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COMMONS DEFEATS ATTEMPTS TO DELAY NFLD. UNION

Heavy Death Toll In Slave Labor Camps In Russia

Israel Expects To Spend 400 Million On 1949 Immigrants

LONDON, Feb. 15 — (Reuters) — Israel will need more than £100,000,000 (\$400,000,000) for the 1949 immigrants expected this year, Dr. Israel Goldstein, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, said today.

Goldstein arrived here this week from New York after a week's visit to the United States to launch the joint Palestine appeal for funds to resettle refugees in Israel. He will return to Israel Thursday.

"Jews alone can hardly meet this huge obligation of housing and feeding jobs for these immigrants. There are now 750,000 Jews in (Continued on Page 5 Col. 3)

Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Cornwall rink tonight, East Royal Royals vs. Cornwall C. C.
- Pantry Sale at Prowse Bros., February 26th, sponsored by South Winsloe W. I.
- Parlour Social at the Manse, Cavendish, Friday evening, February 18th.
- Lion Dance in South Rustico Hall, Wednesday, February 16th. Good music. Refreshments.
- Rummage Sale, Salvation Army, Tuesday, March 1st. Donors please phone 823.
- Feed prices now reduced. Enquire for prices. It will pay you. McLaughlin & Boyle.
- Covehead rink tonight, West Royal Royals vs. Covehead Red Wings. League game. Skate after.
- Milton rink tonight, Southport Ramblers vs. Milton Hornets. League game. Skate after.
- East Royal rink tonight, Parkdale Juniors vs. Charlottetown Flyers. Good ice. Skate after.
- League game tonight at Hunter River rink, Rustico vs. Hunter River. Skate after.
- South Granville Women's Institute variety concert, Feb. 17 in the Granville Hall. If not fine, Feb. 21.
- Hockey New Glasgow rink tonight, Charlottetown Bombers vs. Hope River. Game starts 8:30 sharp. Skate after.
- Co-operative meeting for Cross Roads, Alexandra and Pownall districts at Cross Roads School, Thursday, Feb. 17, at 8 p.m.
- Hockey game North Rustico rink, Wednesday, Feb. 16, New Glasgow vs. North Rustico. Game starts 8:30. Skate after.
- Have car baled shavings for bedding purposes, unloading Tuesday, 15th. Cheap from car. Please order immediately. G. C. Green, Emerald.
- Unloading car Cafeteria Feeds Tuesday and Wednesday, February 15th and 16th at Longworth Ave. Siding, Ellis Bros., Central Royalty. Phone 1786-J.
- Hog Starter, Hog Fattener, Dairy Rations, and all other rations in straight or assorted cars, with whole and/or ground oats, barley and wheat. Enquiries invited from serious buyers. Atlas Grain Company, Zone 4, Montreal.
- Will be loading hogs at the following points each Thursday: Emer Wigmore, Bradalbane, until River, until noon, Summerside until 1:30 P. M. and Kensington until 3 P. M. MacFwen and Casley.
- Attention Farmers. — We are pleased to announce a considerable increase in the price of our freshly mixed Shur Gain Feeds. If interested in a top quality feed at a right price, write or phone Boston & MacRae, Winsloe. Phone 224-3.

By NORMAN ALTSTEDTER
LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Feb. 15 — (CP) — The United Nations today received sworn testimony that the death toll from beatings and starvation in Russian slave labor camps is hundreds of thousands each year.

The American Federation of Labor presented the testimony to the Economic and Social Council in the form of affidavits from former slave laborers in Soviet camps.

The labor organization called for an impartial investigation of the charges.

Britain and the United States backed up the A.F.L.'s demand with scathing denunciations of forced labor in Russia and Eastern European countries under Communist domination.

Russian delegate Semen K. Tsarapkin described the charges as "libellous." He lashed back with a claim that the United States wanted to spy on Russia through a proposed investigating commission of the International Labor Organization.

Christopher Mayhew, British Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs, departed from the text of his speech to point up "the striking failure of the Russian delegate to produce any defence against specific charges." This was a "plain admission of guilt," Mayhew said.

Presenting the A.F.L. case, Miss Tony Sender quibbled during an hour-long address on a large sheaf of documents on forced labor in Russia and Eastern Europe.

William L. Thorp, United States delegate, proposed that the A.F.L. demands and documents be sent to the Council's Human Rights Commission for action.

Provincial By-Election In Quebec Today

LEVIS, Que., 15 — (CP) — A light vote was forecast tonight for tomorrow's balloting in a provincial by-election in Levis County, small riding across the St. Lawrence River from Quebec.

