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CHINESE GOV'T SAYS IT WILL STAY IN NANKING

Service Should Form Legitimate Part Of Trans-Canada Highway

Canada Makes Good Showing At Chicago Livestock Exposition

BY GEORGE KITCHEN
CHICAGO, Dec. 2 (CP)—Canada's showing at the field trials in the sheep competition at the 48th International Livestock Exposition as the judges sent four animals in the rolling sheep trials and one in the magic circle of championship winners.

Dominion entrants emerged from a day of sheep judging with two grand champion rams and two reserve champion ewes.

In the class of breeding Cotswolds, P. G. Gaspell of Hampton, Ont., produced the grand champion ram and the reserve champion ewe as well as several first and second placings in the events leading up to the main competition.

He was the only Canadian competing in a field of American exhibitors.

In breeding Lincoln, H. M. Lee and son of Higgate, Ont., showed the grand champion ram and the reserve champion ewe.

The Higgate outfit made an impressive showing in the various Lincoln divisions, catching six first place awards, while Stanley A. Graham of Aylinton, Ont., produced one divisional winner and several second placings.

While Dominion entrants lagged in many of the other livestock shows, they have swept most of the sheep competitions in which they have been entered.

The main interest of the thousands attending the big show swung over to the traditional auction of the grand champion ewe, Old Gold, an American.

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Coming Events

- Concert New Haven School, Dec. 21st.
- Dance Coles' Workshop, New London, tonight, Door prize.
- Dance at the Bright Spot tonight, dancing from 9 until 12:30.
- I. O. O. F. Rummage Sale, Market Building, 6 P. M. Saturday.
- Corwall Players in Winsloe, Thursday, 9th, Aid of Hall.
- Wiltshire School Christmas Concert, December 23rd.
- Hunter River School Concert, Thursday, December 23rd.
- Reserve Dec. 23rd for Christmas concert in the new school at Bennies Road.
- Memorial L. O. B. A. pantry sale Moore & McLeod's Friday, Dec. 3 at 3 p. m.
- Auction sale on Market Square today at 12 o'clock noon, 1940 Buick Sedan, W. H. Beaton, Auctioneer.
- Corwall Players in St. Catharines, Tuesday, 7th, St. Pines Institute.
- Will be unloading another car of Shur-Gain Feed Friday, Saturday and Monday at Canada Packers' Grafton St. Call MacKie & Co., per L. McDonald.
- Do you need baled shavings? Order now, we are expecting a load shortly. MacKie & Co., per L. McDonald.
- Thrills galore tonight at MacDonald Bros., Theatre, Mt. Stewart. Don't miss "Angel On My Shoulder." It's out of this world.
- Pantry sale cakes, cooked chicken, etc., Friday Dec. 3 at 2 p. m. at Rogers Hardware, Hampshire W. M. S.
- Annual Meeting of the Hope River Credit Union Ltd. will be held in St. Ann's School, on Friday, December 3rd, at 8 P. M. It will be the first night following.
- Car Shur-Gain feeds arriving at Tracadie about Dec. 10 and one car-bay arriving few days later. Also cars of Showlake and Brookville bagged lime. Booking orders now. Terms cash. Herbert Mullen.
- Pictures at Morell every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. Show today, Friday and Saturday. 8:00 P. M. Coming Friday and Saturday "On the Old Spanish Trail" starring Roy Rogers King of the Cowboys. "Trigger" The Smartest Horse in the Movies. Co-starring Tito Guizar, "In Tricolor." Show 8 o'clock.

Truman Agrees To See Mme Chiang

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—President Truman announced today he will receive Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek, but he gave no hint of his attitude on new aid to China.

He told his press conference that a date has been set for a meeting with the Chinese Generalissimo's wife, but declined to say when it is. Mme. Chiang flew in yesterday to plead for new American backing for the Nationalist Government.

In stating he will see Mme. Chiang, Truman said the first thing she asked for after her arrival was an appointment at the White House. She also has made arrangements to see State Secretary Marshall, who is in hospital for a check-up.

