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WEATHER

Rain beginning Saturday evening. Little change in temperature. Winds increasing Saturday afternoon to southeast 30. Low tonight and high Saturday at Prince Rupert 45 and 55.

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High	3:17	20.5 feet
	15:09	22.2 feet
Low	9:07	6.4 feet
	21:47	2.6 feet

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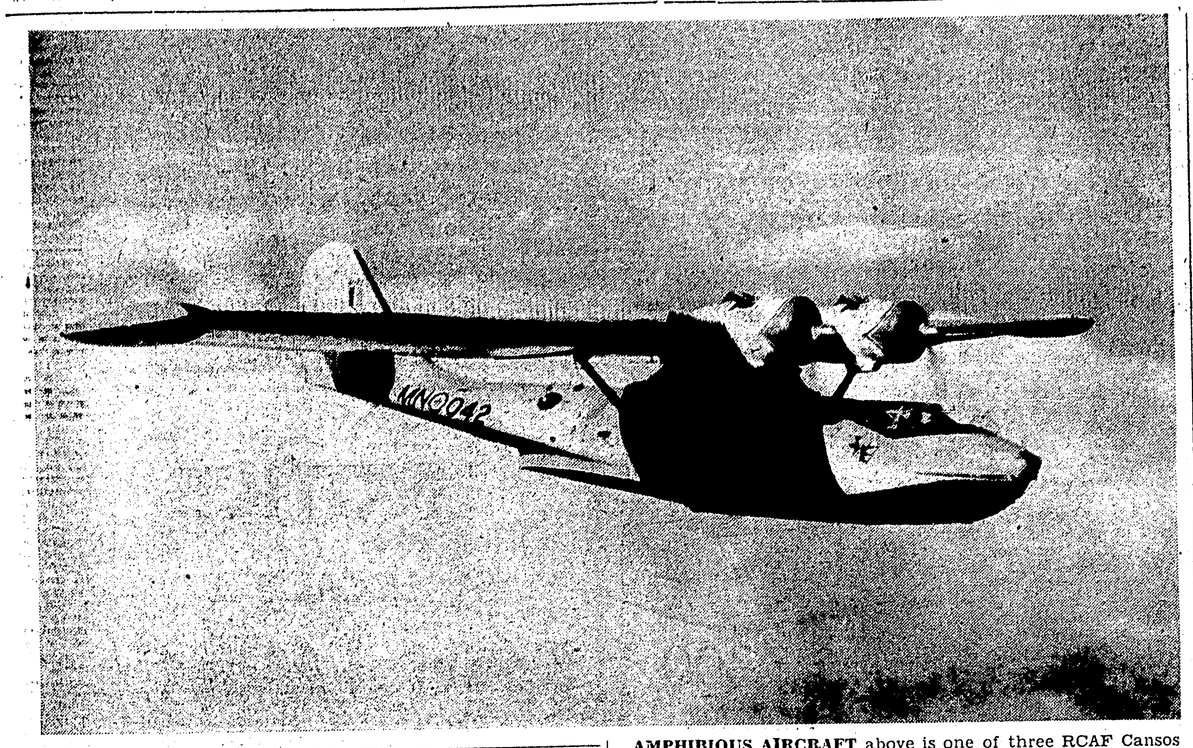

AMPHIBIOUS AIRCRAFT above is one of three RCAF Cansos which will arrive at the beginning of next week on a training flight. The three aircraft are scheduled to arrive Monday or Tuesday, depending on weather conditions and are slated to take members of Prince Rupert Air Cadet Squadron 559 on familiarization flights. The flights are expected to leave Seal Cove Air Base about 3 p.m. Tuesday.
(National Defence Photo)

Vancouver Said Violator Of Act With Golf Course

Same As Baseball Asserts Prosecutor

VANCOUVER (CP)—If you can't watch baseball on Sundays in Vancouver, it may be equally illegal to pay the city corporation for a game of pitch-and-putt on a miniature golf course.

