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CANADA'S WAR PENSIONS BOOSTED 25 PER CENT

Threatened Arab - Jewish War Looks Like Propaganda INCREASE TO BENEFIT 400,000

Ferry Abegweit Reaches Montreal

MONTREAL, May 11—(CP)—The Canadian National Railway car ferry Abegweit, arrived here today for drydocking. The ferry, built at Sorel, Que., will undergo extensive repairs prior to returning to its run between Borden, P. E. I., and Cape Tormentine, N.B.

To Lift Restrictions On American Potatoes

OTTAWA, May 11—(CP)—Import restrictions on United States potatoes will be lifted in various parts of Canada as the supply of Canadian potatoes becomes short, a Prices Board spokesman said today.

Coming Events

- **Dance, Abion Cross School, May 12th.
- **Dance How's Hall, Brackley Point, Friday, May 14.
- **Dance, Elliotville School, Friday, May 14th Good music.
- **Lot 65 Hall, Friday, May 14th. Play, by Kelly's Cross Dramatic Club.
- **Opening Dance, Burlington, Wednesday, May 12th. Good music. Door prize.
- **Dance in Waterville School Friday night. Luncheon served. Good music.
- **Hauling cream to Wulphre once weekly beginning May 13. R. MacKenzie.
- **Legion Dance, Mt. Stewart, Thursday night, May 13. Eastern Rhythm Boys.
- **Three Act Comedy, St. Theresa's Hall, Monday, May 17th. Dance after.
- **Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers by truck every Thursday. D. L. MacDowell.
- **Dance, Kelly's Cross Hall, Thursday, May 13th, not Wednesday as announced.
- **Kingsion Hall, May 13th, Cornwall 3 act play "Safety First". Enjoy a good laugh.
- **First Dance of season, Wednesday, 12th, 8.30. Refreshments. St. I. Maria Hall, North Rustico.
- **Show tonight at Parkdale, "The Wicked Lady". Also Louis and Walcott light, 9 o'clock.
- **Come to the Dance, Riverview School, Friday, May 14th. Sale of Luncheon. MacNells Orchestra.
- **See York - Cornwall drama playoffs in York Hall Thursday, May 13. Curtain 8:15. Be on time.
- **Dance, Covehead - Stanhope Community Hall, May 14th. Sale of Luncheon. Aid of Covehead Road W. I.
- **Dancing May 13th Country Club, Travellers Rest, Modern and Old Time Orchestra Prince County Pioneers.
- **Farmers, we can still accept your clover seed orders at our low prices. Rush your order. McQuigan and Boyle.
- **See 3 one-act plays in Winsloe Hall, Wednesday, May 12th, by North Winsloe W. I. Specialties. Sale of cakes.
- **Supper French River Hall Wednesday, May 12th, starting 5 p.m. In aid of repairs to Geddie Memorial Church.
- **In stock Timothy and Clover Seeds, Barb and Page wire, Cedar and Asphalt Shingles. -W. I. Bowman, Hunter River.
- **North River Y. P. U. Variety Concert, North River Hall, Tuesday, May 12th, 8.30. Proceeds in aid of Church and hall.
- **Reserve May 20 for the three-act play "Hillbilly Hospitality" in Marshfield Hall, sponsored by the Central Church Y. P. U.
- **Reserve Friday, May 21st, for Fernal Y. P. U. three act play, "A Pair of Country Kids" in Fernal Hall.
- **Notice, All interested in Fredrickson Cemetery are requested to meet there at 2 p.m. Friday to clean up grounds and plant trees.

Will Begin Province-wide Probe For Mineral Deposits

The first Province-wide mineral survey ever to be conducted in Prince Edward Island gets formally under way today.

Mr. R. H. Picher, engineer with the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, who arrived in the city yesterday, is the first of a number of mineral specialists who, between now and September, will make a thorough investigation into the Island's mineral resources.

Mr. Picher told The Guardian yesterday that neither he nor any of the geologists who will be arriving in the Province later, will be on the lookout for gold, coal, or iron ore. The Island's geological strata, he said, precludes the possibility that such mineral deposits are in this Province.

Glass-Making Sand

There is, however, Mr. Picher said, more than a probability that the Island's rock formations may be of economic value. For instance, results of a less comprehensive survey, conducted some years ago, revealed that there is a high quality of sand, suitable for glass-making, in the vicinity of Souris. This sand is high in quartz and silica content, thereby making it an ideal glass-making material.

It will be his task, Mr. Picher said, to ascertain not so much the quality of the sand as the quantity. Should he find the sand to be there in commercial quantities, there is no doubt that the

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Truman Cautious In Peace Parley Comment

Wide Publicity Given To Proposals By Russian Press And Radio.

