

## Special delivery bomb kills father

George Chatzisprios eyed the special delivery parcel from Pittsburgh suspiciously when it was handed to him Sunday by postal worker Bruce Paterson at his front door.

He seemed about to refuse it when his little boy, excited about getting a parcel, grabbed it out of his hands.

Minutes later, Chatzisprios, 42, was fatally injured and his wife and son were critically hurt when he opened the parcel and a bomb inside exploded.

The former Greek restaurant owner died in Vancouver General Hospital two hours after the bomb went off in the Chatzisprios home at 3651 West Twenty-sixth

with a blast that was heard for blocks around.

His wife Georgina, who lost an arm and is reported in danger of losing the other, is in satisfactory condition at VGH.

Their younger son, Dean, 9, is in serious condition and may also lose an arm.

Police said the parcel was mailed by special delivery from Pittsburgh Friday and addressed to the Chatzisprios' elder son, William, 22, who was at the movies at the time.

A daughter, Eva, 19, was at work at a cafe not far from home.

William Chatzisprios has been working since April as a store detective for a private security firm and police are investi-

gating the possibility that the bombing was connected with his job.

They said the bomb contained aluminum nails, washers cut in half, broken glass and other shrapnel packed into an attaché case with dynamite and a detonating mechanism activated when the case was opened.

The attaché case was in a brown cardboard box, 10 inches wide, 16 inches long

and 4½ inches deep, wrapped in brown paper.

It was addressed with a blue ball-point pen in neat lettering which appeared to

have been printed with a lettering guide and carried the return address of Greek American Association, 3360 Fifth Street, Pittsburgh.

Police said the return is probably phoney. "Who would put a return address on a package like this?" one detective asked.

The parcel was delivered to the Chatzisprios home by Paterson, a 27-year-old part-time postal worker and education student at Simon Fraser University.

Contacted by The Vancouver Sun today at Argyle secondary school, where he was doing practice teaching, Paterson said he recalled quite vividly having delivered the parcel.

Paterson said he noticed a young boy

looking out the window of the house where the package was to be delivered.

"This older man came to the door and he looked at the package and stopped dead in his tracks.

"He seemed to be hesitant about taking it," Paterson said.

Then he looked at it again and said: "Yes, that's my name," but still didn't seem to want to take it.

"I thought he was going to give it back to me, but the little boy grabbed it out of his hands and was excited about getting a parcel," Paterson said.

He reiterated that the man who ac-

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BRUCE PATERSON  
... recalls delivery

## Bomb kills 3 Spanish policemen

MADRID (AP) — Gunmen attacked a Basque bar in northern Spain and machine-gunned the owner to death in apparent retaliation for the bombing deaths of three civil guards, officials said today.

Police said the incident occurred in an industrial suburb of Bilbao a few hours after political terrorists, believed to be

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Basque guerrillas, killed the guards by blasting their jeep with a remote-control bomb, hurling the vehicle 60 feet in the air.

Premier Carlos Arias Navarro called a special cabinet meeting today to consider the rising violence.

Police sources in Bilbao identified the latest victim as Ignacio Echave, brother of two Basque guerrillas in exile in France. They said a group of men armed with pistols and sub-machine-guns shot Echave to death in his bar late Sunday evening, then fled.

The attack was believed to be the work of an extreme right-wing group called Guerrillas of Christ the King, blamed for more than 80 attacks on Basque-owned businesses in retaliation for Basque separatist slayings of police.

A government official, who declined to be identified, said today's cabinet meeting was called mainly to take advantage of a tide of "patriotic fervor" orchestrated in a series of nationwide demonstrations sup-

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## 29 left dead in Argentine guerrilla raid

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — In a daring co-ordinated raid, leftist guerrillas attacked a provincial army garrison Sunday in an abortive attempt to steal guns, then fled in a plane hijacked by accomplices, leaving at least 29 dead by official count.

The action began when more than 50 Montonero guerrillas raided an infantry garrison in Formosa, a small provincial capital on the Paraguayan border 575 miles north of here.

Soldiers and police repelled the attack in bloody fighting, and the army said at least 15 guerrillas, two army officers and 12 soldiers were killed in the battle.

The surviving guerrillas fought their way to the Formosa airport, where they seized the air terminal.

Meanwhile, fellow guerrillas hijacked an Aerolineas Argentinas airliner on a domestic flight between Buenos Aires and Corrientes, about 100 miles southwest of Formosa, and forced it to land at the Formosa airport.

They ordered the passengers to leave the twin-jet Boeing 737 and held off soldiers and policemen while some of the guerrillas on the ground got aboard.

Other guerrillas remained behind to defend the runway as the plane took off, then withdrew toward mountains along the Paraguayan border, the sources said.

The hijacked plane, running low in fuel, landed at a field 290 miles northwest of Buenos Aires and the guerrillas escaped in cars.



—Brian Kent Photo

CRITICAL OF U.S. THREATS which he says forced Israel to sign accord with Egypt, former Israeli defence minister Moshe Dayan speaks to Sun

reporter Moira Farrow on his arrival here today from San Francisco. Most Israelis don't approve of accord, he says. (Story, P. 8.)

