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95 PER CENT IN FAVOR

Woodworkers Vote For Strike Action

VANCOUVER (CP)—More than 95 per cent of votes cast in a union ballot by 30,000 British Columbia lumber workers favor strike action in support of a 20-per-cent wage increase demand, it was announced today.

District President Joe Morris of the International Woodworkers of America said he has asked the provincial Department of Labor to set a date for a government-sponsored strike vote requested by employers in the province's biggest industry.

PM Awaiting Service Vote

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said today he will make no announcement until Monday as to whether his government will resign or remain in office.

He told reporters after a 2½ hour cabinet meeting that he will await the results of the soldiers vote before making any announcement. The vote, he said, is expected late Saturday or Sunday.

He said that it would not be proper to "formulate a decision" until the service ballots were counted.

Airline Starts Daily Service To Alaska

Ellis Airlines will now have daily flights between Prince Rupert and Ketchikan, Alaska, except Sundays. Carl Lundstrom, British Columbia agent for the airline said today.

Pacific Western Airlines has cancelled their Wednesday service. Ellis will operate its twin-engine Cramm Goose eight-passenger aircraft leaving Seal Cove at 1:30 p.m. city time, with connections to Seattle and all Alaska.

WEATHER

Cloudy with sunny periods today and Saturday. A few afternoon showers today mainly in the southern part. Not much change in temperature. Winds light. Low tonight and high Saturday at Port Hardy 48 and 60; Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 48 and 67.

Daily News Photos by Dick Ayres
START AND FINISH of gruelling two-mile road race in pouring rain Wednesday between Booth Memorial Junior-Senior High School houses is shown above. Fifteen out of 16 starters in top picture finished the race. John Lambie, second from right, with cap, collapsed during run and was taken to hospital for a medical check-up; later pronounced fit. In picture below, Don McLeod (at right) of Alpha House cuts tape inches ahead of teammate Richard Miller (6) and Robin Cameron. Fred Ridley, who came in seventh added three team-mates to win T. Norton Youngs shield for Alpha House.

Algoma Park Site Urged For City Golf Course

Representatives of the Parks Board and other interested people met last night with Nathan Cornfoot, a retired golfing professional, to discuss with him proposals for a golf course in Algoma Park.

Those present were Parks board chairman R. L. Eby and Commissioner Duncan McRae, A. J. Dominato of the Gyro Club and golfer R. Yerxa, Carl Gustafson, city superintendent of works, and Peter McGovern, planning assistant.

Mr. Cornfoot suggested that a driving range should be constructed as an initial project. This would provide a source of income while the rest of the course was in construction.

It was agreed that a nine-hole golf course was the most that should be planned for in the final project.

Mr. Gustafson gave advice on the economics of filling various areas, and their suitability for a golf course. He pointed out that if the Algoma Park baseball diamond were to be completed first, it would be two years before a start could be made on the golf course land.

It was thought that the area west of the ball park, lying between Ninth Avenue and the creek should be looked into as a possible site for a driving range. Mr. McGovern suggested that it would be wise to have a long-term plan for the whole park area before anything further is constructed there.

He agreed to prepare a flexible plan which would include a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, bridge paths and an artificial lake.

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti (CP)—The government of provisional President Daniel Fignole was overthrown today in a military coup. It was the fifth government to be unseated in this troubled Negro Caribbean republic since last December.

Hiccupsless Birthday Anticipated
VANCOUVER (CP)—Joyce Brown, 17, who has hiccuped her way through most of three years, hopes to celebrate her 18th birthday Saturday without a hiccup.

Joyce left hospital two weeks ago after 20 days treatment, and hasn't had an attack since. But what stopped the recurring "hics" is a secret between Joyce and her doctor.

The doctor does not want to announce a cure until he can be sure it has worked for good.

FINAL RESULTS SHOW HOWARD BOOSTED LEAD SINCE MONDAY

Wrap-up of the June 10 federal election count for the Skeena riding was reported today by returning officer E. Victor Whiting, when the results from Shamos came in.

Edward T. Applewhite (Lib) was given one vote in Shamos, Frank Howard (CCP) five, and Duncan Kerr of the Progressive Conservatives, none.

Final number of ballots cast is: Applewhite 4,010; Howard 5,408; Kerr 3,522.

That means that Mr. Howard has increased his lead over Mr. Applewhite since election day by 10 to 642, and over Mr. Kerr by 60 to 1,002.

