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BRITAIN BACKS UP PROTEST WITH SHOW OF FORCE

Britain, France To Have Peace Conference Of Own On Wednesday

Toronto Seaman Saves Five Mates

BELFAST, Jan. 9 — (Reuters) — Bill Brace, an able seaman from Toronto, saved five of his mates by letting them cling to his body in the wash of giant waves across the deck, it was disclosed when the storm-battered Canadian freighter Cumberland County reached harbor here tonight.

The ship's hold was full of water and some of her plates were sprung.

At the height of a storm off Narvik, a huge wave swept Brace and five others to the rails.

The Toronto man gripped a stanchion with one hand and hung on while the five clung to his body.

"If his strength had failed, all of us would have been lost," said messman David White of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia.

The 7,176-ton freighter, bound from Narvik to Baltimore with 6,000 tons of iron ore, survived a four-day battering in the worst storm in the crew's memory.

Crew members said it was "touch and go" for three days and at times they thought the ship could not possibly stay afloat.

King George Moves To Norfolk Estate

LONDON, Jan. 9 — (AP) — The King, suffering from a grave leg ailment, went to his Norfolk estate Saturday to continue a convalescence which his doctors have called satisfactory.

The King, with Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary, travelled by special train to Sandringham, his birthplace and favorite retreat, for an indefinite stay.

There he joined Princess Elizabeth, Prince Philip, their baby Prince Charles, and Princess Margaret, who drove the slightly more than 100 miles earlier in the week. It was the King's first venture outside London since Nov. 11.

Coming Events

- Special meeting Hamilton, Lodge Monday night.
- Show Morell 8 P.M. every Friday. Good Pictures. Good Serial.
- Dance Long Creek hall Tuesday, Jan. 11. Sale of lunches.
- Dance and Whist, Flat River Hall, January 12th.
- Crapaud District L. O. L. meets at Canoe Cove, January 11th at 2:30 p.m.
- C.C.F. broadcast over CFYU Tuesday, Jan. 11th, at 8:45 p.m. Speaker, Douglas MacFarlane.
- Card Party and Dance, Hampton Hall, Tuesday, January 11th. Women's Institute.
- Our store will be closed Wednesday and Thursday for stock taking. R. L. Dickison.
- Come to Milton variety concert at Wheatley River hall Monday, Jan. 10 if car road passable.
- Unloading Monday at Colville Station, car Cateria stock and poultry feeds all at old prices. James T. McLeod, Hampshire.
- Farmers will meet on Summersfield Hall, Monday, January 10th, 8 P.M. to complete Organization In-formation Unit.
- Reserve Thursday, January 13th, Bean Supper in Aiton Hall. In aid of New Dominion Institute. Supper served 6 P.M.
- Notice: All interested attend annual meeting of Mayfield Hall Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. By order of president, James Houston.
- The regular meeting of the Ross Credit Union in Pownall Hall, January 10th, at 8 o'clock. All those interested in Co-operative Stores please attend.
- Meetings Morell and vicinity. Don't miss Study Club organization meetings; also movies. Time, 7:30 p.m. each evening. At: Simpson Road School, Monday, Jan. 10th; Marie Church Hall, Tuesday, Jan. 11th; Bangor School, Wednesday, Jan. 12th; Morell Rear School, Thursday, Jan. 13th; Byrnes Road School, Friday, Jan. 14th.

Arrests Follow Toronto Robberies

TORONTO, Jan. 9 — (CP) — Police today announced the arrests of two more persons in connection with fur coat and jewelry store robberies in Toronto involving more than \$25,000.

Clifford W. Clifford, 38, and his wife, Margaret, were charged with breaking and entering a downtown clothing store following their arrest yesterday. A charge of receiving also was laid against the woman.

The action followed the arrests Friday of John Hill and his wife Jean who police said were found in bed sleeping on stolen fur coats.

Well Known Priest Retires.

RESERVE, N.S., Jan. 9 — (CP) — The father of adult education in the Maritimes, a pioneer in co-operatives and credit unions and a leader in many other movements, Dr. J.J. (Jimmy) Tompkins has retired here after a lengthy career as parish priest.

The retirement of the 79-year-old pastor was necessitated by ill health. He will continue to reside in this Cape Breton community where a co-operative housing project bears his name as one monument to his work.

Father Tompkins is a graduate of St. Francis Xavier University. He completed his theological studies in Rome and was ordained there in 1902.

On his return to Canada he joined the St. F.X. staff and in 1907 was appointed vice-president of the college. In 1922 he was named parish priest at Canoe where he gave guidance and leadership in adult education among the fishermen. This led to organization of the first unit of the United Maritime Fishermen.

In 1934 he was appointed to St. Peter's parish, Reserve, where he continued his efforts in co-operatives, adult education and credit unions. In 1941 he was given an honorary LL.D. by Harvard University in recognition of his work in the Maritimes.

Bank To Reimburse Deposit-box Holders

TORONTO, Jan. 9 — The Bank of Nova Scotia announced Saturday it will reimburse deposit-box holders who lost securities last Nov. after the securities stolen were in bearer form, the remainder being non-negotiable.

