

The best party is but a conspiracy against the rest of the country.

Ignorance maketh most men go with a party, and shame keepeth them from getting out of it.

Covers Prince Edward Island Like the Dew

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# SAVAGE STORM WRECKS TWO TANKERS OFF CAPE COD

## Reds, Allies In Agreement On Conference Plans

### Brig. Pat Bogert To Command Canadian Brigade In Korea

By Douglas How

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 (CP)—Brig. M.P. (Pat) Bogert is going back to the mountains and he says he's glad to go, even if it is to Korea.

Furthermore, although he had months of mountain fighting in Italy, he says he's going back to it "with an open mind," ready to learn.

Appointment of the 43-year-old wartime brigade commander to succeed Brig. John M. Rockingham, 41, as commander of the 25th Brigade in Korea in April was announced today. Brig. Rockingham, by coincidence, is married to a cousin of Brig. Bogert, the former Mary Hammond of Victoria.

A few hours after the announcement, Brig Bogert told reporters that he is completely happy to leave a desk job at army headquarters to return to command of soldiers in the field. In his job as director-general of military training he's been reading reports on Korea for months.

The Korean assignment, he said, is a big, authentic grin, splits him to the ground.

Brig. Rockingham will take over Brig. Bogert's job at army headquarters some time after April 15, the day the latter reports for duty in the Far East.

The switch will complete the transfer home of the group of men who led the brigade and its infantry battalions through the first months of fighting. Brig. Rockingham has three original battalion commanders now are back in Canada.

Most of the original brigade members will be back by June. The Bogert appointment indicates, too, that the army feels it should entrust the 25th command to men who have held that sort of command in the last war.

Brig. Bogert not only commanded the crack 2nd Brigade and led the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Division in the war, he commanded both them and an infantry battalion (West Nova Scotia Regiment) in Italy, the one country in that war which bears some real comparison with Korea.

The 25th Brigade will find him a different sort of man from Rockingham. Rockingham is dynamic, colorful, aggressive, an excellent leader. Bogert is an excellent



Brig. M. P. Bogert

soldier, too, in a quiet, unruffled way. He has sound judgment, a good sense of humor and an ability to conduct battles in a calm, determined way.

### Sharp Cut In Cigaret Tax Urged On Gov't

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 (CP)—Ontario tobacco growers today asked the Canadian Government for a tax cut of about 12 cents on a package of 20 cigarettes. Official quarters indicated later they may get part—but not all—of that reduction in the next budget.

Two non-smokers—Finance Minister Abbott and Francis R. Gregory of Leamington, Ont.—discussed the issue as a delegation of the growers gathered to protest what they called the "outdated and archaic tobacco-tax structure in Canada."

Mr. Gregory asked Mr. Abbott to cut the 25.2-cent-a-package federal-cigar tax by about half. As chairman of the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Marketing Association and head of the growers' delegation, he said this would reduce the retail price to 30 cents a package from 42 and halt a growing cigarette-smuggling racket in Canada.

Mr. Abbott issued no statement on the conference. Informants said, however, it was likely that the cigarette tax may be sliced when the 1952-53 budget comes out April next, but not as much as the growers wanted. The federal cigarette tax was increased by three cents a package a year ago.

The Association delegates presented Mr. Abbott with a brief in which it was estimated that the high tax has led to smuggling into Canada of low-priced American cigarettes. The R. C. M. P. was quoted as having seized 15,000,000 cigarettes during the last six months. Delegates estimated that the Canadian tobacco industry has undergone a 20-per-cent decline in domestic sales, along with a 75-per-cent drop in prospective 1952 exports to the United Kingdom, because of a financial crisis in that country.

## Canadians May Attend British Atomic Tests

By Douglas How

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 (CP)—Canada is expected to get an invitation to watch the first test of a British atomic weapon in Australia this year, the first atomic explosion Canadians have observed in six years.

The fact the British have announced they are ready to try a controlled nuclear explosion underlines the paradox of Canada's position in the Western atomic field. Indirectly, she has undoubtedly been of considerable help to the British in producing the new weapon just as, indirectly, she has been of help to the American A-bomb program and may soon be of considerable help to the U. S. hydrogen bomb program.

Certain lessons learned by Chalk River's unique heavy-water atom-splitter or reactor can be put to just as good use for military purposes by others as they can be put to peacetime uses by Canada. For long distances, the military and non-military aspects of atomic

### New Step In Korean Truce Discussions

MUNSAN, Korea, Feb. 18 (Tuesday)—Allied and Communist negotiators today apparently reached agreement in principle on the Red proposal for a post-armistice conference on Korea, a U. N. command spokesman announced.

