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MOLOTOV INJECTS CHINA PROBLEM AT PARLEY

Consider Big Railway Project For Summerside

Canadian National Railways engineers are, at present, surveying the Summerside and vicinity in connection with a project which, if carried out, would do away with all the crossings in the western section of the town and would involve the construction of a new right-of-way along the shore south of Water Street, then through the Lindsetter district to Misouche. The crossing at St. Michael's across the main highway would also be eliminated, according to this plan, which would at the same time deprive the people of this area of their station.

While this information is unofficial, it has been reliably learned that this is the general plan. However, it is only in the planning stage and may never be carried out depending on the reports of the engineers and other factors.

From the point of view of the railway the advantage would be twofold, it would result in greater economy of operation and would increase the efficiency of the service.

Operation from Summerside station may not proceed faster than ten miles an hour till it has passed all the crossings in the town.

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Ontario Budget Expected Today

TORONTO, March 10 — (CP) — Provincial Treasurer Frost announced in the Ontario Legislature today that he would introduce the provincial budget tomorrow, on the fourth day of the present session.

Mr. Frost's announcement came as a surprise and drew immediate opposition from Liberal and C.C.F. members. Normally the budget is not presented until about midway through the session.

Four Killed In Train Wreck

SCOTT'S JUNCTION, Que., March 10 — (CP) — Four persons were killed tonight when a Quebec Central Railway freight train was involved in a smash-up at this railway point 32 miles from Quebec on the south shore of the St. Lawrence River.

The dead, all railway employees, were: Engineer N. E. Lyford, Avers Cliffe, Que., fireman W. Billings, Sherbrooke, Que., trainman L. Cyr, Sherbrooke, and A. Cloutier, Vallee Junction, Que.

One of the freight trains was stopped at the station when the other train smashed into it, railway officials said.

Three other railway employees were injured and were taken to hospital in Lewis. They are: engineer A. Fuller, Sherbrooke, fireman J. E. Davies, Sherbrooke, and L. G. Lechance, Vallee Junction.

Coming Events

Special meeting of the Hope River Credit Union in St. Ann's School on Tuesday evening, March 11th at 8 P.M. If weather unfavorable first fine night following.

Important meeting of special interest to all farmers of Cornwall, Mendonbank and York Point to be held in Cornwall School Tuesday, March 11 at 8 p.m., to hear details of insemination plan pertaining to grade and purebred cattle of all breeds.

Hope River Red Wings vs. South Rustico Rangers at Kensington rink Wednesday night, March 12. Fourth game of the playoff finals for the Merchants' Trophy. Bus service leaving Dickenson's Store, New Glasgow at 7 p.m. Game starts 8:30.

A meeting of interest to farmers of Suffolk and Pleasant Grove will be held in the Pleasant Grove School Thursday, March 13, at 8 P.M. to discuss artificial insemination. Owners of grade and purebred cattle are urged to attend.

Leading live Hogs Thursday, February 20th as follows: Summerside till 1:30 P.M. Kensington till 3 P.M. Borden Bagnall, Hunter River Friday till noon. Essex Wigness, Broadbent, Friday till train time. Trucking service when roads permit, Madawson and Campbell.

Withdrawal Of Occupation Force Is Explained

Where World's Eyes Focus As Big Four Meet



Gen. Marshall Bidault Bevin Molotov

With postwar crises bedeviling Europe, all eyes will be on Moscow where the Big Four's foreign ministers are striving to reach agreement on peace treaties with Germany and Austria. Pictured above is the Kremlin, central feature of the Big Four's meeting. The delegates regarding Russia are reached.

Little Pomp At Moscow

A large representation of the City employees attended last night's regular monthly meeting of the City Council to hear a pension scheme designed for their benefit explained by City Councillor N.W. Lowther.

It was not a desirable state of affairs, Coun. Lowther said, to have City employees serve for many years and then die without having afforded their families any security.

