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VITAL RAIL-ROAD CENTRE THREATENED BY CHINESE REDS

Suggests Commonwealth Troops Quit Asia

Hamilton Steel Plant To Double Capacity; Supply Situation Tight

(By The Canadian Press)
The Steel Company of Canada, Ltd., has announced plans to double the capacity of its big plant at Hamilton, amid indications that a tightening steel supply is causing anxiety to Canadian industrialists. A Canadian Press survey showed yesterday that the difficulty of obtaining steel has led to a few layoffs across the country, although these have been offset to some extent by efforts of steel manufacturers to increase production.

Workers Laid Off

As a result of a scarcity of steel, 200 workers were laid off by General Steel Wares of London, Ont., some 500 by National Steel Car, a fabricating plant in Hamilton, and 20 at Standard Tube Limited in Woodstock, Ont.

Elsewhere, Crane Steelware Ltd. of Quebec has cut its working force to 40 from 80, Eastern Car of Amherst, N.S., plans to drop 300 men from its payroll next month because lack of steel is holding up the start of an order.

Since Jan. 1, Federal bans on the sale of steel for non-essential building have been in effect as a means of coping with the shortage. They forbid use of steel in construction of dance halls, theatres, breweries, tobacco factories, outdoor advertising signs and other specified types of structures. However, steel may be used in building houses, commercial office buildings and most manufacturing plants.

The restrictions are tied in with similar measures in the United States, introduced to divert steel to defence plants.

Even defence contractors must wait their turn to obtain steel under another order which created a

Coming Events

**Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.

**Dance, Vernon Hall, Monday, January 8th. Vernon Driving Club.

**Lucky and his Eastern Rhythm Boys, Sunnyside Ballroom tonight.

**Crapaud District Lodge meets in Prince Arthur Lodge, Crapaud, Tuesday, January 9th, at 2 P. M.

**Reserve January 20th for Rummage Sale at St. Peter's School Room, 7 P. M.

**Meeting of the Clyde River Manse Committee in the Church, Monday evening, January 8th.

**Annual meeting New Wiltshire District Lodge at Brookfield, Wednesday, Jan. 10th, 2:30 p.m.

**Laughs, Laughs, Laughs. See Mac Hope in "Sorrowful Jones" at MacDonald's Theatre Friday, Saturday. Show time 8 P. M.

**The Annual Meeting of Murray Harbor Presbyterian Congregation will be held in Church on January 9th, at 2 P. M.

**The Annual Meeting of the Crapaud-Victoria Board of Trade will be held Monday evening at 8 P. M. in Crapaud Hall. The officers for the year 1951 will be elected.

**Notice to farmers Eldon and vicinity. If interested in purchasing Cockshutt machinery see us or our local dealer, Risdon Gillis, Eldon. Weeks Farm Equipment.

**Monthly Meeting of Mt. Stewart Branch Canadian Legion will be held in Legion Room, January 8th. Guest speaker will be Mr. Peter Paté, civil defence organizer. All Veterans welcome. R. H. Furness, Secretary Treasurer.

**Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., Charlottetown, each Monday until 2:30 P. M. beginning January 8th, at Kinkora. If roads open will pick up by truck. If not you are asked to bring your hogs to the Station, Alden Corr, Phone 7-13, Kinkora.

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**Buying pigs Monday at Brookfield, Tuesday 9 a.m. Brookfield, 10 Milton, 1 p.m. York, 2 Bedford, 3 Mt. Stewart. Paying \$21 pair for good pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will also buy smaller ones. Also quantity sound culled pigs wanted. Knud Jorgensen.

Prime Minister Nehru Of India Gives Views

Study of Asian Problems To Be Continued At London.

LONDON, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Prime Minister Nehru of India today asked British Commonwealth leaders to withdraw their military forces from Asia, but to continue to help raise living standards there.

Qualified sources said Nehru dominated talk among leaders of the eight countries represented here on the topic of restoring peace to Korea and stability to Asia. The study was inconclusive. It is to be completed Monday.

Nehru's formula provides: Communist China to be admitted to the United Nations; A Korean cease-fire as a prelude to creating an independent, united and democratic Korean state;

Formosa to be turned over to the duly-recognized Government of China, as provided in the Cairo declaration of 1943;

A peace treaty to restore independence to Japan; France to consider quitting Indo-China and Britain, in time, to pull out of Malaya in the face of those countries' rising revolutionary movements; and

The advanced countries of the west to help the underdeveloped Asian peoples to raise their living standards — but without strings.

