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was lawless to think what you  
wished, and to say what you  
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## U. S. ARMY TO PROBE 'FLYING SAUCERS' MYSTERY

### Islander Adds New Slant To Observations

Further confirmation of the existence of mysterious objects crossing the skies at tremendous speed, was given on Saturday by Mr. Owen McNeill, Village Green, who called to the Guardian to report his observations.

Mr. McNeill said he was soaring green feed on his farm at approximately 5:30 on Thursday afternoon, when his attention was attracted by a very bright light in the sky. It was brighter than the sun, he said. The light seemed to come from a black object immediately ahead of the light, and behind the light there was a long plane which he estimated to be two miles long. The height of the object he believed to be about 40,000 feet and it was travelling almost due east at tremendous speed.

Asked if it in any way resembled

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### Sails Atlantic Alone



Sailing Atlantic alone in 39-foot yawl is George Osborn of "Giri Pat" fame. Osborn left Dover, Eng., without warning. Two crew members couldn't get aboard.

### Coming Events

- Lot 65 Picnic, July 23rd.
- Show Malpeque Tuesday.
- Movies — North Wilshire, Tuesday.
- Show Murray Harbour North Monday.
- Ice cream and dance in Iona Hall, Tuesday night.
- Dance in Emvayle School Monday, July 7th. Good music.
- Reserve Tuesday, July 16th for Rollo Bay tea.
- Kelly's Cross Picnic Wednesday, July 16th.
- Dance and ice cream Donagh School, Monday, July 7th.
- Annual Picnic in aid of St. Bridget's Church, Lot 13, Wednesday, July 9th.
- Auld's Store, Harrington, will be closed on Thursday afternoons until further notice.
- Dance in Horton's Hall, Murray River, July 7th. MacKenzie's Orchestra.
- Remember Knights of Columbus Carnival at Recreation Centre, July 17th.
- Come to the ice cream festival at Stenish School Wednesday, July 9.
- Dancing tonight Country Club. Travellers Rest. Music by Prince County Pioneers.
- Get your ticket on the big Chesterfield Suite, Knights of Columbus Carnival, July 17th.
- Collecting Hogs each Wednesday morning for Canada Packers. Robt. Dawson, Crapaud.
- Dance Corran Ban Hall, July 8. Rollie MacKenzie's Orchestra. Dancing 9:30 to 12:30.
- Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. Signed David Pratt.
- Dance in Brae Hall, Tuesday night, July 8. Brae orchestra. Luncheon served. Admission 25 cents.
- In stock, asphalt shingles and roll roofing. N. Aubrey Outcliffe, Fredericton.
- Dance and ice cream. Donagh School postponed until Thursday, July 10th.
- Now in stock, asphalt shingles, roll roofing and all sizes in Boardwalk. W. I. Bowman, Hunter River.
- Eastern District P. Y. P. S. Rally on Tuesday, July 9, at Murray Harbour North Presbyterian Church. Sessions at 3 P.M. and 8 P.M.
- Boys attending Knights of Columbus Camp who have not yet filled in their application, please send to 64 Rochford St. or phone 3272.
- Sunday School Convention of Southwest Queen's in Cornwall Church, Thursday, July 10. Afternoon session 3 o'clock. Evening 7:30. Everybody welcome.
- Collecting Hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers from Vernon River, Ugg, Ellotville, Sunrise, Villa, Hermitage, Avondale and Glenoe. Call Ralph Lee, Vernon River.

### U. S. Counts 427 Dead In Holiday Week-end

### Greek Freighter Abandoned On Sable Island

HALIFAX, July 6—(CP)—With part of her crew safe on Sable Island and the others on a salvage tug bound for Sydney, N.S., the Greek freighter *Manhattan* was abandoned today and left to join the scores of other ill-fated ships clutched in the shifting sands of the Atlantic "graveyard."

Efforts to free the ship yesterday and today were fruitless, with her boilers useless, her engine room wrecked by an unexplained explosion and her radio smashed by the steady battering of the heavy swell, she was abandoned.

Twelve members of her crew had previously been transferred to the island and the Yugoslav chief engineer, injured in the engine room explosion, was flown by air ambulance to hospital in Halifax.

Today the Halifax salvage tug *Foundation Franklin*, standing by to make a possible rescue attempt, gave up her towing efforts and took the remaining fourteen crew members on board and headed back to her home port at Sydney.

The con-laden freighter, en route from Newport News, Va., to St. John's, Nfld., ran aground on the treacherous sand bars of Sable Island, late Friday night in a dense fog.

### Spaniards Vote Yes For Succession Law

MADRID, July 6—(AP)—Spanish voters today ratified by an apparent majority of more than 80 per cent the law confirming Generalissimo Francisco Franco as chief of state and establishing procedure for selection of a king or regent to succeed him.

It was the first time in 11 years that balloting had been permitted in Spain.

