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MOLOTOV PROPOSES EUROPEAN PACT TO CANCEL NATO

Mayor Stewart Re-elected In Civic Contest Yesterday

Mayor J. David Stewart was re-elected for another term when he won from former Councillor M. Alban Farmer by a majority of over 200 votes. Three newcomers to the Council were elected and five members of the last Council were re-elected. There will also be two newcomers on the Board of Sewers and Water Commissioners.

Trailing badly in Wards 1 and 2, Mayor Stewart led slightly in Ward 3 and then piled up a big advantage in Wards 4 and 5. He first became Mayor to fill the unexpired term of former Mayor B. Earle MacDonald when the latter was elected to the Provincial Legislature in 1951. In February 1952 the new Councillors are: Ward 1, Arthur Gormley; re-elected; Ward 2, A. Waltham Gaudet; Ward 3, George J. Rogers; Ward 4, Elmer MacDonald and George R. Keefe, both re-elected; and 5, Edwin C. Johnstone and Pleton McCormac, both re-elected, and F. Gordon Hutcheson.

Senate Approves Boost In Pay

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Senate today approved the principle of doubling parliamentary indemnities to \$8,000 from \$4,000. The bill received second reading without objection being raised to the pay increase.

In addition to the \$4,000 indemnity now paid to Senators and members of the Commons, a \$2,000 expenses allowance is provided. The allowance is non-taxable for members of the Commons but Senators pay tax. The bill must receive third reading and royal assent before becoming law.

Forms New Italian Gov't

ROME, (Reuters)—Mario Scelba, strong man architect of Italy's tough post-war police force, took over the precarious post of premier Wednesday at the head of a three-party cabinet.

Scelba, 52, the second Christian Democratic leader to try to form a government in the last month, was sworn in after Christian Democrats, Social Democrats and liberals joined forces to insure him a thin majority in Parliament.

Hopeful For Speedy Recovery Of The Pope

ROME, (Reuters)—The Vatican press office said Wednesday that the improvement in the condition of the Pope gives good hope for his speedy general recovery.

The pontiff rested well Tuesday night and was able to take "progressively more food" Wednesday, the press office statement added.

The Pope, who will be 78 in three weeks, has been suffering from a stomach disturbance and a generally weakened condition for the last 16 days. After a brief period of feeding by injections, he now is back on a semi-liquid diet.

Canadian Prime Minister Welcomed To Germany

By WILLIAM STEWART
Canadian Press Staff Writer

BONN, (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent, welcomed to West Germany Wednesday said he hopes a way will be found to bring the Bonn government into a defence system strong enough to deter aggression.

The Canadian leader arrived here from Paris on his 23,000-mile goodwill trip around the world.

Bonn was the third major stop since his RCAF C-54 plane left Ottawa six days ago. Today he will inspect the Canadian Infantry Brigade stationed at Soest.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and most of his cabinet were at Wann airport to greet the Canadian statesman, who then went to lunch with President Theodor Heuss.

At night the Prime Minister was guest of honor at a state dinner given by Chancellor Adenauer.

Asked at a press conference whether he favors the European Defence Community as the method of international defence co-operation, St. Laurent said he hesitated to express views on the way that the democratic statesmen of Western Europe should conduct their affairs.

He pledged Canada to a sincere effort to contribute to the common aim of achieving world peace. The sole aim of his world tour was to make "a visible demonstration that we realize the value of good relations with other countries."

He hoped his visit to Bonn, returning the visit to Ottawa by Chancellor Adenauer last spring, would bring a new chapter in German-Canadian relations.

Prime Minister St. Laurent expressed appreciation for the way the German people had welcomed the Canadian Brigade and later he said he hoped the Canadians had behaved as he had been told they behaved.

Coming Events

- **Dance in Millview Hall, Friday.
- **Card Game in Mayfield Hall, Friday night.
- **Feed wheat now \$3.20 per hundredweight, McGuigan and Boyle.
- **Jamboree, West Royalty Hall, Thursday, February 11th, 8.30. Admission 50c and 25c.
- **Come to Dance in Fortune Bridge Hall, Friday, February 12th, Dancing 9 to 1.
- **Jamboree at Long Creek, Friday, Sponsored by Women's Institute. Sale of sandwiches.
- **Show, Morell Hall, Friday, "I Believe in You." Don't miss this picture.
- **Valentine Dance, Morell Memorial Hall, Monday 15th. Burns orchestra.
- **Hockey at North River rink tonight. Parkdale Bombers vs. Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs. Game time 8:30, skate after.
- **We will not be doing any custom grinding on Thursday, Friday or Saturday as our mill will be under repairs. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- **Valentine Party, showing of films, and box social, Dunstaffnage School, February 13 at 8:00. Sponsored by Central Young People's Union. No admission. Everybody welcome.

