

After all, it is mystery
which gives life its delight,
its joy, and its savour.

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Eden Backs Eisenhower's Stand On Formosa Issue

By RONALD MacLURKIN
LONDON (Reuters)—Foreign Secretary Eden hinted broadly Wednesday that Communist China can gain possession of the Nationalist-held coastal islands if she leaves Formosa and the Pescadore islands alone.
Authoritative sources said this was what Eden meant when he appeared in the House of Commons for an immediate cease-fire between the Chinese Communists and Nationalists.
Eden defended President Eisenhower's stand on Formosa and rejected Clement Attlee's charge that the United States is interfering in the Chinese civil war.

SEK REUCE RISKS

The foreign secretary said that President Eisenhower, in his message to Congress Monday, had not

suggested the United States "enlarge its defence obligations" beyond Formosa and the Pescadores. "The British government is convinced that the objective of the U.S. administration has been to reduce the risks of any extension of the fighting."
"Their treaty with Chiang Kai-shek... was concluded with this object in view."
"The president has again emphasized the purely defensive nature of these arrangements with the Chinese Nationalists."
"We in this country respect President Eisenhower and know that he would sanction the use of U.S. forces only with the greatest reluctance and when, in his view, the circumstances constituted an immediate and serious threat to the security of Formosa as his key phrase."

Lobster Trap Construction Regulations Are Rescinded

OTTAWA (Special)—Fisheries Minister Sinclair indicated Wednesday that he had recommended the rescinding of sub-sections two and three of section 17 of the lobster fishing regulations. Effective date of this decision coincides with the lobster-fishing seasons in the various water areas concerned.
The two sections in question relate to the spacing of laths in lobster traps. In the original regulation introduced as a conservation measure, it was specified that space between the laths must not exceed a fixed measure. It has been the experience of fisheries inspectors and others that a regulation of this kind cannot be effective for the simple reason that it cannot be enforced.
Even if on leaving their port or boat-landing lobster fishermen had traps conforming to the regulation, the spaces could be altered without undue trouble before their arrival at the lobster fishing grounds. Since there are about two million, five hundred thousand lobster traps in the waters of the Maritime Provinces, it became evident that this was well-nigh useless as a control measure. While abolishing the regulation of spacing, Mr. Sinclair is by no means abandoning other regulations aimed at those who catch lobsters under the regulation size. Lobstermen, the minister said, will still face prosecution if they attempt to land lobsters smaller in carapace measurement than the sizes specified in the regulations.
J. Watson MacNaught, M.P. for

Prince and parliamentary assistant to Mr. Sinclair, told The Guardian that rescinding of the lathing feature of the regulations was simply a matter of common sense. It adds no prestige to a department, he noted, if it issues regulations which cannot be enforced. On the other hand, he expressed confidence that fishermen in Prince Edward Island waters and those of the Maritime Provinces at large, will observe the regulations pertaining to carapace measurements and will not try to land illegal-sized lobsters in any quantity. It is to their own benefit, he emphasized, to land the medium-sized and larger lobsters which command premium prices.

No Trace Of Missing Boy

YARMOUTH, N.S. (CP)—Men with a dog worked beside RCMP officers and a plane carrying a searching doctor and druggist almost crashed Wednesday as everybody got in on the hunt for six-year-old Howard Newell.
The boy has been lost since Saturday when he drifted away from a group of companions walking in the woods with his uncle. Dr. Shaw thought he was taking a short cut to his home at Little River, 10 miles from here.
Although hounds grew dim, Howard's father clung doggedly to the conviction the boy would be found alive.

Official Opening Of New School At New Wiltshire

Twelve school teachers came back to the scene of their former labors to participate in the opening of the new school house at East Wiltshire last night. It was most gratifying to the trustees to note that only two of the former teachers who were invited, were unable to attend.
Hon. Keir Clark, Minister of Education officially opened the school and offered his congratulations to the trustees upon their foresight and efficiency in erecting such a fine building. Mr. Stirling MacKinnon, one of the trustees, acted as chairman for the occasion.
Dr. Lloyd Shaw, deputy minister of education reminded the gathering that the opening of a new school is an important occasion, "and it is fitting that you have attached such importance to it," said Dr. Shaw.

