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TOMORROW'S TIDES

Wednesday, October 26, 1955
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	9:39	17.7 feet
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ince Rupert residents will have a chance De- 8 to express their opinion on whether or not ant fluoridation of the city's water supply.

to provide a referen- the December elections red drawn up last night e city council heard a oridation committee re- ich favored fluoridation e Rupert water.

tation to Prince Rupert a plebiscite which can ered in a "yes" or "no" was asked by Ald. Mike

FFECTS

luoridation committee, of representatives from nizations as well as city embers reported it had he effects, benefits and fluoridation.

committee is satisfied," rt said, "that the addi- luoride to the city water a concentration of one ride per million parts of uld be harmless to the rganism, would produce sirable changes to the s of the water and d to a substantial and nt increase in resistance in the teeth of children up in the community."

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COST $5,480

operating cost would 80, with chemicals to $2,200, electricity t, $300 and an attend- 0.

cement that an at- tendant would be needed for fluoridation, while one is not employed for the city's present chlorination plant, brought concern to some aldermen.

If fluoridation was approved by the voters and equipment installed by the city, Ald. Krueger said, an attendant would be employed to look after both the chloridation and fluoridation of the water supply. The $2,440 represented the charge to the fluoridation account.

Queried as to whether automatic equipment could be bought, Ald. Krueger and city superintendent of works Carl Gustafson told the council that such equipment could be installed where a constant water pressure was available.

PRESSURE FLUCTUATES

However, Ald. Krueger said, Prince Rupert's problem was different because past flow figures showed the pressure fluctuated with the operation of the Shawatlan's power plant of the Northern B.C. Power Company.

For that reason, constant attention would be needed to keep the intake of fluoride equal at all times, Ald. Krueger said.

Chlorine introduced into the water, even in parts of greater proportion than one per million, was dissipated through action by bacteria. No such dissipation occurred with the introduction of a fluoride, Ald. Krueger reported.

Mr. Gustafson told council that the chlorinator was checked three or four times a day at the present time.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY — Ozzie Nelson and his wife, the former Harriet Hilliard, appear as joyous as newlyweds while celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary in Hollywood. Harriet's bouquet, a gift from her professional and marital partner, contain 20 American Beauty roses, one for each of their years of marriage. They are the stars of their own TV show, "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," in which their youngsters are played by their real-life children.

$25,000 Grant Allotted For City Works Project

PCs Score Second Victory

Communists Out-Poll CCF

TORONTO (CP)— The federal constituency of Toronto Spadina, a Liberal stronghold since 1930, fell to the Progressive Conservatives Monday in the second by-election defeat for the Liberals in a month.

Charles E. Rea, insurance man and former member of the Ontario legislature, captured the seat on a late surge of strength in vote-counting in an election called to fill the vacancy left by the appointment of Liberal David Croll to the Senate.

Samuel Godfrey, Liberal candidate, conceded defeat at about 8 p.m., two hours after polls closed, and said he would lose by about 500 votes. At that time official figures had him 200 votes in front and it was another two hours before they confirmed his forecast.

Mr. Rea polled 6,708 votes to 6,108 for Mr. Godfrey. Joseph Salsberg, Communist Labor-Progressive who sat in the Ontario legislature for 18 years, received 3,937 and Harry Waisglass, CCF, 2,938.

Standing in the 265-seat House of Commons after the Spadina vote: Liberal 160; Progressive Conservative 53; CCF 23; Social Credit 15; Independent 4; vacant 1. The vacancy is in St. Johns-Iberville-Napierville through death last Aug. 7 of Postmaster-General Cote.

THIRD LOSS

The defeat was the third for the Liberals in 15 by-elections since the 1953 general election. On Sept. 26 they lost Restigouche-Madawaska to the Progressive Conservatives and a year ago they were beaten by the CCF in Selkirk, Manitoba. In the other 12 votes, the Liberals retained eight seats, Progressive Conservative three and CCF one.

The Spadina vote was light, possibly due in part to bad weather. The total of 10,601 compares with 27,258 in 1953. There were 45,000 eligible voters.

A 52-year-old native of Brandon, Man., Mr. Rea went to school at Grimsby in the Niagara peninsula. In 1920 he bought an insurance business at New Liskeard in northern Ontario and in 1934 founded his business in Toronto. He represented Toronto St. Patrick in the Ontario legislature from 1948 to 1951.

