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TOMORROW'S TIDES

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High	7:22	15.7 feet
	20:08	17.7 feet
Low	1:20	8.6 feet
	13:33	7.4 feet

Queen Easy Target For 'Bomb', Guard Farce, Asserts Columnist

Two Reporters Pose As Armed Assassins

LONDON (AP)—A British reporter who said he tested the police guard over the Queen by posing as an assassin reports that he easily could have hurled a bomb at the sovereign from close range.

Simon Ward, columnist for The Daily Sketch, also declares that a companion on the "dry run" plot took up a position from which he could have fired almost point-blank at the Queen.

Ward says he made the test Thursday at the ceremony of trooping the color marking the official celebration of the Queen's 30th birthday.

Because of rumors that gunmen from strife-torn Cyprus have slipped into England with designs against the Royal Family, hundreds of extra police lined the parade route and armed Scotland Yard security men mingled with the crowds.

NEITHER CHALLENGED

But Ward terms the security arrangements "a farce." Writing in his column he says:

"I went as an assassin—unshaven, tieless, with a 'bomb' wrapped in paper in my hands—just to test how secure the security was.

"Nobody challenged me.

"On the other side of the narrow road leading from the Mall to the Horse Guards parade, I stationed Comrade X—with a canvas sports bag that might easily have contained a gun.

"Nobody challenged him, either.

WAVED HIS BOMB

"I waved my 'bomb'—a biscuit tin under an ashtray with a black ebony plunger, wrapped in brown paper and tied with string—under the noses of two constables.

"I asked their advice on where to stand so I could be as near as possible to the Queen.

" 'Over there, I think, sir,' one said obligingly.

"We took up our assassination positions. The Queen rode by, barely 15 feet away, alone.

"Comrade X, on the other side of the road, had a clear shot.

"I raised my 'bomb' to a lobbing position. No heavy hand fell on my shoulder. Just 15 feet . . . it would have been so easy."

More Emphasis On Religion, Culture Urged

CHURCH PRESENTS BRIEF ON CBC

TORONTO (CP) — Greater emphasis on religion and culture in Canadian radio and TV were recommended today in briefs placed before the royal commission on broadcasting.

The submissions came from five religious, music and literary organizations as the three-man commission under R. M. Fowler spent its third day in hearings here.

The United Church of Canada made these suggestions:

- Establishment of a separate, religious department in the CBC with substantial funds and an adequate staff to control religious broadcasting.
- More diversified network programs, apart from preaching, which could help reach listeners outside church membership.
- Amendment of CBC regulations to make it mandatory for private station owners to extend free time to local churches.
- Encouragement of local efforts to produce religious drama, forums and the like. The church brief said that increasingly it appears the local station holds the key to broadcasting on both radio and TV.

WANT BIGGER STAFF

The CBC's national religious advisory council — made up of representatives of six major religious faiths in Canada — also asked that the religious staff of the CBC be enlarged and that the monetary element not become a determining factor in broadcasting.

The Canadian Library Association—made up of 1,700 librarians and library supporters — said it would welcome more programs of the type that stimulate reading. One suggestion was for a CBC book review program on TV.

(Photo by Van Meer Studio)

CAPT. A. ANTONSEN, of Vancouver, and a former resident of Prince Rupert for 15 years, is shown receiving a brand-new hat for being the first skipper to bring his halibut catch into the local halibut exchange May 25. The award was made by Babcock Fisheries whose general manager, W. R. Bingham, left, is shown making the presentation. Capt. Antonsen is skipper of the halibutter Mother III. It is planned to make the hat-award an annual event.

Opposition Scores Tactical Victory

OTTAWA (CP)—The opposition, in a major tactical victory Thursday, fought off for the whole day a government attempt to close off the semi-final stage of Commons debate on the controversial gas pipeline legislation.

The master stroke of fast-moving opposition maneouvres was provided by CCF member Colin Cameron in a surprise move Thursday night when he presented a motion opening a new field of debate and side-tracking the main proceedings on the pipeline measure.

The motion by the 59-year-old member for Nanaimo: That the Commons censure statements contained in two letters published this week by the Ottawa Journal which he said were derogatory to Parliament's dignity.

It proved to be the last and biggest of a series of stumbling blocks in the way of a closure motion by Prime Minister St. Laurent. It prevented a vote on the closure motion before the automatic 10 p.m. adjournment.

Progressive Conservative and CCF members were jubilant and Liberals were glum at the unexpected development which knocked one day from the government's tight schedule for passage of the bill by the fast-approaching deadline of next Thursday.

The opposition began laying plans Thursday night for a further attempt to forestall imposition of closure today.

