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COMMUNISTS ATTEMPT TO STIR UP TROUBLE IN INDIA

One Home Destroyed, Another Damaged By Fires In Prince County

James G. Taggart Made Deputy Minister

OTTAWA, Feb. 28 — (CP) — Appointment of Dr. G. S.H. Barton, 66 as special assistant to Agriculture Minister Gardner was announced today by Prime Minister St. Laurent.

Dr. Barton has been Deputy Minister of Agriculture since 1933 and is succeeded in that post by James G. Taggart, a native of Parrboro, N. S., now director-in-chief of Agricultural Services.

Another farm service appointment was announced today by Finance Minister Douglas Abbott — that of John C. Murray as chairman of the Canadian Farm Loan Board.

Mr. Taggart is a graduate of the Nova Scotia and Ontario Agriculture Colleges and was Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan from 1934 to 1944.

During the war he served as chairman of the Meat Board, as food administrator of the Prices Board and later as chairman of the Agricultural Prices Support Board.

Islander On Acadia Debating Team

WOLFVILLE, N.S., Feb. 28 — (CP) — Acadia University debaters tonight gained a unanimous decision over a team from the University of New Brunswick Law School.

Acadia successfully upheld the resolution "that labor unions should remain non-political if they are to serve the best interests of a whole and the community as a whole."

Acadia debaters were Noel MacNeil, Charlottetown, and Fred Fisher, Middleton, N.S. Gordon Garrison, Sydney, N.S., and Vernon Copp, Saint John, N.B., debated for U.N.B.

C.W.A.C. Reunion Planned In June

TORONTO, Feb. 28 — (CP) — More than 1,500 former members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps are expected here June 11-12 for the first major C.W.A.C. reunion since the end of the Second World War.

Defence Minister Claxton will be guest speaker at a banquet the first day. Lt-General Charles Foulkes, chief of staff of the Canadian army, will take the salute when the former servicewomen parade to church Sunday morning.

Coming Events

- * * * * * "Mail your Films to Garnhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- * * * * * "Cornwall Rink tonight, Senior hockey game with skate after.
- * * * * * "Long Creek Rink tonight, Cornwall Juniors vs. Long Creek Beavers.
- * * * * * "Will be loading hogs at Hunter River and Albany all day Tuesday and Wednesday morning until noon, Swift Canadian Co., Ltd.
- * * * * * "Jimmy Power's variety concert Harrington Hall Thursday, March 3rd, starting at 8:30. Sale of lunches.
- * * * * * "COP Broadcast, C. P. C. Y. Tuesday, March 1st, at 8:45 P. M. Donald MacLean, Tyne Valley, speaking on "This Thing Called Freedom."
- * * * * * "See Dennis Morgan in a tense, terrific drama "The Victor" playing at Macdonald Bros. Theatre tonight, plus last Chapter of Jessie James.
- * * * * * "We can offer complete and/or assorted carloads of Bran, Shorts and Middlings, all grades of whole and ground grains such as Ground Oats, Barley Meal and Cornmeal ground from equal portions of corn, oats, rye and barley. Tell us what you are interested in buying in grain and feed. The Atlas Grain Company, Board of Trade Building, Montreal, Que.

Farm Price Support Figures

OTTAWA, Feb. 28 — (CP) — The Federal Government still has available \$196,674,000 of the original \$200,000,000 fund provided for the price support of farm products, the Commons was told today.

In a return tabled for Hasen Argue (COP—Wood Mountain), the Agriculture Department said \$4,357,000 has been spent for the purpose since 1944.

Expenditures by years: Nova Scotia apples, amounts of \$1,000,000 and \$2,299,000 for the 1947 crop; \$1,028,000 for the 1948 crop.

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island potatoes, amounts of \$109,265 and \$61,353 for the 1946 crop.

Still under support: Potatoes from P.E.I. and some areas of New Brunswick, at \$1.15 per 100 pounds in growers' bins after April 1.

Nova Scotia apples, \$3.90 per barrel fresh and \$2.50 a barrel for processing.

Falls Ill On Eve Of 105th Birthday

BEBE, Que., Feb. 28 — (CP) — Birthday celebrations for Mrs. Emma Byron Moir, 105 years old today, had to be restricted because she has the grippe.

