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Premier Jones' Statement Causes Wide Repercussions

Union Leaders Claim "Outlaw" Threat Illegal

GLACE BAY, N.S., Feb. 28.—(CP)—Premier Jones' District 26 president United Mine Workers (C.C.L.) said tonight that Premier Jones' prediction that the Prince Edward Island Government might ban unions and forbid workers organizing was "on its face ridiculous and typified an unbridled anti-union sentiment which is a threat to the welfare of Canadian workers."

Mr. Jenkins, leader of 15,000 Maritime miners, was commenting on a statement made last night by Premier Jones at Charlottetown before the Canadian Legion that "if we get our oacks up we may pass a law outlawing all unions in this province."

The Premier had told the Charlottetown Legion branch that "you must forget about this eight-hour shift—that is nonsense."

Mr. Jenkins said: "If Premier Jones would take enough time to read an elementary school text book he would discover that we can now produce more with less working time than we could a few years ago. Yet he is suggesting we turn backward to the 10 or 12-hour day."

The U.M.W. leader added: "The established years ago and Premier Jones is proposing action which is entirely illegal under Federal law. The Canadian Criminal Code specifically forbids intimidation and other similar action to prevent workers from organizing. His statement that what he (Premier Jones) described as 'eight-hour shift' is 'nonsense' is equally out of date."

"Apparently he wants to deprive wage earners of their share in the benefits which science and the mechanization of industry have brought."

Agricultural Brief Presented To Cabinet

Soong Resigns

Fox Pelts At Montreal Sale Average \$20.88

MONTEREAL, Feb. 28.—(Special)—The Canadian Fur Auction Sales Co. Ltd. February sale of silver fox and mutation pelts was concluded here this afternoon. It was quite successful with prices greatly advanced over January and larger quantities sold.

The total offering was 32,200 pelts of which 98 per cent was sold, equal to 21,200, at an average price of \$20.88.

(In the January sale the total offering was 26,000 of which 12,000 were sold at an average of \$17.75.)

Here are the prices of the various types:

Of the 3,917 platinum offered 96 per cent sold at an average of \$41.55, an advance of nine per cent.

3,130 inferior platinum were 75 per cent sold at an average of \$36.27, an advance of 13 per cent.

136 pearl platinum were 86 per cent sold at an average of \$33.51, unchanged.

500 Western Canada specials were 85 per cent sold at an average of \$36.10.

3,881 white marked silvers were 77 per cent sold at an average of \$24.54, an advance of 15 per cent.

866 one-half to three-quarter silvers were 82 per cent sold at an average of \$18.35, unchanged.

363 selected full silvers were 70 per cent sold at an average of \$26.89, an advance of 10 per cent.

5,297 regular fulls were 85 per cent sold at an average of \$19.80, an advance of nine per cent.

11,797 inferior types were 54 per cent sold at an average of \$15.55, an advance of three per cent.

2,503 low grades were sold.

(The above information was supplied by Mr. George A. Colbeck, manager of the Fur Marketing Department, Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association, Summerside.)

Lock Horns Over Union Issue

Marketing Act One Of Several Requests Made

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—(CP)—The Canadian Federation of Agriculture placed before the Federal Cabinet today a request that a national Farm Products Marketing Act be brought down at the present session of parliament.

The brief, drawn up by a national conference of farm leaders and Provincial Government representatives here Wednesday, asked for legislation extending to interprovincial and export trade fields regulations now in effect in eight of Canada's nine provinces.

The Federation would have the Government set up a Dominion marketing board with powers to regulate distribution, grades, quantity, prices and marketing of certain farm goods going from one Province to another or into foreign trade.

Also placed before the Cabinet was the Federation's annual report and recommendations on Federal agricultural policies. It asked the Government to:

1. Inaugurate a national livestock feeds program.
2. Offer a 55-cent bonus on land seeded to barley next spring.
3. Continue its freight assistance policy on feed shipments from the Prairies to British Columbia and Eastern Canada.
4. Continue the Canadian Wheat Board and extend its authority to all commercial grains grown in the Prairie Provinces.
5. Increase income tax exemptions to \$1,200 for single and \$2,400 for married persons.
6. Adjust customs rebates which, through arbitrary decisions, had made many items of farm machinery subject to duty.
7. Guard farmers' interests in holding down prices of fertilizer under the treaty with Britain.
8. Allow "at least beef shipments" of Canadian beef to United States markets in order to begin re-establishment of that channel of trade.

