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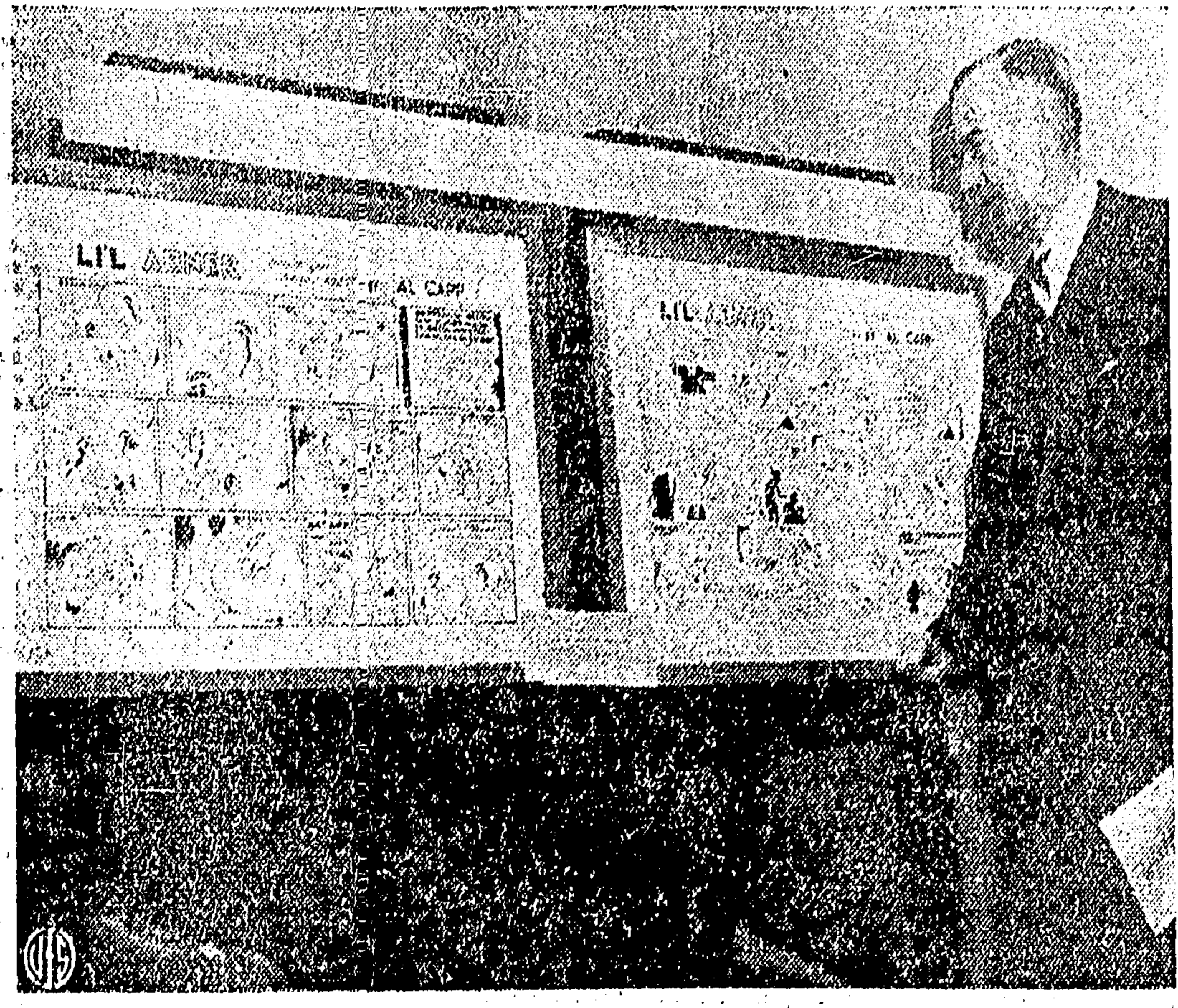
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166 TOMORROW'S TIDES		
Thursday, March 8, 1956. (Pacific Standard Time)		
High	10:52	17.8 feet
	23:54	17.4 feet
Low	4:58	9.4 feet
	17:27	5.9 feet



SMITHSONIAN ACQUIRES AL CAPP DRAWINGS — Dr. Leonard Carmichael, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, unveils two original Sunday drawings from Al Capp's "Lil Abner" comic, which were presented to the institution for permanent display. The theme represents the mythical attempts of Smithsonian to obtain the mythical "monstrosaurus egg," through the efforts of Lonesome Polecat and Raving Dove. "Lil Abner" runs every day in The Daily News.