The contest is a two-way fight called as the result of the resignation of J.T. Laroche, former minister without portfolio in the Quebec Legislature who was named to the Legislative Council.

Throughout Quebec the by-election has evoked little interest.

The candidates are Albert Samson, commercial traveller and former Liberal candidate, and Abel Paradis, jeweller who is running under the standard of the Union of Electors.

The usual enthusiasm of Quebec politics has been lacking, largely because of the landslide victory of the Union Nationale in the provincial general election last July 28.

Liberal Senators Deny Pledge To Government

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 — (CP) — With prompt corroboration from two others, a Liberal Senator denied today that any pledge of support for Government policies had been exacted from or implied to him on appointment to the Senate.

The statement was made by Senator W. D. Euler (L-Ontario) in the midst of a debate which brought forth approval of the entry of Newfoundland into confederation. Support came from Senator L. M. Gouin (L-Quebec) and Senator J. J. Kinley (L-Nova Scotia).

All three were named to the Senate by former Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

Senator Euler, former Cabinet Minister who went to the Upper Chamber in 1940, referred to a statement by Earl Rowe, Progressive Conservative member of the Commons for Dufferin-Simcoe, during the Commons debate on Newfoundland.

He said Mr. Rowe quoted Mr. King as saying that all Senators appointed by him were committed to submit to any measure of Sen-

Floods Threaten In Southern Ontario

TORONTO, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Flood waters rose in some Southern Ontario rivers today in the first high-water threat of the year. Some river break-ups were the earliest ever recorded.

The Weather Bureau forecast a respite tonight from the rains and warm weather which caused the floods. But the accompanying lower temperatures may bring severe ice conditions and traffic hazards.

A flood-danger spot was the turbulent Etobicoke River, which flows from north of Brampton into Lake Ontario near Long Branch, a Toronto suburb.

Speculate On Australia's Role In Pacific Defence

By R. D. Brown
LONDON, Feb. 15 — (Reuters) — The Australian announcement that a new £148,000,000 (\$592,000,000) defence project is to be put in hand caused speculation today whether a decision has been reached in principle that Australia shall become a Pacific arsenal for Britain.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman indicated that no firm plans had been made for the transfer to Australia of vital British defence industries.

The Canberra report said a vast system of hydroelectric power stations south of Canberra would feed huge atom bomb power factories deep below the earth. Key British industries and research laboratories would be transferred to this new defence zone, the report added.

As the project is expected to take 25 years to complete, there can be no question of detailed plans yet for transferring specific undertakings, observers here point out.

Sir Henry Tizard, chief scientific adviser to the British Government, returned recently from extensive tour of Australia defence establishments.

Australia's most important defence project has hitherto been the Woomera guided weapons range, in the arid Red Desert northwest of Adelaide. Operational experiments there began last July, but the range is not likely to be complete before 1951.

By that time the £12,000,000 will have been spent on the project, which is expected to provide a testing ground for rockets with a range of 1,500 to 3,000 miles.

This concentration of rocket research in Australia is not expected to reduce the amount of work done in Britain.

DRIVER TAKES TO SKATES

KINGSTON, Ont., Feb. 15 — (CP) — Taxi-driver Jack Moffet's car stalled on ice-coated Montreal street last night. He donned a pair of skis and had in the automobile and skated back to his office.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Minimum prices for haircuts in greater Montreal are increased five cents to 55 cents on weekdays and Saturdays, secretary Alfred Dupuis of the Barbers' Party Committee announced today.

To Make Major Pronouncement



POPE PIUS XII

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 15 — (AP) — Pope Pius XII will make another major pronouncement Sunday on the trial of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty. He will address a demonstration by Catholic Action, militant lay organization, in the square before St. Peter's Church.

The address will be broadcast by the Vatican radio.

Informed sources said Pope Pius, who has returned to his two major pronouncements since Cardinal Mindszenty was sentenced a week ago to life imprisonment, will appear on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica at 11 A. M. (6 A. M. AST).

Amid these preparations the Vatican gave scant attention to a declaration by a Communist spokesman in Budapest, Joseph Reval, that Hungary gave the Holy See an outline of the charges and an opportunity to remove Cardinal Mindszenty before she acted against him.

"The Vatican never descends to such compromises," an informed source said, without confirming or denying such a proposition was received.

Yet another opportunity for the Pope to speak his mind on the Mindszenty case will be offered at a reception tomorrow of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See. Diplomats representing 36 countries sought the interview to express their sympathy.

Tax Case Provokes Demonstrations In Magistrate's Court

Expulsion Of Pro-Soviet Writer Proves Puzzle

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, Feb. 15 — (AP) — Anna Louise Strong, American author and journalist ordered deported from Russia as a spy, is a prolific writer who has consistently pronounced pro-Soviet views.