labour. He suggested, however, that their greatest asset lay in "those bundles of possibilities"—the boys and girls.
Dr. Shaw said, "It is important that the teachers have all the facilities with which to work," but reminded his audience that the home played an important part in the education of the child. He told them that the home, the church and the community all play a part in education. "We want to send out from our schools, good citizens who will be able to take their proper place in the world," he said.
To the boys and girls, Dr. Shaw said, "It is your school; it was built for you and as your property you must respect it." In this respect he asked the older boys and girls to give leadership to the younger ones.
The chairman, Mr. Stirling MacKinnon extended the thanks of the trustees to Mr. Edward Yeo who very generously donated the one acre of land which is the site of the new building. He thanked also the Department of Education who were so helpful in making suggestions for the erection of the new school and he congratulated the contractor, Mr. Lloyd MacKinnon for a job well done. Mr. MacKinnon told the pupils, "This school is yours, so that you do nothing to deface it, so that in the years to come, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you played your part in preserving it for future generations."

GREATEST ASSET

He pointed out that farmers like to consider themselves progressive in procuring the best stock, the most modern equipment and in developing the latest methods of farm

EXPERIENCES RECALLED
Rev. Father F. L. Cass of St. Dunstan's University, a former pupil and a former teacher of East Wiltshire, in recalling some of his personal experiences as a pupil cited his remarks with some well-timed humor. He told the children Continued on page 5 col. 3

Coming Events

- **Horse racing Hazelbrook Saturday at 1:30.
- **Crockinole Party, Wheatley River, Friday, January 28th
- **Dance this week in South Rustico Hall, Friday night. Rollie MacKenzie's Orchestra.
- **Dance Mount Stewart St. Andrew's hall Thursday, Jan. 27th. Good music. Canteen service.
- **Dance in Vernon Hall, Thursday, January 27th. Sponsored by the Hockey Team. Sale of cakes.
- **Dance, Beaver Hall, Montague, Friday, January 28th. Blanchard's Orchestra.
- **Hockey Crapaud Rink tonight. Nine Mile Creek vs Hampshire. League game. 8:30 sharp. Skate after.
- **South Granville Racing Club will hold a race at Keir's Cross, Thursday afternoon, January 27th, at 1 o'clock.
- **Don't miss the Centennial Irish Minstrels in North Rustico Hall on Thursday night, January 27th. Curtain 8:15.
- **Springfield, Friday, January 28th, hear Col. E. W. Johnston lecture on his European tour and show Slides, Lunch served. If not fine Saturday. Proceeds for Hall.
- **All school teams interested in playing hockey Crapaud Rink, please submit names to rink executive by Friday night. Players must be of school age.

COMMONS APPROVES RATIFICATION OF PARIS AGREEMENTS IN 213-12 VOTE

Chou's Attitude Less Belligerent

HONG KONG (Reuters)—The Communist New China news agency Wednesday quoted Premier Chou En-Lai of Red China as saying that "countries with different social systems can coexist in peace provided that they do not commit aggression against each other and do not harm each other."
It was the first official Chinese comment on the Formosa situation. Communist Eisenhower asked permission of the U.S. Congress to use American armed forces to defend the Nationalist stronghold and certain other islands against Red attack.
Observers here felt this remark and the general tenor of Chou's statement left more room for possible cease-fire discussions than a previous statement by Chou Monday, which seemed virtually to close the door on such moves.

Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Wednesday
The Commons voted 213 to 12 for ratification of the Paris agreement on entry of a rearm West Germany into NATO, all negative votes being CCF.

U.S. Senate On Formosa Debate

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL
WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's fight-if-we-must defence plan for Formosa drew a heavy vote of endorsement Wednesday from two key Senate committees—and hot criticism that it signals "preventive war."
In the first rumblings of a momentous Senate debate, Eisenhower supporters declared the only purpose of the policy is peace, through a show of strength to discourage Red Chinese aggression.
By a 27-to-2 vote, the Senate armed services and foreign relations committees approved a resolution to empower the president to use American men and weapons to keep Formosa, the Pescadore Islands and "related positions and territories" out of Communist hands.
But in committee and on the Senate floor, a small but hard-hitting band of senators began a fight. They centred their fire on the "related positions" phrase and its implied authority to attack Red invasion forces on the Chinese mainland and to defend small islands strung along the Chinese coast.

