

LAST-MINUTE EFFORTS TO AVERT PHONE TIEUP

To Confer Tuesday On Maritime Soft Coal Strike

Three Are Drowned In Sailing Accident

Czech Consul To France Murdered

PARIS, April 6 — (AP) — Geza Rac, Czechoslovakian consul in Paris, was found beaten to death this morning in the Palais de Chaillot Gardens near the Arc de Triomphe. Police said the consul evidently had been clubbed in the back of the head.

His wallet lay nearby with about \$8,000 francs inside, they reported, and there were signs of a fight.

Police said they were working on the theory that Rac was the victim of prowlers.

Coming Events

**Dance, Tracadie Hall, Easter Monday.

**C. C. F. broadcast tonight CPCY 8.30.

**Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., each Tuesday at Vernon River. G. Lea.

**Crockinole Party, Pownall Garage Hall, Monday, April 7th.

**Reserve Wednesday, April 16th for Institute Dance in Milview Hall.

**Due to arrive, car of Asphalt Shingles. Please place your order. Leonard Willis, New Haven.

**Receiving Hogs at Crapaud for Canada Packers Ltd., every Tuesday until 11 A. M. R. N. Dawson.

**Institute Dance and sale of lunches Wiltshire Hall Monday April 7th.

**Reserve Monday, April 21 for Box Social and Dance at Covehead Community Hall in aid of hall.

**Don't forget the big dance "Morell Hall" Tuesday, April 8th. Rally MacKenzie's Orchestra. Admission 40c.

**The Kelly's Cross Dramatic Club will present their play in Kelly's Cross Hall, Easter Monday night. Curtain 8.30.

**One car imported pressed hay to arrive soon. Order now. R. A. McPhail, New Haven.

**Yes, it's Rally MacKenzie's orchestra at Pownall Garage, Wednesday, April 9th. Admission 40c. Don't miss it.

**Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at St. Peter's each Tuesday until train time, while roads closed to trucks. Signed David Pratt.

**Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at Vernon Bridge each Tuesday afternoon, while truck road closed. W. Crane.

**Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at St. Stewart each Tuesday until train time, while roads closed to trucks. Signed Earl Jay.

**All those interested in building a closed rink in New Glasgow, please attend a meeting in New Glasgow Hall on Tuesday night, April 8th, at 8.30.

**Big Special Dance, Happy Islanders Country Club, Traveller's Rest, April 10. Special Music. Modern Sound Equipment. Oastreen service.

**Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., every Friday, Souris, Rollo Bay, Fortune Bridge, Bay Fortune, Annandale, Dundas, Bridgetown, Strathcona. George Dingwall.

**Notice to Farmers — From now on I will be loading hogs for Canada Packers, Ltd., on Thursday of each week until further notice. G. C. Green, Emerald.

**Notice — As we are retiring from business all parties owing W. P. Smith & Co., North Rustico, are kindly requested to make settlement not later than April 15, 1947. After that date any unpaid bills will be collected by our Attorney.

**Attention Farmers — We are operating a Forano Grain Cleaning Plant and Grain Grinder, for shareholders and general public on Tuesdays and Fridays. Satisfaction guaranteed. You reap what you sow, to sow the best. Lloyd Martin, Bill Hayden.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., April 6 (C.P.) — Across wind-swept Merigomish Harbor from Big Island to Merigomish, 16 miles northwest of here, dragging operations continued tonight for the bodies of three children and the 20-year-old brother of one of them believed drowned in a Good Friday sailing tragedy.

In a small dory with a piece of burlap for a sail Elizabeth MacGregor, 14, Robert Walsh, 13, and seven-year-old Harold Davis put out onto the choppy harbor Friday about noon from their home on Big Island. When 20-year-old Stewart MacGregor saw them in difficulties he went to their aid in another dory. The two boats were found Friday afternoon washed up on the western shore of the harbor.

Though there was no eye-witness to the drownings, R.C.M.P. pieced together their meagre information of the tragedy from the stranded boat and foot-prints in the sand near the MacGregor home. Elizabeth, home from Westville, N.S., for an Easter school holiday, and Stewart were the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm MacGregor. Harold Davis, a ward of the Pictou County Children's Aid Society, made his home with the MacGregors while Robert Walsh, also a ward lived with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph MacDonald, Big Island neighbors of the MacGregors.

Malcolm MacGregor is a patient in the Aberdeen Hospital here. He was to have undergone an operation Saturday but it was postponed when news of the tragedy reached him.

Mrs. MacGregor said today she had first been alarmed when her son's shepherd dog, his constant companion, returned to the house alone. She went to the shore and saw a man's footprints leading to the spot where the dory had been. Returning, she had met a neighbor, Dan Boyd, who told her he had seen two boats on the harbor, one following the other.

More than 15 boats and 50 men from the district took part in dragging operations today and though most of them were forced to call a halt at nightfall, R.C.M.P. boats kept up the search.

