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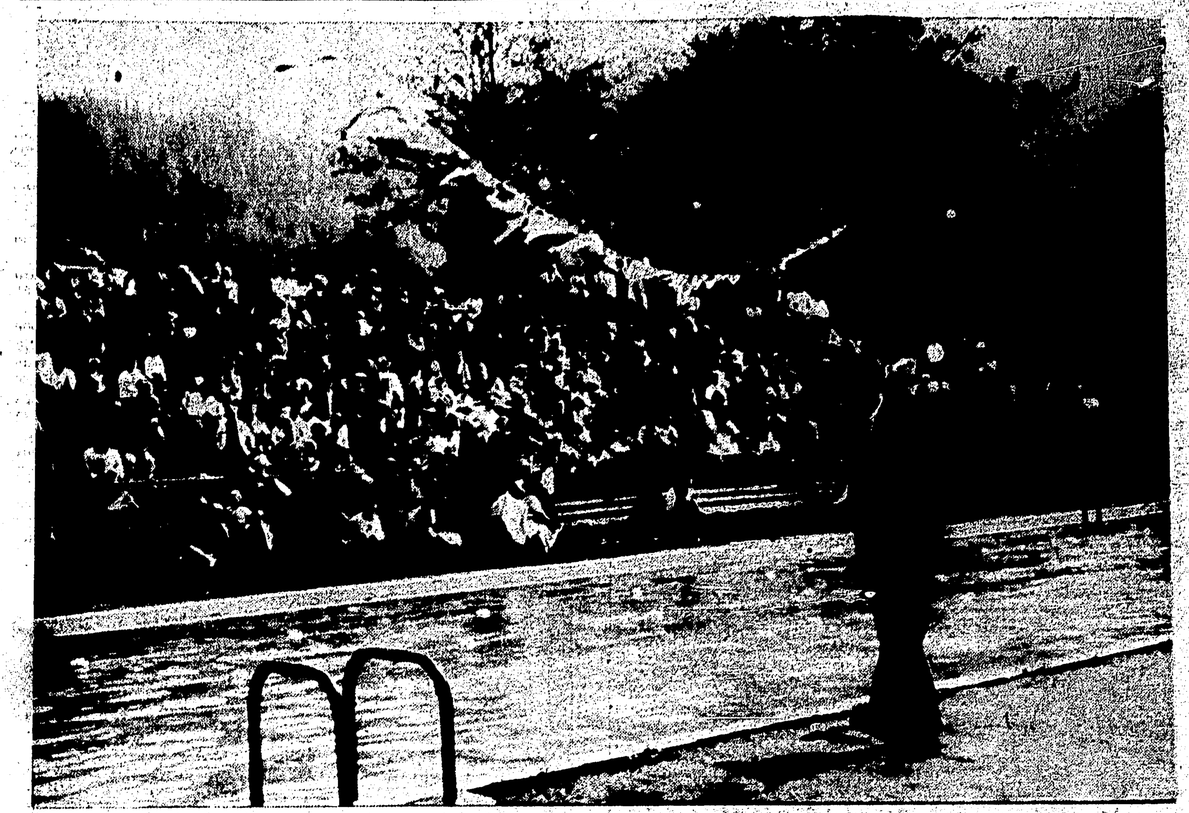


LARGE CROWD of enthusiastic spectators is shown here witnessing the Labor Day swim meet at Gyro pool Monday. Between 400 and 500 fans sat through the varied three-hour program. More pictures of the swim meet are printed on page four of today's edition of t heDaily News. —Staff photo.

Extensive month's work on pool project needed

At least 25 men per night required

A call for 25 volunteer workers a night to help complete the Civic Centre indoor swimming pool and prevent it becoming a "white elephant," was issued today by the special committee on the swimming pool project.

E. P. O'Neal, chairman of the pool publicity committee said that it was extremely important that the pool be finished as soon as possible before interest in the project dies out altogether.

He said that $11,000 worth of labor had been expended on the pool project thus far and that the work has now passed the half-way mark.

Following a meeting of the committee last night it was decided to set up teams headed by captains to work on separate nights and thus start a chain of working days that will continue until the pool is completed.

"The reason that it is so important to get as much work done in a short time as possible is that many of the forms currently being used will have to be used again when the side walls of the pool are poured," Mr. O'Neal said. He added that it then takes two to three weeks for the cement to harden.

