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85,000 Chrysler Workers Strike Over Pensions

By GLEN ENGLE
DETROIT, Jan. 25 (AP) — The C.I.O. pension drive erupted today into a strike of 85,000 Chrysler Corporation workers. Contract negotiations between the company and the United Automobile Workers Union (C.I.O.) broke up in a tight deadlock. They had gone on for more than six months. There was agreement on the principle of \$100-a-month pension plan. But the U.A.W. wouldn't accept Chrysler's terms for operating it. So hourly-rated workers — except for office and maintenance employees — in Chrysler's plants across the United States marched out to an uncertain future. No direct path to a settlement was in sight. Government mediators, however, were hopeful of bringing the parties together again for more negotiations after a "cooling off" period. A grueling 24-hour bargaining session preceded the break-off of today's talks at 10:45 a.m. AST. Fifteen minutes later a mighty tide of men poured out of the company's main plants — right on the union's 10 a.m. deadline. All work on Chrysler, DeSoto, Plymouth and Dodge cars in 25 plants stopped.

Affects Other Plants
The strike also brought layoff of more than 20,000 workers at Briggs Manufacturing Company plants in Detroit and Evansville, Ind. Briggs makes bodies for Chrysler. A lengthy strike will put almost all Chrysler's 110,000 em-

Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Garnhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Auction and Dance, Belfast Hall, Friday night, January 27th.
- Rummage Sale, Salvation Army, Friday, February 3rd.
- Show Murrell every Friday only 8 o'clock.
- Hockey match in Sea View Rink tonight, Baltic vs. Sea View. If not fine, Friday night.
- Outstanding attraction of season. Burns Concert again tonight P.W.C. Hall 8 p.m.
- Dance Murrigan Warehouse, Friday, January 27th. If not fine, Monday, January 30th. Good music.
- Dance in Legion Hall, Mt. Stewart, January 26th, 9 P.M. Burke's Orchestra.
- Hockey at New Glasgow Rink tonight, New Glasgow vs. Hope River. Game starts 8:30.
- Best in Scotch music, dancing, choruses, bagpipes — all at Burns Concert, P.W.C. Hall tonight 8 p.m.
- Come to the card party and dance at Hunter River Masonic Hall, Thursday night. Sponsored by Hunter River hockey team.
- Hunter's River tonight at 8:00. Show "Eye of St. Mark." Also songs by Jim Austin. Please note change of night.
- Federation of Agriculture meeting in New Glasgow hall, Friday, Jan. 27th at 8 p.m. New Glasgow and surrounding districts please attend.
- North River rink hockey match Friday, Jan. 27. League game. Monarchs vs. Southport. Game time 8:30. Skate after.
- Hockey game North Rustico rink tonight, South Rustico Rangers vs. North Rustico Legionaires. Game starts 8:30. Skate after. Canteen service.
- Notice—Unloading car baled shavings Wednesday this week. Barley Meal, Saturday, twenty-eight. Three dollars from car. Book orders now. G. C. Green, Emerald.
- Federation of Agriculture meeting in Crapaud hall, Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. Farmers, Crapaud, Hampton, Victoria, Westmoreland, Kelly's Cross, South Melville, Desable please attend.
- Stanley Bridge Sporting Club will hold annual meeting in Stanley Bridge Hall, Thursday, January 26th, 8 P.M. Any party disturbing the meeting will be dealt with according to the law. Emerson Matheson, President. Buddy McDevin, Secretary.

ployees, union and non-union, out of work. An estimated 100,000 workers in supplier plants and auto dealerships will be affected soon. Impact of the walkout on the country's economy was reflected in a decline of the stock market, partly attributed to the Chrysler situation. Here is the core of the dispute: Chrysler is willing to grant a pension plan allowing workers to retire at 65, after 24 years service, on \$100 a month, including social security benefits. It also would finance an improved health and welfare program. The company insists, however, that it retain complete control of the pension set-up, making payments as they fall due. It also wants the present contract extended for five years, renewable annually only on wages. The union demands a voice in pension payment administration. It is holding out for a trust fund run jointly by the union and company, into which Chrysler would pay a set amount for each manhour of work. Pension payments would be drawn from this fund. Both sides agree that the trust fund arrangement would cost the company more in the next few years since it would be laying aside money for pensions far in advance.