It appeared likely Mr. Cameron's motion, as one involving privilege, might take precedence today over debate on the pipeline measure. However, a Liberal member, once he got the floor on the censure discussion, could move for adjournment on that topic.

There was another possibility the censure motion might be ruled out of order.

With Thursday's developments, including protracted procedural arguments and four roll-call votes, the possibility is raised for the first time that the opposition might be successful to block passage of the bill by the June 7 deadline.

The measure would provide for a treasury loan of up to $80,000,000 to Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd. for the Prairie section of its $375,000,000 natural gas pipeline from Alberta to Montreal. If the deadline is not met, Trans-Canada is released from its agreement to complete the Prairie leg by Dec. 31.

Today's sitting lasts from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., with 1½ hours out for lunch. The opposition, in order to repeat delaying success, had to stall off a vote on closure only until 5 p.m. because the day's last hour is assigned to considering private bills.

Thursday's opposition fight assured that the bill will stay in the Commons until Tuesday at least.

Another such day and the bill won't get to the Senate until Thursday—the last day it can be made law under the deadline.

Columbia Surging Higher

Home Evacuation Seen at Trail

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The mighty Columbia river, fed by melting snows, surged higher today and threatened dikes in populous southwestern Washington state.

The outlook was eased somewhat by forecasts of cooler weather inland. This would slow the snow melting which sent the river to 9.7 feet above its banks in the Vancouver, Wash., area Thursday.

Forecasters expect a reading of 12 feet above flood level there by next Tuesday if the warm weather continues.

Here was the situation early today along the flooding Columbia and its tributaries:

At Trail, B.C., the Kootenay and the Columbia continued slow climbs but dike workers held their own. Some basements were flooded and the city warned that higher water would result in evacuation of some homes.

FARMLAND FLOODED

The Kootenai (it's spelled differently on the American side of the border) was "holding steady" at Bonners Ferry, in northern Idaho but was expected to rise nearly one foot during the day. Some 18,000 acres are flooded there and another 16,000 acres of wheatland are threatened.

The Upper Snake river in southeastern Idaho spread over 2,000 acres of farmland. More probably will be covered when the stream crests Saturday.

North of Vancouver, Wash., water was pouring over a crumbled dike into a farm area. Scattered farm families had been evacuated.

A little further to the north at Kalama, the city council declared a state of flood emergency and called for volunteers to help sandbag dikes.

FIVE BREAKS

At Kelso, seeping water caused five breaks in the town's sewage lines and threatened the disposal system. Two other dikes in this region were in critical condition and army engineers said that nine more would become critical should the water reach the 28-foot level.

A SHOVEL-TOTING fire-fighter wades through smouldering undergrowth in the wake of one of the dozens of forest fires on the Sechelt peninsula, 50 miles north of Vancouver. One of the driest springs in years has caused an unusual number of fires in southern British Columbia. (CP Photo)

Partial Forest Closure In Bella Coola District

An order of partial closure was ordered into effect as of midnight last night for the Bella Coola ranger district, it was reported today by the District Forester in Prince Rupert.

The closure order from Minister of Lands and Forests Ray Williston said that the order would remain in effect until the forest fire danger is over and the "closed district" abolished.

During the continuance of this order, it is hereby ordered that:

(a) No person shall conduct any logging, harvesting of minor products, including the harvesting of cones from forest trees, land clearing, mining, road building, right-of-way clearing, or construction project within one-half mile of any forest or woodland between the hours of 1:00 p.m. P.D.T., and midnight PDT within the closed district.

(b) No person shall operate any sawmill or open burner or burn, or permit to burn, any wood, sawdust, or debris, within one-half mile of forest woodland, logging slash, or forest debris from 1:00 p.m. PDT until sundown daily, within the closed district, and all such sawmilling and other industrial operations operating open burners or otherwise burning or permitting to burn any sawdust or debris within one-half mile of any forest or woodland, logging slash or forest debris shall maintain watchmen therefore, twenty-four hours daily during the period of this order, unless exemption is granted under written permit from an officer of the Forest Service.

The closed district includes the North and South Bentinck Arms and the Bella Coola river drainage system.

Meanwhile in the Prince Rupert forest district there are still six forest fires burning, only one of which is out of control. One fire was extinguished yesterday near Smithers but another one has broken out in the same vicinity. Some 52 members of the Forest Service are in the field fighting the fires, major one of which is still uncontrolled 80 miles southeast of Southbank, on the border of Tweedsmuir Park. Other fires, all under control, are two more in the Southbank area, one near Takysie Lake, another near Smithers and one in the Bella Coola area.

Halibut Prices Levelling Off

Halibut prices appeared to be levelling off after the first week of sales on the Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange with medium fish this morning selling at an average price of 20 cents a pound, down a fraction of a cent from yesterday's price of 20.4 cents and down 2.2 cents from the week's high Tuesday of 22.2 cents per pound.

