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# 28 BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE KILLED BY JEWISH BOMBS

## Four Drowned, Two Missing As Car Goes Into Canal

### Unclaimed Deposits In Branch Banks On Island

### Election Rumors On Eve Of N. B. House Opening

FREDERICTON, Feb. 29 — (CP) — While those in office maintain a tight silence, predictions on matters to come before the Provincial House opening Tuesday, centered today on a new labor relations act and numerous pieces of contentious municipal legislation.

Rumors of a provincial election before the end of the year, however, still were most frequently heard. If the present House, elected in August, 1944, goes to the country it will mark the last sitting as a 48-seat body.

Under a partial redistribution act passed at the 1946 session, the next Legislature will be increased four seats.

The Liberal Government of 58-year-old Premier John B. McNair now holds 38 seats; the Progressive Conservative Opposition led by Hugh MacKay, 11, and one is held by an Independent.

Those predicting new labor legislation recalled that a new Labor Relations Act was introduced and given first reading at the last session of the House. The bill, including mostly enabling clauses, was then withdrawn without discussion.

One of the contentious items to come before the House is expected to be the electrical supply situation in various communities. Many centres suffered severe shortages last year and in some instances rationing was instituted.

Another piece of legislation is one seeking incorporation of a \$65,000,000 newspaper mill. First broached before the war, and revived again last year, the mill, under the promotion of E. C. Atkinson, Fredericton barrister, and Frederick C. Bagley, Sr., of Augusta, Me., would be called Maritime Pulp and Paper Mills Ltd.

OTTAWA, March 1 — (Special) — Largest single unclaimed amount in Prince Edward Island branches of the chartered banks is the \$511.24 accruing to the credit of Mrs. Isabella Johnston of Murray Harbor North, in the Montague branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia. This was revealed in the lists of unclaimed bank deposits tabled in the Commons on Friday.

Review of the lists indicates that Prince Edward Islanders in general know where their money is, since a smaller proportion of unclaimed balances is registered for the Island province than for any other.

Other amounts left unclaimed in the Montague branch of the bank of Nova Scotia include \$25.96 to the credit of Weston Johnston, also of Murray Harbor North, \$18.05 to the credit of Malcolm MacPherson of Glen Martin and \$6.51 in the name of Mrs. Effie MacLeod whose last address is given as Burnaby, B.C.

In the Charlottetown branch of the Bank there is \$17.27 in the name of Preston McKinnon whose last address was Toronto, \$5.84 to the credit of R. A. Phillips of Impington, England and half a dozen accounts of less than \$2.

At the Charlottetown Branch of the Royal Bank of Canada stands a total of \$354.28 in the names of 13 R.A.F. men, individual amounts ranging from \$15 to \$68.91. Since the amounts have lain unclaimed since 1941 and 1942, it is believed that some, if not all the British fliers perished in enemy action.

At the Mount Stewart branch of the Royal Bank there is \$106.93 to the credit of Mrs. Margaret McDonald of Plsquad, \$10.37 for Mrs. Belle S. Leard also of Plsquad, and \$13.81 waiting for Frank J. Callaghan of Dromore.

At the Summerside branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia \$24.92 awaits Donald A. Matheson of Rose Valley, and the O'Leary Branch of the Bank holds \$16.69 in the name of Paul Pineau of Bloomfield and \$5.37 for Mrs. Julie Gallant of Plsquad. In the bank of Nova Scotia branch at Shipman, N.B., stands \$95.64 to joint credit of Charles A. and Arthur K. Brennan of Summerside.

A second member of the McKinnon family is listed in the unclaimed bank balances. He is Herbert McKinnon whose last recorded address is 47th Street, New York City, and has \$39.95 on deposit at the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Summerside. Elizabeth Stewart Coughlan of Campbellton, P.E.I., has an unclaimed amount of \$22.24 at the Alberton branch of that bank.

### Favors Pact With Russia

By Anne Snellman  
HELSINKI, March 1 — (Monday) — (AP) — Well-informed circles said today that Finnish President Juho Paasikivi supports the signing of a friendship pact with Russia.

The 78-year-old President was believed to feel that a negative reply to the Russian request would cause a dangerous aggravation in Russian-Finnish relations.

He also was believed to feel that an affirmative reply could mean that Finland might obtain as favorable conditions as possible for her continued national independence.

