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U.S. GOV'T TO SEIZE MEAT PACKING INDUSTRY

Staff Shortage At Sanatorium But Annex Ready

Though the Provincial Sanatorium is not yet functioning as the officials would like to see it, this is owing to the fact that they are still handicapped by lack of a trained staff large enough to make efficient use of the greatly increased facilities supplied by the addition of the new annex.

At present Dr. P.A. Creelman, says, there are 96 beds in use which is an increase of about 20 beds over the previous capacity of the institution.

A nurses' aid training class with ten students has been formed and this class is expected to be of great value in training personnel competent to give appreciated assistance to the regular nurses.

Some key positions still remain unfilled, Dr. Creelman said, but he had hopes that all such difficulties would be overcome within the next few months.

ENTITLED TO MEDAL

OTTAWA, Jan. 22—(CP)—The British Government has advised that members of the Corps of Canadian Firefighters who served in Britain for a year or more now are entitled to wear the Defence of Britain Medal, War Services Minister McCann announced today.

C. N. R. Promotion For Ch'town Man

Mr. N.S.B. Watson

Electrical engineer, architect's department, Canadian National Railways, who has been appointed mechanical engineer with headquarters at Montreal. Mr. Watson is a native of Charlottetown, and a veteran of World War 1, in which he served as engine room artificer in the R.C.N.V.R.

Charges German Damage In France Is Uncounted

BY NOLAND NORGAARD

NUERNBERG, Jan. 22 — (AP) —German plunder directly and indirectly caused the deaths of hundreds of thousands of French people and seriously damaged the health of the nation for generations to come, the French war crimes prosecution told the International Military Tribunal today.

Prosecutor Charles Gerthoffer charged that starvation diet and privations during the occupation were the immediate causes of 150,000 French deaths, and contributed to the deaths of countless thousands of others.

"Incurable maladies such as tuberculosis developed and will continue to expand their ravages for a long time to come," M. Gerthoffer said. "The growth of infants and adolescents is seriously compromised; the future of the race gives rise to great concern."

He said France was drained to an incredible extent of fuel, clothing, industrial products, textiles, trucks and manufactured goods under a pretext of exchanging the goods for raw materials, but that in fact German raw materials were processed into articles shipped back into Germany.

He quoted reports showing that the daily ration of food in France fell as low as 850 calories daily, at a time when millions of tons of foodstuffs were being shipped into Germany. He said the Germans themselves had reported after the First Great War that a diet as low as 1,700 calories was "slow starvation leading to death."

By contrast, he said, "for four years the German was not cold. He was not undernourished, but on the contrary he was well fed, warmly clothed and well shod with products stolen in occupied countries."

Hope 15,500 Vets Will Take Up Land

OTTAWA, Jan. 22—Gordon Murchison, director of the Veterans Land Act, announced today the target for the Veterans Land Act in 1946 will be the establishment of approximately 15,500 veterans on the land.

Of the total, it was hoped 6,500 veterans would be installed as full-time farmers on improved lands and another 3,000 on provincial crown lands. The remaining 6,000 would be settled under the small hoding provisions of the act and would include commercial fishermen.

TO LEAD SASK. PARTY

REGINA, Jan. 22 — (CP) —H. Nelson Clark, 31, of Saskatoon, has assumed the provincial leadership of the Labor Progressive Party in Saskatchewan replacing Ivan Birchard who has been unable to return to the Province since his release from the Canadian Army, party headquarters announced today.

Clarke is a former Saskatoon alderman, and served with the Canadian Army in the Second Great War.

Coming Events

**Auction and Bridge, Saint Joseph's Sodality Hall, Wednesday, January 23rd. 1-15-16-19-31.

**Loading Hogs at Fredericton, Thursday, January 17th until 11.30, Colville 12 o'clock. 1-15-16-Tue-Wed-tf.

**Hunter River vs. Milton, at Milton Rink tonight Game stars at 8.15. 1-23-1i

**Auction Forty Fives in Institute Hall, Parkdale tonight, 8 o'clock. 1-23-1i.

**Hatching Ration now available fortified with extra Vitamins A and B. Our stock is always fresh. Livestock Feed Agency. 1-23-3i.

