

BIG 3 REACH AGREEMENT ON PLANS FOR STRONG BUILDUP IN INDOCHINA



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May Aid French Premier In Vote

(By Harold King)
PARIS, (Reuters)—Premier Mendes-France reached agreement with Britain and the United States Saturday on plans to try to save South Viet Nam from communism through a program of economic and military aid.

The agreement was announced as one of the strongest opposition blocs yet faced by Mendes-France prepared to try to topple the premier's government in a vote on Indochina today. Their success could delay French ratification of the Paris treaties to rearm West Germany.

Death of World War Veteran

The death occurred yesterday of the Big Three member of the Big Three, Captain Leo MacDonnell, of Mermaid at the age of 64. He had been ill for the past eight months.

The late Captain MacDonnell was born at Glenfinner, the son of the late Alexander and Mrs. MacDonnell. He was a veteran of World War I and received wounds at the Battle of Amiens which necessitated the removal of a leg. After his discharge from the army with a Captain's commission, he took up farming in Mermaid where he lived until stricken with his last illness.

Besides his widow, the former Annie Cameron of Summerside, he is survived by six sons and one daughter. They are: Leo in Montreal; Dr. Ian, Kentville, N.S.; Ahol, Mermaid; Eric, Charlottetown; Gerald and Dunstan at home and Anne (Sister St. Gerald Maureen), Congregation of Notre Dame, Montreal. He is also survived by nine grandchildren. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

Body Discovered In N. B. Woods Sunday

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—The badly decomposed body of an unidentified man was found Sunday in a wooded section near the Millidgeville area. Immediate identification was impossible. An autopsy will be performed and police hoped fingerprints would identify the man.

DEATH OF MR. MORRELL
The death occurred suddenly in Amherst on Saturday of Mr. W. A. Morrell, F.G.A. at the age of 64. Mr. Morrell was well known in this province where from the middle thirties until 1949 he conducted accountancy offices at both Charlottetown and Summerside under the name of Morrell and Company.

In 1949, he sold his interests in the firm of H. R. Done and Company, but still remained with that business in an advisory capacity.

He was born at Tryon, P.E.I., the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Morrell. Most of his life, however, was spent in Amherst. He was a member of the three Institutes of Chartered Accountants in the Maritime Provinces, a former vice president of the Canadian Institute and in 1948 was named a Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Chartered Accountants.

Mr. Morrell served overseas in World War One, and took an active part in the work of the Canadian Legion. He was a Past Master of Amherst Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Amherst and held other high offices in the Masonic order. He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday afternoon from the Baptist church in Amherst and it is expected that members of the Prince Edward Island Institute of Chartered Accountants will attend.

Youth Killed In Kitchen; Owner Of House Arrested

EAST ANGLUS, Que. (CP)—A 20-year-old youth was shot through the head Saturday as he sat playing cards in the kitchen of a home here. Police said Sunday they are holding the 64-year-old owner of the house in connection with the slaying.

Dead is Gerard Lemire of Rock Forest, Que., 21 miles west of this Eastern Townships Community. Employed at the Unemployment Insurance Commission office here, Lemire was boarding at the home of Ulic Ashby.

Ashby was under arrest Sunday at St. Therese Hospital here after he allegedly tried to asphyxiate himself in the coal furnace at his home.

East Anglus Police Chief Emilien Lagueux said the youth was playing solitaire in the Ashby kitchen when he was shot about the right eye with a heavy calibre rifle bullet. He died instantly.

Chief Lagueux said Ashby's middle-aged son, Gilles, heard a shot and went into the kitchen where he found his father holding

Shivering Prisoners Clean Up Mess After Riot In Jail

By WALTER GRAY
Canadian Press Staff Writer
WINNIPEG (CP)—Freezing winds whistled around the steel bars and through the shattered windows of Manitoba's Headingly jail Saturday night as shivering prisoners cleaned up the mess left by a supper-time riot.

Two floors of dormitories and the dining room were reported as shambles and a store room was gutted by fire after prisoners started a disturbance at the supper table. Several inmates were reported injured, none seriously.

Attorney General Ivan Schultz and his deputy, Brig. G. M. Kay inspected the jail damage Saturday night. In a statement read by Brig. Kay, Mr. Schultz said a "complete investigation" of the riot would take place.

Mr. Schultz said the riot started at approximately 4:40 p. m. at the first sitting of supper.

FIRE IN STORE ROOM
"A relatively small proportion of the total jail population of 350, not more than 50, were involved,"

4 MORE SHOPPING DAYS!

GEE! THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS!

