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## Jury rules accident no fault of train crew

A coroner's jury inquiring into the death June 4 PAID BY BCP of Chester David Leask has vindicated the crew of a

Dawes, returned after 15 minutes that the body was lying on its of deliberation a verdict of acci- back, right leg crossed over the dental death. Time of death was left one, when he was called to fixed at about 8:30 p.m. June 4. | the scene at 12:30 the following | The verdict exonerated the morning.

three-man CNR crew operating | Corporal Cummins said the the train from any blame.

the mishap indicated that Leask | play." was asleep under the train, his switching manoeuvre.

RCMP corporal John Nelson \_

## mpaired driver loses licence

Franklin John Stewart, 18, of 1133 Ambrose Avenue was fined ance to leave the repair track at \$50, costs or in default sen- about 8:30. tenced to one month in jail police court this morning.

Stewart pleaded guilty to the charge of impaired driving and was prohibited from driving a car in Canada for a period of three months.

charged with supplying an Indian with liquor was Peter | Gergea of Prince Rupert.

Georgea, who pleaded guilty and was fined \$50, costs or in jury that RCMP had been unable! default of payment sentenced to one month in Jail. 🗀

William Korhonan and Victor restaurant.

Evidence given by an RCMP that the grass around it was not officer and the train crew who disturbed pointed to the conclufound the body four hours after sion that there was "no foul for chicken size halibut.

Leask was on the verge of inhead resting on one track, when toxication but "still knew where the tail-end boxcar in a train of he was going" the corporal said, lows: 16 cars rolled over him in a quoting laboratory tests on al-

cohol contents of the blood. CNR yard foreman Erdman Hildebrand was the first one to

discover the body, shortly after (22.8; 22; 15), sold to Atlin fishmidnight. "At first I thought he was just |

sleeping. Only when I stepped pounds, (22.8; 22; 15), sold to closer did I see what had hap- Pacific Fisherics. pened," Mr. Hildebrand said.

charge of the yard at the time of les. the accident, said all usual safety measures had been taken before the train was given clear-

Mr. Hildebrand and two other when he appeared before Magis- | CNR employees on duty that trate E. T. Applewhaite in city night, locomotive engineer Lloyd Walter Lane and fieldman Edward John Chaprun, said they noticed "nothing unusual" dur-

ing the switching operation, Dr. R. B. Smith, who performed the autopsy, said his exam- 👢 ination showed that part of the In police court Saturday face as well as the upper part of the spine were crushed.

"These injuries were sufficient to cause death," Dr. Smith said. Corporal Cummins told the to trace Leask's movements on l

the afternoon of June 4. The last time Leask was seen Lloyd Welch were each fined \$50, was at about 3 p.m. on a downcosts or in default sentenced to town street, the corporal said. one month in jail, when they | Coroner Dawes said he conplended builty to the charge of cluded that Leask must have unlawfully having liquor in a been trespassing on CNR prop-

## Many attend Bolton rites

day night with Roy. Vornon E. partment of Transport. McEnchern of First United Church officiating the hymns

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36'n, \$2.59; 72'n, \$4.79; 144'n, \$7.98 ORME'S DRUGS LTD.

A great many friends attend- "Rock of Ages" and "Ahide With ed Juneral and memorial serv- Me" were sung. Norman II. Meleen for Robert Arthur Bolton Lary, resident airways engineer and his wife Ruby Louise Bol- in charge of construction of the ton, victims of a boat accident Prince Rupert airport at Digby Island spoke on behalf of Mr. At a memorial service Thurs-| Bolton who worked for the Do-|

Funeral service for Mr. Bolton, | a chief of the Kitselas tribe and his wife were held Friday from ' Forguson Funeral Home with Mr. Megaenern officiating. Hymns wore "Safe in the Arms of Josus'" and "What a Priond Wo Have in Jesus."

Mr. and Mrs. Bolton are survived by eight children. Interment was at Pairview

cometory.

