

### Better Late Than Never

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—James Walker waited for his diploma to be called at the University of Portland commencement exercises Sunday.

He hadn't received his diploma when the ceremony ended, but thinking he had failed, he turned in his cap and gown and went home.

But university officials later discovered that Walker's name had been dropped from the list accidentally. To make up for it they staged another ceremony for Walker yesterday.

The entire faculty, in caps and gowns, turned out for the ceremony. Walker's mother, Mrs. Rose A. Walker, was the proud audience.

## Mile-a-Day Progress On Skeena Highway

Work on the northern Trans-Canada Highway between Terrace and Prince Rupert is progressing at the rate of about a mile a day.

It was disclosed today by L. J. Smith, divisional engineer of the Public Works Department of the Provincial government, who has just returned from an inspection trip.

Already about 30 miles of grading has been completed and the road is well under way.

Generally speaking the highway is in good condition between Terrace and Prince Rupert, he said, adding that three graders now are in continuous patrol.

All projects are moving as fast as possible because of relatively short construction season.

For the weather has been through a little cold, and there have been no delays.

Planning of the highway between Terrace and Skeena is proceeding, said the engineer.

At Kitimat the department engineer is being set up to work for surfacing the section between Prince Rupert and Terrace.

At Terrace a fleet of private cars and departmental equipment are working together in grading operations from various stock piles in the locality.

The stock piles were placed in locations previously with a program in mind.

Mr. Smith said funds have been allocated for repair of several bridges on the highway between Terrace and Tyeke.

Work will be started as soon as materials are available.

There also are "numerous important projects in operation" which include elimination of numerous bad curves, widening, and regrading of the worst sections.

Projects are spaced all the way across the north-central highway system and if the weather keeps good we'll be able to complete our work by the end of September.

## Newsprint Price Rise Serious

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House Representatives Committee Thursday that recent increases in Canadian newsprint prices, undoubtedly will have serious repercussions upon the United States newspaper industry and the reading public.

It reported there was no immediate solution to either rising newsprint prices or the shortage of newsprint, with the result that U.S. newspapers may have to merge.

U.S. American publishers of newsprint are estimated to be at \$50,000,000 a year.

Report reviewing the newsprint situation was issued by a sub-committee of the House committee following a 10-per cent increase in the base price of Canadian newsprint, effective next month.

The increase raises the cost of newsprint to \$126 a ton at the highest in history.

### TIDES—

Saturday, June 7, 1952  
(Pacific Standard Time)

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13:12	18.1 feet
6:49	2.2 feet
18:43	7.5 feet

# Gov't Telegraph-Telephone System In B.C. To Be Sold To Commercial

## Thousands Flee Red Germany

### Scare Campaign Waged

BERLIN (AP)—Thousands of frightened Germans are fleeing to the west from the Russian zone of Berlin.

A scare campaign by East German Communists backed, and West Berlin's crowded refugee stations in the last three days took in more than 1,510 East Germans. The flight across the zonal frontier has increased.

In the last 24 hours, Coburg frontier station reported between 300 and 400 East Germans arrived from areas where Communists are creating "safety belts" to isolate their zone from the west.

Many refugees are youths who feared being drafted into the new East German army. Reds have announced they are forming.

