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Public Sentiment Forces Royal Train To Stop

MELBOURNE, Australia, (CP)—Plans to protect Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh from possible polio infection in two country towns in the state of Victoria broke down Friday in the face of public sentiment.

The state government had announced that the train bearing the royal couple on a "whistle-stop" tour of up-country districts would only slow down passing through the towns of Castlemaine and Maryborough.

But farmers and their families defied official broadcast warnings and forced changes in a revised royal tour program, drawn up hurriedly overnight by worried officials.

At Castlemaine, where a youth died from polio this week, a crowd of 4,000, including hundreds of children, crammed the railroad station, against official warnings.

Ignores Instructions

The local mayor had been told to hand his address of welcome unread to the Queen. But he insisted on reading it—ignoring the outstretched hand of Sir Michael Adeane, the Queen's private secretary.

The Queen, however, as arranged by jittery tour officials, handed her address in reply to the mayor through Adeane.

At Maryborough, local officials rapped the state government for altering the tour schedule, and said there were only two suspected polio cases in the town, one of which had not been confirmed. One official, F. H. Rogan, declared: "Feeling here is red hot. You could light a cigaret on it."

Although the royal train arrived at night, the crowd gathered on the platform. A last-minute decision was made to stop the train, after the experience at Castlemaine.

When the train halted, some of the crowd yelled: "What's wrong with us? There's no polio here."

Awarded Fellowship

Dr. W. Stewart MacNutt, professor of history at the University of New Brunswick, has been granted a Nuffield travelling fellowship worth £900. He will go to England later this year where he will proceed with his history of New Brunswick 1784-1867.

Dr. MacNutt, who is a son of Major and Mrs. T. E. MacNutt of this city, joined the faculty of U. N. B. as assistant professor in 1946 and was raised to an associate rank in 1950. He received his Bachelor of Arts from Dalhousie and his Master of Arts from King's College, London, England. Two years ago, he was promoted to a full professor.

Announcement of the award, one of three to Canadian scholars, was made at Montreal.

Dr. S. E. Sprott, assistant professor of English at McGill, was given a fellowship for further work on his project on skepticism in 17th century English literature, and Dr. C. W. Dunn, assistant professor of English, Toronto university, gets a similar award for his Celtic studies on Ireland and the 12th century renaissance.

The three will go to England later this year. Fellowships are worth about £900.

Potato Exports To United States

OTTAWA, March 5—(Special)—Basic information on Canada's potato exports to the United States and their value is sought by T. J. Kickham, Liberal member for Kings in a series of questions placed in the House of Commons order paper today. Answers are expected next week from the Minister of Trade and Commerce. Mr. Kickham asks:

How many bushels of seed and table potatoes have been exported from Canada to the United States during the past five years?

What was the total value of the exports in each case?

What is the total quantity in bushels of seed and table potatoes permitted to enter the United States under the reduced duty quota?

How many bushels of seed and table potatoes have been imported from the United States during the past five years?

What is the total value of each?

What months of the year are potatoes allowed to enter Canada duty free?

What is the duty imposed on American potatoes both seed and table stock, for the remainder of the year?

Coming Events

**Red Skelton Comedy, Fredericton, March 6th, 8 p. m.

**Reserve March 17th St. Patricks Concert, Emerald hall.

**Reserve March 17th, Saint Patrick's concert in Millview Hall. Sponsored by Women's Institute.

**Regular monthly metting No. 1 Branch Canadian Legion Souris Sunday March 7th, 2 p.m. All members please attend.

**Showing at Mt. Stewart Friday and Saturday, "Wait Till the Sun Shines Nellie". Technicolor Drama starring David Wayne, Jean Peters and Hugh Marlowe.

**A reminder, get your entries in before March 13th, for the debating competition and crokinole competition. Apply now Box 9, Department of Agriculture, Charlottetown.

**Buying pigs Monday at Fredericton, Tuesday, Brookfield 9 a.m. Milton 10, Charlottetown Market Square 11, York 1p.m., Bedford 2, Tracadie 2.30, Mt. Stewart 3, Paying $40 a pair for good pigs over 33 lbs. each $30 over 16 lbs. Will buy any size. Knud Jorgenson.

News In Brief

LONDON, (Reuters) — Evangelist Billy Graham's smash-hit stand in London has brought pleas from other parts of Britain for a barnstorming tour of the country.

QUEBEC, (CP)— The second session of the 24th Quebec legislature was prorogued Friday after royal assent to legislation imposing a provincial income tax.