By John M. Highower
WASHINGTON, May 11—(AP)—A world-wide speculation over a Russia-America "peace" conference, President Truman today issued a cautiously worded statement avoiding any comment on the possibility of direct negotiations between United States and Soviet leaders.

He declared, instead, that the purpose of Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith's talk with Foreign Minister Molotov in Moscow May 4 was to clear away any "misconception or confusion in the minds of the Soviet Government" about American policy.

Smith made two salient points, the President said. These were:

"Come to Hunter River Variety concert, Stanley Bridge Hall, Friday, May 14, at 8.30. Sponsored by the Sterling W. I. Sale of cakes.

**Bradalbene Y. P. U. three act play "Here Comes Charlie" Tryon Hall, Friday, May 14th, 8.15 P. M. Sponsored by North Tryon Y.P.U.

**Wornan's Missionary Society Presidents, please note: An executive meeting will be held in Zion Church on Thursday, May 13th at 2 P. M.

**Juniors Farmers Organisation Meeting, Cape Traverse School, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome. Outside speakers.

**Annual meeting of Morell Creamery Co-operative Association will be held in Morell Hall, Thursday, May 13, at 8 o'clock. All interested please attend.

**Monthly Meeting Kingston Branch No. 30, Canadian Legion, will meet in Kingston School at 8.30 P. M. Thursday, May 13th. All Veterans please attend.

**The Cherry Valley Play "A Ready Made Family" Valleyfield Hall Wednesday, May 12th. Bridgetown, Friday, May 14th. Auspices Valleyfield and Bridgetown Y. P. U.

**An Old Maid's Courtship by Kingston Players in Wheatley River May 14th. Howes Hall, Brackley, May 18th and Hunter River May 20th. If not fine the following evening.

**Kinkora Dramatic Club will present their 3-act play "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" in Kingsion Hall on Wednesday evening, May 12th. Good specialties. Curtain 8.30.

Alberta Adoption Probe Is Continued

EDMONTON, May 11—(CP)—David Jones, a lawyer for the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, today testified that Alberta babies have been adopted by residents of 24 of the United States' 48 states, Costa Rica, Guatemala, San Salvador and Alaska.

He told a provincially-appointed Royal Commission investigating Child Welfare practices in Alberta that his statements were based on records of 241 adoptions in each of which the child left the country to make its home in a foreign country.

The commission, headed by Justice W. R. Howson of the Supreme Court of Alberta, is supposed to a survey made by the I. O. D. E. by Dr. Charlotte Whitton, Ottawa welfare authority.

Mr. Jones charged that departmental files on 40 of the 241 "foreign" adoptions had been tampered with.

In 75 per cent of the cases, he maintained, "rubber stamps of approval" had been put on the applications before the adopting parents visited Edmonton or were interviewed.

Most of the adoptions were made during the war. Every passport photostat bore the signature of C. B. Hill, child welfare superintendent, as guardian. Mr. Jones said that 26 files indicated the adoption

Newsman Gives Views After Investigation

(The following dispatch represents the considered judgment of an experienced and able correspondent who has visited most of the Arab lands in recent weeks. Daniel De Luce, a war correspondent throughout the recent world conflict, has talked with Arab leaders in both Palestine and the neighboring Arab states, interviewed Arab refugees, watched the long series of Arab war councils.)

(By Daniel De Luce)

JERUSALEM, May 11—(AP)—The threatened war between a Jewish state and the Arab world looks more and more today like an exploded propaganda balloon.

This correspondent has come to this conclusion after weeks spent mostly in Arab capitals and after seeing the Jewish setup in Palestine.

The Jewish state now is a reality despite diplomatic discussions at Lake Success or the continuation of the British mandate until May 15.

It has an army which has decisively defeated a few thousand poorly led Arab volunteers, the majority of whom came from outside Palestine.

The Jewish state is totally mobilized for military action. The Palestine Arabs are a military nonentity, and the neighboring Arab powers are squabbling in their high councils instead of uniting.

In the past week deep schisms have appeared in what the Arabs had been heralding as their solid front against Zionism.

This correspondent's observations in Arab capitals led to these conclusions:

If Palestine is to be invaded, the Arab Governments still are unable to agree on their military commitments, on the over-all command without which co-ordination would be impossible, on how territorial spoils, if any, are to be divided.

If Palestine is not to be invaded, these Governments are just as bitterly at odds over how to save their faces with their own people.

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Premier Moves Into New Offices

Premier Jones is moving today to more commodious quarters in the Provincial Building. His new offices on the second floor will be those formerly occupied by the Deputy-Provincial Secretary, who is moving into the offices which were occupied by the Hon. W. M. Hughes when he was Provincial Treasurer. It is understood the Hon. A. W. Matheson, Minister of Public Health and Welfare, will occupy the offices now vacated by the Premier.

Approved \$25,000

OTTAWA, May 11—(CP)—The House of Commons has already passed the bill it now is ready for royal assent.

