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U.S. GIVES EUROPE 75 DAYS TO UNIFY DEFENCES

St. Peter's Bay Airman Aids In Dike Repair

Sask. Liberal Makes Plea For Vast Power Irrigation Project

OTTAWA, (CP)—A Saskatchewan Liberal said Wednesday the federal government should go ahead immediately with the vast South Saskatchewan river power and irrigation project, ignoring a royal commission report recommending against it at this time.

Fred Larson, 39-year-old farmer from Saskatchewan's Kindersley constituency, said steps should be taken to negotiate an agreement with the Saskatchewan government for the long-discussed river development.

Will Feel Discrimination
Unless this is done, he told the Commons, the people of Saskatchewan cannot help but feel "there is a good deal of discrimination against them."

The irrigation and power project, rejected after a year-long study by the royal commission on the ground that it would not be economic, also drew support from C.C.F. and Social Credit speakers.

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60 Canadians Join Fight Against Floods

GREAT YARMOUTH, Eng., (CP)—Wearing parkas and rubber boots against a driving rain, 60 Canadian airmen joined in Britain's fight against the floods Wednesday.

The R. C. A. P. men, under Lt. Doug Cook of Montreal, worked side by side with the R.A.F. filling and carrying sandbags to plug gaps in the seawall of this Norfolk coast town, where rampaging waves have already claimed eight lives.

Cook is engineer officer at the R. C. A. P.'s No. 1 Fighter Wing at North Luffeham, Rutland. The 60 Canadians drove from their Rutland base to the broad flat lands of East Anglia in buses and trucks.

One of the first men on the job was Lt. Ken MacDonald of St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I.

The sandbagging airmen included veterans of flood-fighting at Winnipeg in 1950 and the Fraser Valley in 1948.

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P.E.I. Little Affected By Yesterday's Mild Storm

Best Dressed Man
The first really threatening snowstorm of the winter caused little hardship to anyone, particularly motorists as a mild wind ranging from north east to north west kept the snow scattered.



None of the main highways of the Province was blocked and traffic was not interrupted in any way. Provincial Government snow plows were ready to move at the first sign of trouble, but Mr. Wilfred Duffy, Flow Despatcher at the Government Garage here, said that the best information they had late last night was that the roads had all been blown clear of snow.

However, it was thought that some of the secondary roads might possibly have filled in to a slight extent.

The Maritime Electric Company had little difficulty, with the only trouble coming in Lot 65 where the snow caused slight interruption in the service before the repairmen got on the job. In the city here, plant officials reported that the snow had no effect on the service.

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The Islanders hockey team attempted to keep a playing date in Gloucester, but were a little late in arriving at Borden and missed the early morning crossing. Because of the rising storm they did not wait for a later crossing of the ferry, returning to the city in the afternoon.

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If No Action Will Face Cut In U. S. Aid

LONDON, (AP)—State Secretary Dulles of the U. S. is giving the big Western European powers 75 days to show real progress in setting up a unified defense or risk cuts in American military and economic aid, a qualified informant said Wednesday night.

The deadline was disclosed after Dulles, in day-long meetings with British leaders, gave assurances that the United States will continue its policy of trying to limit the Korean War and sought to counter their criticism of U. S. action on Formosa.

Dulles came here from Paris and Rome and in each capital, the informant said, made it clear that Congress may balk at putting up more billions of dollars for Europe unless he and the Mutual Security Director Harold Stassen can report advance in the project to place troops of six continental nations in a unified army.

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Gales Bring New Fears To Flood Areas In U. K.; Death Toll Now At 546

LONDON, (AP)—Gales sweeping out of the North Sea brought new terror to Britain's flood-ravaged east coast Wednesday night with thousands of families under orders to get set for speedy evacuation.

Many are already fleeing their homes in the low-lying King's Lynn area of Norfolk on the heels of government warnings that a fresh storm is heading south kicking up high seas. Sea and storm disasters have already cost 546 lives, by unofficial count since Saturday.

The Air Ministry issued a warning that gales are expected off the whole of Britain's east coast, stretching down from the islands north of Scotland to the Straits of Dover in the extreme south.

The rising Ouse River tore a 40-yard gap in its banks threatening 35,000 people living along the 15-mile stretch from King's Lynn to Downham Market with an estimated 6,000 in the low-lying danger zone.

