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## REPORT SECRET ARMY PLANS TO OUST U. S. GOV'T

### BERLINERS ROLL UP HEAVY VOTE IN QUIET ELECTION

#### N. B. Potato Growers Protest Gov't Potato Price Support Program

#### Big Plane Forced Down In Pacific

HONOLULU, Dec. 5 — (AP) — A C-54 plane, believed to be a United States troop carrier, went down in the Pacific before dawn today about 1,000 miles southwest of Honolulu.

Such a plane normally carries 20 passengers and a crew of five to seven.

Identity of the four-engine plane was not positively established by the Pacific Air Command said it was "virtually certain" that it was ferrying 98th Bomb Group ground personnel from Okinawa to Spokane, Wash.

The Air Command reported the plane was "hit" in the sea at 6:06 a.m. (11:06 a.m. AST) shortly after reaching that two engines had failed.

An extensive air-sea search was organized.

#### Coming Events

- Cornwall Players in Winsloe, Thursday, 9th, Ad of Hall.
- Come to concert in Long River Hall, December 21st.
- Come to the Dance at Bonshaw's, Tuesday.
- Ebenezer Christmas Concert, Friday, December 17th.
- Come to the Dance at Bonshaw's, Tuesday.
- Reserve December 22nd, Christmas Concert in Vernon Hall.
- Christmas Concert, Nine Mile Creek School, December 23rd.
- Cornwall School Concert, Cornwall Hall, December 23rd.
- Card party in Summerville hall tonight.
- Cornwall Players in St. Catharines, Tuesday, 7th, Auspices In-charge.
- Listen to the C.C.F. broadcast over CFCY Monday at 10 p.m. Speaker Roscoe Walker.
- Paying highest prices for dressed poultry, D. M. McKinnon, Murray River.
- Christmas Concert in Fort Augustus Hall, Monday, December 20th.
- Bazaar, French River Hall, December 13th, if not, Tues- day.
- Annual Meeting of Hillsboro Junior Farmers Association at David Mutch, Mt. Herbert, on Monday, December 6th, at 8 P. M.
- Notice—Special Meeting Friday, December 10th, at 8 P. M. of all members and directors of St. Peter's race track, in Court House.
- Come one come all to Box Social and Dance in Stanhope, Cove Head Community Hall, Dec- ember 8th, in aid of Hall. Ladies with boxes free.
- Tune in and listen to this radio broadcast—"The Golden Moments of Christmas" by John of "The message for the boys and girls." CFCY Tuesday evening Dec. 7th, at 8:45 p.m.
- Buying Pigs all sizes and kinds, Onis and Poultry, Monday at Frederick. Buying young pigs, Monday, at A. M. Brookfield, 10, 1 P. M. New Haven, 2, Bedford, 3, 5, Mt. Stewart, 4, Waterfalls, 5, Wheatley River, 5.30 Pownall, Wed- nesday, 6, New Glasgow, 10, Kelly's Cross, 4, Emerald, 5, Clifton, 3.30 Kensington, Paying \$24.00 a pair for good pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen.

#### National Health Minister Arrives



The people of Prince Edward Island, in common with those of the other eight Provinces, deserve the best and fullest health services that the Dominion Government has in its power to grant, the Hon. Paul Martin, Minister of National Health and Welfare, stated to the Guardian last night.

Mr. Martin, accompanied by his secretary, Mr. D. P. Wallace, and Dr. Frederick Jackson, formerly De- puty Minister of Health, arrived in Charlottetown on Monday evening.

The health of the people, Mr. Martin said, crosses all boundaries whether political, social, or eco- nomic. "The Government feels that if we could spend hundreds of mil- lions in times of war, we surely ought to be able to spend a few million in times of peace."

Mr. Martin said the present plan would fail completely in its primary objective of stabilizing the potato market in Canada. April 1, he said, was too late a date for it to come into operation. Ord- inary growers depending on bank loans to buy fertilizers and pre- pare for the following year's crop would not be able to get suffi- cient credit to continue operations.

The protest to the Federal offi- cials was sent by Mr. Cran- dle following a meeting in Saint John to study the support plan with provincial agriculture offi- cials, and the executive meeting last night supported the protest unanimously.

It is hoped that the proposed meeting in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island growers and officials will be held before Christmas, he said.

#### Says Ontario, Quebec Potato Production Main Cause Of Present Surplus

#### Transferred To Federal Capital

Sub-Inspector D. J. McCombe of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, P.E.I. Division, who was recently promoted has been trans- ferred to Ottawa and expects to leave on Wednesday next to as- sume his new duties.

