WEATHER

Sunny with occasional cloudy periods Wednesday. A little warmer. Winds westerly 15 Wednesday. Low tonight and high Wednesday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 50 and 65.

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High	4:20	17.9 feet
	16:54	18.5 feet
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	23:09	7.3 feet

Province Debt Free In 1959—Bennett $33 Million Cut In Year, He Says

Province Over-taxed —Strachan

VANCOUVER (CP)—CCF leader Robert Strachan Monday night accused Premier Bennett of over-taxing British Columbians to make a good showing on his debt reduction figures.

The premier announced in Victoria that the provincial debt would be reduced to $64-million from $97-million next March and wiped out in two more years.

"At the last session of the legislature," Mr. Strachan commented, "we budgeted to pay $11.5-million on our public debt.

"Premier Bennett's statement indicates he intends to pay off $33-million on debt this year—$21.5 million more than required.

"This is admitting he has embarked on a deliberate policy of over-taxation."

The CCF leader suggested the money be given in the form of increased aid to municipalities or a lowered sales tax.

Liberal chief Arthur Laing charged B.C.'s citizens were paying $120-million in "direct consumer taxes" to pay charges on the public debt. This was the root of labor-management troubles, he said.

Newsprint Rate Battle Not Court's

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A Federal court Monday declined to step into a dispute between Coastwise Line, San Francisco shipping firm, and the Inter-State Commerce Commission over the rates for shipping newsprint from Pacific northwest mills.

The carrier last May 4 obtained from Federal Judge Oliver J. Carter a temporary restraining order against three railroads to halt the roads from offering sharp cuts in newsprint rates. The ICC had authorized the cuts.

Judge Carter's order was aimed at holding up the rate change until a three-judge court could sit on the question of the validity of the ICC action.

The railroads are Southern Pacific, Western Pacific and Santa Fe. They had won ICC permission to reduce newsprint rates by 23 to 26 per cent from Vancouver, B.C. to San Francisco and Los Angeles. The present rate is about $1.05 a hundred pounds.

"WHAT COULD BE an easier way to earn $5,000?" Doreen Serwa, reigning Lady-of-the-Lake for the city of Kelowna, home of the International Regatta, wistfully sets her sights on a replica of Ogopogo, friendly denizen of the deeps of Lake Okanagan, the 60-miles of blue water on Kelowna's doorstep. That is the prize the Regatta committee will pay for an authentic shot of the real thing. Doreen is wearing an Hawaiian dress, and the palm trees in the background are all part of the theme of this year's show, August 7-10th.
—Photo by George Inglis, Courtesy Kelowna Regatta.

'78 Years Build Debt, Wipe It Out in Seven'

VICTORIA (CP)—British Columbia will be debt-free by mid-summer of 1959, Premier W. A. C. Bennett said Monday.

He released a Finance Department review showing the province's net debt at March 31 as $97,063,064.

Next March, the Premier said, it would be down to $64,000,000.

The figures do not include B.C. Power Commission, Toll Highways Authority or Pacific Great Eastern Railway debts, which are guaranteed by the government and listed as contingent liabilities.

The 1959 date is three years earlier than the goal set by Premier Bennett.

"It took 78 years to build the B.C. debt," he said. "It will take us seven years to pay it off, and that is a world record."

Asked whether a reduction in taxes could be expected when the debt is paid, the Premier said: "there will be greater benefits . . . you can see what might happen to bridge tolls and some other things."

Ottawa To Share Span Cost?

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier W. A. C. Bennett said Monday he will ask the new Diefenbaker government to pay 90 per cent of the cost of the new Second Narrows Bridge in Vancouver, and make the structure toll-free if Ottawa agrees.

He said he will make the request at a Dominion-Provincial conference which he anticipates will be held this fall.

NO TOLLS

The Premier added that if the Federal government agrees to cost-sharing on the 90-10 basis, tolls will not be charged on the Second Narrows Bridge, and the day it is opened tolls will come off the Lions Gate bridge at the first narrows.

The Provincial and Federal governments have an agreement whereby the bulk of the Trans-Canada Highway construction is on a 50-50 cost basis. But part of it, in difficult areas, is based on a 90 per cent share by Ottawa.

Polio Cases In District Now Total 5

Number of polio cases this year for the Skeena Health Unit district has risen to five, Dr. W. B. Laing, unit director reported today.

Three new cases have been diagnosed, he said, a new case in Terrace, one in Houston and one in Smithers. The new Terrace case and the one at Smithers are young males and the one at Houston a young female. All are paralytic.