Mrs. Moir, hale and hearty at her age, fell ill during the night and had to keep to her rooms today.

Home Damaged

The home of Captain John Skerry, Alberton Wharf, was considerably damaged by fire yesterday morning. It was discovered between ten and eleven o'clock and is believed to have started from a room stove.

When Miss Dorothy Skerry happened to go in the room she found it ablaze and she summoned her father who rushed upstairs to find that two rooms were on fire. He immediately summoned the fire department from Alberton, and they responded and extinguished the fire.

Two rooms upstairs and two rooms downstairs are quite badly charred. Some of the family clothing was lost and the organ was badly damaged.

There was \$600 insurance on the building and \$200 on the furniture.—S.

Parliament At-A-Glance

Prime Minister St. Laurent and George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, hurled charges and counter-charges across the floor.

Throne-Speech debate meandered from topic to topic as nearly a dozen members spoke.

External Affairs Minister Pearson tabled the annual report of the United Nations for 1948.

Resources Minister MacKinnon said choice of the route for the proposed Trans-Canada Highway will be up to the Provinces.

Tuesday: The Commons will continue the Throne-Speech debate. The Senate will not sit.

More Churchmen Enter Guilty Plea

SOFIA, Feb. 28 — (AP) — Proceedings speeded up in Bulgaria's spy trial today as five more Protestant churchmen pleaded guilty and asked for a chance to work for the Communist-controlled government.

Their confessions were entered at the rate of one every 45 minutes. So routine has the pattern of self-incrimination become that several spectators in the courtroom dozed during the session.

Canadian Charged In Baby-adoption Case

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 — (CP) — A former Montreal woman was charged today with operating an illegal baby-adoption business on a wholesale scale.

Mrs. Alice R. P. Satterthwaite, 56, a former social worker who said she came here from Montreal in 1926, pleaded innocent to the charges and was released on \$500 bail.

Frank S. Hogan, New York district attorney, said she "placed out for adoption hundreds of babies in the last four or five years." He said she had transported some of them by plane.

Hogan accused her of "wholesale placing of infants for adoption on a national scale."

She was named in informations which alleged conspiracy to violate the state social welfare law, violation of that law, and second-degree perjury growing out of a false affidavit allegedly signed in an adoption case.

The welfare law does not allow anyone except an authorized person or agency to board out children for adoption.

Warren J. Heeg, her counsel,

Workmen's Compensation Bill In Committee Stage

Claim 176 Miles To Gallon Of Gas

OTTAWA, Feb. 28 — (CP) — A new carburetor that will give motorists 176 miles to the gallon was claimed today by Paul Emile DesRoches, 35-year-old Hull man.

In a special demonstration for local newspaper men, DesRoches today fitted his carburetor to the engine of a 1948 standard model sedan, drained his gas tank, poured in a quart of gasoline, and drove 44 miles. He was able to drain some of the quart out of the tank at the end of the trip.

The carburetor, still unpatented, is kept in parts in safety deposit boxes. Reports said a 230-pound bodyguard who was in attendance kept them from seeing what the gadget looked like.

DesRoches, a war veteran and the father of five children, said he wanted at least \$5,000,000 for his invention. He had been working on it for 15 years.

Ferry Cabot Strait Caught In Ice Off Sydney, N. S.

SYDNEY, N.S., Feb. 28 — (CP) — The ferry Cabot Strait, with 50 passengers aboard, was caught in heavy drift ice off this Cape Breton port tonight. The government ice-breaker Saurel was ordered out in an attempt to free her.

The ferry, which plies between nearby North Sydney and Port aux Basques, Nfld., left on her 11th Newfoundlander run today but jammed solid in ice running out of the Gulf of St. Lawrence through Cabot Strait.

The Saurel, which rescued dozens of ships from drift ice last winter, would be going back to her old job.

As far as could be learned, the

Expect Flow Of Seed Potatoes To Be Continued

Under the arrangements made between the Canadian and U. S. governments last December, today marks the closing of the states of Virginia, Alabama and Georgia to Canadian seed potatoes.

However, Upstate New York, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan will open up as markets today.