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Holland Counts 1,223 Dead

AMSTERDAM, (AP)—Fresh gales in the North Sea loosed new terror Wednesday along flood-ravaged coasts of England, Belgium and The Netherlands. High winds, high tide and rain threatened to expand the havoc wrought by week-end storms which has claimed nearly 2,000 lives.

A driving rain broke over the devastated area of Holland—hardest hit of the three countries. Against the sea's rising challenge, rescue work and reconstruction operations went on. Thousands of men struggled to finish repairing broken dikes before their gains were wrested away. Thousands of others battled to reach flood victims still isolated.

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Experts Approval Of St. Lawrence Project

NEW YORK, (CP)—The New York Times says an editorial it is expected the New York State Power Authority will soon be granted a licence to carry out the U.S. side of the St. Lawrence River hydro-electric project.

The Times notes that the hearings at Washington before the Federal Power Commission concerning the application for a licence ended Monday.

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Coming Events

- **Reserve March 24th, Afternoon Tea, Y. M. C. A.
- **French River concert postponed until Monday, February 9th.
- **Legion Dance, Belfast Hall, Thursday, February 5th.
- **Variety Concert and Box Social, St. Teresa's, February 13th.
- **Auction and Dance, Millview Hall every Friday.
- **Dance Corran Ban Hall, Monday, February 9th. Music by Charlottetownians. Hall heated.
- **Farmers, ask about the Shur-Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- **Borden Rink, Friday night, Borden Juniors vs. Victoria Juniors or Unions.
- **Crockinole party, Vernon Hall Monday, Feb. 8. Sponsored by Vernon River-Orwell Y. P. U.
- **Charity Dance, Millview Hall, February 17th. Sponsored by the Legion. Good music.
- **Car of Baled Shavings to arrive first half of February. Book your orders. E. McDougall, Vernon.
- **Barn Dance at Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Thursday, February 5th.
- **Victoria rink Thursday night, Charlottetown Abbies Sisters vs. Victoria Seagulls. Game time 8 o'clock. Skate after.
- **The Altar Society of Holy Redeemer will sponsor, "Meet Your Neighbor Party", Community Centre, Wednesday evening, February 11th.
- **Come to the Shur-Gain Amateur Show at 8 p.m. Friday, February 6th in Winslow Station Hall. Sponsored by Highfield Women's Institute. Door prize.
- **Hockey at North River rink Thursday, Feb. 5th. Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs vs. Cape Traverse Rovers. Game time 8:30. Skate after.
- **Come to the Crockinole Party in Brookfield Hall, Friday night, February 6th, sponsored by Brookfield W. I. If not fine Monday night, February 9th.
- **Shur-Gain Amateur Show, Pownall Hall, Tuesday, February 17th, sponsored by Mt. Mellick W. I. Entries close February 11th. Send entries to Mrs. Jack McRae, Cherry Valley.
- **Oatmeal was the chick feed our forefathers used. Oatmeal is 94% digestible. Fortified with minerals and "extra" vitamins it's still the best. Use Full-O-Pop Chick Starter and Grower, the feed with the Oatmeal base.
- **I. O. O. F. Willey Anniversary. All Oddfellows and Rebekahs are invited to be present in Lodge Room on Friday, February 6th, at 8:30 P. M. There will be square dancing with Geo. Andrew calling the dances. Orchestra programme refreshments. Admission 50 cents. Every member bring a partner.

Call Off Search For Missing Airliner

HALIFAX, (CP)—The search for a missing British airliner and its 39 passengers, believed down in the Atlantic off Newfoundland, was called off Wednesday.

R.C.A.F. Search and Rescue Centre here said Wednesday's search was the last for the four-engine troop-ferrying aircraft, which disappeared Monday about 350 miles east-southeast of Gander, Nfld.

The Air Force also reported no success in its hunt for a missing R. C. A. F. Lancaster and its nine crew members, missing in the Labrador wasteland.

The Lancaster disappeared while hunting for an American civilian plane and its two occupants, also still missing. About 40,000 square miles was covered Wednesday in the search, which will continue Thursday.

Hopes for the British airliner were raised Tuesday when a United States Coast Guard cutter reported sighting a brilliant flare but investigation revealed nothing.

Ford Company To Build New U. S. Plant

DETROIT, (AP)—The Ford Motor Company will build a new assembly plant in the San Francisco area to expand its manufacturing of Ford cars and trucks.

The company did not make an estimate of the cost when it made the announcement Wednesday. However, prior reports placed the figure at from \$35,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

Expect Another Slight Decline In Cost-Of-Living

OTTAWA, (CP)—Consumer price yardsticks for December likely will be published today and indications are they will show another small decline in living costs.