Under its terms, the maximum benefit for married persons is increased from \$14.40 to \$18.30 a week, or from \$2.40 to \$3.05 a day. Maximum benefit for unmarried persons is boosted from \$12.30 to \$14.40 a week, or from \$2.05 to \$2.40 a day.

The bill changes the insurable annual ceiling from \$2,400 to \$3,120 for monthly-rated employees. No ceiling exists for hourly-rated workers. Shift of so many workers into higher earning brackets made the change necessary.

The legislation also increases the top class—class no. 7—employer's contributions from 27 to 36 cents a week. The top employee contribution remains 36 cents.

Awarded \$25,000



"It was no more than I expected," said Mrs. Carrie Smallman of Thorold, Ont., after she received word she had been awarded \$25,000 in her breach of promise suit against the estate of Frank W. Moore. Mr. Moore died three years ago before a proposed marriage with Mrs. Smallman. Mrs. Smallman divorced her husband in 1941, and was to have married Moore, Thorold coal merchant, Oct. 28, 1944. She claimed in her suit that after she had made purchases in preparation for the wedding it was postponed because of illness in Mr. Moore's family. The date was then set for Feb. 24, 1945, but was again postponed for the same reason. Mr. Moore died April 17, 1945, at the age of 62. Net value of his estate was \$113,893.

Approve Increased Unemployment Pay

OTTAWA, May 11—(CP)—The Senate today passed an amendment to the Unemployment Insurance Act which increases the benefits and raises the salary level under which employees must contribute to the scheme.

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Plenty Of Bananas At Saint John Now

SAINT JOHN, N. B., May 11—(CP)—The banana trade, an important item in Saint John's pre-war port business, was reopened today for the first time since early in the Second World War. The Cibao, first of a number of banana boats scheduled to arrive here during the summer season, docked here with a full cargo of bananas from Central and South America.

MINES MINISTERS TO MEET

EDMONTON, May 11—(CP)—Mines Minister N. E. Tanner of Alberta today announced Mines Ministers of all Provinces except Prince Edward Island, will meet here Sept. 2, 3 and 4. P. E. I. has no Mines Department. Discussions will explore means to make mines legislation uniform in all Provinces.

Taxation Agreements Look Different Now In View Of Rising Prices

OTTAWA, May 11—(Special)—Rumblings of a Dominion-Provincial conference to be called this fall are being heard around Parliament Hill this week subsequent to Prime Minister Mackenzie King's statement in Montreal over the weekend that he fully intends to leave the post of Prime Minister this August.

The claim being made today on behalf of the seven Provinces which signed agreements on taxation with the Dominion is that conditions have altered considerably since the summer of 1946 when the agreements were concluded. Cost of living and wages have gone up, and the value of the dollar in terms of hours worked or of goods obtainable has gone down.

Still more significant is the argument that revenues have been steadily mounting and that an agreement that looked like a good bargain in 1946 for a Province may be poor or even disadvantageous today.

P. E. I. Agreement

Was the agreement signed by Premier J. Walter Jones with the Federal Government whereby the Province of Prince Edward Island receives some \$2,500,000 in Dominion subsidies in exchange for certain

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Island Students At Dalhousie

HALIFAX, May 11—(CP)—Dorothy A. Cullen of Cardigan took top honors among six Prince Edward Island students who were among those to receive diplomas today at the Dalhousie University convocation. She was awarded a distinction diploma and the Avery prize.

The following were graduated:

Bachelor of Arts—Dorothy A. Cullen, Cardigan; Aleah H. Palmer, Summerside; Robert B. Willet, Summerside.

Bachelor of Science—Mary A. Bryant, Charlottetown; William A. Sherren, Charlottetown.

Bachelor of Commerce—John R. Rogers, Charlottetown.

U. S. Railroads Operate As Usual

WASHINGTON, May 11—(AP)—United States railroads operated as usual today but the rail labor dispute, snatched from the strike stage in the nick of time, remained unsettled.

Heads of the three Unions involved paid a 20-minute call on Army Secretary Kenneth Royall, bent on seeking a settlement now that the rail system is under Government control by President Truman's order.

After they said Royall told them he hasn't authority yet to deal with them but "will get in touch with us" again in a few days.

New Floods Along Assiniboine River

WINNIPEG, May 11—(CP)—Flood waters from the Assiniboine River were pouring over rich farm lands in a 40-mile belt between Portage la Prairie and St. Francois Xavier in Manitoba today. An estimated 25,000 acres already are inundated and damage is close to \$750,000. Portage la Prairie is 65 miles west of here.

Luigi Einaudi New Italian President

ROME, May 11—(CP)—Parliament tonight elected as first president of the Italian republic 74-year-old Luigi Einaudi, a banker.