Of nearly 3,200,000 votes tabulated late tonight by the Associated Press, 2,069,764 were "yes," 103,776 were "no" and 51,067 were blank.

There was no official announcement of the results of the balloting other than a statement by Interior Minister Blas Perez that the succession law had been approved by "an overwhelming majority," probably greater than 80 per cent.

There was no indication either how many of the 16,157,992 registered voters had remained away from the polls, Franco had permitted no organized campaign by the opposition, which was expected to show its strength in the number who refused to vote.

Perez promised to release complete results Monday afternoon.

### Local Boy To Attend World Scout Jamboree

Paul Oudmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oudmore of this City, has been chosen to represent Prince Edward Island at the World Scout Jamboree of Peace to be held near Paris, France, which commences about August 7, and lasts for two weeks. Paul leaves for Miller's Lake near Halifax, July 27th, where he will join the rest of the contingent for a week's training after which they will embark on the H. M. C. S. *Warrior* for their ocean trip to the continent.

Paul is a member of the St. Paul's Scout Troop of Charlottetown, and is a King's Scout, having the green and red cords to his credit and in within a few badges of obtaining his gold cord. He was chosen from among three King's Scouts on the Island as having the highest qualifications to represent the Province.

### New Branch Manager, Bank Of Nova Scotia

Mr. T. F. Mitchell

who has taken over his duties as manager of the Charlottetown branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Mr. Mitchell succeeds Mr. W. R. Adams who is retiring on pension after more than forty-one years service with the Bank.

Mr. Mitchell was formerly manager of the branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Leithbridge, Alta., where he was prominent as a member of the Board of Trade Council, the P.M.C.A. board of directors and the Rotary Club.

A native of Leith, Scotland, Mr. Mitchell joined the Bank of Nova Scotia at Vancouver, in 1914. He served in the Western Provinces at various branches, including Regina and Winnipeg, and was manager at Star City, Sask., and Swift Current, Sask., before removing to Leithbridge.

### Two Barns Destroyed At Victoria Cross

Mr. Eugene Dunn of Victoria Cross, a few miles from Montague, suffered a severe loss Saturday night in the loss by fire of two barns. A horse and two calves died in the barn. Considerable farm machinery was lost also, including a binder, hay mower and potato digger.

Origin of the fire is unknown. It broke out shortly before 10 o'clock. Mr. Dunn was away from home at the time. One of the children said he saw the light from the fire and thought a car had driven into the yard. When he went out the main barn was on fire.

Neighbors gathered quickly but could save little from the barns. They got out a sow and some small pigs but were unable to get near the horse or the calves. A bucket brigade was formed and water poured on the house until the heat from the barns began to lessen. One of the burned buildings was only about 40 feet from the house but the fire blew the flames away. Even at that the walls of the house became quite hot, and steamed as the water was kept on them. A pump in the farmyard supplied water.

Flames lit up the sky and many came from miles away. There was nothing they could do, however, as the time they reached the scene the barns had been leveled.

It was not learned immediately whether there was insurance.

### Plane Crashes Into Houses

QUINCY, Mass., July 6—(AP)—A two-passenger United States Navy "Helldiver" bomber with a full load of gasoline today plunged into a row of three homes on a take-off, killing its pilot, seriously injuring a passenger and leaving a trail of burned wreckage.

The plot was identified as engine George E. Curley, of Boston, Hugh P. Ahern, a navyman also of Boston, suffered a broken jaw, internal injuries and severe cuts.

The plane knocked a chimney off one house, stove in the roof and sheared off the upper back end of the second in line, then crashed into the side of the third where fire subsequently gutted the four-family residence. Deputy Fire Chief Thomas Gorman estimated damage at \$60,000.

### Call Highway To Panama Big Mistake

WASHINGTON, July 6—(CP)—The warlike project of trying to link the United States and Panama Canal with an all-weather highway was termed a "multi-million dollar mistake today" by the Senate's special investigating committee.

Although the highway was to have been completed in May 1946 at a total cost of \$20,000,000, the investigating group reported it "is not yet half completed" and "will now cost at least \$150,000,000."

### Overseas View Of "Flying Saucers"

LONDON, July 6—(AP)—Don't mention those flying saucers on this side of the Atlantic unless you're prepared for an argument about your sanity.

Maybe they have been seen by sober citizens over a vast area of North America, but Europe won't believe in them until somebody lassoes one and has it photographed by Frank Sinatra, the British Ambassador in Washington, and five Supreme Court Justices.

"America's reply to the Loch Ness monster," chortled today's Sunday Dispatch, referring to Britain's hoariest tall story—the vast serpent that "is seen" romping in Scotland's Loch Ness every time the tourist trade needs a shot in the arm.

Scuffed the Communist Daily Worker: "You remember those stories about rockets streaking out over Sweden—or is your memory so short?"

(Swedish military headquarters announced last Oct. 10 that radar equipment had detected some kind of "ghost rockets" over Sweden, but that "it proved impossible on the basis of indications to decide one nature of the things.")

