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Mayor urges all-out campaign against drunk drivers in city

Asks police help to wipe out threat

In a move to battle drunken driving in the city, Mayor Peter J. Lester has asked and received permission of city council to instruct police to stage a sustained "dry driving" campaign.

Noting the increasing number of impaired and drunken drivers charged in police court, Mayor Lester at last night's City Council meeting stressed the necessity of taking definite measures.

"With a man whose ability is impaired by alcohol at the wheel, a car turns into a potential weapon of death and destruction," the mayor said.

"I request authority to instruct the Chief of Police to start a sustained "dry driving" campaign. He is to take all steps he considers necessary in wiping out this ever-present danger to our citizens."

Asked to comment on the mayor's request, Staff Sgt. J. W. Todd, NCO in charge of the City RCMP detachment said this afternoon that he and his staff would "co-operate to the fullest extent."

Terrace man missing

A Terrace man is missing in what is believed to be the fourth case of drowning within four days in the district covered by RCMP sub-division stationed at Prince Rupert.

Feared dead is **Eugene Joseph Frederic Joly**, about 40, whose clothing was found at 7 o'clock last night on the bank of the Skeena River in Terrace, police reported today. Search is continuing.

Also still missing and presumed drowned are William Michaylenko and Neville James Talbot, 24, both of Wistaria, whose boat was found overturned in Ootsa Lake Sunday night, and Howard Brown of Masset, occupant of a boat that capsized near Masset Friday.

Motorist fined $75

City motorist Martin Otto was fined $75 or in default of payment sentenced to two months in jail when he pleaded guilty in city police court this morning to a charge of being in control of a car while impaired by alcohol.

Police told Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite Otto was found slumped over the wheel of a car parked on Third Avenue at 6:25 p.m. May 31.

Willa Ray appeared for Otto whose licence was suspended for three months.

Many attend Chester Leask funeral rites

A large number of friends and relatives gathered in Ferguson Funeral Home Sunday afternoon to pay last respects to Chester David Leask, 52, who was killed in an accident last Wednesday.

Officiating was The Very Rev. A. E. Hendy, Dean of Caledonia.

Hymns sung "Nearer My God To Thee" and "God Be With You Until we Meet Again."

Pallbearers were George Robinson, James Slaferek, Frank Robinson, Harvey Leighton, Oliver Leighton and William Leask Jr.

Interment followed at Metlakatla Cemetery.

SAFE DRIVING roadeo winner William Greene shown here holding Columbia Cellulose Company Limited trophies presented to him last night by George Miller (left), assistant personnel manager at the Watson Island mill. Presentation took place at meeting of the Prince Rupert Junior Chamber of Commerce which sponsored the roadeo. Second and third place trophies were presented to Ronald Eby and Stanley Valpy. —Staff photo.

URGE NORTHERN HIGHWAY

Junior chamber elects R. R. Whitely president

The Prince Rupert Junior Chamber of Commerce last night elected its officers for the 1958-58 session. Newly elected president is Robert R. Whitely who succeeds F. E. Dowdie.

ROBERT R. WHITELY . . . heads city Jaycees.

First and second vice presidents for the ensuing year are Donald Kidd and Ronald McLeod respectively.

Those elected to the directorate are Bud Hallick, Ron Trainor, Wilbur Dorash, Paul Yablonski, Stewart Fleming, and Gordon McCutcheon.

A highlight of the business session was the passing of a resolution urging the extension of the Trans-Canada Highway system to include a northern route through Jasper, McBride, Prince George and terminating at Prince Rupert. This action stemmed from a letter written to the Jaycees by Frank Howard, MP for Skeena, describing an organization in Saskatchewan which had prepared a brief calling for the construction of such a highway to connect with the existing highway system at Kamloops. Mr. Howard's letter stated that the brief had been presented to the Federal government.

A request to have the chamber join this prairie organization was rejected on the ground that membership in such a body would possibly add strength to its presentation already made to Ottawa.

Nass river salmon catches up

Nass River spring salmon catches are up considerably over the past few years while Skeena River fishermen are "holding their own," the Department of Fisheries reported today.

Nass River average for about 100 boats of 5.2 spring salmon at an average weight of 20.6 pounds was termed by a Fisheries official as "quite a bit bigger than for some years."

In the Skeena fishing grounds last week, 20 gillnetters landed 406 red spring, seven white spring and two steelheads. Seven trollers fishing out of Squadaree landed 10,000 pounds of spring salmon from May 31 to June 6.

Skeena catches are about equal to those of last year.

Ex-Union ship to call here

The well-known former Union Steamships Ltd. passenger boat "Chilcotin" will call into Prince Rupert this summer under the name of "Yukon Star" along with the SS "Glacier Queen" formerly the Union SS company's "Coquitlam."

The ships purchased by Alaska Cruise Lines of Canada Ltd., will remain under the management of Union Steamships, with Canadian crews. C. B. West, president of the Alaska Cruise Lines announced.

Operating on an eight-day schedule during the summer months the ships will call at Ketchikan and Juneau en route to Skagway and after a visit to Glacier Bay will return to Vancouver via Prince Rupert.