Einaudi, vice-premier in the Government of Premier Alcide de Gasperi and director of the budget, is an opponent of Communism. He accepted the post with these words:

"I can only reply with an old phrase 'Vox Populi' Parliament is the voice of the people.

His term is for seven years. He will designate a premier to form a cabinet which must be approved by Parliament. De Gasperi is virtually certain to be his choice.

Butter Production Down 11 p. c. In April

OTTAWA, May 11—(CP)—Canada's decreased butter and cheese production last month was noted today in a report from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Butter production in April totalled 18,314,000 pounds, a decrease of 11 per cent from April, 1947. Cheddar cheese production in April totalled 3,300,000 pounds, a decrease of almost 46 per cent from the corresponding month a year ago.

Reserve Units Plan Camp At Utopia, N. B.

HALIFAX, May 11—(CP)—Plans are nearing completion at Eastern Army Command headquarters here for the annual summer camp at Utopia, N. B., to provide training for Maritime infantry reserve force and cadet units, army authorities announced tonight.

The Utopia camp is the only one being conducted in the Maritimes this year. Members of reserve force units of the R.C.A.C., R.C.A., R.C.E. and R.C. Sigs. will receive summer training at Petawawa, Barfield and Picton, Ont. during July and August.

Some 1,000 members of the reserve forces and 800 cadets will take training at the camp which opens July 19 and runs for six weeks.

The camp will be commanded by Brig. T. G. Gibson, C. B. E., S. O., commander New Brunswick area, assisted by Lt.-Col. R. L. Houston, command signals officer, who also will be the chief instructor.

One of the features will be demonstrations by a permanent force platoon, the Royal 22nd Regiment of Quebec City. Another attraction to give some idea of how airborne armies operate will be an air drop by paratroopers from Rivers, Man., Canada's joint air training school.

INCREASE TO BENEFIT 400,000

By DOUGLAS HOW
OTTAWA, May 11—(CP)—Canada's war pensions were boosted 25 per cent today—the first increase in their basic rates for 23 years.

Veterans Minister Gregg made the announcement in the Commons to cap one of the most controversial issues of the current session of Parliament. Opposition members approved, but argued that living costs justify a raise of 33 1-3 per cent.

The increase benefits 400,000 Canadian men, women and children, including 153,000 disabled veterans and 17,000 widows. It raises pension for a 100-per cent, unmarried disability case from \$78 to \$94 a month, a widow from \$65 to \$75, a first child from \$15 to \$19, and a family of five on total pensions from \$137 to \$171.

It ups the total pensions bill from \$73,000,000 to \$91,000,000 a year and will mean about \$13,000,000 in retroactive payments when the cheques are mailed out, probably about the end of June. The raises are back-dated to last Oct. 1.

It was the third proposed level of increase to be announced in the present session of Parliament. The first was for 10 per cent an-

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THE SMOOTHEST RUNNING THING ABOUT A CAR IS THE SALESMAN'S TONGUE



MINIMUM and maximum temperatures:

Vancouver 44 60; Edmonton 34 62; Regina 29 63; Winnipeg 30 66; Toronto 44 60; Ottawa 47 56; Montreal 40 59; Quebec 41 62; Saint John 39 56; Moncton 32 62; Halifax 41 63; Charlottetown 37 53; Sydney 37 55; Yarmouth 39 54.

HALIFAX, May 11—(CP)—Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Wednesday.

Fine weather prevailed in the Maritimes on Tuesday. There was a thin veil of cloud over the sky in many sections but in general it was sunny. The afternoon temperatures ranged from fifty degrees in Prince Edward Island and parts of Nova Scotia up to the mid sixties in the Annapolis Valley and Central New Brunswick. Skies will be nearly clear during the night and there will be the risk of frost in all regions particularly at inland points. On Wednesday fine weather can be expected to continue with temperatures about normal or slightly above. Sixty is just about normal for this time of year.

Regional forecast:

Prince Edward Island: Clear with the risk of frost during the night. Wednesday clear and warm. Light winds. Low early Wednesday morning and high in the afternoon at Charlottetown 35 and 62.

High tide this afternoon at 12.23 and tonight at 2.06.

Sun sets this evening at 7.17 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.34.

First quarter moon May 15th, 8.55 P. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY "ABEGWEIT" Daily Except Sunday

Standard Time

Leaves Borden, 9:10 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 4:30 p.m.

Leaves Tormentine, 6:35 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 7:30 a.m.

SUNDAY

Leaves Borden, 6:45 a.m.

Leaves Tormentine, 8:00 p.m.

WOOD ISLANDS - CARIBOU Daily including Sunday

Standard Time

Leaves Wood Islands, Prince Nova 8:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m.

Charles A. Dunning, 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Leaves Caribou, Charles A. Dunning 8:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m.

Prince Nova 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

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