The cost of instituting a pension scheme which would take care of all the City's present employees would be considerable, he said, because many of those employees had worked for the City for twenty years and had not contributed anything out of their salaries to such a scheme. In order for the City to include these employees in the scheme the City would have to pay approximately \$42,000 for the next ten years, he said.

The City is willing, Coun. Lowther said.

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Pension Scheme Discussed At City Council Meeting

Blizzard As Delegates Meet For Conference

By ROSS MUNRO

MOSCOW, March 10 — (CP) — A strangely informal but businesslike opening for the Big Four conference took place today as a blizzard swirled around the Aviation Building in suburban Moscow where the Foreign Ministers of Russia, Britain, the United States and France met.

The scene had no resemblance at all to the gala ceremony the French staged in Paris 11 months ago launching the first Big Four peace talks when Republican guards paraded with flashing sabres and shining helmets.

The Russians simply didn't attempt to put on a show. Only two simple clusters of medium-sized cotton flags of the four countries decorated the doorway of the grey stone Aviation House — which looks like a modern office building but which has been used as an officers' club.

Waiting for the delegates to arrive, three Moscow city policemen in neat blue uniforms trudged up and down near the entrance. Four militiamen kept a group of playful Russian boys from jostling on the main steps.

Fifty Russian women wearing shawls kept sweeping away the snow with long brooms from the roadway in front of the building while other women shovelled it into trucks.

Across the road from the building, several hundred Russian boys and girls in fur hats and padded jackets and some adults kibitzed.

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Gives Data On Potato Survey In Manitoba

WINNIPEG, March 10 — (CP) — It has taken him three years to work out but Dr. J. E. MacIsaac of the Dominion Plant Pathology Laboratory here now believes he knows why Manitoba's potato acreage has dropped from 67,000 acres in 1915 to 25,000 in 1946 despite a 300,000-person increase in population.

It's a two-fold reason: rough and careless harvesting, handling and storing, which causes a high percentage of rot, and failure to use certified seed.

Back in 1944 Dr. MacIsaac began wondering why a province so rich agriculturally was importing 80 per cent of the potatoes it ate.

Then he started going into stores and buying Manitoba-grown potatoes—when he could find a store selling them. Between November and March of each year he bought 10 different batches of potatoes although last year he had to go to 42 stores before he filled the quota.

Generally, he found that wastage in peeling a Manitoba potato ranged from 32 to 50 per cent. Rotting was prevalent after peeling in 70 per cent. Careless digging and handling had bruised, cracked and broken the potatoes.

In addition to blight and other field diseases, he found stores were leaving potatoes in their windows and as a result the spuds were "greening" in the sun, leaving them tasteless.

Nor was that all. Different varieties were packed in the same bag—potatoes which took only a few minutes to cook; others which took much longer. The housewife just got "fed up" trying to cook the two varieties at once.

One conviction that has come out of his research is that Manitoba can grow all her own potatoes—if the growers will use certified seed, grade the vegetable properly and devote time and care to the spuds.

Mr. King Takes House Members Behind Scenes

OTTAWA, March 10 — (CP) — Prime Minister Mackenzie King today took the Commons behind the scenes of inter-governmental discussion over the withdrawal of the Canadian occupation force from Germany and disclosed that Britain unsuccessfully sought to have Canada reconsider the withdrawing order.

Speaking on an Opposition motion for production of inter-governmental communications on the matter, Mr. King told the House why Canada had withdrawn her tentative commitment, made early in 1945, to supply a land force of 25,000 men and an air force of 11 R. C. A. F. squadrons.

He said the decision to withdraw the force had been taken by the Cabinet in December, 1945, because of the "serious" diplomatic problems involved in keeping so small a number of men so far a distance from home.

Britain Asked Reconsideration

Britain promptly asked the Dominion to reconsider this decision and later made a similar approach when External Affairs Minister St. Laurent, then Justice Minister, and other Canadian Cabinet Ministers were in London, but on both occasions was told the Canadian Government could not modify its action.

Mr. King's 1,500-word review of the withdrawal also served as a response to Opposition requests made during the Throne Speech debate last week for a clear-cut Government statement on the move, which some said was dictated by "political expediency."