FISHERIES OFFICIALS MEET

Skeena Indians Ask Longer Fishing Season

A two-day meeting on salmon conservation between top Pacific coast department of fisheries officials and fishery inspectors from 13 district areas was held in Prince Rupert Monday and yesterday.

Fisheries inspectors reviewed and assessed the salmon situation in their respective areas to A. J. Whitmore, chief supervisor of fisheries and his assistant Thomas Taylor, Louis Houghton, administrative officer and Capt. J. G. Hutchinson, marine supervisor for the fisheries department.

Presented to the chief fisheries supervisor was a brief from the Kitwano and Skeena river fishermen which calls for a slackening of salmon regulations this year or the retention of 1955 regulations.

Invoking protective rights granted "by Royal proclamation under George III in 1763," the brief, presented by Peter Williams, president of Kitwano, asked the fisheries department to consider the following points:

- That sockeye salmon fishing be opened on July 15 this year.
- That the upper fishery boundary be retained at its "natural situation" more than one mile away from the geographical mouth of the Skeena river.
- That the 1955 weekly closed period of fishing from 6 p.m. Thursday to 6 p.m. Sunday remain in effect this year.
- The brief pointed out that

Road Closed

Highway 16 between Prince Rupert and Terrace is closed again, R. S. Cumliffe, divisional engineer said today.

He said that a slide, plus two feet of fresh snow which fell yesterday afternoon and last night have made the highway impassable. The slide is at "The Hole-in-the-Wall" about a mile east of Salvo, 35 miles west of Terrace.

Highways department equipment has been dispatched from both Terrace and Prince Rupert to clear the road.

Saskatchewan Still Faces More Storms

EDMONTON — Blizzard warnings were issued today for Saskatchewan, still digging out of its latest storm this winter, a weekend blizzard.

The weather office at Edmonton said near-blizzard conditions would prevail in Saskatchewan this afternoon and tonight after striking northeastern Alberta earlier in the day.

Strong south winds will persist in Saskatchewan tonight but become light in Alberta late today.

As milder weather returned to western Alberta, south winds were increasing with drifting snow and bitterly cold temperatures in Saskatchewan.

GUESTS AT LETHBRIDGE

Strong winds prevailed in the "chinook" belt of southwestern Alberta with winds at Lethbridge 30 miles and hour and gusting to 40. Gusts of more than 50 were predicted for later in the day.

Bitter cold continued overnight in Saskatchewan where it was 37 below overnight at Prince Albert in the north and 25 below at Regina in the south.

Milder temperatures were recorded in Alberta with one above as the overnight low at Edmonton in the north and six below at Calgary in the south.

The weather office forecast maximums for today of 25 above at Edmonton, 30 at Calgary and 35 at Lethbridge and Medicine Hat.

Mining Firm Plans Tunnel

TORONTO — A mining company is considering construction of a 21-mile tunnel through coast mountain ranges to deliver water in northern British Columbia, it was announced Tuesday.

W. R. Bacon, B.C. Department of Mines geologist, said Granite Mines Ltd., may construct the all-Canadian tunnel from its valuable copper discoveries four miles from the south coast border of the Alaska panhandle to Stewart, B.C.

Mr. Bacon had mentioned plans for the tunnel at the annual convention of Prospectors and Developers association here Monday. He gave further details at an interview Tuesday.

He said a tunnel is the only feasible means of access to the property where company officials have discovered 25,000,000 lb. of copper ore.