Senator Wayne Morse (Ind. Ore.) also took a stand that the resolution permits preventive war and expands the possibility of conflict. He was challenged by Republican leader William Knowland of California.
Over and over, Knowland declared the resolution doesn't involve "one iota of desire or intent" of preventive war against Red China or any other country. As the debate rolled along: The only woman senator, Margaret Chase Smith (Rep. Maine), told her colleagues: "The circumstances do not permit us the liberty to differ with the president on his resolution."
Senator Russell Long (Dem. La.) said Chinese Nationalist leader Chiang Kai-shek wants to plunge the United States into all-out war with Red China.
BRICKER IN FAVOR
But Senator John Bricker (Rep. Ohio) said he believes "the policy of firmness embodied in the pending resolution is far more likely to prevent war in the Pacific than a vague policy of waiting for the dust to settle."

Huge Pier Fire

HOBOKEN, N.J. (AP)—Pier 2 was a raging inferno early Wednesday night two hours after a fire of undetermined origin broke out.
The sky was lit up from New York City was aglow by the blaze which threatened to destroy the long docks. It was being rebuilt for the port of New York authority as part of a general reconditioning of docks in this city on the Hudson river.
Two tugs were pulled from danger.

Russian's Threat Is Deplored

LONDON (Reuters)—Britain and France Wednesday night formally deplored Russia's threat to break off friendship treaties with them if Germany is rearm.
In separate notes handed over in Moscow, the two Western powers defended the Paris treaties to rearm West Germany and reiterated the project's defensive character.

Crippled Plane Finds Cutter As Fuel Runs Low

NEW YORK (AP)—A crippled four-engine military plane covered hundreds of miles of stormy mid-Atlantic Wednesday, then ditched beside a coast guard cutter. All eight persons aboard the plane were picked up safely.
For an agonizing two hours and 20 minutes, the plane groped through storm and gathering dusk toward the coast guard cutter Cuck Bay, a tiny speck on the vast turbulent sea.
Then, minutes before nightfall, the plane found its target. The pilot brought his craft down expertly on the heaving, gale-swept sea. Lifeboats plowed to its side, and the survivors were whisked to safety.
The radio was the thin thread that brought the plane and the cutter together in a life-saving rendezvous far from land.
The big plane lost 350 gallons of gasoline accidentally and became short of fuel about 1,000 miles east of Bermuda.

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons—by a vote of 213 to 12—Wednesday approved ratification of the Paris agreements for admittance of a rearm West Germany into the North Atlantic Alliance. All 12 opposed were CCF members.

As the house voted, the agreements went to the Senate. Four speakers favored them before Senate debate on the question was adjourned until today.
There were a few scattered boos in the Commons from Liberal, Progressive Conservative and Social Credit groups, who voted solidly for ratification, when the first of the opposing CCFers rose.
SPLIT THREE WAYS
In the face of External Affairs Minister Pearson's plea for a unanimous vote of approval, the 24-man CCF group split three ways. Twelve voted against, five abstained and five, including CCF leader Caldwell, voted in favor. Two CCF members were absent.
The vote against ratification was larger than in the Belgian lower house. Six Labor members opposed ratification in the British Commons, with the bulk of the Labor party abstaining. The Belgian house voted 181 to 9 for ratification.
The agreements must be approved by all 14 member nations of NATO and by West Germany itself before German entry into the alliance. Approval has been completed by Britain, Greece, Iceland and Norway.
LIMIT ARMS
Debate on ratification in the German Bundestag lower house is not scheduled to start until Feb. 24. The upper houses in France, Italy and Belgium still have to complete ratification.
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CCF members voting against ratification were:
Joseph W. Noseworthy, York South; Stanley Knowles, Winnipeg North Centre; R. R. Knight, Saskatchewan; H. W. Herridge, Kootenay West; Owen L. Jones, Okanagan-Boundary; A. M. Nicholson, MacKenzie; G. H. Castleden, Yorkton; E. G. McCullough, Moose Mountain; Thomas Barnett, Comox-Alberni; Harold Winch, Vancouver East; Claude Ellis, Regina City; and Colin Cameron, Nanaimo.
CCF members who abstained from voting were: Hazen Argue, Assiniboia; Alistair Stewart, Winnipeg North; Mervyn Johnson, Kildersley; A. H. Bryson, Humboldt-Melfort; and Erhart Regier, Burnaby-Coquitlam.
Supporting Mr. Caldwell were Angus MacLennan, Vancouver-Kingsway; Clarie Gillis, Cape Breton South; Ross Thatcher, Moose Jaw-Lake Centre; and Max Campbell, the Battlefords. The two absent CCF members were Fred Zypfite, Dauphin, and William Joyce, Selkirk.

