\$4,444 a Minute

Typhoon Frieda cost B.C. Hydro about \$4,444 a minute during its three-hour lashing of the Lower Mainland last month.

So far, storm damage bill to B.C. Hydro has been estimated at a minimum of \$800,000 in labor, materials and lost revenue.

As dawn crept into Vancouver on Oct. 13, we had lost 55 per cent of our system between Horseshoe Bay and Chilliwack.

Beside the awful pounding to the utility, 10,000 telephones were out of order, and thousands of trees were uprooted.

In the worst storm to ever strike an electric utility in B.C., we discovered that of 390 distribution circuits, 212 were out of action. Only two of B.C. Hydro's Lower Mainland substations had escaped and 26 were completely inactivated.

Bad news was still to come, for 29 of the system's 60,000 volt transmission ince were lost plus one of 132,000 volts and another of 230.000 volts.

Early in the storm emergency, B.C. Hydro's staff realized that a major disaster had taken place and put into effect pre-arranged plans to handle the situation. In round-the-clock shifts, 596 linemen — including private crews — worked to restore power as quickly as possible.

B.C. Hydro called upon crews from its Central and Southern interior regions and from Northern Vancouver Island to help in the crash repair program. Bus Driver



Commended

Bus operator Tom Radbourne was driving his vehicle along 2nd Street, New Westminster, one morning last month when he noticed a woman lying face down on the boulevard.

Stopping his bus, Tom went to the assistance of the woman, applied artificial respiration and sent a man to call police and an inhalator crew. Unfortunately, Mrs. J. McCarthy died on the way to hospital.

For his prompt action, Tom Radbourne has earned the commendation of John McCarthy, of New Westminster, Mrs. McCarthy's husband.

In a letter to B.C. Hydro and Power Authority, Mr. McCarthy wrote: "We would like to commend Mr. Radbourne...it has been a great consolation to us to know Mrs. McCarthy received such immediate attention. Mr. Radbourne is a credit to your company and we would ask that this be put on his record."

The country lad, about to move to Vancouver, sought advice from his pastor. "Can I live a good, clean Christian life on \$15 a week in the city?"

"My son," answered the minister, "on \$15 a week, what else could you do?"



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Name
the
Country
Winner



Leagh Engar, B.C. Hydro, congratulates Mrs. Anderson, watched by Bill Jago.

First winner of B.C. Hydro Authority's \$1,800 NAME THE COUNTRY contest is Mrs. Lorraine Anderson, of 2073 Suffolk Avenue, Port Coguitlam.

Mrs. Anderson, a bank teller, chose as her prize an electric automatic washer and dryer, valued at ábout \$600.

The lucky winner received her prize from Bill Jago, manager of the T.V. Centre at Port Cognitlam.

Mrs. Anderson's all-correct Name the Country entry blank was picked on Channel 8's "Ladies First" program.

Two more contests — with \$1,200 in prizes — still have to be won. Closing dates are Nov. 10 and Dec. 8.

Don't forget that additional clues are given on B.C. Hydro's weekly television show Seven League Boots on Channel 8.

You won't be Late



With a Timetable



A timetable is a great convenience in using your transit service. A call to AM 1-4211 any time will bring one by mail.

Timetables are available for all transit routes served by B.C. Hydro Authority. They are small and can be carried in the pocket of a purse or pocket book.

If your timetable is old, it may be out of date, Phone AM 1-4211

and check.

AM 1-4211 is a toll-free number within the entire area served by the transit system, and is open 24 hours a day to supply you with information on transit.

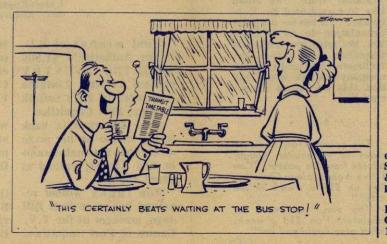
In addition to carrying timetables of the routes you use frequently, phone this number when you want information about other routes. Here are typical questions we answer:

"How do I get to. . . shopping centre?" "What bus takes me to the. . . district?"

"What is the fare to . . .?"

LATE SERVICE

A special interconnecting late service was put into operation some time ago. All transit vehicles arrive downtown and stay over about 5 minutes in the area of Smythe and Granville streets to allow transferring. They leave downtown at 12.40, 1.10, 1.40 and 2.10 a.m. every day.



New Contract

For Transit

Members of the Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees have voted to accept a new agreement with B.C. Hydro Authority.

The Hydro Authority also has accepted the terms of the proposed agreement reached through the services of a Provincial Government conciliation officer.

The agreement covers 1.511 employees in the Lower Mainland area and 212 employees in Victoria. It will run from Sept. 1. of this year. to Aug. 31, 1964.

The contract gives all 1.723 transit employees an increase of 7¢ an hour from Sept. 1, 1962, and a second increase of 7¢ an hour effective Sept. 1. of next year.

Starting next year, Easter Monday will be an additional paid statutory holiday, bringing the number of such regular holidays to 10. Employees with five years of service will now receive three weeks vacation. Formerly. they received three weeks after eight years.

The 14¢ across-the-board increase in wages, when in full effect in the second year of the new agreement, will cost the transit system about \$490,000 a year.

Coming Events

Nov. 2-3 - "Pools Paradise", comedy presented by Stage 9. Cambie gym. Cambie & Sexsmith, Richmond, 8.30

Nov. 2 - Thrift sale, West Point Grey Presbyterian Church hall, 12th & Trimble. 10 a.m.