## "Lady outside to see you about that bear cub that was shipped south Friday . . . '

Saturday night at 38th annual installation dinner and dance are front row left to right: James MacGregor, secretary; president Charles R. Roberts; past president Robert McKay. Back row: George Mitchell who inducted new members; past-president and charter member S. D. Johnston, who installed Mr. Roberts and directors C. J. Deeth, Jack Mussallem and William

Noble. Treasurer A. L. Bell and director L. M. Felsenthal were

not present. (See story on Page 3.)

## train which crushed the 54-year-old Metlakatla fisher-man under its wheels in the Canadian National Rail-Medum halbut price way yards in Prince Rupert. The six-man jury, convened Convened Countins testified at the inquest hits 23.7 cent record

Season high of 23.7 cents per pound for mediting car beneath the water. halibut was paid at Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange this morning as the "Eureka" sold her 17,000 pounds Prince Rupert to take part in the pital. Terrace RCMP, did not ister said. position of the body plus the fact catch to British Columbia Packers.

The "Eureka" received 22.7

Other catches, with prices for (17,000.) medium, large and chicken size halibut in brackets, were as fol- 7,000 pounds from the "Fleet-

Sandra L = 50,000 pounds, (23.1; 22.3; 16), sold to B.C. Pack-

Western Monarch — 40,000

Kaien — 12,000 pounds, (22.4) Mr. Hildebrand, who was in 23; 16), sold to Babcock Fisher-

Island Queen-34,000 pounds, (22; 23; 16), sold to Babcock. Teeny Milly-36,000 pounds,

(22.9; 22.3; 16), sold to Booth Dorech — 17,000 pounds,

(22.4; 22; 16), sold to Booth. The Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative association had three catches totalling 105,-000 pounds. They were from the date.

cents for large fish and 15 cents "Fredelia" (70,000), the "Signal" (18,000), and the "Cape Spencer" Atlin had one direct sale of church.

—Staff photo.

There were 22,000 pounds of

alibut landed by packers and 10,000 pounds fere traded in mis-B.C. Clipper--80,000 pounds, cellaneous sale at the exchange.

### Area 2 closes July 2

First halibut season in Area 2 will close at 6 a.m. July 2, it was announced today by Victor Whiting, local agent for the International Pacific Halibut Commission.

Mr. Whiting said the date was set by the commission. It is estimated that the 26,500,000 reached by the announced

# Three die over weekend in drownings, shooting

### Skeena river ciains two victims

Violent death overtook three persons in the Prince Rupert area over the weekend as two persons were drowned and another died from a rifle wound.

Drowned in the Skeena River in separate mishaps were: known fisherman James Morgan James Edward Morgan, 37 of lost his life when his fishing Kitwanga, who died when his boat overturned near Port Esfishing boat overturned near sington. The RCMP boat from Port Essington Saturday;

torist whose car plunged into the capsized gillnetter was towed the Skeena River, a mile and a to Port Essington. half east of Salvus, on Highway Mr. Morgan is survived by his pital who was tound dead in her ren all of Kitwanga.

licence plates, overtook the Ir- p.m. Thursday at City Hall. vine car at a high rate of speed.

CAR OVER TRACKS

car sideswiped the Irvine car, Remains will be forwarded turning it completely around, Kitwanga Friday for burial. and then bounced over the Canadian National Railway tracks
into the windswept waves of the

Terrace police reported that the provincial highways department.

Miss. Chesher, a nurse at the Boards of Trade, Chambers of Terrace hospital, was found dead

Boards of Trade, Chambers of Skeena River.

were his wife and Mrs. Thomas don Wells. A 270 rifle was found wish to bring items of interest wholeheartedly with the high-Terrace Omineca Herald. They Police said that about ten exercise caution in the wording that traffic along the route of

First United Church. Mr. Irvine persons. was to unveil a new baptismal. Mrs. Wells said that she went font, to be dedicated in memory to see if Miss Chesher was allof Mrs. J. S. Irvine, a longtime right as she had been most upand faithful member of the set by the accident.

while Mrs. Fraser, although upset, continued to Prince Rupert tomorrow in Terrace. in another car and took part in the unveiling of the font.

