

RUSSIAN DISARMAMENT MOVE BRIGHTENS U.N. PICTURE

Commons Approves Water Conservation Plan

Russia Pledges Full Co-operation In Move To End Korean War

By Thomas P. Whitney MOSCOW. (AP)—Russia praised the Korean truce bid by Red China and North Korea and pledged full co-operation Wednesday in the effort to end the war.

The Kremlin backing for the plan, espoused Tuesday by Premier Joseph Stalin, was announced by Foreign Minister Molotov in a 1,000-word statement broadcast in eight languages by Moscow radio.

Praises "Noble Act" The Soviet government expresses its full solidarity with this noble act of the government of the Chinese People's Republic and the government of the Korean People's Democratic Republic and has no doubt that this act will find ardent support among peoples throughout the world.

The Soviet government also expresses confidence that this proposal will be correctly understood by the government of the U. S. A. Molotov plugged anew for admission to the U. S. A.

Coming Events *Dance in Millview Hall, Easter Monday. *Dance, Kelly's Cross School, Easter Monday. *Pantry Sale, Fennell and Chandler's, April 4th, 2.30.

*Reid's Feed Service will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd. *We will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd. *Reid's Feed Service will close every Saturday afternoon, beginning April 4, until further notice.

*Meeting of the Olyde L.O.B.A. Thursday, April 2nd at 7.30 sharp. *Dance Easter Monday night, Mt. Stewart Legion Hall. Burns Orchestra.

*Farmers, ask about the Shur Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill. *Bonshaw grain cleaning plant will operate on Monday and Thursday during April.

*Special: Limited quantity day-old and started mixed chicks. Also cockers. Phone quick 2192. Co-Op. Hatchery. *Our places of business will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd. Signed: Crapaud Creamery Co., Waddell Bros., Parker Canfield.

Projects Must Be Of National Importance Size

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Commons agreed Wednesday to the principle of a government measure to provide federal contributions up to 37 1/2 per cent of water conservation projects undertaken with provinces and municipalities.

Resources Minister Winters' bill, which received second reading, makes statutory the government's practice of entering into individual agreements on such projects. No dollar limits are set on federal contributions, but it is specified that projects must be of a size that make them of national importance.

The bill was still under discussion in committee of the whole stage as the House rose and will be taken up again today. All parties expressed approval of the measure.

Earlier, the Commons gave third and final reading to a series of amendments to the Excise Tax Act implementing changes in Finance Minister Abbott's budget. Members gave detailed study to the tax changes.

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Christie Charged With Wife's Murder LONDON, (CP)—Bored-looking John Christie heard himself charged Wednesday with murdering his wife in a "house of death" where a sex fiend strangled five other women.

Christie, 55-year-old clerk and wartime special constable, stared glumly at the floor of the crowded little magistrate's court while the charge was read to him.

Scholarship Winners



Pictured above are William C. Cairns of Freetown, P. E. I. (left) and Herman Arason of Glenboro, Manitoba, the winner of the Nutfield Foundation Scholarships which provide six months study of English agriculture.

Mr. Cairns and Mr. Arason were selected by The Canadian Federation of Agriculture from applicants in each province.

Sailing from Halifax today, these two young men will arrive in England in sufficient time to observe British cropping operations, and at the conclusion of their course, plan to visit the continent before returning home.

retary of state, told the Senate banking committee that 10 countries including Canada have filed "well-founded and repeated protests" against the curb.

Canadian sales of dried whole milk, buttermilk and cream have dwindled to a small amount following import restrictions set last December by the U. S.

John Breckenridge, a lawyer representing the Northwest Nut Growers Association of Oregon and other groups, made an opposite argument to a House of Representatives agriculture sub-committee.

The Senate group is studying legislation to set up a standby system of federal economic controls for use when and if needed. The House group is looking into the needs of the domestic dairy industry.

A bill in section 104 of the Defence Production Act, which gives the secretary of agriculture power to control imports of butter, cheese and other dairy products as well as other fats and oils. Some oils are produced from nuts.

Also Throws Support Behind Truce Moves

By FRANCIS W. CARPENTER. UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—The Soviet Union Wednesday made twin moves keyed to the question of peace. It threw its support to Peiping's Korean views and made an apparent bid to close long-standing differences on general disarmament.

The disarmament action—an involved situation still under study by United Nations delegates—looked like the first break in a seven-year stalemate.

The West has long demanded fool-proof control of atomic energy and the world's armaments. Russia's Andrei Vishinsky Wednesday repeated his old-time hard words condemning the West on the question and accepted a Western plan calling for continued work by the UN disarmament commission.