CAIRO, (CP)— Prime Minister Gamal Abdel Nasser today announced free national elections for an Egyptian constituent assembly will be held by July 23 and offered to resume negotiations with Britain on the Suez canel.

OTTAWA, (CP)— The Canadian Pacific Railway moved Friday to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada against a board of transport commissioners' decision shutting off a railway attempt to get higher revenue through a new freight rate system.

HANOI, Indo-China, (AP)—Vietminh commandos raided Hanoi's big civil airport Thursday, blowing up at least 12 transport planes before they were beaten off. The attack crippled the vital airlift to the embattled French Union bastion of Dien Bien Phu.

3 Opposition Parties Offer Criticism

OTTAWA, (CP)— The Commons has heard a charge that there is a danger that new housing legislation proposed by the government will set up a "giant new government bureaucracy" under Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

After detailed consideration by a committee the legislation came back to the Commons Friday for clause-by-clause study. Criticism was offered by the three opposition parties—PC, CCF and Social Credit.

A lawyer, Donald Fleming (PC—Eglinton) made the bureaucracy charge and added that the government has "exaggerated" what the legislation would accomplish. The bill would not create a "new heaven or new earth" for the prospective home buyer and it was "cruel" to intensify their hopes.

Though the PC party intended to co-operate in getting the bill through the Commons, members must be warned they were legislating in the dark. The bill was in essence a mere "shadow," The real meat was in the still-secret regulations which the government had declined to divulge to the commons banking committee.

Alistair Stewart (CCF—Winnipeg North), a chartered accountant, said the bill is a "rather shabby piece of wool" which the government had drawn over the eyes of Canadians. The government should be "shot" if it allows the interest rate to rise to 5 3-4 per cent from 5 1-4 per cent as has been reported in some quarters.

C. E. Johnson (SC—Bow River), a school teacher, agreed with Mr. Stewart that one-half of Canada's population, those earning less than $3,000 a year, will receive no benefit from the bill which had been set up to maintain and increase Canada's house-building efforts.

Police Seize Arms Cache In New York

NEW YORK, (AP)—Police seized a huge cache of armaments in an upper west side Manhattan building Friday, and arrested two men they identified as Cubans.

The big store of weapons, police said, included 27 large calibre anti-tank guns with 24 cases of ammunition, 25 Garand rifles with four cases of ammunition and five cases of hand grenades.

The arms were stacked in a street-level store room of a five-storey business and residential structure at 173 West 99th St.

Federal authorities said it was an arms-export plot aimed at equipping a revolution in Cuba.

St. Laurent Due To Leave Indonesia For South Korea

By WILLIAM STEWART
Canadian Press Staff Writer

JAKARTA, Indonesia, (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent on his world tour is due to leave Jakarta, Indonesia today for Seoul with an overnight stop-over at Manila Saturday night that will include more official functions and informal meetings with government officials and Canadian consular officials.

The Prime Minister placed a wreath Friday at the site of President Soekarno's 1945 declaration of Indonesia's independence from the Netherlands.

Soerkarno, host of the Canadian party during their Indonesian stay, gave a state dinner for the Prime Minister.

30-Course Lunch

Earlier the Canadians were entertained at a traditional Indonesian 30-course luncheon by Canadian ambassador G. R. Heasman, attended by Premier Sastroamidjojo and President Sartono of the Indonesian national assembly.

The day also included a tour of Jakarta and informal talks with members of the Indonesian government.

The St. Laurent itinerary at Manila tonight begins with his reception at the airport by a group of Philippine government officials headed by Leon Guerrero, undersecretary of foreign affairs and by Canadian consul-general Frederick Palmer.

After a short rest at his hotel, the prime minister will be received by President Ramon Magsaysay. A half-hour later there will be a formal dinner given by the president and attended by Palmer, Guerrero, Vice - President Carlos Garcia and their wives.

After the dinner the Canadian community of Manila plans a small, informal party at the consul-general's residence.

The Prime Minister is scheduled to leave Manila for Seoul Sunday morning.

Woodworkers Urged To Modernize Methods As Way To Expand Markets

OTTAWA, (CP)—Canada's forest products industry has been urged to take greater advantage of available technical information on woods as a method of expanding markets.

The recommendation was made Friday by a seven-man panel at the final session of a two - day meeting of the eastern Canadian section of the Forest Products Research Society. The organization was formed two years ago to promote research, development, production, utilization and distribution of forest products.

Members of the panel agreed that there is an abundance of technical information on wood products that is not being used by the industry. The information has been gathered by the federal government's forest products laboratories and by universities.

