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HUGE FINES ARE IMPOSED ON U.M.W. AND LEWIS

Russian Agreement Hailed By Western Powers

(By Frances W. Carpenter)

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 4—(AP)—V. M. Molotov, Soviet Russian Foreign Minister, cleared the way today for a major advance toward world arms limitation by an unequivocal declaration that inspection and control machinery regulating arms restrictions must be free of the big-power veto.

Mr. Molotov, in an obviously conciliatory statement to the United Nations political committee, also accepted the United States proposal on arms limitation as a basis for discussion at this assembly session.

The committee, which had been hoping for just such a statement, quickly agreed unanimously on a 20-member sub-committee to whip into shape an acceptable resolution for action by the assembly. Canada will have a seat on the sub-committee and possibly will be represented by L. Dana Wilgress, Ambassador to Russia.

The Soviet Union did not surrender the veto power in the Security Council. It still guards that right jealously against all attempts at this assembly session to modify the veto power in that council.

Canada, Great Britain, the United States and Australia praised Mr Molotov's contribution to the committee's work. Mr St. Laurent said "the people of the world will be grateful to the representative of Russia for his speech of this morning."

Mr. Molotov, obtaining the floor as soon as the committee session began, notified the delegates that Russia would not insist on its own proposals, but would offer certain amendments to the American plan.

One amendment would provide that the Security Council "expedite consideration of a draft convention for the prohibition of atomic weapons." A second provides for two control commissions one for atomic weapons and one for other weapons, "within the framework of the Security Council."

Then he turned to the veto.

"There is need to dispel an obvious misunderstanding which has arisen. The Soviet Government is in favor of the Security Council adopting measures to prohibit weapons of mass destruction. Only the principle of unanimity in the council can guarantee the adoption of a reduction of arms. Unanimous action is necessary in adopting regulations on control commissions.

"The question of the principle of unanimity in the Security Council has not relevancy to the work of control. It is wrong to say that

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Agreement Is Reached In Oakland Strike

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 4—(AP)—Officials of striking A.F.L. unions agreed tonight to call off the general strike in Oakland and return to work immediately if the Retail Merchants Association would limit discussions, in the unionization dispute which precipitated the strike to the two stores—Kahns and Hastings—originally involved.

Full details of the agreement were not immediately available.

The proposal to arbitrate the issue of the strike was reached in a four-hour meeting between labor representatives, representatives of the city of Oakland, and federal conciliator V. Wayne Kenaston.

The proposal will be submitted to the Merchant's Association immediately for consideration.

Earlier a state of emergency giving the mayor full police powers was proclaimed by Oakland City Council as C.I.O. unions threatened to support the A.F.L. general strike by cutting off electricity, gas and water.

Final Batch Of German Prisoners Leave Dec. 22

OTTAWA, Dec. 4—(CP)—Canada will see the last of her 35,000 German prisoners-of-war on Dec. 22 when the final draft of homebound captives sails from Halifax, army authorities disclosed today.

About 2,200 prisoners, now housed in various camps across the country, make up the last batch.

Army officials said it was expected the Dec. 22 draft would include every prisoner-of-war still left in the country. It was possible a handful might not be moveable because of extreme illness or some other reason, but the intention was to clean them out as completely as possible.

Coming Events

**Movies at Victoria to-night.

**Now on display, large assortment toys, gifts, etc. McGuigan & Boyle.

**Ebenezer School Concert, Thursday, December 19th.

**Cornwall Christmas School Concert, Friday, 20th, 8 P. M.

**Concert, Lady Fane School, Friday, Dec. 20th.

**Legion Dance, Eldon Hall, Friday evening, December 6th. Lunch served.

**Buying Poultry every day. Paying highest market prices. M. & A. Peters, Market Building, Charlottetown.

**Dance, Yeo's Hall, Montague, Friday, December 6th. Webster's Orchestra.

**Now in stock, oil burners for ranges. McGuigan & Boyle.

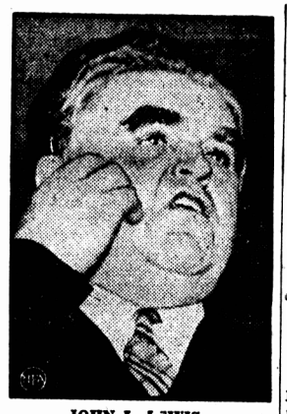
**Notice: Receiving hogs for Davis and Fraser as usual Friday this week at Emerald and Albany. G. C. Green.

