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SHIPS AGROUND, DISABLED IN STORM

London Fur Market Prospects Reported Much More Promising

Tariff Parley Talk Approved

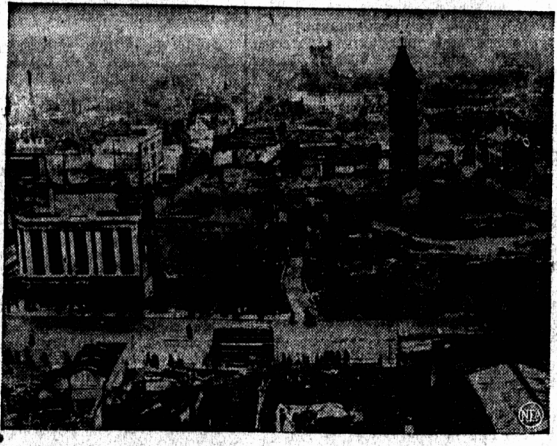
OTTAWA, Dec. 13 — (CP) — Word from Washington that the United States has invited 14 countries, including Canada, to a round-table discussion designed to reduce tariff barriers and expand world trade seemed to be well received in official circles here today.

It was understood Canada would accept the invitation to participate in such a conference.

Coming Events

- "Dance — Montague Saturday, 12-11-45.
- "Unloading of Wheat at Mt. Herbert, J. R. Driscoll, 12-14-45.
- "York Friday National Film Board Movies 8 p.m., 12-12-45.
- "Buying table stock potatoes every mild day at our warehouse, Court & Son, 12-13-45.
- "Christmas Concert in Emerald Hall, Friday, December 21st, 12-14-45.
- "Christmas Concert, Central Royalty School, Tuesday, December 19th, 12-14-45.
- "Come to Grandview Christmas Concert, Grandview Hall, December 20th, 12-14-45.
- "Wanted: Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowl and Chickens, Eastern Packer Co. Courville, 11-30-45.
- "Loading Hogs for Davis & Fries at Murray River, Monday, December 17th, John J. Beck, 12-14-45.
- "Buying daily all kinds of live and dressed poultry. Paying top market prices. Signed Davis & Fries Ltd., 11-28-45.
- "We require a lot of dressed poultry from Dec. 10 to 20. Will pay highest prices for good poultry. R. L. Dickerson, 12-8-45.
- "Auction Sale at the farm of Heber Maclean Clyde River is scheduled until Monday, Dec. 17th, at one o'clock, 12-14-45.
- "Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at Murray River, Dec. 18th until afternoon 12-14-45. We solicit your patronage. Murray Cooperative, 12-14-45.
- "Special — Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at Murray River, Monday, Dec. 17th. Please advise your agent, 12-14-45.
- "Next loading date for hogs, Monday, December 20th, at Alberton from 10 o'clock until 5 P. M. At Murray River, Monday, Dec. 18th, A. M. G. C. Green, 12-14-45.
- "Embroidery, Baby Wagon, Toys, etc. at Southport Institute Gift and Pantry Sale at Maritime Electric, Saturday, December 15th, 12-14-45.
- "Farmers Millview, Kinkora and vicinity please call me and if roads are passable will be glad to give you trucking service. Please list stock early. Ted, Crane, 12-14-45.
- "A large number of new wood sleighs, box sleighs and large numbers of new nickel mounted driving harness, belting of all sizes and types, driving wagons, all going at reduced prices for balance of year. Clinton Morrison, Fredericton, 12-12-45.
- "Loading hogs at Hunter River Tuesday, Dec. 18th as usual. Bad weather prevented giving farmers proper service this week. If roads are passable next week will truck as usual if not kindly haul them in. Give us a phone call anyway. Lemuel Craswell and Gordon Matheson, Livestock Marketing Board, 12-14-45.
- "Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at all usual loading points during week of Dec. 17th as follows: Monday—Elmira, Souris, St. Peter, Montague, Cardigan, Murray Harbour, Melville, Ugar and Charlottetown. Tuesday—Wiltshire, Hunter River, Kinkora, Summerside, Kensington, Albany, Charlottetown. Wednesday and all points west Prince Co. will load as usual on Monday, 12-14-45.
- "Farmers All Points — During Christmas week we will be loading hogs Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 20th and 21st instead of Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24th and 25th. Points usually loading on Monday will not load until Wednesday and usual Tuesday loadings will take place on Thursday. "Get It?" Repeat—Loading Wednesday and Thursday of Christmas week instead of Monday and Tuesday. "Get It?" Livestock Marketing Board, 12, 14, 15, 20, 21-45.

Plan New, Better Coventry On Bomb-Blasted Site



Almost completely blown off the earth by German terrorist bombing in the 1940 blitz, the historic town of Coventry, England, will be rebuilt as one of the world's finest modern cities. Photo above shows Coventry after the German raids. At right is a model of the city as it would appear rebuilt according to present plans.