Labor Congress Had Says Premier Talking Very Much Out Of Turn

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 28.—(Special)—Incensed over Premier Walter Jones' reported threat to outlaw unions from Prince Edward Island, A. R. Mosher, president of the Canadian Congress of Labor told The Guardian's Ottawa correspondent here today that the Premier was "in for a lot bigger job than he can handle."

Mosher, who for many years has been directly associated with the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, agent for employees of railways on Prince Edward Island and those on the Borden-Tormentine car ferry, said in commenting on Premier Jones' alleged threat: "If anyone is going to be outlawed from Prince Edward Island or any other Province of Canada it won't be the people who produce the goods and perform the services in this country."

The C.C.L. president said he would like to see Premier Jones that organized labor in Canada is a force 3,000,000 strong and ready to put up a battle against any person or organization attempting to interfere with it.

"Organized labor is here in Canada and here to stay, in suggesting that unions be outlawed from the Province of which he now happens to be Premier, Mr. Jones is talking very much out of turn. I can't imagine the people of Prince Edward Island agreeing to a barrier against organized labor."

Legislative Competence

The legal branch of the Dominion Labor Department said that the banning of labor unions was probably within the competence of the legislative assembly of a province.

"This would not apply however to industries for which there is Dominion legislation, such as the Canadian National Railways. In any matters affecting the Canadian National Railways and its employees, Dominion legislation would apply, superseding Provincial legislation."

Labor matters, a spokesman added, would come under the heading of "civil rights."

Mr. McLure Urges Removal Of Tax On Soft Drinks

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—(Special)—In a letter received today from Finance Minister Abbott by W. Chester S. McLure, Progressive Conservative member for Queen's, Mr. Abbott promises to "give serious consideration" to removing the federal tax on soft drinks imposed during the war years.

In addition to his own representations on the subject, Mr. McLure mailed the Finance Minister a sheaf of letters from youth organizations, hospitals, church organizations and other interested parties. Mr. Abbott returned the bulky file of letters from persons in all constituencies of the Island, with the note he was sure Mr. McLure would want them for his own records.

It is recalled that similar representations to cut out the war tax on soft drinks were made by Mr. McLure last session. Removal of the tax was discussed by the Budget committee, but the fact that the soft drink tax brought in \$20,000,000 yearly to the treasury outweighed arguments that it be abolished.

St. Laurent Suggestion May Open Up Question Of Who Owns What In Northland

Await Reaction To Proposals Re Arctic

LONDON, Feb. 28.—(CP)—Official London quarters today awaited with interest Moscow's reaction to the proposal of Louis St. Laurent, Canadian External Affairs Minister, for international co-operation in Arctic research which may open up the whole question of who owns how much of the vast northern ice wastes.

Soviet sources here refused comment on St. Laurent's invitation, made in New York yesterday, and said a statement, if one is made, will have to come from Moscow.

But there is no secret that Russia is actively interested in developing the frigid backyard she shares with Canada and to a lesser extent with Norway and the United States. The Soviet Union is believed to have made progress far in advance of any other country.

Maintenance Men Quit Allan Shaft

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., Feb. 28.—(CP)—Blackout of a section of Pictou County industries including the Maritime Steel Company plant here occurred today when maintenance men left behind in the power house of the strike-bound Acadia Coal Company Allan shaft walked off duty.

Officials said the men had been shut off industrial users from the power supply.

Alex Semple, mine superintendent, declared that if the maintenance gang was not re-established within 10 days it would result in a complete ruin of the mine.

He said that the shut off of power and subsequent shutting off of the pumps had already started to flood the lower levels of the mine while in the higher levels there was imminent danger of fire.

Pact To Be Signed At Dunkerque

LONDON, Feb. 28.—(CP)—The House of Commons welcomed with united cheers today the announcement by Foreign Secretary Bevin that a 50-year Franco-British alliance would be signed at Dunkerque March 3 re-affirming "close bonds of friendship."

Anthony Eden, Bevin's predecessor in the Foreign Office who now is deputy Opposition leader, congratulated the Cabinet Minister on his part in the negotiations and said the two countries had been through so much together in the last century that "any expression of these true feelings of friendship between the British and the French would be warmly welcomed in Britain."