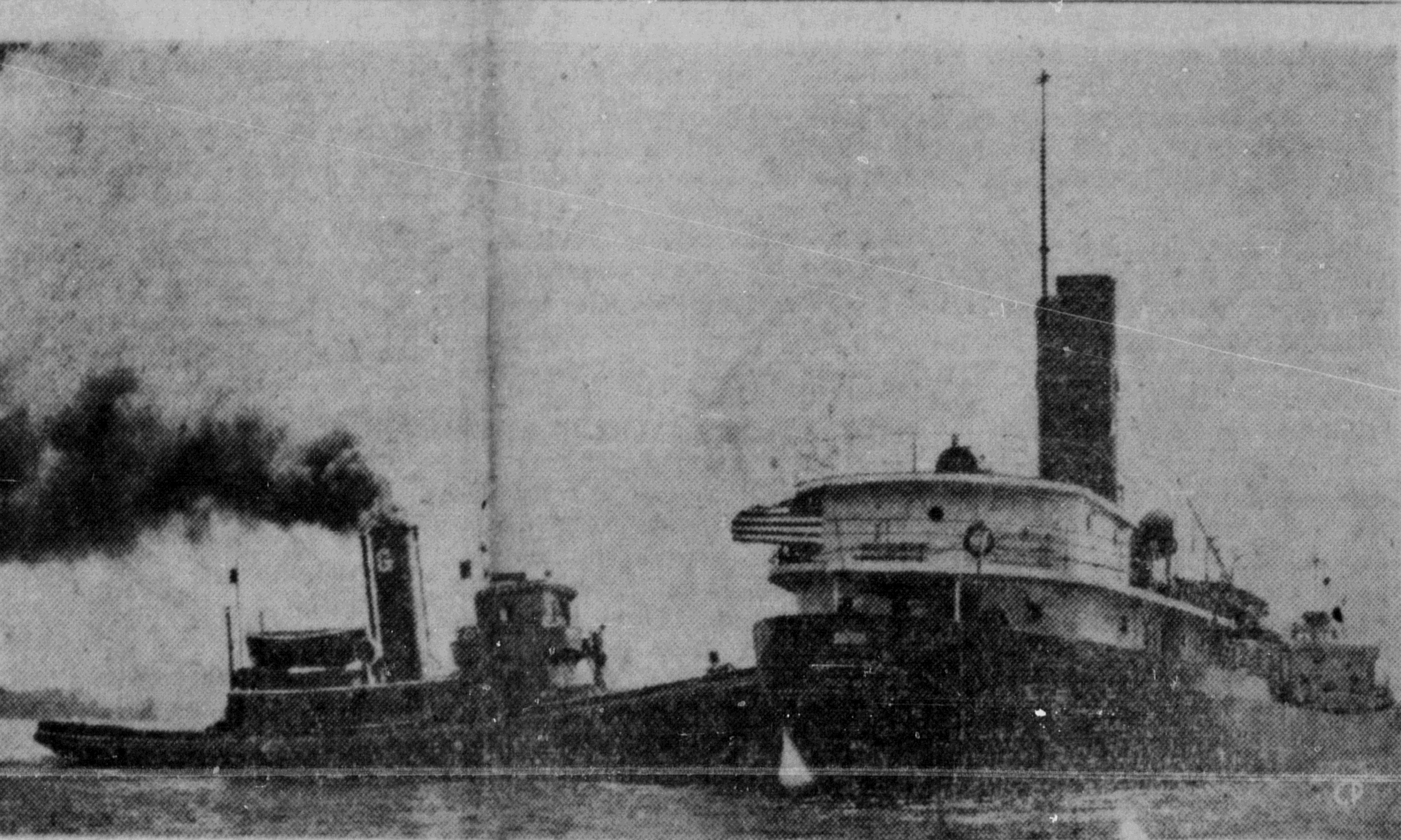
Again today, Russians barred American and British motor patrols from the Berlin-West German super-highway, ignoring repeated Allied protests.

In the heart of West Berlin, Russian tommy-gunners and German Communist propagandists still stubbornly held out against the British army's siege on Radio Berlin.

Western authorities are investigating reports that East German police kidnapped a 67-year-old German from the British sector of Berlin last night. Reports said that Richard Kleins was knocked down by six policemen and dragged into the Communist zone.

Whole families are dodging Communist bullets in the "zone of death" along the 600-mile border between West and East Germany. Many of them are farmers dispossessed by the Communists.

During hot weather food should be stored at or below 50°F, especially meat, poultry with dressing, cream-filled pies and sauces. All foods should be protected from flies and insects to prevent contamination.



**HARD AGROUND**—The tug Idaho struggles to free the ore carrier, James Watt, from a gravel shoal in the St. Mary's river channel, about a mile below the locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. The 7,000-ton vessel went aground in a thick fog and five tugs and a United States coast guard tender were used before she was freed 24 hours later. The James Watt, owned by the Nicholson Transport Company of Detroit, was the second ship to go aground in the river this year. (CP PHOTO)

## Board of Trade Campaigning Successful

Special to The Daily News

STEWART—Board of Trade campaigning has come to fruition by inauguration yesterday by postal authorities of first class air mail service here.

Queen Charlotte Airlines carried its first sack of air mail officially when it landed here on its scheduled flight.

## WEATHER

**Synopsis**

A ridge of high pressure is well established off the coast and generally clear skies are forecast for today in western B.C. However the north coast will come under the influence of a large Pacific storm and expected to be cloudy tomorrow. There is considerable cloudiness in the interior and showers are likely in the eastern part today. Clearing skies are expected here tonight followed by sunshine tomorrow.

**Forecast**

Variable cloudiness today—mostly overcast tomorrow with intermittent light rain in the northern part. Wind westerly 20 today and light tomorrow. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 45 and 56.

## All of First Canadian Troops in Korea Return

### One Missing In Liner Collision

HALIFAX (AP)—The liner Scythia, outward bound for England with 800 passengers, collided with the collier Wabana in the foggy Gulf of St. Lawrence Thursday. One man is reported missing.