City prosecutor Stewart McMorran startled members of the Vancouver police commission Thursday night when he told them he had named the city, his employer, as a violator of the Lord's Day Act.

Brig. William Murphy, a commission member, urged that action be taken against radio broadcasting stations and the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra for breaking the law.

Other commission members begged off making a decision on this request and will consider it again at the next meeting.

A spokesman for the Lord's Day Alliance, asked for comment, said he favored eliminating advertising from Sunday broadcasting but declined to commit his organization to a stand on the pitch-and-putt course.

RUNS FULL CIRCLE

In pointing his finger at the city, Mr. McMorran brought the whole question of Sunday commercial activities to full circle.

In December, 1955, the council asked voters by plebiscite whether they wanted to have commercial sport on Sunday afternoons. The answer was an uncertain yes—the margin being less than 2,000 in favor among 75,000 people who voted.

Failed To Take Initiative

But the city council decided not to press the provincial government to amend its charter to allow Sunday paid sport and the Social Credit government declined to take the initiative.

This same reluctance to make the first move continued through last summer when the Vancouver Mounties played three Sunday baseball doubleheaders here in defiance of the ban. The Mounties were finally brought to court and fined $50 on each of three counts of infringing the Lord's Day Act.

SHOULD SEEK OFFENDERS

Brig. Murphy asked an end to the commission's passive role and urged it to actively seek offenders. In the past, the prosecutor has been directed to place information with the attorney-general, leaving it to him to decide if the case should be prosecuted.

Parks Board, City Reported

Mr. McMorran said his report to the attorney-general named James Tainsh, manager of the pitch-and-putt course; Phil Stroyan, superintendent of the parks board which administers the course in Stanley Park; and the city.

Brig. Murphy was asked to put his ideas in the form of a motion for consideration next month.

He said he has a financial interest in one of the city's broadcasting companies.

"It is now our duty to enforce the Lord's Day Act in every particular," Brig. Murphy said. "It is inconceivable that we should enforce the act against one and not others, and I for one will have no part of it."

ELIMINATE ADVERTISING

The secretary for the Lord's Day Alliance in B.C. and Alberta, Rev. Harold T. Allen, commented that he considered the law quite clear on the subject of broadcasting:

"The law states there shall be no advertising on Sundays. We say: 'Let them do business six days of the week and broadcast without advertising Sundays'."

The alliance, he said, is not concerned with trivialities and he didn't think Mr. Bonner would worry about the pitch-and-putt course.

He also declined direct comment on the orchestra but said he understood the symphony wanted to change to weekday concerts as soon as a proper auditorium is available. Tickets for the Sunday concerts at a downtown movie house now are sold before midnight Saturdays. The Mounties used the same sales system for their Sunday games.

"Contrary to some opinion," Rev. Allen said, "we don't go around hunting up troubles here and there. We aren't old fogies. But we are doing everything to keep commercialized Sunday sport away from the scene in Vancouver."

Medical Plan Approved

First Deductions Made This Month

VICTORIA (CP)— The new medical plan for provincial civil servants—with the government paying half the cost—will go into effect almost immediately.

A formal agreement was approved by the cabinet to become effective Nov. 1, but the first premiums will be deducted from this month's pay cheques.

Directors of the B.C. Government Employees Medical Services meet this weekend to formally ratify the agreement.

Under the agreement the board of directors of the Medical Services Society now will be made up of half government appointees and half elected from the membership of the society.

Premiums for single employees with no dependents will be $1.50 per month, compared with $2.75 previously, and $4 monthly for employees with one or more dependents.

Under the present scheme there is a graduated scale based on the number of dependents. A revision was planned before the government decided this summer to enter the plan.

Deductions will be made as before of the legislature who are now brought into the scheme will pay annually.