New City Council & Water Commission



Mayor J. D. Stewart Re-elected



J. Arthur Gormley Ward 1 Elected by Acclamation



A. W. Gaudet Elected, Ward 2



George J. Rogers Elected, Ward 3



D. Elmer MacDonald Re-elected, Ward 4



George R. Keefe Re-elected, Ward 4



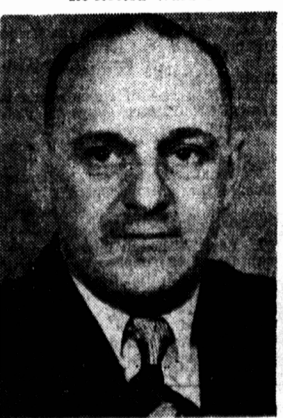
P. R. McCormac Re-elected Ward 5



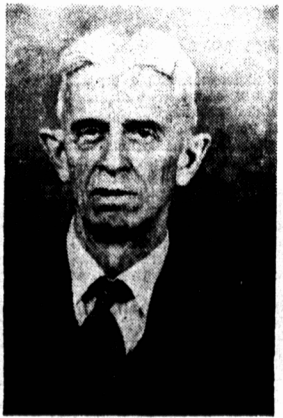
Edwin C. Johnstone Re-elected, Ward 5



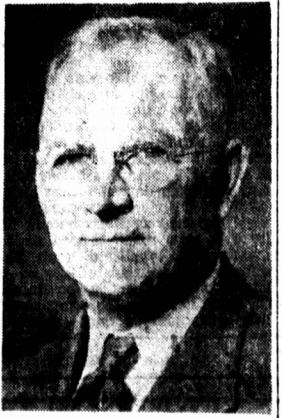
F. Gordon Hutcheson Elected, Ward 5



H. Roy Bevan Re-elected, Water Commissioner



E. E. Clawson Elected, Water Commissioner



W. I. MacKenna Elected, Water Commissioner

Will Ask Commission To Probe Reds In Canada

OTTAWA, (CP)—John Blackmore (SC-Lethbridge) today announced he will ask the Commons to set up a royal commission on the origin of the "frightful Red menace" in Canada.

The Social Creditor, who previously called for a parliamentary committee to identify Communists in Canada, charged in a proposed new Commons resolution that the Red menace is basically a "Mongolian-Turkish-Red conspiracy."

He has documentary proof, he said, that from its beginning, this conspiracy is "aimed aggressively at actual physical invasion, conquest and enslavement of America."

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Pensions Payments

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Canadian government paid \$1,800,211,719 in pensions to service veterans up to the end of January, the veterans department told A. M. Nicholson (CCF-MacKenzie) in the Commons Wednesday.

Payments were:

Northwest rebellion, \$617,011; South African war, \$360,117; First World War, \$1,419,681,470; Second World War, \$458,625,407; Korean force, \$786,241; Newfoundland special awards, \$141,471.

Gets Prompt Rejection From France, Britain

(By Daniel De Luce)
BERLIN, (AP)—Soviet Russia Wednesday offered Europe a 50-year collective security pact in return for expelling American forces from the Continent and shattering the Western alliance. Britain and France promptly turned it down.

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov proposed to the Berlin conference the sponsoring of an all-European military bloc of 32 nations with the United States excluded.

French Foreign Minister Bidault condemned the Russian scheme for "aiming not only to neutralize Germany but all Western Europe."

British Foreign Secretary Eden declared: "This proposal appears in essence designed to break up NATO and keep the United States and its forces out of Europe."

NATO is the foundation of British policy. We maintain that NATO threatens no one and we cannot give it up."

U. S. Secretary of State Dulles attacked Russian good faith and warned that the Kremlin's paper promises had not saved free nations in recent history from Soviet absorption.

Exposed To Attack

Molotov proposed a united Europe with a 32-nation mutual assistance and non-aggression treaty as its foundation. The pact would outlaw the 14-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization, kill the European Army project, which would include West German troops and "neutralize" Germany.

Accusing Molotov of seeking to "leave West Germany and consequently much of Western Europe exposed to any threat of external aggression," Dulles said:

"For the third time in this century, we have sent forces back to Europe. The reason was that there were many in

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News In Brief

SYDNEY, Australia, (Reuters)—Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh returned here by plane Wednesday night after a strenuous two-day tour of up-state New South Wales.

HANOI, Indo-China, (AP)—Advance rebel guards pressed within six miles and sight of Luangprabang's golden-roofed palace and pagodas Wednesday night, but the defenders expressed confidence they could throw back any Communist-led Vietminh assault on Laos' royal capital.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The United States Senate passed and sent to the House of Representatives Wednesday a bill authorizing appropriation of up to \$3,000,000 for a survey of the economic feasibility of a project to harness the tideswaters of Passamaquoddy Bay to produce hydroelectric power.

OTTAWA, (CP)—Two delegations came to Parliament Hill Wednesday looking for action on unemployment. A third is due today. The government promised Wednesday's groups no departures from current policy, and Acting Prime Minister Howe told one delegation the administration thinks 1954 will turn out to be "a very good year" generally for Canada.

