

Egypt Seizing The Suez Canal

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt (AP) — Egypt is seizing the Suez Canal under a nationalization decree and will use its revenues to build the Aswan high dam, Premier Nasser announced Thursday night.

The law nationalizing the Suez Canal company published in the official gazette Thursday night. Cairo radio said all foreign powers have been notified of the law coming into force.

The administrative building of the company in Cairo was cordoned off by police and officials sealed the main entrance with red wax.

"We shall build the high dam on the skulls of 120,000 Egyptian workmen who died in building the Suez Canal," Nasser told a wildly cheering crowd of 100,000.

Nasser declared his government through taking over the canal would receive \$100,000,000 a year in revenue to finance the gigantic Aswan project for which Britain and the United States recently withdrew their offers of financial aid.

When the deal was completed last September, Nasser, then Egypt's premier, announced Communist Czechoslovakia would sell the arms on "a purely commercial barter basis."

Explaining the deal Thursday, however, Nasser recalled that cause Britain refused to sell arms to Cairo unconditionally.

"Then we were able to conclude an arms deal with Russia and not with Czechoslovakia," Nasser said. "Russia agreed to supply us with arms without conditions. It was a purely commercial deal."

An uproar in the West followed this transaction on the pretense of their desire to keep an arms balance in the Middle East.

Western observers had long suspected that the Russians were behind the arms deal although the Russians never admitted it.

The 101-mile canal is operated by the Suez Canal Company under a concession due to expire in 1968. The company is an Egyptian joint-stock company. The British government holds about 350,000 of its 800,000 shares. Half its board of directors are French.

British armed forces occupied the Suez Canal zone for 74 years but withdrew gradually over the last few years.

Nasser said Britain and the U.S. together had offered, prior to their withdrawal, \$70,000,000 toward construction of the \$1,130,000,000 project to harness the Nile River at Aswan.

Prime Minister Eden held emergency conferences with American and French diplomats and his armed forces chiefs that lasted until early today after Egypt's announcement it has seized the Suez Canal.

The service chiefs, Gen. Sir Gerald Templer, chief of the Imperial general staff, Admiral Earl Mountbatten, first lord of the admiralty, and air chief marshal Sir Desmond Boyle, left Downing Street long after midnight.

They looked grim. All three brushed aside reporters who tried to question them. Georges Picot, French manager of the company which runs the canal, was also at the conferences.

Child Killed In Traffic Accident On City Street

Jennifer Campbell, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter C. Campbell, of Galt, Ontario, was killed by an automobile at 2:15 p.m. yesterday in front of the home of her grandfather, Emmett Hagan, 80 Spring Park Road, at the corner of Bayfield Street. The fatality occurred when the girl ran into the street in front of a car driven by Francis Moran, of 134 Spring Park Road. She was rushed to the Charlotteville Hospital but was dead on arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell accompanied by their five children, Emmett, Edmund, Patricia, Eric and the youngest, Jennifer, who would have been five years old next month, arrived by car from Galt, Ont. to visit the children's grandfather, less than 24 hours before the fatality occurred.

Canadian Beauty Queen Meets Diplomats And Talks Of Hats

LONDON (CP) — A Canadian beauty queen met one of Canada's top diplomatic envoys Thursday and talked of hats.

"I haven't much time for romance, anyway, I'm such a slowpoke at it."

Dorothy Moreau, a shapely Montrealer recently awarded the title of Miss Canada, went to Canada House for a 30-minute meeting with the British ambassador, Canadian High Commissioner in London.

Robertson's "wonderfully furnished office" impressed Miss Moreau. The high commissioner appeared equally impressed by Miss Canada's stunning white summer straw hat, trimmed with frothy tulle and perched jauntily atop her copper-colored curls.

"I asked if he needed a secretary," said Miss Moreau. "He said yes—if I promised to wear my hat."

AS BUSY AT HOME For Miss Moreau, the highlight of her trip to Britain will be a film next week with the J. Arthur Rank Organization.

I've really got the jitters about that, she says, in husky French accents. "But I'd love to be a film actress, if I only say a few words before the final curtain."

Her visit, originally planned for one week, has lengthened to 11 days—and is crammed with sight-seeing, radio and TV appearances, film performances and four of the movie studios. The trip is her prize for winning the beauty and talent contest.