The Allies suggested that the Red proposal of last Saturday be accepted completely by both sides. The Reds wanted staff officers to work out the details.

Brig-Gen. William P. Nuckols, official Allied spokesman, said "It appears there is agreement, since they (the Communists) suggest that it be turned over to staff officers."

The Communists asked for a 40-minute recess to study the Allied proposal. Another 39-minute truce was held before the truce teams adjourned for the day.

No definite time was set for another full-dress session. Nuckols said Vice-Admiral C. Turner Joy, senior Allied negotiator, told the Reds: "It appears that the agreement which we have reached is a full solution to this item of the agenda."

### Ship Clothing To Refugees In Korea

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 (CP)—The Unitarian Service Committee of Canada announced that the first Canadian shipment of clothing for destitute victims in Korea will leave Montreal today. The shipment, comprising 15 cartons of warm clothing, includes everything from baby layettes to war overcoats and sturdy shoes.

### Newsprint Shortage In U. S. Eased

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (AP)—A critical shortage of newsprint in the United States has temporarily eased but the world demand will exceed the supply for years to come, a government official said today.

J. Noel Macy, director of the Printing and Publishing Division of the National Production Authority, told a House of Representatives committee that the U. S. entered 1952 with an inventory surplus of 81,792 tons, out of the 6,056,687 tons available last year.

Macy said the inventories were not excessive but represented a return to the historical average of the newspaper industry. The 6,056,687 tons available last year compared with a supply of 5,889,220 tons in 1950.

Canada, which supplies the (Continued on Page 5 Col. 4)

### Princess Mary To Undergo Treatment

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuters)—Princess Mary, sister of the late King, left today for Switzerland where she will undergo treatment for fibrositis—inflammatory fibrous tissue. The trip was postponed because of the King's death.

### Cape Breton Teachers Will Continue Strike

SYDNEY, N.S., Feb. 18 (CP)—Cape Breton rural and village school teachers tonight voted 87-20 to continue their strike for better pay which has kept some 5,000 children away from school since Jan. 31.

The decision affects 243 teachers and was made at a special meeting after Cape Breton County

Council failed to comply with their earlier demand for a straight \$300 yearly increase.

Council, which met today to discuss the problem, said the municipality would pay a \$100 cost of living bonus to single teachers and \$200 to married male teachers.

Labor delegates from district 26, United Mine Workers pledged support of the teachers' stand.

### Coronation May Take Place This Summer

LONDON, Feb. 18 (CP)—A court official said today plans for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II are not likely to be announced until after the period of official court mourning ends May 31.

But though an early announcement of the date is not expected, the young Queen today received the Duke of Norfolk, who as Earl Marshal organized her father's funeral and is responsible for coronation arrangements. She personally will set the date.

Usually, the coronation of a sovereign is not performed until a year after his or her accession to the throne. But many people believe Elizabeth will be crowned in summer because fine weather is needed for the gala procession through the streets of London.

If the Queen is crowned this year, she and her husband will be free to make their postponed tour of Australia and New Zealand next year.

The Queen will hold the first semi-public ceremony of her reign on Feb. 27 to invest several knight-hoods conferred by the King and to present the Victoria Cross to a Korean war hero.

About 100 persons have been summoned to Buckingham Palace for the investiture and for the presentation of the medal to Pte. William Speakman for gallantry in action. Court sources said the (Continued on Page 5 Col. 4)

### Arrest of Bank Robber Ends Long Manhunt

NEW YORK, Feb. 18 (AP)—Willie (The Actor) Sutton, the smoothest bank robber in the United States, was arrested today on a fluke, ending a vast, five-year-old manhunt.

Two policemen picked him up three blocks from Brooklyn police headquarters for a routine check because they saw him tampering with a parked automobile. Ironically, it was Sutton's own car.

Police Commissioner George Monaghan—beside himself with elation—called Willie "the Babe Ruth of bank robbers."

"This ends the greatest manhunt in history," said Monaghan enthusiastically. "In my judgment he's the world's number one criminal. It's the best collar (arrest) in a long, long time."

Willie was quoted as saying: "I'm 51 years old and tired of it all."

Sutton's career as a master jewel thief and cleverly disguised bank robber dates back more than 20 years.

He twice escaped from prison, the last time in Pennsylvania in 1947. He has been widely sought ever since.

Sutton's name often was mentioned in connection with the \$1,500,000 Brinks, Inc. robbery in Boston in 1950. He was linked to a \$64,000 bank robbery in New York the same year.

