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German Youth Defies Reds, Stirs Countrymen

By Thomas A. Reedy

BERLIN, Jan. 22—(AP)—An 18-year-old German youth who would rather die than bow to Communist rule stirred his countrymen today on both sides of the Iron Curtain.

"I love my freedom more than my life," Herman Joseph Flade shouted to a Communist court in Russian-controlled Dresden.

Fired by this outburst, West Berlin youth organizations scheduled a mass demonstration for tomorrow night against the death sentence imposed on Flade as an enemy of the Communist state.

Similar rallying reaction to the youth as an anti-Communist symbol has erupted throughout West Germany. Rias, American-licensed German language radio, is spraying Russian-zone listeners with the story of the Communist propaganda manoeuvre that boomeranged.

The uproar might be a factor in keeping young Flade alive. Although sentenced to be hanged 10 days ago, eastern-zone authorities report the execution has been delayed. Execution usually follows sentence in a day or two.

The report on how the 18-year-old youth upset the Red propagandists was related by several of his friends who slipped into Western Berlin.

He was seized on a charge of distributing leaflets last fall urging the people to vote against the Communist controlled "National Front" ticket. This was the only state permitted on the ballot by the party bosses. While being arrested Flade knifed and wounded a policeman, reported since recovered.

An "enemy-of-the-state" trial was ordered, and Communist Party followers were directed to be present, Flade's friends said. A public address system was set up over which the court proceedings were broadcast to those outside the building.

Flade, a Roman Catholic from Bavaria, was told he faced harsh punishment; even death. He replied, his voice echoing through downtown Dresden:

"I love my freedom more than my life."

Flade admitted that he handed out anti-Communist pamphlets, asserting that he opposed the Communist system. The charged prosecution flipped off the loudspeakers, and the court imposed the death sentence.

Maritime Author Honored By Montreal Club

Will R. Bird of Halifax, Nova Scotia, author of "A Century at Chignecto", "Stars Stay Good Yorkshire", "Sunrise for Peter", "Judgment Glen", "The Passionate Pilgrim" and "This is Nova Scotia", addressed a meeting of The Maritime Women's Club of Montreal, Incorporated, at the Windsor Hotel recently. Mr. Bird edits the familiar book review column "In the World of Books".

Mr. Bird began his writing career by winning a prize from The Halifax Sunday Leader and becoming a feature writer for that paper. Then he began to sell lance and was highly successful, filling fiction to thirty different publications and winning three prizes in one year for essays on historical subjects. In 1933 he joined the staff of the Nova Scotia Government Information Bureau, and later became a writer for the Government. In 1931, he was sent overseas by MacLean's Magazine to cover the old battle front on which the Canadian Corps had served.

Mr. Bird descended from a long line of Yorkshiresmen who first settled in Nova Scotia in 1772. He fought with the 42nd Royal Highlanders of Canada in the first World War, winning the Military Medal at Mons. Mr. Bird is a Past President of the Canadian Author's Association and a fellow of the Halliburton Society of King's University.

Mr. Bird took for his subject "Is a Maritimer a Canadian?" pointing out that Confederation was requested by "Upper Canada" at a time when Nova Scotia was prosperous and had more shipping per capita than any other country in the world. After Confederation, Nova Scotia's taxes were taken to Ontario and little or nothing given in return, which

state of affairs still exists. Secondly, the Maritimes are definitely not considered more than poor relations by Ontario and Quebec, each of which thinks itself the real Canada. But since the oil strike in the West and the development there, Alberta feels it is the real Canada, while the new generation of the West thinks the Maritimes but an icy rocky barren fringe by-passed by ocean travel which goes directly to Quebec.

In a tour of Canada he found that in each of the provinces visited, he found that it considered itself the real Canada, and that at the great parks in Alberta, he was told there were no such persons as Canadians. Everyone was filled to the ears with sectionalism. He realized that such pride in Province and town and countryside was healthy in every respect. It builds up a competitive spirit.

Yet — when any crisis arises we are all Canadians and proud of it. The Maritimes have had rough treatment, yet in time of war they join with the rest of the Dominion in an all-out war effort, and the records show that Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island led all Canada in enlistments in the armed services during World War II.