Says Meyer Personally Ordered Prisoners Shot

AURICH, Germany, Dec. 13 — (CP Cable) — Canada's first war crimes trial was thrown into a turmoil here today when the prosecution read a statement reporting that S. E. MacLure, Kurt Meyer personally gave an order which resulted in seven Canadian prisoners being murdered at his headquarters in Normandy, June 8, 1944.

Meyer is being tried by a Canadian Military Court on charges of direct or indirect responsibility for shooting of 48 Canadian prisoners of war captured by the Germans during the early stages of the invasion of France in June, 1944.

The evidence presented by the prosecution to the statement on the biggest sensation yet seen at the trial, which opened here Monday in a former German naval barracks.

The fourth day's session was dragging to a close when Lt.-Col. Bruce MacDonald of Windsor, Ont., chief prosecutor, read the statement by Jan Jesonek, a Polish soldier who served at Meyer's headquarters in the ancient French Abbey of Ardenne.

He said in the statement that he escorted the seven prisoners to Meyer's headquarters on the morning of June 8.

Meyer yelled at Jesonek and according to the statement ordered the prisoners shot and then sent them one by one through an opening leading to a park where they were shot from behind.

In his statement Jesonek said that the prisoners were "English" but that they were not American soldiers other than Americans were English to this witness and that he meant Canadian, as will be indicated in tomorrow's testimony.

32 Coffins Destroyed In S'ide Fire

A fire that could have been disastrous as there was a stiff wind blowing was discovered about 5:30 p.m. last evening in a building on Water Street, Summerside, owned by Mr. Percy L. Bowness and occupied on the ground floor by Wright and Bell radio and electrical mechanics. It had got a considerable start before being discovered and firemen fought it for an hour before it was under control. The origin of the fire is unknown as yet, but it badly gutted the upper rear section of the building and 32 coffins stored there are completely lost.

The second floor front is occupied by Mrs. G.P. Grady and her daughters and her apartment suffered considerably from water damage. Wright and Bell will also have considerable loss although they managed to transfer some of their stock and equipment before the water began to pour in. No estimate of the total damage could be made last evening.

This was the second fire alarm yesterday. At four o'clock firemen responded to a call from the residence of Mr. Walter Gallant, North Market Street. This blaze was caused by a defective fuse and there was only slight damage.—S

P. E. I. Hospital Plans To Double Present Capacity

Campaign To Raise \$300,000 In March

With A. L. MacPherson As General Chairman.

King George 50 Years Old Today

LONDON, Dec. 13 — (Reuters) — The King will be 50 years old tomorrow.

Although this is his first birthday since the war ended no special functions have been arranged. The King's birthday is officially celebrated in June, when the weather is usually more favorable for outdoor ceremonies.

In the evening there will be a small gathering of members of the Royal Family at Buckingham Palace to dine with the King.

The Trustees of the Prince Edward Island Hospital have now definitely decided to more than double the present capacity of the hospital. They have also decided to ask the public in a campaign to be conducted in the first week of March, to provide three hundred thousand dollars to defray the cost.

The people of this city and Province have always been most generous towards the provision of hospital accommodation, and progress has been continuous over the sixty years since the Prince Edward Island Hospital was started in a small way in its unpromising premises on the St. Peter's Road.

When the present magnificent hospital was completed in 1933 many were of the opinion that it had been designed to fill needs far beyond its time. Instead for many months past it has been continuously overcrowded and the list of those waiting until rooms or beds are ready to accommodate them frequently runs up to twenty-five or more.

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First Officer On 'John Cabot' Badly Injured

Mr. John Green, St. John's, Nfld., first officer aboard the S.S. "John Cabot," was badly injured yesterday morning when he went into the hold of the ship to make more secure a ball which he considered had been allowed too much space. In some manner the angry ball succeeded for a moment in pinning Mr. Green in the corner. The horns of the then infuriated animal tore the first officer's left arm and side and made an ugly laceration across the left side of his chest. Rushed to the Charlottetown Hospital the injured man had over 30 stitches taken in his arm, side and chest. He is returning to Newfoundland on the "Cabot" which is expected to leave for St. John's this morning.

Indonesians In Sumatra Back "Republic" Demands

BATAVIA, Dec. 13 — (AP) — Indonesian leaders in Sumatra expressed complete solidarity today with the "republic" of Premier Sutan Sjahrir in demanding full independence from Holland.

In battle action in Java, meanwhile, R.A.F. planes machine-gunned vehicles fleeing from a village fired by the British forces in a reprisal raid.

