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35 ARE KILLED IN CRASHES OF TWO DC 3 PLANES

Plane Crashes, 12 Killed At Croydon Airport

(By The Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 26—A passenger airliner crashed and burned at Croydon Airport Saturday in a mist-shrouded takeoff for East Africa, killing 12 of its 23 occupants. The dead included an entire family of four and three nuns, one of whom chose to perish in the flames rather than imperil a rescuer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cobb, their 2½-year-old son Peter, and five-month-old daughter died in the crash, as did the family's young governess.

Stunned relatives and friends of the victims watched the plane falter for a moment as it went into the air, then crash into an unoccupied Czech Airlines plane. Both planes burst into flames which barred rescuers.

Surviving were seven passengers and four members of the five-man crew. Capt. Ted Spencer, pilot and head of the Spencer Airways, operators of the American-built Dakota plane, was killed. He had arrived in London early this month offering 6,000 miles flights to former service men planning to make their homes in Africa.

It was the second major plane crash in Southern England in two weeks. A British European Airways plane crashed Jan. 11 in Kent, killing eight occupants.

Coal Strike Would Black Out N.S. Towns

(By The Canadian Press)

HALIFAX, Jan. 26—A threatened general strike among Maritime coal miners would, if carried out, black out towns in Cumberland County depending on steam-generated electricity, N. T. Avard, Amherst, N. S., president and director of Canada Electric Company, told the Nova Scotia Public Utilities Board Saturday.

"If the strike in the coal mines comes about it will create a serious situation," Mr. Avard told the Board when he appeared at a routine hearing.

A report Saturday from Ottawa after a series of meetings which failed to settle the wage dispute between the United Mine Workers (C.C.L.) district 26 and Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation said the Union was standing by a "no contract—no work" attitude. The Union's contract with Maritime coal operators expires Jan. 31.)

The public utility chief said his company's generating plant at Maccan, N.S., had only enough coal to operate for a week at most.

Some Centres Safe

Meanwhile, other generating points in the Province's mainland indicated they would be able to hold out through a possible general coal strike.

J. B. Hyes, general manager of Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, which supplies the Halifax area said that because water stocks behind company dams were high, there was little likelihood of hardship in the area where only one fifth of the electric power is steam-generated.

The steam plant at Halifax had enough coal to operate for 30 days at least.

In the Pictou County industrial area George R. Saunders, manager of the Pictou County Board, admitted the board was "a bit alarmed about the whole business" but had "made plans in advance."

Although 70 per cent of Pictou's power was steam-generated, a large supply of coal was said to be on hand.

Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia's largest coal-producing area, would be hard-hit in the event of a strike unless the miners made provision for supplies of fuel to generating stations. Cape Breton depends almost exclusively on steam-generated electricity.

Potato Stocks At Record High In U.S.

BOSTON, Jan. 25 — (AP) — Stocks of potatoes for sale reached a record high for the United States of 150,230,000 bushels Jan. 1, with nearly two-thirds" of the holdings in Maine, the United States Department of Agriculture reported today.

The crop on hand for merchandising is 26 per cent greater than on Jan. 1, 1946, and 42 per cent over the 10-year average, the department said.

"Reduced plantings" for 1947, the Department added, are indicated by "very preliminary reports."

Man Leaps 86 Stories To Death, Injures Woman

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 — (AP) — A man identified by police as David H. Gordon, Jr., leaped to his death today from the 86th floor of the Empire State Building, evading efforts by guards and another spectator to prevent him from jumping.

The man crashed on to Mrs. Frances Coover, 51, who was walking along 34th Street. Mrs. Coover was taken to hospital where she was reported suffering from multiple fractures.

HEADS WOMEN "BOBBIES"

New commandant of London's metropolitan police women, Miss Elizabeth Bather took over her new duties this year. Before the war she was a magistrate and member of Hampshire county council. On leaving the W. A. A. F., she became deputy police commandant.

British House To Debate Two Important Bills

LONDON, Jan. 26 — (CP) — Parliament will be asked this week to approve two of the Government's most important bills of the session against a backdrop of serious economic problems.

Tomorrow the House will debate second reading of an agriculture bill giving Agriculture Minister Williams peacetime control over farming operations, including the right to dispossess farmers held to be inefficient and those who do not comply with the cropping directives of county committees.

On Wednesday, second reading will be called on the more controversial town and county planning bill which sets up Lewis Silkin, town and country planning minister, as national estate agent for all of England and Wales and which takes away from landowners the right to do as they please with their property.