The campaign for Monday's election had a circus touch. Noon-hour street corner meetings were commonplace in the west-central riding which takes in Toronto's garment-making district. Trucks and autos equipped with loudspeakers, made organized tours of the streets to proclaim slogans of the candidates, mingles with songs and martial music.

At one time it is estimated that 85 per cent of the population was Jewish. The estimate now is about 15 per cent.

CHARLES E. REA
... Wins on late surge.

Provincial Funds To Aid Road Job

Official approval of a $25,000 provincial grant to the city of Prince Rupert was contained in a letter from Provincial Highways Minister P. A. Gaglardi read to last night's city council meeting by Mayor George E. Hills.

Grant was sought by the city as compensation for an estimated $27,000 loss brought about by the change to the present municipal aid and school grant formulas from that in effect last year.

Mr. Gaglardi, in his letter, said that the government was "pleased" to give the city the grant "for the purpose suggested."

He was referring to the province's special fund for municipalities for improvement of public works.

The grant and expenditure for public works were suggested by Premier W. A. C. Bennett to Mayor George Hills, when the mayor conferred with him in September in Victoria.

Work to be undertaken by the city with the $25,000 "windfall" is the widening of Sixth Avenue East. Council instructed Superintendent of Works Carl Gustafson to proceed immediately with the project. Estimates for the work were prepared by Associated Engineering Services, the Vancouver firm of consultants hired by the city.

Granting of the funds, culminated an eight-month fight by council for an adjustment to bring provincial grants this year in line with those received under the old formula. Prior to the change announced by Victoria in February, the city received one-fifth of the provincial sales tax, a one-third share of motor vehicle licence fees. New per capita local aid grant left city some $27,000 short, according to city finance heads.

A trip to Victoria in March by Comptroller R. W. Long to meet with provincial finance and educational officials brought no solution.

However, the meeting between the mayor and Premier Bennett in September brought hopes that "concrete benefits would result" from the discussion.

"This not only proves we are consistant in our demands, but also shows that our two missions to Victoria were not in vain," Mayor Hills said after reading the letter.

Certified receipts for expenditures up to an amount of $25,000 are to be forwarded to Victoria.

Fire Fighters Battling Burning Well

HAWKINS, Tex. (AP) — Daring oilfield firefighters swarmed to this little east Texas town today for a desperate effort at snuffing out a runway well throwing a plume of burning gas 200 feet into the air.

The menacing torch threw a flickering glare over the community all night as the firefighters planned their campaign against the wild well.

So far, the well has spewed only burning gas into the air, causing tremendous excitement but little damage to the surrounding town of 2,000.

However, a change in the underground pressure could force great streams of oil from the well and send waves of the burning fluid over nearby street lots.

Three frame houses and a brick home are in the immediate danger area. Their residents were evacuated hours ago.

Primary danger to nearby buildings is not from the flames but from the tremendous blast of nitroglycerine or other explosives that the firefighters expect to use in an effort to snuff out the torch.

Mulligan's Request To Be Fired Granted

VANCOUVER (CP) — Police chief Walter Mulligan, target of testimony charging graft and corruption, won his request to start a "new phase of life" Monday when he was dismissed from his post.

A three-man board of police commissioners met in camera for 40 minutes and then said "The usefulness of chief Mulligan to the city . . . is now at an end."

The dismissal, effective Oct. 31, was at the chief's own request.

For the burly, 51-year-old son of a Liverpool policeman, it was the end of a career that began in 1927 as a third-grade constable on a broadway beat.

It also ended an 8½-year reign as chief constable of a city now approaching a population of 400,000 — a term unequalled in length in Vancouver's history.

His dismissal climaxed four months of developments unfolded by a royal commission investigating charges of graft and laxity in the 750-man force.

Chief Mulligan, who claimed he was destroyed by the methods of the public inquiry, requested his dismissal in a letter to the police commissioners last week.

"My former usefulness as chief constable is ended," he said.

"Therefore I proposed that I should proceed to my next task: the starting of a new phase of life for my wife and myself.

The chief, on leave of absence at full salary of $10,236 a year since June 24, asked to be fired so he could collect an estimated $75-a-month pension.

Had he resigned, only the amount he paid into the superannuation plan would have been returned to him.

But Magistrate Oscar Orr, commission member, said the question of accepting a resignation could not be entertained until completion of the royal commission hearings under R. H. Tupper.

Magistrate Orr also said Mr. Tupper felt the police commission's action would not "obstruct" the police inquiry.