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Peace-Time Conscription Not Considered For Canada

(By Douglas How)
OTTAWA, Dec. 2 (CP)—Recruiting for the three armed forces is looking up, Defence Minister Claxton said today and added that the Government is not considering compulsory peacetime service.

The day also brought these statements from a Government source on a wide range of subjects pertaining to Canada's role in a fractious world:

- The Dominion plans no further aid to Nationalist China and will probably not participate in a South Pacific regional security pact that is under consideration.
- There is a chance that co-ordination arising from the seven-nation Atlantic security pact may allow a cut in their over-all defence costs, now running around \$200,000,000 a year.
- A Canadian draft of the Atlantic pact will be taken to the Washington meeting, possibly late next week, which lays the final groundwork for a formal treaty conference at ministerial level. A European draft and probably a U.S. draft will also be considered.
- Mr. Claxton's conscription statement was prompted by news reports that obligations under the pact might force renewed Government consideration of some form of compulsory service. He went on to say that October had seen 874 officers and men enter the regular forces while only 274 left, to make it the best recruiting month since last December.
- The reserve forces had received 2,247 men in the same month, the best month since the war. If recruiting continued this way, the forces would have nothing to worry about.
- Present regular strength is around 37,000.
- A Government source said the pact would mean that Canadian officers and men would be posted to member nations for training, but not in large numbers or large formations.

U. S. Doctors Oppose Federal Medical Plan

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2 (AP)—The American Medical Association is asking its 140,000 member-doctors to go into local and state politics to oppose compulsory and federal medical insurance—with authority to spend \$3,500,000.

The action was taken yesterday in secret, and announced today after reporters had learned of it.

Yesterday the delegates opposed a proposal to support a Blue Cross health service as a vehicle for health insurance on a countrywide scale.

FALL OF SUCHOW IS ANNOUNCED

NANKING, Dec. 3 (Friday) (AP)—The Chinese Foreign Office today officially informed the French Embassy the Government "has no intention to remove the capital elsewhere."

A senior diplomatic official in the French Embassy said this represented a reversal of informal advice given earlier to the foreign diplomatic corps to prepare for a government evacuation.

Earlier, some western power diplomats advised their governments to retain embassies in Nanking and assign only liaison officers to follow "a refugee government," it was learned authoritatively.

It is reported authoritatively that British and French diplomats are privately expressing their desire to maintain their embassies in Nanking when, and if, the Communists occupy the capital.

NANKING, Dec. 2 (AP)—Chinese Communists announced tonight they have captured Suchow and Government reports gave no reason to doubt it.

Along the 211-mile route from Suchow to Nanking, the Government was left with three large bodies of troops, all in critical plight. One was the 230,000-man Government force moving tardily out of Suchow. Its advance parties were reported stalled by Communist interception 25 miles to the south.

The second was a 100,000-man army group trapped 130 miles northwest of Nanking in a rapidly tightening Communist noose.

The third was the last main reliance of this alarmed capital: 70,000 troops hotly engaged around Panpu on the broad Hwai River only 109 miles northwest of Nanking.

British Christmas Bacon Depends On Canadian Imports

LONDON, Dec. 2 (CP)—Britons are wondering whether Santa Claus will be able to bring them one ounce of bacon for Christmas.

The previous ration of two ounces weekly was cut to one for the month ending Dec. 19 after Food Minister John Strachey said Canadian and other bacon shipments had fallen short. He warned that after Dec. 19 the ration would depend largely on Canadian shipments.

The Government was understood to be hopeful the two ounces could be assured during the Christmas season when so few concessions have been possible for householders.

Government sources said the Dec. 19 return to two ounces would be based on the assumption that 87,000 tons of the 100,000-ton Canadian contract will have been shipped by Dec. 31.

There is speculation that Britain may be unable to do more than maintain bacon purchases from Canada in 1949 and may even seek to reduce them. The whole situation is expected to be reviewed when James Gardiner, Canadian Agriculture Minister, visits London, probably next week.