Mr. McCombe is a native of Ireland. He joined the Force in 1927 and has been station- ed at various points in Western Can- ada prior to coming to P. E. I. in 1947. He is married and has three sons, all attending West Kent School. His eldest son, Danny is associated with the 3rd Charlottet- own Kirk Troop of the Boy Scouts, and during the past summer was awarded his senior Life Saving and Swimming Certificate at the age of twelve. His other two boys are members of 3rd Charlottetown Scout Troop.

Mrs. McCombe has taken an active interest in church affairs and is presently leader of a Girls' group at the Kirk of St. James.

Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Mc- Combe have very impressive rec- ords with the Island hospitality and their departure is regretted.

#### Is Dramatic Demonstration Against Reds

(By Richard Kaschke)  
BERLIN, Dec. 5—(AP)—German in Western Berlin openly defied Russian-supported Communists by piling up a heavy vote in a municipal election which had be- come a focal point in the east-west cold war.

Badgered for a week by German Communists, the voters turned out in large numbers to transform the election into a dramatic demonstra- tion against Communist totalitari- anism.

In this strange election the im- portant thing was the size of the western parties on the ballot won- ning German election headquarters said British and French sectors more than 90 per cent of the eligible voters cast their ballots.

An 80-per-cent turnout would

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#### C.E.A. President To Visit Ch'town



Dr. J.G. Allhouse, president of the Canadian Education Association and chief director of the organi- zation for Ontario who will arrive in Charlottetown tomorrow after- noon and will remain over Wednes- day. He will be accompanied by Mr. P. K. Stewart, executive secretary.

Dr. Allhouse is visiting the De- partments of Education in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces in his capacity of president of the As- sociation of which Dr. L. W. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Education for Prince Edward Island, is vice presi- dent.

The Canadian Education Assoca- tion is maintained by grants in proportion to population from all

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#### U. S. House Committee Makes Claim

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 — (AP)— The hearings of a committee un- dertaken Saturday to reopen Com- munist spy hearings on the basis of sensational new evidence found hidden in a pumpkin.

At the same time, the commit- tee issued a pamphlet which de- clared that an estimated 800 Ameri- can Communists, trained in Mos- cow are "high officers of a secret army now being drilled to over- throw our government."

The pamphlet, titled "100 Things You Should Know About Com- munist Espionage and Education," did not name the "secret army," but it did say that hand-picked of- ficer candidates are trained in Mos- train wrecking, civil warfare, "and other methods of wrecking a coun- try."

The committee's new Red espia- ge hearings will open Tuesday. They are expected to centre around microfilm of secret government documents, found last Thursday in Maryland farm of Whitaker Cham- bers, who previously testified he was a member of the Communist Party and was active in espionage work during World War II.

Robert E. Stripling, chief investi- gator for the House committee, said evidence will be presented to show who gave the secrets to Chambers. Chambers, now a senior editor of Time magazine, has testified he re-

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#### Mme Chiang Asks Three Billion To Fight Reds



WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 — (AP)— Mme. Chiang Kai-shek is ap- pealing here for the United States to rescue China from Communism with a program which would cost an estimated \$3,000,000,000 during the next three years.

This program comes from top China officials who would not permit di- vision of American aid until nego- tiation of an aid program.

The program covers four points. It has been presented by Chinese Ambassador Wellington Koo to President Truman as well as approved by Mme. Chiang Kai-shek for her appeals here.

Mme. Chiang has conferred with Marshall and will call on Presi- dent and Mrs. Truman early this week. Persons familiar with her approach to her mission of obtain- ing aid report that she is stress- ing (1) the Chinese belief that she is not yet too late to save the situation, and (2) the contention that the Chinese government, led by her husband, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, is fighting not only for itself but for the United States and all other anti-Communist countries.

The Chinese proposed program calls for:

1. An immediate declaration of American support for Chiang Kai-shek's anti-Communist war.
2. A tremendous speed-up in the delivery of military supplies be- fore action by Congress on any new program.
3. Sending to China a military leader of great prominence to run the supply services for the Chinese army, extend and operate military training and assume di- rection of strategic planning.
4. Laying down a military and economic aid program for a pe- riod of three years at \$1,000,000,000 a year, including expenses of the military mission.