He gained the name "The Actor" because of the disguises he used on his bank jobs—Western Union messenger, mail carrier, private chauffeur. He even dressed as a policeman once to direct a bank robbery.

### See Surprises In British Atomic Tests

LONDON, Feb. 18 (Reuters)—United States scientists may get some surprises when Britain's atomic weapons are tested in Australia this year, an authoritative spokesman said tonight.

He also announced that more than one weapon will be tested and that the tests are likely to be staged in September or October when the Australian summer begins. He indicated they will probably last several weeks.

Scientists here speculated that Britain might unveil advanced atomic tactical weapons instead of just an atom bomb—production of which she probably bypassed.

They figured U. S. scientists may have their eyes opened by whatever the tests reveal because there has been no exchange of atomic research information since 1946. Scientists of both countries have worked independently and at present neither Americans nor Britons know for sure who leads the field.

### Storm Drives Fishing Craft Ashore In N. S.

By The Canadian Press

A driving snow storm lashed across the Maritimes today, closely followed by the familiar pattern of transportation troubles and marine disasters.

It rained in a still winter night, then flailed every county and city with howling, gale-force winds and drifting snow.

On the coast, the Portland fishing smack Louise was still riding out the buffeting seas 20 miles off Halifax, her engine dead. Seven men are aboard.

At Cape Roseway Island, on Nova Scotia's south shore, the Gloucester fisherman Mary F. Curtis rammed ashore in a blinding snowstorm but all crew members were safe.

The vessel was a total loss. In New Brunswick, 19 inches of snow fell in places and was still coming down late Monday night.

It was the worst storm of the season, blocking most highways, disrupting ferry service on the Bay of Fundy and closing schools.

Rail transportation was delayed in some cases, 14 hours. In other places the locomotives could not punch through the drifts.

Buses gave up, highways were icy and clogged. At Halifax, trolley buses did their best but fell behind schedule. Private cars were involved in numerous minor accidents.

In Prince Edward Island, half a foot of snow fell, knocking out air transportation with the mainland. Roads were dangerous.

It was a bad blow and the Weather Office still kept its storm signals up; another, brewing off Cape Cod, was expected to hit soon.

### \$8,000 Fire Near Moncton Yesterday

MONCTON, N.B., Feb. 18 (CP)—Fire today destroyed a house and barn near Riverview, leaving three homeless and causing some \$8,000 damage.

Cause of the fire was undetermined. Mrs. Annie Duffy of Boston owned the property.

The persons who occupied the house were away when the fire broke out. Two dogs were rescued from the barn by neighbors.

### Probe Charges Women's Wear Being Dumped

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 (CP)—The government has sent investigators into the United States for a first-hand inquiry into claims that U.S.-made women's wear is being dumped on the Canadian market at distress prices, it was learned today.

However, officials said the investigations up to now have failed to disclose evidence that U.S. products are being dumped.

Anti-dumping checks were intensified following an appeal by unions to the Federal Government a month ago for action to halt a flood of low-price women's clothing from the U.S. The unions contended the imports threatened the employment of 50,000 needle-trades workers, concentrated in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

The unions—Trades and Labor Congress organizations in the dress, millinery and handbag industries—charged U.S. shippers are circumventing Canada's anti-dumping laws under which the customs duties on dumped goods are jacked up to bring them to a fair price level.

### Parents Of One Captain Live In Georgetown P. E. I.; Fate Of Some Crew Members Uncertain

By The Canadian Press

BOSTON, Feb. 18 (AP)—Thirty-two seamen were saved from a bludgeoning sea tonight, but 56 others are unaccounted for after the winter's worst storm smashed two big tankers off Cape Cod.

At least two disappeared before rescuers' eyes, one as daring Coast Guards removed the 32 from the stern section of the tanker Pendleton. Another life-jacketed figure leaped into the boiling sea and disappeared as Coast Guard craft approached the Pendleton's separately drifting bow.

Coast Guards said they detected no other sign of life on the derelict bow, reported by survivors to have been occupied by the captain and three mates.

Just In Time

A minute after the 32 were taken off, the Pendleton's stern rolled over and sank in breakers that crashed 25 to 30 feet high on near-by North Chatham Beach.

There had been 33 men on the stern, but one missed a jump for the motor lifeboat and was crushed between it and the steel hull.

Shipmates said his name was George Myers, address unknown. Other Coast Guard craft were battling raging seas in an effort to save men known to be aboard the widely separated bow and stern of the other tanker, the Fort Mercer. Both sections were being driven southeastward by gale-whipped waves.