Mr. Bird said that every type of Canadian, and provinces are forgotten. An increasingly large number of American visitors are asking where they can find a real Canadian. They meet with New Brunswickers, Quebecers and British Columbians, but where do they uncover Jack Canuck. So, if the American wants to see pure-bred Canadian, he can see pure-bred Maritimers.

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Story of Beef From Producer To Consumer

OTTAWA, Jan. 22 — The sorrowing steer once displayed on the country's billboards deploring the fate of his brother condensed down to pint size, today has something in common with the equally sorrowful consumer worrying about the rapidly diminishing value of his meat dollar. Mr. John Doe fails to see why the steer that brings the producer 30 cents a pound on the hoof has to cost him up to 90 cents on the plate and thinks the price spread is unjustified.

Much of this misunderstanding arises perhaps because the consumer does not always appreciate what happens in between. Officials in the Department of Agriculture's Marketing Service at Ottawa point out that when each step is studied in detail there might be a better understanding of the problems confronting the producer, packer and various distributors concerned in bringing beef to the consumers' table.

What is the story, for example, behind a choice two-year-old, 1,000 pound steer that farmer John Doe sells to the packer for approximately 30 cents a pound? During the steer's short life he would normally have spent about a year and a quarter feeding on pasture, consumed one ton of hay, four tons of silage and about 600 pounds or more of grain, depending on the finishing method adopted by the producer who collects about \$300 for a thousand pound animal.

When the packer finishes his part of the business cycle, however, he finds that he has only about 600 pounds (there may be considerable variation in this figure) of beef to sell the retailer, 40 per cent of the live weight of the steer being eliminated in the dressing process. At 50 cents a pound (Grade A carcass beef sells in Canada today from 50 to 54 cents) the packer will receive about \$300 or approximately the same amount as he paid the farmer. The packer must rely on the value of the by-products as hides, fat, casings (sausage covers), animal feeds and fertilizers which go to make up the 40 per cent reduction from live weight to carcass weight, to offset dressing, handling and selling expenses and allow him some profit on the business transaction.

Turning to the activities of the retailer, we find that when he converts the 600 pounds of beef he bought into retail cuts, this in turn suffers a considerable shrinkage, and the retailer may end up with only about 540 pounds of saleable beef. Recent research findings on the Chicago market show that even the choicest steer will yield about 40 pounds of porterhouse steak which the retailer can sell at a top price of about 90 cents a pound, compared with about 30 pounds of hamburger and stew beef retailing at a much lower price.

Other of the more expensive cuts include sirloin and round steak totalling about 130 pounds, rib and rump roasts 70 pounds; chuck or cheaper meat about 100 pounds and about 40 pounds of fat, bringing the total quantity up to about 540 pounds of beef that the retailer sells at varying prices to the consumer from the 1,000 pound choice steer. These figures of course, are only approximate, but they do serve to show what happens in processing a live beef

Mr. R. P. Freeman, the President, and thanked by Miss Margaret Thornton.

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FOR COUGHS AND COLDS



LIBERTY, Neb., Jan. 22—(AP)—A bold burglar armed with a rifle stalked through Liberty early today kicking in store windows and raiding cash registers while frightened townspeople of this town of 350 peeked out their darkened windows. After his brief foray the burglar left.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22—(AP)—A plea for "hundreds of thousands" of volunteer welfare workers was made yesterday as the New York State Civil Defence Commission pushed plans for the care of refugees in case of an atomic attack. Simultaneously, Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri proclaimed "Civil Defence Week" in the city.

TRADE PIONEER Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Indian merchant who died in 1859, was the first to open systematic commercial trade with China.

Hunting Guerrillas New Pastime For Canadian Troops

By Bill Boss

MIRYANG, Korea, Jan. 22—(CP)—Guerrilla-hunting seems slated to replace deer-stalking as a favorite training pastime of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Korea.

The whole camp is envious of the company commanded by Maj. Vincent Lilley of Hamilton, which returned from a hunting trip Friday with a record—estimated conservatively—of four Communist guerrillas killed and at least five injured.