#### R.C.M.P. Active In 'Shine' Cases

By paying a fine of \$500 last Saturday a "second offence" 24-year-old moonshine maker, Charles A. Dunning, pleaded guilty to the sale of additional six months prison term, stated Superintendent N. J. Anderson, commanding the Prince Ed- ward Island division of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, when pre- senting the increased penalties for- ward offenders under the Domini- con Excise Act which was amend- ed November 1, 1948.

In the first prosecution since the change, a father and son team of moonshiners in the Surrey area appeared before Stipendiary Magis- trate J. W. MacDonald on a charge of operating a still. Convicted pre- viously in 1946, the son was fined a minimum \$300 and costs and awarded a six months prison term with hard labour. The 46-year-old father, as a first offender, was fined \$100 and costs. The law now reads that in the event of the fine not being paid the offender is im- prisoned for a further term equal to that imposed in the first instance. "Although there is less notice to- day—and less drunken driving—than under the old Prohibition Act, offences are better than a year ago, the P. C. M. P. is con- tinuing to make a determined effort to stamp out illicit liquor," declares the Superintendent. "There are specific members of the force assigned to work under the Excise

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#### Huge Traffic Increase In Wood Islands Ferry Service

An outstanding record of trans- portation service was chalked up during the past season by the Northumberland Ferries Ltd. boats, "Princess Nova" and "Charles A. Dunning," plying between Wood Islands, P.E.I., and Carleton Place, Ontario, during 1948.

Passengers transported during 1948 totaled 6,620; autos, 14,804, and trucks, 5,624, representing an in- crease over 1947 of 9,875 passen- gers, 2,778 autos, and 1,911 trucks.

A still more striking comparison is afforded by the figures for 1941, 25,303 passengers, 6,527 autos and 629 trucks were transported.

Since then the traffic has total- ed 363,309 passengers, 62,211 auto and 19,265 trucks; or a total of 446,785 in the seven years of opera- tion. The amount of freight carried had a loaded net weight of 17 tons. At an average of 5 tons per truck would amount to 3,400 tons.

Commenting on the above fig- ures, Mr. R. E. Mutch, president of that if all the traffic offering could be handled over this route, there would be no "bottleneck" at Bor-

don to worry about. The reason for the occasional congestion at Borden is due to truck traffic that cannot be handled at Wood Islands with the available boats, he maintained.

Mr. Mutch said he was aware that the agitation for auto ferry at Borden was an integral part of the trans-Canada highway system. He did not see why the same recog- nition should not be extended to the Wood Islands-Carleton service, which provides an outlet for Island farm produce to a wide and popu- lar market in Nova Scotia.

"We should be providing under our sister Maritime Provinces und- er the trans-Canada highway sys- tem," said Mr. Mutch. "One highway is as much a national highway as the other, and we shall never be adequately served until this fact is recognized."

In addition to the extensive use by Island producers and shippers of the Wood Islands ferry service, there has also been a huge truck traf- fic from Nova Scotia to this Prov- ince in coal at rates which have made it far more economical than transportation by rail from Tormentine, Mr. Mutch said.

#### 17 MORE SHOPPING DAYS



THE SKELETON IN THE CLOSET IS BAD ENOUGH BUT THE SKELETON IN THE SHAD IS WORSE

TORONTO, Dec. 5 — (CP)— Minimum and Maximum temper- atures:

Dawson 51B 50B; Vancouver 32 27; Edmonton 7B 4; Winnipeg 27; London 33 50; Toronto 33 49; Ottawa 27 32; Montreal 29 32; Moncton 23 44; Halifax 31 48; Charlottetown 31 42; Sydney 37 39; Yarmouth 31 30.

R. BELOW

HALIFAX, Dec. 5 — (CP)— Official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Of- fice and valid until midnight Mon- day:

Synopsis: Sunday evening skies are clear over the Maritimes. There had been some fog patches in the early morning but in most places they cleared soon after sunrise. After- noon temperatures were mostly in the low forties. The ridge of high pressure extending from Newfoundland to New York will give clear skies during the night and some fog patches are likely to form again.

In the region north of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence skies were fre- quently cloudy during the day. There were scattered snow flurries. A storm centred west of the belt of rain over the middle west. As this storm moves northward over the Maritimes, rain is ex- pected to reach New Brunswick by Monday evening.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island—Clear ex- cept for fog patches during the night becoming overcast by Monday evening. Little change in temperature. Light winds becoming south by Monday evening. Low and high Monday at Charlottetown 39 and 48.

