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HEAVY VOTE PLEASES ANTI-COMMUNISTS IN ITALY

"Ginger Group" To Provide Fireworks At P. C. Meeting

U. N. Delegates Are Pessimistic Over Palestine Solution

Italian Munitions Dumps Raided

(By The Associated Press)
ROME, Apr. 18—(Monday)—Two unsuccessful attempts to attack munitions dumps during Italy's fateful Sunday election day were reported early today.

The report of a second unsuccessful attempt to blast a Government supply was received several hours after the polls closed in the Sunday phase of the election in which Italians thronged to the voting places to make their choice between east and west.

An unofficial but reliable source said an attempt was made to blow up an army dump at Pavia, a town in Lombardy south of Milan in Italy's heavily populated "red north." Police would neither confirm nor deny the report.

In the only other major incident of violence Sunday, 60 young soldiers guarding an ammunition dump at San Rocco el Porto near Milan were reported to have engaged in a two-hour gun fight with a group of unknown attackers. The attackers were driven off. There were no casualties.

N. S. Man Fatally Injured In Accident

MIDDLETON, N. S., April 18—(CP)—Vernon McLeod, 20, dies in hospital here Saturday from injuries received in an automobile accident Friday night.

Three other persons, two of them members of the R. C. A. F., were in hospital in serious condition and 10 other Air Force men received hospital treatment following the accident.

The accident occurred on the main highway east of here when the car in which McLeod was a passenger collided with a truck bringing the R. C. A. F. men from the station at nearby Greenwood to their homes here.

Coming Events

- *Play, Tracadie Hall, Wednesday April 21st. Dance after.
- *Dance in Walter Connok's, Kinkora, Tuesday night, April 20th.
- *Card Party, Credit Union Hall, Summerfield, Monday night, April 19th.
- *Kinkora Hall, Monday, April 19th. Card Party and Dance. Door Prize.
- *Place your orders for grass seed. Booking now. Vernon J. Noye.
- *National Film Board in New Perth School Monday, April 19th. Sale of cake and candy.
- *Unloading pressed hay at Breadalbane Monday and Tuesday. Walter G. MacKenzie.
- *Dance, Flat River Hall on Wednesday, 21st. In aid of Flat River W. I.
- *St. Andrew's Dramatic Club present their Play, St. Peter's Bay, Wednesday, May 21st. \$15. Audiences St. Peter's Parish.
- *Unloading—Monday and Tuesday, car content; also buying potatoes and turnips every day. P. J. Noye, Hunter River.
- *Collecting and trucking hogs for Canada Packers every Thursday from Canoe Cove, Rice Point and Long Creek. Archie McKinnon.
- *Montague and vicinity farmers will reap more grain again this year by having their seed properly cleaned and graded. We are cleaning every day. Fraser & Anner Feed Service.
- *Chicoro-McDearie—a three-act comedy farce presented by Gracia Club of Central Christian Church at Empire Theatre, April 20th at 8:15 P. M. Tickets on sale at the Abegweit Gift Court and Ward's Drug Store.

Federal Budget Expected In May

OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—With the symptoms of crisis apparently drained out of the freight rates issue, Parliament is heading into several weeks which promise to be a relatively uneventful prelude to budget day.

Finance Minister Abbott's budget, now anticipated sometime in May, is the most immediate major development on the Ottawa political horizon. Its contents of considerable speculation, with the chief interest centering on the possibilities of large income tax cuts. There have been predictions both ways, that there will be and that there won't be.

Mr. Abbott has rejected any attempts in the Commons to determine just when his budget will come down.

The week immediately ahead will see the freight rates issue—touched off by the decision of the Board of Transport Commissioners to grant the railways a 21-per-cent increase in rates—probably brought to a head—Tuesday—in Commons' votes on two Opposition amendments which amount to no-confidence motions.

Any threat that the Government would be overthrown by recalcitrant Maritimes and Western Liberals was wiped away this week when Prime Minister Mackenzie King flatly told a party caucus that the rates question was hardly one on which to fight a Federal election.