The company is still investigating the tunnel plan. It has already rejected an undesirable 45-mile railway to the coast. Seventy per cent of the area to be covered is covered with the Algonquin timber, and the annual transcontinental freight trains, would carry near 100,000 tons of ore between the 45-acre property and the water.

Mr. Bacon said the company is still developing the property and it will be some years before it is in production.

Granite is totally owned by Granby Consolidated Mining Co., owners of the rich Copper Mountain mine near Princeton, B.C., and Newmont Mining Corp. of New York.

Youth Given Two-Year Term

A 20-year-old youth was sentenced Monday in police court to two years in Oakalla prison farm on each of two charges arising out of a break-in at Third Avenue residences last Friday.

Electing summary trial and pleading guilty to charges of breaking entry and theft and possession of stolen goods was Louis Tobias Derick.

Derick was charged with theft in connection with a break-in at the apartment of Samuel Julian, 621 1/2 Third Avenue and also with being in possession of clothing stolen from Joseph Cozart, 622 Third Avenue. Two-year term for being in possession of stolen property will run concurrently with the two-year sentence for theft.

Pro-Segregation Student Assails University Head

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A 20-year-old sophomore at the University of Alabama has called for a top-to-bottom housecleaning at the school and challenged authorities to throw him out for his views in favor of segregation.

University officials had no immediate comment on Tuesday night's remarks by Leonard Wilson, a student from Selma, home of the first "Citizens Council" in Alabama.

Wilson told a rally of the Association of Citizens' Councils of Alabama that the university's investigation of mob action which drove Negro co-ed Autherine Lucy from the campus was a "wily hand" and an "inquisition."

"The student quoted an Associated Press dispatch saying that Dr. Oliver Carmichael, president of the university, had said qualified Negro students might be admitted to the university if the board of trustees approved."

"DIDN'T HAVE COURAGE"

"He didn't have the courage to tell that to Alabama newspapers," Wilson declared.

The Associated Press story quoted dispatches from Birmingham to The New York Times and New York Herald-Tribune. There were shouts from the 2,000 persons of "throw him out" and "impeach him." The yells were in direct reference to Carmichael.

Wilson's appearance was preceded by that of state Senator Jim Johnson of Arkansas, a leader in the fight to prevent integration in public schools in that state.

Johnson drew cheers when he told the crowd: "You are either with us or against us in this. There is no middle ground in this fight."

Boy, Two Children Die As Fire Hits Cannery Worker's Home

Crippled Fishboat Found Safe

Has Galley Fire After Arrival

The storm-battered fishing vessel Westview, which survived yesterday's blinding snowstorm despite engine and steering gear trouble, was dealt a further blow this afternoon when fire broke out aboard the boat.

The Westview, which arrived at Fairview floats early this morning accompanied by the packer Zodiac Light, was the object of a search by several vessels at the height of the storm yesterday.

The Westview was moved up to the Imperial Oil Company dock this morning and at about 2 p.m. fire of undetermined origin broke out on the portside deck amidships. The motor of the Westview was started, it is reported, and put in gear before the crew members left her. The unattended ship crossed some 200 feet of water before ramming into the dock near the Albert and McCaffery offices at Cow Bay.

Onlookers kept the fire down by throwing snow on to the deck of the vessel, it is reported, until the arrival of the Prince Rupert fire department. Fire was soon brought under control.

Damage to the vessel was estimated by firemen to be slight.

The Westview was found safe at dusk yesterday after the storm abated 50 miles south of here alongside the Zodiac Light by the department of fisheries vessel Laurier which left here at 2 p.m. yesterday.

The Westview, owned and skippered by Mr. Alexei of Vancouver, radioed at noon yesterday that she had engine and steering gear trouble and was being battered by heavy seas.

The distress message received by Digby Island radio station said the crippled vessel was drifting in a blinding snowstorm and was lost. Heavy seas smashed a pilot house window on the Westview and also store in a lifeboat on the Zodiac Light, packer for the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative association which located the drifting vessel off the northern end of Banks Island.

