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### Doukhorob Radicals Stage Fire-Raid In B. C.

#### Cold Weather Causes Heavy Loss To U. S. Fruit Growing Areas

#### Bradley Says U. S. May Revise Defence Plans

CHICAGO, April 14 (AP) — Gen. Omar Bradley said today the United States may have to drop its theory of a balanced army, navy and air force to meet the defence needs of the North Atlantic area.

The chairman of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff indicated that the army might come off third best under such an arrangement. He also observed that by placing American defence plans second to those of the whole western world "a small bit of sovereignty is relinquished."

It would be well worth while, he said.

In an address prepared for the Executive Club, the former chief of staff of the army reviewed the accomplishments of the recent Hague conference of Atlantic Pact defence chiefs.

A spokesman for a small nation, Bradley said, first raised the question of sovereignty, and thus made "the most significant suggestion" of the conference. He didn't identify the nation.

Bradley said the suggestion involved the possibility of a central body within the framework of the Atlantic Treaty, to call signals on (Continued on Page 5 Col. 7)

#### Tells Women To Ignore Tired Feeling

WINNIPEG, April 14 (CP) — "If you have that tired feeling, just ignore it," says Mildred McMurray, legal consultant of provincial welfare services — and "graciously and gracefully sail on."

"You need to cuddle or give in to fatigue," she told a women's meeting. "You not only have a second wind, but a third, fourth and fifth wind."

Most of the tiredness in the world was caused by a desire to escape from unpleasant tasks and situations, not by overwork, she said.

#### Coming Events

- \*\*Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- \*\*Buying pigs Monday at Fredericton. Knud Jorgensen.
- \*\*Dance, Forest Hill Hall, Monday, April 17th. Turner's Orchestra.
- \*\*Farmers now booking Clover Seeds. Rush order. McCulligan & Boyle.
- \*\*Rummage Sale at Christian Church Schoolroom, Saturday, April 15th, 3 P. M.
- \*\*Pantry Sale Moore & McLeod second floor, April 15th, 3 P. M. Gleaner Group Trinity Church.
- \*\*Rummage Sale tonight. Market Building, 7:30 P. M. Sunshine Group Trinity Church.
- \*\*Dance every Tuesday night in St. Peter's Legion Hall. Cliff Peters Orchestra.
- \*\*Crescent Hall, Monday evening, 8 P. M. Community Film night. Everyone welcome.
- \*\*Order your Seeds from your Shur-Gain Feed Mill at Mt. Herbert.
- \*\*Rummage sale by P. E. I. Hospital Nurses Alumnae at Mansy Harris Building, Saturday, April 22nd at 6 p. m.
- \*\*Reserve Wednesday, April 26th for Afternoon Tea and Sale of Lacy articles, St. Peter's Cathedral Hall, 3:30 P. M. Admission 50 cents.
- \*\*Special Meeting of Shareholders of Cherry Valley Grain Clearing Plant in the Fall, Saturday, 7 P. M., April 16th. Full attendance requested.
- \*\*Don't miss the grand technical feature playing at MacDonal Bros. Theatre tonight. It's "Larry Parks" and Rita Hayworth in "Down To Earth."
- \*\*Come to the Pantry Sale at S. A. MacDonald's on Saturday afternoon, April 16th, at 2:30 P. M. Sponsored by the Gracia Club of Central Christian Church.

CHICAGO, April 14 (AP) — Power-mad spring is on one of her worst blinges of modern times in most of the United States.

She took a multi-million dollar swipe today at peach buds and strawberry blossoms, dumped snow on ball parks that just opened for the season and froze up earth that should be feeling the bite of the gardener's spade.

All-time records for cold this late in the spring tumbled in seven states — Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Alabama and New York. Spring fever gave way to spring shivers in the east, midwest and south.

The army and air force rushed weasels to North Dakota to reach families and cattle isolated by snow and ice.

Spring's Jekyll-and-Hyde antics sent the mercury plunging to zero in Bemidji, Minn., and to 10 above in the Pennsylvania mountain area. The freeze line dipped into South Carolina, Northern Georgia, Northern Alabama, Northern Arkansas and Kansas.

Peach Crops Hard Hit

The peach crops in Northern Georgia and the Carolinas were virtually written off as a \$16,000,000 complete loss.

