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SSMEN'S CHOICE — With the country literally at her feet, lovely Leoma Naughton shows t a radiant smile and lots of charm — plus a good figure — can mean titles galore for a girl. blue-eyed University of Maryland coed has been chosen "Miss National Press Photographer 1954."

Request For Marine Railways Given Endorsation By Council

Port Affairs Group To Be Named in '55

City council last night, in its final meeting of 1954, endorsed a plea from the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Vessel Owner's association urging the federal government to take immediate steps to construct marine railways here to facilitate the annual overhaul of fishing boats.

The letter, which pointed out that removal of the Prince Rupert drydock had left facilities here inadequate to fulfil the needs of the fishing fleet, was referred by council to the city's special drydock committee.

A further letter on the subject of facilities for the fishing fleet, from the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association asking that the city accept the responsibilities of administering port facilities here, saw council instruct Mayor George Hills to appoint a port and marine affairs committee when the 1955 council convenes in January.

GRAIN SHIPMENTS DOWN

A brief from the Grain Workers union in Vancouver, outlining the decline in grain shipments through Prince Rupert and urging an end to the price differential which sees grain shipped through eastern Canadian ports, was given the support of council.

The letter, from J. I. Guest stated that in the crop year 1953-54, 3,994,665 bushels of grain were shipped from Prince Rupert. In the current crop year of 1954-55, however, only 962,135 bushels had been shipped.

Mr. Guest asserted that the price differential was discriminatory and asked council to inform Prime Minister St. Laurent and E. T. Applewhaite, MP Skeena, should it decide to support the grain handler's brief, Council agreed to do so.

CENTRE IN HOLE

A letter from W. F. Stone, president of the Civic Centre association, stating that the Civic Centre faced with a $5,000 deficit, saw council grant the remaining money allotted to the Centre in the 1954 budget.

Council approved the grant of $2,600 after learning that while the amount remaining from the annual grant of $6,000 will not cancel out the deficit, it would give the centre a certain measure of relief. The sum of $3,400 had already been paid the centre between October 1, 1953 and September 30, 1954.

As last night's meeting of the council was the final one for the year, Mayor Hills paid tribute to the three retiring Aldermen, Aldermen Ray McLean, Darrow Gomez and Bill Bremner.

"They have served the city to the best of their ability," the mayor said, "they have been fearless in what issues they have stood for and while a change is necessary from time to time, a city only gets the best value out of a man who stays on the council for two or three years."

The mayor said he wished the three retiring aldermen the very best and hoped they would see fit in the future to return to public life.

Aldermen McLean and Gomez thanked the mayor and their fellow aldermen. Ald Bill Bremner was not present.

Last Parts Of Drydock Set To Go

Seattle Tugs Back For Tows

Arrival of two Puget Sound Tug and Barge tugs in Prince Rupert today heralded the complete removal of the Canadian National Railway drydock.

The two remaining sections, No. 1 and No. 3, shored up and sea-worthy were scheduled to be at sea by nightfall. One section was set to be removed at noon today and the other was to leave this evening.

