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## RUSSIA REJECTS U. S. DEMANDS OVER MISSING PLANE

### Crucial Vote Due Next Week In U. K. House

#### Opposition Urges Gov't To Step Up Flow Of Immigrants

OTTAWA, April 21 (CP) — The Commons swung today into a debate on immigration and citizenship and heard Opposition Parties urge the Government to widen the qualifications for newcomers and streamline immigration procedure.

The debate developed as Immigration Minister Harris opened with a statement reporting the entry of 370,139 persons into Canada in the 1945-49 period. He gave no estimate for 1950.

The Government, he added, plans to stay with its post-war policy—that of ensuring the "careful selection and permanent settlement of such numbers of immigrants as can advantageously be absorbed in the national economy."

George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, promptly asked for a clearer definition of that policy and urged that overseas examining offices be more closely knit to make things easier for prospective immigrants lest they become discouraged.

M. J. Coldwell, C. C. F. leader, felt, along with some other members, that Canada should admit more professionals, people versed in medicine, arts, music and the like. He conceded this would call for the co-operation of a good many domestic institutions.

Citizenship, too, entered the debate and John Diefenbaker (PC—Lake Centre) repeated his proposal that Canada set up a "Freedom Train" as was done in the United States—to carry the historic documents and stories of her past across the country on a new crusade of citizenship.

Other speakers included Douglas Harkness (PC—Calgary East), Ross Thatcher (CCF—Moose Jaw) and Rev. Dan McIvor (L—Fort William).

In the immigration debate, Mr. Drew said the Progressive Conservative Party wanted to see business-like methods used in the implementation of the Government's policy.

The fact was that the department was "not encouraging immigration."

There were many in the United Kingdom who wanted to come to

#### Russian Charges Concerning Trieste Are Denounced

WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP) — State Secretary Dean Acheson today charged that Russia's charges concerning Trieste are "wholly false" statements and "nonsense."

The secretary's rejection of Thursday night's note from Moscow clearly foreshadowed similar emphatic turn-downs by France and Britain.

In a prepared statement, Acheson defended the right of Britain and the United States to keep troops in Trieste as "in complete conformity with the obligations of the Italian peace treaty."

He said Russia is trying "to disrupt efforts to achieve a solution" of the Trieste problem by Italy and Yugoslavia.

#### Labor Hopes For Victory In By-election

By Alan Harvey  
LONDON, April 21 (CP) — The possibility of airborne reinforcements for Parliament's next pitched battle emerged as a talking point today.

The theory was that the winner of a by-election in Scotland next Tuesday might be flown to Westminster in time to participate in a crucial vote expected Wednesday.

Intriguing as the speculation seemed, there was doubt that the result of the by-election would be announced in time to get the new member to the House of Commons.

The by-election is in Dumbarton West, Centr. B. A. Allan, Conservative, who was beaten by only 613 in the Feb. 23 general election by A. S. McKinlay, Labor, is expected this time by Thomas Steele, Labor. McKinlay died soon after his victory.

Allan, recovering from an appendectomy operation, has been campaigning from a hospital bed. His wife has been making speeches. Steele has been working on a 14-hour-a-day schedule.

Nobody dares predict the result, although the Liberal Manchester Guardian reported that the Tories are "scenting their first real kill."

A Conservative victory clearly could have a decisive influence on parliamentary skirmishes.

The general feeling up to now has been that the Conservatives aren't too eager to force an early election, unless the issue is a really hot one.

Next divisions in the Commons are expected Wednesday. The issues will be the Government's new purchase tax on trucks and its increased levy on gasoline, announced last Tuesday's budget.

Barring some unexpected parliamentary pretext, defeat for Labor would almost certainly mean another election.

Labor's effective majority over all other parties in the Commons now stands at seven. This allows for two Irish Nationalist members who as a protest against partition are not taking their seats, and one Ulster Conservative whose eligibility to sit has been questioned.

Both main parties have sick lists, but rival party managers are keeping the numbers secret. However, it is understood at least four or five Labor members may be absent next week.

In addition to the Dumbarton by-election, there will be a vote May 2 in Brighouse, Yorkshire, which formerly was a Labor seat.

#### Floods Cripple Traffic In Central Areas Of N. B.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., April 21 (CP) — A 24-hour downpour, coupled with rising water of the St. John River, crippled railway and highway traffic between Saint John and Fredericton and in Central New Brunswick tonight. Trains were flooded at some points and several washouts occurred.

