howe, wife of the Canadian trade minister, December 14, 1954.

Firemen Honor George B. Casey

Honorary membership in the International Association of Firefighters of America will be sought for veteran alderman George B. Casey at the convention of the organization next year, it was announced this morning.

B. Furness, secretary of Local 559 of the firemen's union said the executive will seek the honor for Ald. Casey for "his years of service in the labor movement."

Ald. Casey was made an honorary member of Local 559 a week ago, Mr. Furness said. A membership pin will be presented to the veteran alderman, he said.

SNIDER ISLAND, B.C. (CP) — Flames soared 400 feet into the air in this island community, miles southwest of Vancouver, Friday night destroyed a $50,000 fish processing plant Friday.

Kinsmen Drive Starts Tomorrow

Prince Rupert Kinsmen club members today are making final preparations to launch their all-out Christmas party-pack drive which opens tomorrow.

The annual project is to raise funds for the Kinsmen Kiddies Kamp at Lakelse and other Kinsmen programs.

Kinsmen will spend tomorrow telephoning potential customers for the assorted packages of nuts.

When the telephone canvass is completed party-packs will be delivered throughout the city by means of Kinsmen.

The packs of nuts are composed of three one-quarter pound sections containing mixed nuts, cashews and peanuts. They are suitable as Christmas gifts or for parties.

Vancouver Man Gets Three-Year Term For Fleecing $38,000 From Widow

VANCOUVER (AP) — A horse-betting flimflam in which a Florida widow was tricked out of $38,000 ended Friday with a three-year jail sentence for theft against John Moss, 55.

Police said they are still seeking Ernest Scott in connection with the case.

Prosecutor Stewart McMorran presented a statement from 67-year-old Mrs. Lillian Colonutt of Clearwater, Fla., in which she said she was introduced to Moss while visiting here in 1953.

After ingratiating himself with Mrs. Colonutt the statement said, Moss introduced her to a man who called himself Cummings and posed as a betting commissioner for a United States gambling syndicate which bet "only on sure things."

Mrs. Colonut was permitted to participate in several "free wagers" to set up the final, huge "sure-fire" bet.

The trio participated in a $150,000 wager—and won. It was not disclosed how much they were supposed to have won.

But at payoff time, the bookmaker wanted the threesome to produce $150,000 to prove they could have paid off had they lost.

Mrs. Colonutt said she flew home to Florida and cashed $38,000 worth of investments left to her in her husband's estate.

Back here, she claimed, she gave the money for Moss who was to take it to show the bookmaker.

Cummings suggested Moss bet his $50,000 to place (come second) on another horse. He returned later to say the bet appeared such a sure thing that he had put the entire amount—unstipulated winnings and all—on the horse to come first.

Cummings, her statement said, replied:

"My God man, I told you to bet it to place."

Actually, police said, no bets were ever placed for Mrs. Colonutt.

McMorran said the widow was unable to remain any of the money and has been working the last two years in a Chicago store.