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Prime Minister St. Laurent

**APPEAL POSTPONED**  
MONTREAL, May 16 (CP)—Appeal of Donald Perreault, sentenced to hang July 8 for a bank hold-up-murder here last September, today was set over to the September term of the Court of Appeals at the request of crown prosecutor Henri Monty. The delay in hearing the appeal will necessitate a stay of execution. Mr. Monty told the court the record of Perreault's trial contained about 800 pages and it would be impossible to have it transcribed for hearing before the appeal court's present term.

The Liberal Government was charged last night by Mr. M. J. Coldwell, national C. C. F. party leader, with having dodged its responsibilities to the farmers of Canada by failing to accede to the demands of agriculture for uniform marketing legislation. Mr. Coldwell made his attack on Liberal farm policies at Summerside in the opening address of his campaign tour which will take him into all ten Provinces in the next six weeks preparatory to the June 27 Federal election.

By Canadian Press Staff Writer LUNENBURG, N.S., May 16 (CP)—In one of his most outspoken speeches since the start of the Federal election campaign, George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, charged today that the present government has power to seize farm products and to nationalize the steel and lumber industries. In acts passed by the government there was power to go on farms and take products on terms fixed by the government. There was power to take complete control of the steel and lumber industries. "Don't tell us that they won't use them," he shouted. "They will use them if the long-haired boys in their ivory towers get to the point where they believe that they should be used in that way."

By Norman Altstedter NEW YORK, May 16 (CP)—The United Nations tonight refused to ease or lighten its diplomatic boycott on Franco Spain. The General Assembly voted 26 to 15 with 16 abstentions on a Latin-American bid to allow U.N. members to send top-level diplomats back to Madrid. But the measure failed by four affirmative votes to obtain the two-thirds majority necessary to make it effective. Then the 59-member assembly overwhelmingly rejected, paragraph by paragraph, a Polish resolution which would have raised stiff economic barriers against Spain. Only the six Russia-bloc countries supported the resolution. Forty were against it and seven abstained.

It retains its 1946 resolutions on Spain, which barred the Franco regime from joining the U.N. or any of its specialized agencies. It also called on U.N. members to withdraw their ambassadors and ministers from Madrid and leave lesser officials to do the necessary diplomatic work. Just before the vote, Poland's Julius Katz-Suchy heatedly denied Britain's charge that Franco Spain made a deal last November to obtain 500 bomber engines from Poland after Britain had refused to supply them. Katz-Suchy said Poland never had commercial relations with Franco Spain. He said Hector McNeil, Britain's minister of state had failed to say directly that Poland had supplied the planes to Spain. McNeil spoke near the close of a day-long debate on the question. He denied Katz-Suchy's earlier allegation that Britain had supplied jet planes to Franco.

BERLIN, May 17 (Tuesday) — (AP) — First scattered returns early today from Eastern Berlin in the Soviet-zone elections showed the Communists were taking a beating. This was in contrast with the confident predictions of Communist politicians in the Soviet zone of occupation that an overwhelming majority of the voters would support them. The voting took place Sunday and yesterday for a "people's congress" of 2,000 members, all hand-picked by Communist-controlled organizations and put on a single ticket. The main election committee of the "people's congress" for Berlin announced that of 7,000 votes counted, only 2,820 endorsed the list of candidates on the ballots. A total of 3,800 votes said no. Some wrote on their ballots "we won't vote for a police state and we reject Communism." About 360 votes were declared invalid. The early returns from Berlin showed a majority of "no" votes — the only way the congress could be rejected since only one list of candidates was submitted. Britain, the United States and France did not permit voting for the congress in their zones. How-

"I don't think the people of Canada care very much who killed Cock Robin, but it does seem to me that the leader of the Opposition talks as though he had a guilty conscience," declared Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent, Prime Minister of Canada, in replying to Hon. George Drew's charges, made from the same platform in Charlottetown last week as to the Dominion Government's responsibility for failure to reach a financial agreement with all the Provinces in 1945 and 1946. Speaking before a large audience in the Forum last night, the Prime Minister termed Colonel Drew "the self-appointed saviour of Confederation" and said he "did not think many Canadians are going to believe that the Government which was responsible for completing Confederation by bringing Newfoundland into the union is trying to destroy or even weaken it."

The Prime Minister did not touch directly in his address on any cultural or transportation interests of the Province. He spoke following brief addresses by the Liberal candidates, Messrs T. J. Kitchin, J. Lester Douglas, Cecil Miller and J. Watson MacNaught, and Premier J. Walter Jones. Mr. P. C. McCormac, president of the Queen's County Liberal Association, presided and introduced the guest speaker.