## B.C. supermarkets, unions asked to meet with Plumptre

Sun Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Food prices review board chairman Beryl Plumptre has invited both sides in the Greater Vancouver supermarket dispute to meet with her here Wednesday.

She said today the intended meetings are not designed to get a settlement but to impress on management and unions the need for restraint.

Although employers accepted the invitation immediately, the three unions involved are to meet together later today to decide their response.

Mrs. Plumptre has said repeatedly that the food industry offer that has been turned down by the unions already is too high and that union demands are wildly exorbitant.

She said today she wants to impress on the negotiators the effects a high settlement will have on consumers.

The board, she said, is making the move

because it is no longer prepared to wait for the B.C. government to exercise its responsibility and protect the public interest.

"I would have preferred the provincial authorities to take this action," Mrs. Plumptre added. "But the issue is too important to waste any more time waiting for them to assume their responsibilities."

She said the review board did not want Victoria to act as an arbitrator but as "an authority capable of defining and serving the public interest."

At the moment, she said, the public interest is not being protected because the

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## NO NUDES IS BAD NEWS

TORONTO (CP) — Inflation has dealt Ryerson Polytechnical Institute's fashion department a cruel cut.

Instead of live nude models, students in this year's visual arts course have to settle for-centrefold photographs from Penthouse and Playgirl magazines.

The fashion department is unable to hire nudes since it dropped its fees to \$2 from \$4 an hour.

Gail Rutherford, instructor for the first-year course, has tried to compensate by having fully-clothed students posing for each other.

But, as one student puts it: "We need naked bodies."

## Firm barter for man's life

Sun News Dispatches

LIMERICK — A colleague of kidnapped Dutch businessman Tiede Herrema said today his company is ready to buy Herrema's release.

Herrema, 53-year-old chief executive of the Limerick plant of the Dutch multinational steel firm Ferenka, was abducted near his home here Friday.

The kidnappers threatened to kill him Sunday unless Rose Dugdale, Kevin Mallon and Jim Hyland — all members of the Provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army — are freed from prison.

Irish authorities refused either to meet the kidnappers' demands or to issue a re-

ward for information on Herrema's whereabouts, and the deadline passed without word on Herrema's fate.

Today, Dan Hutter, a member of Ferenka's board, said the firm is ready to pay a ransom, but did not say how much. Herrema's son said earlier his family would "do anything" for his safe return.

Justice Minister Patrick Cooney said the Irish government would not object to any negotiations for a financial ransom.

"If it were to save the man's life, no humane person would object to it being paid," Cooney said in a radio interview.

"In the past, ransoms have been paid to gain the release of kidnapped persons. If a

## New ICBC boss promises crackdown on bad drivers

By KARENN KRANGLE

The new minister responsible for the Insurance Corporation of B.C. said Saturday he will conduct a major review of the corporation and will crack down on careless drivers and accident repeaters.

Provincial Secretary Ernie Hall said in an interview in Richmond he wants to get to the root of ICBC's financial losses by looking closely at all claims, especially those from "crazy drivers who have accidents one month."

Hall, who was appointed head of ICBC and the motor vehicle branch in Premier Dave Barrett's cabinet shuffle Friday, said he is declaring war on drivers with recurring accidents who "must be properly educated in road behavior, to be made aware of why they get into accidents, or be penalized."

He said he is in favor of the demerit system and may make it tougher so those who don't drive carefully won't have to pay as high a rate.

He said a great number of the claims come from "repeaters" and that for every

\$100 received, the Crown-owned corporation pays out \$200.

Hall, who with Health Minister Dennis Cocke served for a year as a director on the ICBC board, said he'd like to know what happened to the backlog of claims expected after the 15-week strike.

"There are no queues. Where are the alleged 140,000 cars that had accidents?" he asked pointing out that ICBC is "back to normal" only a month after the strike.

He said he will ask ICBC's general manager Norman Bortnick for a detailed report on claims before, during and after the strike and will discuss the findings with Attorney-General Alex Macdonald.

He also said he will investigate reports of "torch gangs" who destroy cars by fire so the owners may collect insurance.

"If that's true, the proof will be the absence of fires during the strike," he said, adding that he will also closely examine the company's figures for fire-damage claims.

Hall said he would like to collaborate with other Crown corporations in insurance — such as in Saskatchewan — to share information on costs and causes of accidents and other pertinent information, including structure of automobiles.

"How can I be president of ICBC if I don't even know what makes a car run?"

Hall, who replaces former transport and communications minister Bob Strachan as "ICBC" page 8

## A balanced budget: Is it worth the price?

Premier Dave Barrett has ordered all government departments to trim their spending to the bone to avoid a deficit in 1975-76.

On page 11 reporter Paul Knox tells how some essential services and valuable programs are being sacrificed as the price of a balanced budget.

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WEATHER: Mostly cloudy Tuesday with a few showers. Low near 6; high 14. Showers will predominate in B.C. during the next two days, as cool moist weather settles into the province behind a Pacific disturbance. Details, page 3.

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