The royal commission, now adjourned awaiting a report from RCMP investigators, expects Mr. Mulligan to be available when sittings resume.

Taxi-Driver's Appeal Quashed By City Council

An appeal of taxi driver Ivan Mahood for reinstatement of his city chauffeur's permit was turned down last night by a 6-1 vote of the city council.

Bid to regain permit, which authorizes drivers to drive for hire within the city, was rejected after hearing the taximan's side of the story from his legal representative Jerry Pettenuzzo and the police's stand from Sgt. Adam Wildgoose, NCO in charge of the RCMP city detachment.

LIFTED IN FEBRUARY

Mr. Mahood's chauffeur's permit was lifted automatically by police following his conviction in February on a bootlegging charge.

Mr. Pettenuzzo told council that although his client had pleaded guilty to the charge, this did not convey the full circumstances of the case. He himself, had advised Mr. Mahood to plead guilty, Mr. Pettenuzzo said, so that he might get the minimum sentence. Another man, who had actually supplied the liquor to a plainclothes policeman and a police informer, had refused to take the stand under the protection of the Canada Evidence Act.

ON CHARTER TRIPS

Appeals to the police and the council had failed in the past, Mr. Pettenuzzo said, and since the time of the conviction, his client had been driving with a Public Utilities Commission permit. This permitted charter trips to be made within 15 miles of the city. His client had been convicted twice for driving without a permit and once under the highways act since his permit had been revoked.

The taximan's plea of guilty had resulted in no evidence being presented in court, Sgt. Wildgoose told council.

However, Crown testimony would have been introduced to show Mr. Mahood had requested the money or the bottle back, the sergeant said.

"Since his permit had been revoked, Mahood has shown no respect for law as evidenced by his three convictions," Sgt. Wildgoose pointed out.

A motion to have the permit reinstated by Alderman George B. Casey was defeated, with only Ald. Casey supporting the motion.

Five Days Left To Register For Voting

The city clerk's office at City Hall will remain open until 5 p.m. Saturday, giving residents five days to register for the voters list.

Since registration opened September 1, only 11 persons have filled out the householders declaration form entitling them to vote in the December election. Residents this year have opportunity to register without payment of $2 registration fee.

To be eligible, prospective voters must be 21 years of age, a British subject and have lived in Prince Rupert since January 1, 1955.

Police Seek Holdup Men In Winnipeg

WINNIPEG (CP) — Police in the Greater Winnipeg area today were searching for two armed bandits who held up a bank and a restaurant Monday.

A silent gunman robbed a north-end branch of the Bank of Montreal of $3,450 near noon. Late Monday night a second bandit made off with $80 from Martha's Coffee Shop in suburban St. Vital.

Restaurant waitress Doris Johnson, 22, said the gunman sat in the cafe for about 30 minutes after ordering coffee and cigarettes. He finally approached the cash register and pulled out a gun.

Mrs. Johnson said the man told her he wanted the money in the till.

"I asked him if he wanted the one-dollar bills too, and he said 'yes,'" said Mrs. Johnson.

The bandit, nattily dressed in light fedora and tweed coat, fled on foot. Two youth in the restaurant gave chase but lost the gunman.

Police did not believe there was any connection between the restaurant and bank gunmen. The bank bandit pushed a note across the counter to teller Isabel Topham, 20, ordering her to give him the money, then handed her a canvas bag.

Miss Topham took $3,450 from the cash drawer and stuffed it into a sack. The man grabbed it and ran out of the building.

o Care Committee Up in Prince Rupert

nce Rupert Kinsmen committee to aid vic- poliomyelitis and also illies has been set up in Harry R. Sheardown, strict governor of the announced today.

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ire will hold a meet- nce George Saturday night at which representatives from Vanderhoof, Burns Lake, Smithers, Quesnel, Norcalsi Creek, Giscomb and McBride will attend.

It is the feeling of the B.C. Polio Fund, Mr. Sheardown said, that the citizens of Prince Rupert with the help and backing of the Kinsmen club will be able to assist polio victims and their families in every way, should the disease strike.

Already this year 30,000 British Columbia pre-school and first grade school children have been innoculated with Salk vaccine and not one child contracted polio. However, the incidence of polio in 1955 thus far, is greater than it was last year. Altogether 150 cases of polio have been reported this ear compared to 155 in 1954.