Customers who held safely-deposit boxes in the Maxville branch "were being advised they would be reimbursed for securities for which they can establish ownership," the bank officials said.

The bank said reports from Montreal disclosed the thieves have attempted to dispose of some of their stolen bonds there but "have been unable to peddle their loot at 50 cents on the dollar."

Meanwhile bank officials did not disclose how many deposit boxes were broken into, but said the bank's own funds amounting to \$15,000 were not touched.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

FREDERICTON, Jan. 9 — (CP) — Frank Lyons, Fredericton, was committed for trial at Saturday's conclusion of his preliminary hearing on a manslaughter charge resulting from the death of Ernest Coy, hit by a truck allegedly driven by Lyons Dec. 9.

Lyons was released on \$4,000 bail. The case will be tried at the January term of the Circuit Court.

Beaverbrook Quarrels With Conservatives

By NORMAN CRIBBENS
LONDON, Jan. 9 — (CP) — As dynamic as ever in his 80th year, Lord Beaverbrook is in the throes of another quarrel with the British Conservative Party.

The issue on which the dispute is based is not clear but the Canadian-born publisher often has been at odds with the party.

The central office of the Conservative Party is more anxious to get rid of more than I am to get rid of the Tory Party," he told the Canadian Press on the telephone Saturday. Then he added: "There is one good member of the Tory Party and that is Mr. Winston Churchill."

Lord Beaverbrook referred to a story in one of his own newspapers, The Evening Standard, which Friday quoted the central office of the party as saying he is "no longer a Tory." The story said

Boat Race On S'side Harbor



The above picture of an impromptu boat race on Summerside harbor was taken on Jan. 3. The race was considered most unusual as the harbor is frozen over by Christmas almost every year. Men in the boats above include Ray Tanton, Capt. Basil Kelly, H. K. Stright, Charles McInnis, Fred Folland, John Arthur and Harold Gaudet. If weather conditions permit an attempt will be made today to break a record set 57 years ago when a race was held on the harbor on Jan. 8.

Balmiest January Sees Golfers On Links And Other Signs Of Spring

Old Man Weather has been playing havoc with the traditional sports and work seasons as Prince Edward Island golfers, plowmen, butterflies and flowers showed activity in the balmiest season for the first week of January that the oldest resident can recall.

Even the caterpillars have been reported as strolling in the sun.

Following up reports of a forecast from the mainland of "a light hay crop next summer because of lack of snow," Mr. R.C. Parent, superintendent of the Experimental Farm and Mr. Dave Schurman, assistant in charge of the field, pointed out that winter-killing of clovers and grasses usually occurs in the spring through the alternate and continuous action of thaw and freeze. The present mild weather condition in itself, cannot possibly affect spring winter-killing, they said.

"I have never known the ground to have been as bare and free from frost," declared Mr. Parent. "There is a great deal of moisture in the ground in fact conditions are just like those in early December, as far as the weather is concerned, a month behind the times. Although this weather condition is outside my experience, I feel that there will be little danger, unless an extremely severe freeze follows," Mr. Parent added.

Sub-Zero Temperatures In The West

(By The Canadian Press)
Eastern Canada basked in Florida weather during the week-end but a Western cold wave was reported headed eastward.

In Halifax, where the temperature hit 74 in the sun, so many golfers were out that they had to queue up at the tees.

In New Brunswick, the ferry Maggie Miller II made an unexpected mid-winter run along the Kennebecasis River. Normally, ice forces her to lay up for the winter.

Rivers in Newfoundland raced free to the sea. Trails on the island are unhindered by the mountainous snowdrifts which sometimes at this time of year hold them up for days.

Montreal and Ottawa enjoyed sunny, sparkling weather. In Toronto the snow lay but disappeared. But all three cities were warned of a cold snap just ahead.

Windsy, Oct., reported a 53-degree temperature Sunday.

A Different Story
In the West, however, it was a different story. Edmonton experienced a low of 25-30 below zero overnight.

Calgary, clear and cold with light winds, expected an overnight low of 35 below zero.

In Regina, the temperature last night was 20 below and still dropping. A west wind whipped the city.

British Columbia remained in winter's icy grip. Prince George in the Province's North-Central region was warned to expect 20 below. The Vancouver forecast was for clear, cold weather, with a low of 11 above zero.

Saturday night on the west coast was one of the coldest this year, with the mercury dropping to 11 above at Comox on Vancouver Island and to 17 above in Victoria.

Report China Asks Big Powers To Mediate

NANKING, Jan. 9 — (AP) — China's hard-pressed government has asked Russia to join other big powers in an attempt to mediate the civil war, non-official but usually reliable sources reported today.

The diplomatic effort was spurred by increasing Communist military pressure on the few defense positions remaining in government hands north of Nanking.

One press dispatch said Communist troops were almost within cannon range of the Yangtze after seizing the towns of Taihsing and Huangchiao about 70 miles east of Nanking. In the North, Tientsin was under heavy assault.

