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LOOKING OVER regulations in the new quarters of Prince Rupert Air Cadet Squadron 559's commanding officer, are, left to right: Flt. Lt. H. E. Carling, Air Cadet liaison officer; Wing Cmdr. J. V. Watts, DSO, DFC and Bar, officer commanding RCAF Communications and Air Sea Rescue Squadron 121, Sea Island; Flt. Lt. Douglas Hague, commanding officer of the Prince Rupert Air Cadet Squadron 559 and C. D. Bruce, chairman of the Air Cadet sponsoring committee. New quarters, in MCS Chatham drill hall, were inspected by parents and friends after the squadron's annual inspection Tuesday night. —Staff photo by Dick Ayres.

1958 mill rate 50.333 for $1,471,001 budget

City costs climb $133,336 over '57

A mill rate of 50.333—an increase of 5.333 over last year—was approved by City Council last night in the first three readings of the $1,471,001.78 budget for 1958.

The annual rate bylaw will go back to council for final adoption Monday. No changes were recommended from the budget as introduced last night by finance committee chairman Alderman R. G. Large.

The budget represents an increase of $133,366.67 over last year's of $1,337,635. Mill rate last year was 45.

Budget was pushed through readings against opposition of Alderman T. Norton Youngs and A. Donald Ritchie who wanted it referred back to committee for further study.

Both aldermen made several attempts to cut down on expenditures in order to keep the mill rate to a maximum of 50.

A motion by Ald. Ritchie, seconded by Ald. Youngs, that City Clerk-Comptroller should submit a new budget with a mill rate of 50 or less was defeated by all other members of the council present. Only member absent was Alderman Norman Bellis.

ALDERMAN R. G. LARGE . . . brings down budget.

Plan to cut hospital grant fails

A suggestion by Ald. Youngs to cut the hospital allocation to $5,000 from $15,000 found no seconder.

Aldermen Youngs and Ritchie were advocating to reduce expenditures by about $4,500, or one third of a mill, which would pare the mill rate to 50. Attempts in this direction included a motion by Ald. Youngs, seconded by Ald. Ritchie to cut a provided transfer of $9,993 to telephone reserve funds by $4,500. This was defeated as was a motion by Ald. Ritchie, seconded by Ald. Youngs, to cut in half a $2,000 allocation for special committees.

Ald. Large spurned the efforts to eliminate .333 mills of the rate.

"I can see no particular point in arriving at a round figure such as 50. For a city the size of Prince Rupert, $4,500 is just peanuts," Ald. Large said.

Ald. Youngs, who opened the debate, said he felt a mill rate boost of 5.333 would hit taxpayers too hard. Asserting that some items were "very much open to question," he proposed the hospital should be required to take their demands "to the people" in the form of a bylaw.

In the past the hospital has been submitting items representing maintenance cost rather than capital expenditure, Ald. Youngs said.

His proposal to cut the hospital grant by two thirds was not seconded.

Budget given three readings

Council approved first three readings of the budget with Aldermen Youngs and Ritchie dissenting.

One mill this year represents $13,460.38 as general rate and $13,864.37 for school purposes.

Breakdown of the mill rate shows 32.269 mills required for taxation, 15.392 for operation of schools, 1.672 for loan taxation and one mill towards the Civic Centre grant.

Only one estimate shows a decrease from the previous year. Waterworks apportionment is down by approximately $3,000 to $104,000.

Largest increase was granted to District 52 School board with a $22,000 boost to $213,000. Calculated in this figure is the provincial government's additional $4,000 grant announced yesterday afternoon by Education Minister Leslie Peterson.

Administration of justice costs are increased by about $16,000, largely due to the implementation of a new RCMP cost sharing plan under which the city's share is boosted.

Salmon talks slowed

VANCOUVER (CP) — Fishermen and canning firms said today "little progress" was made Wednesday in salmon price negotiations.

No further talks are scheduled between the Fisheries Association of B.C. and the United Fishermen and Allied Workers union. However, spokesmen for both union and management stressed this does not mean talks have broken down.

The union is demanding a 30-cent-per-pound price for sockeye, compared with 28 cents last year, and management has offered 23 cents.

Other salmon prices are also in dispute along with the union's contract with the association covering 3,600 shoreworkers employed in canneries and fresh fish plants.

Conciliation officer Robert Forgie is recommending that a conciliation board be set up to hear the union's demand for a 30-cent hourly increase.

Cannery wages at present range from $1.52 to $1.94 an hour for men and $1.30 to $1.58 for women.

Baseballer Stanley Morin dies aged 62

A former city baseball commissioner and outstanding baseball player, Stanley Morin, died this morning in Prince Rupert General Hospital at the age of 62.

Born around Vancouver, Mr. Morin attended university in Seattle, and later came to Prince Rupert in 1922.

At one time he owned and operated 99 taxi and worked as a waiter in the Savoy and Royal beer parlors.

At the time of his death he was employed by the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

He is survived by his former wife, Alma, in Vancouver, a brother, Edward, in Vancouver and a step-daughter, Joyce, in Edmonton.

Funeral arrangements to be announced later, are in the hands of Ferguson Funeral Home.