The Prime Minister said the Canadian army occupation force was to have been stationed in the British zone of occupation and the R. C. A. F. squadrons were to have been stationed partly in Germany and partly in the United Kingdom.

Mr. King said Canada made this commitment Jan. 9, 1945, at the same time advising Britain that there were "some over-all considerations of policy which the Canadian Government felt should be communicated inter-governmentally."

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Queen's Co. Member Scores Gross Negligence In Dealing With Transportation Claims

OTTAWA, Ont., March 10 — (Special) — W. Chester S. McLure, Progressive Conservative member for Queens, charged the Dominion Government with "gross indifference and negligence in dealing with Prince Edward Island ferry transportation problems" as he debated on the Speech from the Throne continued in the House of Commons today.

Discussing the judgment of the Board of Transport Commissioners on the application of Summerside Board of Trade to review the Prince Edward Island ferry rates, Mr. McLure renewed his protest that these rates are beyond the jurisdiction of the Transport Board.

"Under the British North America Act," he said, "the Dominion Parliament and it alone has the exclusive authority over all matters such as rates on ferries between two Provinces. Adjustment or fixing of rates is entirely outside the jurisdiction of the Board of Transport Commissioners. The ferries must be treated as national highways under the pact of 1873."

Navigator Is Blown Out Of Plane Over Ocean

NEW YORK, March 10 — (AP) — A plastic navigation dome and the navigator inside were blown out of the top of a Trans World Airlines Constellation plane flying over the Atlantic Ocean about 250 miles an hour tonight, the Coast Guard said.

The Coast Guard said the navigation dome was blown away at 19,000 feet altitude, the pressure system for the cabin was made useless, and the pilot had to drop to about 10,000 feet to save those aboard.

The plane was reported safe and en route back to Gander. The Coast Guard said it did not know how many persons were aboard.

T.W.A. announced in Washington that the plane had landed in Gander at 11:54 p.m. A.S.T.

In Washington, Tom Bell of the T.W.A. public relations staff identified the navigator as George Hart, of Sag Harbor, N. Y.

Bell said the plane was bound for Geneva, Switzerland. The Coast Guard said the navigator "blubbed" apparently was blown off because of a defective catch, or when the navigator accidentally hit it while sighting the stars.

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By The Canadian Press

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Surprise Move Countered By U. S. Delegate

By Wes Gallagher

MOSCOW, March 10 — (AP) — Foreign Minister Molotov of Russia in a surprise move tonight injected the complicated China question into the opening session of the four-power foreign ministers conference on Austria and Germany.

State Secretary Marshall of the United States blocked an immediate vote on Molotov's proposal to place China on the agenda. Marshall then countered with a diplomatic surprise of his own, suggesting that the conference discuss limitation of Allied troops in occupied countries of Europe.

Molotov, who presided over the opening session of the momentous meeting, said China should be discussed in the light of the Moscow conference of 1945, at which the United States, Britain and Russia agreed to a policy of non-intervention in Chinese affairs.

Move With Speed

The opening session of the conference, held while the Soviet Capital was engulfed in a heavy snowstorm, moved with surprising speed and with many expressions of goodwill.

The ministers went about their work in a business-like fashion and there was none of the acid comment which occasionally has characterized previous Big Four meetings.

Besides discussing the China and occupation army proposals, the ministers also:

1. Agreed to liquidate permanently the military Government of Prussia. This action, already carried out in effect, was recommended by the Allied Control Council for Germany and the deputy foreign ministers.
2. Agreed on a six-point agenda as outlined at their last meeting, held in New York.
3. Deferred until tomorrow a request by the Inter-Allied reparations agency, representing...

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BLOSSOM CANADA FLOUR

The Hour that blooms in the oven

High tide this afternoon at 1:44 and tonight at 2:25. Sun rises this morning at 6 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:20. Last quarter moon March 14th 1:28 P.M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. CAR FERRY "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND" Daily except Sunday. Leave Borden at 9:05 A.M. Leave Tormentine at 3 P.M.