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## 4 PROVINCES NEAR HOUSING AGREEMENT WITH OTTAWA

### Snowslide Traps Passenger Train In B. C.

Truman Invokes Labor Law As Coal Miners Go On Strike Across U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — The soft-coal miners of the United States went on strike today and President Truman immediately put in motion the Taft-Hartley labor law to try to force them back to work next week.

Nearly 400,000 of John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers staged the mid-winter walkout, forcing a contract discussion concerning the union's demand for higher pay, bigger welfare funds and other concessions.

The United States has two weeks of coal on hand. President Truman decided a national emergency had arrived.

Seeking a no-strike Federal court injunction against the union, he started up the Taft-Hartley legal machinery by naming a three-man board of inquiry. He directed it to report not later than next Monday.

When it brings him the facts of the coal dispute, Truman can, under the act, at once send Attorney-General Howard McGrath into court to ask for the order directing the union to halt the strike for 90 days.

Whether the miners will obey this injunction is the next big question. Failure to conform with a court order under the Taft-Hartley law can be punished as contempt. The U. M. W. and Lewis have been fined twice for this offence, a total of \$2,130,000.

One strong hope for peace lay in the make-up of the Taft-Hartley fact-finding board named by Truman. The men, veteran labor arbitrators, are:

David L. Cole, Paterson, N. J., lawyer, chairman. He headed a similar board in 1948 which settled a bitter contract argument between Lewis and the operators by getting them together. This headed off an injunction.

John Dunlop of Harvard University Business School, who was active behind the scenes in settling innumerable labor arguments during and after the war.

W. Willard Wirtz, Northwestern University law professor and former chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board.

Truman acted while some 372,500 U. M. W. soft-coal diggers already were on strike. Another 40,000 are under contracts which Lewis has managed to obtain in recent weeks.

Until today's full-scale strike Truman struck to his contention that a national emergency had not yet arrived to justify use of the Taft-Hartley Act, which his administration is pledged to repeal.

### Coming Events

- \*Mail your Films to Garuhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- \*Rummage Sale, Salvation Army, Tuesday, February 7th, 1.30.
- \*Dance, St. Peter's Legion Hall, Tuesday 7th, February 7th, Cliff Peters Orchestra.
- \*Our 1950 Seed Catalogue is now ready. Send for free copy Arthur Vesey, York P. E. Island.
- \*Races at Vernon Wednesday, Feb. 8th. If weather not suitable, will be held Saturday.
- \*Long River versus Stanley at Long River Rink tonight. Game starts at 8.15. If not fine following night.
- \*Hockey in Graham's Road tonight. French River versus Bradshaw, if not fine Wednesday night.
- \*Dance, Riverdale School, Wednesday, February 8th, MacNeil's Orchestra. Free of luncheon, if roads favourable.
- \*Booking orders for car of feed to arrive at Kensington, February 10th. Take advantage of new low price of car. W. O. Myers, Stanley Bridge.
- \*Card Party, Dance, Kelly's Dress Shop, Tuesday, February 7th, Luncheon served.
- \*Don't miss the Fancy Dress Ice Carnival in O'Leary Rink on Tuesday, February 21st. Admission 35 cents.
- \*Hockey tonight North Rustico rink, Hunter River Shur-Gains vs. North Rustico Legionaires. Game starts 8.30. Skate after.
- \*Valentine Social in Springfield Hall, Friday, February 10th. Sponsored by Women's Institute. If not see, following night.

### No One Injured; Pacific Coast Partially Isolated

VANCOUVER, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Snowfalls early today derailed three cars of a Canadian Pacific passenger train in the rocky Fraser Canyon and plunged the Pacific coast into semi-isolation for the second time in three weeks.

No one was injured in the train accident. Thirty-seven passengers were imprisoned for seven hours, then taken out of the slide area on foot and sent back to Vancouver.

In another slide, Bill Tesson of Abbotsford, B.C., was rescued after being buried for 10 minutes. Tesson was a member of a C.P.R. slide-clearing crew.

Uncounted slides, loosened by rain and warm air, tumbled across Canadian Pacific and Canadian National rail lines in the canyon, 115 miles east of here.