The Moscow press, announcing her arrest and the order for her deportation, described her as "the well-known intelligence operator."

It reported she had entered Russia "as a consequence of the carelessness of certain foreign relations officials."

Miss Strong is listed here as a correspondent for the Allied Labor News. She is one of seven United States correspondents in Moscow.

She is the second American within a year to be accused of spying and ordered expelled. Robert Magidoff, correspondent for NBC, the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company and the British Exchange Telegraph News Agency and his wife were asked to leave the country April 15, 1948.

Washington turned a puzzled eye upon the Russian order for expulsion of Miss Strong. The Soviet's accusation that she is a spy, working against the U.S.S.R., is in strange contrast with her writings, which have a pronounced pro-Soviet flavor.

Dispatches from Moscow, subject to censorship, have not explained what the Russians accuse Miss Strong of doing, saying or writing.

Washington records give Miss Strong's age as 64. They disclose she has been in and out of Moscow repeatedly since 1921. She was in China in 1946-47.

Her United States passport was renewed last June. Soviet authorities gave her a visa to return to Moscow.

The large court room in the Summerside court house building was packed to overflowing yesterday with spectators, mostly farmers, for the trial before Magistrate R. S. Hinton, K. C. of Mr. R. Allison Profit of Preetown who was charged under the Income Tax Act with failure to file income tax returns for four years from 1943 to 1946. Even the jury seats were occupied and many could not get in at all.

Mr. Profit is president of the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture and a member of its income tax committee which has been active recently in holding meetings of farmers in various centers to protest against the Income Tax Act, its enforcement and administration.

An unusual demonstration for a Canadian courtroom occurred. When Mr. W. E. Darby, K. C. who was defending Mr. Profit, several times used strong words to criticize the manner of the prosecution, muffled applause and the spectators, Magistrate Hinton at one point said that this was behavior not tolerated in British courts and if persisted in he would have the courtroom cleared.

Mr. J. S. DesRoches, K. C. represented the Income Tax Department and he presented documentary evidence only, to show (Continued on Page 5 Col. 3)

Child Drowned In Flooded Ditch

TORONTO, Feb. 15 — (CP) — A three-year-old child was drowned near Toronto and another youngster was rescued, unconscious, from a flooded ditch as rain-swollen streams broke their banks in several parts of Ontario today.

Ray Belford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Belford of Dixie, was drowned when he fell into a stream 10 miles west of Toronto. In nearby York Township three-year-old Harriet Goodbaum was rescued after being carried a hundred yards along a fast-flowing drainage ditch.

Conservative Amendment Defeated 137-66

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL
OTTAWA, Feb. 15 — (CP) — The Commons tonight decisively defeated attempts to have Newfoundland's entry into confederation delayed until the consent of existing Provinces was obtained or at least until the Provinces were consulted on the union procedure.

By a vote of 137 to 66 the House turned down an attempt made by Wilfrid Laurier (L-Quebec Montmorency) — to make the union, scheduled for March 31, deferred until the consent of the Provinces was obtained.

In a second division members voted 137 to 66 against a Progressive Conservative motion urging that the union be delayed until there were "satisfactory consultations" with the Provinces on the procedure to be followed in bringing about the union.

The votes were on a sub-amendment to the formal address which will be sent to the United Kingdom Parliament asking for confirmation of the Newfoundland (Continued on Page 5 Col. 4)

Forecast Prosperous 1949 For Retailers

Saint John Man To Head Retailers

MONTREAL, Feb. 15 — (CP) — James Wilson of Saint John, N.B. tonight was elected president of the Canadian Retail Federation, succeeding A.J. Duval of Montreal.

Maritime directors elected were J.G. MacDonald, Charlottetown; H.P. McCurdy, Sydney, N.S.; and T.A. Wood, Halifax.

Officers in addition to the president will be elected later.

Mr. Wilson, a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, went to Saint John in 1946 as general manager of P.W. Daniel and Company. He is president of the New Brunswick Cancer Society and is active in many social welfare and community activities. He is 42.

To Study Vancouver's Unemployment Situation

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent told the Commons today the Government will look into the unemployment situation in Vancouver "immediately" to determine whether it is "one which requires assistance" from the Dominion.

Angus MacInnis (CCF-Vancouver East) read a telegram from the Canadian Legion at Vancouver reporting that the unemployment situation was an "emergency" comparable with the British Columbia floods last summer.