"Without Foundation" "All this talk about centralization and Provincial rights is completely without foundation," Mr. St. Laurent declared. "The best proof of this is that I have three times challenged anyone to give a single example of circumvention of any Provincial rights by the Federal Government since the war, and no one in the Tory party or any other party has attempted to take up the challenge."

The Government, he maintained, had tried "to turn back to the Provinces just as fast as we could without causing injury to a lot of Canadians every field of provincial jurisdiction in which we had established wartime emergency controls." One example was rent controls which no Province had undertaken to shoulder with the result that, Ottawa had to continue them or provoke "widespread suffering."

#### Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Garnum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Wheatley River-Oyster Bed concert, Hartsville Hall, May 17th.
- Meeting of the Junior Farmers, Cornwall hall, Tuesday, May 17.
- Kinkora Players present "My Irish Rose" in Kelly's Cross Hall, Tuesday, May 17. Dance after.
- Reserve August 3rd for Chicken Supper and Bazaar at South Rustico.
- Fresh cooked lobsters daily at Edson's General Store, Vernon Bridge.
- Indian River Parish Play at Tracadie Hall, Wednesday, May 18th, 8.30. Dance after.
- Dance in Morell Hall, Wednesday, May 18. Music by Rolfe McKenzie's Orchestra.
- Dance at Covehead Community Canteen, Thursday, May 19. Music by Rolfe McKenzie's Orchestra.
- Show Morell every Tuesday, Friday Saturday, 8.30 P. M. Admission 15c-30c.
- Dance at Graham's Road Hall, Tuesday, May 17th. Music by Rolfe McKenzie's Orchestra.
- Judy—The Little Clodhopper" by Marie in Kingston Hall, May 20th, 8.30.
- See and hear Ionepine Radio Cowboy Show, Wilshire Hall, Wednesday, May 25th.
- Kingston Y. P. U. presents their 3 act comedy "Where is Grandma?" in North Milton Hall, May 19th.
- Kingston Y. P. U. presents their 3 act comedy "Where is Grandma?" in Cavendish Hall, May 17th.
- See Stanley Bridge Players present "Mr. Beane From Lima" in Cornwall Hall, Thursday, May 19th.
- At York, May 20, drama festival plays, Graham's Road "A Family Affair" and Cornwall "The Sisters Macintosh."
- Kinkora May 18 for an evening of real enjoyment. See "Molly Bawn" by Kinkora Players. Matinee 2 o'clock, evening 8 o'clock.
- St. Peter's Y. P. U. Players in Bridgetown Hall, Thursday, May 19th, under auspices Dundas Y.P.U. Curtain 8.30.
- See the Olisco Kid in Gay Cavalero, plus Superman, plus Three Stooges at MacDonald Bros. Theatre tonight.
- Mount Allison recital at Crapaud Hall, Wednesday, May 18th, 8.30 p.m. Mason and Risch Piano loaned by courtesy of R. T. Holman, Ltd.
- Lot 16 Y. P. U. United Church players will present "Simple Simon" a comedy in three acts, Thursday night, May 19th, in Emerald Hall.
- This Store will be open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings till nine o'clock and will be closed Wednesday afternoons for Summer. J. F. Morris, Kinkora.
- Cherry Valley Junior Farmers present "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town" in Pownall Hall, Wednesday, May 18th, at 8.30 P. M. Sponsored by Hall Committee.
- Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Wednesday, May 18th, at 8.30 P. M. Two one act plays by Winslow Players Instrumental musical, vocal solos, Highland Fling and other specialties. Sponsored by Mt. Stewart W. I.

Referring briefly to the money raised in a number of Quebec churches to help the families of workers striking in the Asbestos mines, he said that was a great humanitarian gesture on the part of the Roman Catholic Church and one on which they should be given great credit. It often takes great courage for the church to side with the common man—it's a great thing when a Christian church stands on the side of the oppressed and depressed."

Speaking before a packed audience in the High School auditorium Mr. Coldwell outlined the policies of his party, dwelling on various planks in the platform including old age pensions, family allowance, unemployment insurance, national health program and the marketing of surplus agricultural products. He was introduced to his audience by Mr. Roscoe Walker, Provincial president of the party.

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#### British Meat Supplies Increase

LONDON, May 16 (Reuters) — Improvement in Britain's domestic and imported supplies of meat will enable Britons to draw their full weekly ration in fresh meat, starting next Sunday, it was announced today. Informal sources said the government feels it will be able to maintain the ration even if the current negotiations between Argentina and the United Kingdom breakdown. Food Minister John Strachey made the ration announcement in the House of Commons. At present, 2½ (about four cents) worth of the weekly ration of 1½ lb (about 22 cents) must be taken in canned corned beef. The improvement in supplies applies not only to home-produced meat but to imports from such countries as Australia, New Zealand and the United States. Fat cattle supplies from Ireland also have been stepped up and a small amount of pork has come from France.

