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What torments of grief we endure from evils which never arrived.

## PEI WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT BEING PREPARED

### DEBATE DOMINION-PROVINCIAL ISSUE IN HOUSE

### Bill To Be Introduced At Forthcoming Session

#### Should Have Right To Amend Constitution Says Prime Minister

#### 180-Passenger Plane Files Cross-Country

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP) — Constitution largest commercial plane ever built, landed at Washington at 9:29 p.m. EST tonight after a jet-assisted flight from Moffett Field, Calif., near San Francisco.

The 180-passenger plane, built for the United States Navy, made the trip in nine hours and 34 minutes. The plane made a jet-assisted take-off at 8:55 a.m. PST (12:05 p.m. EST).  
Aboard were 74 passengers and a crew of 16.  
The plane will go into regular operation between Washington and San Francisco for the next six months. Thereafter it will be used on overseas flights.

#### GOVERNOR'S PAINTING HUNG

TORONTO, Feb. 3 (CP) — "Landscape of Ottawa Valley" painted by Viscount Alexander in 1947, was hung today in the Toronto Men's Press Club. The Governor-General, a life member officially opened the club's new quarters last Nov. 24.

#### Coming Events

\*\*Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.

\*\*East Royale rink tonight. Skate. Good ice.

\*\*Dance and crokinole in French River Hall Friday, Feb. 4.

\*\*Lot 65 tonight show, "Beyond Bengal", 8 o'clock.

\*\*Unloading car of Coal today. Russel Driscoll, Mt. Herbert.

\*\*Carnival at Augustine Cove rink Feb. 14. Admission 15c and 25c. Persons with costumes free.

\*\*Hockey at Milton rink tonight. Milton vs. Winslow Juveniles. Game starts 8:15, skate after.

\*\*Pie Social and Dance in St. Patrick's School, Lot 22, Friday, February 4th.

\*\*Horse Races at Vernon, Wednesday, February 9th, commencing at 2 o'clock.

\*\*Annual Meeting Dufdas Dairy Association, Wednesday, February 9th, at 2 P. M.

\*\*Annual Meeting of West River Shorthorn Association at Kenneth MacNeill's, Monday, February 7th.

\*\*Loading hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., at Murray River, Monday, 7th February. E. R. Beck.

\*\*Unloading car Old Sydney Screened Coal at Hazelbrook, James Wood.

\*\*Jimmy Power's Variety Concert at Winslow Station Hall, Friday, February 4th, 8:15 P. M. Auction Sale of Cakes.

\*\*Expect to unload car baled shavings this week. Special price delivery off car. E. W. Carmody, Phone 2537-L.

\*\*Hockey, League game Covehead rink tonight between Covehead Red Wings and Southport Ramblers. Skate after.

\*\*Hockey Game at North Rustico rink Saturday, February 5th. South Rustico vs. New Glasgow. Game starts 8:30. Skate after.

\*\*Don't miss skate tonight at Hunter River rink from 8 till 10:30. Good music. Also hockey practice between Harrisville and Wiltshire from 7 till 8 o'clock.

\*\*Get your costumes for the ice carnival at Hunter River rink Saturday, Feb. 5th. Good music, good ice. If stormy, Monday. Proceeds Y. P. U.

\*\*There's an action packed, gripping drama, at MacDonald Bros. Theatre in Mt. Stewart tonight. See Humphrey Bogart and Laura Bacall in "Dark Passage" plus Short. Show 8 P. M.

\*\*Special meeting of farmers of East Royale, Central Royale to meet in Central Royale School at 8 o'clock. Problems of interest to all will be discussed. Orwell Morrisey, Alex Agnew.

