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INFLATION HITS CONTROLLED ECONOMY OF RUSSIA

Inkerman Farmer Critically Injured In Highway Accident

Mr. Isaac Stewart of Inkerman, critically injured in a traffic accident near his home Friday, was removed yesterday to the Prince Edward Island Hospital by ambulance from the Outcliffe Funeral Home. The man, whose age is about 35, is believed suffering from concussion and a crushed lung, in addition to other injuries.

The accident occurred when a coupe driven by Mr. Stewart, who is a farmer, collided with a loaded motor truck. The vehicles were not traveling fast, it was stated. The road was rough and the coupe skidded out of deep tracks and swung in front of the truck. The force of the collision locked the two vehicles together so firmly that they were separated only with great difficulty.

Inkerman is located some 20 miles from Charlottetown, and is 15 mi. from Crapaud.

Mr. Stewart was taken to his home after the accident but yesterday his condition became so critical that he was removed to hospital for further treatment. He is married.

No P.E.I. Members Present To Resent Slur On Province

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—(Special)—With all four members from the Island Province absent, Argus Macinnis, Prince Edward Island-born C.C.F. member for Vancouver East went a slur on the Province which went unchallenged in the House of Commons on Friday night.

Answering J.A. Ross, Progressive Conservative member for Souris, Man., who shouted "Did you ever try to operate a farm?" Mr. Macinnis retorted, "Yes, I did, perhaps before my honorable friend was born. If my good friend had picked as many stones off a farm as I did in Prince Edward Island, he would know what farming is like."

Mr. Macinnis was born at Glen William, P.E.I. in 1894 and attended school there. For many years prior to entering Parliament he was a motorman in Vancouver.

Mr. Hatfield's Questions

H. H. Hatfield, Progressive Conservative member for Victoria-Carleton is following up the demand made by Walter Shaw, Prince Edward Island deputy minister of agriculture for a Federal investigation of the prices of chemical fertilizer. In a series of questions scheduled for tomorrow, Mr. Hatfield asks why the former Government-owned ammonium nitrate plant at Wellfleet, Ont., was sold and how much was paid for it. He also calls on the Government to give the reason why this plant was sold.

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Marshall Replies To Molotov

LONDON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—State Secretary Marshall told Russia tonight that neither the United States nor Britain has pocketed "one penny" from the sale of German exports, and appealed anew for big power co-operation in reviving Germany's economy and foreign trade.

This was Marshall's answer to Foreign Minister Molotov's angry charge Friday of Anglo-American profiteering at Germany's expense.

Earl Baldwin Died In Sleep Saturday

80-Year-old Conservative Was Prime Minister When Edward VIII Abdicated in 1936.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Earl Baldwin, 80, Conservative Prime Minister at the time of the abdication of Edward VIII in 1936, died in his sleep Saturday night. He was announced today.

The end came at Lord Baldwin's home in Stourport, Worcester. He had been suffering from a cold for several days and was found dead by a servant who went to call him.

Often described as the "most English of Englishmen," Lord Baldwin served as Prime Minister from May 25, 1923, to Jan. 22, 1924; from Nov. 6, 1924, to June 4, 1929; and from June 7, 1931, to May 23, 1937.

He once described the office of Prime Minister as the "loneliest job in the world."

He was a Conservative in politics, a successful businessman in business and a steadfast churchman. He also was a firm believer in Anglo-American co-operation. He often declared that "close collaboration" between the two countries could rid the world of war, although he never acknowledged that "it might take 100 years" to bring this about.

Well Known in Canada

He was well-known to Canadians and delighted the people of the Dominion with his bluff heartiness and rugged sincerity.

During a stop-over in Quebec in 1937 he confessed there were several things he wished he might have been rather than what he was.

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Canada's Fuel Situation Good

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—Ice winds will howl from the east to west coast this winter but Canadians will be able to sit snugly in well-heated homes without too much fear of running short of fuel.

Coal production increased in September to 1,536,669 tons compared with 1,429,006 in September, 1946, though output for the nine-month period dropped to 10,558,671 against 13,029,099 in 1946, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today.

Coke production rose to 285,000 tons compared with 276,000 in August and 195,000 in September, 1946. The nine-month total jumped to 2,600,000 against 2,402,000 for the same period a year ago.

Coal imports in September totaled 3,832,049 tons against 3,497,336 in September, 1946. For the nine-month period imports totaled 21,538,232 against 17,810,460 a year ago.

