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PROSPECT NOT BRIGHT FOR PARIS CONFERENCE

Cancer Campaign Workers Given Final Instructions

Headed by His Worship the Mayor and Mrs. MacDonald, workers for the Canadian Cancer Campaign in Charlottetown assembled in full strength last night in the City Council Chambers to receive canvassers' kits and final instructions for the campaign in Charlottetown this week.

Mr. J. F. MacInnis, Executive Secretary, emphasized in his talk that the campaign was for membership only as the first step in the fight against cancer. There must be formed a strong and enlightened membership to bring to our people a message of hope, and not despair, concerning cancer. Although cancer has twice the death rate of tuberculosis, it is the most curable of all major diseases if caught in its early stages, Mr. MacInnis said. To bring about a cancer-conscious citizenship and promote early detection and early diagnosis education is necessary and this would be the important task of the Cancer Society in this province.

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U.S. May Not Feel Shortage Of Bread For Time

CHICAGO, April 23 — (AP)— Grinding of flour for domestic consumption already has halted temporarily in some United States mills, but sources in the food industry believe any general pinch in bread supplies may be weeks in coming.

Most bakers have a three or four weeks supply of flour on hand, these sources said today, and the full effect of the government's new order for a one-fourth slash in domestic flour production will not be felt while these reserves exist.

The American Bakers' Association predicted a bread shortage which would be spotty at the start, depending on the flour supplies individual bakers have in reserve.

The Millers' National Federation reported that numerous mills had ceased grinding flour for domestic consumption and that others would halt similar operations in a day or two. These mills had reached their quota under the new Government order limiting April production to 75 per cent that of April 1945.

Coming Events

**Movies at Borden to-night.

**Dance, Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Thursday, April 25th. 4-23-2i.

**Dance, New London School, Friday, April 26th. 4-24-26-2i.

**Another car seed oats to arrive. Book. McGuigan & Boyle. 4-17-3i

**Hunter River farmers loading dressed hogs April 26. Book McGuigan & Boyle. 4-17-3i

**Notice — Unloading car feed oats Tuesday and Wednesday. G. C. Green. 4-23-2i.

**Dance, Millview Hall, Monday, April 29th, in aid of Millview Women's Institute. 4-24-1i.

**See Marie Players present Johnny Get Your Girl in Morell Hall, Friday, April 26th. 4-24-2i.

**Book your orders for grass seeds and oats now. Cars arriving in ten days. Good prices. G. C. Green. 4-15-17-23-2i.

**Just received, car containing quantity bran and flour. Available Thursday and Friday. Livestock Feed Agency. 4-14-2i

**Loading Hogs at Albany, April 26th, 1 o'clock until 4. Emerald April 26th until 11 o'clock A. M. G. C. Green. 4-3-4.

**Loading hogs every Thursday for Davis and Fraser at Fredericton until 11 o'clock and Colville until 11.30. D. L. MacDowell. 3-5-7.

**On account of the storm I am buying pigs today at Fredericton. All sizes wanted. Paying $18 a pair for good pigs 30 pounds each. 18 cents a pound for pigs up to 30 pounds, plus $1.00 a pair for delivery of same. Knud Jorgensen. 4-24-1i

**Loading hogs, Thursday, April 25th as follows: Summerside until 1.30 p.m.; Kensington till 3 p.m.; Borden Bagnall, Hunter River, Friday till noon; Elmer Wigmore, Bradalbane, Friday till 11 a.m. McEwen and Caseley. 4.24-1i

**On account of the storm I will be buying young pigs Friday, 9 a.m., Bonnefond; 10, New Haven; 1 p.m., York; 2, Bedford; 3, Mt. Stewart. Paying $18 per pair for good pigs 35 pounds each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen. 4-24-1i

HOW UN POWERS DISAGREE OVER SPAIN

Map outlines attitude of major UN powers toward troublesome Franco Spain and shows products which give him a bargaining weapon. Much British capital is invested in Spanish mining enterprises, especially iron, copper, lead and mercury. In addition, Britain can ill afford to lose her important trade relations with Spain.

RUSSIA LOSES IRANIAN BATTLE

Sees Central Commonwealth Body Necessary

LONDON, April 23—(CP Cable) —Walter Nash, deputy prime minister of New Zealand, said at a press conference after the first session of the Commonwealth consultations today, that a central Commonwealth body was necessary and could be attained.

Mr. Nash, who also holds the finance portfolio in his country, said he was "scared" of a central body for the Dominion which would be able to commit parliaments to decisions. However, he said Commonwealth organization has been loose and it is necessary for the Dominions to go along closer together.