Omits Old-Time Demands Vishinsky also omitted any efforts to renew at this time the old-time Russian demands for a one-third cut in the armed forces of the Big Five powers, and for an immediate prohibition of atomic weapons.

Some delegates speculated he was ready to go along with the West in a study of plans for the balanced reduction of armaments and putting atomic energy under definite controls acceptable to all sides.

In the past he has refused to accept even the plan of work put up by the West, to say nothing of the Western proposals for arms control.

The United States and Britain reacted cautiously to the Russian move and said they would study it fully.

Adjourned For Easter The Russian move on disarmament came just before assembly adjourned for Easter.

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Strong Objections Voiced To Potato Marketing Act

One of the most heated discussions of the session began in the Legislature yesterday afternoon when an amendment to the Marketing Act which had previously passed the committee stage was brought back for minor changes.

The bill was being piloted by Mr. Harvey Douglas, Second King's in the absence from the House through illness of Hon. C. C. Baker, Minister of Agriculture. Several members, particularly on the Government side of the House, took strong exception to the proposals.

Hon. Keir Clark, Minister without Portfolio, Third King's, asked how the Legislature knew that the general farmers of the Province wanted it when there were only approximately 2,200 in the Federation of Agriculture out of the 8,000 here. He would favor the proposed legislation if the farmers really asked for it, but said he wanted to see the result of a clear plebiscite before he would support it.

The amendment deals with powers to be given to the Potato Marketing Board to fix and collect service charges from persons producing, packing, transporting, storing or marketing the regulated produce; and for this purpose to classify such persons into groups, and fix the service charges payable by the members of the different groups in different amounts having regard to the volume; and to recover such service charges by action.

Mr. Clark instanced the Nova Scotia Apple Marketing Board and said that after it came into being his firm had to pay \$2.00 per barrel.

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Legislature To Prorogue At Noon

The Provincial Legislature is scheduled to prorogue at noon today. Last night the house completed detailed study of the estimates in committee and adjourned to meet again at 10 this morning.

A composite guard of honor from members of the reserve forces will provide the traditional military display. Capt. L. G. MacDonnell will be in command. The band of the P.E.I. Regiment will be in attendance under command of Capt. Reginald Mahar with Bandmaster Thomas MacFarlane in charge.

A salute will be fired from Fort Edward at 12 noon. Major C. H. Kydd, M.C. will be in charge of the party with Capt. J. G. Lacey, second in command.

The Legislature opened March 3. The speaker was very critical of the Potato Marketing Board and asked how a group holding six meetings in four months could keep its fingers on the market pulse.

Despite the heavy shipments of potatoes this season he believes there would have been another 1,000 tons sent out if they had not been artificially kept off the market.

He maintained that the real price (Continued on Page 15 Col. 2)

Receive Appeal From 8 Provinces

OTTAWA, (CP)—Transport Minister Chevrier said Wednesday in the Commons that the cabinet has received an appeal from eight provincial governments against the latest general freight rate increase.

Announcement that the petition has been filed was made Tuesday in Winnipeg, where it was prepared by officials representing all governments except those of Ontario and Quebec.

Mr. Chevrier said he assumes that in due course the appeal will be set down for consideration at a cabinet meeting.

To Extend Nfld. Salt-Fish Marketing Plan 3 Years

OTTAWA, (CP)—The federal government will extend Newfoundland's salt-fish marketing system for three years with some modifications, it was announced Wednesday in the Commons.

The system, established under the terms of Confederation, is operated by the Newfoundland fisheries board, which gives an exclusive export licence to the Newfoundland Association Fish Exporters, Ltd. The board's power would expire March 1, 1954, but they are to be extended three years.

Announces Modifications J. W. MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Stinclair, said there will be these modifications:

1. A consultative committee is to be established by the board to review NAPEL's operations. It will include representatives of fishermen, NAPEL and the Newfoundland government.

2. NAPEL's inclusive export privileges will be somewhat restricted.

Most important of these changes, Mr. MacNaught said, is that sales of wet salted and pickled fish may be made directly by non-NAPEL exporters—including fishermen themselves—to the Canadian mainland and continental United States.

Pre-arranged sales are to be made by April 30 of each year to protect fishermen. If forward contracts are not made before April 30, purchases will be through NAPEL as at present.

In announcing the extension of the arrangement, Mr. MacNaught

P. E. I. May Participate In Water Conservation Plan

OTTAWA, April 1 — (Special)—Prince Edward Island may participate in a Federal-Provincial water conservation plan, it was intimated in the House of Commons here today by Resources and Development Minister Winters.