#### High Living Costs Worry Australians

BY GORDON TAIT  
SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 3 (AP) — Australians are becoming worried about the rising cost of living in their country.  
Government statistics show these increases in living costs in Sydney compared with 1939: food, 42.6 per cent; clothing, 117.7 per cent; miscellaneous items, 36.2 per cent; rents, 8 per cent.  
These increases have been brought about mainly by:  
1. Withdrawal of government subsidies on essential food and clothing.  
2. Introduction of a 40-hour week, which has reduced each worker's output.  
3. Shortage of manpower, which has forced employers to pay high wages.  
4. Removal of price ceilings on thousands of items.  
5. Pressure by unions for higher minimum wages and benefits.

The Australian basic wage is adjusted to the cost of living every few months. An increase in the basic wage usually means a raise for everyone. This soon pushes up the cost of living again, and there is a further wage change.  
Today the basic wage in Sydney is \$2 4s Australian (\$2.15) a week. In 1939 it was \$4 2s a week.

#### Reveal Names Of Crash Victims

BAIE DE LA TRINITE, Que., Feb. 3 (CP) — Eight persons killed in the crash of a passenger-carrying Anson aircraft at this St. Lawrence village were positively identified today.  
They were:  
Ken Smith, pilot of the plane, Riviere du Loup;  
Georges Ouellet, Mechanic, Lac St. Agnes, Que.;  
Archie LePage, Rimouski;  
Lionel Gagnon, La Amqui;  
Maurice Chamberland, St. Simon de Rimouski;  
Robert Berube, St. Donat de Rimouski;  
Edgar Lebel, Rimouski;  
Louis Ross, St. Marcellin.  
All but Lebel and Ross died instantly when the aircraft plunged to earth a few seconds after take-off on a trip which was to take bush workers home on holidays. Lebel and Ross died in hospital at Rimouski.  
All passengers were employed in bush operations by the St. Lawrence Paper Mills Co.

#### Expect New Decline In TB Death Rate

WINNIPEG, Feb. 3 (CP) — Canada's tuberculosis death rate in 1948 is expected to be lower than in 1947 — when it was a record low — Dr. G.J. Wherrett of Ottawa, executive secretary of the Canadian Tuberculosis Association, said yesterday in an interview.  
Canada's highest T.B. rate is in Quebec and the Maritimes, Dr. Wherrett said, but both areas are gradually dropping to the national average.

#### Livestock Show At Amherst March 29-30

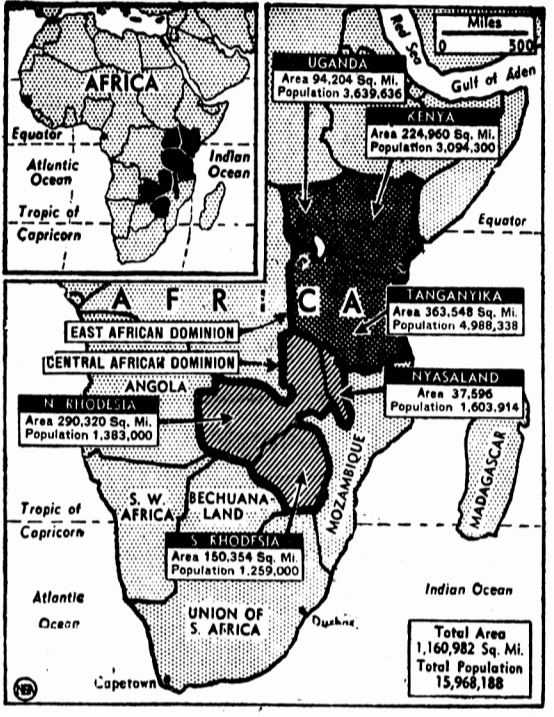
AMHERST, N. S., Feb. 3 (CP) — J. H. King of Moncton, N. B., manager of the Maritime spring stock show, announced today that this year's show will be held here March 29 and 30.