J. H. Jenkins, chief of the federal laboratories, a branch of the northern affairs department, said there is a "pressing need" for the industry to use this information and create new markets for wood products.

Use More Technicians

The panel recommended that the industry employ more technicians to enable it to use the technical information and that more young Canadians be trained for research on wood products. It also agreed that basic research should continue to be conducted by the federal laboratories and universities and that industry's chief role is to apply the results of this research.

Panel members said the forest products industry is not now in a position to initiate research programs on a large scale.

K. O. Roos, of the Booth Lumber Co., Ltd., Ottawa, urged a research program to improve present methods of producing lumber.

Sawmills now in use in Cadana had not improved to any great degree in the last 50 years. Methods of handling lumber, including drying and utilization of waste products, were too expensive. Better paints were needed to reduce the maintainance costs of wooden buildings and improved treatment processes were required to reduce wood decay and the ability of lumber to burn.

Mr. Roos said the solution of problems of this type would make lumber and wood products more useful and saleable.

Earlier in the day delegates were told that the acute steel shortage of the Second World War may not be as serious in the event of another similar emergency. Three speakers said that strong plywoods and other types of glued, nailed and laminated woods will make more steel available for war machines and reduce amounts required for domestic purposes.

Destroyer Micmac On Training Cruise

HALIFAX, (CP)—The Canadian destroyer Micmac sailed Thursday night for anti-submarine training with the Royal Navy sub Tallyho in the Bermuda area, and will return to her berth here March 24 after a two-day visit at New York.

Brought Back To Life, Boy Dies Month Later

SUDBURY, Ont., (CP) — An eight-year-old, Hughie Bennett, who was brought back to life less than a month ago by an emergency pocket-knife heart operation and heart massage, died Friday.

His heart stopped for three minutes Feb. 7 after he had been returned to his hospital room after a routine appendectomy. The emergency operation brought him back to life but the stoppage of blood flow caused severe damage to the child's brain in this brief interlude.

He died despite a month-long fight by doctors to bring him back to normal health.

Dr. J. D. McInnes performed the successful emergency operation. He used a pocket knife to cut an incision to massage the children's heart.

FEWER ART EXHIBITIONS

OTTAWA, (CP)— The National Gallery of Canada announced plans Friday for a biennial exhibition of Canadian painting, replacing the gallery's annual exhibitions. The new program will start in 1955. Preliminary choices for the biennial will be made by five regional committees, in the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, the Prairies and British Columbia.

Climax Expected Today In Tough Salvage Job

(By Ron Evans, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, (CP)—There will be few spectators today for the climax of a tough salvage job—the final mighty heave to right the gutted hulk of the Empress of Canada.

Only a handful of salvage experts from six countries and the salvage workmen will be on hand at Liverpool for the big heave, in the £320,000 operation to float the 20,000-ton Canadian Pacific Steamships liner, which burned and capsized at her berth Jan. 25, 1953.

Capt. William Robertson Colbeck, superintendent of the Mersey docks and harbor board, says this job is too dangerous for an audience. He guessed that if one of the nine-inch steel hawsers stretched from the ship to the shore ever snapped it might easily slice a harbor building in halves. Colbeck admits that this has been the most difficult salvage operation he has ever tackled. He compared it to the raising of the French liner Normandie which burned in her berth at New York in 1942.

42 Feet of Water

Colbeck's experience includes the clearing of 347 vessels from the Mersey during the Second World War.

He decided early last year that the best way to raise the Empress, now lying half submerged in 42 feet of water, was by "parbuckling," a method involving the use of powerful steam winches and steel hawsers, to tug the ship up on her keel.

Divers first cut away the twisted funnels, masts, bridges and upper deck.

Openings were cut from deck to deck and 700 tons of steel plating passed through to build watertight bulkheads. Six 45-foot water-filled steel cylinders were mounded on the exposed side of the 600-foot hull to help pull it upright and 11 more, filled with air, were secured to the submerged side to provide buoyancy.

The final step was to instal the 16 great winches, anchored in 4,000 tons of concrete on the quayside. Today, powered by steam

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Nova Scotia Had Surplus For Last Fiscal Year

HALIFAX, (CP)—Provincial Secretary Ronald M. Fielding told the Nova Scotia legislature Friday that the province has lived within its income for the last fiscal year.

Mr. Fielding, tabling the interim statement of revenue and expenditure, said there will be a $614,712 surplus for the year ending March 31.

He also said the province has been able to provide for capital spending out of income rather than from borrowings.

The statement showed revenue for the year of $49,789,273 and expenditure of $44,759,126. But sinking fund instalments, payment of a debenture series and treasury bills reduced this to $614,712.