Ottawa Awaits Reaction To New Proposals

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL

OTTAWA, Jan. 26—(CP)—Finance Minister Abbott, feeling that the Federal Government has gone practically the limit in new taxation agreement proposals to the Provinces, today awaited further reaction of Provincial Premiers to the offers which would cost the Dominion a minimum of $206,156,000 annually.

New Brunswick, Manitoba and Saskatchewan have already informed Mr. Abbott that the new offers, communicated to all provinces within the last two weeks and made public Friday, were acceptable to them as a basis for taxation agreements.

Premier Drew of Ontario, terming the proposals different than those originally made to the Provinces, has called for a new Dominion-Provincial conference. To this Mr. Abbott has replied that he cannot see what useful purpose could be accomplished through a conference at this time and that he has found no general desire among the Premiers for such a conference.

Duplessis' Attitude

In Montreal today Premier Duplessis of Quebec said he and his colleagues would study the latest tax proposals of the Dominion Government "in the light of the constitution, the rights of the Province and the rights of the central government," but he said also the taxation rights of the Provinces "should not be replaced by subsidies."

Mr. Duplessis, who received the proposals yesterday, added that in the short time he has been able to give to reading them "what struck me...was that Ottawa asks the Province to cede definite rights for a definite time but the estimates of what the Province will receive are based indefinitely."

No reaction has yet come from Premier Macdonald of Nova Scotia, Premier Manning of Alberta, Premier Jones of Prince Edward Island, and Premier Hart of British Columbia.

Mr. Abbott said he did not anticipate any objections from Mr. Jones or Mr. Hart as the new offers would provide them with more revenue than they would have obtained under agreements accepted in principle last month.

The Dominion, having made its offer, now would await replies from the Provinces. It would not run after the Provinces for such replies.

$25,000,000 More

The new offers would give the Provinces $25,000,000 more than under the budget proposals last June and $70,000,000 more than under the original offers in Aug-

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U.S. Consumer Prices In New Reductions

By JOHN F. CHESTER

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 — (AP)—The thud of many falling prices was heard across the United States last week and promises of more to come sounded like good news for consumers in 1947.

Decreases in wholesale lines for the most part have outstripped retail drops. Once these are translated at the retail level the value of the housewife's dollars automatically will rise.

The Associated Press index of 36 wholesale commodities showed the greatest aggregate drop in the last two weeks of any like period since before 1936, with one exception. This came in a single two-week span last summer when prices were fluctuating widely during the Office of Price Administration's off-again-on-again act.

One prominent economist predicted a further drop of 25 per cent in food prices during the next 12 months. The National Retail Dry Goods Association held out hope of at least "partial progress" toward what it called consumer demands for $2.50 broadcloth shirts, $3 house dresses and $1.98 sheets.

Even more convincing evidence of coming price decreases in some food lines came from the futures markets, where traders grow fat or thin by contracting now for commodities for delivery at a future date.

At the close of Saturday's markets in Chicago, you could buy butter for June delivery for 52.75 cents a pound. Wheat for September delivery was a shade above $1.74 a bushel as against Saturday's $2.19 cash spot price and September oats were quoted at less than 50 cents a bushel compared with Saturday's 81 cents.

Campbellton Finds This Hard Winter

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., Jan. 26—(CP)—Extreme cold and shortage of power have combined to give this north shore town what old timers call "the toughest winter in half a century." After sub-zero temperatures during most of the last six weeks, the weather finally moderated today.

Power has been available only intermittently as a result of scanty rainfall last summer and autumn. Homes ordinarily heated by electricity have suffered the most. No new electric ranges have been connected this month. Conservation measures include reduced illumination and discontinuance of electric heaters for hot water tanks.

Plane Returns From Freighting At Port Menier

A Maritime Central Airways plane returned yesterday from Port Menier on Anticosti Island where it had been for several days carrying supplies for the Consolidated Paper Co., Ltd., which is carrying on large-scale lumbering operations. Capt. Carl Burke, manager of the airways concern who flew the Douglas C47 transport, said that his principal job was carrying equipment, including logging sleds, snow removal machinery and tractor parts. Whatever food he carried was incidental, for although the last trip of a supply steamer to the port was cancelled because of ice there was no shortage of either food or medical supplies.

A smaller plane from here will remain at Port Menier for the remainder of the winter, carrying passengers and supplies. Already it has been there almost three weeks.

Strong Earthquake Felt In Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 26—(AP) — All Nicaragua was awakened early today by the longest earthquake felt here since the destruction of Managua in 1931. No damage has been reported immediately.