Alaska Cruise Lines started operations last year on a charter basis, and the new owners plan to cater to passengers only.

Indian school hit by fire

MISSION CITY (CP) — Fire hit St. Mary's Indian School here over the weekend for the third time in six week and damaged four classrooms.

Teachers and students battled the blaze until the Mission volunteer fire brigade arrived on the scene.

It is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove in the basement industrial arts room.

Both earlier fires, on May 1 and June 1, were discovered early in the morning each day in the boys' dormitory and were extinguished before serious damage was done.

Howard elected to committees

Special to The Daily News

Frank Howard, MP Skeena, was this week elected to serve on four committees of the House of Commons.

His membership is on the standing committees of Marine and Fisheries; Printing; Privileges and elections; Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, the MP reported today.

Mr. Howard said he chose to be on the committees on marine and fisheries and railways, canals and telegraph lines because of the importance of these committees as their activities relate to the development of Skeena.

Airport camp to get power from city

The City will supply the General-Kiewit construction camp on Digby Island with power in order to facilitate double-shift work on the airport project during fall and winter months.

In deciding to order and install equipment fit to supply the camp with a power of approximately 150 KVA, City Council last night complied with a request by the Department of Transport.

The DOT stated in a letter to council that the power supply would expedite work to the extent that the project might be completed six months earlier.

The equipment is to be in operation before September 1.

Three missing in big blast

TORONTO (CP)—Two men and one woman were listed missing today in an explosion which clawed a great, ragged gash in the face of a four-storey apartment building.

Firemen, steel-helmeted civil defence workers and construction crews still burrowed in the massive rubble. Authorities said they have no idea what caused the blast which shattered the 30-year-old brick building at 1600 Bathurst street, midway between north-end St. Clair Avenue and Eglinton Avenue.

Police said they have not yet accounted for building superintendent John Armstrong, Mrs. M. McGee or student Len Bartlett.

EISENHOWER INVITED

LONDON (Reuters—The News Chronicle says President Eisenhower has been invited to London to attend the opening next November of an American war memorial in St. Paul's Cathedral. The president hopes to come, the newspaper says, but may not because of the midterm elections.

RECEIVING the first charter presented in Canada to a Women's auxiliary of the International Brotherhood of Pulp Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers is Mrs. Arvid Maki, president of the Women's auxiliary to Local 708 from president E. P. O'Neal. The presentation was made last night at a dinner ceremony in the La Gondola Cafe. (Story on Page 3.) (Staff photo)

"HISTORICAL EVENT"

5,000 persons greet PGE train at Taylor

TAYLOR, B.C. (CP)—The first train of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway reached this northeastern British Columbia town Saturday. It was welcomed by nearly 5,000 persons.

Residents from the B.C. Peace River block centres of Dawson Creek and Fort St. John came to Taylor to give the diesel-pulled freight train crew a rousing welcome, with parades and a sports day.

Taylor, site of Pacific Petroleum's $50,000,000 natural gas "scrubbing" plant, was decked out for the festivities with thousands of balloons and banners.

The event was tied in with year-long celebrations being held throughout British Columbia marking the province's centennial year. Many dignataries of the provincial government, the railway businessmen and municipal officials were in town.

HISTORICAL EVENT

The B.C. government delegation was headed by Highways Minister Gaglardi, who termed the celebration an outstanding historical event for the province.

He said the B.C. government is fully recognizant of the great value of the North Country and would do everything possible for its development.

Mr. Gaglardi termed the railway to Taylor and eventually to Fort St. John as a great industrial link between the province's north and its mainland of southwestern B.C.

While the government and industry recognize the huge wealth of the north, the minister said, there still remain many hidden resources.

"It is the government's hope to reveal these hidden resources and develop them."

Red spar buoy reported lost

The red spar buoy marking the south end of the reef at the entrance to Port Simpson harbor has been reported missing.

In making the announcement, District Marine Agent N. A. Beketov said the buoy would be restored at the first opportunity.

Medium halibut 23 cents

Highest price of the season was paid for medium size halibut at Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange this morning as the "Helen 2" accepted a bid of 23 cents per pound from Pacific Fisheries.

Previous season record was established June 2 with 21.6 cents per pound.

Only boat to sell her catch at the exchange, the "Helen 2" received 20.1 cents for large halibut and 16 cents for chicken size fish.

In direct sales, the "Covenant" landed 32,000 pounds at Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative association while British Columbia Packers took a 35,000 pound catch from the "Soupfin" and 12,000 pounds from the "Adelaide."

Rupert firm gets contract for new wharf

OTTAWA — The Federal Department of Public Works has awarded a contract in the amount of $21,762.00 to the Skeena River Piledriving Co. of Prince Rupert, for the construction of a new Department wharf at Sourdough Bay, Prince Rupert.

Specified completion date for the project is October 27, 1958.

The work involves the construction of an approach 70 feet by 12 feet with a wharfhead 30 feet by 36 feet and an angle approach measuring 10 by 12 feet. This will be constructed of piling and timber.

A 12 by 42-foot float will be constructed and moored, with plywood pontoons finished in with fibre-glass and resin providing for the flotation.