Evacuation Plans At Tachens Ready

By SPENCER MOOSA
TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—Plans for evacuating the Tachens were believed completed Wednesday amid press reports the U. S. 7th Fleet, a large "show of strength" manoeuvres in that general area.
Nationalist four-engine bombers smashed at Yikiangshan island, from which the Chinese Communists in newly won positions might try to interfere with a withdrawal from the Tachens, only eight miles away.
Aides to Vice-Admiral Alfred M. Pride, 7th Fleet commander, declined to comment on a China News report quoting "reliable sources" that 300 planes from the 7th Fleet manoeuvred north of Formosa.
The Wasp, the Yorktown, the Kearsarge and the Essex carriers now are attached to the 7th Fleet which is expected to cover the withdrawal of the Nationalist gar-

REDS 'NOT AFRAID'

(Radio Beijing, heard in London, was not so reticent, asserting that more than 11 units of the 7th Fleet and carrier-based planes were "intensifying manoeuvres" of the east China coast.
The current lack of Communist activity led to speculation that the Communists might be preparing a large-scale onslaught on some of the other Nationalist islands.
A communique reporting the air blows at Yikiangshan said the raiders also hit and probably sank a 1,500-ton military craft north of the Yu Shan islands, 35 miles northeast of the Tachens.

Recommendations Made By Agricultural Council

Mr. W. P. MacLeod, Fruit and Vegetable Branch, was elected president of the P. E. I. Agricultural Council at the concluding session of the 8th Annual Conference held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Other officers for the coming year are: vice-president, Y. C. Warren, Experimental Farm; Secretary-treasurer, Morris Deacon, Provincial Livestock branch. Directors include the present executive along with past president S. C. Wright, F. M. Cannon, W. S. McMurtry, George Ayers, G. B. Whitehead, James Mundie, E. A. Holland, Glen Ramsay.
Several important recommendations featured yesterday's meeting. It is felt that in some of the lighter soil areas of the Province, for example, the south eastern part in the Montague and Murray Harbor district, the soil is particularly adaptable to the growing of small and tree fruits and vegetables.
The committee recommended that a considerable amount of investment be carried out in this area—not only from an economic

standpoint but for the suitability of the area.
CRANBERRY GROWING
It was brought to light that the practise of grading and cleaning of cranberries had been largely discontinued and the revival of this practise was urged. It was also revealed that 250,000 lbs. of blubberies were imported into the Province during the past year. These were processed and re-shipped.
A lengthy discussion on soil conservation and land use, in the more hilly areas, resulted in a recommendation that an investigation be carried out in some section of the Province, with a view to revealing improved cultural practices, land use, the control of soil erosion and water losses.
A questionnaire circulated among farmers known to be using both corn and grass silage was reported to have received excellent response and showed that cattle had responded favorably to feed silage.
The use of second hand bags in the handling of farm produce occasioned a lengthy discussion. It was reported that the organisms causing ring rot is known to remain active for six months. Such a source of contamination, it was shown, is extremely dangerous, in view of the serious loss it could entail to the industry.
The setting up of a proper fumigating plant where all bags could be treated before distribution, was strongly recommended.
SKIM MILK PROBLEM
It was pointed out that since the institution of the dry milk industry, many farmers are selling all their whole milk leaving no skim
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Sees Fur Prices Up 25 Per Cent

TORONTO (CP)—A Toronto fur dealer estimated Wednesday fur prices in Canada have risen an average 25 per cent with the beginning of the new season.
Edwin M. Walker said manufacturers and retailers are buying now at a price that will fill needs for the coming year. He said there has been a general price increase.
Mr. Walker attributed the price jump to a natural adjustment from last year's prices which he said were too low, almost at depression level. He said European buyers competing for furs have been a factor in the price increase.