**Dance in Kelly's Cross Hall, Wednesday, Jan. 23. If not fine, first fine night following. 1-23-1i

**Car of Oil Cake expected last of the week. Would advise immediately ordering. Enough said. Livestock Feed Agency. 1-23-3i.

**Come to Basket Social and Scottish entertainment in Long Creek Hall, Friday night, January 25th. Ladies with baskets free. 1-22-2i.

**Collecting Hogs for Davis and Fraser, Albany and vicinity; also Emerald, Friday, January 25th. Phone collect, A. C. Green, Albany, or G. C. Green, Emerald. 1-5-M-W-tf.

**Loading hogs Thursday, Jan. 24, as follows: Summerside, 9.30 to 1.30; Kensington until 3 p.m.; Elmer Wigmore, Bradalbane, Friday, until 11 a.m.; Borden Bagnall, Hunter River, Friday, till noon. MacEwen and Caseley. 1-22-1i

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Retail Price Of Sugar Unchanged

OTTAWA, Jan. 22—An expected increase in the price of imported raw sugar will be absorbed through the sugar stabilization fund, built up over the last few years, with Canadian retail prices remaining unchanged, the Prices Board said tonight.

"There is no intention of authorizing any increase in the price of sugar in Canada," said a Board statement, referring to a Washington report that sugar prices in the United States will be raised by possibly a half-cent a pound next month to meet the anticipated increase.

SOFT-PEDAL U. N. O. CRISIS TALK

Wharf Repair Tenders Now Being Considered: Work To Start Promptly

(Special to The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Jan. 22—Tenders for repairs to Charlottetown wharf were submitted last week to the Public Works Department from a number of marine engineering contracting firms, and officials are today considering the lowest tender. The Guardian was informed this afternoon by W. P. Harrell, assistant Deputy Minister of Works.

Lowest and other tenders for the work, estimated by the Department to cost $340,000, will be placed on Works Minister Fournier's desk tomorrow and will go to the Cabinet in a day or two for authorization.

Steel Sheet Piling

Important feature of the Charlottetown wharf repairs, engineers say is the installation of steel sheet piling where needed, at the same time utilizing parts already constructed which form the peri- spheres of the project.

"Advantage of the steel sheet piling," one of the senior engineers explained, "is that we can dredge adjacent to the piling and thus accommodate vessels of deeper draft in the port. Charlottetown has always been the finest port of the Island, but it will be still better when the work is completed."

Public Works engineers said that they "would be ready to start work tomorrow, provided the contractor was able to supply the needed materials." In any case, the work has been given the stamp of highest priority by both public works and reconstruction officials who are eager to begin as early as possible.

Authorized Six Years Ago

Mr. Harrell explained that the wharf repair job was authorized by parliament more than six years ago and construction actually began in 1939. Urgent war demands in May 1940 resulted in cancellation of all public works contracts in Canada, and equipment and materials on the Charlottetown wharf were shipped away to be used in construction of naval bases in Nova Scotia.

When the vote for $340,000 for these wharf improvements came before Parliament in November, they were originally placed in the main Public Works estimates for 1946. Acceding, however, to W. Chester S. McLure's plea for the job to be speeded up as much as possible, Mr. Fournier placed them in the supplementary estimates as a special vote.

"Simply A Revote"

The Minister conceded Mr. McLure's point that the wharf project was not new but simply a revote of something which Parliament had already authorized before the outbreak of hostilities.

Asked if the current steel strike in the United States might delay the wharf improvements, Works Department officials said they did not believe it would unless the United States strike should spread to Canada.

"We have made provision for the amount of steel necessary for this job, and we can see no reason why it should not go ahead in the ordinary way," a works official said.

Pending the award of the contract, the Department declined to reveal the amount of the various bids for the Charlottetown harbor repairs, or to state whether they exceeded or were lower than the government estimate of $340,000.