#### Cardinal Mindszenty Trial On Treason Charges Opens

BY ENDRE MARTON  
BUDAPEST, Feb. 3 (AP) — The prosecution charged tonight that Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, now on trial for treason, had attempted to get Seiden Chapin, United States Minister to Hungary, to help him escape prison and flee Hungary by plane.  
The court rejected Cardinal Mindszenty's acknowledgment of the attempt after he made a reply which was barely audible. The court then adjourned until 10 A.M. (5 A.M. AST) tomorrow.  
Hungary's Roman Catholic primate pleaded partial culpability to the government charges against him. He firmly denied, however, that he had plotted to overthrow Hungary's Communist-dominated regime.  
All of the things charged against him, the Cardinal said, occurred early in 1947, "when many people thought that a third world war was inevitable."  
Cardinal Mindszenty said that in the future he would regard for the sovereignty of the Hungarian Government. He also offered to withdraw from his office for a time if such a move would help establish peace between the government and the Catholic Church.  
Cardinal Mindszenty and six other defendants went on trial today on charges of treason, spying and black market money dealings.  
U. S. Rejects Charge  
In his "Yellow Book" on Cardinal Mindszenty's case, the government charged Chapin sought military and other information from the Cardinal. Those charges

were rejected by the United States, which expressed full confidence in Chapin.  
The Cardinal was clad in the robes of a simple priest when he was brought in to face the court. His facial expression contained the same fixed look of religious zeal which marked his appearance before his trial last Dec. 27.  
The trial had extended through the afternoon and into the evening, when prosecutor Gyula Elapi introduced a letter which he said the Cardinal had written in prison to Chapin Jan. 26.  
The letter asked the American Minister to help in the escape plan and promised \$4,000 to the pilot. The letter said the Cardinal would be accused of selling "secrets" to the United States.  
Speaking to the Cardinal in the dock, presiding Judge Vilmos Olthys asked:  
"Will you admit you wrote this letter?"  
The Cardinal, who had spoken clearly and firmly earlier, muttered something. His reply was barely audible. Judge Olthys said he would accept the reply as meaning "yes."  
Prior to the production of the letter, the prosecutor had asked the Cardinal whether he had tried to escape. The Cardinal requested that he be permitted not to answer the question.  
Cardinal Mindszenty appeared shaken for the first time when the letter was introduced. Earlier in the day he had appeared calm as the court questioned him closely about documents the prosecution said were found in a metal

#### Urge New "Capricorn Africa"



Representatives of Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland will meet in February to draft a proposal for creation of a new dominion uniting British lands between the Equator and the Tropic of Capricorn, as shown in dark shading on map above. The plan calls for a Central African Dominion, composed of the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland and an East African Dominion, composed of Kenya, Tanganyika and Uganda, with final federation of the two as "Capricorn Africa." Supporters of the plan, pointing to potential strategic, economic and political advantages, say such a federation would be one of the most important events in African history.

#### Calls Potato Cheapest Food On The Market

Mr. W. R. Shaw Praises Spud At Canadian Horticultural Council Meeting.

#### Duplessis Urges Personal Effort

QUEBEC, Feb. 3 (CP) — Premier Duplessis told the Quebec Legislature today the time has come for public men to encourage "personal effort, personal dignity and personal responsibility."  
"It is a bad service to our compatriots to suggest the government should do everything for them and spend for everything they need," he said.  
He declared the Quebec Government spent \$75,000,000 a year in "gratuities" to various sections of the population.  
It is not necessary to admit there is a limit to the financial contributions of state, and particularly a young state such as ours," he said.  
The government leader spoke during debate in the Quebec Legislature on a bill to authorize additional expenditure of \$3,500,000 as a contribution to interest charges on private housing loans.  
Replying to suggestions from the Opposition that the Provincial Government extend its efforts to solve the housing problem, Premier Duplessis said his administration would like to do more but "must live within its means."  
Fresh products account for one-third of all Canadian exports.