Daily Except Sunday CAR. FERRY "ABGWETT" Leaves Borden, 6:10 A.M. 1 P.M. 4:30 P.M. Leaves Tormentine 10:35 A.M. 2:40 P.M. 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY Leaves Borden 8:45 P.M. Leaves Tormentine 8 P.M. High tide this noon at 1:20 and tonight at 3:16. Sun sets this evening at 4:19 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:23. Sunriseside this evening, eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

#### Fear 3,200 Chinese Lost When Refugee Ship Sinks

SHANGHAI, Dec. 5 — (AP)— More than 3,200 Chinese were es- timated dead or missing today in the explosion of an overcrowded refugee ship in the Yangtze estuary.

Lack of passenger records made possible only the roughest figure. The exact toll never will be known.

Even approximate accuracy however, ranks the disaster as the greatest in modern maritime his- tory, including single-ship casu- alties of major wars.

Estimates of those rescued ranged from a low of 100 to a high of 700.

Mine or Boilers?

The 2,069-ton steamship Kinjaya sailed from Shanghai Friday for Ningshen (Ningpo) 200 miles south along the coast. It exploded about 10 P.M. Friday and sank within an hour, all available sur- vivors rescued. Cause of the explo- sion was not known. Guesses ranged from Communist sabotage to a floating mine or possibly overtaxed boilers.

The loss was not discovered un- til Saturday morning, when a passing coastal ship sighted the funnel and a bit of wrecked sup-

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structure protruding above the shallow water. The wreck was 30 miles northeast of Shanghai.

Officials of the China Merch- ant Steam Navigation Company, which operated the ship said its top capacity was supposed to be 1,186 persons.

They estimated that actually it had carried as many as 4,250, half of whom had boarded without tick- ets.

This was admittedly only a guess, but officials said on many recent trips since the Communist invasion scare began, more than 4,000 persons had embarked aboard.

They conservatively estimated 3,000 missing plus 200 bodies re- covered.

No non-Chinese were known to have been aboard.

The steamship office had to close Saturday as thousands of im- migrant passengers sought ad- vance Saturday night to break up the milling horde that jammed traffic in nearby streets.

One of the survivors, who were brought ashore in small numbers throughout the day, said two junks passed nearby just before the explosion. He expressed belief they had cast loose a mine, but this was only speculation.

#### Kentville Mother Rescues Children

KENTVILLE, N.S., Dec. 5 — (CP)— A 23-year-old mother car- ried her three children to safety as flames destroyed her home here Saturday.

Returning from a neighbor's house, Mrs. Claude Arenburg saw flames shooting from the dwelling. She carried to safety Shirley, May, six; David, three, and Margaret, 10 months.

#### Earthquake Rocks Area Of Southern California

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5 — (CP)— A rolling quake, felt in many parts of Southern California Sat- urday, damaged windows and sent hundreds of persons rushing into the streets. But there were no re- ports of deaths or severe injury.

In Los Angeles, where the quake was timed at 4:43 p.m. PDT (7:48 p.m. AST), a crowd of more than 100,000 had just filed out of giant Memorial Coliseum where Southern California and Notre-Dame played to a 14-14 football tie.

In downtown Los Angeles, police said a water tank collapsed. There were many reports of plaster cracks, broken dishes and stopped clocks.

The quake was centered in the isolated hills 100 miles east of Los Angeles. In the San Bernardino mountains north of Banning, it caused landslides.

In the winter resort town of Palm Springs, some 20 miles south of Banning, police said the rear of a furniture store were broken.

Other cities in the general area among them reported severe shocks. In Indio, the police de- sergeant released his prisoners in- to the jailyard, a liquor store re- ported heavy damage as stocks area.

Seismologists reported the quake about equal in severity to one in April, 1947, which also centered in a remote desert area northeast of here. Only the isolated nature of the country, said the experts, pre- vented serious damage and possi- ble loss of life.

The tremor was felt in a band extending from Santa Barbara and Fresno on the north to San Diego and El Centro on the south, and east to the Colorado River.

In quake-conscious Long Beach, where Southern California's last quake disaster status occurred 16 years ago, residents reported hear- ing a rumble preceding the rock- ing tremor.

At California Institute of Tech- nology, Pasadena, Dr. Charles F. Richter timed the quake's onset at 4:43:49 p.m. PDT. He said its magnitude was 6 3/4 on a seis- mology scale which rates the world's most severe quakes at 9 1/2. The disastrous Long Beach quake of 1933 was 8 1/4, but oc- curred in a much more populous area.

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