The week will also be noteworthy for the annual meeting of the Progressive Conservative Association, expected to draw 1,000 delegates to the Capital.

Clerk Of House



Mr. T. R. Cullen, former Speaker of the Provincial Legislature and defeated candidate for 2nd King's in the last General Provincial election, has been appointed Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

The appointment was announced over the week-end by Premier J. Walter Jones.

Three Children Burn To Death In Ontario

PENETANGUISHENE, Ont., April 18—Three small children were burned to death when fire swept their frame dwelling Saturday.

Victims were three-year-old Donald and six-month-old Sandra, children of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilbank.

Jack Gilbank had left Penetanguishene Friday to join his Lake freighter. Mrs. Gilbank had gone 100 yards distant to get a pair of water.

When she returned she saw her own house on fire. When firemen arrived it was impossible to rescue the three children.

Canadian Letters In Italian Campaign

MONTREAL, April 18—(CP)—Local Italo-Canadian sources said more than 100,000 letters from Canada are serving as ammunition for democratic forces in today's Italian elections.

Local organizations are doing their share and Roman Catholic priests in parishes where there are many Italians have encouraged parishioners to make letters to their homeland democratic propaganda.

Rev. Pierre Benoit Maltempi said he personally has averaged three or four letters a day since Christmas.

De Gaulle Calls For Immediate Election

MARSEILLE, April 18—(AP)—Gen. Charles De Gaulle today called for an immediate general election which, he said, would enable him to head a strong government capable of facing the peril of Russia.

Almost simultaneously, Premier Robert Schuman, a De Gaulle political rival, announced that he would ask Parliament to adopt new military reorganization laws because of the unsettled international situation. Schuman gave no details but said the plan would cost the country "the indispensable minimum in money and men."

His Cabinet recently discussed increasing the required military training period from one year to 18 months.

De Gaulle, leader of the rightist Rassemblement de Peuple Français (R.P.F.), charged that the present Cabinet is dividing France at a time of great danger.

Latest In Tractors

PARIS, April 18—(Reuters)—A tractor equipped with two plows to avoid the necessity of turning is one of the latest inventions on show at the 20th salon of agricultural machinery here at the rear, the farmer only has to pull a lever to lift clear the one which he does not want to use.

Young Members Work Way Into Resolutions Group

(By D'Arcy O'Donnell)
OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—A "ginger group" composed of young men with political ambitions is expected to provide the fireworks at the annual meeting of the Progressive Conservative Association of Canada, opening today.

Approximately 1,000 delegates from various parts of Canada are expected at the three-day sessions. Some representatives of the "ginger group" arrived in time to attend closed meetings of the resolutions committee Friday and Saturday.

Ordinarily the committee is made up of veteran supporters of the party, said an official. As a result resolutions from the younger elements of the party have usually been steered aside.

The youngsters disagreed and said if the older supporters of the party were not prepared to support a progressive social security program they should move out and make room for "new blood."

Another party supporter said that as a result of the showing by the younger members the resolutions coming out of the annual meeting would be "more progressive than ever."

The question of organization, he said, would be one of the major items on the agenda. A serious effort is underway to draft Hon. Earl Rowe (PC-Dufferin-Simco) for the presidency of the Association.

J. M. Macdonnell (PC-Muskoka-Ontario) has been president for the last two years.

Some members believe a general election may come this year. A Liberal convention will be held in August to choose a successor to Prime Minister Mackenzie King as leader of the Liberal Party. The new leader might seek an early mandate from the people, although the life of Parliament does not expire until August.

Quebec Legionnaires Move To Oust All Subversive Members

MONTREAL, April 18—(CP)—Direct action to eliminate subversive elements from the Canadian Legion was taken Saturday by the Quebec Provincial Command in closing its three-day convention.

Delegates also voted to admit to membership men called up under the National Resources Mobilization Act who served in an actual theatre of war.

A move to accept veterans with three years' service in the non-permanent active militia was defeated.