### Observe Anniversary Of Paardeberg

At a brief ceremony held yesterday morning, members of the Charlottetown Branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., gathered at the South African War memorial on Queen Square to pay tribute to two Prince Edward Island comrades, Alfred Riggs and Roland Taylor, who fell in the campaign, and to commemorate the 48th anniversary of the battle of Paardeberg.

Lieutenant Ambrose Rodd and Mr. Harry Hyde, two survivors of the South African campaign, were also in attendance at the ceremony.

### Employees Purchase Glace Bay Gazette

GLACE BAY, N.S. Feb. 20 — (CP) — Floyd Gates announced here tonight the purchase for \$20,000 by a group of employees of the Glace Bay Gazette, Canada's only labor daily paper, which suspended publication recently and which was put on the auction block this weekend.

The new owners of the paper are Editor Gates, business manager McCormick, mechanical chief Clarence de Mont, machine operator George Harkins, pressman Arthur Moore and advertising manager Harry E. MacLean.

## Forecast Crisis In Offing For French Gov't

### Death Yesterday Of Mr. P. J. MacDonald

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at his home, 220 Kent Street, City, of Mr. P. J. MacDonald who, for almost a quarter of a century, was one of Charlottetown's widely-known business men. He was 71 years of age.

Born at Johnstone's River, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth MacDonald, Mr. MacDonald went to Manitoba as a young man and for a time engaged in the feed business in Winnipeg.

He returned to his native Province in the early 1900's and took up farming at Covehead. Later, he purchased the general store of David H. Auld of Covehead West and conducted a successful business there for some years.

In 1920, Mr. MacDonald moved to Charlottetown and purchased the property located at the corner of Kent and Prince Streets. The property was owned by the late Mr. John Drake and was used at the time by Mr. John Rackham in his conducting of a general store for the next 22 years.

Mr. MacDonald was the active head of the business but in 1942 ill health forced him to retire, but his personal interest in the business never waned, and he continued to make daily calls at the store until last Tuesday.

Always interested in the affairs of Zion Presbyterian Church, Mr. MacDonald was a member and a regular attendant at the services. Popular with young people, Mr. MacDonald showed his interest in them by teaching at the Zion Sunday School, of which he was Superintendent for several years.

The funeral services will take place at Zion Presbyterian Church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Mermaid cemetery.

### Four Bodies Are Recovered By Diver

PORT COLBORNE, Ont., Feb. 29 — (CP) — Four persons were drowned and two others were missing, believed drowned, after a motor-car in which they were driving home from a drinking party plunged from a dead-end street early Sunday into the well of the Welland Ship Canal at nearby Humberstone.

Dead were: William D. Rogers, 45, of Welland, Ont., owner and driver of the car. Arthur Morningstar, 38, Rogers' nephew, of nearby Crowland. Francis Garner, 36, of Welland. Mrs. Melvin Keeler, 38, Miss Garner's sister, of Crowland. Missing were Mrs. Harry Rivett, about 38, of Crowland, and James Hart of Welland.

All the bodies except those of Hart and Mrs. Rivett were recovered today after Oliver Edwards, Welland Canal diver, attached a line to the car and enabled it to be dragged from the canal.

Police said they learned the missing couple were with the four victims when the party left a west-side tavern at closing time but investigators were unable to establish whether Mrs. Rivett and Hart were in the car when it went over the weir wall, snapped a guy wire and sank in 15 feet of water.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKay, who live on dead-end Neff Street, which leads to the weir, said they saw the car go into the canal about 12:45 a.m. They said there was a bright flash when the broken guy wire lashed up and short-circuited hydro wires. Part of the village was plunged into darkness.

CAMBRIDGE, England — (CP) — Field Marshal Smuts was the only nominee for the chancellor of Cambridge University.

### Blame Snow For Alberta Rail Wreck

CALGARY, Alta., Feb. 29 — (CP) — Five men were killed and five injured here Saturday night when a Canadian National Railway snowplow crashed into the rear of a yard engine in the rear of yards here.

The dead, all C.N.R. employees, are: E. W. Lloyd Hanna, engineer of the yard engine. A. Ochrochwich, Kindersley, Sask., section man. S. Blazenko, Alaskan, Sask., section foreman. N. A. Ravion, Manengo, Sask., section foreman. J. Slobodnik, Arengo, Sask., section man.

The accident occurred in the wake of the worst snow conditions in the area in 40 years. Railway officials said drifts were 20 feet deep in some cuts and traffic had been delayed approximately 24 hours.