Hiss Appeals 5-Year Sentence

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (AP) — Alger Hiss today was sentenced to five years in prison. A jury decided Saturday he lied when he denied passing confidential state papers to a pre-war Russian spy ring. Pale and tight-lipped, the man who advised the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt at the Yalta conference with Prime Minister Stalin, still maintained his innocence. He filed notice of appeal of his case and was released on \$10,000 bail. Last Saturday a jury of eight women and four men found Hiss lied when he denied passing State Department documents to Shambers, self-styled courier for a pre-war Soviet spy ring, and lied again when he denied seeing Chambers after Jan. 1, 1937. Judge Goddard sentenced him to concurrent terms of five years each in a Federal penitentiary on the two perjury counts. The white-haired judge declined to levy a possible \$4,000 fine against him.

Killed By Truck Driven by Friend

SYDNEY, N.S., Jan. 25 (CP) — Charles Sherwood, 49, of Rothesay, N.B., was killed here today when struck by a truck driven by Malcolm Pitcher, a close friend. He died of head injuries. The accident occurred while Sherwood was at work in the coke ovens department of the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation's Sydney steel plant. It was the plant's first fatality of 1950. A coroner's jury absolved Pitcher of any blame. Witnesses testified that Pitcher had warned Sherwood to exercise care around the loading platforms because trucks would be backing away from them at regular intervals.

Storms Threaten Meat, Fuel Supplies In B. C.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 25 (CP) — The threat of meat and fuel shortages loomed today as another storm swept toward British Columbia from the North Pacific. Gale warnings were hoisted along the coast. Winds reaching a velocity of 40 mph an hour were forecast by the Weather Office here. Four to six inches of snow are expected on Vancouver Island and the lower mainland. Packers said fresh meat will be in short supply by next week if the snow keeps falling—and the weatherman says it will. Thousands of head of cattle, bound for Vancouver dinner tables, are in stalled cars near Kamloops, in the interior. The Canadian Pacific Railway said it hopes to get a cattle train into the city by Friday if there are no more slides. C. P. R. work crews today sited a narrow cleft through a 35-foot barricade of snow on the line

Supports Recent Accusations By Dean Acheson

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP) — The United States State Department made new charges today that Russia is absorbing four of China's richest northern areas. Supporting State Secretary Dean Acheson's recent accusations, the department issued a detailed "background document" which said that Russia's designs were in part supported by "two secret agreements signed by the Chinese Communists with the U.S.S.R." It said these are known as the "Moscow agreement and the Harbin agreement. These purportedly grant further special rights to the U.S.S.R. in Manchuria. In a speech before the National Press Club two weeks ago, Acheson charged that Russia is detaching Manchuria, Outer Mongolia, Sinkiang and Inner Mongolia and tying them to the Soviet Union. Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky in a special statement during the week-end denounced Acheson's charges as a monstrous lie.

Weather Record Broken At Toronto

TORONTO, Jan. 25 (CP) — The mercury climbed today to a record 58.2 in Toronto, upsetting a January high mark that had stood 109 years. In Hamilton the January record also was shattered. The temperature reached 64.5. Both readings were at 3 p.m. Residents of Windsor "sweltered" at 63 degrees.

Sees Modest Storm Warnings In Business

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 25 (CP) — T. H. Atkinson, general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada said here today there are "modest" storm warnings in the economic picture and business should budget for a 10 to 15 per cent recession during the year. However, he said in an interview, the new wealth in Alberta oil and Quebec's iron ore was bound to have a terrific effect on the economy of Canada within a few years. He is in the Maritimes on an inspection tour.