Hope To Start Technical Course In Month's Time

While officials connected with the Vocational Training School would not state when they expected its construction on Prince of Wales College grounds would be completed, they were hopeful that the first courses in the new building would begin in a month's time. By that time, they said, a course in plumbing, pipe fitting, and metal work should be available for returned men wishing to take advantage of it.

Preparations are also under way for a course in farm mechanics which will include instruction in the repairing of farm machinery, horse-shoeing, general blacksmithing, harness repairing, etc. It is expected the instructor in this course will be Mr. Lloyd O'Brien of Alberton who served with the Armed Forces in Canada during the war.

The course in agriculture will comprise instruction in many phases of farm work and the teachers will comprise officials of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, as well as several prominent local farmers who have made a success of their occupation.

Prominent Canadian Surgeon Dies At 64

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. 22 — Dr. James Kenneth McGregor, 64, one of Canada's leading surgeons and founder and head of the McGregor Clinic, died here today following an illness of several weeks.

A goitre and thyroid specialist, Dr. McGregor developed a technique of treatment which he described in several articles published in Canadian and United States medical journals.

Author Finds Rural Telephone Headache

MANSFIELD, O, Jan 22 — (AP) —Author-farmer Louis Bromfield went surety several months ago for the Lucas Telephone Company, a rural party line with 142 subscribers along its 28 miles of line, to ensure telephone service to his farm home near here. Today he "owns" the telephone company and admits "it's not so hot."

Company directors, who did their own maintenance work, wanted to get out a year ago and sold to George Hubler of Lucas. Hubler borrowed $1,000 from Bromfield to clinch the deal.

Hubler tired after nine months of trying to keep outmoded equipment functioning and mailed Bromfield a bill of sale for the entire company in payment of his loan.

Bromfield is famed for his long-distance phone conversations and Lucas social life is enlivened by listening in on the author's colorful and sometimes pungent speech.

Actor Humphrey Bogart, who wed actress Lauren Bacall at Bromfield's home last summer, interspersed endearments with demands for eaves-droppers to hang up during pre-wedding conversations with his bride-to-be.

Threat Of Packing Strike Is Lessened

TORONTO, Jan. 22—Immediate threat of a meat-packing strike across Canada faded tonight as representatives of the United Packinghouse Workers of America (C.I.O.) and of three Canadian meat-packing companies agreed that the Union should request Mr. Justice S. E. Richards of Winnipeg to call a further conference in an attempt to settle the dispute over hours of work.

Yanks Believe Flare-Up Can Be Avoided

(By The Canadian Press)

LONDON, Jan. 22—United Nations delegates said optimistically tonight that the new world peace organization could settle amicably the Soviet protest against British policy in Greece, and Java—a development which featured today's session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

The first major test of U.N.O. ability to smooth international friction brought the comment from President Paul-Henri Spaak of Belgium that there were "no grounds for pessimism" and a warning from him against falling into "the error of the League of Nations" by putting off major problems.

United States officials soft-pedalled talk of a crisis and said they were not alarmed. They saw the United States moving into a middleman, pacifier role between the Soviet Union and the United Kingdom.

British Aims

Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons as it reopened after the Christmas recess that Britain aspired only to "an amicable settlement" between the Dutch and the Nationalists in Java. He did not touch on the Greek question.

Britain's attitude further was understood to be that if the Russians have suspicions, "then this is a first-rate opportunity to air them and clear Britain's name."

A South American delegate said privately that it was "ridiculous to say we should wait for U.N.O. to wear its long pants before putting it to a real test."

The Russians themselves had nothing to add beyond the letters which Andrei Gromkyo, Soviet delegate, and Dmitri Manuilsky, delegate of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, filed last night with the United Nations secretariat.

Some officials said the security council might meet Thursday to decide how to tackle the case and also to consider Iran's charges that Russia was interfering in her internal affairs.