Bevin said the Dominions had been kept fully informed on the discussions.

France Establishes Minimum Wage Law

PARIS, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Premier Paul Ramadier's cabinet ordered today that a minimum wage law be passed in a month be brought up to that level by establishing temporary indemnities.

Quebec Leaders Protest Records Set Here During February

MONTEREAL, Feb. 28.—(CP)—J. E. Beaudin, president of the Quebec Federation of Labor, commenting briefly today on a threat by Premier Jones of Prince Edward Island that labor unions might be outlawed, said "if such legislation is ever passed it will be unconstitutional."

Mr. Jones, addressing the Charlottetown Branch of the Canadian Labor Congress, said:

"I am sure that you will be able to say that the records set here during February were very nice weather to Prince Edward Island but there was nothing remarkable about it, records show. At least it was not record-breaking. The mean temperature for the month was 24.4, the highest for the month being 43 above zero on the 5th and the lowest one above yesterday morning. This year's mean temperature has been exceeded twice, checking the records back to 1910. In 1925 it was 25.1 and in 1933 it was 25.4.

Precipitation amounted to 3.08 inches, made up of 1.69 inches of rain and 1.39 inches of snow. There was nothing unusual about the snow, either. In 1911 there were seven and a half inches in February, in 1913 eight inches and in 1922 five and a half.

But precipitation was just below the average for the last 46 years, Mr. Warren Burns, weather observer at the Charlottetown Experimental Station, said. The 46-year average is 3.30 inches.

There appeared to be nothing unusual about the wind velocities for the month, Mr. Burns continued. The hours of sunshine had not been computed last night.

Gold Smuggling Ring Is Disclosed

WINDSOR, Ont., Feb. 28.—(CP)—A \$1,500,000 a year gold smuggling racket centered in Windsor was disclosed today by United States customs officials in Detroit.

The smuggling ring was described as the biggest since run-runnings flourished along the Detroit River here 20 years ago.

Officials said Windsor is the link between the rich gold mines of Northern Ontario and Quebec and refineries in many parts of the United States.

He said that the shut off of power and subsequent shutting off of the pumps had already started to flood the lower levels of the mine while in the higher levels there was imminent danger of fire.

Parliament At A Glance

(By The Canadian Press)

Resources Minister Glen said the Dominion and Albert have reached the outline of an agreement for the protection of forests in the watershed of the eastern slope of the Rockies.

Officials said Mitchell announced that labor exit permits had been discontinued.

The Commons rejected a Progressive Conservative motion which would have committed the Government to paying wheat participation certificates annually.

M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader, and John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, clashed during consideration of the Government's Wheat Board bill.

Monday: The Commons will discuss external affairs. The Senate will sit.

Student's Election Stunt Backfires

HAMILTON, Ont., Feb. 28.—(CP)—David Graham, candidate for president of McMaster University Students' Council yesterday pulled an election stunt that backfired.

He said that Graham thought it would be a good idea to take a jump from an airplane to the campus. Students, drawn by the publicity, waited and sure enough a plane hovered low and "something" jumped.

Graham was met at a rendezvous by his cheering section and escorted to the campus—to be met by the dummy, which a change of wind had blown right across the campus to be retrieved by other students.

Something somewhere about a fed face?

Building Boom In Lobster Boats

The greatest boom in lobster-boat building since the beginning of World War II is now under way in the Maritime part of the Province from Tignish to East Point, at Alberton, Rustico, Souris, Murray Harbour, and Georgetown boat-builders have orders for more boats than they can fill. Even in the little port of Annandale, near Georgetown, there is an activity in boat-building which would do credit to a much larger center.

Mr. Merrill MacDonald of Annandale started in a few years ago building boats. A novice at the trade, he spent his spare time seriously studying the different methods of construction. Now, he and two assistants are turning out 30-foot lobster boats each week and he has enough orders on hand to keep him and his men busy for many weeks ahead.