In Washington, Georgetown University officials reported that their seismograph registered a "fairly strong" quake starting at 5:27 .M E.S.T. and ending at 7 A.M. today. An official estimated the quake at approximately 1,788 miles southwest of Washington. He said the maximum motion of the quake was recorded at 5:20 A.M.

The volcano Conchagua, in El Salvador near the Gulf of Fonseca, erupted today for the first time since 1828. Smoke columns poured from the 3,900-foot peak, and ashes and cinders were showered on the nearby countryside.

DIAMOND JUBILEE

CHATHAM, N.B., Jan. 26 —(CP)—Rev. Sister Currie, 84, will observe on Wednesday the diamond jubilee anniversary of her entrance into religious life. A special Mass in her honor will be celebrated Wednesday morning. Sister Currie was a teacher at St. Joseph's Boys School here from 1912 to 1932.

Al Capone Dies At 48

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 26 — (AP) — Scarface Al Capone, 48, gangland leader who feared a mobsters' death, died Saturday night amid the luxury of his private villa with his family gathered around.

"I don't want to die, shot in the street," he once said.

When death came at 7:25 p.m. of pneumonia and heart failure, complications of an apoplectic stroke, he was in his own bed with expert medical care at hand — and behind high protective walls that long had guarded him from possible revenge.

The body today lay in a funeral home here while members of his family discussed burial plans.

No one was allowed to see it, and the funeral home said there had been no callers and no flowers had been received.

Death came suddenly of heart failure, said Capone's physician, Dr. Kenneth S. Phillips, who had treated the prohibition era gang leader since he emerged from prison Nov. 16, 1939.

Capone's widow, Mae, collapsed upon his death and is herself in serious condition.

The gangster who "took over" in Chicago and built an empire of lawlessness had become a weak individual since he served 7 1-2 years in Alcatraz and other federal prisons on income tax evasion charges.

Federal records say Alphonse Capone was born in Naples, Italy, Jan. 17, 1899. He left the poverty-stricken home of immigrant parents to gravitate into gangdom on the streets of New York.

Sweden's Prince And Famous Singer Killed

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 26 —(AP) —The American soprano Grace Moore met a fiery death, along with Sweden's Prince Gustaf Adolf and 20 other persons, in the crash today of a Royal Dutch Airlines DC-3.

The 16 passengers and six crewmembers died within minutes after taking off for Stockholm. The plane, barely aloft, smashed back on to the airport and went up in flames. There was no chance for anyone to escape.

Miss Moore, the Tennessee choir girl who soared to stardom in musical comedy, the opera and the movies, was en route to Sweden for concerts after receiving an ovation from a crowd of 4,000 Copenhagen concertgoers. She was 45. She had left her husband, Valentin Parera, at Mougins, France, where he has been ill.

The Swedish Prince, 40, son of Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf, was killed while going home from a hunting trip in Holland with Prince Bernhard, the husband of Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands. Nine-month-old Karl Gustaf, only boy among the dead Prince's five children, becomes second in line for the throne of King Gustaf Adolf, 88.

The Royal Dutch Airline K.L.M. announced that the plane's chief pilot was 54-year-old G. J. Geysendorffer, its oldest pilot. The Dutch line employs a number of Canadian pilots.

The airliner was on an Amsterdam-Copenhagen-Stockholm run. It arrived at 2:50 p.m., picked up passengers and took off 41 minutes later for the Swedish capital. Immediately after the takeoff and when the plane was only 150 feet aloft it banked and crashed bursting into flames.

The 22 persons aboard were killed immediately. Their bodies were so charred and mutilated that they were virtually indistinguish-

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TORONTO, Jan. 26 — (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Vancouver	36	46
Edmonton	16	22
Regina	18	24
Winnipeg	18	28
Toronto	36	45
Ottawa	28	38
Montreal	30	38
Quebec	20	31
Saint John	26	32
Moncton	22	28
Halifax	30	34
Charlottetown	22	25
Sydney	25	29
Yarmouth	34	37

HALIFAX, Jan. 26 — (CP — Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at 11.15 p.m., A S T., Sunday.

Synopsis: Easterly winds are bringing moist mild air from the Atlantic to the Maritimes, causing overcast skies with occasional drizzle. Disturbances over Central Canada and off the Virginia Coast, are expected to move east bringing showers to the district Monday.

Forecasts valid until Monday midnight:

Prince Edward Island:

Overcast. Intermittent freezing drizzle becoming showers in the afternoon. Somewhat milder. Light winds becoming south 20 in the afternoon. High Monday at Charlottetown 35.