Two Canadian Pacific Railway trains from Saint John for Montreal were consolidated and routed over the Canadian National Railway line via Moncton. A boat train from Halifax, which ordinarily would pass through Saint John en route to Montreal, also was routed via Moncton. The Saint John-Boston and Saint John-Fredericton were among railway services cancelled.

Six feet of water covered two rails in one section between Fredericton and Fredericton Junction. A bridge was washed out at Bailey, south of the Junction.

The Canadian National Railway reported two washouts on the Nashua sub-division between Newcastle and Fredericton. One occurred near Taymouth and the other four miles away near Peniac, where 35 feet of track lay under three feet of water. There was similar trouble at Napadogan.

The C.N.R. night train from Fredericton to Newcastle was cancelled and the train from Newcastle went only as far as McGivney. C.N.R. service also had to be suspended between Fredericton and Centerville. Rails along a half-mile stretch in the McGivney area were flooded to a depth of one foot by water resulting from ice jams in the river.

Because of road washouts, postal officials were preparing for the possibility of having mail flown from Saint John to Fredericton tomorrow if weather permits.

Ice started to move in the St. John River at Fredericton last night and flows from upriver were running through that area tonight. Traffic was resumed at a cautious pace today over the Florenceville bridge, one span of which was moved five feet by jammed ice last Tuesday.

#### Congress Members Angered By Tone Of Note

By EDDY GILMORE  
MOSCOW, April 21 (AP) — Russia brusquely rejected every demand of the United States today over its missing Baltic plane and repeated orders to airmen to shoot down any resisting aircraft caught over Soviet territory.

The Moscow Government in a note declared it was "clearly abhorrent" that the United States demanded compensation for a four-engine U.S. Navy Privateer and its crew of 10 which disappeared April 8.

Moscow claimed the American plane involved that day in an exchange of fire was a "B-29" Flying Fortress which penetrated 13 miles into Soviet territory south of Lepaya, Latvia, while trying to "photograph Soviet defence installations."

It repeated the assertions of the Soviet protest April 11 that B-29 ignored signals to land, fired on Soviet fighters and disappeared toward the Baltic Sea when the Soviet fighters fired back.

Therefore, the note declared, the Soviet Government cannot accept even "for examination" the American demands made three days ago.

These demands included compensation, severe punishment of the responsible Soviet aviators, a thorough Soviet investigation of the incident and categorical guarantees against a recurrence.

The Soviet note was handed to U.S. Ambassador Alan G. Kirk by Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky. It concluded by declaring the United States was trying to "cover up the illegal actions of certain of its subordinates who disgraced themselves by grossly violating the generally-recognized rules of international law."

#### Situation Serious, But War Not Likely



WASHINGTON, April 21 (AP) — State Secretary Dean Acheson said today Russia is trying to stir up trouble in several critical areas of the world and the situation is serious. But the United States secretary added that he does not see East and West moving into war.

At a press conference, Acheson said there is tension in the world now and the things the Russians are doing are far from helpful.

He accused the Soviets of trying to stir up trouble in several areas, citing their stand on the Baltic airplane incident, their accusations against the Western Powers over Trieste and their renewed demands for special rights in the Dardanelles Strait.

Best Guarantee

FORT BENNING, Ga., April 21 (CP) — Defence Minister Brooke Claxton of Canada said today that United States military strength "is itself the greatest guarantee of peace."

Claxton made the statement following a military demonstration by members of the inter-service orientation course. He arrived aboard the plane of Defence Secretary Louis Johnson of the United States.

The Canadian Defence Minister said:

"The demonstration of fire power, weapons, equipment and personnel that we were permitted to see today was impressive evidence of the strength of the United States."

"The fact," he said, "that that strength will be used for purposes of maintaining the peace is itself, the greatest guarantee of peace."

Then Claxton added, "The fact that a Canadian should be invited to be present is another demonstration of unusual ability of the two countries to work together."

Claxton was in the party which included President Truman and most members of the U. S. Cabinet.

On Peace Mission

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., April 21 (CP) — The United Nations Secretary General indicated cautiously today he hopes to lay some groundwork for ending the cold war during his trip to Europe and possibly Russia.

Trygve Lie (above) told his final weekly press conference before sailing tomorrow that he does not expect any immediate results from his scheduled talks with European leaders.

"I believe that all decent people desire in their hearts that the cold war be ended," Lie added. "But it will take time. I do not expect too much."

He emphasized that he will decide when in Europe whether to visit Moscow for talks with Russian leaders, possibly Prime Minister Stalin.

