

Native school closed

A second area native school has closed after loss of its teachers, a Department of Indian Affairs official confirmed today.

The Ingenika band-operated school housed about 30 students at the north end of Williston Lake, about 384 km north west of Prince George.

Last month a Department of Indian Affairs school at Fort Ware was closed after at least one teacher was threatened with violence by the native community.

Myler Savill, district manager of the DIA says that school remains closed while the department looks for three new teachers to serve on the remote reserve 100 km north of Mackenzie.

But he says he knows nothing about any trouble at the Ingenika school. "I think it's a combination of isolation and the community not showing as much support for the school as it could," he said.

Savill says he believes there may have been problems between the teachers, their children and the community not "getting along."

While the closing of schools this time of year is not a normal thing for the department, Savill says the problem is getting the right kind of teacher for the isolated communities.

Armed forces members join bush search

QUESNEL (Staff) Personnel from Canadian Forces Base Baldy Hughes in Prince George today joined RCMP, Provincial Emergency Program employees and civilian volunteers searching for a hunter missing one week in light bush 30 km southeast of here.

James Waller, 60, of Vancouver, left his camp and three companions last Tuesday, and never returned.

RCMP said today the search will continue "until it is not feasible anymore."

Waller, who had hunted in the area for 17 years, was warmly dressed when he left the camp. Police say he may have suffered a stroke.

Sixteen armed forces members joined the search today, about 40 searchers were involved Monday.

'Hygiene' TV ads blasted

VANCOUVER (CP) — Freedom of choice and the need to refine advertisements about personal hygiene products dominated the opening session of Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission hearings here Monday.

A commission proposal to allow only four United States channels on any one cablevision system was attacked by Vancouver Mayor Jack Volrich, Vancouver East Liberal MP Art Lee and MP Robert Wenman (PC—Fraser Valley West).

Vancouver now receives six American stations.

Volrich, appearing on behalf of CKNW radio, presented an 88,000-name petition opposing any restrictions on U.S. stations and said about 20,000 more signatures were frozen in the strikebound postal system.

Nicole Parton, consumer columnist for the Province, said the CRTC should take a second look at current broadcast code policy that puts advertising dollars before good taste.

Parton, who ran a newspaper campaign opposing advertising of personal hygiene products earlier this month, said 25,000 people registered protests with her. Earlier Monday, the Sun presented the names of almost 29,000 people who responded to a similar campaign.

Parton said advertisements for feminine hygiene products, hemorrhoid and pimple treatments and deodorants should be restricted to magazines aimed at specific audiences.

GAIN cheques could be late

VICTORIA (CP) — The British Columbia government does not plan to distribute its Guaranteed Annual Income for Need (GAIN) cheques to needy senior citizens during the current postal strike, a spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said the 80,000 cheques, each for a maximum of \$38.88, are not considered a main source of income, and the government will consider delivering them through its emergency mail service only if the strike is a prolonged one.



Mom's work

Cristin Corneille, 7, admires this unusual creation by her mother, Lynnda, Monday at the opening of her new pottery show at the Prince George Art Gallery. The show continues until Nov. 11.

Citizen photo by Tim Swanky

'STILL DRIVE BIG CARS'

Taxi fare hike denied

A proposed 11-per-cent increase in taxi fares, the second in less than a year, was denied by council Monday.

"They (taxi operators) always want an increase higher than the cost-of-living increase," said Alderman Art Stauble. "Have they ever thought of streamlining their operations?"

"They still drive big cars that use a lot of gas."

"I move we not support this." Prince George Taxi Association and Central City Cabs Ltd. asked the city to sanction a 10-cent increase to raise fares to \$1 a mile and

a similar increase to \$1.20 in the base fare. Council approval is needed for the increase to be approved routinely by the provincial motor carrier commission. Approval by the MCC now could be more difficult.

Alderman Vic Litnosky said he wanted more information on rates in other cities before deciding. He said operations where it's cold would be more expensive than in warmer climates.

Litnosky, Alderman Elmer Mercier and Monica Becott voted against denying the increase.

High-rise apartment fought by neighbors

Neighborhood opposition is gathering against a proposed 12-storey apartment building near Ospika Boulevard and McDermid Drive.

Council, however, might not have the power to stop the 67-suite building because the multiple unit zoning in the area does not include height restrictions.

"Residents are concerned

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about a high-rise looking down into backyards." Alderman Vic Litnosky told council Monday.

"I think we're going to see a

FOR WHEELCHAIRS

Pool 'lift' eyed

The city is investigating a novel way to get handicapped swimmers up the stairs of Four Seasons Pool — at a price which shouldn't stir the water.

Marjorie Urquhart, a teacher of handicapped at Harwin School, told council Mon-

day a new Swedish-built wheelchair lift that uses existing stairways could be bought and installed for about \$5,000. Proposals for a handicapped entrance to the pool in past years were estimated to cost as much as \$30,000.

Council moved to get more information on the Swedish lift device. It's a platform that runs up and down rails installed like banisters in the stairwells.

In the past, elevators and ramps were considered.

Searcher offered job back

GRANISLE, B.C. (CP) — Management at Noranda Mines Ltd. Bell Copper facility in this northern British Columbia community has offered to reinstate a probationary worker who was fired last week after booking off work to join the search for two boys lost near Houston, B.C.