Peach growers in Southern Illinois also suffered a loss.

The killing frost set back the Western Tennessee strawberry crop while earlier frosts damaged peaches and strawberries in Arkansas.

The cold wrecked the exhibition baseball schedule, only four days before the major league season opening.

Weather forecasters said "extremely cold weather" would hit the midwest and east again during the night. A gradual warm-up is expected in the midwest starting tomorrow.

The temperature slipped to a record 25.2 low in New York as a snowstorm swirled across the city. Other record lows: Youngstown, O., 11; Akron, O., 13 (and four inches of snow); Philadelphia 26.

In addition to cold, snow piling up one to eight inches in depth, pelted New England, upstate New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Weather forecasters, however, had a long-range note of cheer. The parade of Arctic blasts the last two months have been caused by a series of high pressure areas along the Canadian border. These send cold winds down from the north. Now they have given way to low pressure areas, giving promise of warm southern breezes.

#### CONTRACT AWARDED

SAINT JOHN, N.B., April 14 (CP) — A contract for construction of the Mill Street viaduct here was awarded today to Richard and B. A. Ryan, Ltd., Montreal, at a price of \$444,450. Mayor E. W. Patterson announced after Common Council meeting. Work is expected to start before May 1 and may be completed by next March. The viaduct will relieve a traffic bottleneck where tracks cross Mill Street at the railway station.

### Yank Troops Prepare For Demonstrations In Berlin

BERLIN, April 14 (Reuters) — Three hundred American soldiers acting as "Communists" brandish sticks and tin cans "invading" the American sector of Berlin today.

They swore and jeered at 1,000 American troops taking part in "riot manoeuvres" which are preparing American forces for expected demonstrations by Communist-led youths next month.

The stick-wavers were cast in the role of 20,000 Communist rioters supposed to have broken into the American sector.

But their invasion came to nothing. Squads of soldiers with fixed bayonets, supported by cavalry, armored cars and jeeps, drove them back across the imaginary boundary.

### Several Homes Burned By Sons Of Freedom

BRILLIANT, B.C., April 14 (CP) — The Sons of Freedom, Doukhobor radicals, were on the march today, staging a fire-raid which destroyed several houses here.

Police moved in fast as the hymn-singing Doukhobors milled around the scene of the first. Thirty-six of the men were herded into cars and taken to Nelson, 25 miles south for questioning. No charges have yet been laid.

The 40-year-old home of John J. Verigin, grandson of Peter (The Lordy) Verigin, spiritual leader of the orthodox Doukhobors who came from Russia at the turn of the century, was among the houses burned.

Police said Verigin, suave, university-educated secretary of the orthodox Doukhobors, was dragged from his bed after his housekeeper and her husband were seized.

Gasoline was sprinkled over the house and the torch applied as the raiders smashed windows to help spread the flames.

Soon, several smaller houses nearby were in flames, and all were destroyed. The occupants escaped injury.

As the flames took hold of the building, Verigin was released by the members of the raiding party who started to pray and chant.

The housekeeper eluded her captors shortly before 8 a.m., and sounded the alarm.

Police reported the men were members of the Sons of Freedom, held responsible for many acts of terrorism in the Kootenays in defiance of man-made laws.

The Verigin home, built by Peter the Lordy, who died in a train bomb blast in 1924, was regarded as a shrine by the orthodox members of the strange religious sect.

The raiders were men, mostly young. Unlike previous raids no women were present.

Peace has reigned in the strifetorn Kootenays, 250 miles east of Vancouver, since December when presence of a combined force of Federal-Provincial police halted a series of dynamite bombings of rail lines.

Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer is scheduled to leave for Ottawa tonight where a joint Federal-Provincial fact-finding commission's report on the Doukhobors is expected to be made public next week.

#### To Inspect Queen Charlotte April 20

OTTAWA, April 14 (CP) — Capt. Howard L. Quinn, director of naval reserves, will carry out his annual inspection of naval divisions in Quebec and the Maritimes later this month, naval headquarters announced today.

He will be accompanied by Cmdr. W. A. Childs, assistant director of naval reserves, and Cmdr. G. M. Waddell, deputy director of weapons and tactics.

The group will inspect H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte, Charlottetown, April 20; H.M.C.S. Brunswick, Saint John, April 26, and H.M.C.S. Scotian, Halifax, April 27.