RIVER DRAGGED

RCMP dragged the Skeena River until 5 a.m. this morning in an attempt to recover the Amcrican car and continued to do so later today without success.

established that there was only rubbish during the current dry to "do his best" to keep roads no additional construction this one person in the car and while spell, Fire Chief Earl Becker open at all times so that indus- year," he said. they have obtained a tentative said today. identification are withholding positive and next-of-kin have partment had been called out for maintenance, Mr. Gaglardi construction of Highway 16, the been notified. It is believed the three times during the weekend stated that, although this was minister indicated that work on driver of the Washington car to attend grass fires which had the first year in some time the this B.C. government approved pound catch limit will be was 57-years old and lived in got out of hand.

POUND

subdivision recovered Morgan's An unidentified American mo- body Saturday afternoon when

ine of Terrace was proceeding presiding. The jury was sworn westward near Salvus when the in, viewed the body and the in-American car, with Washington quest was adjourned until 7:30

gan will be held Thursday afternoon at Ferguson Funeral Home so far showed that the American Morgan of Kitwanga officiating.

watched helplessly as the cur- minutes before Miss Chesher of their resolutions, the high- highway 16 had increased terrifrent and high waves swept the had been the driver of a car ways minister said. Such state-lically. which had been involved in a ments as ... the road is in the When questioned by Ronald Mr. and Mrs. Irvine and Mrs. head-on collision in Terrace worst condition ever ... "should Hatch of Kitimat regarding the Fraser were on their way to which sent four persons to hos- be avoided at all costs, the min- promised date of completion 50th Anniversary services at have the names of the injured

Miss Chesner is survived by out." Mr. and Mrs. Irvine, suffering her father Walter Chesher, 1516 from shock, returned to Terrace Second Overlook, Prince Rupert. Funeral services are set

## urges caution

Residents are asked to be ex-Police believe that they have tremely careful when burning Prince George urged the minister the end of 1958. "There will be

On Saturday morning well- one near the powerhouse down ence now amounted to the same the federal government was betowards the new fishermen's thing. floats and the other behind Seal Cove Circle.

Chief Becker said.

### RCMP BOAT FROM VICTORIA OPENS FOR PUBLIC TONIGHT

Prince Rupert residents will have their last chance tonight to visit the RCMP boat "Victoria," docked at Armour Salvage Ltd., before she continues her centennial cruise. The boat, stationed at Victoria and skippered by Prince Rupert-born Staff Sergeant Frederick Brooksbank, will be open to the public from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. She is tied up at the dock together with the "Nanaimo," the RCMP boat stationed

Skippers of both boats this morning paid their respects to Mayor Peter J. Lester and Alderman Norton T. Youngs, representing the centennial committee, at City Hall. The "Victoria" will leave at 1 p.m. tomorrow for Kitimat.

## 16 about 2:15 Sunday afternoon. parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Jean Mary Chesher, 25, a Morgan, his wife Eva, five broth trace General Hosers, five sisters and three child trace Was found dead in her ren all of Kitwanga. a rille wound in the head. RCMP at Prince Rupert subdivision and at Terrace reported that a car driven by James Irv with Corener George I. Decree II. Terrace Terra

General Manager of The Dally News PRINCE GEORGE — "Flying Phil" Gaglardi, Memorial services for Mr. Mor- B.C.'s Minister of Highways performed in top form at Friday's meeting of the Highways Committee of Police said that investigation with Anglican lay reader Wallace the Associated Boards of Trade of Central B.C. One of the prime considerations of the committee was the submission of resolutions concerning Highway 16 to

in her home at about 12:50 a.m. Commerce and other interested pot isn't one without a bottom." In the car with Mr. Irvine Saturday by a friend, Mrs. Gor- factions in communities that The highways minister agreed (Cathy) Fraser, editor of the beside the nurse. | before the government should ways committee's contention of the highway to Prince Rupert,