#### Attlee Summons Cabinet To Consider Dock Strike

LONDON, April 21 (Reuters) — Prime Minister Attlee tonight called a cabinet meeting to consider the strike of 7,800 dock workers which has paralyzed half the great port of London.

Another meeting will be held Monday.

Today nearly 2,000 strikers attended a public meeting which demanded a ballot to determine if their fellow-workers will back them up in the walkout, which stems from the expulsion of three men from the Transport and General Workers Union.

Labor Minister Isaacs, who has labeled the strike as "clearly Communist-inspired," told the House of Commons today that the Government will take care to see there is no loss of perishable foodstuffs in the cargoes held up.

The Labor Minister said no perishable food is endangered this week-end. However, two of the 51 ships affected have meat cargoes totalling 7,000 tons.

Tonight's official figures showed 7,806 dockers on strike and 17,658 working. 41 ships idle, 10 others undermanned and 54 working.

The strike began on Wednesday.

#### C.N.R.'s Huge Reorganization Plan Challenged

OTTAWA, April 21 (CP) — The Canadian National Railway's huge reorganization plan was challenged today by the Canadian Pacific Railway, but the National line defended it as not affecting the C.P.R. in any way.

Before the Royal Commission on Transportation, the C.P.R. renewed its expressions of fear that the proposed \$1,000,000,000 capital revision plan of the C.N.R. would react against the privately-owned line by tending to depress freight rates levels below those needed by the Canadian Pacific.

It also brought in a United States investment banker — A. Northey Jones of Newtown, Conn. — who launched into a critical analysis of the C.N.R. proposals shortly before the Commission rose for the week-end.

On behalf of the C.N.R., senior counsel Hugh O'Donnell told the Commission the other company's fears were groundless and that it would have plenty of protection from the Board of Transport Commissioners, whose duty was to set freight rates "just and reasonable" for all the railways.

The C.N.R. proposal, placed before the Commission last month by President Donald Gordon, is to have about \$720,000,000 in Government-held obligations shifted from the interest-bearing to the non-interest class and to have the Government set up a \$300,000,000 capital fund for the company to use for corporate purposes.

Object of the scheme is to reduce the C.N.R.'s fixed charges now abnormally heavy at around \$48,000,000 a year — to somewhere around \$17,000,000 a year and bring it out of the condition of chronic peacetime deficits.

#### Toughened Safety Rules For Ships

OTTAWA, April 21 (CP) — Toughened safety rules have been laid down for passenger ships operating in Canadian waters, the Government announced today, as the result of Toronto's S. S. Noronic fire disaster that took 119 lives last September.

Shipping men on the west coast immediately contended the new regulations might force small passenger lines out of business because of expense in installing safety gear, but a government official said this would not necessarily follow.

An order-in-council passed April 12 and made public today gives Transport Minister Chevrier and the Board of Steamship Inspection latitude in allowing departures from the rules for existing vessels.

The Minister also told the Commons, in tabling the new regulations, that "care will be taken to avoid the necessity of curtailment of services."

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#### Gracie Fields Arrives In N. Y.

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP) — Gracie Fields, Britain's usually gay comedienne, arrived on the Queen Mary today and commented sadly that the good old songs don't satisfy the public any more. "People are getting a bit too dirty," she said. She is soon to make a tour of Canada.

#### Queen Mary Makes Fast Crossing

NEW YORK, April 21 (AP) — The Queen Mary today completed her fastest post-war westbound voyage with a time of four days, 14 hours and 57 minutes, beating her record of last June by 51 minutes. April 19 she steamed 743 miles averaging 28.43 knots. Her average speed was 28.44 knots. Her pre-war record of three days, 21 hours and 48 minutes at a speed of 30.99 is the world's fastest.

#### Plan Early Operation To Separate Siamese Twins

TOFIELD, Alta., April 21 (CP) — Brenda and Beverly Townsend, five-month-old Siamese twins, in two weeks may be separated in the first operation of its kind performed in Canada. Doctors are hopeful the operation will give the girls a chance for a normal childhood.

Born Nov. 17 the twins are joined together from the third upper rib down to the navel. They are held together face to face.

Although their blue eyes follow any activity in their tiny hospital nursery and they wriggle, gurgle and squall as would any five-month-old baby, medical men agree that if life is to hold any happiness for them the separation operation must be performed.

The youthful parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. (Bud) Townsend, want their first-born to have every chance. They want the babies parted.

"We are hopeful that the operation will be successful," said Dr. Eardley S. Allin, one of the Edmonton specialists who will operate.

The preliminary examination showed the most difficult problem as far as can be foreseen is that the tots have connected livers, in a sort of hour-glass shape, which need to be separated.