Telegraph communications were disrupted and telephone circuits from Vancouver to many interior points were ripped out.

Air lifts were started to fly marooned train passengers to their destinations. The C. N. R. is flying passengers between Edmonton and Vancouver — less than a week after its service was returned to normal following other slides.

While the thaw played havoc with communications, it helped winter-disrupted industry.

Mill whistles — some of them silent since the beginning of the year — shrilled today in the lower mainland. Thousand of millworkers were back at their jobs.

### Active Year Reported At 94th Annual "Y" Meeting

A year of outstanding progress in Y.M.C.A. activities in Charlottetown was reviewed at the 94th annual meeting held last night in the new "Y" building. At a directors' meeting immediately following the general meeting Mr. T. Roy Cudmore was re-elected president, Mr. K. M. Martin, K.C., vice-president, Mr. T. D. DeBlois, secretary and Mr. G. Avar, treasurer. Additional members of the executive are Messrs. Edwin C. Johnstone, W. Cox and J. A. Simmonds.

Approximately fifty members and guests were in attendance at last night's meeting, at which President Cudmore presided. The meeting was opened with a devotional service led by Rev. J. D. Davison, who spoke on the theme "Working With Youth."

Minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the recording secretary, Mr. T. D. DeBlois, followed by a welcome from the chair to the members and to the city and provincial officials who were present.

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### Hint At New Arrests In Latest Atomic Spy Case

By ROGER D. GREENE  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Hints of possible new arrests in the London atomic spy case were given today as the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that Dr. Klaus Fuchs, key figure in the international hubbub, was a long-time Communist sympathizer.

On a tip from the F.B.I., Scotland Yard agents seized Fuchs in Britain last Friday and jailed him for allegedly passing hydrogen bomb data and other vital atomic secrets to Moscow.

Chairman Brian McMahon (Dem. Conn.) of the Congressional atomic committee today told reporters that "further ramifications" of the case are being worked on by the F.B.I. in the United States and by British intelligence agents in Britain.

(The Canadian Press) learned meanwhile, that Fuchs was interned in Canada for some time during the war, but was released to take part in the joint Allied effort that led to production of the first atomic bombs in the United States.

(Fuchs was one of scores of German-born persons swept up by British authorities in 1939 and 1940 and sent to Canada for safe-keeping. Many others also were released after their cases had been studied.

(Canadian officials today refused to comment on Fuchs' internment but atomic officials said they are

satisfied that he never saw Canada's atomic effort).

Along with the indication that new arrests may be near, McMahon gave reporters a broad summary of testimony by J. Edgar Hoover, F. B. I. chief, during a two-hour session with the congressional committee at mid-day.

On the basis of Hoover's disclosures, McMahon gave this account of data turned up by the F. B. I.:

1. That the imprisoned Fuchs has been "definitely sympathetic to Communist ideologies" since he was a young man.
2. That "no doubt" exists as to Fuchs' wide knowledge of the hydrogen bomb — the projected weapon which, it is reputed, would pack up to 1,000 times the explosive fury of the old atom bomb.
3. That Fuchs has "transmitted highly-secret information to Soviet Russia."

Hoover previously had been quoted as saying that Fuchs had confessed "in part" and that F. B. I. evidence indicated the physicist had been a paid Soviet spy since 1939.

Fuchs came to the United States in November, 1943, and worked in New York, Washington, and at the Los Alamos, N.M., laboratories. He remained until June, 1946.

### London Editor Reports Russia Explodes H-Bomb

(Reports attributed to Kenneth De Courcy, London editor, that Russia has exploded a hydrogen bomb, are without confirmation. Associated Press inquiries show, Foreign Office and other British Government sources regard the reports with "cautious skepticism" although De Courcy correctly predicted that Russia would explode an atom bomb in 1949.)

By HAL COOPER  
LONDON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Kenneth De Courcy, British editor of the monthly Intelligence Digest, declared today Russia has made and exploded the world's first hydrogen bomb.

De Courcy, who correctly predicted the Russians would set off their first atomic blast in 1949, said in a statement to the press: "There is now evidence of Russia already having made an H-bomb

—she has in fact made three and exploded one of them."