WILL CONTACT VOLUNTEERS

He said that the pool committee will be getting in touch with all volunteers who have signed pledges and they will be asked to join up on teams and work under team captains every night.

Main cause of the slow down on the pool work was due to the long hot summer, vacations and the fact that many persons who planned to work on the pool had outside chores of their own to attend to, Mr. O'Neal said.

He said that after the tremendous showing of youngsters at the Labor Day swimming gala, no time should be lost in providing swimming facilities for children during the winter time.

CAN'T LAG BEHIND

"With year-round swimming available here Prince Rupert should soon catch up with places such as Ocean Falls," the pool publicity committee chairman said.

He repeated his plea for present volunteers to turn out in full force and also said that "new blood" was needed.

"We can still use every available person who has a few hours to give such a worthy project," he said.

"We mustn't let the pool project become stagnant or like a white elephant on which no progress is being made."

Grain ship picketed

A 16,000-ton Greek vessel sailing under Monrovian registry is sitting idle at the Canadian government elevator waiting to take on a record cargo of grain.

The M. S. Pegasus arrived here from the United Kingdom via United States west coast ports, at 8 a.m. today only to be picketted by striking members of the International Longshoremen's Union.

The ship is scheduled to take on more than 14,000 long tons of No. 1 and No. 2 barley for the United Kingdom.

By noon today the big vessel was prepared for loading and a call sent out for longshoremen. However, the Prince Rupert local of the ILU had already set up two groups of pickets on roads leaving the grain elevator, among them the president Richard Adcock.

The Union action is in keeping with the Vancouver local 501 of the ILU, Frederick Viger, business agent for the union said today.

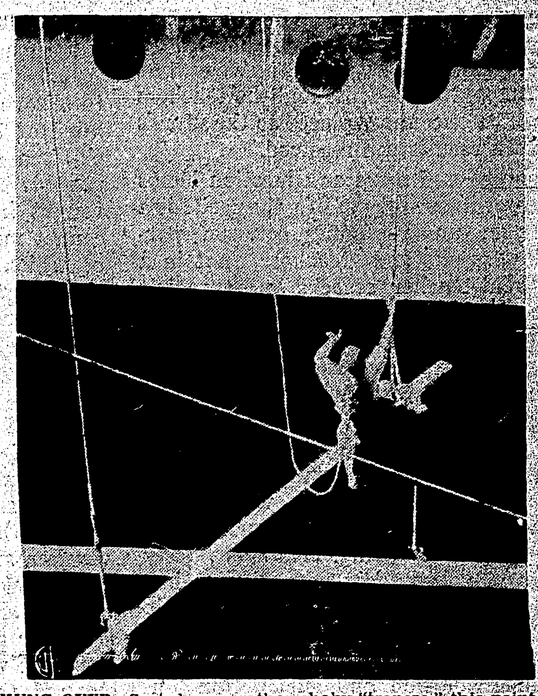
"This is not a sympathy strike," Mr. Viger said.

He said that while the union had a two year contract with Canadian Stevedoring Co. Ltd., and Pacific Stevedoring, both members of the Shipping Federation of B.C. for handling of coastal shipping cargoes no contract had yet been signed for the handling of deepsea vessels.

He said the coastwise contract does not expire until June, 1959 but the deepsea contract, in which the Prince Rupert ILU local is tied in with the Vancouver local 501, expired in April and no agreement had yet been reached.

"We are merely acting in accordance with our agreement with the Vancouver local, "Mr. Viger said.

He added that he did not think that "round-the-clock" picketting would be necessary.



HUNG OVER—Seated on a rather shaky "trapeze," this painter performs acrobatically while swaying alongside the Italian liner Cristoforo Colombo. He was applying white paint to rusty spots on the vessel.

Decision on wage hike deferred by railways

MONTREAL (CP)—The major railways today stalled on accepting or rejecting a conciliation board majority recommendation for a $38,000,000-wage increase for 130,000 Canadian railway workers.

The railways told Labor Minister Daniel Mc[illegible] in Ottawa this morning that they are "in the process of intensified appraisal of means whereby their financial position will be alleviated by an increase in rates and tolls to be charged for the carriage of their trafic or otherwise."

The letter was made public at a press conference called by Presidents Donald Gordon of the Canadian National Railways and N. R. Crump of the Canadian Pacific Railway to outline their positions with respect to the conciliation board report.