Jury convicts Alaska woman of manslaughter

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—Mrs. Betty Jean Mahaffey has been convicted on manslaughter in the New Year's Day shooting of her husband, Robert Mahaffey, son of a Seattle school teacher.

The district court jury made a strong recommendation for leniency.

Mrs. Mahaffey based her defence upon temporary insanity and said the bedroom slaying was a form of self defence after he had threatened to do her bodily harm.

U.S. vessels arrive here

The two United States escort vessels USS Hanna and USS Spangler docked at the CNR wharf at noon today and will be open to the public Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1 to 4.

A dispatch received from the commanding officer of USS Hanna, Lt.-Cmdr. B. Hashmall announced that the ships will also entertain 30 underprivileged children at 10 a.m. Sunday.

Commanding officer for USS Spangler is Lt.-Cmdr. C. H. Carroll. Each ship has a complement of 15 officers and 175 men.

While on a three-day operational visit here, a full itinerary of tours, social and sports events have been arranged.

More halibut landed here

Second and third fishpackers to land halibut in Prince Rupert since opening of Area 2, delivered a total of about 10,000 pounds at Atlin Fisheries yesterday.

The "Hillside" landed 4,838 pounds, the "Pacific Surf" 5,564 pounds. First delivery was made Wednesday by the "Cape Perry" with 95,000 pounds.

Alberta man fined $100 for possession

Allan McDonald, 21, of Alberta, was fined $100 or in default of payment sentenced to one month in jail when he pleaded guilty in city police court yesterday afternoon to a charge of being in possession of stolen goods.

RCMP testified they found with McDonald a car robe stolen from a car parked on Second Avenue Wednesday night.

Labor council asks end to moonlighting

The Prince Rupert Labor Council will write the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce and the National Employment Service asking help to quash "moonlighting" or the situation of men holding down two jobs at a time when the unemployment situations in the city is still serious.

The Labor Council, which has had a committee investigating the matter of workers holding down two jobs, found itself at a dead end last night when the union delegates met for the PR LC's monthly meeting.

Douglas Newton, spokesman for the committee said that while his committee had had several meeting and tried to track down infractions, lack of co-operation both from "moonlighters" and employers had hampered any concrete action.

"Obviously a man isn't going to admit he's holding down two jobs and employers are not going to admit that they are hiring a man part time to avoid hiring one full time and paying him full wages," Mr. Newton said.

He said that it was the Labor Council's stand that if a man is gainfully employed he works for a living wage and that should be sufficient without him taking extra work away from other men.

E. P. O'Neal, secretary-treasurer of the Labor Council said that "this was the worst possible year for "moonlighting" to be rampant." He said it was the responsibility of the Labor Council to try to stamp it out and get rid of it when there were so many men out of work. He urged each union in the Council to encourage its members to bring an end to it.

Mr. O'Neal said the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce should be asked to co-operate since they represented the employer groups.

"The evil of moonlighting certainly wasn't organized labor's doing," he said.

In other business the meeting approved the award of the annual Labor Council bursary of $200 to a deserving Booth Memorial High school student; endorsed City Council's stand in opposing a proposed rate increase by Northern British Columbia Power Company and voted to support an application by Neal Evans Transportation Company for a passenger vehicle franchise between Prince Rupert and Kitimat.

The meeting also voted a $20 donation to the newly-formed Prince Rupert Civic Band at the same time expressing the opinion, with no criticism intended, that the band association should occassionally publish a list of expenditures to show where its funds were going.

Members felt that since the City Council's $3,000 grant to the new band had been spent to buy instruments, city organizations and groups asked for further donations for operating expenses would feel better if they knew how the money was being spent.

Delegates spoke highly of the newly-formed band and commented favorably on its initial appearance on April 27 when the Centennial flag was raised.

The Labor Council again repeated its request to the Department of Labor that Workmen's Compensation medical boards be held in Prince Rupert as they were in the past.

The medical board's total stay in Terrace May 20 and 21, is three hours, which the Council felt was not sufficient to take care of claimants from Prince Rupert and the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Firemen seek injunction against CPR

OTTAWA (CP)—A top-level union committee trying to find means of averting a threatened Sunday strike of CPR firemen meets today in preparation for a new conference with Prime Minister Diefenbaker Saturday.

Meanwhile, attention on the strike threat focused today on Montreal where the firemen's union is seeking a court injunction barring the Canadian Pacific from starting its proposed layoff of firemen until May 31.

The union petition—announced unexpectedly Thursday night after a day of government-union - company conferences here—asks that in due course the temporary injunction be declared permanent. The petition filed May 6, was to be heard today.

The effective date of the proposed injunction — May 31—coincides with the date of a suggested strike postponement put forward by the union Thursday but turned down by the CPR because it did not like the union's terms.

Noted envoy dies

WASHINGTON (AP)— Joseph E. Davies, former United States ambassador to Russia, died at his home early today at the age of 81. Davies, who served under three presidents, was ambassador to the Soviet Union just prior to the outbreak of war in 1939.