The Fort Mercer was believed manned by a crew of 43. The cutter Yukutat radioed she reached the Fort Mercer's bow about 30 miles southeast of Chatham and was striving to get a line aboard.

The Mercer is commanded by Capt. Frederick Pezard. She was bound for Portland, Me., with oil The Pendleton, skippered by Capt. John J. Fitzgerald, Boston, left Baton Rouge, La., about a week ago.

(Capt. Fitzgerald, of the tanker Pendleton, is a son of Capt. J. J. Fitzgerald, Georgetown, P.E.I., it was learned last night. With his wife and family he spends the summers at the King's County

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### Renew Efforts To Settle Strike At Ford Plant

WINDSOR, Ont., Feb. 18 (CP)—Labor Minister Daley met tonight with union negotiators in a renewed effort to bring about the settlement of the Ford of Canada strike which began Sunday night. Company officials did not attend the meeting.

It is not known whether renewed company-union talks will be held before the membership meeting deadline, but observers here feel that tonight's meeting between the Minister and the union will bring about some sort of proposition which will be presented to the company.

It was reported earlier that company and union negotiators had met tonight in a renewed effort to settle the wage-contract dispute and end the walk-out of 9,000 production workers at the Ford plant. But later it was learned that company representatives did not take part.

Word that negotiations had been reopened brought hope to this city of 121,000 persons that the strike that started last night would not last long.

The renewed optimism came as pickets patrolled the entrance of the big factory and officials of the United Automobile Workers (U.A.W.-C.I.O.) made preparations for a membership meeting tomorrow.

The membership meeting could ratify an agreement if one is reached. Otherwise the union executive will merely report on the negotiations which started 11 months ago for a contract that expired last June 1.

George Butt, the union's Canadian director, said in announcing the membership meeting that the matters still in dispute could be settled in time for the meeting. Indefinite duration of a strike would mean a loss of income to the workers.

A company official who previously had not figured in the negotiations was reported to have entered the discussions today. He is Theodore J. Emmert, executive vice-president. He joined Wallace Clark, vice-president of industrial relations, as the two top company men in the talks.

### Montreal Youth Sets 46 Fires In Last 18 Months

MONTRÉAL, Feb. 18 (CP)—A youth who said he just wanted to be a fireman was held by police tonight after admitting that he set 46 fires in the last 18 months. Two firemen died in one of the blazes.

Police said 23-year-old Viateur Lefebvre confessed to arson last night. He told officers his dreams were "filled with flames" and said his biggest thrill was "being hit in the face" with a stream of water from a fire hose.

Lefebvre was arrested Sunday night when he ran into a fire hall in mid-town Montreal at 9 p. m. and asked, "Where's the fire?" A few minutes later the alarm sounded.

### Province Swept Yesterday By Heavy Snowstorm

By The Canadian Press

The second worst snowstorm of the winter smothered the Province under a heavy blanket of snow yesterday. The Island Motor Transport Company and the Maritime Central Airways, were bogged down as a result of the strong wind and blinding snow, which caused drifts up to 5 feet in some places. Prior to the storm M.C.A. made one flight to and from Moncton, but all later flights were cancelled due to the poor visibility and hazardous flying conditions.

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HALIFAX, Feb. 18 (CP)—Official forecast issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Tuesday.

A severe storm caused gales with gusts as high as 70 miles per hour and 6 to 10 inches of snow over the Maritimes during the past twenty-four hours. The weakening storm will remain centered south of Nova Scotia on Tuesday. Snowflurries will continue in all regions. An additional 3 to 6 inches is expected over Eastern New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Northern Nova Scotia with lesser amounts in the other regions.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island—Tuesday, intermittent snow and blowing snow. Little change in temperature. Northerly gales 35, gusts to 50. Low and high Tuesday at Charlottetown 25 and 30.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 4:30 A.M. and 3:38 P.M. High tide on the North Shore at 10:48 A.M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:09 A.M. and sets at 5:46 P.M.

MCA AIR SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 5:30 A.M.; 11:20 A.M.; 4:50 P.M. Ar. Charlottetown from Moncton 7:25 A.M.; 1:35 P.M.; 6:55 P.M. Leave Charlottetown for New Glasgow—Halifax 7:40 A.M. New Glasgow 1:50 P.M. New Glasgow & Halifax Arrive Charlottetown from New Glasgow and Halifax 11:00 A.M. from New Glasgow 4:35 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax.

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