The letter said this would enable the railways to view the conciliation recommendations "in a somewhat different light."

At noon today, a union spokesman for the non-operating CNR and CPR employees announced a strike vote will be taken in answer to the railways' indecision. No definite date was set for the vote.

The letter concluded:

"We must therefore inform you that we are not in a position to indicate acceptance or rejection of the board's recommendations until all avenues of exploration and implements of necessary aditional revenues have been exhausted."

Sons accept offer; ask Red guarantee

VANCOUVER (CP)— British Columbia's Sons of Freedom Doukhobors have apparently made a final decision to return to Russia and now seek a guarantee from the Soviet Union that they will be accepted.

The Freedomites sent a 600-word telegram from here Tuesday night to Soviet President Klementi E. Voroshilov saying they will accept the financial offer of the Federal and British Columbia governments to help their proposed relocation in Siberia.

The Freedomites asked the Soviet government to assure Canadian government that the sect will be accepted in Russia. They advised that 2,668 persons [illegible] location and a further registration now is in progress.

Freedomite Secretary Bill Moojelsky told reporters his group's decision to "accept in principle" the offer made Aug. 15 by the federal and B.C. governments will be officially relayed to the two governments within the next few days.

He said several minor details prevent complete acceptance of the Ottawa-Victoria terms but these points could be ironed out with negotiation.

Closure lifted

Forest closure restricting hunting in the Prince Rupert area has been lifted, it was announced by Game Warden Clifford Walker.

Closure has also been lifted in the following game management areas: [illegible] 19, 20, 21. This includes the Burns Lake and Smithers districts.

RUPERT GETS RID OF PLAGUE AS GAME WARDEN SHOOTS BEAR

The second of two small bears that have been sighted in the city during the past few weeks was shot this morning by Game Warden Clifford Walker in the brush behind the Salvation Army building on Fraser Street.

Mr. Walker said the 100-pound, 18-month old bear was probably the last of the bears that strayed into the city. A large female bear with two cubs that was seen some time ago has probably "made for the woods," Mr. Walker said.

The small bear killed this morning was the first seen at 9:50 by a Fifth Avenue West resident. The animal was shot by the game warden when "pecking around a stump" at the foot of the hill while a policeman was making his way down the hill.

Authorities stage hunt for mislabelled drugs

VANCOUVER (CP)—The search continued today for nearly 500 packages of contaminated epsom salts distributed during the last few weeks throughout the British Columbia lower mainland and Vancouver Island.

Officials of the federal food and drug directorate said Tuesday that flakes of napthalene, usually used as moth-deterrent, were accidentally mixed with the epsom salts in a Vancouver wholesale drug plant.

About 3,500 tins and 400 one-pound bags of the incorrectly labelled products were sent out, directorate Superintendent E. D. Devlin said. About 3,000 tins and a number of bags have been recovered, he added.

The contamination was discovered late last week when complaints were received by Devlin.

"Someone had accidentally dumped a broken bag of napthalene into the salts before they were packaged," he said. "The tins we have checked show little poisonous matter but the contamination is irregular. That is why it is vitally important to get every one back."

He said one woman, with no sense of smell, had used the salts to bathe her arm. They produced a bad rash.

COULD BE SERIOUS

"Most persons could smell that something was wrong," he said, "but in a case like this the results could be serious.'"

Mr. Devlin said 10 members of his staff spent the Labor Day weekend tracking down the contaminated salts.

1,000,000 salmon caught in 24 hours

VANCOUVER (CP) — British Columbia fishermen were reported Tuesday to have struck a bonanza with an estimated catch of 1,000,000 sockeye salmon in 24 hours.

During the 24 hours ending early Tuesday, the sockeye run bound for the Fraser River built up to what fishermen said were "fantastic proportions."

In Johnstown Strait, close to 600,000 fish were netted, An additional 300,000 sockeye were caught in the Strait of Juan de Fuca and about 100,000 in the Fraser River and the Gulf of Georgia.

The catch is worth about $1,700,000 to fishermen. Its canned value is about $3,500,000.

Biologists forecast that the total catch this year will be 15,000,000 sockeye, compared with 10,000,000 fish in the bumper cycle year 1954.

Irish bombard British embassy

REYKJAVIK, Iceland (AP)—A mob of several hundred Icelanders hurled brickbats and smoke bombs at the British ambassador's residence Tuesday night in a protest over British fishermen penetrating into what Iceland claims are territorial waters.