The inspection party will visit Halifax from April 21 to 24 to discuss the forthcoming summer reserve training program at the east coast base.

held similar exercises on a smaller scale in the last few days.

Two rival demonstrations planned for May Day in Berlin will give Western authorities a chance to test security arrangements.

Anti-Communist Berliners are to meet in front of the Reichstag in the British sector, while pro-Communists are to march down Unter Den Linden in the Soviet sector, hardly more than 100 yards away.

East German youth leaders have indicated that there would be no organized attempts to create disturbances in Western Berlin.

"We do not dream of diminishing the powerful effect of our demonstration for peace by provoking clashes along the sector boundaries," Erich Honecker, East Berlin youth leader, said today in a special edition of the Junges Welt youth magazine.

### Sudden Death Last Night Of Lieut. Colonel Hooper

Prince Edward Island lost one of its best known citizens last evening in the sudden death, from a heart attack, of Lieut. Colonel J. Parker Hooper, M.C., of Charlottetown. He was sixty-two years of age.

A veteran of the First World War, with a notable career in athletics in his younger days and prominent for many years as a breeder of race horses and grower of certified seed potatoes, Colonel Hooper achieved success in many fields.

Last summer he suffered a heart attack and was confined to hospital for some time. From this illness he made an excellent recovery, and appeared to be enjoying good health up until the moment of his seizure last night, which occurred in his stable while he was paying his regular visit to his horses.

The late Colonel Hooper was born in Charlottetown Feb. 21, 1888, a son of the late Major and Mrs. D. Lemuel Hooper. He attended the public schools and showed early evidence of athletic ability. When about nineteen years of age he joined the Salvage Corps of the Charlottetown Fire Brigade, and that season took part in a number of athletic contests.

Held Maritime Records

By 1909 he had developed into a very fast sprinter and quarter-

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### Island Application Placed On Transport Bd. Agenda

An application for a hearing of the Prince Edward Island one-zone case has been placed on their agenda by the Board of Transport Commissioners, it was announced last night from the office of Rand H. Matheson, manager of the Maritime Board of Trade. Date and place of the hearing were not mentioned.

There was unofficial speculation however, that the hearing might be held this summer in Charlottetown.

The case involves an application by the Potato Promotion Committee to have this Province made one zone for freight rate purposes.

At present freight rates east of Charlottetown and west of Summerside are higher than they are in the Charlottetown-Summerside-Borden area.

Freight costs for a carload of potatoes or turnips from east of Charlottetown and west of Summerside can amount to as much as \$22 more than for a similar car from the central zone. It was said the increased charges from a small Province were puzzling to some buyers, particularly those in the United States.

In January 1949, the Potato Promotion Committee filed an application to ask for a hearing with the Maritime Transportation Commission, which in turn made formal application to the Board of Transport Commissioners. The factual material for the application was suggested at a special meeting of the Promotion Committee, headed then by the late Lt.-Col. C. C. Thompson. Later Col. Thompson, Mr. Rand H. Matheson and Mr. B. Graham Rogers put the information into a formal application.

#### Establish Standard For Hose Couplings

OTTAWA, April 14 (CP) — The Defence Department and the Canadian Standards Association today announced establishment of a national standard for 2½-inch fire-hose couplings and halted it as an historic step of great potential importance for Canada in any new war.

The possibility of enemy air raids on cities and industrial targets hovered in the background of what was described as fulfillment of "an objective of nearly 50 years' standing" by W. R. McCaffrey, general manager of the Standards Association.

The standard is not compulsory but both Mr. McCaffrey and Maj.-Gen. F. F. Worthington, co-ordinator of civil defence, called on cities and industrial firms to adopt it "in the interests of national economy and security."

It was recommended by a committee representing fire prevention authorities "on an extremely broad scale."

Its establishment is a move to relieve a situation in which fire departments use so many different types of hose couplings that emergencies frequently find co-operation between neighboring cities "complicated and often impossible."

If fully accepted, it would allow complete interchangeability, possibly extending well beyond neighboring cities in emergency.

#### BRITISH ARTIST DIES

LONDON, April 14 (AP) — Percy Wild, British artist who painted many portraits in the United States, died today. He was 80. He exhibited frequently in Royal Academy exhibitions and was best known for his Thames River studies.