Mr. E. D. Reid, manager of the P. E. I. Potato Growers Association believes there will be little change in the rate of movement as orders are on hand for the last named states.

March 15 will see the state of Maine open to our seed stock and more movement is expected then.

Mr. S. G. Peppin of the Certifi-

Emphasis Shifts From Words To Munitions

(Editor's Note: This column is presented as an indication of American opinion on major world events.)

By J.M. ROBERTS, Jr. (Associated Press News Analyst)

With the Atlantic pact now generally approved, official emphasis is shifting from words to munitions.

Week-end expressions favoring the pact by Denmark's principal political parties and by Senator Arthur Vandenberg brought this project to the point where only last-minute details remain to be worked out.

Europe, the United States State Department and the United States Senate seemed satisfied. Only Sweden, among the countries which had been expected to be early signers, still is reluctant. And reports from Scandinavia in-

Two French Army Officers Arrested As Red Spies

PARIS, Feb. 28 — (AP) — Two French army officers have been arrested as Communist spies and one of them has confessed, the Interior Ministry said today.

Maj. Louis-Georges Teulery, 37, has admitted he delivered military secrets to a foreign power, police said.

The second officer arrested was identified as a Capt. Azema, an instructor of airborne troops. The police said he admitted giving information to a French Communist weekly newspaper.

Three Communist journalists and a defence plant draftsman already are under arrest on spy charges.

Use Murder, Arson And Sabotage

BY E. SAKAOPAN

NEW DELHI, Feb. 28 — (AP) — Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru told the Legislative Assembly today the Communists are trying to start something in India.

He said these attempts have resulted in "murder, arson, looting and sabotage" in certain limited areas of the Dominion, but that the strength of popular opinion and prompt government action prevented Communist efforts to stir the people to revolt.

Among other things, Nehru charged that Communists murdered more than 200 members of the Hyderabad State Congress since India moved into this princely state last September.

He blamed the Communists for the recent destruction of the Calcutta telephone exchange, for trying to start a railroad strike and for trying to sabotage the railways and telephone, telegraph and power stations.

He charged an outburst of violence last Saturday in Calcutta to the revolutionary Communist Party of India.

He identified this as a group which broke away "from the Communist Party of India but collaborates with it on occasion."

Nehru said 14 "terrorists" were arrested Saturday night and hand grenades, sten guns and bombs recovered. He said the same group made an attempt to blow up the waterworks near Calcutta several months ago.

"During part of the year," Nehru said, the Communist Party has "adopted an attitude not only of open hostility to the government but one which can be described as bordering on open revolt."

Group Insurance Preferable

Hon. A. W. Matheson said he understood that companies with group insurance go farther than the proposed legislation, by providing for sickness as well as accident benefits, as well as group life insurance in Charlottetown whose members

Small Children Die In N. B. Dwelling Fire

(By The Canadian Press)

SHIPPIGAN, N.B., Feb. 28 — The bodies of three small children, found today in the ruins of their fire-routed home on isolated Shippigan Island, were buried in home-made coffins this afternoon after a funeral service at St. Jerome's Church.

The fire, started by an explosion of kerosene, took the lives of Annette, six, Simeon, four, and Jean Guy, two—children of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Paulin of Chassignon Office.

Another tragedy struck the island, causing a fourth fatality, when seven-year-old Thelma Robichaud was hit by a car while playing on the road in front of her home at Inkerman.

Mrs. Paulin, seriously burned when kerosene exploded as she used it to start a kitchen fire last evening, was taken to hospital at Tracadie.

Her clothing aflame, she ran

U.K. To Double Bacon Imports From Holland

BY JAMES MCCOOK NN

LONDON, Feb. 28 — (CP) — The United Kingdom has arranged to double her imports of bacon from The Netherlands without entering into commitments to supply a wide range of goods (she may be able to market in Canada, informed sources said today).

The trade agreement provides for purchase in 1949 of 10,000 tons of Dutch bacon compared with 4,971 tons in 1948. In 1938 Britain imported nearly 26,000 tons of Dutch bacon.

Provision also is made for purchase of 790,000 cases of eggs this year compared with 483,500 in 1948 and nearly 2,000,000 cases in 1938.