Salary Increase Granted Federal Civil Servants

Armed Services, RCMP Included

OTTAWA (CP)—A general 6-per-cent increase in salaries for the civil service, members of the armed forces and RCMP was announced today by Finance Minister Walter Harris.

The increase will cost the treasury about \$110,000,000 a year.

The increases for the same 140,000 members of the federal civil service will range from 3½ to 12 per cent. The general average will be about 6 per cent.

Mr. Harris said:

"It is proposed that all increases date from May 1, 1957."

Pay Boost Formula Sought

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier Bennett said Thursday the government is looking for some formula by which it can constitutionally grant salary increases to civil servants this year.

This may have to take the form of a retroactive increase at the next legislature session in the spring of 1958, he told a press conference.

Mr. Bennett indicated the government is not considering calling a special session to grant the increases.

The government hopes to be able to grant increases without increasing the burden on taxpayers, by reducing the size of the civil service, the premier said.

All government departments had been advised to reduce their numbers. This will not be done by firings, Mr. Bennett said, but by not hiring replacements when government employees retire or resign.

The 11,000 members of the B.C. Government Employees association are going ahead, meanwhile, with a strike vote.

Medium, Large Price Same At 19.6 Cents

Price for large halibut rose to 19.6 cents a pound at the Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange today. Pacific Fisheries Co. Ltd. bought 38,000 pounds of halibut landed by an American boat, the Coolidge, paying 19.6 cents a pound for medium and large sizes, 19 cents a pound for chicken.

A second American boat, Ilene, landed 62,000 pounds, bought by B.C. Packers Ltd. Prices for medium, large and chicken halibut were 19, 18.7 and 10 cents a pound.

Silver Rose brought in 42,000 pounds of halibut, which sold to Babcock Fisheries Ltd. at 18, 18.2 and 11 cents a pound for medium, large and chicken sizes.

P. Doreen landed 23,000 pounds of halibut at the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association.

Two Year Term For Break-in

William Thomas Anthony Sanford was sentenced to two years in the B.C. Penitentiary yesterday for breaking and entering the Unemployment Insurance Commission Office with intent to commit an indictable offence.

Sanford pleaded guilty to the charge when he appeared before Police Magistrate S. D. Johnston in City Police court.

Police said Sanford had entered the office through the back door and had broken open the cash drawer, which was empty. Nothing had been stolen from the building.

TOP RCE BAND ARRIVES HERE TO GIVE TWO FREE CONCERTS

The Royal Canadian Engineers' band from Camp Chilliwack, considered one of the finest in Canada, arrived in the city today by bus, under the leadership of Captain Albert Brown, officer in charge.

The 35-piece band, which has been playing to packed houses in Europe, the Far East and across Canada during its three years of operation, will present two free public concerts in the Civic Centre tonight at 8 and Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Composed mainly of English and Dutch musicians, the band's two-hour concert will be composed of both band and popular music.

Tomorrow night the dance band section of the orchestra will play for a formal invitational military ball at the Armories on Sixth Avenue West.

Also arriving to greet the band are Major Paul L. Roth, senior personnel officer for British Columbia, Major John Cook, of Army HQ, Vancouver and Lieut. R. A. L. Forbes, recruiting officer.

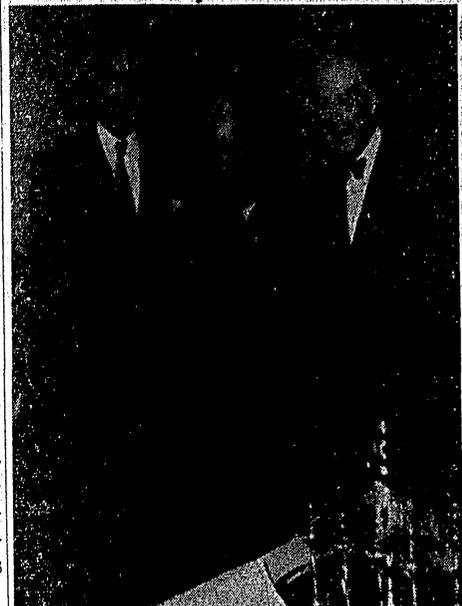


Photo by T. S. Haupt
BIG MOMENT in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. May, is shown above during retirement party given for Mr. May last Friday. Mr. May, assistant locomotive foreman at the Canadian National Railways retired after 13 years with the CNR. Locomotive foreman Cecil McCarthy (left) presented Mr. May with a cocktail set on behalf of the CNR employees, and Mrs. May received a bouquet of red roses.