"I was almost as busy at home," says Miss Moreau, from a family of 11—nine brothers and two sisters.

CHURCHILL, Man. (CP)—The 1956 shipping season is scheduled to get under way today at this northern Manitoba port, beginning what is expected to be a record movement of wheat.

The Wardworth will be loaded with grain for her return voyage to the United Kingdom first of an expected 16,000,000 bushels of wheat to be exported through the port this year. Forty-seven shiploads of wheat have been sold for shipment via Churchill.

Elevators at the port, 610 miles north of Winnipeg, already are filled to capacity.

Last year, a record 13,500,000 bushels of wheat moved out of Churchill and 11,500,000 in 1954.

LARGE COLONY British Guiana is the largest of the British Caribbean dependencies, its land area totalling 83,000 square miles.

More Than 1,600 Saved From Sinking Liner Off U.S. Coast

760 Survivors On Ile de France

NEW YORK (AP) — The liner Ile de France brought 760 survivors of the sunken Andrea Doria safely to port Thursday, hardly more than 12 hours after plucking them from the grip of death at sea.



A SMILE AND A HANDSHAKE Rita Lohnes, (right) great 47-year-old golfer from Lunenburg, N.S., had a big smile and a sincere handshake ready for Mary Ellen Driscoll, St. John, New Brunswick's answer to Marlene Stewart.

And with the stately rescue ship, as she moved through a tumultuous, sometimes cheering, sometimes tearful welcome, came tales of heroism and stark tragedy in the dead of night.

Both girls put on a wonderful display of golf for 33 holes and won the admiration of the large gallery of golf fans which followed them on their trip around the course.

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WIFE PERISHED Then Dr. Peterson sadly added that his own wife had died in the midnight, fog-shrouded collision between the Doria and the Swedish liner Stockholm.

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CRUSHED TO DEATH Slowly the survivors streamed off the ship toward the arms of friends and relatives.

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And with them came tales of tragedy to wring the heart. Dr. Peterson said his wife was crushed to death in the collision and he was unable to free her.

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Peterson then went next door and discovered the Cianfarra's plight. Mrs. Cianfarra had been pinned down by broken timbers. It took hours to free her.

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Major Richardson Dilworth of Philadelphia was among the returning survivors. He said: "We turned in about 10 o'clock. We were suddenly awakened and knocked to our feet. Anne (Mrs. Cianfarra) was with me."

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OTTAWA (CP) — Hon. George Drew, national Progressive Conservative leader, has recovered from an attack of influenza and plans to return to his Commons seat Monday, a party colleague said Thursday night.

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Mr. Drew himself could not be reached by reporters. He has left Ottawa with his family to spend a few days at a cottage in Quebec.

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Eight Are Dead And 50 Missing

NEW YORK (AP) — Italy's pride of the seas, the 30,000-ton luxury liner Andrea Doria, sank Thursday in the Atlantic after an unexplained collision with the Swedish liner Stockholm.

A herculean rescue operation saved most of the 1,709 persons aboard the Italian vessel.

There were eight known dead and many injured, including at least three Canadians, in the collision of the two transatlantic ships in dense fog Wednesday night 45 miles south of Nantucket off the coast of Massachusetts.

About 50 persons were still unaccounted for Thursday night, but United States coast guardsmen said there may have been an error in the count.

Of the 16 Canadians known to have been aboard the Andrea Doria, seven were among the survivors arriving late Thursday aboard the French liner Ile de France. Other rescue vessels were due here Thursday night with other survivors and 533 more were taken aboard the Stockholm, which is due today. Fifty Canadians were known to be aboard the Stockholm.

Three CANADIANS INJURED Three of the Canadians aboard the Ile de France suffered injuries, but all were reported in good condition.

The Andrea Doria, inbound from Mediterranean ports, and the Stockholm, outbound from New York for Europe, were travelling a recognized Atlantic route when they crashed. The Stockholm, although severely damaged, picked up more than 500 survivors of the other ship and limped back to New York.

Cause of the collision was a mystery. Both ships were equipped with radar.

A survivor reported that the dead included Camille M. Cianfarra, veteran New York Times foreign correspondent, and his two children.

Dr. T. S. Peterson of Upper Montclair, N.J., who said he saw the Cianfarra dead in their cabin also reported that his own wife was killed.