Five other fishing boats which sought the Westview were earlier reported trapped along the north coast of rocky Banks Island, but later were said to be making their way to shelter safely.

The 113-foot Laurier, skippered by Capt. Jamieson which arrived back in Prince Rupert at 9 p.m. yesterday made the hazardous trip despite the fact that her radar set was out of commission, it was reported this morning.

The Zodiac Light, skippered by Capt. Andrew Christensen, left again this morning for the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Worker Killed At Kitimat

KITIMAT — Archie Stewart McDonald, 23, of Silverdale, B.C., a structural iron worker at Kitimat, was killed in a construction accident here Monday.

Mr. McDonald had been working in the northern town for two months.

WEATHER

Cloudy with scattered showers of wet snow today and Thursday. Little change in temperature. Winds northwest 25 around the Charlottes otherwise light. Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 30 and 30.



BE A CLOWN... BE A CLOWN — Veteran clown Lew Hershey puts a funny nose on a little girl from the audience at the Eugene Ware School in Fort Scott, Kansas, where he entertained 400 youngsters with his one-man circus. A circus funnyman for 51 years, Lew now specializes in touring schools throughout the U.S. and Canada with a one-man show.

Chamber To Join TLC In One "Appeal" Study

A proposal that the Chamber of Commerce work with the Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council to see what can be done to co-ordinate all local financial appeals into one annual drive was approved at the Chamber's monthly meeting.

R. K. Gervin Resigns TLC Position

VANCOUVER — Ronald K. Gervin, secretary of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council announced his resignation here Tuesday night at a meeting in the labor temple.

He gave no reason except to say he is moving "into a different position." He thanked delegates for their part in making his work in the council for the last 13 years "so enjoyable."

His resignation becomes effective Friday.

Herbert Doolan Heads Council At Kincolith

Herbert Doolan, sr., was elected to head the Kincolith village council for a two-year term at the village elections February 24. It has been learned here. He succeeded George Stewart.

Others elected to the council for two-year terms were William Stewart, treasurer; Solomon Doolan, secretary; Morris Haldane, John G. Moore, Cecil J. Barton and Benjamin Clayton, recording secretary.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA SIGNS PACT FOR CANADIAN WHEAT, BARLEY

OTTAWA — Czechoslovakia today signed an agreement to buy between \$5,000,000 and \$17,000,000 worth of "middle-grade" Canadian wheat during the next year, Dr. Bohoslav Cernoh, Czechoslovakian commercial attache in Montreal, said today.

He said the agreement was signed this morning by federal trade officials and members of a Czech trade mission now visiting Canada. It called for the purchase of at least 3,700,000 but not more than 11,840,000 bushels of wheat.

An official of the Czech trade delegation also said Tuesday night that Czechoslovakia has purchased 40,000 tons of Canadian barley — approximately 1,800,000 bushels. At current prices the sale would amount to roughly \$2,052,000.

Mother, Baby Flee Port Edward Blaze

A youth and two children died last night in a roaring 20-minute fire that swept a home in the midst of the Indian village adjacent to Nelson Brothers Fisheries Ltd., cannery at Port Edward.

A young mother and her child escaped the blaze which broke out when an oil stove blew up exploding a naphtha gas lamp which turned the living quarters of the one-and-a-half storey dwelling into a sea of flame.

Dead are:

Barbara Catherine McNeil, 3, and Velma Reece, 12 months, adopted daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, and Edward Johnson, 19, their son.

Rushing downstairs with her own five-month old infant in her arms, when the explosion occurred, was 18-year-old Dorothy Johnson, daughter-in-law of the Johnsons and wife of Stanley Johnson, 20, another son. Both Stanley and Mr. Johnson senior, were on shift at the cannery's herring reduction plant when the fire broke out about 9 p.m.

The Nelson Brothers volunteer fire department rushed to the fire which occurred in duplex No. 45 and No. 47, one home in a long row of buildings which house the fish plant workers. The Prince Rupert fire department was called but Port Edward firefighters had the blaze out by the time city firemen arrived.