Both the Chinese Foreign Office and foreign embassies maintained silence on steps taken Saturday to bring China's plight to the direct attention of the Big Four.

Non-official sources said it was confirmed that Britain, the United States and France had been asked to study the civil war and to use their "good offices."

These sources said French Ambassador Jacques Meyrier, as dean of the diplomatic corps, carried the Chinese request to Soviet Ambassador N. V. Roshchin.

A Foreign Office spokesman pleaded ignorance of what occurred in the meetings of the three powers' ambassadors with Foreign Minister Wu Te-Chin.

On the military front, observers predicted the isolated armies of Gen. Tu Li-ming north of Nanking and the northern industrial city of Tientsin would fall a few days.

Mercy Flight Begins Into Canadian Arctic

WINNIPEG, Jan. 9 — (CP) — A mercy mission into the Arctic land of winter darkness started today when an R.C.A.F. aircraft left on the first lap of a flight to Igloolik, N.W.T., which medical aid for an ailing Roman Catholic priest.

Father Ostran, 28, was bitten Friday by a mad Eskimo dog at the lonely mission 200 miles within the Arctic Circle. He arrived in Canada from Italy two years ago for missionary work among the Eskimos.

The mercy flight was authorized by R.C.A.F. headquarters at Ottawa after word of the priest's plight was received from Dr. Osborne, Health Department doctor at Pangnirtung on Baffin Island.

Weather delayed start of the flight yesterday. Today, improved weather was reported and the Dakota left on its first lap to the Hudson Bay port of Churchill, Man.

The aircraft will make a 2,000-mile non-stop flight from Churchill to Igloolik and back Monday. The aircraft will drop vaccine and other medical supplies by parachute.

Members of the Hudson's Bay Company post are expected to assist the priest.

Captain of the plane is Flt. Lt. Terry Winslow of Sherbrooke, Que. Igloolik, one of several tiny leeward islands northeast of Meville Peninsula squatted sturdily in Foxe Basin, is 175 miles south of Moffet Inlet.

Tense Situation Follows Downing Of 5 R.A.F. Planes

LONDON, Jan. 9 — (AP) — Britain concentrated warships and troops in the tense Mediterranean area today to back up her "strong protest" to Israel against the shooting down of five R.A.F. planes Friday.

A show of military and naval strength backing Britain's Arab allies seemed in the making.

Two Royal Navy frigates sailed from Malta for Cyprus, near the Palestine coast, in support of Marine Commandos at Malta stood by for shipment to an undisclosed British base in the Middle East.

An admiralty spokesman said the aircraft carrier Triumph and the cruiser Phoebe, which have been cruising in the Mediterranean, have been recalled to Malta to join other British warships. A dispatch from the Central Mediterranean island said shore leave for all British sailors was cancelled Saturday night.

The Foreign Office announced Saturday that troops have been sent from the Suez Canal Zone to Trans-Jordan's Red Sea port of Aqaba.

Britain's protest concerning Friday's air clashes near the Egyptian-Palestine frontier was handed to the Israeli Foreign Office at Haifa by the British Consul-General, Cyril Marriot.

The protest stated that Britain reserves all her rights "both with regard to claims for compensation and to all possible subsequent action."

A Tel Aviv dispatch said the Israeli representative refused to accept the British protest because it was addressed to "Jewish authorities in Tel Aviv and not to the provisional government of Israel."

Meanwhile the Israeli Government protested to a United Nations official in Haifa against the landing of British troops in Aqaba.

Israeli officials said the British operation at the Red Sea port was intended "as a threat" to the young Jewish state's position in the Negev area of Southern Palestine. They asked that U. N. observers be sent to the area to see if the British make any frontier encroachments into Israel territory.

British sources in London said more troops probably would be sent to Aqaba. By moving into Aqaba British troops have reinforced at least a portion of Trans-Jordan's frontier with Palestine. Britain also has threatened to "shoot down any Israeli planes flying over Egyptian territory."

Poultry Brings Valley More Cash Than Apples

KENTVILLE, Jan. 9 — The Annapolis Valley's poultry industry brought producers more money in 1948 than returns from the apple crop.

One large producer said the industry was worth about \$1,500,000 last year, somewhat less than the 1947 figure when poultry reached an all-time high.

Latest development is shipping of day-old Valley chicks by plane to Ontario broiler plants. First shipment of 5,100 chicks went Saturday and shipments are expected to continue at the rate of 2,000 chicks daily for the remainder of the season.

Producers said export shipments to Maine will get underway in early February and may possibly include air transport if demand is high. The market for broilers, 12 to 14 weeks old, was developed in Ontario during the war and is expanding rapidly across Canada.

Producers attributed decrease in production to removal of freight rate subsidies on Western feeds and to impending cancellation of British egg contracts.

ONE IN FIVE DEFECTIVE

HALIFAX, Jan. 9 — (CP) — Of 69,314 motor vehicles inspected by R. C. M. P. patrols in Nova Scotia during 1948, 12,673 showed various mechanical defects, Halifax headquarters of the R. C. M. P. said Saturday in a year-end review. There were few prosecutions.



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The flour that blooms in the oven

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