The contractor is also responsible for the construction of a gangway, shed and five mooring dolphins. The shed will measure 10 feet by 12 feet and the gangway five feet by 44 feet.

Four thousand - one hundred lineal feet of creosoted piling, 23,000 feet (board measure) of untreated sawn fir timber and 4,300 feet (board measure) of creosoted sawn fir timber will be required to complete this project.

Biggest deficit ever seen in Fleming budget

OTTAWA (CP)—A huge deficit, perhaps the biggest in Canada's peacetime history, may be the feature of Finance Minister Fleming's first budget, to be presented to the Commons next Tuesday night.

No major tax reductions are expected to be announced in Mr. Fleming's budget speech to be delivered at 8 p.m. EDT, June 17.

However, there is some speculation that a few excise tax items will be reduced and that some tariffs will be revised upwards slightly.

Whatever the tax changes, Mr. Fleming is expected to stress spending to fight the current recession, with the result that a deficit of perhaps $600,000,000 or more may be forecast for the 1958-59 fiscal year that started April 1.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker already has stated that the government will move ahead, regardless of costs, to fight unemployment and recession.

SEE MORE BORROWING

Expenditures already forecast range in the neighborhood of $6,000,000,000 or more, including outlays for old age pensions and federal payments towards a national hospital insurance plan that goes into effect in some provinces July 1.

Revenues are not expected to keep up with these higher expenditures, due to possible decline in government income from falling corporation profits and from duties on declining amounts of imports.

This would mean more government borrowing, adding to the national debt, now about $11,000,000,000.

BOY LOSES LEG

TRAIL (CP)—A 15-year-old boy critically injured Sunday when a home-made rocket exploded in the basement of his home here, had his right leg amputated Monday at the hip.

The boy, John Stranne, with David Evans, 15, and two other companions had been wadding fuel into the rocket.

He was reported by Trail-Tadanac Hospital authorities to be "slightly improved." He suffered burns to his face and body. David was released from hospital following treatment for superficial burns.

MRS. EDWIN ENWRIGHT is Zone 12 captain for Operation Doorstep canvassers tomorrow when the Christmas Seal anti-TB X-ray van continues its block-by-block tour of the city. To be covered tomorrow are all of Eleventh Avenue East, Sherbrooke Street, all of Alfred Street, south side of Hays Cove Avenue, all of Tenth Avenue, Bacon Street, Ninth Avenue East, Frederick Street and Immanuel Street connected with Eleventh Avenue East. Night stop will be at Conrad Street school.

Skeena MP urges absent vote

OTTAWA (CP)—Frank Howard, MP Skeena Monday introduced a bill in the Commons which would enable federal voters absent from home on election day to cast their ballots in another polling division within the same province or in an adjoining province.

Eisenhower proposes Geneva test ban talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower proposed today to Soviet Premier Khrushchev that technical talks begin July 1 in Geneva on methods of policing any possible future ban on nuclear tests.

The White House made public a letter from the president stating the Swiss government has agreed to the Geneva site, which Eisenhower said would be preferable to Moscow from the U.S. viewpoint.

Khrushchev in agreeing to such talks had suggested they be held in his own capital.

Eisenhower told the Russian premier the U.S. would not object to the inclusion of experts from Czechoslovakia and Poland on Russia's side.

The Western powers participating, he said, would be the United Kingdom, France, the U.S. and possibly other countries.

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Petitioners must inform council ahead

Personal addresses to city council will in future be possible only if a general outline of the matter in question has been submitted to the city clerk before 3 p.m. on the day of the council meeting.

This was decided by council last night on a suggestion by Mayor Peter J. Lester in order to expedite council sessions.

Traffic problem on narrow stretch of Sixth Avenue East under study

Traffic problem on the narrow strip of Sixth Avenue East between McBride Street and Hays Cove Circle is under consideration by the city's traffic committee, with parking restrictions or one-way traffic as suggested solutions.

City Council last night referred the problem to the traffic committee after Alderman Norman Ritchie had sparked a lengthy discussion with a recommendation that one-way traffic be instituted to alleviate the danger on the 17-foot wide road.

Alderman T. Norton Youngs took the opposite stand, contending that one-way traffic would play into the hands of habitual speeders.

"Drivers will go faster if they don't expect traffic from ahead. Hazard for children would be greatly increased," he said.

Ald. Youngs suggested as alternative that police be asked to pay particular attention to law infractions on Sixth Avenue.

Alderman Kay Smith said the problem was rather one of parking than of speeding. She especially mentioned difficulty in passing while one side of the street was filled solidly with parked cars during softball games at Gyro Park.

Alderman Darrow Gomez, agreeing in principle with Ald. Smith, went even further and suggested that all parking be prohibited at all times.

In handing the matter over to the traffic committee, city council asked for a recommendation at the next regular meeting.

WEATHER—

Continuing cloudy with scattered showers today and tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Winds light. Low tonight and high Wednesday 50 and 62.

TIDES—

Wednesday, June 11, 1958
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	9:08	15.3 feet
	21:25	18.0 feet
Low	3:16	8.1 feet
	15:03	8.5 feet