

### France Delays EDC Decision

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France, by word and deed, has virtually announced that parliamentary debate on establishment of the European Defence Community, originally scheduled for this month, will not be held until after the Geneva conference.

This confirms expectations developed at the Berlin conference. It could hardly be expected that France, hoping for Russian aid in obtaining a cease-fire in Indo-China, would slip Moscow in the face at the same time.

Under any possibility, under these circumstances, that if the government had forced the debate, the resulting vote would have been against EDC, which in turn would have been a slap at the United States.

#### Indo-China Talks

There was some possibility that Premier Laniel would permit the debate to proceed, since it was expected to extend beyond the opening of the Geneva conference. But Indo-China is expected to come up at the conference after the Korean question, and the whole business may last for as much as three months. That would have involved the French government in two very ticklish operations at the same time.

Now Laniel has announced that the debate will not be held until the Saar question is settled and the United States and Britain have made clear how far their guarantees to the EDC will go. Britain has already made it clear she proposes to place her continental troops under EDC command, with her own officers in consultation, but retaining the right to withdraw after consultation.

The United States so far has merely proclaimed a general policy, without yet offering a specific treaty to EDC.

The Saar question has been close to settlement. The Germans have made numerous and broad concessions looking toward Europeanization of the area. Now France—at the last moment, in a move which looks like an excuse to keep EDC in the air, is insisting on holding a veto power over the Saar's trade relations with Germany.

#### EDC Stalling

Judging by the results of recent conferences of French observers and unofficial American sources, it seems quite probable that Laniel has been advised just recently that U.S. public opinion is much more interested in an Indo-China truce than in EDC, and that stalling on the latter can be safely continued.

If that is a true judgment of American opinion, then the American people are in agreement with Russian policy, which is to block EDC at almost any cost.

#### Landscape Artist Dies In Toronto

TORONTO, (CP)—Mabel Frances Tony Kay, 59, landscape artist, died Tuesday. She was a fellow of the Institute of Landscape Architects of Great Britain. An expert fisherman, Mrs. Kay set a record for Canadian women when she hooked a 600-pound tuna at Wedgeport, N. S., in 1941.

#### They Could Be Atom Devices

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has warned police throughout the U. S. to be on the alert for midget atomic bombs which might be smuggled into the country by saboteurs. Here is a drawing of two of the atomic devices described by the FBI. Top: a device looking something like a gun barrel with breech blocks at each end. It would use a high explosive to blow one piece of fissionable material from the breech end down, through the barrel into another piece of fissionable anchored in the muzzle end of the gun. Bottom: 50 pounds of fissionable material compressed into the size of a softball. It would be set off by surrounding it with any ordinary explosive.

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### Ore - Processing Plant In Quebec to Start Operation Soon

MONTREAL, (CP)—A \$2,000,000 ore - processing plant, now being built on sand 100 feet deep near Sept Iles, Que., will start processing Labrador iron this summer.

D. H. Sharp, project engineer, said in an address to the Engineering Institute of Canada, the plant will handle iron ore from Knob lake as soon as shipments start over the 360-mile railway to the waterway at Sept Iles.

Mr. Sharp, whose company has the contract for port and processing facilities being built for the Iron Ore Company of Canada Ltd. at Sept Iles, said timber piles 82 feet long have had to be driven 60 feet into the sandy ground for foundations.

He said the ore will first be crushed at Knob lake and reduced to lumps of less than five-inches in diameter. Other crushers at Sept Iles, on the St. Lawrence 350 miles east of Quebec City, would work the ore if it became frozen while moving south by rail.

### RCAF To Cut Birthday Cake On 30th Anniversary

OTTAWA, (CP)—The RCAF, young and brave, will celebrate its 30th anniversary today with a cake-cutting ceremony here.

There will be no formal parades either in Canada or overseas to mark the birth of the junior service April 1, 1924. But all messes are expected to hold informal open houses.

Governor-General Massey will cut the cake in the presence of Air Marshal Roy Slemmon, chief of air staff and one of the RCAF "originals," Defence Minister Claxton and associate defence minister Campney.

The air force had a strength of fewer than 400 on April 1, 1924. The first six units were at Vancouver, High River, Alta., Winnipeg, Camp Borden, Ont., Ottawa and Dartmouth, N. S.

It now has a peacetime strength of more than 45,000 and more than 70 major establishments.

The original jobs of the service were fishery, forestry and customs patrol. Present jobs seem a little more serious: The Korean air-

### Says Commonwealth Lahore Conference "Most Successful"

KARACHI, Pakistan (Reuters)—Dr. Edgar McInnes, president of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, said Monday that the recent unofficial Commonwealth conference in Lahore, Pakistan was "most successful."

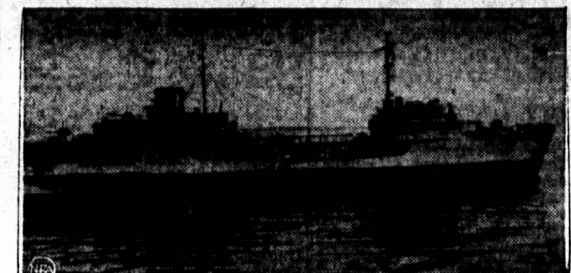
"Everybody learned a lot and most of all to respect the other man's point of view," he said.

McInnes, who arrived here with Dr. George Brown, the other Canadian delegate, will return to Canada via Europe today.

Sixty-seven delegates from Commonwealth countries took part in the talks which covered problems affecting the sterling area, regional security, racial questions, the Indo-Pakistan Kashmir dispute, problems of underdeveloped countries and colonies and problems of collaboration within the Commonwealth.

(Dr. McInnes formerly belonged to Charlottetown.)

lift, a fighter division in Europe, seaplane patrols across the Atlantic and Pacific, world-wide transport flights.



RECEIVED RADIOACTIVE SHOWER — The U.S. Navy has announced that its tanker, Patapsco (above), received a slight but not dangerous radioactive contamination while operating with a task force in the Eniwetok-Bikini area during the recent H-bomb test. "Hot" ashes spewed up from the testing ground showered down on the tanker. None of the six officers and 86 men aboard were injured. (NEA Telephone)

#### CANOE COVE SCHOOL

(March Report)

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Grade III — Cathy MacKinnon, Inez MacFadyen, Lloyd Mac-

Nevin.  
Grade II — Evelyn MacNevin.  
Grade I — Lillian Jane MacCannell, Harry MacKinnon, Louis Shaw, Allan MacKinnon, Lyle Shaw, Sandra Darrach.  
Highest Monthly Average for School — Barbara Ann Darrach.  
Teacher: Arlene MacEachern.

HISTORIC SPOT  
Annapolis Royal, a town in Nova Scotia, started as a French settlement known as Port Royal in 1605.

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