Acheson Declares He'll Stand By Alger Hiss; Fantastic Says Senator

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP) — "I do not intend to turn my back on Alger Hiss," State Secretary Dean Acheson said today. He delivered that dramatic pledge of continued loyalty to his former State Department associate a few hours after Hiss was sentenced to five years in prison as a perjurer. Acheson hammered home a somewhat similar statement he made a year ago, when Hiss was under indictment but had not been brought to trial. On Jan. 13, 1949, while up for confirmation to his present high post, Acheson had said "Alger Hiss and I became friends and we remain friends. My friendship is not given easily and it is not easily withdrawn." Today's renewed commitment was given at a press conference. In a matter of minutes his words were relayed to the Senate floor by Senator Joseph McCarthy (Rep., Wis.), who called the Secretary's statement "fantastic." The Senate happened to be discussing the Hiss case at the time that Acheson's new statement became public. Senator Karl Mundt (Rep., S.D.) had told his colleagues that the Hiss case should spur Congress into extending the statutory time limit for trying men and women for serious crimes which involve United States security. (The statute of limitations for crimes involving the security of the U. S. in peacetime says the Government must obtain an indictment within three years after the offence was committed. Hiss was charged by the Government with passing secret State Department documents to Whittaker Chambers, confessed ex-courier for a Soviet spy ring, in February and March, 1938. Under the statute Hiss was given immunity on spy charges after March, 1941.) Acheson seemed fully prepared for the question posed at his press conference by the New York Herald Tribune's Homer W. Bigart. "Do you have any comment on the Hiss case?" Bigart asked. Reporters thought Acheson's voice sounded more tense and emotional than usual as he replied. "Mr. Hiss's case is before the courts and I think it would be highly improper for me to discuss the legal aspects of the case or the evidence or anything to do with the case. "I take it the purpose of your (Bigart's) question was to bring something other than that out of me. "I should like to make it clear to you that whatever the outcome of any appeal which Mr. Hiss or his lawyers may make in this case, I do not intend to turn my back on Alger Hiss."

Polio Epidemic Reported In Quebec Settlement

QUEBEC, Jan. 25 (CP) — Dr. Jean Gregoire, Quebec Deputy Minister of Health, said today immediate arrangements are being made to fly victims of an infantile paralysis epidemic from the remote settlement of St. Augustin to Montreal, a distance of 1,000 miles. Dr. Gregoire said information supplied to him by Red Cross officials indicated that 19 persons are suffering from poliomyelitis at St. Augustin, a coastal settlement on the Strait of Belle Isle at the northeastern extremity of Quebec territory. The sick are expected to be flown to Montreal either late today or tomorrow by the R. C. A. F. which earlier this week brought one of the victims, eight-year-old Pierre Leon from St. Augustin to hospital here. The child died yesterday. The plight of the tiny population of St. Augustin was revealed by Dr. Claire Neville-Smith, young British woman doctor temporarily in charge of a Grenfell Mission hospital at Harrington Harbor, 100 miles away. Dr. Neville-Smith made a trip from Harrington Harbor to St. Augustin late last week and reported the number of infantile paralysis victims. Dr. Gregoire and the Health Department spent part of the day making arrangements for their transportation to Montreal hospitals. Will Send Plane OTTAWA, Jan. 25 (CP) — An R. C. A. F. ski-equipped Dakota will attempt to land at the remote settlement of St. Augustin and pick up 18 victims of an infantile paralysis epidemic. An R. C. A. F. spokesman said tonight that the Goose Bay-based Dakota would make the mercy flight tomorrow if weather conditions permitted. Bad weather prevented an R. C. A. F. ski-equipped Norseman from reaching the village today. The aircraft was carrying an Air Force doctor to the village and planned to fly out the most critically ill.