The indices may also contain a new feature in Bureau of Statistics policy on gauging price changes—the monthly instead of a quarterly survey of rents. Though rents are still climbing,

many consumer prices have eased from their peaks a year ago. In November, the new consumer price index based on 1949 prices equaling 100, dropped three-tenths of a point to 118.8 from 119.1.

This was the biggest drop in seven months as lower food prices eased the impact of higher rents. The November decline followed a half-year of small ups and downs in the index. But the November prices level was only 2.4 points below the peak of 119.2 in December, 1951.

The old cost-of-living index also showed a drop during November, slipping three-fifths of a point to 184.2 from 184.8. It was down 7.3 points from the December, 1951, peak of 191.5.

Is Index Accurate?
For many years the bureau has been collecting most of its prices quotations from thousands of merchants across the country on a monthly basis. The survey was interrupted once in three months. This raised the problem of whether the monthly cost-of-living indices actually showed a true picture of consumer price changes without the inclusion of the latest rent changes.

Bureau officials now believe that through a reorganization move, they will be able to collect rent data on a monthly basis, making the monthly index as complete a picture of monthly price changes as possible.

OTTAWA, (CP)—A Senate committee has voted 16 to 4 in favor of granting a charter to a Netherlands-controlled bank for operations in Canada.

The Senate banking and commerce committee took the action Wednesday after hearing opposition from senior officials of several Canadian banks to granting a charter to the Merchantile Bank of Canada.

If Parliament approves the charter, the bank plans to open offices in Montreal and Vancouver and later Toronto. Controlling interest will be held by Nationale Handelsbank N. V. of The Netherlands. Graham Towers, president of the Bank of Canada, said his opinion is that chartering the new bank will not damage the Canadian banking system.

Mr. Allan Profit, who represents the P.E.I. Dairy-men's Association, said the four-day Dominion Federation of Agriculture meeting in Victoria, from January 29-31, said last evening that one of the recommendations made at this meeting by the Dairy Farmers Association of Canada was that the floor price of butter be raised to 63 cents a pound from the 58 cents a pound that was set two years ago.

This increase was needed, he said, in order to cover the increased cost of production, and he pointed out that the floor price on butter is not designed to give a profit but rather to take care of the cost of production.

Mr. Profit said that arrangements have been made by the dairy industry to meet with the government on this matter.

Chief of Detectives Wilfrid Bourdon said flatly: "McKuhne is the man who hid McAbbie."

Four men and a woman are said to have participated in the beating and robbing of McAbbie, proprietor of the Restaurant Au Lutin Qui Bouffe.

They identified him Wednesday as Patrick Gerald McKuhne, 32, a parolee believed to be in New York City, and said he is wanted on charges of murder, armed holdup and conspiring to commit a robbery.

Practicality every commercial transatlantic flight from Canada will carry flood-relief supplies until further notice.

Trans-Canada Air Lines earlier announced they would pick up Red Cross supplies for Europe and Britain at every Canadian city where their planes put down. All airlines operating transatlantic services from Canada are co-operating in the shipment of supplies.

Red Cross officials said reports from Holland, Britain and Belgium indicate there is no need for food or medical supplies.

Money donations, meanwhile, poured in to Red Cross headquarters and the Dutch consulate here which has established a Netherlands flood relief fund.

One trade official estimated 30,000 tons above present allocations would be needed to meet the demand, Food Minister Gwyn Lloyd George assured the House of Commons, "I have no doubt whatsoever that stocks are sufficient."

Members of the jelly bean and all-day-suckers set had no comment at all. They have never known the carefree hippy-hop to the candy shop.

Candy came under rationing in 1942 when the war curtailed food supplies generally. The ration was two ounces a person a week then, but the allotment rose fitfully to six ounces.

Price increases are expected to be the inevitable result of Wednesday's move. A two-ounce candy bar now costs about six pence and a pound of luxury chocolates about seven shillings.

Britons still have to dole out coupons for butter, fats, cheese, eggs, meat, bacon, and sugar, but one of the biggest hurdles is past. Tea was de-rationed last fall.

Observed temperatures bulletin issued at the Toronto Public Weather Office Wednesday night:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	19
Victoria	40
Edmonton	14
Calgary	23
Regina	16
Winnipeg	6
Toronto	37
Ottawa	14
Montreal	100
Quebec</		