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VICTORIA, B.C.

High 304 8:18 22.6 feet

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THESE FAST radio-equipped Ferret scout cars will soon be roaming over the sandy wastes of the Middle East helping keep the peace for the United Nations. Troopers of the 56 Reconnaissance Squadron, converted from tank operations with the Royal Canadian Dragoons and Lord Strathcona's Horse regiments, have been driving hundreds of miles at Petawawa Military Camp for the past few weeks in training for their U.N. Emergency Force task. Their departure was announced in Ottawa Wednesday. (National Defence Photo).

UNUSUAL TRIAL STARTS

Fashionable English Resort Doctor Pleads Not Guilty to Widow's Murder

LONDON ©—Dr. John Bodkin Adams, 58, family physician charged with poisoning his wealthy patient, pleaded not guilty when his trial began today at Old Bailey, London's central criminal court.

Adams is charged with murdering 81-year-old Edith Morrell, a wealthy widow who was his patient in the fashionable sea-coast town of Eastbourne.

Correspondents from many countries packed the courtroom, reflecting world interest in the trial of the portly little doctor.

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There was room in the public gallery for only 29.

When his name was called, Dr. Adams hurried up the stairs from the cells into the dock. When the charge was read out he said in a clear, loud voice: "I am not guilty, my lord."

NO BODY

Three factors are regarded as assuring the trial a celebrated place in British legal history:

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Brothers Missing From Boat Police Vessel Starts Search

Two Metlakatla brothers are reported missing and presumed drowned after their small rowboat was swamped in rough waters, 20 miles west of Prince Rupert last night.

RCMP motor launch ML-15 left the harbor this afternoon to conduct a search of the Tree Nob Group Islands, between Bell and Brown passages where the two fishermen are thought to have drowned.

Missing are: Robert and Stephen Nelson.

RCMP in Prince Rupert said today the men were heading for their gillnetter anchored off the rocky shore of one of the islands

last night when rough waters swamped the rowboat.

The brothers were returning to their gillnetter after clam digging on the island beaches.

An unidentified man is reported to have heard the pair shout for help but a cursory search of the area has failed to locate the men or their bodies.

The mishap occurred around 8 p.m. last night.

New President

MANILA ©—Vice-President Carlos P. Garcia took over the reins of government today as the Philippines and the Free World mourned the death of President Ramon Magsaysay with 25 others in a mountain plane crash.

Garcia flew in from the SEATO conference in Australia several hours after Magsaysay's charred body was found in the wreckage of his plane on Cebu Island.

Drivers, Liquor Suppliers Pay Total of \$200 in Fines

A 20-year-old city man was fined \$75 and costs or in default sentenced to one month in jail after pleading guilty before Stipendiary Magistrate II. F. Glasson in city police court this morning to a charge of impaired driving.

Police said Ronald Vincent Williams of 1410 Pigott Avenue was arrested after he backed into Bob Parker Ltd., garage at 180 Third Avenue East, smashing a door and plate glass panel while attempting to make a reverse turn.

Damaging to the garage was estimated at \$20.

Also in city police court this morning, a 62 year-old man, Joseph Morris of 1433 Eighth Avenue East, and crouched into a



HOLLYWOOD ACTOR Henry Fonda poses with his bride, the former Adela Franchetti of Treviso, Italy, at Mont Tremblant, Quebec. The couple are honeymooning at the Laurentian ski resort following their marriage in New York. (CP Photo).

Red Cross Canvassers Seeking \$5,500 Tonight

Volunteer canvassers will converge on city homes from eight o'clock onward tonight persuading residents to part with every cent they can afford to help the Red Cross.

Target this year is \$5,500 and the campaign committee have organized complete coverage of every home and business in Prince Rupert.

Teenagers Injured

VANCOUVER ©—Three teenagers were taken to hospital with undisclosed injuries early Sunday after the car in which they were driving crashed into a steel trolley pole while they were being chased by police at high speeds.

The three were thrown from the car to the cement sidewalk at the intersection of Prince Edward Street and Broadway, south of Vancouver's downtown area.

The car was demolished. Two of the teenagers were 16 years old and the other 15. One was released from hospital later Sunday and a Vancouver general hospital spokesman described the conditions of the other two as satisfactory.