**Owing to illness the lottery Three year old Abworthy in aid of Covehead Skating Rink is postponed until December 15th.

**Arriving soon at Albany Station, carload pressed hay. Book your requirements now. L. D. MacLeod & Sons, Victoria.

**Santa Claus will arrive at Bernard's Store, Bradalbane, Saturday, December 7th, loaded down with toys. Bring the children and see Santa in person, from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M.

**Holiday Attraction at MacDonald Bros., Theatre, Mt. Stewart. December 24th, Little Giant, starring Abbott and Costello. Showing 3.30 and 8 P. M. December 25th, Going My Way. Showing 7.30 and 9.25 P. M. December 26th, Going My Way 8 P. M. December 28th, Henry Aldrich Little Secrets. Showing 3.30 P. M. Midnight Show 11.30 P. M. January 1st, Double Bill Along the Navajo Trailer and Their First Mistake with Laural and Hardy.



JOHN L. LEWIS

head of the United Mine Workers who was fined $10,000 yesterday in a contempt of court proceedings arising from the soft coal strike now in progress throughout the United States.

Maintenance Of Check On Prices Urged

HALIFAX, Dec. 4—(CP)—Maintainance of the check of prices until a condition of stability is reached and the need for an early agreement in regard to tariffs were stressed by H. D. Burns, president of the Bank of Nova Scotia, in his address to the annual meeting of the bank's shareholders here today.

H. L. Enman, general manager, reviewing business readjustments, pointed to the marked increase in bank loans as evidence of the welcome change-over from government-financed war production to peacetime pursuits.

In the late summer there were nearly 1,000,000 more people employed in Canada than before the war, said Mr. Burns the flow of income was well sustained, production increased despite industrial disputes and delays. The prospect for continued expansion was clouded

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Power Shortage Condition Described As "Desperate"

CAMPBELLTON, N.B., Dec. 4—(CP) — Campbellton's critical electric power shortage was described today by Acting Mayor J.W. Howard as "desperate," with danger that the partial blackout, effective in recent weeks, will become complete.

Further rapid decline was reported today in the water of dams at Metis, Que., source of this town's main power supply, and the water may be insufficient to keep the turbines operating much longer.

Mr. Howard said it was suggested that all business establishments might have to close at five p.m. as a further conservation measure. Outdoor lighting has been banned for weeks in this busy north shore town, and no Christmas tree lighting or other unnecessary illumination will be allowed this year.

The acting Mayor said there was insufficient public co-operation in curtailment of lighting, as power accounts for November showed a big increase over previous months.

Two small auxiliary diesel units are expected to be in operation shortly. United States strikes have delayed delivery of essential parts.

"The situation here today is the most acute since the power trouble began," said Mr. Howard. "Unless every care is taken, there is danger of a complete blackout until we can put our own auxiliary units in operation."

Increase Noted In Cost-of-living

OTTAWA, Dec. 4—(CP)—The cost-of-living index advanced from 126.8 to 127.1 between Oct. 1 and Nov. 1, the Bureau of Statistics reported today, basing its figures on the assumption that the average for the period 1935-39 equals 100.

The Nov. 1 total was 7.2 above the 119.9 at which the index stood on the same date of 1945.

The Bureau said moderate price increases over Oct. 1 were widely scattered, with five of the six budget group indexes recording gains. The food series moved from 146.8 to 146.6 on small increases for eggs, meats and fish, and fruits. Vegetables averaged slightly lower.

The fuel and light index rose from 107.3 to 108.6, clothing increased from 130.2 to 131.1, and homefurnishings from 128.8 to 129.2. Advances in the hospital and periodical sub-groups changed the miscellaneous index from 113.9 to 114.1. Rents remained at 113.4.

May Call New Meeting Dominion-Provincial Officials On Labor Code

(By John LeBlanc, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

OTTAWA, Dec. 4—(CP)—A new Dominion-Provincial labor conference for final drafting of a proposed Canadian labor code may be held before Parliament opens late in January, it was learned today.

Preliminary preparation of such a code, to replace the wartime emergency statute, has been in progress for several months. Recently, provincial labor ministers met with federal authorities to discuss ways of modernizing the pre-war industrial disputes inquiries act into model legislation that might be adopted by the Dominion and Provinces generally.