HALF DOLLAR

TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	1	2
Vancouver	28	44
Victoria	34	47
Edmonton	24	42
Calgary	26	42
Regina	22	44
Winnipeg	15	30
Toronto	24	24
Ottawa	24	24
Montreal	34	33
Quebec	32	34
Fredericton	40	47
St. John	32	48
Moncton	38	53
Halifax	43	53
Charlottetown	39	53
Sydney	38	52
Yarmouth	44	47
St. Johns	23	33

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office says a westerly current of cold air will blow across the district today. Temperatures will fall steadily during the day and there will be snowflurries. For the most part these will be light snow but over an inch may fall near windward coasts.

Regional forecasts:
Prince Edward Island: Cloudy with snowflurries; steadily falling temperatures; northwest winds 20. Morning and afternoon temperatures at Charlottetown 35 and 39. New Brunswick: Cloudy with a few clear intervals; snowflurries ending by evening; steadily falling temperatures; northwest winds 20. Morning and afternoon temperatures at Moncton 32 and 25. Fredericton 30 and 20. Saint John 32 and 25. Edmundston 20 and 13. Campbellton 25 and 20.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 7:14 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:38 a. m. and sets at 4:33 p. m.



Award Presented

The T. Eaton Company trophy was presented to Ian MacArthur and Gloria Jenkins, Millcove Calf Club at a meeting at Dunstaffnage School, Friday evening, December 17. Mr. S. S. Carson, Manager of the new Eaton store, Charlottetown, made the presentation. He congratulated the winners and stated he was very pleased with the report of their trip to Toronto. Mr. Carson hoped that his Company would be able to assist at various times, the club work in Prince Edward Island.

This trophy is presented every year to the winning team in the dairy project in Prince Edward Island. It was first presented in 1928 to North Wiltshire Calf Club and since then has been in many communities throughout the province. The Millcove Calf Club has won the trophy three years, 1951, 1952 and 1954.

Mr. S. C. Wright Deputy Minister of Agriculture introduced Mr. Carson and praised the Millcove Calf Club for their fine showing. Special praise was given to the club leader, Aeneas MacIntyre for the excellent work which he has given for the past eight years. Mr. Wright also praised the reports given by Miss Jenkins and Mr. MacArthur.

Morris Deacon, King's County fieldman, outlined the 4-H Club

New Argument In U.S. Airmen's Case

TOKYO, (AP)—Red China raised a new legal argument Sunday night against American charges that imprisonment of captured U.S. airmen as "spies" violates the Korean armistice.

Peiping quoted a legal authority who once sat as a judge of Japanese war criminals as saying the Korean armistice does not pertain to the 11 fliers because:

1. The armistice terms for release of war prisoners applied on the Red side only to those captured by North Koreans and the Chinese "volunteers." Red China has insisted it took no official part in the Korean war.
2. The uniformed fliers "were captured by Chinese peasants" within Chinese territory west of Antung in Liaoning province (Manchuria) and apprehended by the Chinese public security authorities.

The legal authority quoted was Mei Ju-so, who served as Chinese justice at the Japanese war crimes trials in Tokyo during the U.S. occupation. Mei gave his opinion to the Peoples Daily, the official newspaper of the Communist party in China.

Coming Events

- *Crapaud Christmas concert, Dec. 21.
- *Mayfield School concert to-night Dec. 20.
- *Concert, Flat River Hall, December 20th.
- *Concert, Tracadie Cross Hall, December 21st.
- *Card party Dunstaffnage school tonight.
- *Concert Glen Valley School, December 21st.
- *Wheatley River concert, Tuesday, December 21st.
- *Hampshire School concert, Monday, December 20th.
- *Johnston's River School concert, December 21st.
- *Pownal Christmas concert in Pownal hall, Dec. 20th.
- *Cherry Valley Christmas concert, Tuesday, December 21st.
- *Anglo Rustico School concert, Thursday, December 23rd.
- *South Melville Christmas Concert, Tuesday, December 21st.
- *Next Card Party, West Royalty Institute, Monday, January 10th.
- *Christmas Concert, Hampshire School, Monday, December 20th.
- *Yock Point School Concert, North River Hall, December 20th.
- *South Milton Christmas concert, Tuesday, Dec. 21.
- *Harrington Christmas Concert, December 22nd.
- *Concert and Films, Springfield Hall, Wednesday, December 22nd.
- *Nine Mile Creek school concert Dec. 21st in Afton Hall.
- *Bingo Hop, River Hall Monday, Dec. 20. Prizes, turkeys and geese.
- *Ebenezer school concert in Wheatley River hall, Tuesday, Dec. 21.
- *Kelly's Cross Christmas Concert, Wednesday, December 22nd. Time 8:15. Dance after.
- *East Wiltshire Christmas concert in North River Hall, Tuesday, Dec. 21.
- *Winslow North Christmas Concert, Winslow Road Hall, December 20th.
- *Brookvale Christmas concert, Monday, December 20th, 8:15 p. m. Dance after.
- *Reserve Wednesday, Dec. 22 for school concert in Morell hall, by Morell school.
- *Come to the Christmas Concert at St. Mary's School, December 21st, at 8:30.
- *Dundas Y. P. U. Variety Concert in Bridgetown Hall, December 22nd. Curtain 8:30 p. m.
- *Crapaud School Christmas Concert in Crapaud Hall, December 21st, 8:30 p. m.
- *Reserve Tuesday, December 21st, School Concert, West Royalty Hall, 8:30 p. m.
- *Come to Card Party at Stanley Bridge on Wednesday, December 29th.
- *Bingo, Geese and Chicken, North Rustico, this Monday 8 p. m. 50 cents for 20 Bingos. Special Turkey Bingo 10 cents.
- *Christmas Bingo, St. Andrew's Hall, Mount Stewart, Monday, December 20th, 7:15. Christmas Candy.
- *St. Peter's South School Christmas concert in St. Peter's hall, Dec. 21 at 8 p. m. See Santa Claus in person.