#### Minister Forsees Progress For East Coast Fisheries

HALIFAX, Feb. 3 (CP) — Fisheries Minister Mayhew looked to the future tonight and saw special refrigeration ships taking fruitful cargoes of fresh east coast fish through the proposed St. Lawrence waterway to the rich inland industrial market of the United States.  
He was addressing a concluding banquet of the two-day third annual conference of the east coast fisheries. He said his department recognized the changing demand for fresh fish and had put scientists to work on railway and retail store refrigeration.  
But merchandising, salesmanship and distribution were still needed badly and these were the responsibility of the industry itself. The Canadian home market needed exploitation and this was the industry's biggest asset.  
Of the future? "If and when the proposed St. Lawrence waterway is completed," he forecast, "we

#### Government And Opposition Speakers Heard

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL  
OTTAWA, Feb. 3 (CP) — A Government supporter and a member of the official Opposition took turns in the Commons today at tossing about the contentious Dominion-Provincial relations issue.  
David Croll (L. — Toronto Spadina) said it was clear from what occurred at the conference which ended in failure in 1946 that the Ontario Government's attitude was:  
"You pay my price or else I won't play."  
Donald Fleming (PC — Toronto Eglinton) said the Federal Government was responsible for the failure of the conference and added that Prime Minister St. Laurent has apparently made up his mind not to call any more conferences with the Provinces.  
The 44-year-old lawyer, one of the sharpest critics in Opposition ranks, said the Prime Minister had indicated in a speech Monday that he has neither the time nor the patience to attend further Dominion-Provincial conferences.  
In the speech, Mr. St. Laurent had stated that he felt he had wasted his time by leaving a United Nations meeting in London in 1946 to return for the Dominion-Provincial conference which ended in failure in that year.  
"If we take his words at their face value, they mean that as long as the present Government is in power there will be no more Dominion — Provincial conferences," said Mr. Fleming.  
Mr. Fleming, one of several to participate in continued debate on the Throne Speech, charged the Government with attempting to rip up the Canadian constitution, with neglecting defence, with maintaining crushing taxation, with practicing extravagance and with failing to make any headway in the field of housing.  
Because of these things the Government "does not possess the confidence of the people of this country and does not deserve the confidence of this House," said Mr. Fleming.  
Other speakers included Joseph Fair (SC — Battle River), Robert Bradette (L. — Cochrane) and F.S. Zaplatina (OOF — Dauphin).  
Mr. Fair said the policies of the Government are helping to increase Communism in Canada, because the potential production of the country is not being made available to the people.  
Mr. Bradette, dealing with trade relations with the United Kingdom, said the day may come when Britain will find it impossible to liquidate her debt to Canada. Under such conditions it would be "proper for us to forget about it."  
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#### Coal Miners To Get 50 Cents Day Pay Increase

HALIFAX, Feb. 3 (CP) — Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation, Canada's biggest coal operator, and district 26 United Mine Workers (C.C.L.), the Maritimes' biggest union, today reached agreement on their 1949 wages and work contract.  
But the settlement — a 50-cents-a-day increase above the current \$7.64 daily basic rate — must be ratified by the union's 13,000 members before it becomes effective.  
The agreement was reached after months of negotiation. The union called in international vice-president Thomas Kennedy when talks deadlocked Jan. 14. The U.M.W. had asked a daily increase of \$2.56 and had rejected a Dosco offer of 25 cents a day.  
Mr. Kennedy conferred here yesterday and today with Harold C. M. Gordon, Dosco's chief of coal operations, and Freeman Jenkins, the union's district 26 president. Agreement came late today.  
The settlement also provided for consolidation of the daily-rate part of contract workers' earnings into the contract rates. Contract workers do not work a straight shift but have a contract to complete certain jobs. Some, however, are paid partly on a daily basis.  
There was no announcement on when the union referendum will be held but it probably will take place in the next two weeks.  
The current contract expired Jan. 31. It was extended to Feb. 28 at the request of the union while negotiations continued. The new agreement, if accepted, will date from Feb. 1.  
Dosco employs more than 10,000 of the union's 15,000 membership and hoists 87 per cent of all coal mined in Nova Scotia.  
The independent operators in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick usually follow Dosco's lead although in New Brunswick smaller wage increases than those given by Dosco have been accepted by the some 800 miners there.