Europeans generally took the notion that the flying saucers, like Sweden's "ghost rockets" would go away if everybody took a good stiff glass of a digestive preparation and the placebo, in that order.

### Work On Borden Piers Will Make Ferry Loading "Extremely Difficult"

### Well Known Island-Born Engineer Dies

MONTREAL, July 6—(CP)—William S. Lea, 70, consulting engineer well known from coast to coast, died Saturday at his summer home at nearby Senneville.

Born at Victoria, P.E.I., he was educated at the University of Toronto in Charlottetown and at McGill University in Montreal.

At one time he was engineer-in-charge of the Department of Waterworks and Bridges of Vancouver.

He was responsible wholly or in large measure for design and construction of large scale sewerage and water supply systems or extensions in these cities and in scores of others; and for hydro electric developments on the Winnipeg River, Lake of the Woods, and elsewhere.

At the time of his death he was consulting to the city of Montreal on the St. Pierre River sewage pumping plant design.

### Car Ferry "Deficit"

Mr. McLure and Mr. Chevrier again clashed on the moot question of the Prince Edward Island car ferry when the former took exception to the word "deficit" in reference to operating costs of the ferry. Holding up the redbook containing the Transport Department estimates, the Queen's member asked:

"Why should the word 'deficit' be used?"

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### Fast Planes Ready To Chase Discs

By The Associated Press

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A Los Angeles newspaper story quoting an unidentified California

### Pleased With "No Election" Forecast

OTTAWA, July 6—(CP)—Several members of the Commons said today they and their colleagues were pleased with Prime Minister Mackenzie King's statement Friday that he did not think there would be a general election before there is another sitting of the House after this session.

They said that the statement came as somewhat of a surprise, because prime ministers as a rule were careful about predicting when an election might or might not take place.

While the life of the present parliament does not expire until 1950 it was not taken for granted that no general election would come before that time.

### Expect Clash On Balkans Question

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., July 6—(AP)—Some United Nations delegates said today there was a possibility of a clash between Russia and the Western Powers this week on the Balkans.

They expected it when the Security Council votes on the United States proposal calling for a semi-permanent 14-N border commission to watch over the Balkans and settle any disputes that might arise.

### Abegweit To Call At Charlottetown

The new car ferry "Abegweit," now undergoing her final tuning-up preparations at Quebec, will make her first port of call before going on her regular route, The Hon. Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport, informed Premier Walter Jones by telegram last Saturday.

The reason for the Charlottetown call, the Minister said, is to give as many people in the Province as possible an opportunity of inspecting the ship before she goes on her regular schedule.

Queried as to when the ship may be expected to arrive at Charlottetown, Mr. Chevrier said it was impossible to name the exact date but that it was his opinion the "Abegweit" would not arrive before the latter part of the month.

### Kai-Shek Is Bitter Against Communists

BY AROLD K. MILKS

NANKING, July 6—(AP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek in a bitterly worded radio address tonight told his people the nation would die unless they conquered the Communists.

Speaking on the eve of the 10th anniversary of the Japanese invasion, the Chinese Government official declared the long war with Japan would have been "fought in vain" unless the Government recovered the northeast provinces (a Chinese term for Manchuria) and assured the integrity of all Chinese territory.

The Communists, he declared were "carrying on the heritage of imperialistic activities left over by the enemy and their puppets."

The Chinese people, Chiang said in his 35-minute talk, have these alternatives:

"Remain aloof from the present struggle and watch the nation slip, or realize the Communist imperialistic ambitions and join in the war effort to defeat them."

As he spoke, his Government was acknowledging new Communist successes in important Shaanxi Province. Meanwhile, Walton Butterworth, United States Minister to China, was en route by air to Washington for conferences which may decide American policy vital to the Chiang regime.

Chiang asked his people to consider the civil war "an extension of the war of resistance against the Japanese, with the same aims and the same necessities."

Admitting defects in the Government, he promised immediate economic and political reforms in return for support of his new total mobilization orders, saying every Chinese had a duty to "prevent establishment of a proletarian dictatorship in China."

Earlier Premier Chang Chun issued through the official Central News Agency a statement that the new total mobilization was aimed not only at "suppression of rebellion" but at national reconstruction.

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HALIFAX, July 6—(CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at midnight Sunday.

The weather was fine over the greater part of the district on Sunday. However there were a few showers in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The fog over the ocean began to drift in the south along the coast. Some places remained in the low sixties. A disturbance over the Great Lakes is moving eastward and is expected to cause intermittent rain by Monday evening in the Maritimes.

Prince Edward Island: Variable cloudiness with a few showers becoming overcast with intermittent rain by evening. Continued warm. Winds light becoming south 15 by evening. High Monday at Charlottetown 80.

High tide this afternoon at 12:40 and tonight at 2:21.

Sun sets this evening at 7:48 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:21.

Last quarter moon July 11, 8:54 a.m.

Summer time fifteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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