Foreign Secretary Bevin of Britain was said to have led off the discussion by reaffirming his view that Britain was right in recognizing Red China. Bevin's reasoning was that if peace could be preserved a policy of friendship with Red China might pay off and might weaken, if not break, the Peiping-Moscow axis.

Prime Minister R. G. Menzies of Australia was said to be against admitting Red China to the U.N. at a time when her troops are fighting American and other United Nations soldiers. He argued American public opinion could not be ignored on this score. New Zealand and South Africa were reported in broad agreement with the Australian view.

The informants said there seems to be a general feeling among Commonwealth leaders — so far it is not a set attitude — against supporting the United States proposal that the U.N. declare Red China an aggressor.

The "freedom bell" presented by the U. S. A. to the western sector of Berlin has much the same tone as London's "big Ben".

Police, school and health authorities are watching developments at the house. Health authorities fear congestion constitutes a public health danger.

The "exiles from the world" are mostly farmers and fruit growers in the district.

looked at the house the day after Christmas.

Police removed two teen-age girls from the house a few days ago at the request of their parents. The only other person to leave is a widow. She told neighbors she left when asked to surrender her wedding ring. The reason for this was not explained.

Immigration Dept. To Probe Bribery By D. P.s

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Immigration Minister Harris said today he would order a departmental investigation into allegations that displaced persons made payments to Canadian selection officers in Europe in order to be allowed to come to Canada.

Mr. Harris said he would launch the investigation on the basis of a reported statement by Dr. A. H. Jeffrey of Nipigon, Ont.

Dr. Jeffrey was quoted as saying that he and others had heard a displaced person who immigrated to Canada "openly boast" that he had paid \$300 to selection officials.

The Minister said complaints had previously been heard about the health of some of the D.P. immigrants to Canada, but this was the first allegation of bribery.

The Minister said Dr. Jeffrey made a report about three years ago on the health of a party of 18 refugees who were working for the

U. S. Table Stock Quota Mounting Up To Limit

Says Dobbin Beats Car



GUELPH, Ont., Jan. 5 — (CP) — Tom Kennedy, (above) 72-year-old Ontario Agriculture Minister, says Dobbin beats a convertible any time — any time you're courtin' it.

He told a group of students at the Ontario Agricultural College last night: "I courted my wife in a horse and buggy — it beats a car a mile. Wish I could do it again!"

Republican Senator In Attack On Truman Policy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 — (AP) — Senator Robert Taft (Rep. Ohio) declared today the United States is making a mistake "butting in" in Europe and challenged President Truman's claimed authority to send American troops there without first asking Congress.

Launching an attack on the administration's foreign policy, Taft told the Senate: "We have no business going over there and trying to prod them into a great military program which, in my opinion, is certain to produce war."

"I doubt very much that the Russians contemplate any military conquest of the world. I do not myself see any conclusive evidence that they expect to start a war with the United States."

Instead of sending American soldiers to Europe, Taft said, the U.S. should build up its sea defences and develop an air force "more effective than the world has ever seen."

He said the United States should "be content to defend itself."

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U. S. Air Force Halts Flights To Wonju

Fall of City Would Threaten Retreat Of Allied Troops.

AN AIRBASE IN JAPAN, Jan. 6 (Saturday) — (AP) — The United States air force today suspended all flights into Red-threatened Wonju, Korea, except for the emergency airlift of wounded.

Wonju is a vital rail-highway hub 55 miles east and slightly south of the abandoned South Korean capital of Seoul. Chinese and North Korean Communists are driving on Wonju in an effort to cut off the Allies' retreat routes.

The makeshift airfield just outside Wonju had been a scene of busy airlift activity as late as dusk Friday.

Today air drops and non-evacuation landings were stopped, a combat cargo command spokesman said.

Virtual suspension of traffic into Wonju apparently indicated the North Koreans' flanking threat against the imperilled communications centre had sharpened during the night.

Air Force ground crews had been under orders to keep the field open until the infantry ordered it closed.

TOKYO, Jan. 6 — (Saturday) — (AP) — Communist armies thrust southward through Tridung mountain passes of East-Central Korea Friday in a sudden shift of power that increased a flanking threat to United Nations forces pulling back.