### \$800,000 Damage In Five-hour Fire At St. John's, Nfld.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Feb. 29 — (CP) — A five-hour fire of unknown origin which necessitated the full fire-fighting facilities of this Newfoundland Capital gutted three buildings and heavily damaged a fourth waterfront establishment Saturday night.

The blaze, causing damage estimated at \$800,000, broke out in the Great Eastern Oil building on Water Street and quickly spread to the American Shoe Store and the Newfoundland Dry Goods Company buildings. Large amounts of stock in all three structures were ruined by fire, smoke and water.

A building housing A. H. Murray and Company also was damaged.

### 33 Others Injured In Train Blast

JERUSALEM, Feb. 29 — (CP) — Three mines exploded with terrific impact today under three railroad sleeping cars crowded with British troops, killing 23 of them and injuring 33 others.

British authorities blamed Jews for the blast, which demolished the woodcar cars near Rehovot, 15 miles southeast of Tel Aviv. Splintered wood from the cars showered nearby orange groves.

The Stern Gang, Jewish underground group, said it blew up the train in revenge for the Jerusalem bombing which killed 54 Jews last Sunday. "This is our answer for last Sunday's Ben Yehuda Street crime," said a Stern Gang announcement.

Jews have blamed Britons for the Jerusalem bombing despite British denials and Arab claims of responsibility for it.

The three railroad coaches were on the Cairo express northbound from Cairo to Haifa. The blast occurred at 9:45 a.m., 1-2 miles north of Rehovot, a Jewish citrus belt town 15 miles southeast of the Jewish coastal city of Tel Aviv.

An army spokesman said electrically detonated mines shattered the wooden coaches, which were jammed with soldiers returning from leave in Cairo.

Splintered wood and twisted girders from the demolished coaches splattered over nearby orange groves. The agonized cries of the dying and wounded rent the air in that isolated section of the coastal plain.

The day also brought death and violence to other parts of Palestine. Unofficial Jewish sources in Tel Aviv said six Jews were killed when a reconnaissance patrol of the Haganah Army was ambushed in the village of Salame near Tel Aviv. The bodies were recovered by British police.

### Blames Temperance Heads For Prohibition Fiasco

Failure of temperance leaders to maintain public sentiment in favor of Prohibition was blamed for existing liquor conditions by Mr. George E. Saville, Fifth District of King's, in a speech delivered in the Legislature last week.

He was speaking on the Draft Address.

"Noted as a Liberal Prohibition stalwart, Mr. Saville did not hazard any guess as to the result of the plebiscite to be taken on this issue on June 28 next. It was a measure, he said, which had been promised in the Liberal platform last December.

"There is no doubt whatever that the people are not satisfied with the present conditions," Mr. Saville said. "I have always taken the stand that to enforce the Prohibition Law it had to have strong public opinion behind it. The temperance leaders of this Province failed, I think, to keep public opinion in favor of Prohibition. I think the drinking habits of the people of this Province have

changed tremendously for the worse in the last twenty-five or thirty years. There is a great deal more drinking now.

"I know that the people are tremendously dissatisfied with the amendment providing for the six months scripts. Whatever the change they want it is pretty hard to say; but so far as the prohibition element is concerned they want the plebiscite taken so that the people will have a real chance to say whether or not they want the Prohibition Law as it was before this amendment was introduced. We have Government sale in everything else but name today. I don't think the leader of the Opposition will say that he can prescribe for a patient six months in advance."

Dr. MacMillan: "I think it would do you good." (Laughter)

Mr. Saville: "I hope when the amendment is brought in that it will be introduced in such a way (Continued on Page 3 Co. 2)

### Coming Events

- \*\*Grinding Grain Thursdays only. Len MacDonald, New Dominion.
- \*\*Hockey East Royals Rink tonight. Southport Bombers vs. East Royals. Good ice. State after.
- \*\*Hockey at Milton Rink tonight. Gaytown Rovers vs. Brackley Rovers. State after.
- \*\*Unloading a car of Sydney Coal, Suffolk, Saturday and Monday. B. Boeswall.
- \*\*Hockey tonight, Hunter River Arena, Hampshire All Stars vs. Hunter River Royals. State after.
- \*\*Come to the Social evening in New London Hall, Monday evening, March 1st. If not fine, Tuesday.
- \*\*Our store will be closed all day Tuesday, March 2nd for stock taking. The egg grading station will be open all day, where eggs will be paid for with cash. Brent Wood, Craupaud.
- \*\*Hockey, Long Creek Rink, Monday night, Charlottetown. Heartbreakers vs. Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs. Game time 8 p.m. State after.