RIGHT-HANDED SHELLS

Most spiral sea-shells and snailshells wind to the right; one exception is the left-handed whelk, which winds anti-clockwise.

German Press Reports Soviet Troop Movements

BERLIN, Feb. 15 — (AP) — German press reports said today that the Russians are conducting extensive troop movements in their zone of Germany and staging combined air and submarine manoeuvres in the Western Baltic.

These reports were published by the Neue Zeitung, official German paper of the American Military Government. They could not be confirmed.

The Zeitung also said it learned from refugee Batts that the Russians are constructing huge military installations in the Baltic republics with "remarkable haste."

The Soviet troop movements in Germany the Zeitung said, centered in Mecklenburg and were conducted "by night in strict secrecy and with efforts made to veil them by dispersal of units."

The Zeitung said the Russians had most of their occupation strength in the "immediate hinterland of the Baltic Sea, grad-

May Amend Lobster Canning Regulations

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Fisheries Minister Mayhew said today in the Commons his Department is considering amendments to permit the canning of lobsters at any time of the year. He was replying to W. Chester S. McLure (PC-Quebec).

At present, as a conservation measure, lobsters may be caught and canned only at specific periods during the year.

Claims 4-Day Week For Farmers Possible

REGINA, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Now it's the four-day week for farmers, Lorne Dietrick, youthful navy veteran who was one of the organizers of the 8,160 acre Matador Co-operative Farm, claims it's possible. The answer, he says, is successfully using co-operative farming methods.

He told the Regina Trades and Labor Council last night one of the main reasons the Matador farm was organized by its 17 ex-servicemen tenants was to have a higher standard of living than the average farmer.

Owner Is Injured By Explosion

A large general store with dwelling attached, together with all their contents, were totally destroyed by fire at Central Lot 16 yesterday afternoon. The store was a large two-story wooden building with basement, built in 1941, and was owned by Mr. J. Loring Rayner who did a large business in general merchandise and farm produce. Mr. Rayner could not be reached last evening but the loss was estimated at approximately \$30,000.

The fire broke out about 1:30 and as far as can be learned was caused by an explosion that occurred while Mr. Rayner was preparing a gas lantern for use. The force of the explosion shattered Mr. Rayner against a doorway and he suffered a slight concussion. He entered the Prince County Hospital afterwards for an examination but was discharged later in the evening.

His youngest baby daughter, who had been ill with pneumonia and was taken to the hospital as a precaution when the explosion occurred, was his sister Miss Doris Rayner, who worked there as a clerk. She immediately ran to the nearby home of Mr. R. W. Betton to have Mrs. Betton phone the neighbors for help.

However, the blaze spread very quickly through the store and the dwelling, which was a wing of the store, and nothing could be done to save them. A small amount of downstairs furniture was saved from the house but all else was lost. Within two hours the whole structure was demolished but a quantity of coal in the cellar was still burning last night.

It is understood that about half the value of the loss is covered by insurance.

During the afternoon a slight wind was blowing and it was snowing quite steadily. — S.



TORONTO, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 27, 42; Edmonton 4B, 4; Regina 12, 1; Winnipeg 16, 26; Toronto 33, 47; Ottawa 16, —; Montreal 13, 43; Quebec 8, 23; Saint John 6, 35; Moncton 2, 30; Halifax 15, 31; Charlottetown 2, 20; Sydney 15, 26; Yarmouth 22, 43, B-below.

HALIFAX, Feb. 15 — (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Wednesday.

Tuesday evening there was still freezing rain or drizzle over parts of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Southern New Brunswick. However milder air was flowing into the southern sections of the Maritimes and near the coast temperatures reached the 40s. In these parts of the district there was dense fog. In the Gaspé and North Shore regions it was still snowing and the strong winds were causing some drifting.

This weather is caused by an old storm that moved into Quebec and a new storm centre over the Bay of Fundy. These are expected to move eastward and be followed by a current of cold air. This will give clearing weather and falling temperatures Wednesday afternoon.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island: Overcast with occasional freezing drizzle during the night. Cloudy Wednesday, clearing in the afternoon. Extremely mild during the night becoming colder Wednesday afternoon. Southeast winds 15 shifting Wednesday afternoon to west 20. Early morning and late afternoon temperature at Charlottetown 35 and 28.

High tide this afternoon at 12:30 and tonight at 1:20.

Sun rises this morning at 7:01 and sets at 5:52.

LEAVES AT WEEK DAYS
Leave Borden 9:10 A.M. and arrives at Cape Tormentine at 10:15 A.M.
Leave Cape Tormentine 2:40 P.M. and arrives at Borden 3:55 P.M.
No Sunday schedule in effect.