Jury In Dr. Sheppard Case Deadlocked Third Night

CLEVELAND, (AP)—The first-degree murder jury of Dr. Samuel Sheppard was given a night off Sunday night and was sent to its hotel at 6 p. m. The jury will try again today to reach a decision.

No inquiry was made of the jurors and they gave no sign of how they stood since they got the case 56 hours ago on Friday morning.

Common pleas Judge Edward Rhythmer merely told them that they must be tried, that the weather was bad outside, and that he thought they would "appreciate the rest of the evening off." He ordered them back into the jury room at 9:15 a. m. today.

As the jury retired to its hotel for the third night, the threat of

Appeal Court Saves New Glasgow Man From Gallows

HALIFAX (CP)—A New Glasgow laborer was saved from the gallows Saturday by the Nova Scotia Supreme Court which ruled that he must instead serve life imprisonment for beating to death the woman with whom he lived.

A panel of five judges headed by Chief Justice James L. Iles upheld the appeal of James Swinamer against his conviction on a charge of murdering Harriet Skaling after a night of drinking last Sept. 12.

However, the full bench reduced the offence to manslaughter and ordered that Swinamer spend the rest of his life in Dorchester penitentiary. He currently is lodged in the Pictou county jail.

Chief Justice Iles took note of the custom of ordering a new trial in such cases but said he and his four associates did not regard this as necessary.

CLAIMED MISDIRECTION
Swinamer had been under sentence to be hanged Jan. 11 at Pictou. His would have been the first execution in Nova Scotia since 1855 when a man known as Sampson was put to death at Halifax for murdering two children.

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The Pope was driven to a secluded corner of the Vatican gardens for a brief outing.

These outings, which he started Saturday and plans to continue as long as the present bright weather lasts, represent a daring effort by his doctors to halt the Pope's increasing weakness. The physicians also hope the fresh air will help to eliminate his occasional hiccups.

Boy Acquitted Of Murdering Aged Farmer

ST. JEROME, Que. (CP)—A 14-year-old boy was acquitted Saturday of the rifle slaying of an aged farmer. He is due to appear again today on a charge of murdering the farmer's wife, but it is believed this charge will be dropped.

Young Gilles Boisjoly, son of a Montreal homicide squad detective, burst into tears when the 12-man jury brought in its verdict of not guilty without leaving the courtroom.

He had been charged with the slaying of 63-year-old Joseph Therrien, found dead Oct. 18 along with his wife in the couple's Laurentian mountain farm house at nearby Val David. They were killed with a .22-calibre rifle.

Another youngster, 15-year-old Guy Desrochers, is being given a mental examination and is due to appear on trial Jan. 17. It was considered likely that, unless new evidence is uncovered, the charge against Desrochers also would be dropped.

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Critically Ill

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The physician added that Hilton's condition is getting "progressively worse."

The noted author of "Lost Horizon" and "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," entered Seaside Hospital Nov. 21 for what was called a general infection.

Although the exact diagnosis of Hilton's condition is known, his physician said he promised the family not to reveal the diagnosis.

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VATICAN CITY, (Reuters)—The Pope, gravely weakened by nearly a year of illness, will not broadcast his usual Christmas Eve address to the world, according to present plans.

The 78-year-old Pontiff, who slept badly Saturday night and was still wracked by hiccups Sunday, will instead appear for a few moments at the window of his bedroom at noon on Christmas day, to salute crowds in the great colonnaded square below.

This program was disclosed by authoritative Vatican sources, but it was not expected to be announced officially until Christmas Eve.

END OF TRADITION
Prelates and laymen in the Vatican regarded the disclosure as marking the end of a great tradition. For 15 years the Pope has addressed himself to the world on Christmas Eve, delivering a series of speeches—nearly all of them impassioned appeals for peace.

At the beginning of this month the Pope was reported to have begun work on his address for this year. It was believed that in it he might announce the names of six new cardinals to fill vacancies in the Senate of the Catholic Church.