Both volunteer firemen and neighbors tried to get into the blazing home to reach the children but were beaten back by the intense heat.

A charred baby buggy, in which the baby lay downstairs, was pulled out of the smoking ruins of the gutted home, too late. Prince Rupert firemen in removing the bodies, found the three-year-old girl across her bed upstairs. The youth, was found near the door which led upstairs and it is believed that he was on his way upstairs to try and reach Barbara when he was overcome with smoke.

Only prompt action of the Port Edward firemen prevented the fire from spreading to the other houses which are approximately four feet apart.

Mrs. Johnson senior was treated for shock by a doctor from Miller Bay hospital who arrived about 11 p.m.

INQUEST SET

An inquest was scheduled at Ferguson Funeral Home for 3 o'clock this afternoon with Coroner Larry Pruden of Terrace presiding but it was understood that Mr. Pruden had been delayed by a slide on Highway 16, and the inquest might be delayed.

Besides his parents, Edward Johnson is survived by four brothers, William Jr., Floyd, Robert and Stanley and a sister Alberta.

Unknown to them, the fire occurred while Robert and Floyd were playing basketball at the Civic Centre last night.

Firemen Attend Two Calls On Same Run

Prince Rupert fire department was called to two fires almost simultaneously last night.

The first call saw them on the way to a chimney fire at the home of Allan Prevost, 1443 Pigott Avenue. While on the way there a call was radioed to the fire truck that there was a fire aboard the gillnetter Jiggs, owned by Titus Campbell at Cow Bay. The firemen turned around, went down to the Jiggs and extinguished the blaze with a dry chemical. Damage to the boat was estimated at about \$150.

The firemen then went to attend to Mr. Prevost's chimney fire and extinguished it before any damage was done to the Prevost home.

Herring Catch Sets New Record

British Columbia fishermen are harvesting the greatest herring catch ever recorded on the Pacific Coast according to a bulletin issued by the Department of fisheries.

Catch figures up until February 25 show 213,000 tons had been netted on the coast this season, or 2,000 tons more than the previous record herring catch in 1953-54.

By far the largest body of fish is in the Queen Charlotte Islands where the total catch to date is 89,000 tons. Storm conditions prevented fishing yesterday in the non-quota QCL area, but four sets are in the water today.

In Prince Rupert harbor yesterday and Monday, some 567 tons of herring were taken bringing the season total up to 10,653 tons on a quota of 30,000 tons.

Entire District 2 herring operations will close down March 10 until June 1 to allow herring to spawn.

Central sub-district was closed to herring fishing March 1 when quota of 50,000 tons was reached. Original quota for central sub-district of 40,000 tons was given a 10,000-ton extension late last year when a large body of good quality herring was discovered.

Terrorists Defy British With Bombings

NICOSIA, Cyprus (Reuters) — The noise of terrorist bomb explosions sounded during the night as Greek Cypriots defied intensified British measures to stamp out their campaign violence on this Mediterranean island.

A Greek Cypriot youth was fatally injured by a bomb splinter when terrorists hurled a grenade at a British army patrol car near Peyia, north of the west coast port of Paphos.

Terrorists, pressing Greek Cypriot demands for merger of Cyprus with Greece, also threw two bombs at a police station in Morphou, 25 miles west of Nicosia. The bombs caused damage but no casualties.

The outbreaks followed the biggest search carried out by British troops in Nicosia since the wave of violence reached its present pitch a year ago. Troops Tuesday night stopped cars all over this capital and carefully searched drivers and passengers. Other soldiers warily covered them with machine-guns from doorways.

Six Greek Cypriot youths were sentenced today to life imprisonment when they pleaded guilty to carrying arms and ammunition last December. They were arrested on a lonely country lane near where terrorists had attacked a police station the previous night and killed a British officer.

PRINCESS IS PRESIDENT

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, England (Reuters) — Princess Margaret Tuesday was elected president of the University College of North Staffordshire and will be installed in June. She succeeds the Earl of Harrowby, who has resigned because—at 91—he feels he is too old.