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### **Indians**

centred at Nass Camp where some 300 men are employed. Many of the loggers are Indians and would be affected by any

McKay said the timing of the closure has been carefully considered. The log drive along the Nass River has just started, he said, and there can be no log drive while the road closure is in effect. Those logs not transported via the Nass are trucked to Terrace, and that road also will be closed.

CanCel was informed that the road closure will be on the "honor system" a company spokesman said in Vancouver, but the company will most likely honor the closure.

"It's their property," said the spokesman, "if they close the road we don't have any choice."

At a weekend meeting, the Nishga Tribal Council, which has operated independently in its land claims, also decided to continue to accept government funding.

McKay said that Indians pay taxes and yet receive only 45 per cent back. "As a self-government we accept money like all other local governments. We are all taxpayers"

The Nishga people have traditionally operated outside of the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs, which represents most B.C. Indian bands. The union recently voted to reject all government funding as part of the land claims negotiations.

## Liberal defectors receive ovations from 1,200

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\$100,000 a day, transit has doubled its losses since NDP and is now losing \$50,000 a day and the B.C. Railway, \$25,000 a day.

He said he was in favor of such legislation as Mincome and Pharmacare which have long been part of the Liberal platform. But he said he is concerned that these measures have been brought in with

He said mining claim staking is now down 80 per cent and expenditures on mines down 98 per cent. Five major mines have closed and four others scheduled to

"The situation demands that we respond and that is precisely what we are doing." McGeer said in the last election under his leadership of the Liberal party it was becoming obvious that the more votes the Liberals attained, the more seats would go to the NDP.

"I resigned my leadership but the results of the 1972 election were what I expected. That's when I started speaking out for the need for realignment.

"We have now taken the first step and more must be taken. Flexibility will be required on the part of all free enterprise

"There is only one condition. The government resulting from union must seek a solution to the system for socialists to have power when rejected by the majori-

"No party should be able to stay in power to save B.C. from socialism. I was convinced of this 10 years ago.

"B.C. will prosper under free enterprise. It's the best place in the world to live. Let's keep it that way." Garde Gardom, McGeer's running mate

in Point Grey said he will continue to be a Liberal in philosophy.

He said he and the people are mainly

concerned about (Premier Dave) Barrett's

infiltration into the private sector. Referring to ICBC as the Moscow Mutu-al and the legislature as Red Square, Gardom said the government is playing Mo-

nopoly with taxpayers' dollars. "We will be facing redistribution at the next election. Free enterprise will have to

come on like gangbusters to put the province first and restore confidence." Allan Williams said he both disagrees

with what the former Social Credit government did and what the present NDP government is doing.

"I want a government that serves the people, not one that controls them.
"We needed a new government a decade

"People of goodwill and initiative should join to bring in new government.

At the start of the meeting the audience demanded that television lights be extinguished so they could see the speakers.

Meeting chairman Ald. Warnett Kennedy ruled in favor of the lights so that people not at the meeting could see what is

"Earlier tonight you were calling for the lights to be turned off." Williams said. 'Now British Columbians after 32 months of the NDP are calling for the lights to be turned on. We must have a government to meet your needs and not

control your destinies." Although the meeting was virtually unanimous in the support of the three MLAs, a lively handful of hecklers were

spread throughout the hall. First person to the microphones at the opening of the question period was school teacher Roger Pedersen who said he was disturbed by the cataclysmic rift in the Liberal Party. Although he was given a minute to speak he was never able to say anymore over the shouts of the audience and Kennedy finally cut off the micro-

Guests sharing the stage included Aldermen Jack Volrich, Ed Sweeney, former alderman Marianne Linnell who was also a Conservative candidate, former newspaper publishers Don Cromie of The Sun and Fred Auger of The Province, Mike Francis, president of the Non-Partisan Association and television commentator Dave Brock.

## Drivers won't be prosecuted during ICBC strike

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of the 15-minute question period as Strachan was peppered by queries from the Socred benches

Hugh Curtis (SC - Saanich and the Islands) wondered whether accident victims would continue to receive regular benefits from ICBC during the strike. Strachan said the ICBC management staff will do all they can."

Fraser pointed out that the Interior logging industry is being disrupted because weigh scale operators are refusing to issue temporary permits for unlicensed vehicles which have to be moved on highways into

"As I said, we are examining every aspect where there is a delay." Strachan responded. "There is a strike on, I think you'll appreciate that."

In Vancouver, motor vehicle branch offices had one of their busiest - and noisiest - days in memory as confused drivers flocked in to find out what to do about their expired certificates.

"Some of them have been rather violent," said Jack Bartell, office manager of the Georgia Street branch office.

"A couple of people, were screaming and demanding their rights as citizens, saying we had no right to deny them cer-

"I think I've spoken to more people

today than I ever have before in one day, but once you explain the situation, they become quite reasonable.

"A lot of people belong to unions. They realize the situation because it could be the other way around some time." Meanwhile, negotiations between the two sides are still at a standstill. No talks

have been scheduled. The corporation has offered the workers a 29-per-cent salary increase in a 20-month contract retroactive to last Nov.

1. There also would be a fully-paid dental Hours of work would be reduced to 35 hours a week from 3614, with claims cen-

tre personnel working a four-day week and

computer employees putting in three 11% hour shifts a week.

Office and Technical Employees Union, spokesman Fred Trotter said hours of work remain a stumbling block with the corporation, along with job security and

However, he said a report that the union is seeking a 40-per-cent salary increase was the company's version. The union is currently compiling its own percentage.

Strikers will begin receiving a nominal strike pay of \$20 a week in two weeks if the strike is not settled by then, he said.

"We're not going to get rich during the strike." Trotter added

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### GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT **COURT OF REVISION ELECTORAL AREA "C" BOWEN ISLAND**

A Court of Revision sat at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 1975 in the Board Room at 2294 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. to hear all complaints and correct and revise the list of electors for Electoral Area "C" (Bowen Island), and pursuant to Section 47A of the Municipal Act. may nicipal Act, may:

(a) correct the names of electors in any way wrongly stated therein; or (b) add the names of electors omitted from the list; or

(c) strike out the names of persons from the list who are not entitled to vote or who are disqualified from voting;

(d) correct any other manifest error therein, and shall add to the list of electors the name of any person who was qualified to have his name entered on the list of electors on the third day of May, 1975 and, for this purpose, an application may be accepted as duly completed under section 35 if delivered to the Court of Revision at its first sitting.

Pursuant to Section 47 of the Municipal Act, how-ever, any person entitled to be registered as an elector in Electoral Area "C" may make objection to the retention of any name appearing on the last revised list of electors for Bowen Island, on the grounds of death, removal, or want of qualification, or on any ground that would dis-qualify the elector or applicant from having his name re-tained or registered as an elector on the list of electors.

SINCE A NUMBER OF OBJECTIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED, A THIRD SITTING OF THE COURT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED, IF REQUIRED, FOR 11:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 28TH, 1975 AT THE SHERATON VILLA INN, 4330 DO-MINION STREET, BURNABY, B.C., TO CONSID-

I. G. TURNER

Assistant Secretary Dated at Vancouver, B.C. this 20th day of May, 1975.



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