The sources said that priority is being given to the export drive to Canada and that in The Netherlands negotiations in all others the Canadian market was

Bank Superintendent

Mr. C. J. Loughlin

HALIFAX, Feb. 28 — (CP) — C. J. Loughlin, manager of the Halifax branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has been appointed superintendent of the bank's Maritime and Newfoundland division, it was announced here tonight.

He succeeds W.M. Blackstock, appointed superintendent of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan division. T. A. Pugsley of Toronto will be manager of the Halifax branch.

Mr. Loughlin, a native of Flat Islands, Nfld., joined the Bank of Commerce at Fredericton in 1916, and has held posts in branches throughout the Maritimes. In 1944, he returned to Newfoundland as manager of the St. John's branch. Three years later, he became manager of the Halifax branch.

Kingpin Gambler Loses Appeal Case

MONTREAL, Feb. 28 — (CP) — Appeal of Harry Ship, onetime Montreal gambling kingpin, against conviction on a charge of keeping a common gaming house, was dismissed today by the Quebec Court of Appeals.

The court's decision means Ship must serve a six-month term for the gambling conviction registered against him more than a year ago.

Way Opened For Revival Of Hong Kong Controversy

(By John LeBlanc)

OTTAWA, Feb. 28 — (CP) — An angry round of accusations between Prime Minister St. Laurent and George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, today threw the Commons into a lather and opened the way for a full-dress revival tomorrow of the wartime Hong Kong expedition controversy.

Central figure of the Hong Kong issue, the Opposition leader accused Mr. St. Laurent of lacking "courage and decency" in his handling of the wartime charge under the Defence of Canada Regulations against Mr. Drew for his criticism of some phases of the expedition.

To Table Letter

He wound up by promising to table tomorrow the text of his long letter to wartime Prime Minister Mackenzie King setting forth charges of mishandling of the expedition. The letter was written in July, 1942.

This move, it appeared, would stir up anew the old battle over the propriety of tabling the letter in the Commons. Its publication was banned by censorship during the war.

The Prime Minister—who was Minister of Justice at the time the charge was placed against Mr. Drew—said he denied "completely and unreservedly" the opposition leader's claim that he had "neither the courage to proceed with nor the decency to withdraw" the accusation.

Earlier, he had accused Mr. Drew of making an "irresponsible and unwarranted attack" on public serv-

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TORONTO, Feb. 28 — (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 31, 54; Edmonton 14, 47; Regina 10, 26; Winnipeg 20, 45; Toronto 25, 30; Ottawa 15, 30; Montreal 14, 29; Quebec 10, 24; Saint John 9, 34; Moncton 5, 23; Halifax 19, 34; Charlottetown 15, 28; Sydney 24, 32; Yarmouth 20, 37, b-below.

HALIFAX, Feb. 28 — (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Tuesday.

Synopsis: Monday evening the weather was fine over the Maritimes. There was still some low cloud caused by the northerly current of air from the Atlantic. This was the last effect of the storm that had caused heavy snow and gales over the district over the weekend. Thin high cloud was appearing over the western region as the advance indication of the next storm. This had formed off the United States coast and was causing gales with snow and rain in New England. As the storm centre moves across the Maritimes it will give similar weather here.

In the wake of the storm colds air will flow into the district so that variable cloudiness and scattered snowfalls can be expected Tuesday evening.

Regional forecasts:— Prince Edward Island, Eastern N. B. Counties: Snow during the night occasionally mixed with rain in the morning. Cloudy with scattered snowfalls Tuesday afternoon and evening. Milder Tuesday morning becoming colder again Tuesday night. Light wind increased Tuesday morning to east 20 and shifting Tuesday afternoon to west 20 gusty. Low and high Tuesday at Charlottetown 18 and 32.

High tide today at 12:24 A. M. Sun rises this morning at 6:4 and sets at 5:47.

Summerside tide eighteen mid ups later than Charlottetown.

WEEK DAYS

Leaves Borden 8:10 A. M. and arrives at Cape Tormentine 9:15 A. M.

Leaves Cape Tormentine 2:40 P. M. and arrives at Borden 3:35 P. M.

No Sunday schedule in effect.