The ribs also are connected at least by cartilage and the breast bones are fused.

The babies act independently of each other. While one twin sleeps the other is apt to be loudly demanding that a healthy appetite be satisfied.

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#### Coming Events

- \*\*Call 1906-J Evenings for Dry Wood Slabs.
- \*\*Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- \*\*Buying pigs Monday at Fredericton. Knud Jorgensen.
- \*\*Farmers now booking Clover Seeds Rush order. McGuigan & Boyle.
- \*\*Garden Seeds. Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vessey, York, P. E. I.
- \*\*See Ginger Rogers in "It Had To Be You" at MacDonald Bros. Theatre tonight, plus Short.
- \*\*Seed Cleaning Plant now open for Grain and Timothy. John Leard, Crapaud.
- \*\*Dance, St. Peter's Legion Hall every Tuesday night, 9.30 to 1.00. Cliff Peters Orchestra.
- \*\*Cake sale in aid of Highland Presbyterian Church, Moore and McLeod's, April 23rd, 2 p.m.
- \*\*Rummage Sale, Trinity Ingle-side Group, today, 3.30, Market Building.
- \*\*The Annual Meeting of the Crapaud Hall Company, will be held in said Hall, Tuesday evening, April 25th, at 8 P. M. Brent Wood, Secretary.
- \*\*Rummage sale by P. E. I. Hospital Nurses Alumnae at Massey Harris Building, Saturday, April 22nd at 6 p. m.
- \*\*Notice—Cleaning grain at the Gaudet Farm, commencing on Monday, April 24th and each Monday until further notice. Russell Boyce, Bonshaw.
- \*\*Notice—All Box Taxes on the Kingston Telephone line should be paid before May 1st in order to receive discount. Edgar Newson, Secretary.
- \*\*Come to Pownall Hall, April 26th for Farmers Debating Contest, between Cherry Valley and Johnson's River. Winners enter finals for Island Championship.
- \*\*Now open for Clipping and Cleaning Grain — Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for remainder of season. Ira D. MacDonald, Covehead.

#### "Eskimo" Due Here This Week-end

The Government-owned M.V. Eskimo has left Halifax and will probably arrive in Charlottetown over the week-end, ice conditions permitting. It was learned from Mr. C. P. Reddell, general shipping manager last night.

The boat has been at Canso in the Canso Straits Ice for the past two days but was given the all-clear signal from the ice patrol yesterday to proceed to Pictou. Ice, piled up outside the harbour here, will likely prevent her from coming into Charlottetown today.

A full cargo has been booked and she is ready for the Eskimo when she ties up at the Railway wharf. To be put aboard are large quantities of potatoes, turnips, groceries, canned goods, cement and some cattle. She is to distribute them to Southern Newfoundland points such as Fortune and Grand Bank.

#### EN ROUTE TO ROME

MONTREAL, April 21 (CP) — A group of 131 persons sailed today aboard the Empress of Canada for Liverpool en route to Rome. The largest part of the group came from the Maritimes and numbered 74 persons. The ship, first to leave Montreal since the harbor opened this season, carried 625 passengers.

#### High School Students Stage Demonstration

TORONTO, April 21 (CP) — More than 1,000 high school students staged a demonstration for putting a crimp in a school election campaign, staged a near-riotous demonstration outside west-end Harbor Collegiate today.

Police were sent to maintain order as the students overflowed into the street in what they said was an effort to hold a "free, democratic meeting."

By mid-afternoon teachers attempted to continue classes, but they had only a 50-per-cent attendance.

Chief gripe of the students was the action of Principal W. T. Graham in halting speeches at an election campaign meeting last night. He stopped the speeches when the campaign threatened to develop into a full-fledged vaudeville show.

The demonstration today, punctuated by demands for the principal's resignation, was followed by an unscheduled assembly in the school at which Principal Graham told the students their outdoor meeting was "illegal."

The principal said he would be willing to meet a delegation and see what they want.

Ron Biederman, 18, fourth-form student said:

"We've been suppressed by our teachers. We feel the Student Council should represent the pupils, not the teachers. Since the arrival of Mr. Graham three years ago the trend has been towards suppression of democratic freedom."

The Student Council elections, scheduled for today, were postponed a week.

Explaining last night's action, Mr. Graham said all he tried to do was keep the campaign within the bounds of good taste.

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Maltese gunners ashore and the ships of the flag-bedecked fleet fired a 21-gun royal salute. It was a half-holiday in this British Mediterranean naval base.

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