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WEATHER
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Chevrier, Denis Will Quit Cabinet Posts Next Month

TORONTO MAN WINS EMPEROR'S CONTEST

Takeo Nakano 39, reads his prize-winning poem to his family at his Toronto home after winning Emperor Hirohito's annual poetry contest. From left are Mrs. Nakano and his daughters, Mrs. Mary Kuroda and Leatrice Nakano. The Japanese-born maintenance man will fly to Tokyo Jan. 5 to read his poem to Emperor Hirohito and Empress Nagako. (CP Wirephoto)

K Sees Yanks Forced From S. Viet Nam

MOSCOW (AP) — Premier Khrushchev said Friday the victory the Algerians won over the French in North Africa will be matched in Viet Nam with the United States being forced to leave that Southeast Asian nation.

Khrushchev spoke at a reception for an Algerian delegation headed by Hadj Ben Alla, president of the National Assembly. He said he welcomed the Algerians' decision to build their government on a Socialist basis.

The Algerians have been given a warm reception here, evidently as a counterweight to the visit of a Communist Chinese delegation headed by Premier Chou En-lai to Algeria.

Mohammed Lebjaoui, a member of the central leadership in Algeria, told Khrushchev:

'DISINTERESTED IN AID'

"We have not become Communists during our stay here, but have found the Soviet Union, its people and leaders are profoundly sincere and totally disinterested in their aid to Algeria."

Lebjaoui indicated a disposition of the Algerians to follow a neutralist course.

Potato Price $1.00, Frost Stops Movement

Potatoes were bringing $1.00 per 75-pound bag here this weekend but no spuds were moving because of the cold weather, and there was some doubt as to how long the price would hold at that among several of the potato shippers and brokers interviewed.

E.D. Reid, Charlottetown who predicted several days ago the price would hit $1.00 by Friday, suggests the price may stay at that level for some time.

George Brookins who represents Lee Brokers here, said Friday afternoon the price at Toronto would probably warrant a price of $1.00 a bag to the farmer, and suggested the price offered at some points might be slightly higher than that, though he says from dealers, not from individual producers.

Harold Rodd, speaking for F. W. Ward and Sons, brokers said he believes the price is up, possibly around $1.00 a bag to the growers, though he also represents brokers and gets his stock from dealers.

Horace Willis, Charlottetown explained that it is "a weather market" at present with the offering price around $1.00, but no potatoes moving because of the extremely cold weather.

"I'd like to see the price stay at $1.00 or better to the grower" said Mr Willis who said frankly that he is a bit doubtful.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL

JUSTICE MINISTER

Byelections Scheduled On Feb. 10

OTTAWA (CP)—Justice Minister Chevrier and Postmaster-General Denis will leave the federal cabinet next month, Prime Minister Pearson announced Friday.

Both men resigned their seats in Parliament Friday and byelections will be held in the Montreal ridings of Laurier and St. Denis Feb. 10.

Mr. Chevrier will be appointed "to a high office in the public service," Mr. Pearson said. There has been speculation that Mr. Chevrier will get one of two top diplomatic posts—either high commissioner to London or ambassador to France.

Mr. Denis, first elected to the Commons in 1935, and with External Affairs Minister Martin the dean of the House in terms of long service, is going to the Senate.

"Both will remain in the cabinet until their appointments become effective at a date in January to be announced later," Mr. Pearson told reporters at a press conference following a day-long cabinet meeting.

WRITS TO BE ISSUED

Their resignations as MPs were submitted Friday to permit issuance of writs for byelections. They would be the first byelections since the April 8 general election that brought the minority Liberal government to office.

Mr. Pearson said that there will be consequential changes and "perhaps one or two other" switches in the cabinet. But there would not be any need for additional byelections.

The forthcoming cabinet shuffle will be the first change in the ministry Mr. Pearson formed last April 22 when he took over the reins of office from Conservative prime minister Diefenbaker.

Mr. Pearson said that when Mr. Denis was asked last spring to become postmaster-general Mr. Denis had indicated he would prefer a senatorial appointment.

However, he had said he

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Seats Always Went Liberal

OTTAWA (CP)—The first two federal byelections called by the present Liberal government are in Montreal seats which have never elected anyone except Liberals.

Nomination day for the Feb. 10 votes in Montreal Laurier and Montreal St. Denis will be Monday, Jan. 27, with candidates able to file papers up to 2 p.m. EST that day.

The election machinery in the two constituencies will start rolling Jan. 6 with the door-to-door enumeration of eligible voters, which will end Jan. 9.

EMERGENCY SESSION

UN Security Council Ponders Cyprus Conflict

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations announced the Security Council was to meet at 11:15 p.m. Friday night on the Cyprus conflict.