"We want something regular, not only imperial conferences," he added.

He was reticent about actual discussions with Prime Minister Attlee, Foreign Secretary Bevin, Viscount Addison, Dominion Affairs Secretary, Prime Minister Chifly of Australia, and Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian Foreign Minister, along with Dominions representatives resident in London and the chiefs of the Dominions armed services here.

Prime Minister Smuts of South Africa and Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada have not arrived as yet for the talks but they will participate in the consultations later.

Spanish Question Next On Agenda

(By Francis W. Carpenter)

NEW YORK, April 23—(AP)— Russia by an 8-to-3 vote lost a bitter battle today to take the Iranian case off the United Nations Security Council agenda and Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko thereupon grimly served notice that he would not discuss Iran again at a Council meeting.

Climaxing a two-hour session at which it was obvious to a packed chamber that the majority wanted a decision promptly, eight delegates kept their hands down when the chairman called for a vote on a French compromise proposal to turn the matter over to the U. N. Secretary General for a report.

Russia's original demand, contained in a letter dated April 6, for elimination of the Iranian question from the agenda immediately, was not voted upon. The chairman, Egypt's Dr. Hafez Afifi Pasha, held that M. Gromyko's brief statement in which he associated himself with the French proposal made a second vote unnecessary.

While M. Gromyko did not leave the chamber before adjournment today, his declaration made it appear certain that whenever the Council discusses the Iranian case again he will not attend. However, it was considered likely he would be present when the Council meets

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Robber Waits For Victim To Return

MONTREAL, April 23—(CP)—A lone armed thief who waited in the living room for an apartment resident to return home escaped with $1,550 cash and $200 in bonds last night.

Samuel Newman told police that when he returned to his Maplewood Avenue residence the door lock was broken and the gunman was seated in the living room.

The apartment had not been ransacked and police believed the thief knew Newman would be returning with a considerable amount of money.

Torso Murder Case Is Opening Today

BY ALAN RANDAL

HAMILTON, Ont., April 23 — (CP) — Tomorrow, in a courtroom that will seat hardly 50 and will take probably no more than 10 after witnesses have been accommodated, the MacLean family and an oarsman friend face charges in the most grisly murder in Hamilton's history—the March torso slaying of John Dick, Russian-born bus driver of the Hamilton street railway company.

The family: Mrs. Evelyn MacLean Dick, widow of the murdered man whose torso was found March 16 on the escarpment of Hamilton Mountain: Her father, Donald MacLean, also an employee of the Hamilton street railway: Her mother, Mrs. Donald Alexandra MacLean.

The friend: William (Bill) Bohozuk, one-time rowing star for the Leander Boat Club and a steel worker.

Possibly, no killing has set Hamilton so agog as this slaying of a Mennonite bus driver from Beamsville, Ont., whose tortured body was identified by relatives after lying days amid the brush hummocks of Hamilton Mountain near Albion Falls, some seven miles from downtown Hamilton.

Mrs. Evelyn Dick and Bohozuk, in addition to the charge of having murdered Dick, are charged with the slaying of an infant whose body was found encased in cement in a suitcase in a cupboard in a Garrick Street house where Mrs. Dick and her mother lived.

The Crown attorney, Harvey F. McCulloch, said tonight he was not sure how many witnesses would be called but that he expected tomorrow's preliminary hearing would last only one day. It appeared highly improbable that all 30 witnesses known to be listed would be called.

So lurid have been details already brought out in this case that already newspapermen from the United States have converged on Hamilton to cover it.

Mrs. Dick today was reported to be wan, somewhat faded and jaded from the glamor girl whose pictures have been seen in newspapers since the story first broke with the finding of Dick's mutilated torso.

The body of Dick, 40, lay possibly 10 days amongst the scrub hummocks of the mountain, hard by its Lovers Lane. For only a few days it went unidentified — four days. Relatives knew it by distinctive marks but not by the great gash, somewhat similar to the slash a tree-faller might make, that appeared across the abdomen, apparent evidence someone had tried to make still smaller this remnant of a man.

Is Aimed At Settling Big Four Differences

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, April 23—(AP) —United States State Secretary James F. Byrnes headed for Paris and a meeting of Big Four Foreign Ministers today in an attempt to break an eight-months deadlock over European peace settlements and remove friction among the great powers.

He is known to regard the prospect of success as relatively small. Much depends, in his view, on whether Russia is willing to make major concessions on her claims in the Mediterranean area.

