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Capt. Kermit D. Beahan, right, bombardier on the plane which dropped the atomic bomb on Nagasaki, looks at map and discusses plans for the bombing. A-bomb tests with Maj. Thomas W. Ferebee, bombardier on the plane which dropped the Hiroshima bomb. Both men are wearing in shape at the Roswell, N. M., Army Air Base and are in competition over who will get the coveted assignment to drop the A-bomb over Bikini Atoll in May.

### Dressmaker Urges Boost in Pensions To Aid Spinsters

By JAMES McCOOK  
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)  
LONDON, March 4 — (CP) — A neat, bespectacled woman in a brown coat with a letter badge "N.S.P.A." on the lapel has become one of the familiar figures of House of Commons lobbies. Listened to with respect by political leaders.

She is Miss Florence White, founder of the National Spinners Pensioners Association, who talks in a kindly Yorkshire voice of what must be done for the unmarried women of Britain. How many there are in the "spinster" class she cannot say but there are about 2,000,000 more women than men and the N.S.P.A. has 150,000 active members.

Miss White in her demand that contributory pensions be available to single women at 55 instead of 60 years.

Introduction of the National Insurance bill brought her to London from her home city of Bradford, where she is in business in a modest way as a dressmaker.

The bill provides pensions for women at 60—the present pensionable age—on the basis of 30s (95) weekly against the present basic rate of 10s weekly plus supplementary sums in cases of need.

**Confident Of Support**

"I just talk to members of parliament and tell them our objective," Miss White said. "They know the strength of our organization and they listen. I believe about half the members are strongly in support of our demand for pensions at 55. And this is not a problem confined to Britain; some day you will have to face the same thing in Canada."

Miss White used to watch women leave for work in Bradford at 6 A.M., spend their day at the textile mills and come home at 6 P.M. with household chores to be done. She saw them continue work without respite while married women, their children grown up and with the security of their husband's savings, often could take life a little easier.

Miss White began urging pensions for single women in their 50's and finally in 1935 she organized a meeting attended not by a dozen but by 500 women. N.S.P.A. had its beginning.

Women's working age is shorter than that of men, Miss White said. Already her organization claims a victory in that contributory pensions are payable to women at 60 and men at 65. But all too often women in the class most in need of pensions at 55 are engaged in types of manual labor where falling strength reduces their value and men are preferred in employment in their later years, she added.

**Relaxation And Security**

"Very often the average single woman, apart from her job, has domestic duties, the married woman has her children and household and the single woman has the care of older people," she said. "The single woman must be secure before she becomes too old to carry on."

Technically, any unmarried woman is a spinster, but Miss White's main interest is in the group over 45, the women who have remained single and are in need of pensionable income. Miss White herself presumably would fall within her own category of "spinster."

**CANADIAN LIFE INSURANCE**

TORONTO, February 28 — Nearly Eighty-Two Million Dollars of new life insurance was sold in Canada in January, according to figures compiled by the Life Actuary Management Association and announced by the Canadian Life Insurance Officers Association. The figures designate only the ordinary insurance just brought into force, and do not include dividend additions, reinsurance, accident, annuities, group or wholesale business.

By provinces the totals for "ordinary" were the following:

British Columbia	\$ 5,348,000
Alberta	4,594,000
Saskatchewan	3,445,000
Manitoba	5,019,000
Ontario	30,440,000
Quebec	21,308,000
New Brunswick	2,190,000
Nova Scotia	3,115,000
Prince Edward Island	489,000
Canada	\$81,948,000
Newfoundland	624,000

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### Discipline Brings Ballerina's Grace

WINNIPEG, March 4 — (CP) — Ballerinas aren't born with girlish grace and femininity. It takes hard work and discipline to achieve that fairy-like appearance.

The 30 students at the Winnipeg ballet school range from young girls to clerks and stenographers. They have only one thing in common—their love for the classical dance form.

Agnes range from 16-24 but behind that is at least five years of previous dance training. For their instructor, Gwendolyn Lloyd, is a firm believer in starting them young.

Miss Lloyd and her partner, Betty Hey-Murray, are two energetic young Englishwomen, who, in the last few years have brought ballet to Western Canada.

Plans are ambitious. They have moved into new quarters—decorated in pink and grey—with two studios, waiting rooms, dressing rooms and adequate space for costumes and props.

Of the more experienced dancers to be teachers. Miss Lloyd is also preparing her students for the Royal Academy examinations this spring.

Examinations themselves aren't important to the art but they do create a standard we need," she said.

At the moment, Miss Lloyd is considering small concert groups to take into the rural sections of Manitoba. She plans a company of about 10 girls and boys, many of the larger Canadian cities, such as Ottawa, Edmonton, Regina and Saskatoon, have already seen the Winnipeg company.

"A rural ballet is an entirely independent organization, a fact which Miss Lloyd believes should be remedied.

"We must have a sponsored company in Canada because our country is not large enough to support one. The government should subsidize ballet—just like the Franco-Russia, England, Greece and Sweden."

**YORK Y. P. U.**

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### Ont. Legislature Opened Yesterday

TORONTO, March 4 — (CP) — With a motorized escort and a salute from the military, the Ontario Legislature opened yesterday with the second session of Ontario's 23rd general election.

Spears of the Speech from the Throne.

Copies were filled but not crowded as members heard Lieutenant-Governor Albert Matthews read the 5,000-word Throne Speech in the legislative chamber affecting practically every government department, including establishment of a minimum wage for women, the Ontario Liquor Authority Control Act (1944) to "improve licensing and controlling of licensed premises."