Unless purchases in Canada can be maintained, the only hope of maintaining the two-ounce ration in 1949 will be from large imports from other countries outside the dollar area.

News In Brief

PARIS, Dec. 2 (CP)—The Security Council today shelved Israel's request for membership in the United Nations by sending the application to a membership committee. Thus the Council has delayed action until the U.N. General Assembly meets next year.

KENTVILLE, N.S., Dec. 2 (CP)—An official of the Nova Scotia Apple Marketing Board said here today Canada is sending a \$500,000-gift of processed apple products to the United Kingdom. The shipment is part of 1947 crop purchased by the Federal Government.

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Report Feed Grain Supply Better Than Year Ago

OTTAWA, Dec. 2 (CP)—Canada's feed-grain supply situation is about 25 per cent better than it was a year ago, the Bureau of Statistics reported today.

It gave two reasons for the improvement—a drop in the number of grain-consuming animals and a feed-grain crop exceeding last year's by some 136,000,000 bushels.

And, said the Bureau, there is more even distribution of the 1948 production. Central Canada turned out an "excellent" crop in contrast to the near failure experienced in 1947. As a result of even distribution, it is anticipated that shipments of Western feed grains under the freight assistance plan will be considerably lower in the 1947-48 crop year.

The Bureau said supplies of forage should be adequate in nearly all sections of the country this year. The all-Canada hay and clover crop is down slightly from 1947, but this decrease is more than offset by a larger crop of alfalfa.

The outlook for millfeed supplies for domestic feeding depends on the output of the milling industry and the extent to which millfeeds are exported, said the Bureau. Production during the first quarter of the current crop year has amounted to 201,626 tons, against 260,909 tons during the corresponding period of 1947-48.

Issue Now Clearly Drawn, Says Col. Drew

TORONTO, Dec. 2 (CP)—George Drew, national leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, said today the line is being more and more sharply drawn between two diametrically opposed political principles.

In an address prepared for delivery over the CBC Dominion network, Mr. Drew said:

"On one side are those who believe that the highest purpose of government is the freedom of the individual and that this can best be assured by the unchallenged supremacy of the elected representatives of the people in parliament."

"On the other side are those who believe in an all-powerful state, planning and directing the affairs of all the people. The issue is between true democracy and total state authority."

"The issue is clearly drawn in this country between the Progressive Conservative Party and the national socialist party, ordinarily referred to by the meaningless letters, C.C.F."

"We are fighting for the freedom of the individual against the ever-increasing power of the state. In this vast land of ours with its great possibilities of development in every province, government must be the wise and protecting guide but not the master."

Soviets Use Christmas Trees In Cold War

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SYDNEY, N.S., Dec. 2 (CP)—Six hardy Newfoundlander seamen rowed 45 miles to safety today after abandoning their flaming coastal vessel in a howling storm off Cape Breton.

The 47-year-old Grand Banks fisherman was a long, hard row but the only ill effects from our whole experience are sore hands," said Capt. John Grandy.

The 47-year-old Grand Banks fisherman owned the 62-ton M. and L. Lodge which was engaged in freighting between Halifax and St. John's, Nfld.

The tiny diesel and sail-powered craft was en route from St. John's to Halifax when fire broke out early Wednesday morning.

For four hours the crew battled the flames aboard ship order.

"I felt like crying when I gave the order," the skipper said here today.

The six Newfoundlanders salvaged a compass from the burning craft and headed for Scatarie Island, Cape Breton. Early this morning, after buckling through

Five Killed, 3 Injured In Cape Breton Traffic Crash

ST. PETERS, N.S., Dec. 2 (CP)—A grief-stricken mother clung to life in hospital tonight 24 hours after a two-truck collision near here took the lives of three of her children and two other persons.

Mr. Robert Killam was on the danger list at a Sydney hospital where she was taken with her husband and another three-year-old child following the crash that killed five Cape Bretoners last night.