Utilities Commission Award In Telephone Employees Case

A wage increase of 7 1/2 percent, retroactive to July 1, 1953, recommended by an arbitration board to be paid to telephone craft employees comprising Union Local No. 1811 in this Province, has been confirmed by the Public Utilities Commission in a lengthy decision released yesterday. The increase is made applicable to all employees of the Island Telephone Company.

The Commission, however, reversed the finding of the arbitrators for a 40-hour working week for telephone employees and ordered this recommendation to be deleted from the award.

The Commission noted that in relation to other wages paid by the Telephone Company, the wages of telephone operators represented by Union Local No. 1812 appeared to be "somewhat low." It ordered a careful study of this question to be made, and, if an inequality was found, that an increase be made accordingly.

Other recommendations of the arbitrators, including minimum pay for overtime periods, which were not in dispute before the

Canada's View Influenced U.K. Choice Of New Rifle

By Arch MacKenzie
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, (CP)—Canada's attitude to the controversial Belgian rifle was a "cardinal consideration" in the British government's decision to re-equip its army with that model rather than a British type.

This emerges from the welter of words in Britain's "great rifle debate," the sharpest of the year in the House of Commons. Labor, stung by the apparent jettisoning of a home product which had received high praise previously from the Conservative government, failed in an attempt to lose the government.

Stating the government's position, War Minister Anthony Head said that key factors involved were Canada's refusal to accept the British weapon, rejected by the United States, and Canada's plans to manufacture the Belgian weapon if the rifle passed tests.

"The point is that Canada has stated that for her government to manufacture a rifle which has been turned down by the United States ... would be a course which they could not accept," said Head.

Production Question

His other point was this: "I maintain that in any future war a government which felt happy about having the whole of their rifle production in this country would lack vision."

Canada's decision to manufacture the Belgian rifle under license tests permitting "a cardinal consideration in this matter," he added, citing the case of a bomb hit on a Birmingham small arms plant during the Second World War. This, he said, had jeopardized British rifle production for a time.

Woodrow Wyatt, financial sec-

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Gov't Worried By Rhee's Threat To Re-open War

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Canadian Government is worried about Syngman Rhee's new threat to re-open the Korean war.

The South Korean president was reported Wednesday as saying that he is determined to invade North Korea, drive out the Chinese Communists and unify the country. Rhee added: "I am not bluffing."

Accusing Molotov of seeking to "leave West Germany and consequently much of Western Europe exposed to any threat of external aggression," Dulles said:

"For the third time in this century, we have sent forces back to Europe. The reason was that there were many in

way to keep Rhee from making these inflammatory statements," one informant said.

Nobody could be sure whether he means to carry out his threat—or not carry it out despite his "no-bluffing" statement.

Last year, Rhee suddenly ordered the release of thousands of anti-Communist prisoners guarded by South Koreans when the armistice negotiations were at the critical stage. As a partial result, the negotiations dragged on longer until a truce was finally reached July 27.

Rhee, according to the view here, is continuing to keep the UN on tenterhooks, and at a time when talks aimed at convening a Korean political conference are still deadlocked.

Headed Canadian Delegation At Washington, D.C.

OTTAWA, Feb. 10—(Special)—J. Watson MacNaught, Liberal member for Prince and parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Sinclair, returned to Ottawa and his seat in the House of Commons today after a 10-day trip to Washington, D.C., New York and Boston.

At Washington Mr. MacNaught headed the Canadian delegation to the international North Pacific Fisheries Committee. Included in the delegation were Stewart Bates, Deputy Minister of Fisheries, prominent figures of the British Columbia fishing industry and scientific advisers. Three countries involved in the North Pacific Fisheries Committee are Canada, the United States and Japan.

Under Mr. MacNaught's direction



MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	25b	—
Vancouver	30	44
Victoria	35	43
Edmonton	11	14
Calgary	15	18
Regina	21	21
Winnipeg	4	11
Toronto	28	41
Ottawa	9	19
Montreal	13	21
Quebec	13	20
Saint John	17	24
Moncton	14	23
Halifax	24	29
Charlottetown	20	24
Sydney	22	24
Yarmouth	22	29
St. John's	32	33

HALIFAX, (CP)—The Dominion Public Weather Office here says a disturbance moving southeastward from New England is expected to pass south of Nova Scotia Thursday. It is very weak and only scattered snowflurries are forecast.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties, lower St. John River valley: Cloudy; snowflurries. Little temperature change; light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown, Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John 15 and 20.

Upper St. John river valley, Bay of Chaleur: Variable cloudiness with a few light snowflurries. Little temperature change; light winds. Low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton zero and 10.

Bay of Fundy: Light winds increasing in scattered to north 13; cloudy with scattered snowflurries; visibility 10 miles lowering in change to two miles. Not much change in temperature.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 4:52 a. m. and 4:10 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:30 a. m. and sets at 3:35 p. m.

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