The meeting was called after the urgent request of Cyprus when asked for consideration of the conflicts between Cypriots of Greek and Turkish origin.

The Cypriot chief delegate, Zenon Rossides, reported a massing of Turkish naval strength off the eastern Mediterranean island, and said this made an immediate council session necessary.

A spokesman for the United States delegation said American ambassador Francis T. P. Plimpton, acting for U.S. chief delegate Adlai Stevenson, called the meeting after a poll of the 11-nation council membership.

Ambassador Stevenson, on holiday in Illinois, was expected back in New York today to resume the December presidency of the council.

The presidency rotates monthly among the council members.

Ambassador Plimpton in Stevenson's absence served as acting president of the council.

Rossides said the Turks had moved five submarines, four destroyers and three troop carriers into Cyprus territorial waters.

In Washington, however, state department authorities said they had been informed by the Turkish embassy that Turkish warships had not steamed into the territorial waters of the nearby island of Cyprus.

They said the Turkish ambassador, after checking with Ankara, had reported that the Turkish vessels were only following normal paths in the area.

He denied they were sailing toward Cyprus or had entered Cyprus waters.

Turkish Troop Landing On Cyprus Rumored Near

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP)—British and U.S. diplomats held a hastily - called middle-of-the-night meeting with President Archbishop Makarios here today and the UN Security Council rushed into an emergency session in New York on the Cypriot communal conflict.

Cyprus was full of rumors that Turkish troops were about to land from warships off the north coast of this Mediterranean island republic.

U.S. Ambassador Frazer Wilkins and acting British High Commissioner Denis Cleary were with President Makarios when Cyprus' U.N. delegate Zenon Rossides announced in New York he had called for the meeting.

Rossides said he acted because of information that five Turkish submarines, four destroyers and three troop carriers had moved into Cyprus waters.

CHARGE DENIED

The Turkish ambassador to Washington said there was no truth to this charge.

The inflamed atmosphere here was heightened by announcement that a mass public funeral would be held later today for Greek victims of the week's violence. Greek officials said there were 50 of them, but the Turks claimed this was an exaggeration.

Cyprus had been relatively calm Friday night, with British forces patrolling the former British colony to hold down communal strife between Greeks and Turks. A British soldier was wounded at Larnaca.

Student demonstrations broke out in Athens and Ankara. Greek students demanded union of Greece and Cyprus, granted independence by Britain in 1960.

Turkish students demanded annexation of Cyprus, ruled by the Turks for three centuries until Britain took over in 1878.

Not Easy To Make War, Turkish President Says

ANKARA, Turkey (Reuters)—President Cemal Gursel said Friday night "it is easy to talk about war but it is not easy to make war."

Gursel made the comment to reporters when questioned about Athens newspaper reports suggesting war between Greece and Turkey was near because of the Cyprus crises.

Gursel, talking to the reporters in Ankara, said the partition of Cyprus—where Greek - Cypriots outnumber Turkish Cypriots four to one—could be useful.

If the island had been partitioned earlier, the President added, the present bloodshed between the Greek- and Turkish-Cypriot communities could not have occurred.

Sandys Heads For Cyprus

LONDON (Reuters) — Duncan Sandys, British Commonwealth relations secretary, was to fly to Cyprus early today to review the tense situation between Greek- and Turkish-Cypriots there, it was announced here.

Ice-Breakers Busy In St. Lawrence

QUEBEC (CP)—Federal department of transport ice-breakers Montcalm and Simon Fraser have their hands full battling heavy ice conditions in the lower St. Lawrence River.

The Montcalm came to the rescue of the Gardoy, a Norwegian cargo ship that had propeller trouble off Metis-sur-Mer, about 200 miles downstream from Quebec City.

Thursday night, the Simon Fraser helped the Canadian oil tanker Elmbranch out of the Port of Rimouski 175 miles northeast of Quebec City.

The Gardoy is due to arrive in Halifax Sunday morning to undergo repairs while the Elmbranch is headed toward Quebec City.

Erhard Arrives To Visit LBJ

HOUSTON (AP)—West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard arrived here Friday en route from Bonn to Johnson City, Tex., where he will have a weekend visit with President Johnson.

On hand to welcome Erhard when his plane touched down at Ellington Air Force Base was U.S. State Secretary Dean Rusk.

Chou Collects Another Promise

By ANDREW BOROWIEC

RABAT, Morocco (AP)—Premier Chou En-lai flew to Morocco Friday with a new feather in his hat—a promise that generally pro-Western Tunisia will recognize Communist China.

King Hassan II of Morocco, which recognized the Peking regime in 1958, greeted the Communist leader at the Dar es Salam Palace 10 miles south of Rabat. The 33-year-old monarch turned over the palace to Chou for his weekend visit.

