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## TWO GLACE BAY MINES SEALED IN MOVE TO HALT FIRE

### By-elections Today First Test For Liberal Party Since General Election

OTTAWA, (CP)—Four federal by-elections today in the central provinces provide the first political test of strength since the general election last Aug. 10.

The constituencies—Verdun and Gatineau in Quebec—were divided evenly between the two main parties in last year's voting. The Liberals held the two Quebec constituencies, Progressive Conservatives the Ontario ridings.

No new major issues have arisen since the last election, which was fought by the Liberals on their record in government and by the Progressive Conservatives chiefly on a promise of lower taxes.

The by-election campaigns have revolved chiefly around local issues and have not aroused widespread public interest, although top party spokesmen and cabinet ministers have participated.

Standing in the 265-seat Commons: Liberals 171; Progressive Conservatives 49; CCF 23; Social Credit 16; Independent 3; vacant 4.

**Record Not Good**

Although the Liberals won by a landslide in the last election, their by-election record during the life of the last Parliament was not so favorable. In 29 contests, they lost eight seats to Conservatives and held 11, while Conservatives held five constituencies and lost none.

The other five contests resulted in changes between Liberals and Independent Liberals.

Polls will be open Monday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST.

Seven candidates are contesting the election in Verdun, which has gone Liberal since 1940.

Two of them, Yves Leduc and Roland Gagnon, claim Liberal support while Herce Ferland is a Liberal-Labor candidate and J. M. Mayes is running as an independent Liberal. The other candidates are: Armand Dupuis, Conservative; William Dodge, CCF; and Ken Perry, Labor-Progressive.

Verdun returned Paul Emile Cote last year with a plurality of 13,026. The former parliamentary assistant for labor has since been appointed to the Quebec bench.

**Four Candidates**

Gatineau, which always has returned Liberal candidates, has four men in the running. Rodolphe Leduc, member from 1936 to 1945, is the Liberal candidate. The others: Ernest A. St. Jean, Conservative; Roger Boucher, CCF; and Marcel Bonnier, Independent.

The by-election was called following the death of Joseph C. Peel, constituency has voted Conservative since 1900. The former member, Gordon Graydon, who died last September, had held it since 1935.

Two of the three candidates are 33-year-old lawyers: Conservative John Palliet and Liberal A. J. C. O'Marra. The CCF candidate is Floyd Gane, 39-year-old cattle breeder.

Elkin was held by Conservative C. D. Coyle from 1945 until his death recently.

Monday's vote will be a two-way contest between Conservative James McEwen, 43, an farmer and former county warden, and Liberal Rev. Harry Rodney, 39, a Presbyterian minister in St. Thomas.

**Coming Events**

\*Card party Dunstaffnage school tonight.

\*New Haven Jamboree, Marshfield Hall Tuesday, March 23.

\*Two, one act plays in Borden Town Hall, tonight.

\*Highfield United W. A. cake sale Saturday, March 27, Fennell and Chandler's.

\*Milton Hornets hockey team members meet at Gillespie's store at 6:30 tonight for Summerside.

\*Now unloading car of 38¢ oil cake meal. Special price off car. Beaton and MacRae, Winsloe, Dial 954.

\*P. E. I. Drama Festival closing dates for entries, April 1st. Rules obtainable at P. E. I. and Charlottetown Libraries.

\*Buying Pigs Monday at Fredericton: Tuesday, Brookfield 5 a.m.; Milton 10 a.m.; York 1 p.m.; Bedford 2:30; Mt. Stewart 3; paying \$40.00 pr. for good pigs over 33 lbs. each, \$30.00 for over 18 lbs. each. Will buy any size. Knud Jorgensen.

\*Hockey at North River rink tonight, Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs vs. Cornwall Meteors in third game of finals. Game time 9 o'clock sharp. Whichever team is not ready to start at nine o'clock, the game will be awarded, if Cornwall wins, trophies will be presented.

### Rich Uranium Find Reported

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Journal said Saturday in a front-page story that "an ore body so rich in uranium that it may dwarf the radio-active deposits at the Eldorado mine near Great Bear lake has been discovered and is under investigation near Maniwaki."

Maniwaki, Que., is 90 miles north of Ottawa.