Fredericton Lady Elected Head Of WMS Presbyterial

—Mrs. F. W. Cutcliffe of Fredericton was elected president of the W. M. S. Presbyterial at the concluding session of the organization's 28th annual meeting in Summerside yesterday.
The session which was held at Trinity Church was opened yesterday on the final day of the two-day convention by the retiring president, Mrs. Hazen Howard of Cornwall.
The opening devotional exercises were led by Mrs. J. D. MacFarlane, the topic being "Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it."
Miss Louise of Bedouque, secretary of temperance and Christian citizenship urged education of youth, co-operation among churches, and individual duty among church workers.
The press secretary, Mrs. Guy Pierce, of Brackley, urged the support of the United Churchman and the continuing of reports to the local paper.
Mrs. F. W. Cutcliffe, the recording secretary, stated in her report that six successive summer rallies were held at O'Leary, North Bedouque, Summerside, Winsloe, Montague, and Souris. Missionaries attending these rallies were Miss

Elma Inman, Miss Louise Cox, and Miss Winnifred Goodwin.

Mrs. Russell Leard, Cascumpec, secretary of community friendship, reported 16,507 visits paid to hospitals and homes, and 2,887 cards and letters sent.
A question box under the co-ownership of Mrs. C. D. Matheson, Summerside, provided enlightenment. Continued on page 5 col. 1

Canada's Wheat Sales Ahead

WINNIPEG (CP)—Canada, with still more than six months to go in the 1954-55 crop year, has already topped last year's sales under the International Wheat Agreement.
Figures released Wednesday by the Canadian wheat board showed that sales to date have reached 91,575,000 bushels, compared to last year's total sales of 90,895,000.

Fear British Trawlers Lost

REYKAVIK, Iceland (Reuters)—Two British trawlers are feared to have gone down with all hands in a gale north of Iceland's north cape, search crews said Wednesday night.
Life-saving associations said a wide search had been made for the little fishing vessels but it was feared they had foundered. Heavy

snows whipped by strong winds hampered the search through Arctic waters.

The 559-ton Lorella, with a crew of 20, sent out an SOS that she was listing badly. Then there was silence.
The 810-ton Roderigo also was reported being in trouble in the same area after going in search for the Lorella.



Immigrants Have Complaints

CALGARY (CP)—A bitter young German, one of a party of unemployed immigrants who "marched" on the local citizenship and immigration office Tuesday, said Wednesday:
"You can tell the people I was a prisoner for a long time. I was never worse off there than I have been sometimes since I came to Canada."
The young man asked reporters not to use his name lest reports prejudice his chances of employment.
The immigrants staged their demonstration to protest what one

of them termed the "false promises" given by overseas immigration officers. They sought aid.
Their main complaint was that they had not been in Canada long enough to qualify for unemployment insurance and could get financial assistance from no other source.
All said they would gladly return to their own countries if they had the means to do so. The delegation of 18 men was made up of Germans and Italians.
Department officials said they could not comment on the "situation" until each man had been interviewed individually.

Air Ace Bader Has Reunion With Former Pals

Britain's air ace Douglas Bader enjoys a reunion at Ottawa with four members of the Canadian squadron he led after Dunkerque. The group, left to right: W. H. Dihnah, Vancouver; Wing Cmdr. Don Hiller, Saskatoon and Ottawa; Royal Noel Stansfield, Vancouver; R. D. Grassick, London, Ont. The reunion took place at the annual meeting of the Bader Canadian Flying Clubs Association in Ottawa. Now an aircraft advisor in the London offices of an international petroleum company, he is visiting Canada and the United States on business. (CP Photo)



TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	6
Vancouver	38
Victoria	39
Edmonton	9
Saskatoon	30b
Regina	26b
Winnipeg	22b
Toronto	21
Ottawa	12
Montreal	15
Quebec	7
Fredericton	6b
Saint John	3b
Moncton	6
Halifax	20
Charlottetown	17
Sydney	24
Yarmouth	20
St. John's	26

HALIFAX (CP)—The Dominion weather office here says a weak disturbance coming this way from the Great Lakes will bring snow to the district late today. It is followed by colder air.
Regional forecasts:
Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties, Bay of Chaleur; cloudy; intermittent snow beginning in the afternoon; little change in temperature; light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown 10 and 25, Moncton five and 25, Campbellton five and 20.
High tide today at Charlottetown at 12:32 a. m. and 1:29 p. m. Sun rises today at 7:39 a. m. and sets at 5:13 p. m.