The dead:

- Malcolm John MacLeod, 29, of River Denys, an army veteran.
- Margaret MacLean, 17, River Denys.
- Mary, six, Nina, two, and Isabel, one, all children of Mr. and Mrs. Killam.

The Killam family had bought the truck only yesterday and was on an outing to the mother's home at Macintyre's Lake when the smash occurred.

An inquest was ordered.

Historical Background

"Because of Prince Edward Island's insular position, the matter of transportation to and from the province of Canada has always been a major economic and political problem."

"This fact was understood in 1873 when the Terms of Union were signed at the Court of Windsor, and the Confederation then agreed to establish 'efficient steam service' to be maintained between the Island and the mainland of the Dominion, winter and summer."

"In the early post Confederation years the Federal Government did not adequately implement the terms of the agreement of union, but with the advent of greater horsepower in steamship design, the present service was inaugurated in 1918 at Cape Tormentine, N. B. - Port Borden, P. E. I."

"The service has been maintained since by the various Governments in power, who have made some effort to bring the service more nearly in line with the requirements of modern transportation."

"The first steamship was designed for this service before 1915 and provided only for the movement of foot passengers and railway cars, motor vehicle traffic not having been foreseen at that time."

"The existing vessels were necessarily designed to facilitate railroad traffic during the winter months, with consequent loss of accommodation for motor vehicle traffic."

Services Impeded

"In addition, no present service is equipped to properly handle trucks, which on this route as in most areas today, handle a large portion of inter-provincial trade. This fact has already been recognized."

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Situation Today

"The C.N.R. operated service at Cape Tormentine, N. B. - Port Borden, P.E.I. and the subsidized Northumberland Ferry service at Wood Islands, P. E. I. - Carleton Place, N.S. provide the two major surface routes."

"The fire was out of control. We had left it too long to save our own personal effects. We had to time to grab our heavy overcoats and we got pretty sore and tired from the long shift at the oars."

"The tiny coastal vessel, laden with empty oil drums, was still burning when they left her, he said."

Other members of the crew were mate Andrew Rideout of Bay Largey and four other Grand Banks men—engineer George Patton, his son, Philip George Patton and Garfield Rodgers. None was injured.

Even A Day Old Baby Knows You Can't Get What You Want Without Asking For It

TORONTO, Dec. 2 (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 40-46; Edmonton 22-32; Winnipeg 40-47; London 26-44; Toronto 28-40; Ottawa 18-37; Montreal 27-35; Quebec 26-30; Saint John 34-40; Moncton 29-36; Halifax 35-40; Charlottetown 30-41; Sydney 31-38; Yarmouth 38-41.

HALIFAX, Dec. 2 (CP)—Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Friday.

Synopsis:

Some patches of cloud still persist in the Maritimes tonight but much of the inland portions have cleared. Temperatures are falling well below freezing in New Brunswick and in inland portions of Nova Scotia, they will drop to 25 degrees.

On Friday the weather will be fine but skies will begin to get overcast in the afternoon and evening in the western regions. New disturbances to the west will begin to affect the district then. With southerly winds, daytime temperatures will again climb to about the same levels as on Thursday afternoon.

Prince Edward Island—Cloudy clearing by morning. Clear Friday becoming overcast in the evening. Colder night time temperatures but becoming mild again in the daytime Friday. Light winds becoming south Friday evening. Low and high Friday at Charlottetown 25 and 42.

High tide this noon at 12:00 and tonight at 1:10.

Sun sets this evening at 4:20 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:21.

Summerside tide—eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Daily Except Sunday

CAR FERRY "ABEGWEIT" Leaves Borden, 9:10 A.M. 1 P.M. 4:30 P.M.


Leaves Tormentine 10:35 A.M. 2:40 P.M. 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY

Leaves Borden 6:45 P.M.

Leaves Tormentine 8 P.M.

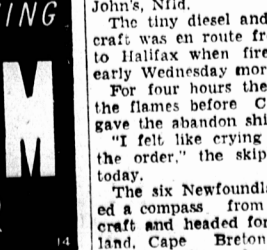
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