Drafts of the proposed new legislation, based on the discussions at that conference, have gone to the provinces. Some of them have sent further views of it to Ottawa, but the nature of the comments so far received has not been disclosed.

Officials of the Labor Department were reported to see another conference as necessary in view of the desirability of incorporating into the code any further proposals from the provinces as well as giving consideration to the views of organized labor and employers of labor.

Spokesmen for the unions were expected to present their attitude towards the code when they come before cabinet next month to make their annual submissions of legislative programs. Employers' organizations such as the Canadian Manufacturers' Association also are expected to make known their stand.

If a conference is held, it was stated, it would probably be during the last half of January, or just before Parliament opens.

Basically, it is the present intention of the Federal Government to have the old industrial disputes inquiries act form the foundation of any new code. This measure, which gave facilities for dealing with disputes in "national" industries such as mining, transportation and communications was superseded by wartime emergency legislation, but that runs out by March 31.

The revised code would be adopted as federal legislation but would not be mandatory upon the provinces. Each province wishing to do so could enact the measure for its own jurisdiction, thereby providing a uniform statute that could be used for dealing with situations in those industries that overlap from one province into another.

President Of World Bank Resigns

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4—Eugene Meyer announced today he had resigned as president of the World Bank, exactly six months after he became the first person to hold that office.

Mr. Meyer, formerly publisher of the Washington Post and one-time head of the Federal Reserve Board and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, said he felt he had got the bank started.

He submitted the resignation to directors of the international financial institution and stipulated it was to become effective Dec. 18, "or such earlier date" as a successor might be chosen.

There was no announcement of the selection of a successor.

Possible Cut In Canadian Butter Ration

(By The Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Dec. 4—A possible cut in Canada's butter ration early in 1947 was forecast before the Dominion-Provincial agricultural conference here in a report released today.

Reporting on butter production, the Federal Agricultural Supplies Board told the conference this year's output "may not provide sufficient stocks at the year's end to meet a six-ounce ration in the first four months of 1947." The present allowance is six ounces a week.

Production of creamery butter in 1946, the report said, will be 270,000,000 pounds, a drop of eight per cent from 1945. Dairy butter production was estimated at 53,000,000 pounds.

Butter requirements on the basis of normal (non-rationed) consumption would amount to 345,000,000 pounds of creamery and 53,000,000 pounds of dairy product. This would be 80,000,000 pounds up from the current year.

Montgomery In Italy

TRIESTE, Dec. 4—(CP-Reuters)—Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, chief of the Imperial General staff, arrived today at Udine, Venezia Giulia, from Athens to inspect British troops stationed in the Anglo-American zone of that province.

He left Greece by air at the conclusion of his visit to British troops there and said he expected to be in Greece again next April.

In Rome British headquarters clamped down orders today that Montgomery's arrival and movements in Italy were to be treated with complete secrecy. Military sources said it was unlikely he would go to the Italian capital.

PARIS, Dec. 4 — (Reuters) — A freight car which jumped the rails and fell into the river near Charolles, France, today caused the whole train to be derailed and a second freight train to crash into the first. A railway guard was killed.

Acknowledge Victories Of Com. Armies

PEIPING, Dec. 4—(AP)—Sweeping victories for Chinese Communist armies in five districts of Shansi Province were acknowledged today by government military sources as the Red drive rolled swiftly toward Taiyuan, provincial capital 250 miles southeast of Peiping, and Fengyang, 60 miles farther south.

Confirmed reports said the Communists had captured a group of cities and villages in southwest Shansi and were pushing northeastward toward Fengyang, one of the province's largest cities.

The Communist offensive in Manchuria, aimed at the capital city of Changchun, also gathered force with attacks on Chiuchen, 30 miles to the northeast, and several points east of the capital. Large Communist forces were reported massed east of Changchun.

Island Official Tells Conference Of Island Needs

OTTAWA, Dec. 4—(CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner today told delegates to the Dominion-Provincial agricultural conference they could return to their provinces "confident" that farmers would be able to sell all they could produce in 1947.

Provincial representatives also addressed the final meeting of the three-day conference.

Of suggestions that the Dominion undertake the work of reclaiming marsh and other lands in the Maritime Provinces and British Columbia, Mr. Gardiner said the Government had planned to introduce a bill at the last session of Parliament for this task and definitely would bring it before the Commons at the approaching session.