Speaking on conditions on Mr. Gaglardi referred Mr. Hatch Highway 16, B.C.'s flying roads to an excerpt of a speech made boss claimed that there "was some years ago by the minister no use going on Highway 16 just read by the questioner. this year, because reconstruc-

ed that slowdowns had been ex- When asked about the reperienced along sections of the mainder of work necessary on highway. Mr. Gaglardi's one- the Terrace end of the Kitimat word answer to Mr. Frederickson road, the minister said that the | consisted of only one syllable . . | department would try to clear "Where?"

try could be kept in motion.

annual appropriation had not norther trans-provincial arterial been increased by 10 per cent, highway was being pushed to Two fires occurred Saturday, the amount of blacktop in exist- completion. He stated also that

Tony's drive-in. A third occur- the same money this year as same 50-50 split arranged for red yesterday at 8:15 a.m. at 2161 last," said Mr. Gaglardi, "but, the building of other similar overtime has been curtailed in routes. Persons burning rubbish should favor of increased employment." telephone the fire hall to let The minister cautioned that, in Prince Rupert claimed that the firemen know the location be-spite of his department's pay-"pulyamix" road topping that fore a rubbish fire is started, ing out extra money in some dis- had been used in the Prince Rutricts over appropriations, "the pert section, particularly on the

### "It wasn't a promise at all." tion details must be ironed said Mr. Gaglardi, "if you notice the words 'we feel'." In spite of what is said, the | Auswering further questionminister claimed that his crews ing by Mr. Hatch, the minister for were working just as hard as stated that about 13 to 15 per ever on the province's roads. Carl cent of the province's \$70 mil-Frederickson, president of the lion highways budget was be-| Vanderhoof Board of Trade stat- | ing allocated to highway 16.

the right of way and had some Alderman Harry Loder of hopes of letting the contract by Speaking in respect to Federal In discussing money available Government participation in the

ing asked to support the road "Every district has received program in this sector on the

William Murray, MLA for section from Rainbow Lake on, was no longer in evidence although it was laid in 1956. "It does not stand up," said

Mr. Murray. Also criticized by the Prince Rupert MLA in his address to the minister was the section of the highway from Tyee to Kwinitsa. He told the minister that patching of the pulvamix was not yet complete and, in addition, urged for the reconstruc-(Continued on Page 5)

### WEATHER-

See - P. A. GAGLARDI,

Cloudy with a periods today and tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Winds light. Low tonight and high tomorrow 50 and 67.

Tuesday, June 24, 1958 (Pacific Standard Time) 17.4 foot 10.5 feet 6.8 feet Low .....

· He said that the city fire de-

## Operation Doorstep surpasses set goal

A total of 5,317 city and district residents, about 84 per cent of the number eligible, had their chests X-rayed during Operation Doorstep, Dr. W. B. Lain, director of Skeena Health Unit reported today. Operation Doorstop got underway June 2 and after a

block-by-block survey of the city, Port Edward and Digby Island, concluded Saturday night. Dr. Luing said that it had been estimated that 6,312 persons over 15 years of age were eligible for X-rays in the mass

survey taken here as a precaution against tuberculesis. "That means that counting persons X-rayed at hospital," those having regular X-ray checks and those X-rayed in Operation Doorstep, a total of 7,942 district residents have had X-rays so far in the last year." Dr. Laing said.

He expressed himself extremely pleased with the co-oper-

ution and response from the public. Winners of the Retary Club draw for three \$50 prizes, Dorothy Spillor, 731 Frasor Apartments; Jack Lee, 836 Third Avenue West and Walter Polloway, 652 Fourth Avenue East, can pick up their cheques at the Skeena Health Unit, Dr. Laing said.

He lauded the Prince Rupert Rotary club for its genberoulty in helping the X-ray campaign and thanked the zono captains "for all their hard work."