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NORFOLK, Va., April 6 — (AP) — An elusive carbide fire which broke out in a hold of the Alcoa freighter Charles Nordhoff Friday was extinguished today after nearly 48 hours of continuous work by crew members, Coast Guards and navy personnel.

No exact estimate of damage was available, but officials said the 1,370-bag onion cargo and virtually all 290 cans of carbide were destroyed.

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In front of St. Thomas's Church, radio's Shirley Wolfe, in a navy suit of nylon, Napoleonic beige felt hat with a matching chiffon veil and transparent plastic bow purse, helped Lord Carnarvon, sportsman, and Esquire's fashion editor O.E. Shoofier decide who was the Easter parade's best dressed man.

At St. Bartholomew's, hundreds jammed streets and sidewalks to watch in vain for the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, who went to the country earlier in the day.

The weather, incidentally, turned into the hottest day of the year — 74 degrees.

The big show had plenty of the lighter side of life.

Three-year-old Lynn Francis De-hand of Flushing got tired of lugging a stuffed bunny as big as herself, so her father carried it, looking embarrassed.

Designer Robert Lawrence paraded Mrs. Lawrence in a huge flowered hat, while he carried a live white rabbit, wearing a replica of the bonnet.

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S'ide To Have 20 Apartment Building

The housing shortage, which is becoming a serious problem in Summerside, with the reopening of the airport, will be alleviated to some extent by a property deal which is expected to be concluded today. Negotiations are under way for the purchase by Mr. T.D. Morrison of the residential property of Mr. C.B. Morris, located on the corner of Spring and Prince Street. If the deal goes through Mr. Morrison has plans for a large three-story brick and steel apartment building which will contain twenty apartments and will be built on the Prince Street side of the property. This will be by far the largest apartment building in town and probably the largest in the Province.

The building will be fully fire-proof with brick walls backed by tile or cement blocks, cement

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Newsman Receive Propaganda From Striking Miners

The long arm and skilful propaganda methods of John L. Lewis, czar of more than 100,000 coal-miners in the United States has extended into Canada, and this week-end even reached the parliamentary press gallery.

For the first time, "press releases" on behalf of the striking Nova Scotia miners have been mailed to members of the news-papermen's corps on Parliament Hill, and in case of their absence from the gallery, additional copies have been sent to the home address of each and every one.

This new development on the part of the Canadian section of the United Mine Workers of America indicates that finances are not lacking in support of the present strike, and the logical inference is that funds to bolster the miners' cause are crossing the border from Washington, D. C.

Most skilful propaganda put out by the Nova Scotia miners recently was an open letter to Prime Minister

Phone Strike Facts

WASHINGTON, April 6 — (AP) — Phone strike facts:

Total telephone employees — 617,154.

Probable strikers — 340,000 (more may be idle, depending on number refusing to cross picket lines).

Miles of phone lines — 105,307,000.

Number of telephones — 31,900,000.

Average number of calls a day — 105,762,000 (100,401,000 local, 5,361,000 long and long distance).

Bell system stockholders (owners) — 955,860.

(These figures relate to the country-wide Bell system which comprises about 95 per cent of United States phone operations).

Triplets Born To N. S. Couple

LIVERPOOL, N.S., April 6 — (CP) — Triplets were here last week, two of them 53 hours apart, were reported doing fine tonight after what attendants described as a delivery rare in medical history.

The first child, a daughter weighing five pounds, was borne to Mrs. Allan Freeman at 8.45 P.M. Wednesday night in a Liverpool nursing home. The second child, another daughter weighing six pounds was borne at 5.30 A.M. Saturday and 15 minutes later a third girl arrived weighing 5-12 pounds.

Dr. D.K. Murray, the attending surgeon, reported that the mother was also doing well.

REOPEN SILVER MINE

NENACH, Bire — (CP) — Two British business men plan to reopen disused silver mines here. Heavy machinery will arrive shortly.

Three Killed In Train - Car Accident

SUSSEX, N. B., April 6 — (CP) — All three occupants of a sedan-type automobile were injured fatally here Saturday night in a collision with a Saint John-Moncton passenger train of the Canadian National Railways.

The dead: Thomas Albert Carhart, 18, Carsonville; Leslie McKnight, Berwick, and the driver, Aubrey H. Buchanan, Sussex Corner, all of Kings County.

McKnight was killed instantly. Buchanan died while being taken to the Sussex Veterans' Hospital and Carhart died in the hospital two and a half hours after the accident.

The train had left Saint John at 5.15 p.m. and the collision occurred at 7.35 p.m. at a level crossing near the race track, as the train was about to enter the Sussex railway station.

The weather was clear, and cause of the collision was unknown.

A coroner's jury viewed the bodies of Carhart and his older companions. An inquest will be held later this week, following further investigation by Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

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Ottawa Talks To Seek Strike Settlement

GLACE BAY, N. S., April 6 — (CP)—Freeman Jenkins, president of the United Mine Workers (C. L.) District 26, will fly to Ottawa Monday night to attend a meeting at the capital Tuesday. It was announced at Union headquarters here today.