Italy Will Send Consul To Canada

OTTAWA, Jan. 22 — (CP) — Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced today that the Canadian Government has agreed to receive an Italian representative in Canada. The Italian Government has appointed Count Carlo Fecia di Cossato who will have the personal rank of consul general.

The Prime Minister's statement gave no indication of plans on the part of the Canadian Government to send a representative to Italy.

Mr. King recalled that on Sept. 27, 1944, United States and the United Kingdom announced that direct relations would be resumed with Italy and since that time, Italian representatives have been received in London, Washington, Moscow and other United Nations capitals.

P. E. I. Chief Justice Speaks At Que. Club

QUEBEC, Jan. 22 — (CP) — French-language Canadians have played a great part in the development of Prince Edward Island and the present French speaking population of about 14,000 has at all times taken their full share of the burden, Thane A. Campbell, former Premier and now Chief Justice of Prince Edward Island, said today in an address to the Quebec Rotary Club.

Attending the Province of Quebec International Bonspiel here, he said a great part of the credit for the success of the Bonspiel goes to the sociability and good fellowship shown.

Mr. Campbell tendered an invitation to all Quebec curlers to take part in the open bonspiel to be held in his Province in February, 1947.

Is Elected

MR. W. M. MELLISH, who was elected president of the Summerside Board of Trade at the annual meeting last night. (See Summerside page for story.)

Results Of First Day Of Fur Sale

MONTREAL, Jan 22 — (CP)—Seven types of fur were offered today at opening of the first fur auction sale this year in Montreal. The sale continues through Friday and resumes Monday for five days in which only silver fox will be offered.

An official of the auction sale announced the following results of today's bidding:

Beaver—96 per cent of the 15,406 pelts offered were sold, with prices as compared with 1945 advanced 55 per cent for blankets and extra large and 40 per cent for medium and small.

Otter—100 per cent of 989 pelts offered sold, with prices advanced 60 per cent.

Lynx—72 per cent of 757 pelts offered sold, with prices declined 15 per cent.

Lynx cat— 82 per cent of 551 pelts offered sold, with prices declined 10 per cent.

Raccoon — 45 per cent of 4,419 pelts offered sold, with prices declined 30 per cent.

Skunk — 80 per cent of 10,477 pelts offered sold, with prices unchanged.

Squirrels — 93 per cent of 60,579 pelts offered sold, with prices advanced 65 per cent.

Island Airmen On Ile De France

The following Prince Edward Island names are listed among 1,202 Air Force personnel scheduled to arrive at Halifax Jan. 25 on the troopship Ile de France.

Cpl. G.A. Gallant, North Rustico; Lac. J.L. Gallant, Martin, Lot 23; Lac. W.F. Heirlily, Coleman; Cpl. G.A. Johnston, Summerside; F O G.E. Jones, Charlottetown; Sgt. G.A. Lea, Vernon River; Cpl. B.M. Lelachleur, Murray Harbour; Cpl. H. MacLean, Charlottetown.

Sgt. L.F. McIntyre, 42 Rochford St., Charlottetown; FS. J.O. McNeill, Miscouche; Cpl. G.A. Matthews, O'Leary; Sgt. A.L. Ross, Rosebery; Cpl. S.A. Rowe, 188 Grafton St., Charlottetown; Lac. G A. Russell, 88 Water St. Charlottetown; Lac. C.H. Smith, 11 Upper Queen St., Charlottetown; Cpl. A.S. Wortley, Summerside.

LOADED DOWN WITH FOOD

MELBOURNE, Australia —(CP) —Weighted down with 10,800 tons of food for Britain, the 10,000-ton freighter "Orari" drew more water than the 35,000-ton British battleship King George V when she sailed recently. Thirty-four feet of her hull were below water and only seven feet above.

$50,000 Fire At Montreal

(By The Canadian Press)

MONTREAL, Jan. 22 — Damage estimated at $50,000 was caused today when a two-alarm fire gutted a four-storey building on downtown St. Paul Street. Firemen from 15 stations were on the scene for three hours before the blaze was brought under control.