#### N. B. Workmen's Compensation Act Discussed

The operation of the Workmen's Compensation Act in New Brunswick was discussed at a meeting of church workers in St. Paul's Parish Hall last evening by Col. W. A. MacDougall, chairman of the New Brunswick Workmen's Compensation Board, who will remain in Charlottetown today in order to give the benefit of his advice to interested Provincial Government officials in the preparation of legislation for this Province.  
Last night's meeting was called and arranged by the Affiliated Laymen's Council of Charlottetown, whose president, Lt. Col. Leo F. MacDonald, and Mr. N. A. McEldar, the representative of the First Baptist Church, had invited Col. MacDougall to come to Charlottetown to address the meeting.  
According to Col. MacDougall, over 93,000 workmen in New Brunswick.

#### Expect New Insulators To Prove Poor Targets

NEW YORK, Feb. 2 (AP) — The Western Union Company has taken steps to end a time-honored pastime of small boys—throwing rocks at those big fat glass insulators on telegraph poles. To cut down its losses on insulators, which also have been a favorite target for hunters, Western Union has developed a new inexpensive, unbreakable rubber insulator.  
The new insulators weigh only one-fourth as much as the old and are much smaller.  
Rocks bounce off harmlessly and bullets do not cause shattering.

#### News In Brief

TORONTO, Feb. 3 (CP) — N. Ray Wilson of Kenmore, Ont., today was elected president of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada at the annual convention here. He succeeds J. M. Fraser of Streetsville, Ont.  
OSLO, Feb. 3 (Reuters) — The Royal Sovereign, 29,000-ton British battleship being returned by Russia after a wartime loan, today was sighted off Marstein Light-house, south of the Norwegian port of Bergen. Earlier the battleship failed to keep a rendezvous with a British destroyer in the Firth of Forth, off May Island.  
SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 3 (CP) — Margarine went on sale here today at prices ranging from 45 to 47 cents and grocers said the butter substitute moved over counters at a healthy clip. Present butter price is about 73 cents a pound.

#### Federal Geologist To Probe Land Subsidence

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 3 (CP) — A Federal Government geologist will open investigation of a land subsidence here tomorrow or Saturday, it was announced today.  
The land sinkage, near Lancaster Avenue in West Saint John, has endangered five homes. Ground at the rear of the houses dropped 90 feet, creating a cliff 500 yards long, in a week. No further movement has been recorded for two days.



TORONTO, Feb. 3 (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 31, 35; Edmonton 7B, 3B; Regina 26B, 3B; Winnipeg 27B, 3B; Toronto 14, 28; Ottawa 6B, 24; Montreal 3, 15; Quebec 8B, 9; Saint John 1B, 13; Moncton 6B, 9; Halifax 6, 16; Charlottetown 1B, 8; Sydney 10, 12; Yarmouth 12, 20.  
HALIFAX, Feb. 3 (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Friday.  
Synopsis:  
Thursday was a very cold day over the Maritimes. This very cold weather will continue during the night, but on Friday temperatures will moderate. However, temperatures are forecast to remain below freezing in all regions.  
An area of high pressure covers the New England States, and will move across the Maritime Friday, causing another fine day over Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Snowflurries are forecast for most of New Brunswick and Gaspé. Indications at present are that Saturday will be a poor day due to a disturbance now centred over the Southern United States.  
Regional forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island: Clear becoming overcast Friday evening Milder Friday afternoon. West winds 15 becoming light by morning. Low early Friday morning at Charlottetown 10 and high in the afternoon 20.  
High tide this afternoon at 2:24 and tonight at 2:44.  
Sun rises this morning at 7:1 and sets at 5:12.  
LEAVES WEEK DAYS  
Leaves Borden 8:10 A.M. and arrives at Cape Tormentine 4:10:15 A.M.  
Leaves Cape Tormentine 2:40 P.M. and arrives at Borden 3:55 P.M.  
No Sunday schedule in effect.