Exports increased in September to 61,921 tons against 75,174 in September, 1946. Exports in the nine-month period totaled 478,276 against 599,138 for the same period last year.

Drastic Steps Are Taken To Check Spiral

New Currency Issue Aimed At Wiping Out Large Part Of Purchasing Power.

By EDDIE GILMORE
MOSCOW, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Soviet Union announced tonight it would start issue of new currency Tuesday and would simultaneously abandon all food rationing in a program to combat inflation.

The announcement was reported to the country by Moscow radio in a decree of the Council of Ministers (cabinet) and the Communist Party. It was signed by Prime Minister Stalin and Andrei Zhdanov of the Communist Party Central Committee.

The Russian Government was the first admission that post-war inflation had affected the controlled Russian economy. It followed by 10 days the statement in Washington by Robert Lovett, United States Under-Secretary of State, that something "in the nature of panic buying" had hit Russia over rumors of devaluation of the ruble.

The decree of currency reform provides that rubles brought to banks for conversion will be exchanged at the rate of 10 for one new ruble. The exchange must take place in the week of Dec. 15-22.

Rationing was ordered abolished on all "food and industrial goods" and consumer goods were brought under unified price control. The price of bread under the new program will be 12 per cent lower than the ration price, the announcement stated. Beer will be 10 per cent lower, but vodka and wine unchanged from the present ratio.

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Five Acid-throwing Incidents in Sydney

SYDNEY, N. S. Dec. 14.—(CP)—Police investigation into five acid-throwing incidents in Sydney led to the arrest Saturday of Daniel Morgan, 35-year-old truck driver, on a charge of assault occasioning bodily harm.

He was arrested after the screams of a young woman in a Charlotte Street department store brought police. They found the girl's stockings corroded to shreds and red welts on her flesh.

It was the second such incident in the store in two days. Friday Miss Germaine MacNeill was placed under a doctor's care as a result of chemical burns she suffered about the legs.

Earlier three other women had reported acid burns on their clothing but were unable to account for them.

Dr. Arthur W. Ormiston, City Medical Health Officer, said none of the acid burns were of a serious nature but would require careful attention.

British Sub Stays Submerged "Several Weeks"

LONDON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A British submarine has remained submerged for "several weeks," then surfaced under her own power with her full crew of several officers and 60 men in good health, the Admiralty said today.

Two or three days was the previous limit of submergence.

An Admiralty announcement reported that the submarine Alliance, with a displacement of 1,250 tons, had returned to its base at Portsmouth after a cruise in the tropical waters off Sierra Leone, Africa, "to test living conditions aboard a submarine during prolonged dives in deep waters."

An Admiralty spokesman said that the submarine—on of Britain's latest types—had remained submerged for several weeks but declined to disclose any details.

It was learned, however, that the vessel had been fitted with an improved version of the German schnorkel apparatus and other devices. The schnorkel put into service on U-boats in 1943 both purifies the air in the submarine and eliminates engine odors. But even with it installed on submarines for 72 hours of submergence was the previous limit.

Slight Fire Aboard Potato Steamer Here

City firemen were called out about 3:10 yesterday afternoon for a fire in the aft hold of the freighter "Marjory" which is docked at the Railway wharf loading potatoes for Newswick, Virginia.

The fire was caused when workmen, who were loading potatoes in the hold, upset an oil stove, which set fire to the straw which is used to pack between layers of potato bags. Before local firemen had the blaze under control it was reported that slight damage was caused to the hold, and to some of the bags in which the potatoes were contained, causing them to split open, allowing the contents to spill out onto the floor of the hold.

The steamer is loading approximately 60,000 sacks of seed potatoes.

High-speed Highway Is Opened in Maine

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 14.—(AP)—A 47-mile, \$20,000,000 high-speed toll highway stretching through snow-covered farm and forest land between Kittery and Portland was opened officially Saturday to traffic.

Began in May, 1946, the double-lane, concrete and bituminous highway was financed by public sale of automobile authority bonds for which the state has no responsibility.

Passenger cars are charged 50 cents and trucks slightly higher. There are discounts for short trips along the highway, in which the speed limit is 60 miles an hour.

Safety Council Recalls Freak Accidents in '47

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Without even trying, a few unusual individuals performed fancy feats this year that might have stumped Hollywood's most hardened stunt men.

The National Safety Council, in its annual roundup of freak accidents, listed three headlines for 1947:

Mrs. Anne McGinnis fell from a fourth-floor fire escape, struck a clothes line at the third-floor level, was flipped through a window and landed in the second-floor bathtub of a staid neighbor.