However, under the terms of the offer, the union must agree to extend Glen Davis' probationary time by 35 shifts, Noranda spokesman Ken Hughes said Monday.

Bill McCallum, president of Local 10 of the Canadian Association of Industrial, Mechanical and Allied Workers, said later Monday the company offer was unacceptable and that the union will take the issue to arbitration.

He said Davis booked off Oct. 13 to join the search along with other employees. Davis also booked off Oct. 16 because he was exhausted from his efforts during the search, which ended early Sunday afternoon.

Several hundred people joined the search for the two boys who went missing Oct. 11. Five-year-old David Crocker survived after being found four days later, but his companion, Jamie Baxter, also five, died after being located the next day.

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Engineers urge plan for energy

VANCOUVER (CP) — The British Columbia government should prepare a comprehensive energy plan for the future, says a report made public Monday by the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C.

The report, presented to Premier Bill Bennett Friday, calls for a comprehensive long-range plan for the province against the time when its supply of nonrenewable resources, particularly oil and natural gas, begins to dwindle.

"There could be a crisis in five, 10, or 15 years, resulting in the shutting down of factories, schools and offices," said Robert Handel, association president.

"We think the provincial government should decide on an energy policy and a plan that should include getting users to switch away from oil to natural gas, for example," he said.

The association's report calls for a firm government policy on all forms of energy: oil, gas, coal, hydro, nuclear and, for future energy sources, such as biomass, wind power, and solar.

It also advocates re-thinking the exporting of natural gas to the United States.

"Over half of the natural gas produced in B.C. is exported to the U.S.," the report said. "On the face of it there appears to be no immediate problem with the gas supply in B.C., particularly as the export commitment will end in about 10 years time."

ATTEMPTED MURDER

New trial granted

A city man found guilty here last year of attempting to murder an RCMP officer by running him down with a vehicle has been granted a new trial.

The British Columbia Court of Appeal ruled Monday in Vancouver that the trial judge should have told the jury it could consider an included offence, such as assault, if believed the driver did not intend to kill the policeman.

A B.C. Supreme Court jury had convicted Kevin Shawn Hayward, 20, of Prince George after it was told Const. Mark Allan Dibblee was forced to jump aside when a pickup truck was driven straight at him. He fired shots into its front wheel.

Hayward was also convicted of criminal negligence causing bodily harm. Cpl. Morris Winton was thrown about 40 feet and suffered partial paralysis to his neck when a truck ran into a police cruiser.

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Hayward was sentenced in October, 1977, to two years less a day determinate, and two years less a day indeterminate on the attempted murder charge. He was sentenced to two years less a day to be served concurrently on the criminal negligence charge.

Chief Justice John L. Farris said:

"The speed of the car must have been minimal at the time, and the intent of the accused may have been something less

than to commit murder; for example, an intent to assault with intent to prevent the lawful detention of himself and in the belief that the officer would be able, as he was, to jump aside."

An appeal against sentence on the criminal negligence charge has not yet been heard. Cpl. Winton suffered four cracked vertebrae, and a partially paralyzed neck as a result of the accident. Because of his injuries, he has been taken off active duty.

MACKENZIE COUNCIL

Liquor rules protested

MACKENZIE (Staff) — Council is protesting a government regulation that allows only six special event liquor permits per year.

Council voted Monday to send a letter to the provincial government protesting the regulation.

The protest came after a local service club requested one of the six permits Mac-

kenzie can give out for 1979.

In delaying a decision on the application, council voted to ask all service clubs and organizations to apply for any permits they will want in 1979. Council then could make a decision on which clubs get the permits.

In its letter to the provincial government, council seeks

more leeway in issuing the permits.

In other business, council decided to hold a meeting with groups interested in a rural residential subdivision in the Ganahaz Lake area, north of the community centre.

Council had received a number of petitions concerning the possibility of such a subdivision.

VANDERHOOF LAND USE

Community plan ready

VANDERHOOF (Staff) — The final draft of this community's new community plan is complete and will soon go to public hearing.

Village administrator Jack King said the plan would go to the advisory committee on Oct. 30.

"At that time, they will set the date for the public hearing, probably two or three weeks after that," King said.

The community plan sets out land use for the village. Council Monday also heard a presentation from the Nechako Historical Society, which wants to organize a museum in the community.

A structure built in 1914 as the Board of Trade Building,

and since used as a school, church, meeting hall and Legion, is being considered, possibly under the Heritage program where older buildings are preserved with the help of provincial money.

The official opening of the Vanderhoof Airport will coincide with the annual air show July 28-29, 1979. Council agreed with a request from the Blue Mountain Flyers to hold the opening in conjunction with the annual air show.

In other business, council stood by his decision not to per-

mit a trailer to be put on property in the city to be used as an optometrists' clinic. Council said the location of the temporary-type building would set an undesirable precedent.

The village's boom style building rate continues. The building inspector's report showed permits taken out for \$8,394,930 so far this year compared with \$1,995,649 last year. September's total was \$65,000.

Also, council decided to take inventory on village owned properties and prepare some of them, both commercial and residential, for public auction.

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