He did not say when or where the purported super-bomb was tested, but added that "barring accidents or deliberate changes," the Russians plan to set off 11 more atomic blasts beginning at 2 a. m. GMT March 3 or 4 (9 a. m. March 2 or 3).

He did not say whether they would be hydrogen or uranium bombs.

Dr. Hans A. Bethe of Cornell University, whose studies laid the foundation for work on a hydrogen bomb, said last Saturday that the United States could detect a Russian hydrogen bomb blast. There has been no report that such an explosion was recorded.

De Courcy predicted last Jan. 5 the Russians would attempt a second explosion at midnight GMT Jan. 7, in Kazakhstan, Russia. Later he said this explosion had occurred as predicted, but there has been no confirmation from any other source. De Courcy claims to have intelligence contacts in Russia as well as Western Europe.

His statement said seismographs at Dublin and the Paris suburb of St. Maur showed "disturbances" at the time of the second blast.

(Officials of the St. Maur seismograph station said no tremors were registered there at the time fixed by De Courcy. A spokesman for the Dublin station said slight "earth waves" showed on its instruments but the distance or direction was not determined.)

(The seismograph at New Delhi, India, which would have been nearest to the presumed explosion, also failed to react at the time.)

### Hyde Recommended As Ayrshire Judge At Provincial Fair

Mr. J. S. Hyde, Dundas, Ontario, was recommended as judge of the Ayrshire cattle to be shown at the Charlottetown Exhibition this coming summer. This was learned from Mr. Major MacRae, Central Ontario, last night. In the event that Mr. Hyde will be unable to attend Mr. Gilbert MacMillan, Huntingdon, Quebec, was recommended as reserve.

The recommendations were made at the annual meeting of the Canadian Ayrshire Breeders Association held in Toronto last week. Mr. MacRae, who attended the meeting returned home Sunday night.

Judges recommended for the Amherst Winter Fair were Mr. J. H. Black, LaChute, Quebec, and reserve, Mr. R. O. Biges, Dundas, Ontario.

Mr. MacRae reported that the meeting in Ontario last week was one of the largest ever attended by Ayrshire breeders. He also reported that the breeders were looking ahead for a good year in 1950.

A sign of the Association's prosperity is their plans, laid out at

### Urges Settlement Of Threatened U. S. Phone Strike

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Cyrus S. Ching, United States mediation chief, today called on the Communications Workers' Association (C. I. O.) to put off their country-wide telephone strike until Feb. 24, and sternly told both sides they "must" reach a prompt settlement.

With the walkout now set for 6 A. M. Wednesday, local time, Ching warned that a strike might have international consequences by damaging the national economy and American prestige abroad.

Ching, a native of Prince Edward Island, asked both company and union to say by noon tomorrow whether they would co-operate in his request for a 16-day delay and a report by Monday, Feb. 20, on results of resultant stepped-up negotiations.

### FREE FROM SNAKES

New Zealand, the Azores and Ireland are popularly believed to be the only countries that have no snakes.

### U. S. Develops Rocket For Use In Air Combat

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — A powerful new aircraft rocket, nicknamed the "Mighty Mouse", has been developed by the United States Navy for air-to-air combat in any future war.

The Department of Defence took the wraps off the secret project today with the announcement that the rocket has been successfully test-fired over the California desert.

The Department sketched this picture of the new weapon: It has far greater speed and range than aircraft rockets developed during the Second World War.

It is small enough to be carried in quantity by its "mother" aircraft, yet fast and powerful enough to destroy any known plane with a direct hit.

It was built specifically for use in modern, high-speed planes against other aircraft.

"The new rockets may be fired singly or in salvo from the launcher, which is attached to the airplane's wings or its fuselage," the Department said. "They are aimed by aiming the aircraft (at the target)."

The Department called it the "first successful air-to-air rocket."

The "Mighty Mouse" was designed for use with a new type of rocket launcher now under development by the navy.

The rocket operates with folding fins which reduce air resistance on the mother plane and increase the carrying capacity of the launcher.