Large and chicken halibut at prices averaging 15 and 11 cents a pound were down 3 cents for large and the same for chicken halibut at yesterday's prices.

Average prices for the week were 20.7, 15.1, 14.3 cents a pound.

Six boats sold a total of 243,500 pounds of halibut on the exchange this morning, while an additional five vessels delivered 177,000 pounds to the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association.

Individual landings with prices for medium, large and chicken halibut in brackets are as follows:

Iris S—26,500 pounds (20; 15; 14) sold to Pacific Fisheries. Loyal No. 2—30,000 pounds (20; 15; 14) sold to Booth Fisheries. Good Partner—56,000 pounds (20.2; 15.5; 14) sold to B.C. Packers. Western Spirit — 40,000 pounds (20; 15; 14) sold to Atlin Fisheries. Ispaco II — 68,000 pounds (20; 15; 14) sold to B.C. Packers. Antler—28,000 pounds (20; 15; 14) sold to Pacific Fisheries.

Co-Op landings were: Covenant 45,000 pounds, Signal 30,000 pounds, Selma H 22,000 pounds, Clipper II 40,000 pounds, Parma 40,000 pounds.

Man Remanded; Contributors Pay $25 Fines

Douglas Kirby, of no fixed address was remanded this morning in police court until June 9 without plea when he appeared before Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. Glassey on a charge of theft of a sum of money, under $50.

Charge arises from a drinking incident at a local beer parlor yesterday evening.

Two Prince Rupert men pleaded guilty to a joint charge of contributing to two 16-year-old girls becoming juvenile delinquents in taking them to Terrace without parental consent. Fined $25 and costs or in default of payment sentenced to serve 14 days in jail were Larry Iveson and James V. Majore.

The two accused said the girls had accepted a ride and had agreed to a trip to Terrace. Unable to get gas for the return trip due to the lateness of the hour, the pair said they had decided to sleep in the car and were making arrangements for the girls to sleep at a motel when RCMP from Terrace had driven up.

RCMP here were alerted when her daughter did not return home, a mother of one of the girls told the court.

Census Starts In City Today

The 1956 Canadian census started today and among thousands of enumerators across the country who will gather and compile the vital statistics of the nation are the recently appointed enumerators of the 85 districts making up Skeena federal riding.

Five such enumerators will canvass the Prince Rupert city area. Statistics will be based on residents' status as of midnight last night.

Census commissioner for Skeena riding is T. Norton Youngs, while John Laurie is coast district supervisor and Clarence Bussinger, supervisor for interior districts within the riding.

Priest Beats Off Lion To Save Mutilated Boy

LUTON, England (AP)—A Roman Catholic priest shinnied over a 20-foot-high fence at a zoo Thursday and beat off a lion with an iron bar as it mutilated an 11-year-old boy.

The boy, Tony Murphy of London, lost both arms. A hospital today said he was in critical condition, but had a chance of survival.

A police spokesman said Tony was in a party of Scouts visiting nearby Whipsnade zoo.

"He must have climbed over the safety fence and onto the one-inch wire net over the pit," the spokesman said. "Three female lions and the male were in the pit. The male caught at the boy's arms.

PRIEST CLAWED

"The priest—Rev. Ronald Aylward—climbed the safety fence and hit the lion with the iron bar he carried."

Father Aylward was leader of the Scout party.

Throughout the night Tony's parents, a London bus conductor and his wife, sat by the bedside of their only child, the boy who was "mad about lions."

With them sat Father Aylward. He too was clawed on the leg before he pulled Tony free.

WORRIES ABOUT DOG

Father Aylward said: "I ran straight up to the lion's cage and saw Tony lying on a ledge outside it. Someone handed me a two-foot-long iron bar.

"When I started hitting it the lion roared and after about a minute I landed a solid crack on his nose with all the strength I could muster."

Afterwards, on the way to hospital, Tony asked: "You are a priest. You won't lie to me. Have I lost my arms?"

When I told him he had, he tried to scream but he did not have the power. Instead, he said what is going to happen to my dog?"

B.C. Cabinet To Electioneer In Saskatchewan

VICTORIA (CP)— Nearly the entire B.C. cabinet will move into Saskatchewan next week to take part in the June 20 election campaign.

Only Ralph Chetwynd, trade minister, will remain in Victoria while his Social Credit fellow cabinet ministers take to the road.

Premier Bennett is scheduled to join the electioneering caravan near its end.

WEATHER

Cloudy with sunny periods today and Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Light winds. Low tonight and high Saturday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 45 and 58.

Company Group Being Probed By Inspectors

VANCOUVER (CP) — Combines investigators have moved into the offices of the Fisheries Association of B.C.