WHAT THE well-dressed man on the moon may look like in the possibly not-so-distant future is displayed by this scientist in Beverly Hills, California. The space suit is being tested inside the Litton Industries Inhabited High Vacuum Labroatory, where space conditions are simulated. The outer cover of the protective suit has been removed to show the arm and hand construction which permits mobility.

Government Changes Grant Act

VICTORIA (CP) — The government made a new "interpretation" of the provincial homeowner grant act Thursday, relaxing the application of the $28 tax rebate.

The action was taken on the eve of the annual Social Credit convention, where the rebate is expected to be one of the most contentious issues.

Under the new order sent out to municipal tax collectors, the $28 now will be paid to homeowners who have another house on their property which is rented.

It is a complete reversal of another order which went out Sept. 20 making the opposite interpretation.

The matter is of primary concern in the interior, where ranchers and fruit-growers frequently have a second house on their property for hired help.

Previously they could not collect the $28, while a duplex owner in the city, who lived in one half and rented the other was eligible.

The move was seen as a step to take some of the pressure off the government at the convention.

DAMAGE MINOR

Fisheries Vessel Refloated on Tide

The Canadian Department of Fisheries patrol boat Laurier was refloated with minor damage and 15 persons safe shortly before noon today after being stuck for about five hours on a rock at Port Canal, on the west coast of Queen Charlotte Islands.

Crew members pumped out 18 inches of water and cables connected with hand winches held the 113-foot vessel upright, as rising tide carried her off the ledge at 11:12 a.m.

The Laurier, stationed in Vancouver, struck a rock four feet under the surface at about 6 o'clock this morning at low tide.

Fisheries department officials could not say what caused the grounding.

When Prince Rupert received the call from the stranded vessel, the CGS Alexander MacKenzie, Department of Transport light tender, and the Sooke Post, Fisheries patrol boat, were immediately dispatched to the scene. Neither vessel had reached its destination by the time the Laurier was refloated.

Also alerted and heading for Port Chanal this morning was the United States Coast Guard vessel Campbell.

Captain C. W. Earnshaw, 12 crewmembers and two passengers went ashore in boats after the grounding.

The Laurier was leaning against the rock at a 50-degree angle.

Later in the forenoon, the captain reported in a ship-shore telephone conversation with Prince Rupert that cable connection between shore and ship had been established to keep the boat from tilting.

The whole operation was carried out in calm water. After being refloated, the Laurier continued her inspection tour of the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Farm Aid Bill Well Received On First Vote

OTTAWA (CP)—One of the government's major election pledges—a $150,000,000 proposal to provide Prairie growers with interest-free cash advances on farm-stored grain—has cleared its first Commons hurdle in a 138-3 vote.

The legislation, which Prime Minister Diefenbaker hopes to have in operation by Nov. 1, comes before the House today for detailed scrutiny. But Thursday's initial discussion indicated it will get fairly swift passage.

Gangland Chief Slain By Two Masked Men

NEW YORK (AP) — Albert Anastasia, gangland chieftain, was shot and killed today by two masked men in a hotel barber shop.

The gunmen pumped three bullets into Anastasia as he sat in a barber chair, with the barber's white apron around him, at the Hotel Park Sheraton in the heart of Manhattan.

Anastasia, one of gangland's major figures for many years, was reputed to be the chief executioner for the old Brooklyn kill-for-pay ring — Murder Incorporated. He had been implicated in at least 31 murders.

FLED BY CAR

The men fled along West 55th Street by automobile.

Identification was made by a brother, Anthony (Tough Tony) Anastasia, Brooklyn dock boss who left weeping after viewing the body on the floor of the barber shop.

The killing took place about 10:20 a.m.

Scores of police immediately swarmed into the hotel and kept everyone out of the barber shop. time could be seen through glass doors of the shop.

Anastasia, 53, had lived something of a charmed life. He beat five different murder charges, as well as an attempt on his life six years ago.

Atfer the 1951 attempt to kill him, the New York anti-crime committee reported that he had been ordered to get out of town or face gangland execution.