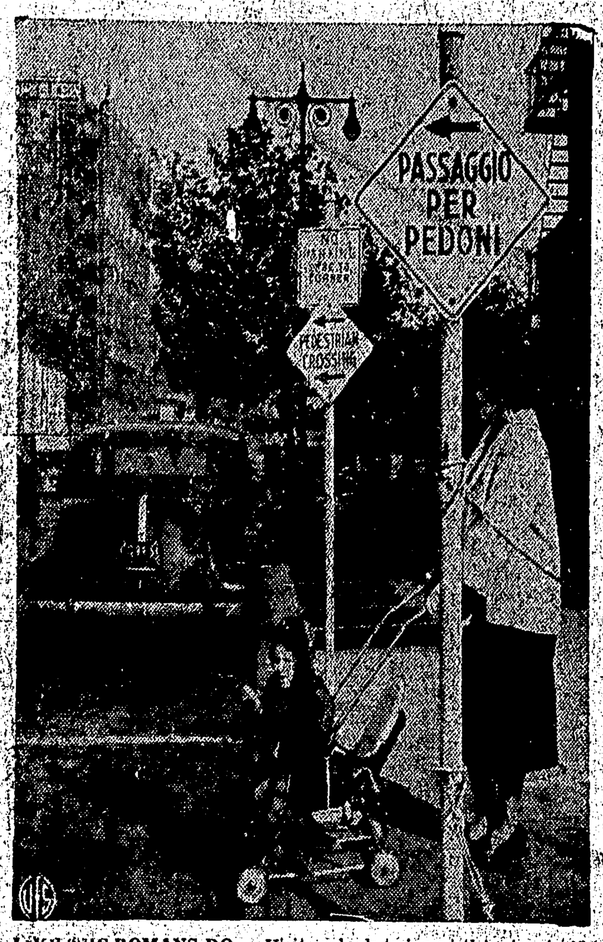
Towing arrangements for the removal were being handled by the skippers and crews of the tugs, the Hercules and the Wando.

The Hercules was here December 11 to take down the largest of the three sections to its new base, Seattle.

Complete removal of the floating sections culminates weeks of preparation by the new owners who plan to assemble the three sections as one unit. The sections which left today are 165 by 130 feet, about half the size of the central section which arrived in Seattle December 22.

An Associated Press story from Seattle, reporting the arrival of the centre section last week, said that when the three sections were made into one unit "it would be the largest drydock on the Pacific Coast."

"It will allow us to dock any commercial vessel coming to the west coast," W. H. McCurdy, Puget Sound Bridge and Dredge Company president, said.



LIKE THE ROMANS DO — Visitors look twice at this sign in New York's Greenwich Village before spotting the translation just a few feet beyond. In a residential and shopping area where Italian can be heard spoken much more than English the Traffic Department chose to locate the city's one official sign in a foreign language — so "pedestrians" and "pedoni" know just where to cross the busy street.

Impaired Drivers Hit By Fines, Suspensions

VANCOUVER (CP) — Eleven of motorists arrested during the Christmas weekend on impaired driving charges were fined a total of $1,350 Tuesday, believed to be an all-time high for one day.

All 11 pleaded guilty before magistrate Oscar Orr, who fined each of them $125 in line with his recently-announced "get-tough" policy. Previously, the usual fine for impaired driving was $100 or less.

In addition to fines, the 11 motorists had their licences suspended — most of them for five months.

The 10 other drivers arrested during the Christmas holidays were to appear in police court later.

The 21 arrests were considered a record high for a Christmas period.

Meanwhile, Traffic Supt. Alan Rossiter said Tuesday the crackdown on drinking drivers will continue over New Year's. It was the first Christmas without a fatal accident since traffic records were first kept five years ago.

Statistics showed a "fairly satisfactory" picture this Christmas, said Supt. Rossiter, with 80 accidents, 42 injuries, 33 arrests and $31,600 in property damage reported.

Jury Rules Death Accident

A coroner's jury, inquiring into the death of Mrs. Selina Dennis, found that the 76 year old Cow Bay widow died an accidental death as a result of being struck by a car.

The inquest re-convened yesterday following a postponement from December 22 at the request of the deceased's family so that legal representation could be obtained.

The jury's verdict read:

"We the jury agree that the deceased came to her death accidentally on the night of December 14, approximately 40 feet east of the intersection of Third Avenue and Second Street at approximately 6 p.m. as a result of being struck by an automobile driven by Mr. Donald Kenni."

Originally the inquest was set for this afternoon but the jury was recalled yesterday in order that Jerry Pettenuzzo, representing the family of the dead woman, would be free to leave the city today.

Mrs. Dennis was reported by car driver Kenni to have stepped off the sidewalk on Third Avenue, some 30 feet, below the easterly crosswalk at the intersection of Third Avenue and Second Street.

She was removed to hospital almost immediately following the accident and died about two hours later. Dr. L. P. Charbonneau, who attended Mrs. Dennis at the hospital told the inquest that she had died of a cerebral hemorrhage, following a skull fracture.