Charles Arter, piboy in a South Yorkshire, England, mine, fell down a 1,534-foot shaft and suffered only a broken leg. Halfway down, he overtook an elevator cage descending almost as fast as he was. He landed on its roof and rode the rest of the way down.

In Lille, France, Yvon Dherire, a tile setter, fell six stories from a roof toward a baby buggy below. The mother frantically snatched the infant to safety. Dherire hit the buggy squarely and was unharmed. As the baby gurgled its appreciation, the mother fainted and broke an ankle.

After her automobile turned over five times, Mrs. Lee Marksbury crawled unharmed from the wreckage in Centralia, Mo., she took a look at the debris, fainted and suffered a cut over her eye.

Leroy Thurman struggled trying to open a case of compressed bed-springs in Oklahoma City. The case flew open, the springs catapulting him against the ceiling. He was placed on a bed with springs—in a hospital.

As fireman Horace Lebout was carrying Catherine Markowski down a ladder of a burning building—

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Rockwood's Church Sends Missionary

TRURO, N.S., Dec. 14.—(CP)—The first missionary to be sent into the Arctic island of Nova Zemba by Truro, founded last spring by Rev. Perry Rockwood when he broke with the Presbyterian Church after refusing to submit to church court disciplinary action, was given a farewell tonight.

The church will send Miss Doris Dye of Truro into Nigeria for four years and another missionary along with her.

Mr. Rockwood formed the People's Church when he refused to burn his sermons after the Halifax-Lunenburg Presbytery found him guilty of attempting to split the Presbyterian Church.

Expect Advance In Meat Contract Prices

By GEORGE KITCHEN
OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—(CP)—The Government's plan to increase the financial return to Canadian farmers for their livestock products depends on the success of current negotiations for the renewal of Anglo-Canadian food contracts, it was learned Saturday.

Agriculture Minister Gardiner announced more than a week ago that the Government planned to boost the price paid the agriculture industry for beef and other meats and there had been considerable speculation both within and outside the Commons, as to how this will be done.

This plan, it is understood, is based on the assumption that the new food agreements, when signed, will provide higher prices of bacon, beef, mutton, lamb and other meat products to be shipped to Britain in 1948.

At the same time, the Government's expectation that it will be able to follow through with this proposal indicates that Mr. Gardiner and his associates are fairly confident that the negotiations, which now are at a stalemate, will be successfully concluded.

Would Admit 50 Million Immigrants

(By The Canadian Press)
MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—Hon. Harold G. Connolly, British Columbia minister of industry and publicly advocated the "importation" into Canada of 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 of the finest people of Europe" in an address Saturday before the Dominion Commercial Travellers Association.

He said that Canada could no longer rely on Great Britain for defence against aggression and should not rely on the United States.

Potato Steamer At Georgetown

The "North Coaster", a 600-ton freighter from Montreal, arrived in Georgetown at 9 o'clock yesterday morning after an uneventful trip down the St. Lawrence. She was piloted into the harbour by the veteran pilot, Temple, Godel, and his assistant, Victor Rafuse.

The vessel will begin the loading this morning of between fifty and bushels of seed potatoes for Cuba. She is being loaded by Associated Shippers.

Salvation Army Leader Passes

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Gen. Edward J. Higgins, 83, third international leader of the Salvation Army, died today at his New Jersey home the Salvation Army announced here.

Elected to succeed the deceased Gen. Bramwell Booth in 1929, Gen. Higgins relinquished the post in 1934 over the protest of Army leaders throughout the world, because of ill health. He was succeeded by Gen. Evangeline Booth.

Gen. Higgins was the first man outside of the Booth family to head the Salvation Army. He joined the force at 18.

Chicago Gang War Leaves Four Dead

(By The Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—One of the bloodiest bursts of killings since the St. Valentine's Day slaughter of nearly 19 years ago climaxed a neighborhood feud Saturday.

In a series of shootings extending over more than six hours Friday night and early Saturday in Chicago and suburban Brookfield, four men were killed—one by police—two survived a gangland-style side shooting by playing dead, one man was under arrest and another was sought.

The multiple slayings were attributed to a grudge of Thomas Daley, 42, an ex-convict, against John Kuska, 46, a second hand furniture dealer. Police said Daley believed that Kuska was a "steep pigeon" in a robbery case in which Daley was acquitted.

Daley and two companions killed Kuska, Emil Smicklas, 18, and Thomas Collins, 30, also known as "Tommy" in a robbery case in which Daley was "relieved."