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Rubber Co. Boosts Price Of Tires

TORONTO, Jan. 5 — (CP) — The General Tire and Rubber Company of Canada, Limited, announced tonight immediate price increases of 2 1/2 to 10 per cent on passenger automobile tires and five to 12 per cent on truck tires.

Cost of passenger car tires now range from \$15 to \$50 and for trucks from \$40 to \$400.

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Flu Epidemic In Germany

HAMBURG, Germany, Jan. 5 — (Reuters) — An influenza epidemic which has claimed 20 lives here spread near-panic among Hamburg citizens tonight while many other parts of Western Europe reported widespread attacks from a less virulent form of the disease.

The greatest number of cases was reported in Britain. A wave of "three-day flu" hit one in five persons in Belgium, and Paris doctors reported a "mild epidemic" in France.

An epidemic which started on Britain's northeast coast and spread from western port areas — taking in Northern Ireland on the way — was reported moving through the industrial Midlands Friday.

Absenteeism in industry, transport and mail services was widespread and thousands took the germ to bed with them. In Liverpool, 80,000 were listed sick.

London waited anxiously for the germ to spread throughout the capital.

The National Institute of Medical Research in London identified the North-Country influenza bug as the same as had already swept Sweden, and Denmark. It had not caused any direct fatalities in Britain but doctors say it is putting victims to bed for a week at least. Industrial chiefs fear substantial production losses.

May Take Cruiser Out of Mothballs

VICTORIA, B.C., Jan. 5 — (CP) — Serious consideration is being given to the re-commissioning of Canada's first cruiser, the Uganda, it was learned today.

The 8,000-ton ship now is in mothballs at nearby Esquimalt naval base.

Correspondence on her return to active duty has been exchanged between Victoria and Ottawa but the navy here would neither confirm nor deny reports of her impending return to duty.

Good Results In Drift Netting Of Herring In Gulf Of St. Lawrence

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Good results from exploratory drift netting for herring in the Gulf of St. Lawrence during 1950 were reported today by Dr. A. W. H. Needer of the Atlantic Biological Station at St. Andrews, N.B.

The herring stocks of the Atlantic coast constitute one of Canada's major unused fishery resources, he told the concluding session of the annual meeting of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada.

Good catches of herring, sometimes exceeding 500 pounds of fish per 40-yard length of net, were made in the Gulf. These catches compared "very favorably" with average drift-net catches in the North Sea, although the effective amount of net used often was less than one-tenth of that used by some commercial fishermen.

Exploratory herring fishing and population studies were initiated by the Atlantic Herring Investigation Committee, formed in 1944 under joint arrangements between the Governments of Canada, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The committee was dissolved in 1950, but the investigations have been continued on a reduced scale by the Fisheries Research Board.

The Board's research vessel, the Harengus, carried out exploratory drift-net fishing in the Gulf and on the outer coast of Nova Scotia from June 1 to Oct. 31. Another vessel on loan to the Board from the Newfoundland division of the Fisheries Department was similarly employed on the west coast of Newfoundland from Sept. 1 to Nov. 15.

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Sees Defence Plans On Solid Financial Grounds

By JACK BRAYLEY (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

HALIFAX, Jan. 5 — (CP) — In a relaxed pre-holiday mood before leaving on a 21-day Caribbean cruise, Finance Minister Abbott today skirted questions on his budget, said Canada's war-preparedness was on solid grounds financially, reiterated his belief that general controls were not an immediate necessity, had hopes for increased West Indies trade and had something to say about the future of old age pensions and sales tax legislation resulting from Dominion-Provincial talks.

In Happy Mood

Accompanied by Mrs. Abbott, the man charged with raising millions to finance the country's big defence program was in a happy frame of

mind when he boarded the Canadian National liner Canadian Cruiser for a trip that will take him to Nassau, Jamaica and Bermuda and get him back in time for the opening of Parliament Jan. 29. And he is going to bring down his budget: "At the earliest possible moment after that date."

Fellow passengers on the cruiser included Rt. Rev. W.H. Moorhead, Anglican Bishop of Fredericton and Mrs. Moorhead.

Mr. Abbott told reporters he was not taking along any budgetary paperwork. "I'm going to gather all the strength I can so I'll be able to successfully popularize my budget when I get back," he said with a wide grin. This was about his only clue on taxation and he didn't comment when a reporter suggested the fact the budget needed "popularization."