In reply to a question from Robert L. Stanfield, Progressive Conservative Opposition leader, Mr. Fielding said the provincial debt last year was about $192,000,000. He did not know the current figure.

Earl W. Urquhart (L-Richmond) and Dr. J. A. Langille (PC-Cumberland) continued the throne speech debate.

Mr. Urquhart urged that persons of 18 years of age be entitled to vote. The present age is 21.

He said that with present improved educational facilities and mass methods of communications these younger persons are well qualified to cast ballots.

Dr. Langille said he had learned that a British construction company is interested in bidding for the construction of a portion of the trans-Canada highway in Nova Scotia.

Defy "No Strike" Order From Federal Court

NEW YORK, (AP)—The smouldering union rivalry for control of New Yrk's waterfront flared into a wildcat strike Friday in defiance of a federal court no-strike order.

Dockers of the old International Longshoremen's Association (Ind.) ignored their own leaders as well as the government to tie up about half of the port's 159 piers.

"Pretty effective throughout the port", was the way shipping circles summed up the strike.

Showdown Seen

Some waterfront observers sensed in the walkout the long-awaited, do-or-die showdown between the ILA and a new, rival AFL dock union. However, ILA dockers have staged similar walkouts in the recent past as demonstrations that they have been short lived.

The strike hit hardest at the Hudson River luxury line piers, among the busiest in the world.

The world's largest liner, the Queen Elizabeth, was caught in the tieup but sailed on schedule nevertheless. Some of her passengers had to carry their own baggage aboard.

The national labor relations board went into federal court Thursday to get an injunction against ILA workers for interference with normal waterfront loading activities.

ILA officials called this discrimination, and said any court order should have covered rival AFL unions as well. Nevertheless, ILA president William V. Bradley said he had ordered his dockers to stay on the job. They refused.

Minor Argument

The 350-mile port has been in a seething state of unrest for months and a relatively insignificant argument brought things to a head a week ago.

The AFL dockers picketed Pier 32 on the Hudson River in protest against the discharge of one of their stewards. ILA men ignored the picket lines but were forced to quit work when AFL teamsters refused to bring their cargo-laden trucks onto the pier.

The ILA retaliated by boycotting AFL trucks on other piers. The teamsters then set up picket lines of their own at more than a score of piers.

The federal court injunction was intended to put a stop to this see-saw struggle.

Believe Lights From Meteor

MONTREAL, (CP) — McGill scientists said Friday they believe reddish-yellow lights which flashed several times in the skies over Magog Que., early Thursday was possibly a meteor, breaking up into meteorites.

They said these burn with a terrific brilliance.

There was another possible explanation.

Fine snow crystals, not sufficiently dense to absorb light, would make millions of tiny reflectors so that any bright light at the earth's surface would be diffused far and wide.

Magog residents described the light as so brilliant that mountains surrounding Lake Memphremagog were shown up as clearly as in mid-day. It lasted about 30 seconds.

See Possibility Here Of Improved Salmon Fishing

OTTAWA, (Special— Improved salmon-fishing in Prince Edward Island waters may result from the government's long-range plan to restore the declining number of Atlantic salmon to the figures of two generations ago.

The program includes intensive investigational work on salmon, inspection of fishing methods, restocking of salmon rivers of the Maritimes and control of predatory birds. Today the Atlantic salmon co-ordinating committee under the chairmanship of Stewart Bates, Deputy Minister of Fisheries, concluded a three-day conference on the subject.

At the conference were representatives of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Newfoundland and plans for new activities were outlined for 1954.

One of the most striking results of the committee's activities last year was achieved through control of predatory birds. On an 11-mile stretch of the Pollett River in New Brunswick, smolt production rose from 2,000 a year to 18,000 when birds were halted from preying on young salmon. So successful was this experiment that bird control will be extended to other salmon rivers this year.

By special arrangement with the Wildlife Service of Canada, staff members of the Fisheries Department were granted permission to destroy these birds in any way they found most effective. The bird hunters concentrated on two species—the kingfisher and the merganser duck. Adult birds were trapped and shot, young birds, eggs and nests were destroyed. Kingfishers' burrows in river-bank were filled in.

This predator control alone is expected to result in an immense increase in salmon population. Vast shoals of these choice fish sweep around both ends of Prince Edward Island going to and from salmon rivers in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and the co-ordinating committee hopes to effect increases in these shoals.

Churchill May Stay On Job After 80th Birthday

By FRASER WIGHTON

LONDON, (Reuters) — Close friends of Sir Winston Churchill are saying that if he maintains his present form they foresee him continuing as Prime Minister after his 80th birthday in November.