Coming Events

- *Movies at Tryon tonight.
- *Motion pictures in Crapaud Hall Saturday night, 7 and 9 o'clock.
- *Brackley vs. Milton at Milton rink tonight.
- *Horse races New Glasgow River Saturday, March 1.
- *Receiving Hogs at Crapaud for Canada Packers Ltd., every Tuesday until 11 A.M. R. N. Dawson.
- *Rummage sale Trinity Social Hall Saturday, March 1, at 3 o'clock.
- *Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., Tuesday until further notice. Dingwell and Rooster.
- *Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd. at Murray River, Monday, March 3rd, Fodina, Tuesday, 4th. John J. Beck.
- *There will be a meeting, North Wiltshire Hall, Monday, March 3rd, 2 o'clock P.M. for purpose of organizing Farmers institute.
- *All Active Service men of Kingston and surrounding districts, are requested to meet at Kingston Hall, Tuesday, March 4th, at 8 o'clock.
- *Hockey at New Glasgow rink tonight, third game of the season. Hope River vs. South Rustico. Game starts 8:30. Skates after.
- *Buying Hogs Monday at Fredston, Paying \$2.00 a pair for good pigs over 50 lbs. each. Will buy any size; any farmers interested in shipping dressed hogs, book with Knud Jorgensen, Fredrickton.

Fighter Plane Makes 4,978-mile Flight

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Betty Jo, the United States army sleek twin-engine P-52 fighter plane, swooped into La Guardia field non-stop from Honolulu in 14 hours and 33 minutes today, streaking nearly 5,000 miles over land and sea.

LA. Col. Robert E. Thacker of El Centro, Calif., the pilot, minimized the 4,978-mile flight, longest distance ever flown by a fighter plane, but he said it had proved that fighters could make long distance escort trips.

A few hours after the Betty Jo completed its flight, Paul Manis sped into La Guardia Field from Burbank, Calif., in a P-51 fighter plane, setting a non-stop transcontinental speed record of six hours, seven minutes and five seconds for single-engine, propeller-driven planes.

Manis, Bendix race winner last year, said he had averaged about 475 miles an hour, and adding: "I lost 40 minutes trying to find New York. After all, I'm only a country boy."

United Church Minister Dies At New Glasgow

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., Feb. 28.—(CP)—Rev. Joseph Howe Kirk, 86, pastor emeritus of the United Churches at St. Mary's, East River and Glenelg in the Pictou Presbytery, died yesterday.

Dr. Kirk marked his 50th year in the ministry several months ago and was granted an honorary degree by Pine Hill Divinity Hall, United Church College at Halifax, last year.

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N.S. Arranges For Coal From The U.S.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—(CP)—Arrangements for a supply of United States coal to handle any fuel emergency in Nova Scotia created by the Maritime coal strike were completed with Federal officials today by Mines Minister L.D. Currie of Nova Scotia.

After a series of conferences with fuel authorities, Mr. Currie said tonight Nova Scotia now was assured of enough coal for all purposes for at least 90 days, and arrangements were in hand to continue the supply from the U.S. after that date.

When the paralyzing strike of 13,000 men opened Feb. 15, the Maritimes had been threatened with the hardest blow since under the wartime shift in the flow of Canadian coal, the bulk of Maritime production was being absorbed in the three eastern Provinces. Only a trickle of tonnage was be-

Charged With Arson

AMHERST, N.S., Feb. 28.—(CP)—Walter E. Crooks was charged today with arson after an investigation by Col. S.S. Wright, Provincial Fire Marshal, into a fire in Crooks' Haylock Street store Feb. 5. Preliminary hearing was set for March 7.

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TORONTO, Feb. 28.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	2	20
Prince Rupert	30	—
Vancouver	32	53
Jasper	35	35
Edmonton	12	8
Regina	4	13
Winnipeg	11	3
Ottawa	15	30
White River	11	26
North Bay	3	25
Toronto	18	25
Montreal	12	26
Quebec	11	22
Saint John	13	32
Moncton	7	31
Halifax	23	35
Sydney	20	28
Charlottetown	20	27
Yarmouth	25	28

HALIFAX, Feb. 28.—(CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office here at 11:15 tonight:

Synopsis: There are still a few snow flurries scattered across Eastern Canada due to a low pressure area which has remained nearly stationary over Quebec for several days. Not much change in weather is expected before Sunday night.

Forecasts, valid until Sunday midnight:

Prince Edward Island: Variable cloudiness with widely scattered snow flurries Saturday and Sunday. Little change in temperature. Light winds. High Saturday at Charlottetown 32.

High tide this morning at 5:05 and this afternoon at 4:20.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5:46 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:38.

Full moon March 6th, 10:15 P.M. Summerside tide chart ten minutes later than Charlottetown.

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