He said he recognized that many cheese producers were concerned about future contracts, as the current contract with Britain expires March 31, 1948 and indicated that the problem of price stood in the way of a new contract. The British Government was as anxious to conclude another agreement as they had been to sign a four-year contract to buy Canadian wheat.

Walter Shaw, deputy minister of agriculture for Prince Edward Island, said his province needed markets far afield in Canada and added that the shortage of feed grains was of serious concern to P.E.I. livestock and dairy producers.

The Island Province also was concerned over the suggestion that freight rates might be increased because the question was "of the greatest importance to us." Freight assistance on feed supplies should be continued.

Fishery Catch Lower In P. E. Island For Month Of October

(By The Canadian Press)

HALIFAX, Dec. 4—Fisheries Department figures released today showed a Maritime October catch of 62,702,800 pounds with a landed value of $1,955,376 with both totals higher than the same month last year despite the fact New Brunswick was the only province with increases in catch and value.

Last October's total compared with 48,010,000 pounds with a landed value of $1,761,196 in 1945, the respective increases being 14,692,800 pounds and $194,180.

Provincial comparative figures were:

Prince Edward Island: Oct. 1946 catch 1,930,300 pounds, landed value $136,620; Oct. 1945 catch 2,003,300, $107,588; difference 73,000, $29,032.

New Brunswick: Oct. 1946 catch 28,725,100 pounds, landed value $691,566; Oct. 1945 catch 13,269,500, $384,252; increase $15,455,600, 307,314.

Nova Scotia: Oct. 1946 catch 32,047,400 pounds, landed value $1,127,190; Oct. 1945 catch 32,737,200, $1,269,356; decrease 689,800 pounds, $142,166.

Nova Scotia had bigger catches of cod, haddock, herring, halibut, tuna, hake and pollock. Scallops decreased in catch by 513 gallons yet the return was greater based on a price of $5.50 a gallon compared with the 1945 price of

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Coal Crisis Is Termed "Monstrous Thing" By Presiding Judge

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4—(AP)—Judge T. Alan Goldsborough today fined the United Mine Workers $3,500,000 and John L. Lewis $10,000—but spared him a jail sentence—in the historic contempt-of-court action born of the United States coal strike.

The Judge denounced the coal crisis as a "monstrous thing," a threat which, if successful, would reduce the American people to cold, hunger and destitution, overthrow their government and set a dictatorship over them.

"If it becomes a question of the destruction of this union, or the preservation of the country, the country is going to be preserved."

The Judge then issued an injunction against Mr. Lewis and his union to replace the restraining order which Mr. Lewis was adjudged guilty of disregarding.

This injunction raised the possibility of further heavy punishment if the strike is not called off swiftly.

Appeal Filed

As Mr. Lewis sat glowering, face muscles twitching, his lawyers filed appeal. They were given until 4 p.m. A.S.T. tomorrow to make bond, and meantime Mr. Lewis went free. The amount of bond was not set immediately.

The $3,500,000 fines average out at $250,000 a day for each of the 14 days Mr. Lewis has defied Judge Goldsborough's order to call off his contract-termination notice—a notice which set off the country-wide soft coal strike of 400,000 miners.

"Cruel and unusual punishment" roared defence counsel in a turbulent court session which saw Judge Goldsborough advise Mr. Lewis not to risk another contempt citation.

This occurred during an angry speech by Mr. Lewis, during which he rumbled out a charge that government lawyers were "lying."

There had been a discussion of Mr. Lewis' assets, with a view to setting his fine, and the mine leader said:

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Halifax Stevedores Get Pay Increase

HALIFAX, Dec. 4 — (CP) — An agreement providing for a wage increase of 15 cents, raising pay of 2,000 Halifax stevedores to $1.10 hourly, was signed today by representatives of the Halifax local of the International Longshoremen's Association and shipping companies.

J.J. Campbell, president of the Local, said he was "reasonably satisfied" with the contract which is effective for a year from Dec. 3 but it fell short of the Union's original demands for a $1.25 basic wage.

The new contract also provided for an eight-hour day in place of the previous nine-hour shift and a nine-hour night instead of the 10-hour night.