The Wabana's propeller was shown in the brush with the 19,900-ton British liner off Fame Point, near the Gaspe coast.

Marine radio said there apparently were no other casualties.

The radio said the Wabana was taken in tow by the tug Rocky River and is heading to Quebec for repairs to her propeller and rudder. Scythia is sailing under her own power. Neither ship is taking water.

Lady Baden-Powell, world head of the Girl Guide movement, was reported to be among passengers aboard the Scythia. Cunard officials at Montreal and Quebec said many of the others are business folk.

OTTAWA—The federal government has decided to sell the telegraph and telephone system in British Columbia operated by the transport department, J. C. Lessard, Deputy Transport Minister, said yesterday.

## Extending Limits May Not Help Salmon

OTTAWA (AP)—Stewart Bates, deputy minister of fisheries, told the Commons committee on Thursday the proposed North Pacific Fish Treaty is necessary for conservation of the west coast's salmon resources.

He appeared before the fisheries committee to reply to a brief presented last week opposing the ratification of the Canada-United States-Japan agreement.

The brief, from United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union (UFAW) of British Columbia, asked that Canada's territorial waters be extended.

Mr. Bates said under the treaty Japan waives its existing rights to fish for salmon, halibut and herring beyond the three-mile territorial limit. Without the treaty, Japanese fishermen could take any species on the high seas beyond its limits.

"The Japanese are excellent high seas fishermen," he told the committee, and there now were "revolutionary techniques" available for high seas fishing. British Columbia fishermen themselves were leaving their customary grounds at river mouths to push into open water in search of salmon.

Extension of territorial limits would help further consideration of some species, but no one knew where salmon went in the Pacific and it was hard to say if extending the limits would help protect them.

## Cheering Crowd Hails Visiting Gizeh Nobles

A colorful group of 106 Gizeh Temple Nobles and their ladies were welcomed by the cheers of hundreds lined on the docks at 2 p.m. today.

## No Pin Money For Convicts

LONDON (AP)—Britain's prison population of some 24,000 men and women will have to struggle along in future without any ready cash.

Instead of receiving currency of the realm for their labors, they will have credits entered in a prison ledger and be permitted to purchase approved articles and necessities in the listed ledger balance.

The new policy was introduced to reduce the risk of trafficking with its consequent temptations to staff and to eliminate the possibility of bullying and blackmail among the prisoners.

Criminals, described in a recent report by prison commissioners as "prison barons" were said to be operating extensive tobacco and gambling rackets from which they realized big profits.

Commenting on this a member of the Prison Officers' Association said: "We know of places where these prisoners bet on horse races and football pools for quite large sums. Other prisoners get into debt to them and sometimes commit serious offences to avoid payment."

## Tot Smothers, Family Overcome By Gas Burner

VANCOUVER (AP)—A ten-year-old girl was asphyxiated and her mother and two brothers were overcome by gas Thursday in their suburban suite.

Dead is Grace Johnstone. Her mother, Mrs. Vivian Johnstone, and brothers, Arne 4, and Colin, 5, were revived by the fire department inhalator squad.

Fire department officials said one burner of the gas stove was turned on.

## BULLETINS

### FISHERMEN TO STRIKE

VANCOUVER (CP)—British Columbia salmon fishermen go on strike June 22 if no agreement on prices is reached, a United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union (UFAW) spokesman said here today.

Deadline was set after the union rejected the operators' proposal to cut salmon prices to fishermen this year. The deadline date also is the opening of the first big run on the Skeena and the Naas Rivers.

### CANADA BUYS U.S. RIFLES

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada has purchased 10,900 Garand rifles from the U.S., but has suspended all further orders, Lt. Gen. Guy Simonds said today. The Chief of General Staff told a press conference this means Canada will not take delivery of more than the 10,000 U.S. 30-calibre Garands which it originally ordered.

### HUGE TELEPHONE BILL

BONN (CP)—Russia today demanded Britain pay 15,000,000 marks (\$4,600,000) for U.S. telephone cables to Berlin, a British spokesman disclosed today.



**SUBWAY BLAST VICTIM**—Fireman Jack Preece, tossed 25 feet in the air by one of the three explosions that shook Toronto's unfinished subway, is attended by comrades. Seven were hurt in the blasts, blamed on seepage of cooking gas from a main. The flying body of one fireman broke a street lamp 25 feet from the pavement. One of the heavy timbers tossed in the air landed, foreground, in a subway opening at the downtown intersection of Yonge and Gerrard streets. (CP PHOTO)