Union officials said that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the seven-week-old wage strike of 13,000 Nova Scotia and New Brunswick miners. They said Mr. Jenkins expected to meet with international officials of the U. M. W. (A.F.L.) including Thomas W. Kennedy, international secretary treasurer, and government officials.

Union officials here expressed ignorance of the meeting in Montreal Tuesday between international U.M.W. officers and top executives of Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation, largest of the strike-bound Maritime operators.

The Montreal meeting was mentioned by authoritative sources in Ottawa Thursday. The Ottawa statement was made as considerable confusion existed concerning place and date of the proposed company-union conference, which was described as an effort to end the strike.

Last Tuesday, Labor Minister Currie announced in the Nova Scotia Legislature that a meeting would be held in Montreal today between Arthur Cross, Desco president, and international U.M.W. officers. This was later confirmed by Arthur MacNamara, deputy

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Chinese Communists Raid U. S. Marines

TIENTSIN, China, April 6 — (AP) — Ammunition-hungry Chinese Communists killed five United States marines and wounded 16 Saturday in a smartly-planned raid on the marines' principal North China depot at Hsinho, 22 miles east of Tientsin.

Most if not all of the marine deaths occurred when the raiders blew up part of the dump. The Communists left six of their own dead on the scene of the four-hour, 15-minute battle and carried away an estimated 100 wounded. No prisoners were taken on either side.

Maritime-Newfoundland Proposal Stirs Little Interest In Maritimes

HALIFAX, April 6 — (CP) — The suggestion of a Canadian parliamentary union that Newfoundland join with the Maritimes in one big province was received without warmth today by the Premiers of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

But a spokesman for the Moncton Board of Trade jumped right in with an unofficial bid for the New Brunswick railroad centre as a possible capital.

The original suggestion was made in Ottawa by a parliamentarian in close touch with affairs of Newfoundland which is sending a delegation to the Dominion capital to discuss terms of possible Federal union.

This authority expressed the view that the Island Colony would not be anxious to be a 10th province. His suggestion, however, was that Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia join with Newfoundland and Labrador in one big Province that would compare with Ontario and Quebec in importance.

Both Premier Jones of P. E. I. and Premier McNair of New Brun-

Business Outlook In Britain Is Brighter

LONDON, April 6 — (AP) — Britain's business men took their traditional Easter holiday this week-end with a little more cheer than appeared possible less than a month ago.

The country appeared to be getting down to the hard job of repairing the damage done by the February coal crisis. Markets steadied and a sort of calm set in as the government prepared its budget for the April 15 reopening of Parliament.

Most encouraging news came from the coal front. A drive for more miners was showing sustained success and production had passed the 4,000,000 tons-a-week mark.

The government reacted immediately to this development by announcing an additional allocation of 100,000 tons a week to industry. As industry has been operating on about one-third of the coal available last year, the addition will represent an increase of about 13 per cent.

In the markets, at Thursday's close, prices were generally firm. British government stocks contin-



Mystery Man
In an effort to solve the mystery of whether Martin Bormann is alive or dead, the State Department is circulating the above photo of the onetime Hitler deputy among U.S. missions and consulates. Obtained in Germany by an NEA cameraman, the exclusive picture was made by Bormann's secretary.

Plymouth Car Prices Cut \$55 In The U. S.

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swick indicated they thought the suggestion was an old story.

"Maritime Union has been suggested at various times," said the New Brunswick Premier. "I don't think there is any marked degree of opinion in this province favoring it."

That was all Mr. McNair was prepared to say.

Premier Jones, whose Province ships \$2,000,000 worth of farm produce to Newfoundland annually, recalled that the matter had been brought up in 1864 when the Fathers of Confederation laid the Dominion's foundations at Charlottetown.

Mr. Jones added, however, that the subject was not likely to become a live issue.

In Halifax, Premier Angus L. Macdonald of Nova Scotia could not be reached for comment.

None of the Premiers offered any comment on a possible capital but in Moncton, Maj. J.H. Parthing, secretary of the Board of Trade, suggested his city as the logical choice and "in fact, the easiest place to get to in these three provinces" because it is the air and rail transportation centre.

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Edmonton	22	39
Regina	18	31
Winnipeg	16	31
Toronto	43	59
Ottawa	34	52
Montreal	39	63
Quebec	33	—
Saint John	36	43
Moncton	33	51
Halifax	35	45
Charlottetown	33	45
Sydney	28	43
Yarmouth	40	45

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But Union Goes Ahead With Plans

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Warren directed conciliators in a score of cities to keep representatives of telephone companies and telephone workers union in continuous session until formulas for settling the dispute are worked out.

The National Federation of Telephone Workers meantime went ahead with plans to stage the first country-wide phone walkout at 6 A.M. local time Monday in support of a \$12 weekly wage increase and other contract demands.

Joseph Beltrine, president of the National Federation, said meanwhile: "Tomorrow morning we strike." "All our efforts have failed," Beltrine said in a radio address.

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