Outlines Policies

#### Mixed Feeling When Pet Crow Is Killed

LITTLE FERRY, N. J., May 16 (AP) — Blackie the crow, a bird with a beak for trouble, is dead. He was hit by a baseball while cheering for both sides during a game here. He died Sunday. But the resulting emotion was slightly mixed. Little Bill Slavik, who adopted Blackie early this year, said there would never be another bird like him. Neighbors agreed and smiled happily. Blackie had received considerable publicity for picking clothespins off neighborhood lines. Housewives who retrieved their soiled laundry off the ground complained to police.

#### TEST NEW PLANE

LONDON, May 16 (CP) — A spokesman for the Ministry of Civil Aviation said today flight tests of the Viscount, powered with gas turbine engines, have been progressing satisfactorily since last July. The commercial aircraft has four engines and is designed to carry 30 passengers. The ministry has not yet set a date for acceptance of the Viscount for use on nationalized British airlines.

#### Expects \$2,800,000 From Ottawa This Year

The Provincial Government expects to obtain \$2,800,000 this year under the Federal tax agreement due to further increase in gross national revenue, Premier J. Walter Jones stated at the Liberal meeting held in the Forum last night attended by Prime Minister St. Laurent. The Premier claimed that under the agreement negotiated three years ago, this Province received \$700,000 annually in recognition of special claims. He said it was the only Province to obtain this consideration. Pointing out that the four eastern Provinces will have only one-eighth of the seats in the next Commons, the Premier said, "We in the Maritimes and Newfoundland should stick together. I will not say in the presence of the Prime Minister that we should form a bloc, but we should work closely together and not be at variance on problems affecting us all."

#### Says Abegweit Captain Advised Re Drydocking

OTTAWA, May 16 (CP) — There has been no discrimination against Saint John, N.B., in the awarding of a Canadian National Railway ship repair contract to a Montreal shipyard, J.C. Lessard, deputy minister of transport, said today. Mr. Lessard had been asked to comment on a protest from Saint John against the decision to have the C.N.R. car-ferry Abegweit repaired at the yard of Canadian Vickers in Montreal. The Abegweit plies between New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Award of the repair contract to Montreal had been protested to the Transport Department by the Saint John Dry Dock Company and five unions employed there. The deputy minister said the decision had not been reached by the government; it was purely a matter for the C.N.R. He said that tenders had been called for the work and there was difference of a few thousand dollars in favor of the Saint John Company. The Canadian National, he said, had awarded the contract to Canadian Vickers on advice of the Abegweit captain and the general manager of the C.N.R.'s Atlantic region. This decision had been intended to move the ship to Saint John at this time of year, bearing in mind that one car-ferry was lost on that trip some years ago. Mr. Lessard added there was no indication that the C.N.R. was discriminating against Saint John. That port had received \$800,000 worth of ship repairs and reconstruction orders from the C.N.R. in 1947, and another \$425,000 last year.

#### Not Interested In Return To Germany

REGINA, May 16 (CP) — Otto Strasser, onetime associate of Adolf Hitler, said here today he would reject any Russian plan to take him back to Germany to lead a pro-Soviet nationalist movement. The British licensed Berlin newspaper, Montags Echo, said today that Strasser had been approached by Russian agents, who had tried to lure him back to Germany in 1933 when he headed an anti-Nazi movement in Germany. Strasser admitted he had been approached by a Soviet agent in Montreal in 1941 with an offer to take over the leadership of all German anti-Nazis and to form a German national committee in Moscow. He said he refused because "for me and my friends no co-operation (is) possible with any totalitarian party, be it from the left or right."

#### News In Brief

DETROIT, May 16 (AP) — The United States Government will decide Tuesday whether it will enter the Ford "speed-up" strike dispute immediately.

REGINA, May 16 (CP) — Prof. J.E.L. Graham of the University of Manitoba will be chairman of the royal commission to inquire into the Saskatchewan coal industry, Labor Minister C.C. Williams said today.

LONDON, May 17 (Tuesday) — (CP) — The House of Commons rose early today after completing the committee stage of the controversial Ireland bill as police in plain clothes watched from the public galleries. Last week during the debate on the bill a spectator in the galleries shouted "Up the republic!" There was no such scene today.

WINNIPEG, May 16 (CP) — Hot, dry weather over the Canadian West has heightened the danger of forest fires already responsible for heavy damage in Alberta, Northern Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

CURATIVE STREAM The waters of the river Jordan were believed by the ancients to cure leprosy.