The Minister when sponsoring a bill for overall conservation of water resources was asked by W. Chester S. McLure if any provision was contained in the bill to allow small projects such as the rebuilding of old dams which held former millponds.

He said that while Prince Edward Island had no large rivers and no grave flood problems such as are found in other provinces, it nonetheless had water conservation needs.

Mr. McLure felt that widespread benefit would ensue by rebuilding former mill-dams and turning the ponds above them into reservoirs and hatcheries. When he asked Mr. Winters if the legislation would encompass such a development, the minister explained: "Each project would have to be reviewed on its merits, whether or not it was too small or too large would depend upon the size of the project, the revenues of the province and the willingness of the municipalities and the provincial government to participate and bring it forward for consideration."

In previous water conservation projects, Mr. Winters said, it has been the practice for the municipality involved to pay 25 per cent of the total cost of construction while provincial and dominion governments pay 37 and a half per cent each. The Federal Government would match but would not pay more than the provincial government contribution.

Atomic Submariners In Training At U.S. School IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, (AP)—The school for atomic submariners is getting ready to graduate its first class.

The score of 80 officers and men in the class will be the "engineers" for the atomic-powered submarine Nautilus.

When, probably some time next year, the skipper of Nautilus speaks the old order "one-third ahead," these men will be the first in the world to turn on atomic energy for motive power.

Behind them will be a year and a half of training unlike that any sailors ever sweated through.

Back at Bettis field near Pittsburgh, Pa., in the laboratory built by the atomic energy commission and operated by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, they began

Fisheries Federation Quarterly Meeting

A strongly worded resolution objecting to the change made in the minimum size of lobsters permitted to be taken by fishermen was passed at the quarterly meeting of the P. E. Island Fisheries Federation held at the Queen Hotel yesterday.

The resolution substantiated at greater length the protest forwarded to Ottawa last week. The dinner meeting, which was held at 1 p.m., was presided over by Mr. Lorne Noonan, president.

The resolution was prepared for distribution to the Minister of Fisheries, the Fisheries Council of Canada, the P. E. Island Members of Parliament at Ottawa and the Hon. Eugene Cullen, Provincial Minister of Industry and Natural Resources.

The president announced that the meeting had been called at this time in order to treat with matters to come before the Fisheries Council of Canada, which meets in Ottawa on April 20-22. These meetings will follow the meeting of the National Fisheries Institute of the United States, and approximately 50 members of that organization have signified their intention to come to Ottawa for the Canadian meetings.

Provision has also been made for the first time for entertainment for the ladies and as a result, many delegates will be accompanied by their wives. Reservations have already been made for several Island representatives and their wives, including Mr. L. Noonan, vice-president for New Brunswick and P. E. Island, official delegate from the P. E. Island Federation; Mr. S. H. Burhoe, director of Fisheries Federation of P. E. Island, official delegate; also Messrs. John H. Myrick and James E. Burden, both of whom are directors of the Island Federation.

President Noonan made the announcement that Hon. Eugene Cullen, Minister of Industry and Natural Resources, accompanied by Mrs. Cullen, would also be in attendance.

Other Provincial Ministers scheduled to attend are Hon. W. J. Keough, Newfoundland; Hon. W. T. Daughness, Nova Scotia; and Hon. Roger Pinchette, New Brunswick. One of the chief speakers will be the Hon. James Sinclair.

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WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Eisenhower Wednesday signed legislation creating a new cabinet rank department of health, education and welfare, effective April 11.

The new department will be headed by Mrs. Oveta C. Fisher, now chief of the civil security agency.

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Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min, Max. Rows include Dawson, Victoria, Edmonton, Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Saint John, Moncton, Halifax, Charlottetown, Sydney, Yarmouth, St. John's, Nfld.

HALIFAX, (CP)—Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Weather Office and valid until Thursday midnight:

Price Edward Island, New Brunswick, Bay of Chaleur: Variable cloudiness; continuing very mild; light winds; low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton 35 and 50, Fredericton 40 and 53, Saint John 40 and 55. Outlook for Good Friday, cloudy.

Bay of Fundy: Light winds; cloudy with fog patches; visibility eight miles lowering in fog patches to about one quarter mile, mild.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 12:42 A. M. and 12:13 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 7:02 A. M. and 7:55 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 5:43 A. M. and sets at 6:41 P. M.

Tomorrow being Good Friday, the next issue of The Guardian will be Saturday, April 4.