Chou came from Algeria to continue his two-month tour of Africa, aimed at winning friends and influence for Peking across the continent.

West Berlin Gives Surprise

CP from AP-Reuters

BERLIN — The West Berlin city government broke precedent Friday and complained directly to the Communist regime of East Germany over the Christmas killing of a refugee on the Berlin wall.

The action took Western officials by surprise. It seemed to introduce a new element into the complicated East-West relationship over Berlin.

Hitherto, the Western allies have held that they alone must deal with the East over incidents in Berlin. Then, they approach only the Soviets, contending they are the occupiers of East Germany.

Aden Explosion Injuries Fatal

CP from AP-Reuters

ADEN — George Henderson, Britain's assistant high commissioner to Aden, died here Friday night of injuries suffered in a hand grenade explosion at Aden air terminal Dec. 10.

Henderson was seriously hurt leaving Aden for London. One person was killed at the scene and 39 were injured. British High Commissioner Sir Kenneth Trevaskis, a member of the party, was not seriously injured.

MISS FRANCE TO BE FRISKED

PARIS (Reuters)—Beautiful girls competing here for the title of "Miss France" will be frisked for falsies.

An airline hostess, a female doctor and a beauty specialist will carry out the check before the girls parade on New Year's Eve for the title.

The tough new measures follow controversy involving the present Miss France, Muguette Fabris, runner-up Michele Gangar and the "Miss France" Committee.

Last summer Miss Gangar alleged that the women used padding in strategic places when she was elected "Miss France" at Bordeaux.

Meanwhile, Miss Fabris—now back at her teaching job—is angry with the "Miss France" Committee. She claims it owes her 8,000 francs (about $1,600) for appearances she made and expenses she incurred as a beauty queen.

One newspaper, France-Soir, termed Friday's announcement by the committee "no more gallant than Muguette Fabris' claim was elegant."

Red Bouquets Handed Eaton

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union threw more birthday bouquets Friday to Cyrus Eaton, the 80-year-old U.S. industrialist and Moscow's favorite capitalist.

After birthday greetings from Khrushchev himself and a laudatory article in Pravda, Alexei Adzhubei, chief editor of Izvestia, joined in the chorus of congratulation and praise.

Adzhubei, recalling that he first met Eaton while on a trip to the U.S. eight years ago, hailed him as a great believer in peaceful coexistence and said:

"He always openly said he was a capitalist and always would be a capitalist . . . but we recognized him as a person for whom the differences of ideology were not obstacles to the fight for peace and against nuclear catastrophe."

U.S. Spy Trial Sparks Protests

By RONALD FARQUHAR

SOFIA, Bulgaria (Reuters)—An estimated 3,000 shouting Bulgarians, protesting alleged U.S. intelligence activity revealed in a current spy trial here, demonstrated and smashed windows at the United States Legation Friday.

The demonstrators pelted the Legation with missiles and over-turned four U.S. diplomatic cars as the trial of a former Bulgarian diplomat at the United Nations, Ivan-Assen Georgiev, 56, entered its second day.

The U.S. announced that it had made a "strong protest" to the Bulgarian government.

Georgiev, charged with spying for the U.S. for seven years, has pleaded guilty.

A legation official said the demonstrators, who numbered only about 500 at the start of the incident, were watched by three police who made no attempt to stop them.

POLICE TAKE CONTROL

"Police arrived in force after another 30 minutes and gradually brought the situation under control," he said.

The booing demonstrators, shouting anti-American slogans, hurled ice, frozen snow and stones at the legation. Most of the windows on the first three floors of the legation were smashed.

After the demonstration, cordons of police sealed off both ends of the street. But crowds were still standing there more than 3½ hours later.

Meantime, a black - painted placard saying "Death to the traitor of the people" appeared outside the entrance of the Supreme Court building where Georgiev was being tried.

At his trial Friday, Georgiev told the court how U.S. intelligence spent thousands of dollars on the upkeep of his mistresses.

He said the Americans flew one mistress, Mrs. Kara Bashova, from Paris to Washington three times. They also obtained a scholarship for her at his request.

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London Reports 12-Car Pileup In Heavy Fog

LONDON (Reuters)—A 12-car pile-up on a fog-shrouded Super highway sent 16 persons to hospital Friday night.

No one was killed in the accident, which came at the end of one of the most lethal Yuletides British roads have ever seen.

Earlier it was feared five persons had been killed in the "chain reaction" crash on the M-1 highway linking London and Birmingham.

A thick blanket of fog descended over southeast England, bringing airline and railroad delays. Many flights at London Airport were cancelled.

The death toll on the roads over the three-day holiday period from Dec. 24 to Dec. 26 inclusive was 99. This was 80 per cent higher than last year, making it one of the worst holiday road tolls on record.