The fire started on the second floor of the building, and employees of Vernercraft, Inc., the Hospital Blade Sales Company and the Maxtan Company were forced to the streets.

Firemen poured tons of water through 23 hoses on the blaze and managed to keep the flames from spreading to adjoining buildings. The five-storey Rolland Paper Company building was damaged by fire and smoke.

500 Alberta Schools Are Without Teachers

EDMONTON, Jan. 22—(CP)—There are 500 schools without teachers in Alberta and 10,000 children who "have to get a sort of an education through the mails," A. J. H. Powell, of the Alberta Teachers' Association, commented in presenting to a meeting today a brief on education prepared by a joint committee of the Alberta School Trustees' Association and the A.T.A.

Canada's First Carrier To Be Commissioned

(By The Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Jan. 22 — Canada's first aircraft carrier, H.M.C.S. Warrior, to be commissioned at Belfast, Northern Ireland, Thursday will equip the Royal Canadian Navy with one of the most modern and completely fitted Colossus type carriers, Naval Headquarters said today.

Technical details of the new craft show it will have a flight deck 700 by 80 feet, raised 62 feet above the waterline. The carrier itself has a length of 682 feet and a beam of 80 feet with a displacement of 18,000 tons. Its complement will be something in excess of 1,200 officers and men.

Capt. F. L. Houghton, C.B.E., of Ottawa is commanding officer of the imposing ship which has eight levels from keel to flight deck. She will be independent of shore for fresh water and is equipped with special protection for the high octane gas tanks.

The Warrior will carry Seafire single-seater fighters, equipped with cannons, bombs and rockets and Firefly fighter-reconnaissance planes with similar armament. The fighters are a naval version of the famed Spitfire and while originally intended for protecting the carrier they were proven in the last war to be useful in strafing ground targets and shipping.

Two elevators connect the hangar deck with the flight deck which has a hydraulic catapult or accelerator for hasty launching of a single plane if weather or other reasons make it inadvisable to turn the ship into the wind.

Churchill Good At Gin Rummy

MAIMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 22—(AP) — Winston Churchill loves gin rummy—and he's good at it—but in his own words, "what an awful name for such a delightful game!"

The British statesman made the comment last night as he played "gin" with his host, Col. Frank Clarke of Quebec City, and Col. George Drew, Prime Minister of Ontario, after a quiet day indoors.

Not Sure Yet Strikers Will Work For Gov't

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(AP)—The United States Government will seize strike-bound meat-packing plants—possibly Wednesday—it was disclosed in Washington tonight.

John W. Gibson, assistant Secretary of Labor, said the seizure action would be taken to end the national meat scarcity and White House sources indicated the order would be forthcoming Wednesday.

Although little action was taken in other huge steel, electrical, automotive and farm-equipment strikes which have boosted the country's strike-idle total to 1,622,000—and no seizure plans were evident in any of them—Mr. Gibson said Government operation of the packing firms would go into effect even though no promise had been received that 193,000 C.I.O. members would return to their jobs to work for the Government.

He added that A. F. L. Meat Workers, estimated at 70,000, had agreed to work under Federal management.

"The C.I.O. people have made no commitments," Mr. Gibson told reporters after a day-long meeting with Union leaders in the meat dispute. "They did not say they would refuse to return—they simply did not say whether they would or not."

In the steel dispute, C.I.O. President Philip Murray appealed to Treasury Secretary Vinson to "take immediate steps to terminate" tax rebate provision in the present revenue laws. Mr. Murray contended these would enable the steel companies to keep all plants closed in 1946 and still benefit financially.

Other Developments

In an effort to break a deadlock in wage discussions for the country's 650,000 shipyard workers, Government procurement agencies recommended a 15-per-cent wage increase. This would amount to about 18 cents an hour for standard mechanics in shipyards who now receive $1.20. The proposal was made to the working committee of the shipbuilding wage stabilization conference in Washington by the War and Navy Departments, the Maritime Commission and the Labor Department.

