

Says House Where 10 Burned Not Safe

NEW WATERFORD, N.S., Feb. 9 (CP) — The house in which 10 persons perished in a Jan. 26 fire was not a safe place, Provincial Fire Marshal S.S. Wright said today during an investigation into Cape Breton's worst fire tragedy.

Mr. Wright, one of 17 persons to testify at the hearing which he himself conducted, was asked by Crown Prosecutor Donald Finlayson: "Do you consider the home (McKeigan's) was a safe place to live in?"

Mr. Wright said: "I do not... nor any similar place."

The two-family house where the 10 burned to death is one of a type common in this mining community.

Testimony brought out that the Town Fire Department members did everything possible to save the building. Neighbors who were awakened by screams of "Save us, daddy," from the trapped children stated it was only a matter of seconds before death stilled the cries.

The Fire Marshal said a report of the proceedings would be filed with the Attorney General's Department and also with Town authorities.

When Mr. Wright inspected the charred remains of the 13th Street home he found a cot within 20 inches of the heater. If the cot was in the same position as "I found it," he said, "it may account for the fire."

The Fire Marshal said the walls in the McKeigan part of the double house were made of heavier board and had been destroyed quickly by the fire which he estimated lasted about half an hour.

He noted faulty workmanship in electrical installation and said the smoke pipes of both the heater and the stove did not fit.

He said that under the Provincial Fire Prevention Act it was the duty of each municipality to provide regular inspection of dwellings.

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Treatment Of Cardinal May Unite Anti-Red Sentiment In World

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

Hungary's treatment of Cardinal Mindszenty has made his name the focal point for one of the great forces which may wipe Communism from the face of Europe.

His sentence to life imprisonment, in its effect on people everywhere, is a decree that he shall spend his full time from now on — and perhaps even after death — doing just what he was accused of doing in fighting Communism.

The Peoples Court has not only helped to solidify anti-Communist sentiment everywhere. From a very practical standpoint the Hungarian Communist Government has outraged a vast proportion of the people of Hungary and advertised its own weakness in this frenzied reaction to opposition.

Communists clear up to the Kremlin may come to look back on this deed as the worst mistake they ever made.

In Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland most people are Roman Catholics. They are bound by a tie that is very close to other millions of Roman Catholics everywhere. They will not rest until this treatment of a prince of their faith is atoned for.

Thus, aside from the utter immorality of the court procedure, the Communists have turned a hard core of largely passive opposition into an active force. From it they will hear a great deal more than they ever heard from Mindszenty.

The circumstances of the case itself are hard for people in North America to understand. How can a man of such stature be reduced within a few weeks from hold denunciation to pathetic surrender? What made him repudiate in open court the letter he had written weeks before warning his friends to pay no attention if he should make damaging confessions later?

Did they drug him or produce an amnesia in some other fashion working on his mind until in the depths of melancholy and depression he absorbed the repeated ideas which his tormentors sought to transplant? It would seem more likely that a man of his training would succumb to such treatment than to physical torture or even to threats against his aged mother.

The Communists have been known to resort to any or all of these methods to obtain the "confessions" which are a part of their regular trial procedure.

The Cardinal's fate is not a religious issue in the ordinary sense of that word. He said two years ago "My enemies can take from me no more than my life and that has already been given to God." But they did take more. They took the right which the United Nations has proclaimed for all men in its next declaration on human rights, of "freedom of thought, conscience and religion (which right includes freedom... to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance)." They took another of the rights endowed rights "to receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers."

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Lewis Tibert of Fredericton was elected chairman of the Maritime M.B.W.C. Committee at the Moncton meeting by David Coughley of Fredericton, who chaired the meeting. George Wilson of Truro, Lewis Tibert of Fredericton, Grant Kirkpatrick of Woodstock, N.B., Ross MacKenzie of Summerside, P.E.I., Murray Saragant of Saint John, Herb Morton, Roy Graham, Karl Crandall, J. E. Hoover of Moncton, T.A.M. Kirk of Halifax, Edwin Johnson and Fred Norton of Summerside, P.E.I., seven Y's Men's Clubs were represented at Sunday's meeting.

Among the Y.M.C.A. organizations interested in this project are the H.Y. Clubs, the Phalanx Clubs and the Y's Men's Clubs of the Maritime Provinces. Seven Y's Men's Clubs were represented at Sunday's meeting.

The memorial to the late Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated this year in London at Westminster Abbey was the first head of a foreign state to be honored in Westminster.

Fishing Industry Promising

MONCTON, N.B., Feb. 8 — The outlook for the fishing industry in the Maritimes is very promising. M. W. Maxwell, chief of development, Canadian National Railways, told news men here today during a stop-over enroute to Montreal from Halifax where he attended the third annual East Coast Fisheries conference.

"In recent years," Mr. Maxwell said, "the major fishing centres have been moving northward. This will continue and possibly within the next 25 years the bulk of the fish will be caught between the Maritimes and Newfoundland coasts in the Grand Banks area."

With increasing storage of meats, the world was turning more and more to fish to supply protein food. Last year Canada exported the largest quantity of fish in her history.

Mr. Maxwell was accompanied by E. A. Day, industrial representative for the Atlantic region, C.N.R. here.

WINSLOE NORTH W. M. S.

The February meeting of Winsloe North W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Bruce Younker with Mrs. Albert Cudmore in charge of devotional period.

Meeting opened with hymn Lord of Light Whose Name Outshineth, followed by prayer. Psalm 145 was read responsively and hymn, Bless Be The Tie That Binds was sung, and a general thanksgiving read in unison. Offering amounting to 80c was taken and a dedication hymn, Rise Up O Men of God was sung.

A Chinese song was read by the leader, followed by prayer of Intercession for China by the leader. Hymn, O Word Of God Incarnate, read in unison. A reading, Fed by the Ravens, was given by Mrs. John Cudmore.

Mrs. John MacInnis gave a report of presbyterial. Mrs. Omar Younker gave a brief report of the talk given by Mrs. Hugh Taylor of her visit to all the mission fields during the last two years, of which she spoke at Presbyterial.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. Roll call answered by eight members. Comm. Friendship Secretary reported four calls, 18 cards and 2 boxes sent during the month. Correspondence was presented. Six members paid their fees.

World day of Prayer meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. C. L. Cudmore March 4th with Mrs. John MacInnis as leader. Word for next month pray or prayers. Closing hymn, Breathe on me Breath of God, followed by The Lord's Prayer in unison.

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