One of the Department's last actions before the Secretary took off from Washington Airport was to disclose that it has received official confirmation from Prime Minister Ahmed Qavam of Iran that the Tehran Government has invoked its rights of censorship of outgoing news under a 1932 Madrid treaty, but is evidently trying not to make a drastic application of censorship.

What M. Qavam said was interpreted by officials here as further strengthening their suspicions that his Government was acting under Russian pressure in applying censorship to foreign correspondents.

The immediate objective at the Paris meeting is to break the deadlock over peace problems, but the real question, it is felt here, is whether some sort of understanding can be reached with Russia over the kind of world the Russians want to create out of the Second Great War.

Another issue on which it appears likely Mr. Byrnes will at least approach a showdown in Paris is that of control of the Mediterranean. All indications here are that the United States will oppose without qualification any extension of Russian authority which would seriously menace Britain's Mediterranean lifelines.

The issue arises in connection with disposition of the Italian colonies. Russia has asked a trusteeship over Tripolitania. British and American officials say privately that this would be equivalent to giving Russia bases in that part of the Mediterranean, vastly extending the field of Soviet operations.

Ethiopia Offers Wheat To UNRRA

WASHINGTON, April 23 —(AP) —Ethiopia today offered to supply U.N.R.R.A. with 100,000 tons of wheat and other foodstuffs in the next year and a half for famine relief. The offer also included 10,000 tons of coffee.

Says N.B. People Education Conscious

The people of New Brunswick have become education conscious during the last ten years, Dr. Fletcher Peacock, superintendent of education for that province, told last night's gathering of the Teachers' Federation. The Province was contributing 60 per cent of what the municipalities chose to spend in vocational training and the whole educational set-up has been materially improved since the passing of the County Finance Act, he said.

There has been simplification of the whole provincial educational system, too, Dr. Peacock said, as while only recently there were 1,400 different school authorities in New Brunswick, there were now only 47.

In common with the other provinces, New Brunswick is concerned with the quantity and quality of its teachers, especially now that an ambitious program of regional high-school construction has begun, Dr. Peacock said. The minimum salary for a New Brunswick rural school teacher is now $800 and all get more than that though the extra amount paid some may not be great.

Eight High Schools This Year

Eight regional high schools are to be built throughout the Province this year, he said, and districts which at one time resisted such a project have now begun clamouring for such institutions in their communities. The school age limit has also been raised, he said, from 14 years to 16.

There were three things which Dr. Peacock said New Brunswick still lacked in her educational program and which he would like to see established at once. One was a health program; the second was a system of vocational guidance; and the third was the inauguration of music instruction to all school children throughout New Brunswick.

The educational system of New Brunswick had been responsible in the past for the exodus of its best people and for keeping the "scrubs" home. A breeder of cattle would fail quickly if he pursued that policy, Such a system, Dr. Peacock said, had been responsible for much "inverted thinking." A book, written by a New Brunswick woman, had held up for the adulation of

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Astor Treasures Stolen In Britain

EDENBRIDGE, Kent, April 23—(CP)—Police authorities today studied the possibility that the theft of priceless antiques and artworks from Hever Castle may have been carried out by thieves who had previously visited the castle. The castle is the home of Col. J. J. Astor.

The number of articles taken were between eight and 10 and some of them were encrusted with gems and precious stones. Police and port authorities throughout Britain were on the alert for four masked men who escaped from the castle in a Rolls Royce after overpowering a night watchman and leaving him gagged and tied up.

Girl Reports Night Of Torture

BOSTON, April 23—(AP) — A night of torture in a Boston hotel room during which a 20-year-old United States Army Air Force second lieutenant allegedly slashed his 18-year-old girl companion with a razor blade and burned his initials on her with cigarettes was described by the girl in municipal court today.

The young Holyoke woman, a clerical worker at Westover Field, told Judge Jennie L. Barron her name was Helen Stavrau although the court record lists it as Stavron. She said she met the Lieutenant, Thomas Farrell, by appointment in the hotel.

As a result of her complaint, Farrell, holder of a Distinguished Flying Cross, is charged with rape, assault and battery with a razor, assault and battery with cigarets, committing an unnatural act, indecent assault, and assault with a weapon with intent to defraud.

MAYOR CRITICIZES P.W.C. "BOTTLENECK" IN EDUCATION SYSTEM

"Prince of Wales College is the bottle-neck in the educational system of the Province and it is nearly time the Hon. George H. Barbour and the other members of the Provincial Government were doing something about it," Mayor B. Earle MacDonald of Charlottetown told the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation yesterday afternoon.