In Detroit, the strike strategy committee of the C.I.O. United Auto Workers announced 3,000 tool and die workers in the Detroit area would be called upon to halt all work on General Motors materials next Monday.

Paralysis Spreads

The work paralysis engendered by the great steel strike spread to

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Canadians' Task In Germany Near Ended

By WILLIAM BOSS

BAD ZWISCHENHAHN, Germany, Jan. 22—(CP Cable)—The main task of the Canadian Army Occupation Force in Germany—that of guarding the big forces of German military prisoners—soon will be completed as enemy troops are shipped home for discharge.

Of the 250,000 German troops penned north of the Ems-Jada Canal by Canadian troops after the surrender last May, only 28,000 remain. Of these, 23,000 are Austrians, 14,000 of whom will leave within a fortnight.

Within the last month, more than 70,000 German service personnel either have been discharged in the Canadian area under supervision of the Canadian Army Occupation Force or have been dispatched under Canadian guards to other parts of Germany.

The accelerated discharge is a sequel to the Russian protest last November that the Western Allies were not disbanding enemy military strength rapidly enough. British authorities launched the present movement, known as "operation clobber."

The Canadian troops report trouble with prisoners, principally when S.S. troops or Russian nationals who served in the German forces are being transported to the Russian-occupied zone. More than 89 such are said to have escaped from one train, making a getaway although fired at, and it is estimated that roughly 2,000 from all over the British zone of occupation made similar escapes before reaching the Russian zone.

An example of how the German war formations have disintegrated is the German 26th Army for which the Canadians are responsible. Only 55 officers of the rank of colonel or upwards remain.

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Canada Had Prominent Place In Radar Field

BY ANDY ROSS

OTTAWA, Jan. 22 — (CP) — Among Canada's wartime achievements was a tremendous job in the infant field of radar—that group of radio detecting devices which saved Britain in the blitz and later provided magic eyes for the fighting forces of the United Nations.

By the end of the war, Canada had adapted and produced thousands of radar sets with a contract value of some $200,000,000 for Britain, United States, Russia and other Allies and her own forces.

The real landmark in North American radar development came in 1940 with the arrival of a British mission headed by Sir Henry Tizard, Brig. F.C. Wallace, Prof J.D. Cockcroft and Prof. R.H. Fowler.

It had become evident Britain would have to use mass production facilities in North America, free from interference by enemy attack. The visit of the British scientists resulted in a pooling of "know-how" and resources and marked the start of the first Canadian large-scale radar effort.

This was done by a great expansion of the newly-formed Research Enterprises, Ltd., a Crown company organized originally to produce only optical equipment, and establishment of the "radiation laboratory" of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Despite tremendous handicaps, N.R.C. and Canadian industry combined to evolve the set known as "GL III C" — the first of its type to be mass-produced. This set mobile in a three-unit convoy generating its own power by Diesel Engines, was successfully demonstrated to Canadian, United States and British services seven months after requirements had been made known.

(By The Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Jan. 22 — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 41, 48; Edmonton 12, 34; Regina 1, 26; Winnipeg 10b, 17; Toronto 7, 24; Ottawa 11, 12; Montreal 18, 20; Quebec 8, 20; Saint John 23, 28; Moncton 22, 27; Halifax 33, 36; Charlottetown —, 28; Sydney 28, 43; Yarmouth 34, 37.

Lower St. Lawrence—Fresh west and southwest winds, fair and cold becoming somewhat milder by Thursday.

Lake St. John—Fresh west and southwest winds, fair and cold; somewhat milder by Thursday.

Gulf and Bay Chaleur and North Shore—Fresh to strong westerly winds. Fair and cold.

Maritime Provinces — Fresh to strong westerly winds, partly cloudy and colder; snowflurries in Nova Scotia.

Ottawa and Upper St Lawrence —Fair and cold at first, followed by fresh southwest winds and becoming somewhat milder.

High tide this afternoon at 3 and tonight at 3.06.

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