Her death is the third traffic fatality in the city this year.

Cold Wave From Russia Ends Prairies' Warm Spell

EDMONTON (CP) — Swirling winds and sub-zero temperatures have brought an abrupt end to the Prairies' weeks of warm weather and the weather man blames it all on Russia.

Cold air stationary over Russia last week moved in Tuesday over Alberta and Saskatchewan after a three-day stopover in Alaska and two days in the Yukon. Manitoba will be in on the icy blasts before tonight.

Temperatures in Alberta and Saskatchewan, 25 degrees above normal recently, will be 25 below average today. Edmonton's reading at midnight CST was 10 below zero and it was expected to drop another 10 degrees before dawn.

The cooling-off was spreading gradually to southern Alberta, where Calgary recorded its first below-zero mark of the season and across Saskatchewan.

The weather man said the extreme cold likely will remain for the new year.

SINGING SNOW

Bitter winds swept stinging snow through the streets but it settled at little more than an inch. Heaviest falls were measured in the extreme north—Churchill, Man., residents shoveling their way through 10 inches. The Whitehorse district of the Yukon had 15 inches.

Edmonton residents enjoying a lunch-hour stroll in balmy 31-degree weather Tuesday were huddled in store doorways awaiting transport home six hours later. The temperature had dropped 36 degrees in that time and winds were up to 50 miles an hour in gusts.

Late at night, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge still reported temperatures above freezing but earlier winds of 68 miles an hour, with gusts up to 96, heralded the beginning of the end for the mild spell.

Saskatchewan forecasts set the mercury just below zero overnight but dropping today.

Winnipeg's high was expected to be 30, cool compared with the cold to come as frigid winds licked over the Saskatchewan-Manitoba border.

WEATHER FORECAST

North coast region: Generally overcast today and Thursday. Snow beginning tonight and diminishing to a few flurries on Thursday. Not much change in temperature. Light winds. Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy 30 and 35, Sandspit 25 and 34, Prince Rupert 28 and 32.

Vernon Girl Third Victim Of Accident

VERNON, B.C. (CP)—Third victim of a weekend mishap on a lonely Okanagan logging road was identified yesterday as Marlene Farhall, 19, of Vernon.

Miss Farhall, whose parents live in Toronto, died of carbon monoxide poisoning. Herbert Wagner, 21, of Armstrong, and Leonard J. Chatwell, 22, of Lumby, were also victims of the fumes.

The accident apparently occurred Christmas Eve when the two youths and a girl were returning by car to Armstrong.

They turned up a logging road off the main highway three miles from Armstrong and their 1937 model car slipped into a ditch.

It is believed they decided to stay in the car until daylight with the motor running to keep warm and the fumes seeped up through the floorboards.

Liquor Case Remanded

Remanded until January 5 in police court this morning was Henry Duncan Calderwood of Prince Rupert who is charged with supplying an Indian with an intoxicant December 22.

The adjournment was granted at the request of the Crown. A. Bruce Brown is appearing for the defence.

Grain Differential End Sought by Labor Council

VANCOUVER (CP)— Labor, in an effort to salvage west coast grain shipments, will petition the federal government to abolish the grain price differential favoring eastern Canadian ports.

Delegates to the Vancouver Labor Council CIO-CCL, concerned at last August's 40-per-cent drop in shipments through western ports, voted to support a brief being prepared on the situation by the grainhandlers and longshoremen's unions.

The brief will go to Ottawa.

"PLAYING POLITICS"

Jack Guest, grain handlers' delegate to the council, charged the federal government was "playing politics to the disadvantage of the Pacific coast."

Of the 40-per-cent drop last August, Mr. Guest said ". . . and they'll do another nosedive, by some 50,000,000 or 60,000,000 bushels through the port of Vancouver . . . next year if something isn't done fast."

RUINOUS TO WEST

He said the seven-cent differential between Vancouver and Fort William-Port Arthur wheat prices was "ruinous to the west coast . . . all in favor of the Lakehead port."