HEAT PROSTRATION

UNION, N. J., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Police took another look at the calendar today as they entered a case of "heat prostration" on the blotter. Sven Nelson, 55, had collapsed in a tavern. Ambulance physicians said it was the heat. He had on too many clothes and it was too hot in the establishment.

Coming Events

- "Dance Seaview Hall, Monday, Dec. 15. Drawing for turkey.
- "Christmas concert South Melville school, Friday, Dec. 16th.
- "Christmas concert in Victoria Hall Dec. 22nd.
- "Alexandra school concert Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 8 p.m.
- "Acrylic Shore school concert, Monday night, Dec. 22nd.
- "Southport School Concert, Monday, December 22nd.
- "Emanuelite Christmas Concert, Thursday, December 18th, 8 P. M.
- "Christmas concert and dance in Green Bay School Dec. 19th.
- "Christmas Concert in Hartsville school, December 19th.
- "League meeting at Millon Rink Tuesday, 10th. Teams instructed please be present.
- "Rogerson's Beauty Shoppe will be closed for winter months after December 24th.
- "Come to Sherbrooke School Concert in Sherbrooke Hall, Monday, December 22nd.
- "What? When? Where? Its Mt. Melick Christmas Concert, December 22nd, Fownal Garage Hall.
- "Christmas Concert, Carleton School Wednesday night, December 17th, 8 P. M.
- "Loading Hogs Souris every Monday. For trucking service phone 5 contact Clifford Peters. Norman Bruce.
- "Loading Hogs at Murray Harbour on Monday, December 15th. For trucking service contact D. Ray Trovke.
- "Unloading today car Monarch hog grower and finisher. N. Aubrey Outcliffe.
- "New Wiltshire Scarlet Chapter will meet Wednesday, Dec. 17th, 8:15 p.m., Brookfield Hall.
- "Listen in to Notre Dame Choir singing Christmas Carols over WPOY this evening at 9 o'clock.
- "Come to Wheatley River Christmas Concert December 18th. A stormy the 20th.
- "Collecting hogs every Thursday for Canada Packers. Phone N. A. Outcliffe or write me. D. L. MacDowell.
- "Boy Social and Dance in Emerald Hall, Friday, December 26th. If not fine, Monday, December 29th. C. W. L.
- "A meeting of the Mt. Stewart Branch Canadian Legion will be held in the Legion room, Mt. Stewart, Thursday, Dec. 18th at 8 p.m. All members please attend.
- "Unloading Monday and Tuesday, limited quantity of Robin Hood Flour, and due to shortage of storage space, we are sacrificing some. Fresh stock. Don't miss it. Livestock Feed Agency.
- "South Granville Christmas Concert, North Granville Hall, December 18th, at 8 P. M. Sale of candy. Admission 50c and 10c. If stormy, December 22nd.

Retired Judge Dies

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—(CP)—Mr. Justice Andrew Harper, 72 who retired from the British Columbia Supreme Court in September, died Friday night at his home here. A native of Madoc, Ont., he was called to the Bar here in 1903 and appointed to the County Court Bench in 1935 and to the Supreme Court in 1944. He had been ill a year.

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HELPED WRITE FAMOUS SONG

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Mrs. Lisa Jane Raynor Morgan, 79, who helped sell Taylor write the music for "Down By The Old Mill Stream," died unexpectedly Thursday night at her home here.

Big Bang

A dynamite explosion set off on the Arctic island of Nova Zemba in 1933 was heard in Berlin 2,000 miles away.

9 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

I'M WILLING TO WAIT ON MYSELF IN A CAFE/TERIA BUT I WON'T WASH MY OWN DISHES!

Expect Advance In Meat Contract Prices

Mr. Gardiner's original announcement, made before the recent Dominion-Provincial agricultural conference, said that the purpose of the increased price level for livestock products was to compensate for the recent advances in the prices of grains used for the feeding of livestock.

The expectation, presumably, is that if prices in the British contract are advanced, the levels on the domestic retail market also will move higher. This has happened in the past with the result that the British contract level has come to be called an unofficial "ceiling" on meat prices on the domestic market.

This is because the domestic price level is automatically drawn up to the higher rate which the Canadian Meat Board offers in purchasing supplies of meat to fill the British contracts.

While the British contract price is expected to advance under the new agreement, it also is anticipated that the quantities to be sent to Britain will be smaller next year because of Britain's inability to provide dollar funds for payment and a decline in Canadian livestock production.

The flour that blooms in the oven

BLOSSOM CANADA FLOUR