Steps to eradicate Communists, anarchists and Fascists came in the form of three approved resolutions calling on the Dominion Command to amend the Legion constitution at the Dominion-wide convention in Saskatoon next month.

One resolution would have the constitution state specifically: "No anarchist, Communist or Fascist, avowed or proved, shall be permitted to become or remain a member; nor shall any person who advocates the destruction of organized government in Canada by force, or any person who advocates, encourages or participates in subversive action or subversive propaganda be permitted to become or remain a member."

A second resolution alters the Legion ritual so that affirmation of membership conform fully with the revised article on anti-subversives.

Under the third resolution each Legion branch would set up an investigating commission which would file formal complaint against anyone violating the membership provisions.

At present the constitution, in its injunctions against undesirable, refers only broadly to avowed anarchists and Fascists, and fixes on individuals the responsibility for making a complaint in writing against an anti-subversive member.

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Montreal Police Drive Reds Underground

(By The Canadian Press)
MONTREAL, April 18—Three law-enforcement agencies—Federal, Provincial and City Police—have so cramped operations of Montreal's 3,800 Communists and fellow-travellers that the Red movement is fast disappearing underground, directors of the co-operative drive said today.

Raid after raid has produced a wealth of information. Police files are filled with lists of individual names and organizations, documents, leaflets and other publications and a mass of detail on Communist ramifications.

The files themselves tell the story. Of the 3,800 Reds and sympathizers in the city, 1,800 are registered members of the Communist Party. Ringleaders, taking orders direct from Moscow, number about 100.

There are 33 organizations "fronting" for the Reds under innocuous names. Communist publications in 15 languages are circulated in Montreal from all parts of Canada.

The Communist ramifications have reached into 13 industrial councils and trade unions in Montreal alone.

Toronto, not Montreal, is the body of the Red octopus.

The latest Communist propaganda campaign in Quebec Province tells French-Canadians they will be conscripted for military service unless they take a determined stand. The literature points to steps in the United States toward universal military training and says Canada is preparing to act accordingly.

Police authorities said every branch is on the alert against subversive organizations, and more raids are in the making.

Lieut. Louis Champagne, head of the Montreal Police Department's Anti-subversive Squad, acts under authority of Police Director Albert Langlois. Other officers combatting Communist operations are Corporal Paul Berrette of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Special Officer Paul Benoit of the Quebec Provincial Police.

There is close co-operation among all three agencies, and Deputy Director Hilaire Beauregard of the Provincial Police keeps the Attorney-General's office fully informed.

Undesirables From Europe To Dominion

OTTAWA, April 18—(Special)
With Mines and Resources Minister Glen who supervises Canada's immigration policy absent recovering from a heart ailment, official Ottawa was deeply disturbed this week-end at reports that mounting numbers of "undesirables" were coming into Canada from Europe's displaced persons camps.

Some weeks ago seven Jews who had entered Canada with forged British passports were rounded up in Toronto and deported. Now it is said that many persons with subversive tendencies have got by the immigration and labor department's "screening teams" in Europe and are a menace to peace and security in this country. A double check is being made on a number of persons whose previous records are under question and deportation proceedings may be launched if it can be proved they entered this country by making false representations.

It is even claimed here that among those who passed Canada's screening officers are former members of the German Gestapo and SS, who destroyed all their identification papers and sought refuge in the displaced persons camps. When making application to come to Canada, these men, it is alleged, told Canadian officers they were Poles, citizens of Latvia, Estonia or Lithuania, or that they were anti-Communists who escaped across the frontiers of Hungary or Czechoslovakia. Since few of the Canadian officials in Europe speak languages other than English and French, dealings with these supposedly displaced persons were carried on through interpreters, and the wily ex-nazis invented credible falsehoods about their antecedents and families which completely hoodwinked the Canadians, most of whom have had little experience in unmasking liars.