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arning continued, th scattered showers Wednesday. Little temperature. Winds 0 in exposed areas adually to northwest sing to 25 this after- w tonight and high at Port Hardy, Sand- Prince Rupert 40 and

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thieves broke into a small safe at the offices of the World Bank here during the weekend and took more than $30,000 in American and British currency and travellers cheques.

The robbery was from a suite of offices the 57-country, multi-billion-dollar bank maintains in an office building near bank headquarters.

Weekly Social Evening Likely For Air Cadets

Consideration will be given to planning a weekly social evening for members of Prince Rupert Air Cadet Squadron No. 550 to give them an opportunity to hear talks and see films on aviation subjects, it was decided last night at a meeting of the sponsoring committee.

If carried through, the occasion will be in addition to the weekly drill and instructional period now on the squadron's schedule. Committee members believed the new arrangement would provide a break in the squadron's routine which the cadets would welcome.

An effort also will be made to arrange for cadet familiarization flights aboard aircraft based at Prince Rupert. Such flights in the past have been confined to RCAF aircraft sent specially from Vancouver for the purpose. While expressing appreciation of the RCAF's co-operation, the committee felt that more flying experience for the boys would increase interest in the squadron.

In other business, it was decided to hold the sponsoring committee's annual meeting on November 30 instead of late February as previously scheduled.

Parents of cadets and others interested in the air cadet movement will be invited to the annual meeting.

It was decided also to intensify recruiting for the squadron among high school students.

Hebb Funeral Set Tonight

Lorene Janice Hebb, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. R. Hebb, 250 Ninth Avenue East died Monday at Prince Rupert General Hospital after a short illness.

Besides her parents, the four-month old child is survived by a brother, Tony.

Funeral services will be conducted at Ferguson's Funeral Home at 8 p.m. today with Canon Basil S. Brockter officiating. The remains will be forwarded to Vancouver for interment Thursday afternoon.

EXPERIENCE UNNECESSARY

Teachers Still Sought By Citizenship Council

"Experience unnecessary" is the theme of the Prince Rupert Canadian Citizenship Council's plea for English teachers for new Canadians.

At last night's meeting of the council, retiring president W. C. Hankinson said that only a few of the "at least 16" teachers required had volunteered and that possibly many interested in assisting the council's plan to provide basic English instruction for immigrants were holding back because of lack of teaching experience.

He stressed that no previous teaching experience, and no outstanding command of the English language and its mechanics were required. A simple method of teaching through pictures would be employed, and the teachers would receive instruction themselves before facing the classes of new Canadians.

Mr. Hankinson also stressed that a few bi-lingual teachers, commanding both English and German, Dutch or Italian, and possibly others would be needed for the early phases of the project, and asked both bi-linguals and others interested in learning to attend a session this Friday at 8 p.m. at the CBC office on Second Avenue, across from radio station CFPR.

Mr. Hankinson also noted that District 52 School Board had approved the citizenship council's plans for classes in English for immigrant youngsters who had difficulty at school through their lack of knowledge of English, and that local authorities had granted use of the old RCMP barracks on Fulton street and the armories for the proposed classes.

"Now all we need is teachers," he said. Volunteers would be called on to teach only one night each week, mainly Friday nights.

Last night's council session also saw election of officers with K. F. Wilmot replacing Mr. Hankinson as president; E. P. O'Neal becoming vice-president; Mrs. E. C. Hill secretary; Mrs. D. W. Burnip treasurer; Marcel Gingras chairman of the educational committee; Mrs. H. G. Hird, membership chairman and librarian; Henry Seppa, liaison committee chairman.

In other business the council approved appointment of a delegate (to be named later) to the Prince Rupert District Music and Drama Festival Association to promote New Canadians' participation in district festivals. Also approved was a suggestion that a committee be formed to promote establishment of a United Nations organization in Prince Rupert. It will be named at a later date.

WOMEN WEARING FAMILY PANTS COURTING HUSBANDS' ULCERS

CHICAGO (AP) — Does your wife wear the pants in your family? Does she insist on keeping up with the Joneses? Or combine marriage and a career?

Well, take it from an expert: She is in danger of sharing a hazard reserved mainly for men—ulcers.

Dr. John E. Cox of Memphis, a trustee of the American College of Gastroenterology, issued the warning Monday during the college's annual meeting. The college is an organization of physicians specializing in diseases of the stomach and intestines.

Cox said stomach ulcers have increased more than 30 per cent in the last 10 years among women who aspire to wear the pants in the family or are under constant strain in efforts to keep their household on a budget.