Two cases were reported earlier in the year at Terrace.

Bill Extends Jurisdiction

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House of Representatives Monday passed a bill to enlarge the territorial jurisdiction of the Secretary of Interior under the North Pacific Fisheries Act with respect to net fishing of salmon in offshore waters.

The secretary now is authorized to issue offshore fishing regulations along the Pacific from Alaska southward to 54 degrees and 40 minutes north latitude.

The bill would extend this jurisdiction southward to 48 degrees and 30 minutes north latitude.

The bill now goes to the president.

Woman Under Observation

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP) —A woman from the Tabor Creek area southeast of here was admitted to hospital for observation Monday.

Police said she was brought here for questioning and medical examination after her home was burned down Sunday.

Police said the blaze was deliberately set and was fed with gasoline. The flames started from a shed and rapidly spread to the house, destroying it. There are no fire-fighting facilities in the area.

FULL SAIL AHEAD—Although first to cross the finish line, the yacht Nina from New York was not the winner of the biennial Marblehead to Halifax yacht race. The race is run under a handicap system, depending on the size of the boat and the amount of sail. The Philadelphia yacht Galliear was the winner. The Nina, at full sail, comes into Halifax harbor.
(CP Photo)

GIRL'S FATHER ATTENDS

Eaton Goes To Gallows, "Meek and Mild" To End

VANCOUVER (CP)—The father of eight-year-old Carolynne Moore, beaten to death April 26, 1956, saw her killer hanged early today.

Gerald Edward Eaton, 52-year-old ferry worker whom prison guards termed "one of the quietest, most meek and mild of all condemned prisoners," was pronounced dead at 12:20 a.m. PDT at Oakalla prison farm in suburban Burnaby.

Eaton's plea for commutation of the sentence was rejected Monday by the federal cabinet.

At the last minute, he agreed to be attended by Rev. Donald Macqueen, rector of St. Peter's Anglican church.

TIGHT LIPPED

The condemned man, convicted of killing Carolynne with a tire wrench after she resisted his advances, was tight-lipped but calm as he stepped onto the trap. It was sprung at 12:05 a.m.

Lawrence Moore, father of the slain girl, told reporters he attended the execution because "I have had two choices in the matter."

"One was to continue through life with the mental picture of this man beating my daughter to death. The other was to see him hang for that crime.

"Only the latter can obliterate from my memory the former picture."

Federal Polls To Change

OTTAWA (CP)— Chief electoral officer Nelson Castonguay said today he is instructing his returning officers to revise their polling division arrangements.

He said some small polls will be merged, others cut to 300 electors.

The work is to be completed by Sept. 1. Enumeration supplies would be shipped to electoral officers by the end of August.

Mr. Castonguay, who has announced plans to prepare for an early election, said his instructions are normal procedure. Similar orders went out in June last year in preparation for the last election June 10.

He said the instructions issued today by letter do not mean he had been instructed to prepare for a general election. They were sent to permit the holding of an election in the shortest possible time if ordered to do so.

LONDON (CP)— Governor-General Massey of Canada returned to London by air tonight after a four-day private visit of The Hague.

Dutch Airliner Noses Into Sea, 17 Children Among 56 Missing

THE HAGUE (AP)—Fifty-six persons—17 of them children—were listed as missing today after the ocean crash of a big Dutch airliner off northwest New Guinea. Twelve persons were rescued.

One of the 12 survivors, a child, died in hospital. All of the survivors suffered from shock and four of them were severely burned.

KLM Airline identified the missing as 53 Dutch and three Britons. Eleven Dutch passengers and the Dutch stewardess were rescued.

The Lockheed Superconstellation, carrying 59 passengers and a crew of nine, plunged into 600 feet of water shortly before dawn five miles off Biak Island. One early report said the plane was in flames when it crashed but a KLM communique did not mention a fire.

The plane, "The Neutron," was on a regular flight to Amsterdam by way of Manila, Jakarta, Bangkok, Rangoon, Karachi, Beirut and Rome.

Most of those aboard were civil servants or navy men and their families. Among the rescued were two entire families, one with three children and one with one child, and a father and one of his six children. Six of the eight families aboard the plane had children.

Biak Island is the largest of the Schouten group off the northern coast of western New Guinea, a Dutch colony. The eastern portion of New Guinea is Australian. The airfield on Biak, where the flight started, was built by U.S. forces in 1944 after they recaptured the area from the Japanese.

The airline announcement said the plane "came down into the sea shortly after takeoff from Biak. No further details are known yet about the . . . circumstances of the accident."