The session was adjourned until tomorrow when debate on the Throne Speech will begin. After first reading was given to government bills, preparation made for appointment of standing committees and short tributes to Rt. Hon. Charles Ferguson, former Ontario premier who died last month.

Bills given first reading included amendments to the Municipal Act and the Municipal Board Act. Under the former amendment tighter supervision will be placed over distribution of shareholders' lists—so-called "suckers' lists" used in some promotional schemes. The Municipal Board Act is amended to enable municipalities to apply the surplus of one department where a deficit exists in another without reference to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Bills to continue subsidies on cheese, hogs and sugar beets were read.

Premier Drew, whose Progressive Conservative Government holds 68 seats in the 90-seat legislature, engaged in vigorous debate and at 11 minutes of the evening session in no way diminished by the vigor of that debate. Farquhar Oliver, leader of the opposition, whose supporters number 10 Liberals and two Liberal-Labor members, and W. J. Grummett, leader of the right-wing C.P. group, also paid tribute to Mr. Ferguson.

The Throne Speech forecast a minimum wage for men, women and children. The Minimum Wage Act generally and new regulations designed to increase rates of pay for women workers. A minimum wage for women already is in effect.

In agriculture, the Speech forecasted licensing of all persons engaged in making, marketing, producing or operating a fruit market; establishment in the Toronto area of a wholesale fruit and produce market; amendments to the Farm Products Control Act and the Weed Control Act.

**Seeks to Refute Pravda Changes**

VATICAN CITY, March 4 — (AP) — Observers Romano, semi-official Vatican City newspaper, said today that Pope Pius in his 1940 Christmas message declared his "fundamental" points were just peace were contrary to the German program.

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# THE LADIES COLLECTION

## For the Prince Edward Island Hospital Campaign

### BEGINS

#### After the Men Make Their Final Report Thursday Night

An enthusiastic organization of women workers will leave envelopes at city homes on Friday and Saturday and call for them on Monday, March 11th. All who haven't already given are asked to meet the ladies with a smile. Have your envelope ready when they call.

Held at New Glasgow hall that afternoon. Roll call "our first baby picture." Meeting closed by singing the King's Lullaby was then served by the hostess.

**LOWER FREETOWN SCHOOL**

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Teacher—Joy V. MacLeod.

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**MATFIELD W. I.**

The February meeting of the Matfield Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. George Smith on February 11th, with seven members and one visitor present.

The President opened the meeting by singing the ode and repeating the Creed in unison. The roll call—each member exchanging Valentines. Minutes of last meeting read and approved and signed. Mrs. Blair Andrew gave report of sale of sandwiches sold at New Glasgow rink. It was moved and seconded that all bills be paid.

All correspondence read by President and Mrs. Edward Cole. The committee were then heard from. Teacher reported six coat hoods wanted for school. Mrs. Willard Nicholson appointed to get same. New committee appointed School Mrs. Edward Cole and Mrs. Willard Nicholson, Sick Mrs. Miller Orr, Mrs. Warfield Orr, Lurch, Mrs. Edward Cole.

Next meeting to be held at Mrs. Blair Andrew's on March 11th. The members wished to send a letter of sympathy to a bereaved family in the district. It was decided to sell sandwiches and tea at New Glasgow rink.

An auction sale realized a nice little sum. Mrs. Andrew gave brief report on the hospital meet-

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### Moscow Radio Keeps After Mackenzie King

LONDON, March 5 — (Reuters) — The Moscow radio, in an English language broadcast beamed last night to North America and entitled "who is Mackenzie King?" asserted that the Canadian Prime Minister and Liberal Party leader "has never displayed any particular Liberalism" and that his government "has earned distinction by persecuting labor organizations and even made a special ruling to outlaw the Communist Party."

"On the other hand," militant fascist organizations flourished on Canadian soil under the aegis of the King Government," the broadcast continued.

"King invariably follows in the wake of British policy. One of the few deviations which he made from the policy of the British government consisted in ignoring for a long time the Anglo-Soviet trade agreement of March, 1921, and in his refusal to consider himself bound by the renewal of Anglo-Soviet relations in 1924."

"However, when Great Britain annulled the trade agreement with the Soviet Union in 1927, King's Government immediately followed suit."

**BROADSTAIRS, Kent, England** — (CP) — Broadstairs council is preparing for a "fun on motorboat trips next summer and already have made plans to erect queue rails on the pier.

# THE BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE

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### Other features this week:

**FIELD MARSHAL JAN. C. SMUTS DISCUSSES ATOMIC ENERGY**  
In an Exclusive Article

Written specially for The Standard, the Prime Minister of South Africa gives his views on a subject that is holding the attention of the entire world. It appears in The Standard's special 4-page supplement, entitled "INTO THE ATOMIC AGE", with full details about the \$3000 cash prize competition.

### HOW DO THE ENGLISH BRIDES LIKE CANADA?

Now that some of the English brides have been here for a year or so, what do they think of Canada? What are their likes and dislikes? You'll find some of the answers in The Standard this week!

### SKI-ING WITH THE TYRONE POWERS

Back from the wars, movie star Tyrone Power and his petite wife, Annabella, took time out to do some ski-ing in the Laurentians! Staff Photographer Louis Jacques and Staff Writer Iris Smallwood, of The Standard, went along with them and came back with a swell photo story.

### RECIPES FOR MARCH DINNERS

by Kate Athlin

Kate Athlin is featuring some timely recipes this week! Meat loaf • pan-broiled round steak • potato puff • braised steaks • baked fish • grapefruit soufflé, and many other recipes!

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