The afternoon session opened with an address of welcome to the teachers by Miss Estelle Bowness, president of the Federation, after which the Hon. George H. Barbour spoke briefly as acting-Minister of Education in the absence of Premier J. Walter Jones.

The Government, Mr. Barbour said, recognized that the teachers were the most important people in the community and he felt sure they would receive a well-deserved increase in salaries in the near future. The home, the school, and the church, he said, were the three institutions necessary to build up a nation. Good teachers had a salutary influence on the child in the home and in the church. Premier Jones, on being elected to power in 1933, had wished to appoint a capable Minister of Education and, as he could see no one among his fellow members so well qualified as himself for such an important position, had rightly taken over the portfolio.

Mayor MacDonald said he disagreed with some of Mr. Barbour's remarks. While he was glad to

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Promoter Slain Gangland Style

(By The Associated Press)

WOONSOCKET, R. I., April 23— John F. Letendre, 68, reputed horse-betting "plunger" and race track promoter, was slain—gangland style—early today and detectives pursued a theory that enemies may have followed him from Florida.

Mr. Letendre, prominent in Rhode Island republican politics for many years, was killed as he drove towards his home, at a spot where he had to bring his car to a near-stop in order to make a sharp turn.

Medical Examiner Edward L. Myers said Mr. Letendre died of brain hemorrhages caused by two .38 calibre bullets.

Police said a man leaped on Mr. Letendre's running board and, in gangland style, yanked open the door and sent two slugs from a pistol into the victim's head.

The gunman then sped to a black sedan, in which at least one accomplice was seated, and escaped.

Mr. Letendre was a member of the board of directors at Narragansett race track in nearby Pawtucket and former associate in that venture with the late Walter Ohara. He also was one of the founders of the Gulf Stream Park in Florida. In addition to running the hotel Blackstone here, he operated a hotel in Miami, whence he returned only two weeks ago.

He was reputed in horse racing circles to be a "plunger", at times betting as much as $10,000 in an afternoon.

Police Chief Edgar C. Turcotte ruled out robbery as a motive, saying Letendre had "almost $1,000" in his pockets. The chief declined to comment further.

Wire Service To Mainland Restored

Telegraph communication between this Province and the mainland was re-established late yesterday afternoon after it had been disrupted since early Sunday when wires collapsed under the weight of soft, wet snow, driven by a 45-miles-per-hour wind. But long distance telephone service to the mainland was still out last night although contact had been established with all exchanges in the Province. Island Telephone Company officials said they expected to have their lines to the mainland working sometime today.

Telephone Company officials estimated that approximately 150 poles had broken during the storm early Sunday. Eighty-four of that number were located in the 15-mile stretch between Charlottetown and Hunter River with another 25 in the Bedeque district.

Meanwhile air mail and passenger service between this Province and mainland cities was only partially operating as poor visibility kept planes from landing and taking off at Moncton. Only flight made out of Charlottetown yesterday was to Halifax.

Capt. Carl Burke, manager of Maritime Central Airways said that already this month six days' service to Moncton had been lost because of weather, more than was lost during all of 1945. A plane was preparing to load passengers for Moncton yesterday afternoon but before it could take off fog closed in on the Moncton airport again and the flight was cancelled.

The Charlottetown-Summerside highway was still blocked by snowdrifts a mile west of Hunter River. Trucks got through from Charlottetown to Borden yesterday but no definite information was available as to the condition of the road between Borden and Summerside.

Freighter Aground Off Sydney Harbor

SYDNEY, N.S., April 26 — (CP) — The freighter Simcoe was aground on Vetrces Ledges near the entrance of Sydney Harbor tonight. Marine officials said she was in no danger and would probably float off at high tide tomorrow morning.

The 1,783-ton freighter, in-bound with a cargo of iron ore for Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation mills here, grounded in a heavy fog.

She is owned by Canada Steamships Limited and was bound from Welland, Ont.

BURGEO IN DRY DOCK

SYDNEY, N. S., April 23—(CP) —The Newfoundland Government-owned passenger steamship Burgeo went into dry dock here today to have a new propellor fitted. The Burgeo, which ferries passengers between Port Aux Basques, Nfld., lost her propellor in the heavy ice fields of Cabot Strait last week.