### Seek Means To End Huge Gov't Losses

By EDWIN B. HANKINSON WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP) — A proposal for federal potato controls "so tough as to force compliance" today won the approval of an agriculture sub-committee in the United States Senate.

Senator Allen Ellender (Dem. La.), chairman, said the group recommended tight controls over both planting and marketing of potatoes in an effort to end multi-million dollar Government losses through potato price supports.

"We made the penalties as stiff as possible," he told a reporter. "The idea is to force compliance or penalize excess production and planting so much the growers will take part in the future."

#### Reject Brannan Plan

The sub-committee rejected a proposed "trial run" of the Brannan Plan on potatoes. That plan, sponsored by Agriculture Secretary Charles Brannan, calls for the payment of Government subsidies to growers of perishables who cannot get a "fair return" for their crop on the market. President Truman has endorsed the principle repeatedly mentioning it in connection with potatoes at his press conference Thursday.

Instead, Ellender said the group followed the general pattern of Federal controls now used on cotton and tobacco "except the penalties are larger and unlike cotton and tobacco, surplus potatoes cannot be stored from year to year to fill later quotas."

#### Ask Early Decision

The measure now goes to the full agriculture committee with Ellender asking a decision next Tuesday.

Unless Congress approves a new system of potato controls — and growers accept them by a two-thirds vote — existing Government price support on potatoes will end with this year's crop.

This cutoff was tacked on a cotton and peanut bill recently signed by President Truman after sharp Congressional protests that the potato price props had cost nearly \$500,000,000 since the war.

Potatoes now are supported at 60 per cent of parity, a price computed to give farm products a fair exchange value.

Penalties under the new controls would amount to 75 per cent of the parity price.

A potato grower would be expected to pay the penalty on his (Continued on page 15, Col. 4)

### Truman Grants Full Pardon To Mayor Curley

By Roger D. Greene WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP) — President Truman disclosed today he has granted a full pardon to Boston's former mayor, James M. Curley, for two Federal felonies, involving mail fraud in 1942 and impersonation in 1943.

The 75-year-old Curley had already served his time for both felonies—a total of seven months in prison—and the pardon was regarded as chiefly a gesture to followers of the long-time stormy petrel of Massachusetts politics.

Curley sailed from New York today on a holy year pilgrimage to Rome.

Reached by ship-to-shore telephone after sailing, Curley's son, George, told the Associated Press his father was "deeply grateful to the president."

Young Curley said word of the pardon reached the veteran Democratic politico before he boarded the liner Italia.

One of the last of the old-style big city bosses, Curley was four times Mayor of Boston, three times elected to the House in Congress, and once Democratic Governor of Massachusetts.

The Justice Department said the pardon covered both the mail fraud case and Curley's conviction in 1903 of impersonating a friend, as a favor, in a United States Civil Service examination.

In the mail fraud case, Curley was accused of conspiring with two co-defendants to cheat clients of \$80,000 through a series of "fantastic lies" promising to get Federal war contracts for them.

Defense lawyers claimed that Curley never got "a red cent" from the scheme, but the Government contended he received \$3,500 as president of the firm, known as Engineers Group, Incorporated.

Curley, Smith and the third member of the group, James G. Fuller, were all convicted Jan. 18, 1946, and Curley was sentenced to six to 18 months in prison.

### Gen. Plastiras To Form Greek Gov't

ATHENS, Greece, April 14 (AP) — Gen. Nicholas Plastiras, a white-haired old soldier once called the Black Rider, became premier designate today in a shakeup which some observers said was due to United States pressure for Greek reforms.

He got the mandate from King Paul I, royal son of the man Plastiras and others forced from the Greek throne in the 1922 revolution—King Constantine. He was premier briefly once before, in 1946.

With a reputation of being both anti-royalist and a leftist, Plastiras will head the 12th government to be formed in this country of many political hues since the Second World War.

It is expected to be a broad coalition based on his own mildly leftist party, the National Progressive Union.

Says No Excuse For Mercy Killings

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STAKE DIAMOND CLAIMS

VAL D'OR, Que., April 14 (CP) — Twenty-eight claims covering 2,000 acres have been staked in Vassan township, 15 miles north of here, in the hope that there may be diamonds there.