Inspectors George Orr and N. M. Thurm, who have been conducting a check of files at United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union (Ind.), shifted operations Wednesday to the company group.

John Macdonald, Fisheries Association secretary, said the check is part of the same complaint of alleged price-fixing laid early in May against the union.

The UFAWU has opened court action in an effort to halt the check of its books. The case is adjourned until Friday.

Mr. Macdonald said Thursday, however, the Association, which represents 13 fisheries, will take no action.

The union is objecting on the ground that the Combines Investigation Act does not apply to groups of workmen or employees combining for their own protection.

Tug Prevents Fisheries Boat From Grounding

VANCOUVER (CP)—The government fisheries vessel Saxibomus was saved by a tug Thursday night from being dashed on the rocks at Point Edwards, 40 miles northwest of here, after she developed engine trouble.

The tug Sea Imp reached the vessel, which had called from a point two miles off Point Edwards, when the stricken craft had drifted dangerously close to shore. She was towed to Secret Cove where the crew was expected to make repairs.

Work Party Set Sunday

Stump-pullers are needed for this Sunday's work party at Salt Lakes, Hugo Kraupner, chairman of the Salt Lake provincial park development board said today.

He said that another work party would be held Sunday when further clearing would be done. On two previous weekends, he said, some 10,000 square feet of land had been cleared but the group was now faced with the job of removing a number of large stumps.

Free boat for work-party members will leave Cow Bay at 11 a.m. and members of the work party are asked to bring own lunch. Tools will be provided by the B.C. Forest Service.

Inquest Held In Car Death

Special to The Daily News

SMITHERS — Death due to multiple head injuries as a result of a car accident near Smithers May 27, was the verdict Tuesday of a coroner's jury enquiring into the death of Donald Harvey Milne, 24 of Langley.

The inquest, under Coroner G. H. Boley, was called after Milne died as a result of injuries received when he was thrown out of a car at a curve, 6.7 miles east of Smithers.

Kenneth George Kristoff, 20, of Cloverdale has been charged with manslaughter as a result of the accident.

Kristoff was the driver of the 1951 sedan in which Milne, Joseph Kozar and Frederick Marynlak were passengers. Kristoff and Marynlak escaped with bruises, while Kozar is reported suffering possible internal injuries.

Railroader Here Many Years, W. Cruickshank Now Retired

Word was received here today of the retirement yesterday in Vancouver of William (Bill) Cruickshank, popular railroader with the Canadian National Railways for 37 years and former general agent at Prince Rupert.

Mr. Cruickshank left here in June 1952 to become district passenger agent at Vancouver. He was succeeded here by K. L. Robertson.

In ceremonies at Vancouver yesterday Mr. Cruickshank was presented with a television set by A. C. L. Warner, general passenger agent of the B.C. District, as a token of esteem from his many friends and associates throughout the west. F. N. McKenzie of Winnipeg, passenger traffic manager Western region and W. G. Connolly, retired passenger traffic manager, also spoke in tribute to Mr. Cruickshank. Flowers were also sent Mrs. Cruickshank.

Mr. Cruickshank joined the CNR at Lucerne, B.C. in 1919 as a cashier. He went to Port Mann in 1921 as a checker but transferred shortly afterward to Chilliwack as assistant agent. He also worked at Vancouver and Ashcroft before coming to Prince Rupert in 1922 as a ticket clerk.

From here he went to Detroit in 1923 returning to this city in 1926 as city ticket agent. He was appointed travelling agent at Regina in 1941, returning again to Prince Rupert in 1942 in the same capacity. While here he was promoted to special passenger representative in 1943.

Mr. Cruickshank has made no definite plans for his retirement but says he will do a little gardening and possibly some travelling to visit friends and relatives.

13 Restaurants Given Licences

VICTORIA (CP)— Thirteen restaurants on the lower mainland and Vancouver Island were granted licences Thursday to serve hard liquor with meals, the B.C. liquor control board announced.

Eight are in Vancouver, three in West Vancouver, and one each in Victoria and Saanich.

Prince Albert Named Site Of New Mill

REGINA (CP)—Establishment of a $60,000,000 sulphate pulp mill in Saskatchewan's Prince Albert forest region was announced today by Premier T. C. Douglas and Vancouver industrialist Robert G. Campbell.

Construction of the mill, to be known as Waskesiu Forest Products Ltd., would begin on a square mile of property 10 miles northeast of Prince Albert this fall, if financing is completed by then.

Initial capacity would be 600 tons a day or 2,000 tons annually, with the company having access to 10,000,000 acres of timber in the area northeast of Prince Albert.

The project, largest industrial venture ever planned for Saskatchewan, would include construction of a private logging railway estimated by Mr. Campbell to cost $5,000,000.