High tide this afternoon at 2.30 and tonight at 2.18.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.25.

First quarter moon January 28th 7.07 P. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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Grain Elevator Urged For Charlottetown At Winsloe Farm Meeting

A request to the Dominion Government to make easier the flow of Western grain to the Maritime Provinces, to remove present restrictions and to erect and equip with loading and unloading facilities a grain elevator at Charlottetown during the summer of 1947 was made in a strongly worded resolution passed at a largely attended farmers' meeting held at the home of Mr. Roland Beaton, Winsloe, on Friday night.

Mr. Lemuel MacKinnon, Winsloe, presided at the meeting, Mr. Andrew B. MacRae, East Royalty, acting as secretary.

Following is the text of the resolution:

"Whereas, at this largely attended meeting of farmers at Winsloe, assembled for the purpose of giving considered thought to some important problems incident to agricultural work, and

"Whereas the Federal Minister of Agriculture at Ottawa, the Hon. James G. Gardiner, is pressing upon us the urgency for increased production of livestock, particularly that of hogs and livestock products, and

"Whereas the importation of grains, concentrates, millfeeds, etc., is absolutely essential to attain this objective, but rather difficult at present to accomplish in sufficient quantities as required, and

"Whereas producers should be reasonably assured of the availability of such raw products before making heavy producing commitments, and

"Whereas the only assurance our farmers can have of there being sufficient quantities of such livestock feeds, as already men-

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Liverpool Lobster Fisherman Drowned

LIVERPOOL, N. S., Jan. 26—(CP) — Entangled in his lobster trap mooring lines, John Edward Whynot, 39, was found drowned in nearby Ragged Harbor Saturday. The body had been in the water about an hour when it was discovered by other lobster fishermen floating near Whynot's overturned dory. Coroner Dr. J. Smith decided death was accidental.

Coming Events

**Dance in K. of C. Hall, Souris, Tuesday, January 28th. Clifford Orchestra.

**Hockey East Royalty tonight, Fred's Taxi vs. Royals. Skate after.

**Receiving Hogs at Crapaud for Canada Packers Ltd., every Tuesday until 11 A. M. R. N. Dawson.

**Milton rink tonight, Hunter River Royals vs. Milton Hornets. Game starts at 8.15.

**Dance at Bertram's Mills, Bonshaw, Wednesday, Jany. 29. Good floor and good music.

**Charlottetown Bombers versus New Glasgow All Stars at New Glasgow Rink tonight. Game starts 8:30.

**Attention farmers of Eastern King's! We want a quantity of live cattle. Eastern Packing Co., Souris.

**Arriving at Albany soon, car baled shavings for bedding, insulating, etc. Order early. J. George MacKay.

**Arriving at York, car of mixed feed, unloading Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 27-28. Harry McLaughlin, Stanhope.

**Loading Hogs every Tuesday at Albany. Write or phone for Trucking Service, when road conditions permit. Prompt and courteous service, highest market prices. J. George MacKay.

**Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., every Friday, Souris, Rollo Bay, Fortune Bridge, Bay Fortune, Annandale, Dundas, Bridgetown, Strathcona. George Dingwell.

**The Women's Inter Church Council calling all Canadian women to join in the observance of the World Day of Prayer, Friday, February 21st, 1947. Trans-Canada Broadcast February 20th, 2.45 E.S.T., 3.45 A.S.T., 3.15 P.S.T., 4.15 M.S.T., 5.15 C.S.T. Speaker Miss Margaret Wrong, M.A., London, England, Secretary International Missionary Council for Christian Literature in Africa.

Noranda Miners Strike May Spread

NORANDA, Que., Jan. 26 —(CP) —The Noranda labor picture was complicated today by a threatened general strike of all miners and smeltermen in the district.

Mayor M. Paul Cuddihy of neighboring Rouyn said tonight that situation was "tense" following the general strike hint thrown out by R.H. Carlin, director of District No. 8 of the Miners' Union.

Expect Legal Battle In Dick Murder Case

HAMILTON, Jan. 26 — (CP) — A legal battle appeared in prospect for tomorrow in Wentworth County courthouse when the Crown seeks a postponement of the torso murder trial of William Bohosuk and Donald MacLean and defence counsel for the two men counter with demands the joint trial proceed or their clients be discharged.