Rogers Brothers Acquire Family Hardware Business

The capital, stock and business of the well-known firm of The Rogers Hardware Company, Ltd., Charlottetown, has been acquired from Mr. Benj. Rogers, Sr., by Messrs. George J. and Thomas N. Rogers, sons of the late Mr. George J. Rogers, it was announced last evening. It is the intention of the new proprietors to carry on the wholesale and retail hardware business of the firm as in the past, under the old name, with Mr. George Rogers as president and Mr. Thomas Rogers as secretary-treasurer. The services of the experienced staff will be retained. Both partners are young men with business experience and are well and favorably known in Charlottetown. George, after serving in the Air Force during the war, has been with F. R. MacLaine Ltd., automobile dealer, for the past four years. Thomas, who is a graduate of Dalhousie University, has had several years experience as a chartered accountant and since 1947 until March last was secretary-treasurer with the Rogers Hardware Company. Their father, the late George J. Rogers, owned and managed the firm for several years until his death in 1929, when it was acquired by his brother, Mr. Benj. Rogers, Sr., who is now retiring from active business life. One of the best known firms on the island, and occupying one of the most central and desirable sites in Charlottetown, the business was established in 1857 as Dodd and Rogers, the original partners being the late Thomas Dodd and Hon. Benj. Rogers. On Mr. Dodd's retirement in 1892 it passed into his junior partner's hands and since that time it has remained in the Rogers family. The fact that the family ownership and tradition is being continued under the new management will be a matter of satisfaction to the firm's many patrons throughout this Province and the Maritimes generally.

Demand Probe Following Fire

TORONTO, Jan. 25 (CP) — Suburban Thornhill business men today demanded an investigation into their area's fire protection services following a \$200,000 mid-night blaze that destroyed the 150-year-old Thornhill Hotel and half the community's business section. Thornhill has no water supply for firefighting other than a north-end stream from which firemen pumped water to battle last night's blaze. Persons supporting the demand for an inquiry include Vern Griffin, former reeve of Markham Township.

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Expect Details To Be Made Public Today

OTTAWA, Jan. 25 (CP) — The Cabinet, after a month's consideration, has approved the principle of a guaranteed floor price for eggs, it was learned today. Details of a Federal price-support plan—which may be linked with provincial marketing boards—likely will be announced by Agriculture Minister Gardiner tomorrow. He has called a press conference for 11 a.m. EST. It is believed the Government will fix the floor somewhere between 32 and 40 cents a dozen for grade A large, probably below the United States guaranteed price of 37 cents. However, Mr. Gardiner is likely to stipulate that the Federal Government wants to stay out of the egg business and that provincial marketing boards will have the responsibility of taking delivery and disposing of surplus eggs. The Federal plan may allow provincial boards to charge to Federal expense part or all the loss involved in maintaining the floor price. Last year the Federal Government fixed floor prices for butter and cheese and soon found itself in the business of building up heavy stocks of these dairy products. The Government now is in the process of selling the butter but has not yet disposed of the cheese, estimated at about 20,000,000 pounds. The United States market price for eggs likely will be a big factor in the Canadian support level. By keeping the price lower than the American, Canadian producers would be in a better position to meet competition when exporting to the U. S. American importers already have grabbed a few carloads of Canadian eggs as a result of the crack in egg prices from 48 cents a dozen to about 32. Egg production last year amounted to 330,374,000 dozen, a decline of 15 per cent from the 1948 total of 338,579,000.

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Fire Guts Saint John Building

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 25 (CP) — A large building on Germain Street was gutted by a general alarm fire tonight. The building had been occupied by Claude Photography Studio, the International Correspondence School, Gray's Beauty Parlor, Higgins Refrigeration Service, Saint John Merchants' Association, Ltd., Doig's Printer Shop and Mrs. Jean Gregg, interior decorator.