Mrs. Peterson was crushed by the impact of the vessels, he said, and went down with the ship.

HOURS OF TERROR Dr. Peterson and about 750 other survivors, brought to New York by the valiant rescue ship Ile de France, told of the hours of terror and tumult that came after the collision.

"It was just like an explosion," said movie actress Ruth Roman, a survivor, "like a very big firecracker."

More than a score of stretcher cases were carried off the Ile de France after it docked in New York with its throng of shaken survivors. Many of them were out or bruised, their faces haggard from tension.

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SWALLOWED BY SEA At 10:09 a.m. Thursday, about 11 hours after the crash, the \$24,000,000 Andrea Doria was swallowed by the sea.

In the fear-filled interim, the throng of frantic passengers, many of them awakened from sleep and only partially dressed, got down swaying decks to lifeboats sent to the ship's side.

The Andrea Doria was listing so badly she was able to launch only a few lifeboats.

The collision ripped an enormous hole in the starboard side of the Andrea Doria and smashed the bow of the Stockholm like a flattened tin bucket.

The Stockholm's Canadian passengers came from many parts of the country — three nursing graduates from the University of Alberta setting out for a five-month tour of Europe . . . the family of Kirkland Lake, Ont., (Continued on page 13 col. 8)

Canadians Known To Have Been On Andrea Doria

NEW YORK (CP) — With the arrival of three injured Canadians in New York Thursday night, the following is the latest list of Canadians known to have been aboard the Andrea Doria, with addresses where available:

Injured in New York Hospitals: Maria Rizzi, Toronto, in Roosevelt Hospital with burns to the left hand, condition good.

Eugene Gladstone, Toronto, in St. Vincent's Hospital, no immediate report on injuries, but condition good.

Mrs. Frieda Gladstone, his wife, in St. Vincent's Hospital with back injury, condition good.

Arrived Safely in New York: Sister Mary Callistus, St. Joseph's, London, Ont.

Nicolas Massue, 52, 4046 Oxford Ave., Montreal.

Mrs. Alexandrine Massue, 77, his mother.

Josephine Massue, 15, his niece.

Boarded Andrea Doria in Italy: Frank W. Clifton, Toronto Alderman.

John de Mayer, Toronto importer.

Dr. Harvey Hollinger, Montreal. Mrs. Harvey Hollinger, his wife, Montreal.

Giuseppe Rizzi, (It was not immediately known if he is related to Maria Rizzi, or what his hometown is.)

Milan Babic, Ezio Colagrande, Adolf Grubenman, Violet Grubenman.

Will Investigate Ruins Of Sechem In Palestine

Rev. Lawrence E. Toombs, Ph.D., who has been vacationing with relatives here, left Montreal on Wednesday for New York where he will take off from Idlewild Airport tomorrow on a direct flight to Jerusalem. There he will join other biblical scholars entering upon an investigation of the ruins of Sechem.

The expedition is officially known as the Drew-McCormick Archaeological Expedition, sponsored by Drew University, Madison, N. J., and McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, Methodist and Presbyterian respectively, and is endorsed by the American School of Oriental Research.

The purpose of the expedition, Dr. Toombs said, before leaving Charlotteville, "is the scientific investigation of the ruins of the ancient city of Sechem. It has nothing whatever to do with the famous Dead Sea Scrolls but is simply designed to investigate an important city of biblical times."

RELIGIOUS CENTRE "In the time of Abraham, Sechem was already an important centre of religion and culture. It played a considerable part in the life of Joseph and his sons. However, it was just after the Hebrews entered Canaan that it really came into prominence in their life. In the early days of the Judges it was the religious centre of tribal life and his knowledge that a large temple stood within its walls.

"After the division of the country into two kingdoms, it was for a short time the capital city of the Northern Tribes, and after the capital was moved to Samaria, it remained a significant religious shrine. Possibly the town of Sechem is the same site as the New Testament Sychar where Jesus talked to the Samaritan women at the well.

"The city has already been excavated in part by a series of expeditions under German leadership, but since these were conducted before the modern techniques of archaeology were worked out, they yielded only small results."