The plane was piloted by Capt. Rob de Roos, 36, who was among those missing.

Storm Hits Manila

MANILA (AP)—Ten persons were reported dead and 160 are missing today in Pangasinan province north of Manila as the result of a flood caused by typhoon Wendy.

Red Cross workers were combing the area but police officials expressed fear that all the missing persons are dead.

GIVES FOUR HOUR WARNING

3,000 Mile DEW Line Finished, U.S.-Canada Operate Jointly

WASHINGTON (AP)—Formal turnover of the DEW distant early warning line in the Canadian north from the builders to an operating contractor is to be announced shortly by the United States and Canadian governments.

Construction of the 3,000-mile system of fixed and rotating radar stations—intended to provide up to four hours warning of hostile bombers coming over the polar routes—has been completed.

The Western Electric Company was primary contractor for the huge job of constructing buildings, installing equipment and creating airfields and port facilities in the frozen north.

TURNS OVER

The job done, that company now is delivering DEW line to the Federal Electric Corporation, a firm organized to operate the radar warning system.

Both United States and Canadian civilians have been in training at special schools in the United States. They will run and maintain the radar stations under over-all direction of military personnel.

Although the building of the line is finished, it is not expected to be put into full military use before this fall. Meanwhile, federal electric technicians will conduct extensive tests with the equipment and conduct final, on-site training.

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Wellington South Goes To Tories, Hales Win Jumps Margin To Four

GUELPH, Ont. (CP)—The Liberal stronghold of Wellington South fell to the Progressive Conservatives Monday, increasing the House of Commons margin of Prime Minister Diefenbaker's party over the Liberals to four members.

Alfred D. Hales, a 48-year-old merchant and farmer, won the deferred federal election vote with 11,606 votes against 6,121 for Liberal David Tolton and 3,506 for CCF candidate Thomas Withers.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker, in Prince Albert, Sask., said the win was a personal tribute to Mr. Hales' capacity and ability and "constitutes a magnificent commendation of the policies of the Conservative party and of the stand taken by the new government since taking office."

BIGGER COMMONS VOTE

The win gave the Conservatives 110 seats in the 265-member Commons. The Liberals have 106 seats, including one Liberal-Labor member who supports the Liberals. The CCF holds 25 seats, Social Credit 19, Independents 3, Independent-Liberal 1, and Independent-Progressive Conservative 1.

There is one vacancy — in Lanark — where a by-election will be held Sept. 9 to fill the seat won in the June 10 election by Progressive Conservative William Blair. He died June 16.

Monday's win was the first in the riding since 1930 for the Conservatives. In 23 general election votes, Wellington South has voted Liberal 16 times and Unionist once. Mr. Hales' win was the sixth for the Conservatives.

POSTPONED BY DEATH

The election was deferred from June 10 because of the death June 3 of Henry Hosking, Liberal candidate who had held the seat since 1940.

Mr. Hales ran against Mr. Hosking in 1953 and polled 8,722 votes, 553 less than the winner. Mr. Withers also ran, and won 2,431 votes.

The voting was carried out in pleasant weather, a cooling breeze tempering a bright sun's heat.

Seventy-two per cent of the eligible voters — 21,230 of the 29,580—cast their ballots. This was about the same as the country-wide average for the June 10 vote and down from 74 per cent in Wellington South voting in 1953.

EARLY LEAD

Mr. Hales took a lead with the first polls reporting and as the counting progressed there was little doubt of his victory. The Canadian Press reported his win at 7:59 p.m. EDT, 59 minutes after the polls closed. A few minutes later Mr. Tolton conceded defeat, and Mr. Withers announced his concession shortly before 9 p.m.

Although the campaign was fairly quiet and confined largely to local issues, the vote held more than the usual interest across Canada because of the close House of Commons party standing.

At Ottawa, Liberal Leader St. Laurent said:

"The result . . . is disappointing and I am sorry that Mr. Tolton will not be representing that constituency and carrying on the good work of our late friend Henry Hosking in the new Parliament."

CCF Leader Coldwell commented:

"It follows pretty much the line it did last time except the Conservative has displaced the Liberal with a substantial win."

The last Conservative win in Wellington South was in 1930 by the late Hon. Hugh Guthrie who held the seat for 35 consecutive years, from 1900 to 1935.

Mr. Hales was born in Guelph Township. A Guelph alderman, he is a husky six-foot-two, and weighs 200 pounds. He is a graduate of Ontario Agricultural College.