### British Commons To Debate Defence

LONDON, Feb. 29 — (CP) — Members of the House of Commons, concerned over European political developments and irritated by South American claims to British possessions, will debate problems of defence Monday with the knowledge that most of Britain's swords have become plowshares.

Total strength of the armed forces in wartime rose to nearly 5,000,000. But by March 31, the Royal Navy strength will be down to 145,000, the army to 534,000, and the force to 251,000—a total of 940,000.

Under further reductions planned by the government, the total on March 31, 1948, will be 718,000.

### RECONSTRUCTION MIRACLE SANDAKAN, Borneo — (CP) —

When Japan surrendered to the Allies in 1945, Borneo was producing nothing in the way of oil. British engineers were sent in, and by Feb. 1948, Borneo had produced 2,500,000 tons of oil.

### Boer War Veteran Burned To Death

AYLESFORD, N.S., Feb. 29 — (CP) — The body of Joseph Joudrey, 77, who perished in a fire that destroyed a three-storey building here, leaving 11 persons homeless, was recovered early today.

Joudrey, a veteran of the Boer War, was burned to death in his bedroom Saturday night when flames roared through a barber shop-dwelling owned by William Dorey. Origin of the blaze was unknown.

It was the 15th death by fire in Nova Scotia this year.

### Polka Dot Gang Member Killed

TORONTO, Feb. 29 — (CP) — Hubert Hiscow of Toronto, blasted to death in a nitroglycerine explosion Saturday as police opened fire, was the last member of the notorious Polka Dot Gang at large, police said.

Hiscow was trapped by police in a north-end office, where he was allegedly attempting to blow open a wall safe with nitro-glycerine. He ignored repeated police demands to surrender and detectives believe he dropped a bottle of the explosive aimed at Patrol Sgt. Albert Russell who had cornered the suspect.

Police believe Hiscow took advantage of the stormy night which deadened sounds of the attempted safe-cracking—the sixth attempt to blow open the same safe in 14 months. The first charge of "soup" that knocked off the lower safe hinge, described by police as "an expert job of safe-cracking," apparently set off an alarm which brought police to the office.

### Princess Elizabeth To Become 'Navy Widow'

By Russell Landstrom  
LONDON, Feb. 29 — (AP) — Prince Philip will soon make his bride of a few months a "navy widow."

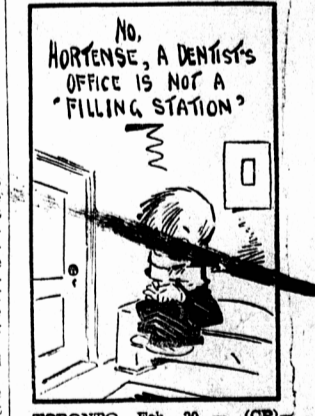
Leaving Princess Elizabeth on her own in Kensington Palace, he will move from his Admiralty post to the Royal Navy Staff College in Greenwich for a half-year's special training.

The college is only five miles from the heart of London but Philip, like any other student, must obey the rule that all students live on the grounds—without their wives.

The separation, the Royal couple's first for more than a day since their wedding in November, will be broken only by week-end reunions, an occasional evening together and the few Royal ceremonies the Prince must attend.

Philip will enter Greenwich in late March with one other naval lieutenant. They are the first of such junior rank ever to win appointment to this all-around training course.

So tough is the study program that Philip will manage little spare time apart from Saturdays and Sundays. Social life at the college is limited to a dance now and then.



TORONTO, Feb. 29 — (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures:—Vancouver 32, 42; Edmonton 23B, 5; Regina 6B, 4; Winnipeg 4, 13; Toronto 17, 25; Ottawa 11, 22; Montreal 11, 24; Quebec 9, 16; Saint John 9, 21; Charlottetown 3, 12; Halifax 7, 17; Yarmouth 13, 23.

HALIFAX, Feb. 29 — (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Monday.

Synopsis: Northerly winds brought cold air to the Maritimes Sunday evening. The weather is generally fine but there are a few snowflurries, especially where the wind is blowing off the water. A high pressure area approaching the district from Northern Ontario will give fine weather on Monday.

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