This view is shared by many members of Parliament, who declare that far from showing any signs of retiring, the veteran statesman seems to have taken a new lease on life in recent months.

Both Conservatives and Socialists are impressed by his new-found vigor in House of Commons speeches. He has speeded up his delivery and recaptured much of his old quick-fire wit, in dealing with opponents.

Clothes Brighter

He steps about more briskly than at any time since his illness last summer. Even his choice of clothes seems brighter, particularly his polka-dot bow ties.

Cabinet ministers say their leader has recovered his old grip on the day-to-day direction of the government.

He has given some thought to the future, but friends think he keeps putting off the vital question of fixing even a tentative date, however far ahead, for quitting office. None of his closest cronies has received as much as a hint from him.

Hopes Ease Tension

The Prime Minister's main reason for holding on to office at his age is hope, still strong, that he can play some part in relieving world tension.

The failure of the Berlin conference to solve the German and Austrian problems has not quenched his optimism.

Now he is throwing his vision forward to the Geneva conference on Korea and Indo-China, which he thinks will have a better chance than Berlin of producing fruitful results.

Everybody agrees that the Prime Minister, now that he has recovered from last year's attack of nervous fatigue, is again working too hard and too long. But nobody knows how to stop him and few dare to try it.

N. B. Budget Is Scheduled Tuesday

FREDERICTON, (CP)— Notice that he will bring down the budget next Tuesday was given in the New Brunswick legislature Friday by Hon. Donald D. Patterson, provincial secretary-treasurer.

TORONTO, (CP) —Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	15b	3
Vancouver	—	48
Victoria	37	49
Edmonton	17	45
Calgary	25	50
Regina	0	46
Winnipeg	9b	26
Toronto	18	30
Ottawa	4	19
Montreal	9	18
Quebec	8	14
Saint John	19	24
Moncton	16	24
Halifax	28	33
Charlottetown	21	27
Sydney	28	34
Yarmouth	23	28
St. John's	31	40

HALIFAX, (CP)—The weather office here says that westerly winds will continue to bring cold air to the Maritimes during the week-end. There will be fewer snowflurries and more sunshine Saturday, and the outlook is for fine weather on Sunday.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island: Variable cloudiness with scattered snowflurries; little change in temperature; west winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 15 and 25.

Outlook for Sunday: Variable cloudiness.

New Brunswick: Clear with a few cloudy intervals; continuing cold; west winds 15. Low-high at Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John 10 and 25, Edmundston and Campbellton 5 and 20.

Outlook for Sunday: Sunny.

Bay of Fundy: Westerly winds 15; variable cloudiness with scattered snowflurries. Visibility 15 miles except occasionally two miles in flurries; little change in temperature.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 11.47 a. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Sun rises today at 6.43 a. m. and sets at 6.06 p. m.

Canadian Soldier To Hang For Murder In Germany

ISERLOHN, Germany, (CP)—A 22-year-old Canadian soldier was sentenced to death by an army court martial Friday for the robbery-slaying of a German woman last Dec. 15.

Pte. George Mitchell of Winnipeg, a member of the 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, showed little emotion as Col. R. K. Clark of Camp Borden, Ont., chief officer on the court martial, said: "The court sentences the accused to suffer death."

Mitchell, fair haired and of medium build, pursed his lips, flushed slightly, turned smartly to the left with his two-man escort and marched out. He was later taken to Soest, headquarters of Canadian Army NATO forces in Germany.

The death sentence, if confirmed by army headquarters in Ottawa, will be carried out in Canada.

Drunken Outing

The private, who pleaded not guilty, was convicted of stabbing to death Mrs. Elisabeth Sieling, 56, with a 10-inch butcher knife during a drunken outing in Iserlohn last Dec. 15. Witnesses testified that he robbed the woman of 31 marks ($7.44). Shortly after the killing, he was arrested in an army movie house.

Although the sentence is subject to review, an army spokesman said it can be reduced only to life imprisonment.

Testimony was taken from more than 50 persons during the court martial.

Mitchell's defence counsel was Richard M. D. Murray of Vancouver.

The five-man court rejected a defence plea for recommendation of clemency.

Capt. George Turner, adviser to the defence, argued that if Mitchell had been tried by a civil court here, as he would have been in Canada if such an offence had occurred there, he would not have been sentenced to death.

In West Germany, he said, "justice and public conscience would be satisfied by a sentence of life imprisonment." He submitted that Mitchell was temporarily insane when he stabbed Mrs. Sieling, a woman he had never seen before.