The newspaper says eight 70-foot holes have been drilled a half-mile from the town following "intensive" surface surveys. Uranium content of the rock was "still constant" at the 70-foot level and arrangements have been made for diamond drilling 1,000 feet down.

The Journal quotes Dr. Rodolphe Leduc, Liberal candidate in the Gatineau federal by-election Monday, as telling a public meeting at Low, Que., that prospects for production of uranium—the basic fuel of atomic energy—are "engaging the attention of some of the biggest mining concerns in the country."

### Halifax Group Wins Drama Festival Award

HALIFAX, (CP)—The Halifax Theatre Arts Guild won the Carver trophy for the best play in the Nova Scotia drama festival Saturday night, but the two other entries walked away with the best actress and actor awards.

"Ladies in Retirement," the last play of the three-day festival, adjudicator Graham Suter said the play's first two acts were well done but the last was "rather boring."

Eileen Connolly of New Glasgow won the best actress award for her role in "Dear Ruth," presented by the New Glasgow Theatre Guild.

Bob Dally won the best actor's award for his role in the Shearwater Players' "Angel Street."

Robert Alban was presented with a Canadian Drama Association award for his work in developing talent in Halifax and for starting theatre-in-the-round in the city.

### Rule Mouton Coats Liable For Tax

OTTAWA, (CP)—Mouton coats are fur coats and thus liable for the 15-per-cent excise tax on dressed furs, the Exchequer Court of Canada has ruled.

Universal Fur Dressers and Dyers Ltd. of Toronto had contended that mouton was not true fur but sheepskin. It decided that mouton process come from fur-bearing animals. Most fur stores advertise mouton coats as furs.

### Storm Damage In Newfoundland

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., (CP)—A heavy wind and rain storm whipped across the southwest coast of Newfoundland Sunday, ripping telephone and telegraph lines to the ground. Repair crews restored the lines near Port aux Basques about twelve hours after the storm struck. Apart from communications, no other damage was reported.

### May Cancel Queen's Visit To Western Australia

ADELAIDE, Australia, (AP)—The Western Australian cabinet will decide at a special meeting today to cancel Queen Elizabeth's visit to the state because of a polio epidemic.

Members of the royal household said Sunday they think the tour will go on, but will be drastically cut. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are reported anxious not to disappoint the people of Western Australia, but do not wish to risk increasing the infection by bringing out large crowds of adults and children.

Medical opinion appears divided on whether tour should be modified. There is speculation that one measure to protect the royal couple themselves would be for them to lie aboard the liner Gothic instead of at Government House, Perth. This was supported by reports the Gothic will leave Adelaide for

### Wreckage At Crash Scene Near S'side



Following the accident which occurred near midnight on Friday about one mile west of Summerside, two tow trucks were used to separate the truck and car before the bodies of L. A. C. Albert Grant Townsend of Pickering Ont., and Corporal James Albert McRorie of Vancouver, B.C. could be moved from within the wreckage of the car.

A third airman LAC Joseph Raymond Doucette of St. Louis, P. E. I., who was a passenger in the back seat of the car is in hospital in Halifax and is given a good chance of recovery. In the crash he was thrown to the pavement from where he was removed to the Prince County Hospital and later flown to Halifax. His injuries include a broken leg and multiple head injuries.

The bodies of the two airmen who were killed were flown to Moncton yesterday and from there will be sent to their respective homes.

The accident occurred when the 1948 green Dodge, travelling towards Summerside plowed into the back of a three-ton 1953 Ford truck which had reportedly run out of gas and had been parked on the side of the road while its operator had gone to obtain a supply of gasoline. The force of the impact carried both vehicles off the highway into the ditch and the heavy wooden truck bottom wrecked the front part of the car, shearing off the top of the engine covering and part of the hood and pinning the bodies of both occupants in the front seat in the wreckage.

A coroner's jury was empanelled at the scene of the accident and the inquest adjourned to the call of the coroner, Dr. W. E. Callaghan.

—(Photo by Wotton)

### P. E. I. Native Dies In Maine

MEXICO, Maine, (AP)—John C. Mackinnon, 76, a former state legislator who was elected a Mexico selectman last Monday, died Saturday.

A retired Oxford Paper Co. employee, Mackinnon served in the Maine House and Senate. He was a native of Prince Edward Island.