#### Lieut.-Gov. of Nfld. Recovers From Illness

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., May 16 (CP) — Sir Albert J. Walsh, lieutenant-governor of Newfoundland, was recovering in hospital tonight from an attack of pneumonia. His condition was described as "good."

#### Says Canada Must Buy More From U. K. To Retain Food Contracts

By Harold Morrison OTTAWA, May 16 (CP) — Canada today was warned that unless the United Kingdom increases exports to the Dominion, Canada will find markets in the U. K. disappearing. The warning came from Harold Wilson, 33-year-old president of the United Kingdom Board of Trade, on a 20-day trade tour. He said he is seeking to avert a "crisis" by boosting British sales in the dollar areas of the world. Ending a two-day visit to this capital, he conferred with Federal Government officers, held an hour-long press conference and spoke before some 700 delegates to the district convention of Rotary International. In each case he spoke plainly and seriously of the gravity of Britain's economic position and the possible deteriorating effect on Canadian markets overseas. He defended and explained why Britain was dealing with iron-curtain countries and pulling punches about the fact that U. K. was planning even further trade with Russia.

#### British Court Refuses To Grant Eisler Bail

LONDON, May 16 (AP) — A British court refused bail today for Gerhard Eisler and sent the bespectacled Communist back to jail. He will spend at least eight days in a cell awaiting a hearing on whether he will be returned to the United States as a fugitive. An involved international controversy developed around Eisler, who had tried to flee United States authorities by skimming away aboard the Polish liner Batory. Eisler claims he was a political refugee enjoying asylum under the Polish flag when he was "kidnaped" in violation of international law. The Polish Government today demanded his release and an apology from British authorities for taking Eisler off the battery at Southampton Saturday. The House of Commons argued the case and then passed on to other business to await the findings of the court. In Washington, the State Department confirmed a Polish charge that the United States had threatened action to seize the 14,287-ton Batory unless the mas-

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He indicated the Anglo-Canadian food contracts might not be renewed in 1950 if Britain cannot increase exports to Canada. "We must not fall in our mission to increase exports to your country," he said at the press conference. At the Rotary International he explained that the U. K. was using all the Marshall aid dollars possible on Canadian purchases. "To extend those purchases," he said, "could be done only by encroaching further on our gold and dollar reserves." These already were at the minimum level necessary for safety and must be regarded as the last line of defence not only of the U. K. but of the whole sterling area. "And we must face this fact," he added, "that the U. S. offshore dollar program will progressively decline between now and 1952." Unless the U. K. "can increase our direct earnings of dollars faster than the off-shore dollars decline, not only shall we be unable to increase our program of purchases — we shall not even be able to maintain the present rate."

#### British Court Refuses To Grant Eisler Bail

of the ship surrendered Eisler to British police. Eisler made two appearances in court today. First the 52-year-old defendant was brought before a magistrate's court in Southampton which shunted the case to London's Bow Street Court, only court in England with jurisdiction in an extradition case. Magistrate J.W. Eastwood of the Bow Street Court turned down the bail plea of Eisler's counsel and ordered him "remanded in custody." Hearing on the case was adjourned until May 24. The proceedings at Bow Street lasted 25 minutes. Then a warden led Eisler off to a cell block. In court he must show cause why he should not be extradited. Eisler jumped bail of \$23,500 when he fled from New York aboard the Batory a week ago Friday. He faces two prison sentences in the United States, one for a year for contempt of a congressional committee, and the other for one to three years in a federal court conviction on passport frauds.



TORONTO, May 16 (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 41-61; Edmonton 47-61; Regina 53-77; Winnipeg 37-78; Toronto 49-71; Ottawa 35-74; Montreal 42-70; Quebec 39-70; Saint John 42-59; Moncton 34-63; Halifax 35-49; Charlottetown 33-60; Sydney 27-52; Yarmouth 38-57; St. John's 28-51.

HALIFAX, May 16 (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Tuesday. Synopsis: Monday evening the weather was fine over the Maritimes. However in the Gaspe peninsula and the region north of the Gulf of St. Lawrence it was cloudy with occasional rain or snow. The weak disturbance moving across Northern Quebec that is causing the precipitation in the northern regions is not expected to affect the southern part of the district. There's skies will remain nearly clear during the night and frost can be expected. Drier and somewhat cooler air is moving southeastward from Hudson Bay and will cover New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island by Tuesday evening. However, little change is expected in the weather and under sunny skies it will be warmer in many places on Tuesday. Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island: Clear with frost in valleys during the night. Tuesday clear becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Continuing warm. Light winds. Low and high Tuesday at Charlottetown 35 and 65. High tide today at 2:40 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. Sun rises this morning at 4:41 and sets at 7:37. Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. TEMPORARY SCHEDULE NEW CAR FERRY SCHEDULE - WEEK DAYS