The dispute between the two North Atlantic allies continued today with British trawlers still casting their nets for cod within 12 miles of this volcanic island. Iceland extended her territorial waters to 12 miles from four Monday and declared a ban on foreign fishermen in the zone.

The demonstration at the embassador's residence aparently was in retaliation for British victories in encounters Tuesday between trawler crews and the Icelandic coast guard.

Former CP chief dies in Quebec

QUEBEC (CP)—Henri Gagnon, former president of Le Soleil and of The Canadian Press, died early today. He was 75.

Mr. Gagnon joined Le Soleil in 1913 and was with the newspaper 41 years. He was also vice-president of L'Evenement-Journal. He served on The Canadian Press board of directors for 25 years and was president from 1933 to 1935.

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City motorist gets $25 fine for hit-and-run

Calvin Joseph Anderson, of Prince Rupert, was fined $25, costs or in default of payment sentenced to 21 days in jail when he pleaded guilty in city police court this morning to a charge of failing to remain at the scene of an accident.

Police told Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite that Anderson sideswiped a parked car on Eighth Avenue West and failed to stop.

U.S. help said on way

By ROBERT TUCKMAN

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—The U.S. commander on Formosa said today American "help is coming" to meet Communist threats to the Chinese Nationalist offshore islands.

Vice-Admiral Roland N. Smoot told a press conference it would take the combined efforts of the Nationalists plus the HELP OF THE United States which is coming to overcome this immediate situation."

Smoot declined to tell what help he meant, saying it would be foolish to give the Communists military information. He also refused to say whether this meant U.S. forces would help defend the offshore islands, a commitment American officials from President Eisenhower down have refused so far to make publicly.

Forests minister gets new deputy

VICTORIA (CP)—R. G. (Gerry) McKee, assistant chief, forestry operations branch, today was appointed deputy minister of forests.

He succeeds C. D. Orchard, now on retirement leave.

Mr. McKee will not take over Mr. Orchard's other post of chief forester, but will assume the duties until a new chief forester is appointed.

Crew saved in mishap

VANCOUVER (CP)—B.C. Packers Limited said Tuesday its seiner Three Aces sank Sunday in Seymour Narrows, 100 miles Northwest of here. The crew was saved by another fishing boat.

A company spokesman said names of the captain and crew members could not be released and cause of the sinking had not been determined.

A fishing vessel from Bella Bella, B.C., took off the crew and also was reported to have saved the seine net. A fisheries department official estimated the loss at $20,000.

SOME DISH—Miss Palm Springs, Darlene Daye can practically plunge into her "Swimming Pool Punch" as she cools off at the California resort. Made of fruit juices, the punch is served in a miniature swimming pool at Dezi Arnaz's Western Hills Hotel.

Fire fighting to be taught at course here

Instruction in fire prevention and fire fighting will be given this week and next by teams from the British Columbia fire marshal's office. It was announced today by Assistant Fire Chief W. H. Hill.

He said that the travelling instruction unit will be in Prince Rupert Friday and Saturday and again on September 13 and 14. The team from the fire marshal's office will give classes at the fire hall in fire prevention and fire fighting. The classes will start at 7 p.m. each evening and anyone wishing to take instruction in either of the two phases is welcome to attend.

Resisting arrest by police costs Aiyansh man $100 fine

An Aiyansh man faced with two charges resulting from the Centennial Riot received a $100 fine on one count while the other was dismissed in city police court this morning.

Walter Grandison was fined $100, no costs or in default of payment sentenced to two months in jail on a charge of resisting arrest. Crown prosecutor A. Bruce Brown withdrew a charge of escaping from custody against Grandison. Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite dismissed the case.

Grandison who pleaded not guilty August 26 to the charge of resisting arrest changed his plea to guilty through defence cousel W. N. Poold this morning.

Police told the court that they were breaking up a fight between Grandison and another person on Sixth Street August 3 when Grandison "became abusive."

Police said that when they arrested Grandison he started to struggle, and when put into the police car by one of the constables he kicked him in the stomach.

WEATHER—

Gale warning. Variable cloudiness with widely scattered showers tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Wind northwest 30. Low tonight and high tomorow 50 and 60.

TIDES—

Thursday, September 4, 1958
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	04:43	17.1 feet
	16:40	18.5 feet
Low	10:38	7.0 feet
	23:20	7.0 feet