Retail Merchants To Hold Conference

TORONTO, Jan. 25 (CP) — Retail merchants from every province will attend the eighth annual conference of the Canadian Retail Federation here from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2. Its theme is "successful retailing in a new era." James Wilson of Saint John, N. B., is the Federation president. Outstanding business executives from Canada and the United States will be among speakers. AIR SERVICE RESUMES MONTREAL, Jan. 25 (CP) — Planes were returning to normal schedules in and out of Montreal Airport today following a complete shut-down last night after freezing rain and poor visibility forced air lines to cancel flights. The Provincial Transport Commission yesterday with freezing rain blotting out visibility, had a new problem to contend with today. The company said roads outside of Montreal were "very icy."

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The marketing problems facing the farmers, the relation of these problems to the business man's welfare and the business man's obligation to the consumer were outlined by the guest speaker, Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Agriculture at the monthly meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade last night which featured an Agriculture Night. Presided over by Mr. Claude Smith one of the members of the Board's embryo Agriculture committee, the meeting was one of the largest attended for some time. In keeping with the night farmers interspersed with other business and professional men at the table with the conversation in some sections dealing with marketing difficulties, the outlook and means to overcome the difficulties. Among the guests were Hon. G. C. Baker, Minister of Agriculture; Mr. J. L. Dewar representing Mr. Louis O'Connor, President of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture; Mr. Leo McIsaac, Secretary of the Federation; Rev. William Simpson; Mr. Charles Yeo, President of the Prince County Federation of Agriculture; and Mr. William Cairns, Freeborn, President of the Junior Farmers organization. Winding up proceedings was a film on the Canadian International Trade Fair held yearly at Toronto. This year the Board in conjunction with several other organizations are working towards the establishing of a Prince Edward Island display booth at the Fair. Mr. Shaw in his address told the group that the business man had a responsibility in marketing farm produce as well as the farmer. "You owe a service to the consumer," said Mr. Shaw, "to see that the consumers prices go down when the price of farm produce goes down."

Price Ceilings, Floors

In dealing with the marketing problems he pointed out that price ceilings on farm produce had been imposed during the war with the farmer understanding that his produce would be supported after the war. A fund of \$300,000,000 was supposed to have been set aside as a cushioning fund and

Arrest Trio In Stolen Fur Ring

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (AP) — The Federal Bureau of Investigation today arrested three men described by the Government as "the nucleus of a \$1,000,000 stolen fur ring." They were identified as Nicholas Proscia, 42, president of Loran Furs, Incorporated; Max Davis, 40, secretary-treasurer of the Loran firm; and Thomas A. Carr, 51, a railway express agency driver since 1917. Proscia and Davis were held in \$10,000 bail each by United States commissioner Edward McDonald. Carr was held in \$5,000 bail. All three are charged with conspiracy to steal merchandise in interstate commerce. Edward Scheidt, special agent in charge of the New York F.B.I. division, said Carr stole quantities of mink, ermine, chinchilla and other furs entrusted to him for delivery, as well as furs which other drivers were scheduled to deliver. Investigators found, Scheidt said, that while Carr had no visible income except his driver's salary, he maintained a sumptuous home at Fayson Lakes, N.J., drove a costly automobile and took expensive vacations.

West Novies Name Honorary Colonel

OTTAWA, Jan. 25 (CP) — Veterans Minister Gregg, their wartime commander for two years, has been named honorary colonel of the West Nova Scotia Regiment, the Defence Department announced tonight. A private at the start of the First World War, a Brigadier at the end of the Second, he holds the Victoria Cross and two Military Crosses. He commanded the West Novies in England from February, 1940, to March, 1942, an important period of training for later actions in Sicily, Italy and Northwest Europe. The unit now is part of the reserve army and is commanded by Lt.-Col. E. M. Powers of Halifax. Headquarters are at Kentville and companies are recruited from Middleton, Kingston, Deep Brook and Bridgewater. Brig. Gregg was president of the University of New Brunswick from 1944 to 1947 when he was appointed to the Federal Cabinet. He was sergeant-at-arms in the House of Commons until 1939 and was an active worker for years in the Canadian Legion.

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