The chain collision occurred when a truck burst into flames on the M1. Vehicles crashed into a car which had stopped to help at the scene of the truck fire. About half the vehicles involved were badly damaged.

Captain And Mate Defend Conduct On Cruise Liner

MADRID, Spain (AP) — The captain and first mate of the cruise liner Lakonia Friday defended their conduct aboard the blazing ship and insisted that no one panicked.

"I am most proud of the behavior of my crew—thanks to their efforts the number of victims was relatively small as compared with the importance of the disaster," Capt. Mathios Zarbis told reporters between planes here. He flew to Athens, Greece, for an official inquiry.

Figures on survivors still were not completely sorted out. The Greek Line's latest were 886 rescued, 91 known dead and 64 missing.

This totalled 1,041, slightly higher than previously reported because some relatives of the crew and staff of the Greek Line were found to have been on the cruise ship when she burned and was abandoned some 200 miles north of Madeira on Monday.

The line earlier reported that 901 were known to have survived while 96 were dead and 31 were missing. A final list of dead and missing was expected next Wednesday.

Zarbis, 53, said more might have been saved if several of the rescue ships had come closer to the blazing 20,314-ton liner.

"The rescue ships just picked up survivors from the sea but they kept away from the Lakonia, possibly because they thought there was nobody else aboard," said the master.

Zarbis said he waited for 90 minutes before ordering passengers to abandon ship, still hoping that the crew could control the fire.

"When I myself left the vessel, it was because the flames made the situation completely unbearable," he added.

His first officer, Dimitri Valmas, said from a hospital bed in the Canary Islands that the captain never lost his head.

"He always behaved with calm and bravery," said Valmas, who is recovering from a lung infection.

He confirmed passengers' reports that the fire had started in the barber shop at about 11 p.m. Sunday and spread quickly.

"There was no panic aboard and only some cases of nervousness occurred, but these were cut off by the captain and officers of the Lakonia," he told a reporter.

LAKONIA UNDER TOW

The Lakonia herself is under tow by the Norwegian salvage tug Herkules, which asked for and received help from the British tug Polzee.

Presumably they will share in the spoils if they bring the burned-out hulk to port. She was insured for $3,000,000 but whether the Greek Line can collect may be a matter of involved legal dispute.

The first official inquiry is due to be held by the Greek government in Athens, but this may not satisfy British opinion, aroused because of the large majority of British passengers.

The British ministry of transport plans a private inquiry of its own.

Greek Line agents announced in London that survivors of the Lakonia will get compensation up to the fullest extent of their contract tickets, including a full fare refund and compensation.

"Legally, we do not have to make a full refund but we are going to," a spokesman said.

BROTHERS REUNITED AFTER 50 YEARS

One of the best Christmas gifts is companionship, Louis Viche, 82, of Eastview, Ont., (left) exchanges gifts with his 73-year-old brother George of Eagle Bay, B.C. They were reunited for the first time in 50 years. The last time the two brothers saw each other was when they spent Christmas together in 1913. (CP Wirephoto)

10 Top Projects Outlined By Joey

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Major economic development providing for ambitious advances in mining, electric power production, and big industry was the theme of a year-end statement issued by Premier Joseph R. Smallwood here.

At the top of his list of 10 projects which will either begin construction or production in 1964 is the $45,000,000 third pulp mill for Newfoundland which Mr. Smallwood has been working toward for eight years.

He said construction will start in 1964 if his government decides to guarantee a bond issue for the Newfoundland Pulp and Chemical Corporation.

Mr. Smallwood broke the 10 projects down to two groups—five which would begin production in 1964 and five which would probably begin construction.

Another near the top of the list is the Jufien Lake iron ore project in Labrador which would include a mine, a mill and a town. The big industrial complex would be located about 14 miles from Labrador City.

LISTS HYDRO

Number three on his list is a proposed hydro-electric development at Bay d'Espoir. If this project should become a reality, the work in 1964 would consist of digging canals and building dams to divert the waters of a network of lakes and rivers into one continuous flow and laying the foundation of the plant. It would cost $80,000,000.

A "big new fisheries development program" is number four. Mr. Smallwood said this project is primarily federal, but, speaking from the standpoint of Newfoundland interest, it rated a top spot in projects now under way in the province.

The last is the Hamilton Falls hydro electric project which would generate 6,000,000 horsepower after 10 years. Work in the new year would amount to a start in constructing a 105-mile access road and widening and straightening existing roads.

The other five projects, which will definitely start, are much smaller in scope and investment, but mean a great deal to regional economies.

They are the Rambler Mine near Bay Verte, a mine at Whaleback, the Wabush Mine in Labrador, the pening of a poultry processing plant at nearby Pepperell, and a meat processing plant and feed mill at nearby Donovans.