The staking has been done by James Bay Diamond Syndicate, headed by Norman Vincent, Toronto mining promoter.

Famous Dancer Buried In Quiet English Cemetery

LONDON, April 14 (Reuters) — Vaslav Nijinsky, genius of the dance, was buried here today with other immortals of world ballet as his mourners.

Dry-eyed, round his small coffin, were grouped the elect of Nijinsky's own golden age of ballet—among them Madame Karsavina and Madame Sokolova, who once shared his glittering triumphs.

From all parts they had come to pay final homage to the legendary figure who suffered a tragic mental breakdown more than 30 years ago.

Nijinsky's last "curtain"—a funeral service at London's famous St. James' Roman Catholic Church, Spanish Place—was redolent of the atmosphere of theatre he knew so well.

The light unvarnished oak coffin reflected his own hatred of the dark and funeral.

The sheet of blazing red roses from his wife, Romola Nijinsky, mutely recalled what he regarded as his greatest ballet creation—"The Spectre of the Rose."

The music at the requiem mass was from his favorite composer—Mozart.

The greatest company of ballet celebrities ever assembled since the days of the old Imperial Russian Ballet stood in silence beside the master.

They represented ballet from the time of Nijinsky's great triumphs with the Diaghileff Company to the present day—among them Lydia Kyaht, Serge Lifar, representing the French Opera, Fernand Dolin, and Marie Rambert.

Afterwards, the little coffin—for he was a small man—was borne from the church on the shoulders of Lifar, Dolin, Frederick Ashton and Michael Somes of the Sadlers Wells Ballet, Chrl Beaumont, historian of ballet, and Richard Buckle, Ballet Magazine editor.

The widow, escorted by Karsavina and Sokolova, followed behind.

### Saint Dunstan's Scholar Acclaimed As Translator Of Thomistic Philosophy



Rev. Dr. J. P. E. O'Hanley

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### Notable Achievement

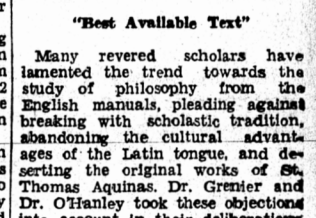
Dr. O'Hanley's achievement in producing the official English translation of Dr. Grenier's three-volume work of some fifteen hundred pages, is regarded as the biggest and most important work of translation ever done in Canada. The "excellent rendition in English of the original work... couched in language that is both precise and idiomatic," as Dr. Grenier describes it, was completed in less than two and a half years, although the translator was at the same time, engaged in his regular duties as Professor of Latin and counsellor of student activities at St. Dunstan's, and in his regular priestly functions.

#### "Best Available Text"

Many revered scholars have lamented the trend towards the study of philosophy from the English manuals, pleading against breaking with scholastic tradition, abandoning the cultural advantages of the Latin tongue, and setting the original works of St. Thomas Aquinas, Dr. Grenier and Dr. O'Hanley took these objections into account in their deliberations.

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THE SELF MADE MAN NEVER APOLOGIZES FOR THE JOB!



MINIMUM and maximum temperatures: Victoria 42, 52; Edmonton 34, 55; Regina 25, 40; Winnipeg 16, 36; Toronto 21, 42; Ottawa 23, 43; Montreal 32, 45; Quebec 29, 44; Saint John 30, 47; Moncton 26, 40; Halifax 31, 41; Charlottetown 27, 38; Sydney 26, 31; Yarmouth 21, 43; St. John's 29, 41.

HALIFAX, April 14 (CP) — Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office here tonight.

Synopses: Cloudiness is variable in the Maritimes and Eastern Quebec, while there is light snow in Prince Edward Island and Eastern Nova Scotia.

Northerly winds will continue to blow over the district on Saturday, so there will not be much change in the weather. The air will become gradually drier, however, so that Sunday is expected to be sunny.

Regional forecasts, valid until midnight Saturday, with an outlook for Sunday:

Prince Edward Island—Variable cloudiness with widely scattered snowflurries Saturday. Little change in temperature. Northerly winds 15. Low early Saturday morning and high in the afternoon at Charlottetown 26 and 36. Outlook for Sunday—Sunny.

High tide today at 9:51 A. M. and 10:09 P. M. Sun rises at 5:30 and sets at 6:57 P. M. Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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