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SALARIES TO BE REDUCED

School board to work on merit system plan

District 52 School Board today expressed complete agreement with Prince Rupert Teachers' association in favoring a merit rating system in establishing teachers' salaries.

A letter from school board chairman W. J. Scott to R. B. Bennett, chairman of the teachers' salary committee, contains following passage:

"The trustees believe in good salaries for good teachers; they want high professional status for teachers; and they believe there should be a reward for teachers who show outstanding ability."

The letter came in answer to a teachers' resolution forwarded to the board May 5 inviting the board to present a brief explaining the advantages of a merit rating system for the district.

The school board in today's letter declares readiness to discuss the matter with the committee after considering details of the plan.

School Board also gave a positive reply to a second request by the teachers to restore two teachers to the salary as laid down in negotiations.

Admitting that there was nothing in the salary agreement allowing above-scale payment to teachers, the board submitted that one teacher was paid above scale because of a prior commitment, the other one because of "information received after appointment."

The board's letter concludes:

". . . we find it difficult to understand your position. However, we are acceding to your request and teachers affected will have their salaries reduced accordingly."

Special fund for girls now at $477

Fund for three teenage girls who were injured in a car accident on Highway 16, April 23, now stands at $477.16, chairman for the fund, Eve Poffenroth reported at press time today.

This afternoon Miss Poffenroth banked $76. On Tuesday the account stood at $401.16.

Miss Poffenroth said today that the fund would remain open for donations for one more week.

The money will help defray medical expenses for Donna Spence, 17; Sylvia Gjelsvik, 17 and Carol Dickens, 18, driver of the car.

Miss Dickens, who has been unconscious in Vancouver General hospital since April 24, is now reported off the critical list.

The girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dickens in a telephone call from Vancouver to Mrs. Dicken's sister, Mrs. Alfred Ritchie last night said that their daughter recognized them for the first time yesterday.

They also told Mrs. Ritchie that the doctors expect Miss Dickens to come out of her coma within the next few days.

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Unemployment Insurance Commission says the outlook for improvement in unemployment in B.C. is "not encouraging."

AN OPENED BALE of cotton in a Memphis, Tenn., mill gets picked as a neat resting place by Sherra Waller, Miss Dixie Belle. The Whitehaven, Tenn., exponent of "short shorts" will be "queen" of all the Cotton Belle beauties at the Memphis Cotton Carnival, opening May 13.

Mistakes will happen

VANCOUVER (CP)—Peter Palero, a millworker, was awarded $5,582 damages Wednesday in Supreme Court for injuries suffered in a shooting accident. He was mistaken for a deer.

Mr. Justice Norman Whittaker said he could not agree with a defence contention that the mistake was one of the risks of hunting.

The award was against Giovanni Battista Pigatto, his hunting partner, who fractured Palero's upper left arm with a rifle bullet. Accepted as evidence was Pigatto's comment to Palero after the accident "I mistook you for a deer."

Glaholm light reported out

The unwatched light on Glaholm Island—junction of Seaforth Channel and entrance to Spiller Channel—is currently not burning, District Marine Agent N. A. Beketov reported today.

The light, listed as No. 2350.7, will be attended to in the near future, Mr. Beketov said.

Revenue, spending of city at glance

EXPENDITURES	
Schools	$213,386.00
Loans	22,565.81
Civic Centre grant	13,460.38
Finance	123,581.53
Board of Works	307,803.74
Waterworks	104,085.81
Street lighting	20,000.00
Parks Commission	40,086.00
Cemetery	10,000.00
Administration of justice	102,875.16
Fire protection	81,425.00
Sanitation and waste removal	54,760.00
Social welfare	124,000.00
Health	42,900.00
Telephone department	178,105.35
Library	11,170.00
Centennial	20,717.00
TOTAL	$1,471,001.78

REVENUES	
General revenues	$730,634.00
Taxation	434,355.50
Utility tax	5,900.00
Sewer rentals	34,000.00
Grain elevator grant	16,700.00
Civic Centre grant taxation	13,460.38
Loan rate taxation	22,565.81
TOTAL	$1,471,001.78

Three drivers receive fines

A Prince Rupert motorist who was found guilty in Port Edward police court Wednesday of exceeding the 45 miles per hour speed limit to which he was restricted because of faulty eyesight was fined $25 or in default of payment sentenced to seven days in jail by the Port Edward magistrate.

Robert Walz, 25, of 715 Eighth Avenue East, pleaded not guilty to the charge of driving contrary to restrictions. RCMP said the offence occurred near Olivor Lake March 3.

Two other men were fined $10 each on charges of driving without a driver's licence.

Pleading guilty as charged were Angelo Dadalst, 28, of 717 Seventh Avenue West, and Ivan Crnkovic, 27, of Prince Rupert.

WEATHER—

Overcast with intermittent rain tonight. Variable cloudiness with a few showers Saturday. Little change in temperature. Winds southwesterly 20 Saturday. Low tonight and high Saturday at Prince Rupert, 46 and 52.

TIDES—

Saturday, May 10, 1958
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	6:22	17.0 feet
	19:35	17.1 feet
Low	:31	9.2 feet
	13:02	6.5 feet