### Former Mayor Of Halifax Injured

HALIFAX, (CP)—L. A. Gastonguay, 80, a spry and colorful former mayor of Halifax, is in hospital in "fair" condition after being hit by a car at a downtown intersection Saturday night.

Mr. Gastonguay, who has never failed to practice his figure-skating every winter, received head injuries.

### Find Body Of Inca Princess Preserved In Ice 500 Years

SANTIAGO, Chile, (Reuters)—A Chilean mule train driver has discovered the body of a young Inca princess preserved for 500 years without so much as a smudge on her face powder.

Perpetual ice is the secret of her preservation. He found the princess, about 12, in an ice cave 16,000 feet up on the slopes of Mount El Plomo, in the Andes 25 miles from Santiago.

The body has been brought to the institute of anatomy at Chile University and put into a deep freeze.

The Chilean found her entombed in a mountain shrine. Her arms were folded, her childish features bore an expression of sweetness and she wore face-powder which came off at a touch.

She was buried in a black sleeveless woollen dress, leather moccasins and silver ornaments.

Delighted experts here said she is probably the most perfectly preserved human specimen to come down from the past ages.

Richard Schaedel, a United States anthropologist, who is a visiting professor of anthropology at the University of Chile, is examining the body. He expects the find to yield important anthropological data.

**Eyeballs Intact**

Unlike the wrapped mummies of ancient Egypt, the Inca girl preserved the look of a living creature. Even her eyeballs were intact.

Scientists believe it may even be possible to take her fingerprints.

In her hands she was holding a bag containing red parrot's feathers and her own nail clippings, preserved since her birth as a protection against witchcraft.

Surrounding her body were great images of gold and silver, of small archaeological value.

The reason why she was taken up to the cave is obvious. The Incas worshipped the sun and they believed the nearer they got to the sun, the nearer they were to their god.

About the time of the princess' death, her people ruled a vast empire covering Peru much of Ecuador, Chile, Bolivia and northwest Argentina.

Originally one of the numerous small tribes in the Andean highlands, the Incas emerged into history through their skill in war and administration. The dynasty came to an end in 1532 when Atahualpa, the last emperor of the Incas, was massacred by the followers of the Spanish colonist Francisco Pizarro.

### Stella Maris School Burned At North Rustico Saturday

One of the most serious fires in the history of the village of North Rustico Saturday morning destroyed the modern Stella Maris school and the adjoining hall. For a time residents were afraid the entire village would be lost.

The fire was discovered by Rev. Eric Robin, parish priest, shortly after five o'clock, and although help came from Parkdale, Hunter River and Charlottetown, the buildings could not be saved as the flames had made too much headway. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, only partially covered by insurance.

As a school day had been scheduled for Saturday the 260 pupils had left their books and all were destroyed as well as all the notes of the teachers and the records for several years. The school had nine well fitted classrooms, an auditorium which would seat 300 persons. There were also two bowling alleys, recreation hall, a sewing and home economics room, handicraft room and a Grade 10 laboratory. Besides this the equipment lost included two pianos and the laboratory materials as well as all the materials in the manual training class, a stove, dishes and other kitchen utensils.

The original school building was opened in 1940 and had originally been a factory which was hauled from the shore to the site. A new wing, 40 by 80 feet and three storeys high, was added in 1947. The great loss is considered almost a disaster in a small community of only 150 families. However, the men of North Rustico held a meeting yesterday to make plans for the erection of a new school. In the meantime temporary classrooms will be found and it is hoped to have studies resumed sometime this week.

The nearby home of Mr. Lawrence Gallant was seriously threatened by the fire and it was felt that had it not been for the efforts of a volunteer bucket brigade it would have been lost and many others with it. Sparks from the blaze were carried over half a mile and the flames could be seen for a long distance. Lack of any high wind is credited with helping to confine the blaze to the two buildings.

### Outbreak 2,000 Feet Underground Takes Two Lives

(By Don MacKenzie)  
(Canadian Press Correspondent)

GLACE BAY, N. S., (CP)—Workmen sealed off two big Cape Breton coal mines with plywood logs and crushed stone Sunday in a costly move to snuff out a fierce fire 2,000 feet below ground where two miners perished.