"It's a clear case of discrimination," Mr. Guest said. He charged Trade Minister Howe with "playing politics to gain favor in his constituency of Port Arthur."

CANNOT COMPETE

"Under these conditions, we can't compete on the west coast and this affects not only grain handlers, but longshoremen, railroads, shipyards, and all other port business."

Mr. Guest said that while St. Lawrence ports gained 5,000,000 export bushels this year, and Churchill, Man., 1,500,000, the Pacific coast had dropped 19,000,000.

He said the decline had been continuous from last February when the seven-cent differential was instituted.

He said that if the price was the same in both places, Vancouver shipments would soar.

COUNCIL CANCELS LICENCE OF CAFE WHERE LIQUOR SOLD

City council last night gave official notice that the World Peace Cafe and chop suey house would be closed down under the present ownership of Lee Kee Sun.

Council passed, without a dissenting vote, a recommendation of the health, social assistance, police and licencing committee, that the business licence of the cafe be cancelled due to convictions of the owner for keeping liquor for sale.

Lee was convicted December 23 on a keeping liquor for sale charge and was fined $1,000. A conviction on the same charge October 16 brought him a fine of $750.

Red China Invited To Parley

JAKARTA, Indonesia (Reuters) — The five "Colombo power" premiers meeting here today decided to invite Communist China to a conference of African and Asian leaders to be held here in April, a delegation source at the Asian leaders' meeting said.

The source said they also decided to invite Japan but after a long debate decided against inviting Israel for fear of alienating Moslem countries.

The premiers, representing India, Pakistan, Burma, Ceylon and Indonesia, decided Tuesday to call the Afro-Asian meeting in April. One of the biggest problems facing them after that decision was whether to invite Communist China. All of the Colombo powers have given support for Communist China's admission to the United Nations.

The danger was, however, that an invitation to the Red regime might exclude many of the 29 countries considered as possibilities for invitations to the April talks.

SEE POSSIBLE BOYCOTT

Diplomatic sources said that even Ceylon and Pakistan, Colombo powers themselves, might refuse to sit down at the conference table with the Communists.

The five Asian leaders — India's Jawaharlal Nehru, Pakistan's Mohammed Ali, Ceylon's Sir John Kotelawala, Burma's U Nu and Indonesia's Ali Sastroamidjojo — today worked on drawing up of an agenda for the April talks which are expected to give prominence to the problem of colonialism.

Columnist Names Marilyn Monroe, Marlon Brando As Outstanding Hollywood Personalities of Year

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Curvaceous Marilyn Monroe and muscular Marlon Brando are the stars of the year in Hollywood.

Another hectic Hollywood year, it brought fewer scandals, more marriages, fewer divorces, better pictures better acting and less new talent than other years. Business was good, and there was little of the panic talk that had plagued the film industry from 1953 to 1953.

Marilyn Monroe was the top female personality in Hollywood during 1954. Her studio suspension, marriage to and divorce of Joe DiMaggio made headlines everywhere. All she had to do was stand over a sidewalk grate in New York Whoosh! Her picture was on all the front pages.

Brando drew almost as much attention. He walked out on "The Egyptian," was sued for millions, settled things by playing Napoleon. He journeyed to France, got himself engaged to the step-daughter of a fisherman. Many critics hailed him as best actor since John Barrymore.

Here are my annual selections for the highlights and low points in 1954:

Best male star performances: Marlon Brando, "On the Waterfront"; Bing Crosby, "The Country Girl"; James Mason, "A Star Is Born"; Humphrey Bogart, "The Caine Mutiny"; William Holden, "Executive Suite."

Best female star performances: Judy Garland, "A Star Is Born"; Grace Kelly, "The Country Girl"; Eva Marie Saint, "On the Waterfront"; Ava Gardner, "The Barefoot Contessa"; Joan Simmons, "Desiree."

Marriage of the year: Marilyn Monroe to Joe DiMaggio.

Divorce of the year: Marilyn Monroe from Joe DiMaggio.