The chase began, police said, when prowler car officers spotted a coupe going west on Broadway without headlights at about 1:15 a.m.

They said the police car caught up with the other vehicles at a red traffic light, but then the youthful driver "took off" through the red light.

In the ensuing pursuit the youth's car was clocked at speeds up to 70 miles an hour.

Police said the three "flew out of the car" when it crashed into the trolley pole. One was thrown 30 feet. The car's right fender was found 150 feet from the scene.

WEATHER

North Coast Region. Mostly cloudy today and Tuesday. A few rain showers today, rain tomorrow beginning about noon. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly 15 occasionally reaching 25 in exposed areas.

Low tonight and high Thursday at Port Hardy 35 and 48, Sandspit 40 and 45, Prince Rupert 40 and 48.

Driving without due care and attention cost Arthur Richard Allard, of no fixed address a fine of \$25 and costs or in default a sentence of 10 days in jail.

Police said Allard, who pleaded guilty to the charge, failed to negotiate a curve on Eighth Avenue East and careened into a ditch.

Skene Health Unit's venerable disease notification rate is four times that of the provincial average for B.C., 25 per cent above that of the next highest unit and 200 times greater than that of the Boundary Health Unit, Cloverdale, which has the lowest rate.

These figures were contained in the Provincial Health Units' Statistical Report 1952-53, but are considered to present a fairly accurate picture of the present position here, particularly as notified cases increased by 70 last year.

Director Urges Low-Rental Scheme

Urgent improvements in housing conditions are needed to combat the high rate of infant mortality and disease in the area covered by Skeena Health Unit.

This opinion is expressed by unit director Dr. John H. Smith in his annual report for 1956.

Suggesting the provision of subsidised low-rental housing may be a solution, Dr. Smith warned that so long as present conditions persist he cannot foresee any marked improvement in the standard of health.

He rated sub-standard houses with gross overcrowding and primitive sanitation, as major contributory factors in the increase of infant mortality and the persistence of tuberculosis, parathyphoid and jaundice.

They are also blamed for mental ill-health which frequently leads to moral delinquency and alcoholism.

Recognising the condemnation of housing leads to a demand for alternative accommodation, Dr. Smith stated: "It appears that the provision of subsidised low-rental housing is overdue in order that these people, regardless of cast or creed, can be given a decent home for themselves and their family—something to be proud of and a chance to build up their own self-respect."

He hopes soon to have an overall picture of the housing situation in Prince Rupert, following systematic surveys being carried out by the unit.

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A large scale immunisation program against typhoid and paratyphoid had been carried out at Skeena River cannery except Cassiar to curb outbreaks of workers from reservations during the early summer months.

Dr. Smith said the task would have been impossible to perform without the voluntary help of

Logger Faces Murder Charge After Stabbing

CAMPBELL RIVER, B.C. ©—William Wallace, 21-year-old fisherman, was found stabbed twice in the back near here early Sunday after a St. Patrick's Day dance. A logger has been charged with murder.

Vernon Breckon, 34, was charged and is expected to appear in police court here today.

He was charged a few hours after the finding of Wallace's body at 3 a.m. Sunday in the logging settlement of Quathiaski Cove on Quadra Island.

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No inquest has yet been set.

Wallace, a member of the Cape Mudge Indian band, was married but had no children. His parents live in the district.

Breckon was described as a newcomer to the district.

15 Persons Die Violently Over Weekend

By The Canadian Press

Accidents claimed at least 15 lives in Canada during a comparatively low-fatality weekend.

In the worst tragedy of the period, mother and three of her children died when five destroyed their Corner Brook, Nfld., home.

A Canadian Press survey from 6 p.m. local time until midnight Sunday showed nine deaths in traffic. Three died on the highways in Ontario and four in Quebec, Manitoba, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick each recorded one traffic fatality.

Vernon C. Hale, national blood donor chairman of the society, said the Red Cross collected 365,000 bottles of blood from voluntary donors during the year.

"This effort," he said, "is a magnificent gesture and the contribution of blood cannot be measured in dollars and cents."

Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia reported no fatalities.

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