The drastic decision to close down collieries No. 26 and 1-B was reached by company and union officials at midnight Saturday after a four-hour pit-head vigil in the vain hope that tons of water cascading into the tunnel linking the two mines would check the blaze.

The fire erupted forth Friday at 7:30 p.m. spurred on by an explosive charge was set off to loosen a coal face in No. 26. Two hundred night-shift miners scattered through the workings stretching three miles under the sea sprinted for the tunnel exit at a telephoned alarm. They were whisked to the surface on the shaft cages.

Veteran employees Donald MacLellan, 52, and Malcolm O'Hendley, 37, descended into the pit moments later to help fight the fire and died. MacLellan suffered a heart attack and O'Hendley was asphyxiated by the deadly fumes.

**Pit Shut Down**

Harold Gordon, the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation's manager for coal operations, said No. 26 would be shut tight for a minimum of four weeks and 1-B for at least one week.

A small number of the 1,200 miners whose jobs were affected by the closure will be taken on in other collieries. But hundreds were told to register today for unemployment insurance benefits at a time when job scarcity haunts the whole of industrial Cape Breton.

Mr. Gordon said the main entrance and all other air vents leading into the cavern would be plugged so the fire would burn itself out through lack of oxygen.

The tunnel where the blaze started connects the two collieries like the tail of a "Y". The interlocking network made it necessary to close 1-B although the fire was entirely in No. 26.

Mr. Gordon, red-eyed and limp from exhaustion after a 17-hour stint at the pit-head, described MacLellan and O'Hendley as "two very fine men."

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### Find Missing U. S. Transport

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., (CP)—A United States transport plane missing since Wednesday on a Greenland glacier has been found and her crew members and two civilians are safe, the USAF's northeast command headquarters here announced Sunday night.

The plane, a C-47, on a scientific mission to locate the massive ice floe known as "Fletcher's island," made an emergency landing 200 miles north of its base at Thule. It was spotted by search planes Saturday.

### Advertising In Russia Scheduled For New Look

MOSCOW, (AP)—Soviet advertising, pretty primitive by Western standards, is going to get a new look.

In the future, for instance, an ad for a movie is supposed to tell who's in it and give some idea of what it's about.

The internal trade ministry, needed in the press for a poor advertising job, has just put out an eight-page booklet of household hints. It contains such information as this: that 20 new fish stores will open soon; that you should "wind your watch" in the morning, not in the evening, because then its springs are better able to survive the jolts of the day.

The booklet also tells readers that if they want to eat in a restaurant it will cost from 45 to 70 rubles per person. The official rate of exchange is four rubles to the dollar which would mean a bill of from \$13.75 to \$17.50 per person.

### News In Brief

LONDON, (Reuters)—Russia has issued a protest to the Greek government against the granting of military bases to the United States, the Soviet news agency Tass said Sunday.

TEL AVIV, (Reuters)—An Israeli foreign ministry spokesman accused Jordan Sunday of seeking to encourage further attacks across the border in the wake of last Wednesday's massacre of 11 vacationing bus riders in southern Israel.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., (AP)—Arab nations complained to UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld Saturday that Israel is concentrating troops on the borders of her Arab neighbors. The Arabs said they would counter any aggression.

MONTREAL, (CP)—The tobacco industry is trying to perfect a cigarette which will go out as soon as it is discarded, but nothing suitable has yet been found, an industry spokesman said here. Such a cigarette has been sought as a fire safety measure for a long time.

### The Netherlands, Turkey Shrug Off Red Protests

By Stanley Godfrey

LONDON, (AP)—The Netherlands and Turkey Saturday shrugged off Russian protests charging the two nations with heightening world tension.

In separate notes the Kremlin assailed the Dutch agreement for establishment of an American air base on her territory and Turkey's planned military alliance with Pakistan.

In The Hague, reliable sources said the Red protest would be rejected.

A similar reaction came from the Turkish capital. Foreign office informants in Ankara said a reply would be sent to the Russians, but just when "depends on how busy we are."

"We are pretty busy just now," a spokesman said.

Neither government appeared surprised at the Russian move.

The Russian note to The Netherlands came just three weeks after Dutch Defence Minister Cornelis Staf announced that the United States will send a squadron of its newest jet fighters to The Netherlands some time this year.