Bohosuk and MacLean, in jail now nearly 10 months, are charged with the torso killing of John Dick and the Crown is basing its request for a postponement on the fact it is not ready to proceed pending a Supreme Court of Canada review of the case of Mrs. Evelyn Dick, daughter of MacLean who has been convicted of the slaying and granted a new trial.

Protest Entry Of Polish Immigrants

AMHERST, N.S. Jan. 26 —(CP) —The Amherst branch of the Canadian Legion Saturday forwarded to Prime Minister Mackenzie King and immigration authorities at Ottawa the text of a resolution opposing the admittance of Polish farmer immigrants to Canada.

(Some 3,000 Poles who fought with the British 8th Army in Italy have been placed on Canadian farms and another 1,000 are expected to arrive early in the spring).

The resolution said the admittance of "foreign farm laborers would greatly increase the unemployment problem" and that "instances already have occurred of Canadian farm laborers being replaced by Polish farm laborers who work at a lower rate of pay."

If farm personnel were to be admitted to Canada, British farmers should be given preference, the resolution added.

Seek Revision Of Chinese Exclusion Act

HALIFAX, Jan. 26 — (CP)—A meeting of the Chinese Society of Halifax, "on behalf of all Chinese in the Maritime Provinces," today sent a telegram to Prime Minister Mackenzie King and members of the Federal Government asking their support in "revision of the Chinese Exclusion Act."

"We feel sure you will agree that the Chinese who are residing in Canada should be permitted to bring in their wives and families so that they may take their full place in the social structure of our Dominion," the message said.

Horse Hero Of Many Western Films Is Dead

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 26—Champion, cowboy film actor Gene Autry's sorrel horse and equine hero of dozens of western films, is dead at 17, their studio announced Saturday. Old Champ was Autry's inseparable screen companion from 1934 to 1942, when the animal was retired.

Sask. Game Birds Find Going Tough

REGINA, Jan. 25 — (CP) — An appeal to Saskatchewan residents to feed game birds, many now dying of starvation, was issued today by Provincial Game Commissioner E.L. Paynter. Impenetrable snow crust formed by intermittent thaws has sealed food from Hungarian partridge, pheasant and prairie chickens as well as song birds which normally remain in the province during the winter.

Montreal Man Killed By Robbers

MONTREAL, Jan. 26—A 74-year-old second-hand store proprietor, Leon Feigenbaum, died in hospital early today four hours after two holdup men had pumped three bullets into his thigh, abdomen and left hand.

Alone in his store on downtown Craig Street, Feigenbaum was shot when he defied shouted instructions of the gunmen and attempted to reach the door to summon help.

When the men fled, Feigenbaum made his way to Honest Harry's second-hand store, five doors from his own establishment.

Stolen Road Scraper Found

Victoria Driving Club officials were concerned yesterday over the disappearance of a small road scraper which they had borrowed from the Provincial Department of Public Works for the removal of snow from the ice racing track on Charlottetown harbor ice off Victoria Park. The scraper was there Saturday and Sunday it was gone.

Officials of the Club turned trackers and followed the trail for some distance along the ice, heading up West River. Then they returned to the City and enlisted the aid of Royal Canadian Mounted Police who found the missing machine in a field some seven to eight miles up the river.

Now the Club is offering a reward in an effort to locate the parties responsible for the theft.

To a suggestion that it was the work of a practical joker, Club officials said that they thought not. The small rubber-tired wheels, they said, were excellent for a horse-drawn truck wagon.

Expect Parliament To Sit Six Months

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL

OTTAWA, Jan. 26 — (CP) — Some members of the Commons, arriving in Ottawa for the opening of parliament next Thursday, are predicting that the session will last until late June or mid-July.

The members, some of whom recall the days when sessions lasted a bare three or four months, claim the business of Government has become so complicated that short sessions are gone forever.

Although this will be the third session since the end of the war, members predict that the effects of the war still will be evident in the legislation which will be submitted for ratification.

They believe that debate on war-created price controls will be as lengthy and as heated as possibly any during the session. To support their argument they point to the views of the various parties.

The government, the members say, claim controls are being lifted in an "orderly fashion." The Progressive Conservative and Social Credit parties claim that government "bureaucrats" are retaining some controls "needlessly." The C.C.F. claims that the government control policy is lessening the value of the workers' dollar and threatening to set the machinery of inflation into motion.

The members are not sure just when the control debate will get underway, but legislation authorizing the continuation of the price ceilings has to be ratified before March 31 when the transitional emergency powers act expires.

Besides a major debate on price controls, members expect controversial exchanges on plans for redistribution of seats in the Commons, on immigration, and on the government's agricultural policies.