The rocket was fired by a navy attack plane at the naval ordnance test station at Inyokern, Calif., where it was developed during the last two years.

### Sea Cadet Work Stressed At Navy League Meeting

Commodore Godfrey M. Hibbard, C.B.E., R.C.N. (retired), was elected president at the annual meeting of the Navy League of Canada, P. E. I. Division, held at the Hotel George J. Tweedy which held the position for two years.

The annual report of the Commanding Officer of Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps "Kent", Lt. Cmdr. J. R. Morris showed a wide range of activities by the Sea Cadets and a rating of 100 per cent efficiency on inspection on June 31st last.

In the absence of Mr. Justice Tweedy, Mr. J. J. Morris presided at the meeting and read the President's report which was most encouraging so far as Sea Cadet activities was concerned but also indicated that greater financial support is needed to properly supplement the very considerable assistance provided by the Navy.

The new council, which is as follows, will meet February 16th at the warroom of H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte:

Patrons: Lieut. - Governor J. A. Bernard, Premier J. Walter Jones, Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, O. B. E., Health and Welfare Minister F. A. Large, K. C., Dr. L. W. Shaw, Brigadier W. W. Reid, D. S. O., E. D. and Captain W. S. Gordon.

Hon. Presidents: Mr. Justice Tweedy and Mr. John O. Hyndman, Vice-President: Mr. L. B. MacMillan, O. B. E.

Vice-Presidents: Finance, Mr. J. J. Morris; Sea Cadets, Lt. Cmdr. J. N. Kenny and Mr. Ian A. Burnett; Publicity Committee, Mr. J. Oscar Diamond, Mr. Norman M. Saunders and Mr. Lloyd Grant.

Secretary, Mr. J. E. Burnett; Treasurer, Lt. Col. Leo F. MacDonald.

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### Gambling Czar Escapes Assassins

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Underworld enemies tried again today to wipe out Mickey Cohen, California's gambling czar, blasting a gaping hole in his \$100,000 home with dynamite.

But for the sixth time in four years, the dapper little mobster escaped his assassins.

Awakened by an alarm attached to a radar warning system, Cohen was padding around the house trying to spot the intruder. The explosion went off on the opposite side of the one-story home, near the bedroom where Cohen usually sleeps.

Police found him, badly shaken, standing in the wreckage.

Cohen estimated the loss at \$50,000. The blast, police experts said, came from at least 50 sticks of dynamite.

No one was hurt.

### Water Shortage At St. John's, Nfld.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Feb. 6 — (CP) — The water supply situation in this Newfoundland capital was termed "alarming" today. City engineer Roy Martin appealed for strict conservation measures.

In some parts of the city of 60,000 householders can get only a dribble from their faucets. Other districts suffered have dropped today by almost 50 per cent.

The shortage follows one of the driest summers in the city's history. Cold weather, too, has contributed to the shortage. Fearing a freezeup of their water systems many householders have left taps open during the night.

### Report Queen Mary Crippled By Sciatica

LONDON, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Queen Mary has been so badly crippled by sciatica that she has been unable to walk for the last week, it was learned today. The 82-year-old Queen Mother is confined to her room at her residence, Marlborough House, but has declined to stay in bed.

### CELESTIAL THROWN AWAY

TORONTO, Feb. 6 — (CP) — More than 1,300 cans of celery were thrown into the city dump today by Toronto, Ont., growers who said they could find no market for their produce. Steve Melnychuk and John Stelez took the celery from storage rather than pay further charges. They said they lost \$1,625 on storage.

### Ont., B. C., N.B. And Nfld. All Prepare Plans

(By D'Arcy O'Donnell)  
OTTAWA, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Ontario, British Columbia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland are preparing plans for construction of houses under terms of legislation approved at the last session of Parliament.

Resources Minister Winters said in an interview that although all Provinces have shown an interest in the legislation, Ontario, British Columbia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland are farthest advanced with plans for Federal-Provincial action.

Under the legislation, the Federal Government agreed to participate with the Provinces on the construction of modest-priced homes for sale or rent. It also agreed to participate in the assembling and servicing of land on which houses could be built.