Ice Thwarts Peace River Ferry Plan

FORT ST. JOHN, B.C. (CP)—A struggle to replace the Alaska Highway suspension bridge which collapsed at Taylor Flats, B.C., with a ferry was frustrated Thursday when ice froze over the Peace River.

The Canadian army, which operates the Alaska Highway system, worked all night in 11-degree weather to keep a 60-ton ferry moving across the river but ice finally won. Two scow tugs aided the freight-hauling ferry.

OTTAWA (CP)—Defence Minister Pearkes said Thursday it is the federal government's responsibility to maintain traffic on the Alaska Highway, but he gave no definite statement as to whether it will rebuild the bridge over the Peace River at Taylor, B.C., which collapsed recently.

The question of rebuilding the bridge was raised in the Commons by Frank Christian SC-Okanagan-Boundary.

Mr. Pearkes said the bridge is part of the northwest highway system which the federal government must maintain as a military highway. Unless an alternate route were found, traffic would have to be maintained.

He said earlier this week that a railway bridge near the site of the fallen highway bridge will be used to restore traffic within three weeks.

Two Nabbed as Bandits In $26,657 Bank Holdup

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—Two bandits, using a fast shuttle of planes and automobiles, robbed the First State Bank of Fort Meade of $26,657 at gunpoint Thursday.

One man was arrested at a Tampa airport and another in an auto accident several hours after the robbers released a captured constable and escaped in a running gunfight with pursuers.

Sherriff Ed Blackburn said Irvin Suits, 26, arrested in a car mishap, admitted he took part in the holdup and named Donald J. Thompson, 32, as his companion.

Suits confessed after several hours questioning and identification by three witnesses that he and Thompson had planned the holdup and practiced the plane manoeuvers. Suits was reported ready to lead police to the place the money was hidden.

Thompson is a pilot for a Tampa construction firm. He was arrested at Tampa International Airport as he returned a Cessna belonging to the firm and matching the description of one used by the bandits. He denied any knowledge of the crime.

USED TWO PLANES

Two planes were involved—the Cessna and an Aeronca stolen in Winter Haven by one of two men who flew to the field in the Cessna.

Apparently the men separately flew the planes to a small field at Plant City, went together in the Aeronca to Fort Meade, returned to Plant City after the holdup, left the Aeronca there and flew the Cessna back to Tampa.

Suits, a Tampa plane broker, was picked up after his car was involved in an accident in Tampa. In the car were two pairs of coveralls similar to those worn by the robbers.

The men were charged with armed robbery and auto theft.

Sommers Fails To Appear

VANCOUVER (CP) — Robert E. Sommers, former British Columbia lands and forests minister, failed to appear Thursday for medical examination ordered by a judge to decide whether his 22-month-old slander suit against a Vancouver lawyer should be further adjourned.

His non-appearance may mean dismissal of the case when it reopens Monday.

Puir Lad Didn'a Know Difference

TIMMINS — Two bright young housewives were busy shopping in a Timmins store Thursday. One said to the boy packing the groceries: "aist pit them 'a in the yin bag, laddie."

The boy looked puzzled. Then his face brightened and he said: "I'm sorry, lady, I don't speak French."

"Neither dae we," was the rejoinder from the ladies frae Fife, newly arrived to join their husbands here.

Local Scouters To Hold Talks Monday Night

District Boy Scouts Field Commissioner Joseph Turner of Prince George will arrive in the city Saturday to confer with the Prince Rupert Boy Scout association, District Commission E. A. Williamson reported today.

A meeting at 8 p.m. Monday in the Civic Centre is being staged for all leaders, group committee members and interested persons. At this meeting the association will complete plans for a leadership training course to be held here early next month, Mr. Williamson said.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TUESDAY

Centre Directors Urged To Recruit Canvassers

Civic Centre directors last night were urged to recruit volunteer canvassers among friends and members to make the October 29 membership drive a "resounding success".