In it, the Soviets protested the move "has nothing in common with the country's defence since The Netherlands is not threatened by any attack."

The granting of military bases to foreign states and the stationing of foreign troops on Netherlands territory can by no means contribute to the international atmosphere and to relations between countries," the note added.

The Russian note to Turkey was delivered Thursday and published by Moscow newspapers Saturday.

### Indo-China Rebels Want Victory To Strengthen Hand

HANOI, Indo-China, (AP)—The stubborn struggle of French Union forces to hold the fortress of Dien Bien Phu and cut down Communist-led Vietminh besiegers looked more and more today like the "battle for Geneva."

The battle, now in its tenth day, may end quickly or it may drag on for weeks.

But it has become obvious that the Vietminh rebels of Moscow-trained Ho Chi Minh want a victory to strengthen their hand in talks at the forthcoming Geneva conference on Korean and Indo-China problems.

Big-power talks at Geneva beginning April 26 may lead to the end of the Indo-China war by negotiation. The Vietminh know that if they can crush the fortress on the plain 175 miles west of Hanoi they can boast about a major defeat for the French.

The French know that if they can knock out the estimated 35,000 elite troops the Vietminh still have in the surrounding hills and in the trenches near the heart of the fortress, Ho Chi Minh's striking power will be smashed. The massive struggle for the fortress can thus be regarded as decisive.

Rain hit the region Sunday, turning the dustbowl into an oval lake of reddish mud. It forced the French to taper off their biggest air attacks of the war after five days and nights of hitting rebel gun replacements and smashing rebel trenches and foxholes being dug closer and closer to the fortress barricades.

### McCarthy-Stevens Row May Benefit Democratic Party

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Democrats indicated Sunday they expect to benefit politically from a Senate probe of the McCarthy-Stevens row.

"This is wholly a Republican mess," said Senator John McClellan Dem-Ark., who will have a major role in the inquiry. He added that "all the principals in the hearings are Republicans or under Republican control."

He said he referred to Senator Joseph McCarthy (Rep-Wis.), Army Secretary Robert Stevens, Roy Cohn, chief counsel for McCarthy's investigations sub-committee, and John G. Adams, army counsel aiding Stevens.

The investigation of the fight is scheduled to begin this week. It involves army charges that McCarthy and Cohn exerted pressure on the army in demanding special treatment for David Schine, a former McCarthy aide who was drafted and counter-charged by McCarthy as a hostage, offering special treatment in exchange for agreement by the McCarthy committee to switch its investigations of communism to other branches of the service.

### Author Of Several Best-Sellers Dies

PRINCETON, N. J., (AP)—Samuel Shellabarger, 65, author of a number of swashbuckling historical novels which became best-sellers, died Sunday.

His best-known works include "Captain from Castile," "The Prince of Foxes," and "The King's Cavalier." His latest book, "Lord Vanity," is near the top of best-seller lists.

A native of Washington, Shellabarger is a graduate of Princeton, Harvard and Munich universities. His first book was "The Chevalier Bayard," a biography, in 1928. He wrote a novel, "The Black Gale," in 1929 and a biography of Lord Chesterfield in 1935.

### HE WHO LAUGHS LAST IS USUALLY THE DUMBEST

TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	5	5
Vancouver	34	51
Victoria	39	54
Edmonton	14	38
Calgary	17	34
Regina	26	34
Winnipeg	23	38
Toronto	21	30
Ottawa	21	23
Montreal	27	—
Quebec	25	30
Saint John	33	41
Moncton	33	44
Halifax	36	49
Charlottetown	31	40
Sydney	35	50
Yarmouth	33	45
St. John's	22	41

HALIFAX, (CP)—The weather office here says colder air is moving into the Maritimes and widely scattered snowflurries are expected over the district Monday.

Regional forecasts:

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island: Cloudy with widely scattered snowflurries, clearing by evening; colder, west winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 25 and 32. Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John: 29 and 35, Edmundston and Campbellton 15 and 25. Bay of Fundy: Westerly winds 15; cloudy with widely scattered snowflurries; visibility 10 miles; lowering to four miles in flurries; colder.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 12:39 a.m. and 12:22 p.m. Summerside tide 18 minutes later.

Sunrise today at 6:13 a.m. and sets at 6:26 p.m.