Russian Writer Attacks Gouzenko

(By The Canadian Press)

MOSCOW, April 23—A writer in the magazine Trud today attacked Igor Gouzenko, former code clerk of the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa, as a "squanderer and traitor" in connection with his role in the Canadian espionage investigation.

"By his own admission, Gouzenko loved Canada at first sight," wrote Prof. Alexander Trainin. "At the same time for two years Gouzenko hid his feelings and for two years remained silent until Soviet authorities called this squanderer home to responsibility.

"As a result in Montreal, on the basis of evidence of Gouzenko, a trial began against the lone deputy in Parliament of the workers progressive party. The moral face of this same stooge Gouzenko is such that defence counsel Cohen publicly in court declined to question Gouzenko."

(One of those accused in the case is Fred Rose, Labor Progressive member of the Canadian Parliament.)

The Trud writer said some Canadian political circles had been quick to try to capitalize on what they received "from the dirty hands of the squanderer and traitor" — Trainin's description of Gouzenko.

The writer said Canada was leading an anti-Soviet campaign and "trying with all its strength to build up propaganda simultaneously on a national and international scale by organizing a trial, sowing slanders against the Soviet country and against the party most opposed to the Canadian Government."

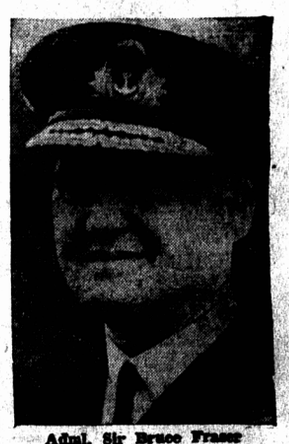
"Mr. Rose was elected to the Canadian Parliament in June, but it was only in July, a month after, that the Soviet Embassy informed Moscow of this," Trainin wrote. "Such a delay would be inexplicable if Mr. Rose had actually been an informer as it has been alleged.

"The key to the understanding of the Canadian trials does not lie in the facts or future sentences—its essence is the energetic and widespread anti-Soviet campaign connected with the trials.

"As Mr. Tim Buck, leader of the Labor Progressive Party in Canada, has correctly pointed out, the Canadian spy scare is merely a new factor for the deliberate anti-Soviet campaign now carried on in Canada and by reactionary circles in other countries.

"It contains the threat of military conflict. Dark political forces are thinking of starting a third world war. These slanders are capable of raising the political atmosphere to white heat. It is a good thing for the world and humanity that dark, dying forces do not have the deciding word."

To Cut British Pacific Fleet



Adml. Sir Bruce Fraser for United Kingdom

SHANGHAI, April 23— Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, commander of Great Britain's Pacific Fleet announced here today that his command would be reduced by one-third shortly. He said he would be relieved of his command when the cut was made.

The reduced force will consist of four cruisers, eight destroyers, two light carriers, 12 escort vessels and several submarines.

Fireman Injured In Higgs Building Fire Last Night

A fire yesterday evening in the janitor's apartment of the Higgs Building, Richmond Street, resulted in considerable damage to the apartment and slight injuries to one of the firemen, Ernest White, who fell with a 35-foot ladder from the third story of the building.

Fortunately, the ladder continued to slip down the side of the building so that when it finally fell outright, White was only ten or twelve feet from the street surface. Badly shaken up, and with minor injuries to legs and arms, he was taken to the Prince Edward Island Hospital but later allowed to return home.

The cause of the fire, which occurred about 7 o'clock, is unknown. The Fire Department used the booster pump in combatting the flames and had the fire extinguished by 8 o'clock.

To Build Airliners At Canadian Plant

TORONTO, April 23 — (CP) — Briain's newest and largest airliner, the Tudor II, is to be built in Canada at the Malton plant, near here which produced many Lancaster and Lincoln bombers during the war, it was learned yesterday.

The civilian Tudor will accomodate 60 passengers on short flights and 40 day passengers or 22 night passengers on long-distance flights.

HALIFAX, April 23 — (CP)— Weather synopsis issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at 10:20 p.m.

Synopsis at 9 p. m.—The weather is fair over most of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. There is much fog along the eastern shore of New Brunswick, over Prince Edward Island and along the shores of Cape Breton.

Forecasts, valid until midnight Wednesday:

Prince Edward Island — Fogg tonight becoming cloudy during Wednesday. Not much change in temperature with high at Charlottetown Wednesday 54. Moderate northeast winds 15 m.p.h.

High tide this morning at 4.11 and this afternoon at 3.02.

Sun sets this evening at 6.56 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.59.

Last quarter moon April 24, 10.18 A. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.