The Federal Government would foot 75 per cent of the bill and the Province would pay the remainder. Profits or losses would be shared on a 75-25 per cent basis.

Winters said he could not estimate how many houses will be built under the terms of the legislation. Final figures for last year are not yet available but it is estimated that more than 90,000 dwelling units were constructed during the year.

Ontario is selecting certain towns where houses could be built under joint Federal-Provincial management. However, work cannot start until the Ontario Government passes legislation providing for provincial participation in the housing field.

Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland favors a subsidized rental program. Under this plan the Federal and Provincial Governments would build houses for rent and then pay part of the rent for persons in the low-income bracket.

While the Federal Government is prepared to participate in such a program, it does not view it with as much favor as programs for the construction of homes for sale.

In British Columbia, Premier Johnston has laid the groundwork for Federal-Provincial participation in the housing field. Recently he called all municipalities together and had Federal officials explain to them the implications of the Federal legislation.

In New Brunswick, plans are well advanced both at the provincial and municipal level. Saint John and Moncton likely will be chosen for the first housing projects in the Province.

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### Four Gunmen Get \$16,000 At College

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6 — (AP) — Four gunmen walked into the library at Morgan State College late this afternoon, scooped up \$16,000 in registration fees and escaped — all in three minutes.

The bandits, (all Negro) entered the building at 5 p. m., just a few minutes after the last student had paid his mid-term fee and departed. They held 12 persons at bay with guns and scooped the money — mostly in small bills — into a canvas handbag, a college official said.

Morgan is a State college for Negroes.

### "Gag" Attempt To End Party Results In Tragedy

PETERBOROUGH, Ont., Feb. 6 — (CP) — Joseph Byrnes, alleged to have fired a rifle in a "gag" attempt to break up a party in his home, was charged today with the murder of a guest, Mrs. Helen Kendry.

The 25-year-old navy veteran was remanded to Feb. 9.

Police said Mrs. Kendry, mother of two children, was killed by a .43-calibre bullet fired from a German army issue rifle made in 1890. It was a souvenir of the First World War. Guests told police that Byrnes apparently fired the shot in an effort to scare away friends and did not want the party to end.

The bullet passed through the 26-year-old woman's body after crashing through a door and a five-inch wall. Its force spent, the flattened pellet glanced off the stomach of Harold Proter, 25, Mrs. Kendry's dancing partner. He was slightly wounded.

Police said the couple were dancing in the dark — Byrnes earlier

### BUY CANADIAN MILK

OTTAWA, Feb. 6 — (CP) — U. N. I. C. E. — The United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund — has bought \$250,000 worth of Canadian milk for distribution to needy children in Europe and the Middle East. The purchase of about 750,000 pounds of dried whole milk was announced today by A. B. MacDonald, national chairman of the U. N. I. C. E. F. in Ottawa.



TORONTO, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 37, 44; Victoria 36, —1; Calgary 35, 45; Regina 7B, 12; Winnipeg 6B, 18; Toronto 33, 36; Montreal 5, 10; St. John's 13B, 15; Halifax, 20; Sydney 13B, 5; Yarmouth 7, 34; St. John's 10B, 5.

HALIFAX, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax.

Synopsis: Snow was falling over much of the Maritimes Monday evening. The weather was still cold in most sections and extremely cold in the North Shore Region, where temperatures were about 20 below zero near the coast and more than 50 below inland where the skies were clear.

Much milder air had reached southwestern Nova Scotia, and the snow had changed to rain. It was a disturbance moving eastward along the boundary between the mild and cold air masses that was causing the snow and rain.

After this disturbance has moved off to the east, the cold air will again cover the entire district. This will result in clearing weather in the southern regions on Tuesday.

Regional forecasts valid until midnight Tuesday: Prince Edward Island: Overcast. Intermittent light snow ending Tuesday evening. Much milder in the afternoon. Northeast winds 15. Mid morning and early afternoon temperatures at Charlottetown 10 and 28.

High tide today at 1.36 A. M. and 2.08 P. M. Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

BORDEN-TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE WEEK DAYS Lv. Borden 9.10 A.M. Lv. Cape Tormentine 2.40 P.M.