Plan To Use "Talkies" In Ontario Election

TORONTO, April 18—(CP)—Premier George Drew and his Cabinet Saturday made "talkies" to be shown throughout the Province at political rallies and in theatres. The Premier and his Ministers are shown discussing various topics of interest to the electors they hope to attract to the polls for the Ontario provincial election June 7.

Retain 92, Hopes For New Trial

ILE D'YEU, OFF THE COAST OF WESTERN FRANCE, April 18—(Reuters)—On this little island, 10 miles out in the Atlantic, Henri Philippe Petain, Marshal of France and former head of the Vichy state, will spend his 82nd birthday next week-end hoping for a retrial of his case.

He has lived here in the sun since Nov. 15, 1945, when he arrived from Port-Tariet in the Pyrenees in the autumn after his trial.

Petaim, then 80, was sentenced to death and loss of civic rights on charges of plotting against the security of the state and intelligence with the enemy. But the jury recommended mercy on account of his age.

His mind is still as active as ever and though he is cut off from the world in a six-mile-long island, 40 miles from the mouth of the River Loire, he takes a keen interest in French and world affairs.

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Final Returns Expected Late On Tuesday

By FRANK O'BRIEN
ROME, April 18 (AP)—Italians thronged the heavily guarded polls today to make their choice between east and west, and the great outpouring heartened anti-Communist leaders.

Some supporters of the Vatican-backed Christian Democrat Party had feared that the day's showers might keep their followers at home, while Communists, under orders to flood the polls. But these fears seemed groundless—in some precincts up to 90 per cent of the voters cast ballots within a few hours. A total of 21 hours, ending Monday, was allotted for the election of a Parliament.

Communist leaders were silent. In contrast, a statement of confidence came from Premier Alcide de Gasperi, who voted after prayers in Vatican City.

"We will not fall democracy," he said.

The weather was cloudy over most of the peninsula, rain fell in some places and the threat of rain prevailed in others.

Up to tonight, there had been little need of the 330,000 soldiers, policemen and finance guards mobilized by the Government to insure order among the 29,000,000 eligible voters. In some places the guards were minding babies while their mothers voted.

Only violence reported was not at the polls. It was a two-hour gunfight just after midnight between unknown attackers and 60 young soldiers guarding an ammunition dump at San Rocco el Porto near Milan. There were no casualties.

A solemn atmosphere reflected the importance the election outcome may have for Europe and the world. Millions of Italians got up early to line up before the 41,647 voting places and mark their choice between the Communist-dominated Popular Front and the anti-Communist parties, paced by de Gasperi's Christian Democrats.

The new Parliament being selected.

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TORONTO, April 18—Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Vancouver 46, 60; Victoria 46, 57; Edmonton 31, 37; Calgary 31, 54; Winnipeg 31, 50; Toronto 31, 52; Ottawa 25, 54; Montreal 30, 53; Quebec 23, 50; Saint John 42; Moncton 21, 44; Halifax 42, 50; Charlottetown 24, 34; Sydney 25, 33; Yarmouth 20, 40.

HALIFAX, April 18—(CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office to-night.

Synopsis: The weather was fine over the Maritimes Sunday. Temperatures rose to the 40s in New Brunswick and Southwestern Nova Scotia but in Prince Edward Island and Northern Nova Scotia afternoon temperatures were in the low 30s. A ridge of high pressure is moving across the district and Monday southerly winds will bring in milder air. A southwesterly current of moist air was causing rain in the Great Lakes area Sunday evening and cloud had spread eastward to the Lower St. Lawrence. On Monday this cloud will spread over the whole district. Rain and snow are forecast for the northwestern part of the district.

Forecasts, valid until Monday midnight:

Prince Edward Island—Clear becoming overcast Monday evening. Milder Monday. Light winds increasing Monday afternoon to south 15. Low early Monday morning at Charlottetown, 28. High in the afternoon 48.

High tide this morning at 7:28 and tonight at 6:53.

Sun sets this evening at 6:50 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:08.

Full moon April 23rd, 9:28 A. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

The Hour that blooms in the noon

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