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Eisenhower Is Target Of New Hate Campaign

PARIS, Jan. 5 — (CP) — West European Communists, taking their cue from Moscow, slashed at Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower through their controlled press today in a campaign to discredit him and his North Atlantic Alliance command.

The French Communist Party, numerically strongest and closest to the scene, had a leading role in the hate drive.

Moscow publications disclosed the party line soon after Eisenhower was appointed Dec. 19 to head a projected 1,000,000-man army to defend West Europe against aggression from the East.

Eisenhower is due to arrive Sunday in Paris, where he has temporary headquarters in the Hotel Astoria, on what he has described as an exploratory trip to "reassure myself that we are not working at cross purposes with anybody."

He will tour West European countries in the 12-country alliance to talk to political and military leaders and return to Washington around the end of the month.

Eisenhower will confer with Rene Pleven, French Prime Minister, Tuesday, informants said. Meantime, from Rome, it was learned that Italy had taken her first actual step toward joining the army Eisenhower will com-

mand by nominating an officer to represent her on his staff. He is Gen. Enrico Frattini, 60, hitherto commander of the Rome military area.

Like France, Italy will initially contribute three divisions. She already has five divisions fairly well equipped as plans by 1951 to have two more completely equipped and a further four near completion.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Western Union defence chairman and war-time leader under Eisenhower's supreme command in London today he would confer with Eisenhower here Sunday. "I can say nothing about my appointment to his staff," Montgomery added.

The pro-Communist Paris newspaper Ce Soir today advised, "General, stay at home."

The Communist-led General Confederation of Labor called on its members in the nationalized Renault motor factory and other big industrial plants to strike the moment the General sets foot in France.

The Communist Political Bureau threatened mass dock strikes to prevent unloading of arms shipments.

Communist organs throughout West Europe waged a similar campaign but only in France were there threats of strikes.

Transportation Commission Discusses Rates

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 5 — (CP) — The Maritime Transportation Commission, meeting in special session here today, decided to question the estimates made by the Railway Association of Canada on which a request has been based for a five per cent freight rate increase.

The Commission also rapped the system of horizontal percentage increases and urged that a proposed general rates investigation scheduled for Jan. 15 be postponed until the report of a Royal Commission is released and studied.

L. W. Simms of Saint John, N. B., Commission chairman, presided at the one-day session.

The Commission based its decision to question the railways' estimates on improved financial returns to the lines resulting from present and anticipated traffic volume increases.

If reasonable increases could be justified, the Commission then would question the fairness of horizontal increases such as have been applied since 1948 and which are proposed in the current application. The case will be heard by the Board of Transportation Commissioners at Ottawa Jan. 19.

The railways' request contains an amended application to be made as soon as a study is made of the impact of the 40-hour week on operations. The commission agreed to make a study of this phase in co-operation with Maritime industry with the object of submitting evidence of the effect of the increases.

In dealing with horizontal increases—rate increases common to all portions of the country—the Commission said the method created undue hardships on the eastern and western extremities, and permitted exceptions in coal and coke. It urged there were other ways of meeting revenue

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TORONTO, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Minimum temperatures observed between 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. EST: maximum temperatures between 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.: Victoria 36-40; Edmonton 22-29; Calgary 19B-15; Regina 32B - 16B; Winnipeg 27B - 10B; Ottawa 7-19; Montreal 11-20; Quebec 3-11; Saint John 22-29; Halifax 32-34; Charlottetown 24-28; Sydney 38-38; Yarmouth 26-31; St. John's 36-58.

HALIFAX, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather office here and valid until midnight Saturday.

Synopsis: Important weather change will take place Saturday as pressure remains high.

On Sunday temperatures will show an upward trend. This will coincide with the return of south-west winds and increasing cloudiness.

Forecasts: Prince Edward Island—Clear and cold. West winds 15 becoming light by afternoon. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 10 and 22.

Outlook for Sunday—cloudy and milder.

High tide today at 9:46 A. M. and 8:40 P. M.
Sun rises at 7:51 A. M. and sets at 4:47 P. M.
Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

BORDEN — CAPE TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE
Leave Borden Leave C. T. 9:10 A.M. 2:40 P.M.

SUNDA YSERVICE
Leave Borden Leave C. T. 6:45 P.M. 8:40 P.M.