For the first time, the contract broke night wages down into "evening" and "night" wages. Evening wages paid for work up to 11 p.m., were $1.30 compared with previous night wages of $1.06. Night wages, paid from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m., were set at $1.65.

Sharpest upward revision was in week-end rates. Under the new contract, stevedores will be paid time and a half from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday. Those starting shift at 11 p.m. Saturday and working until 8 a.m. Sunday will be paid $3.30.

From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, the hourly rate is $2.20 and from 11 p.m. Sunday to 8 a.m. Monday stevedores will work at time and a half.

Under the old agreement, stevedores received time and a half from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, double pay between Saturday and Sunday midnight and single time from midnight Sunday to 8 a.m. Monday.

Former German War Lords Await Deportation

(By The Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 4—All 26 present and former German defendants in the Nazi war crimes trials here—even the six recently acquitted—will be deported to Germany, Shanghai City authorities announced today.

They were among 74 listed to sail at an undetermined date aboard a ship provided by United States authorities. The first repatriation load of about 750 sailed several months ago.

An estimated 16,600 Germans still remain in Shanghai.

HALIFAX, Dec. 4 — (CP) — Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at 11.15 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 4.

Forecasts valid until Thursday midnight:

Prince Edward Island:

Cloudy becoming clear in the morning. Overcast with intermittent snow Thursday evening. Much the same temperature, west winds 25 m.p.h. decreasing to light winds in the morning. High Thursday at Charlottetown 34.

Summary — Intermittent snow Thursday evening.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto Dec. 4—(CP)— Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Vancouver	47	48
Edmonton	8	18
Regina	11	20
Winnipeg	18	23
Toronto	30	40
Ottawa	37	39
Montreal	25	30
Quebec	9	26
Saint John	12	34
Moncton	10	30
Halifax	14	40
Charlottetown	11	28
Sydney	20	34
Yarmouth	—	49

High tide this morning at 7.19 and tonight at 7.32.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4.19 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.23.

Full moon December 8th, 12.52 P.M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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From Tormentine 3 P.M., 8 P.M.

No Sign Of Success In Attempt To Break Deadlock

By JUDSON O'QUINN

LONDON, Dec. 4 — (AP) — Prime Minister Attlee wound up tonight his program of talks with India's embittered political leaders and 36 hours before the deadline there was no sign that his efforts to break the roadblock to peaceful Indian independence had been successful.

An India office spokesman said neither the Congress Party, which is predominantly Hindu, nor the Moslem League representatives appeared to have been in a mood to make concessions in the round of crucial discussions.

No announcement was made as to whether the British conferees would attempt to bring the Indians to the same table for a joint discussion tomorrow.

A goyernment source previously had said that a round-table discussion would be scheduled if it appeared the individual talks showed a reasonable chance for agreement.

But tomorrow's schedule thus far was blank. The crucial talk of the day — between Mr. Attlee and the Moslem League leaders Mahommed Ali Jinnah and Liaquat Ali Khan —apparently was not encouraging.

Working against time and the unbending attitude of the Hindu and Moslem leaders, Mr. Attlee summoned his inner cabinet for India to meet tomorrow to plot a further course.

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Coal Strike Idle To Reach High Figures In Short Time

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4 — (AP)— Industrialists throughout the United States surveyed the effect of the coal strike on the American economy and came up with figures that would send the number of unemployed into the stratosphere within a short time.

With the freight embargo, effective Sunday, striking at the heart of such key industries as automobiles, the prediction was that within at least 30 days the unemployed picture would be reminiscent of depression days.

The survey showed that nearly 2,000,000 workers already are slated for idleness as the direct result of the embargo with additional thousands expected to be laid off if the strike continues for any length of time. Approximately 570,000, including 400,000 United Mine Workers who started it all when they walked out of the pits Nov. 21, now are without work.

Michigan has 1,027,300 employees in manufacturing plants. The Detroit Chamber of Commerce said eventually all will be made idle if the embargo continues long enough.

The Chicago Association of Commerce said the first of 750,000 employed by 10,000 industrial plants in that area will become idle within 24 hours after the embargo starts. An additional 1,250,000 workers in related jobs will feel the layoffs later.

The Illinois Manufacturers Association's report said 25 to 50 per cent of 800,000 Illinois industrial workers will be idle within two weeks.

Daniel W. Streeter, president of the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce, estimated that nearly 300,000 workers in that area will be affected.