The village set afire by British Indian troops was Bekassi, the scene of the massacre three weeks ago of 22 survivors of a plane crash. Bekassi is about 12 miles south of Batavia.

As the village burned fiercely, British Thunderbolts and Mosquitos machine-gunned and cannoned four trucks and three passenger cars. Twenty Indonesians escaped from one automobile.

Hearing Resumes In Halifax Murder Case

HALIFAX, Dec. 13 — Preliminary hearing of Frank Lima, 63-year-old Italian plasterer charged with murdering his neighbor at Boutillier's Point, near here, Nov. 5, continued here today with the Crown calling 15 witnesses.

Job Organ, Halifax longshoreman and Frank Keeping of Lewis Lake testified that Lima was in possession of a .32 calibre Smith and Wesson revolver of 1917 manufacture, among other weapons.

(At a previous hearing, a ballistics expert of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police testified five bullets had been examined had been fired from a .32 Smith and Wesson revolver now in the hands of the police.)

The hearing was adjourned until Dec. 20, the Crown indicating there were "quite a number" of prosecution witnesses still to be called.

McLure Urges Park Highway, Tax Revision

OTTAWA, Dec. 13 — (Special) — Construction of a highway to give access to the Prince Edward Island National Park is a subject of negotiation between the Province and Federal authorities, Mines and Resources Minister Glen told W. Chester S. McLure, Progressive Conservative member for Queen's, in reply to a question asked by Mr. McLure in the Commons.

The Minister gave assurance that his department was anxious to give every facility for public use of the park and to provide every necessary road.

"Is the Department," Mr. McLure asked, "considering the building of a highway so that tourists can reach the National Park? I understand that when the park was laid out, the idea of a highway was to build a highway to provide easy access to this beautiful national park."

McLure Urges Park Highway, Tax Revision

The Queen's member renewed his discussion begun last week with Finance Minister Isley on the subject of the revised tax on fur brought down in the budget. The new tax, Mr. McLure contended, would work out to more than the former impost of 25 per cent.

Raw furs of a value of \$40,000 would be reduced to \$30,000, he said. "When those \$200 worth of furs are made into a garment, that garment from the wholesale man to the retailer will be reduced, least, putting it low, \$500. On that \$500 you place a 40 tax. That \$40 is a tax on the same furs on which you have already collected \$20. Therefore we are

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Gypsum Co. Buys Two Steamships

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 13 — (AP) — The National Gypsum Company has purchased two 10,000-ton ships from the Canadian Government to bring gypsum rock from its quarries in Nova Scotia to its Atlantic seaboard plants, Fremont Melvin H. Baker said tonight.

Mr. Baker told a meeting of managers of the company's 30 plants that the ships replaced one loaned to the Government during the war, which was torpedoed by the Germans as it was carrying munitions to India. Plants to be serviced by the ships are located at Portmouth, N.H., New York City, Baltimore, Md., and Savannah, Ga., he said.

N. S. Lobstermen Fear Heavy Loss

YARMOUTH, N. S., Dec. 13 — Lobster fishermen feared tonight the continued pounding of the westerly gale against incoming tides had caused extensive damage to traps set by inshore fishermen.

The damage to lobster pots was expected in many cases to force scores of individual fishermen from the industry for the fall season. Some pots were shifted as much as two miles and wrecked traps were being washed ashore from Port Maitland to the Tusket Islands.

Plan Centre For Amputation Cases

TORONTO, Dec. 13 — Toronto Control Board unanimously recommended today that approximately \$300,000 be provided by the city for the campaign by the Amputations Association of Canada to build a recreation and health centre here. Association officials told the Board they hoped to raise the remaining \$200,000 needed by public subscription and by donations from Federal and Ontario Governments.

New Industry In Prospect In N. S.

(By The Canadian Press) — HALIFAX, Dec. 13 — A new silica carrying industry was in prospect for Yarmouth County, Yarmouth County Council announced here tonight. A rock deposit at Cheoggin Point contained a tonnage large enough to supply the needs of Eastern Canada for many years.

"Quarrying operations in all probability will be begun soon," he said, "and will be a new industry in Yarmouth County employing a considerable number of men for an unlimited time."

The Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation at Sydney became interested in the deposit and the Department of Mines forwarded last winter a 50-ton sample for testing purposes. The test lot of silica brick gave excellent results. The company now was engaged in mining and shipping a 1,000-ton test lot. The company uses 13,000 tons of quartzite annually, to manufacture about 3,000,000 silica brick for use in the steel plant at Sydney.

Hope Gen. Patton Will Walk Again

HEIDELBERG, Germany, Dec. 13 — (AP) — United States Army surgeons attending Gen. George S. Patton said tonight there was "a good chance" he might be able to walk again, but cautioned that there "is always the possibility" the General might be crippled for life.