Alderman T. Norton Youngs, campaign chairman, told the board of directors that a great number of volunteers is required in order to cover every home in Prince Rupert next Tuesday.

Stressing the need for adult membership, he said:

Some families take out memberships for one or two juniors and feel they have done enough. However, everyone will realize that it costs a great deal more than the nominal $2 fee to look after a child for the entire year."

Speaking on the services provided by the Civic Centre, Mr. Youngs said people from other communities were constantly "amazed" at the size of the building, the varied programs for children and adults alike, and the fact that volunteer labor is building an indoor swimming pool.

He also expressed pride in the fact that Prince Rupert had no real juvenile delinquency problem, such as was apparent in many other cities.

"At least part of the credit for this goes to successful operation of a community centre," he said.

Concluding, Mr. Youngs urged all citizens who want to volunteer as canvassers to gather at the Civic Centre at 7 p.m. October 29 for a short briefing on the drive.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. cost of living rose by one-tenth of one per cent during September, the 13th monthly advance in a row, the labor department reported today.

The department's consumer price index rose to 121.1 per cent of the 1947-49 average. That was an increase of 3.4 per cent from a year ago.

Suspension Not Affecting Canadian Group

OTTAWA (CP) — The AFL-CIO suspension of the huge International Teamsters Union will have no automatic effect on the relationship between the union and the Canadian Labor Congress, CLC executive vice-president Gordon Cushing said today.

The teamsters were suspended at Washington Thursday until president-elect James R. Hoffa and other allegedly corrupt officials are evicted from the union.

The teamsters have 33,000 members in Canada, making them one of this country's largest labor groups.

"We see no reason why the Canadian membership of the union should be penalized for something that is happening in the United States," Mr. Cushing said.

Daniel Szewezuk Funeral Held

Requiem mass was sung this morning at the Church of the Annunciation for Daniel Szewezuk, longtime city resident who died Monday at the age of 75.

Rev. Robert Dalton officiated. Six city employees acted as pallbearers at Fairview cemetery where interment took place.

They were: Michael Corkery, Michael Corney, Lars Olson, C. P. Rudolph, E. T. Thomas and E. A. Evans.

Bing Crosby, New Bride Honeymooning at Ranch

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Bing Crosby, 53, and his new bride, actress Kathryn Grant, 23, are honeymooning near here at the singer's ranch.

The couple arrived by plane Thursday after a surprise marriage in Las Vegas, Nev.

After the ceremony, the wedding party drove to the Sands Hotel for a post-wedding breakfast. A reporter addressed the bright-eyed bride as "Mrs. Crosby."

"Mrs. Crosby," she sighed. "Say that again."

A scattering of fans met the Crosbys when their plane landed here. Bing seemed slightly nervous when friends and strangers pushed forward to offer their congratulations. The bride stood modestly aside.

Asked how she felt she replied: "Wonderful. Don't I look it."

Asked whether now, as the wife of one of the entertainment world's wealthiest figures, she intends to continuing her acting career, Mrs. Crosby said:

"That's up to my husband."

"She can do anything she wants," said Bing.

In Hollywood, Bing's brother, Bob, commented: "He needed something like this. Bing was a very lonely man."

Kathy, a vivacious girl with a degree in fine arts from the University of Texas, has been Bing's most serious romance since the death of his first wife, Dixie Lee, in November of 1952.

Woman Charged After Shooting

KELOWNA (CP) — Police said Thursday a 44-year-old woman, Mrs. Marion Pearce, has been charged with attempted murder following the shooting of her 21-year-old son late Wednesday afternoon.

In hospital in serious condition is Donald William Pearce, farm laborer and gardener. Royal Canadian Mounted Police said he had been shot in the chest and groin by bullets from a .22 rifle.

New NES Office

OTTAWA (CP) — Labor Minister Starr announced Thursday in the Commons that the national employment service will set up an office in Quesnel, B.C., as a branch of the Prince George, B.C. regional office.

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