PLAN FOUR SEASONS The expedition is directed by one of the leading archeologists of the continent, Dr. George E. Wright of McCormick and the administrative director is Dean B. W. Anderson of Drew. Dr. Toombs is a staff member of the expedition. They plan four seasons of excavation spread over six years. The work takes place only in the summer in a six or eight week period. This summer is preliminary, giving to the team an accurate survey of the site, as well as whatever exploratory digging seems advisable.

"The summer of 1957 will see the work begun in earnest," Dr. Toombs said. "Of course we cannot predict what will be discovered, but such an important town as Sechem can hardly fail to yield impressive results."

DR. TOOMBS' PLANS Dr. Toombs will be in on this summer's preliminary explorations and will remain in Jerusalem throughout the winter. He has reported on page 2 col. 6)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS SCRAP WITH HOWE

Fail To Cut Dept.'s Bill

OTTAWA (CP) — Opposition attempts to cut the spending of the defence production department were defeated Thursday in the Commons.

The House knocked down two tries by the Progressive Conservative to whittle Production Minister Howe's proposed 1956-57 estimates.

It approved the government's request for \$22,000,000 for the year after a series of scraps between Production Minister Howe and opposition members that stretched over several days.

Thursday's expense-reducing attempts were launched by Donald Fleming (Toronto Eglington) who first tried to chop \$300,000 from a proposed \$500,000 vote for the maintenance of stand-by defence plants.

When the 17,500,000 item for government capital assistance to the defence industry came up, Mr. Fleming first moved that the item be reduced by \$5,000,000 to \$2,500,000.

The production minister said that would set back by at least 12 months the government's plans for the superionic CF-105 jet fighter under development at the A. V. Roe plant at Malton, Ont.

He said he was "tempted" to let Mr. Fleming's motion go through and have the Conservative members responsible for that.

"A silly, stupid remark," Mr. Fleming commented as he asked the House to let him withdraw the \$5,000,000-cut motion and substitute one with a lesser reduction.

LONG-STANDING FEUD Mr. Howe—who has been feuding with Mr. Fleming through much of the session—said he would agree to complete withdrawal but not to withdrawal with a substitute motion in prospect.

Liberals backed the minister with the result that Mr. Fleming couldn't retract the motion—a step that requires unanimous House consent—so it went to a vote. It was defeated by 48 to 0, with Mr. Fleming and the other Conservatives abstaining.

Four Canadian Survivors Land From Ile De France At N.Y.

NEW YORK (CP) — A Roman Catholic nun from London, Ont., and three members of a Montreal family landed in New York from the Ile de France Thursday night with other survivors from the sinking of the Italian liner Andrea Doria.

Sister Mary Callistus of the Sisters of St. Joseph, together with Nicolas Massue, of Montreal, his mother and his niece, were among the bedraggled survivors of Wednesday night's collision with the Swedish liner Stockholm. They came ashore in a variety of borrowed garments loaned by passengers of the French liner which had picked them up in the epic rescue operation.

More than 15 Canadians were aboard the Andrea Doria, and three from Toronto were among the first taken to hospitals in New York after the Ile de France docked.

They were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gladstone and Maria Rizzi. Sister Callistus, standing among the eddying crowds of survivors and frantic relatives, told The Canadian Press how she and a fellow nun, Sister Marie Raymond of Grand Rapids, Mich., had calmed the passengers with prayers as the great liner listed after the fog-shrouded collision.

"We were sleeping when the noise of the crash awoke us," she said. We put on lifejackets and went to our muster stations in the tourist-class ballroom.

"The ship was listing badly then. Stewards had tied ropes to the ballroom's supporting pillars so the passengers could keep their footing."

We said the rosary for the passengers and they seemed to be grateful.

OLYMPICS RESUMED The ancient Olympic games were abolished as a public nuisance in 394 A. D. by the Roman emperor and resumed in 1896.

British Gov't Moves To Settle Strike Of Motors Corporation

LONDON (Reuters) — The government moved Thursday night to settle the British Motors Corporation strike during the respite granted by the industry's two-week vacation.

All workers—strikers and non-strikers alike—will be getting holiday pay for the next fortnight. The vacation began Thursday night. The strike began four days ago.

Labor Minister Iain Macleod announced he is inviting union and management representatives to meetings next week with Sir Wilfred Neden, the ministry's chief industrial commissioner.

Neden's talks will be with the Engineering and Allied Employers' National Federation and 15 unions striking against the corporation.