Most unfortunate publicity stunt: Robert Mitchum posing with Simone Silva, who was stripped to the waist.

Nicest wedding: Pier Angeli-Vic Damone.

Best pictures: "On The Waterfront," "A Star Is Born," "Executive Suite," "The Country Girl," "20,000 Leagues under the Sea."

Best musical: "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers."

Best new TV show: Disneyland.

Surprise movie hit: "Dragnet."

Best TV find: George Gobel.

Most heartwarming story: Suzan Ball's pluck after losing her leg to cancer.

Best movie song: "Three Coins in the Fountain."

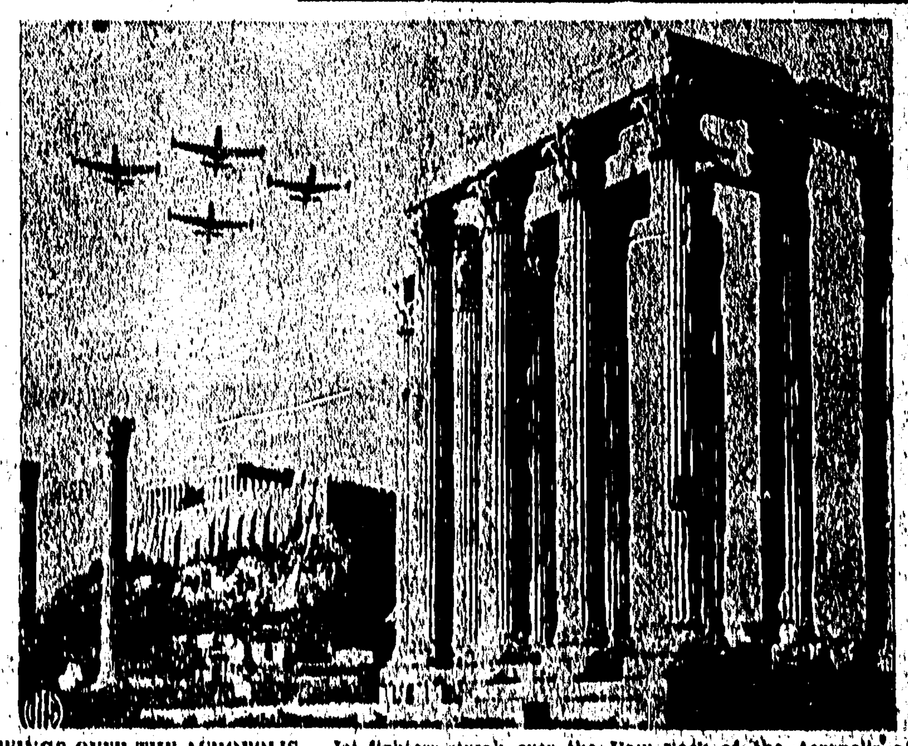
Comeback of the year: Frank Sinatra.

Worst epic: "King of the Khyber Rifles."

Most overworked name in gags: Liberace.

Silliest mistake: Use of records for Mario Lanza's TV debut.

Most unfortunate scene: Danny Kaye and Bing Crosby doing female impersonations in "White Christmas."



WINGS OVER THE ACROPOLIS — Jet fighters streak over the Holy Rock of the Acropolis at Athens, Greece, providing a striking contrast with the centuries-old ruins of the city. The American-built planes were given to the Greek Air Force under the U.S. military aid program to help defend the cradle of Western culture and democracy.

Bryce Heads Mill Local At Powell River

POWELL RIVER, B.C. (CP) — Robert Bryce, unsuccessful CCF candidate in the Mackenzie riding in the last federal election, will be re-installed as president Jan. 13 of Local 76, International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers (AFL-TLC).

Bryce, who will head the 1,800-man local, was elected president after Lex Hughes declined to stand for re-election.

Hughes becomes a member of the executive committee along with Reno Biasutti, who was re-elected. Newcomers to the committee are Frank Sutton and Charles Thompson. Bill Harris will be the new vice-president.