Col. Lawrence C. Ball, Harlan, Ky., commanding officer in the army hospital where Gen. Patton lies paralyzed from the neck down said there was general confidence among American and British specialists that the United States 15th Army commander would pull through.

British Commons Approves Loan

LONDON, Dec. 13 — (Reuters) — The House of Commons tonight approved the United States loan to Britain by a vote of 345 to 98.

Winston Churchill, Opposition leader, and many Ministers who were in his Cabinet refrained from voting after the wartime Prime Minister declared during debate that a heavy Opposition fought bloody clashes with the House of Commons.

However, about 70 Conservatives and a score of Government members abstained from voting against the loan agreement.

To Withdraw Troops From Syria, Lebanon

LONDON, Dec. 13 — (AP) — France and Britain agreed today to withdraw their troops from troubled Syria and Lebanon, and to sign closely their future policy in the Middle East.

Syrian forces, demanding complete independence from France, fought bloody clashes with the French seven months ago, and British troops intervened to restore order, leading to friction between the French and British Governments.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, announcing the agreement in the House of Commons, said French and British military experts would meet at Beyrouth Dec. 21 "to fix very early the first measures of evacuation."

In Paris, a foreign office spokesman said the second ultimatum "the last vestige" of the French mandate over Syria and Lebanon, adding that France had considered her mandate ended when the two Levant countries were admitted to the United Nations.

Five Craft Reported In Difficulty

(By The Associated Press) — BOSTON, Dec. 13 — The Coast Guard reported the freighter Pierre L'Enfant sent out at night for medical assistance for a man aboard the vessel tonight and the frigate Emporia was sent with medical aid.

The Emporia, already en route to aid the Boston trawler Gale, grounded off Sable Island, N.S., and was diverted to the Pierre L'Enfant.

Five other ships were grounded or partially disabled in high winds and heavy seas on the North Atlantic.

The fishing dragger Hazel B. with a crew of 12 aboard, was listing badly in heavy seas off Nova Scotia after Tuesday's gale pounded her and smashed two lifeboats. A sister dragger, the Rosemarie M., was standing by the Hazel B. to render any assistance necessary as the disabled craft rode out the seas.

The Argentinian vessel Independencia, which grounded within sight of Nantucket Island Wednesday night, was refloated tonight by a strong westerly wind and a high tide.

Coast Guardsmen reported the ship, a former corvette with a Canadian crew of 46 aboard, would be taken into tow as soon as she drifted into water deep enough for waiting service craft to approach and put a line aboard.

Before she floated off the reef, the Independencia was reported taking water.

The Boston lobster smack Fannie was out of fuel and drifted 100 miles southeast of Cape Cod and a Coast Guard cutter was headed for her.

The Coast Guard asked the Canadian Government to rush assistance to the trawler Gale, which left Boston Dec. 5 with a crew of 10 and was reported grounded off Sable Island, N.S.

A sister ship, the Breaker, was standing by the Gale, according to a message to her owners, the General Seafoods Corporation of Boston.

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9 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

ANOTHER THING TO AVOID—DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING "SURLY!"

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE
Toronto Dec. 13 (CP) Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 30, 40; Edmonton zero, 12; Regina 9; Winnipeg 4 below; 11; Toronto 12, 31; Ottawa 4 below; 15; Montreal zero, 11; Quebec 11 below; 7; Saint John zero; 12; Moncton 2 below; 10; Halifax 8; —; Charlottetown 2, 9; Sydney 3 below 12; Yarmouth 12, 22

Forecast:
Lower St. Lawrence: Moderate to fresh winds, shifting to easterly; partly cloudy followed by light to moderate snow; not quite so cold.
Lake St. John: Fair and cold followed by light snow at night.

Gulf, North Shore Bay Chaleur and Maritime East: Fresh westerly winds; fair and cold.
Maritime West: Fresh westerly winds becoming variable; fair and cold; light snow at night or early Saturday.

High tide this morning at 5:30 and tonight at 6:14.
Sun sets this afternoon at 4:11 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:31.
Full moon December 18, 8:11 P. M.

NEW GLASGOW — (Daily Except Sunday)
Leave Charlottetown 1:10 4:50 p.m.
Arrive Charlottetown 2:15 5:30 p.m.
N.S. — F.E.I. FERRY SERVICE (Daily Including Sundays)
SUNDAY SERVICE
Leave Charlottetown 12:15 3:45 p.m.
Arrive Charlottetown 5:30 8:10 p.m.

For Lighter Bread Cakes and Pies use

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Electrical, Radio Workers To Strike

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 — (AP) — Returns from the C.I.O. United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers union — wide strike vote in General Electric, Westinghouse and General Motors plants tonight showed union members favoring overwhelmingly in favor of a walkout after Jan. 1.