ON 71st ANNIVERSARY

Two Vancouver Plants Destroyed by Flames

VANCOUVER (CP)—Two major fires Thursday night recalled a night exactly 71 years earlier when the whole of young Vancouver was turned to cinder.

At 7:45 p.m. PDT Thursday a three-alarm fire broke out in the large Pacific General Motors Co. building in downtown Vancouver and within 1½ hours had destroyed the building. Damage was estimated at \$500,000.

Three hours later, at 10:45 p.m. a blaze was reported at the Bestwood Cedar Shingle Co. Ltd. in a remote area of suburban Burnaby. It developed into a general-alarm fire. All off-duty firemen and Burnaby department equipment were called to the scene.

No estimate of damage was immediately available.

71st ANNIVERSARY

The day was the 71st anniversary of what has come to be called the "great fire." Some 2,500 persons were left homeless, eight bodies were recovered and damage was estimated at \$1,000,000.

A cloud like that of a nuclear explosion mushroomed over Vancouver as the two-year-old Pacific GM truck sales and service centre went up in flames. Some 3,500 spectators were attracted to the busy intersection by flames soaring 50 into the air.

One of 15 men working in the half-block-square building at the time said the blaze apparently started from a welder being used to repair an engine.

Two Big Fires In District Almost Out

Two fires at Shaft Creek and Donso Lake that have been raging over an area of 5,500 acres for several days are almost extinguished, Prince Rupert district forester Percy Young said today.

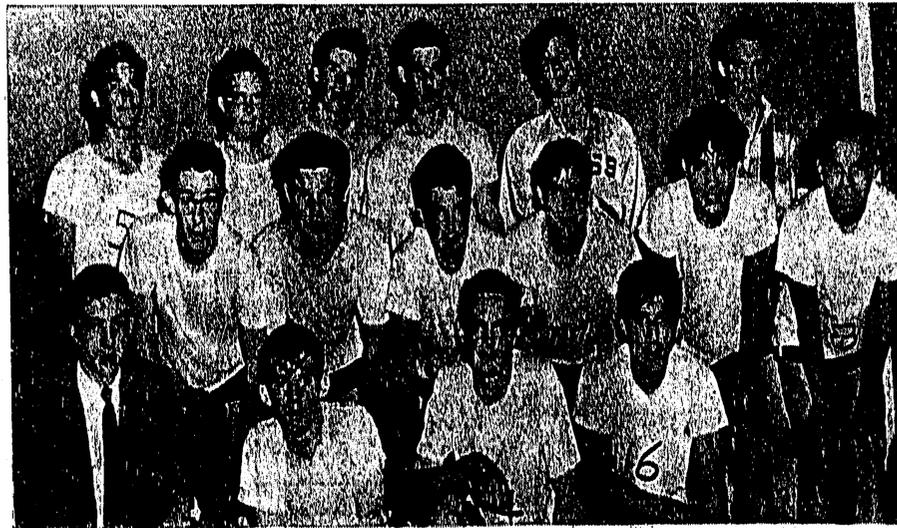
Two minor blazes at Cronh Babine Road and Telkwa are well under control.

An additional three fires that started this week but were struck out brings the season total to 48.

John Home

OTTAWA (CP)—John Diefenbaker received a tumultuous welcome as he arrived here to hold crucial talks with Prime Minister St. Laurent.

The victorious Progressive Conservative leader found a crowd of several hundred people waiting for him at nearby Uplands Airport. Some cried "Welcome, Mr. prime minister!" and "God bless you!"



Daily News Photo by Dick Ayres
EXHAUSTED AFTER RACE, runners halt in high school gymnasium for group photo. In bottom row the three front runners are, left to right, Don McLeod (first), Robin Cameron (third), and Richard Miller (second). At extreme left is trainer and Booth teacher Ernie Novakowsky. Others in picture are Kim Mah, Robert Strand, Fred Ridley, Brian Kellough, Judd Anderson, Jack Anderson, Bill Mussel, Allan Campbell, Hans Doran, Alvin Nystad, Tony Wilson, Jim Johnson, Alan Laird, Gordon Ranson, Ray Sklopaky, Larry Eby.