Previously, deer-hunting had been a favorite of the troops. Now all are eager for a sample of the action conducted by Maj. Lilley— "training with a stimulant."

Cpl. Bill O'Brien of Picton, N. S., and Guelph, Ont., and Pte Harold Edgley of Winnipeg were each credited with killing two guerrillas. Edgley is believed also to have wounded at least five others.

O'Brien scored with two bursts from a Sten gun. Edgley is "bazooka-man" in a platoon commanded by Lieut. Harold Foss of St. Catharines, Ont.

Maj. Lilley said the operation indicated guerrillas operated in small bands of 12 to 15. They appeared well-disciplined and well supplied with food and equipment. It was the first organized clean-up attempt by the Canadians. One village, hidden in mountainous terrain, was ordered burned to the ground when stocks of ammunition were found there and in nearby haystacks.

Big Defence Budget

Estimates of a defence budget of more than \$1,000,000,000 for 1951-52 already have been forecast. Finance Minister Abbott told the 1950 Federal-provincial conference his new fiscal budget may run to about \$3,000,000,000, a climb of about \$200,000,000 over the \$2,500,000,000 in 1950.

Price inflation already has set in. The economists predict prices may jump between five and 10 per cent in 1951. That will be one factor in the dollar increase of total production. Another factor will be volume. This is expected to run to about three or four per cent.

Another factor in price inflation is President Truman's statement that he will ask for authority to spend \$140,000,000,000 in the next two years.

This unprecedented peacetime spending by the United States Government will tend to drive prices even higher and officials here fear that this trend will spill over into Canada, bringing with it even greater belt-tightening than anticipated.

Canadians Facing Austerity Period

OTTAWA, Jan. 22—(CP)—Government economists predict belt-tightening for Canada this year, even though this rapidly-expanding country is expected to produce a record-smashing \$20,000,000,000 in goods and services.

They estimate that the gross national product, sum total of everything Canada produces, will zoom ahead by about \$2,500,000,000 over the previous high of \$17,500,000,000 in 1950.

Canada's national income, they added, likely will run to a peak of \$15,400,000,000, an increase of about \$1,400,000,000 over the 1950 record of \$14,000,000,000.

Normally, all this rapid expansion of production would lead to an increase in the standard of living, through bigger sales, greater availability of goods and higher incomes.

This year, however, with Soviet-backed Communist aggression facing the free world, the prospect of increased living standards has grown dark, the economists say.

A looming record peacetime defence budget, linked with tax boosts and price inflation, is expected to devour most of the \$2,500,000,000 increase in total production.

Let her go and fired two bursts from the Sten gun. I got him in the guts and he rolled over a bank into a ravine. He lay there moaning.

"Then I fired a burst at a second gook and dropped him cold."

Maj. Lilley said they found one of the bodies and the other is believed in the vicinity.

Two bodies were found in the house which Pte. Edgley bombed with his bazooka.

Quickies by Ken Reynolds



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I.O.D.E. Aids Peace Garden

TORONTO, Jan. 22 — (CP) — The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire has contributed \$1,300 to the International Peace Garden project near the Turtle Mountains, astride the International boundary between Manitoba and North Dakota.

The province of Manitoba gave free title to 1,300 acres and North Dakota gave 900 acres to establish the Garden after the project was conceived by the late Henry J. Moore of Toronto as a method of commemorating more than a century of peace between Canada and the United States. Huge crowds attended its dedication in 1932.

Considerable development and landscaping of the area has taken place since then under International Peace Garden, Inc., whose directors are chosen jointly from Canada and the United States. An attractive lodge has been erected on the U. S. side of the property and plans are being made for erection of an International Peace Tower.

JOLIET, Ill., Jan. 22—(AP)—Seventeen-year-old Kenneth Scholz stood silent today when he was arraigned on a charge of murdering his 13-year-old schoolmate, Billy Rodenburg. State's Attorney John Pearce said Scholz signed a statement that he strangled Billy because he was afraid Billy would tell about being held captive in a shack behind the Scholz house.

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