

# Strange Pattern Of Peace Formed In Postwar Decade

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"From Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic, an iron curtain has descended."  
The time was March 5, 1946. The speaker, Winston Churchill. The place, a small Missouri town. There the old war leader—out of office but with the cloak of honor still around him—first put in spoken words the pattern of the peace.

The litter of the Second World War remained to be cleaned up. Later that year 10 men would die on a Nuremberg scaffold in a grisly climax to their crime against humanity. A year or two would pass before the term Iron Curtain came into common language, the label for a fearsome political idea cutting off a giant slice of world geography.

But the design was formed. The basic story of the last 10 years is the story of a world divided.

**STILL UNSETTLED**  
Late in that year of 1946 a Big Four conference at Paris broke up with Germany's future still unsettled. People were still unopposed against hope. In March of 1947 while the foreign ministers met at Moscow, Ernest Bevin could say that four-power unity was stronger than ever. But that conference also ended in disagreement. Russia held aloof that summer from the Geneva meeting designed to get world trade moving, and from the Marshall plan to rebuild Europe.

**NATO EMERGES**  
That summer, too, the United States began to talk about expanding its defence. Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and out of that emerged in 1949 the North Atlantic treaty alliance, the grouping that remains the strongest bulwark of the West.

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tioning of a country still in ferment. That year marked completion of the pendulum's swing in Germany. Rearmament of the Bonn Republic, as a partner in Western defence, was arranged and approved—by nations which nine years before had sought a formula to keep guns out of German hands.

The decade ended on a puzzling note. Friendliness, or so it seemed, among the heads of state who met at Geneva in July. But scant agreement among the ministers who met in November to work out something practical. Smiles in the parlor, but no soft words in the workshop out back.

**FERMENT IN THE EAST**  
The holding of a balance on the main line of cleavage was complicated—and its issues sometimes obscured—by almost continual disturbance elsewhere, mainly along the so-called lifeline of empire.

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murder trial, and a tornado that ripped through Windsor, Ont., and killed 17.

In 1947 the "dollar-saving" program injected a touch of austerity into Canadian life. Canon J. H. began her world-wide skating tripe Turner was rescued from a Baffin Island outpost. Barbara Ann Scott won the gold.

Mackenzie King retired in 1948 and turned the prime ministership over to Louis St. Laurent. George Drew was chosen leader of the Progressive Conservatives, Newfoundland voted to join Canada, and a commission studied living costs.

The Noronic fire in which 119 died, and the murderous Sault au Cochon plane-explosion for which three were hanged, were spectacular Canadian breaks of 1949. November sessions of Parliament were lived over by disclosure that a combined report on flour-milling had been withheld from the public for 10 months.

Floods beleaguered Winnipeg for a spring month in 1950, the country was partly paralyzed by a railway strike in August, and on July 22 Mackenzie King died. On June 1, 1951, the Masse report was published. Also in June, 35 died in the Hospice St. Cunegonde fire. Canada announced in September she would build the St. Lawrence seaway alone if necessary, and in October Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh toured the country.

**NATIVE GOVERNOR-GENERAL**  
Canada's first native governor-general took office in 1952. The Boyd gang terrorized Toronto and went to the scaffold and the penitentiary, and the dollar rose above U.S. currency for the first time in 14 years. Social Credit won B.C. and Conservatives upset Liberals in New Brunswick.

Gouzenko was back in the news in 1953 in a Canada-U.S. controversy over a Washington committee's wish to question him; they finally did. Three Pennsylvania bear-hunters were killed in Gaspe in July in a case still before the courts. The St. Laurent government was returned to power.

The name Marilyn Bell came into the news in 1954 when the teenager swam Lake Ontario. An air force plane and an airliner collided over Moose Jaw and 37 died. A sad chapter was written in the great human-interest story of the Dionne quintuplets when Emilie died in August. Edmonton won the Grey Cup in an upset victory and shovels started on the seaway.

Vancouver's police scandal took the headlines in 1955, along with Montreal's Richard and tram-fare riots; and a 10-day filibuster forced amendment of the government's Emergency Powers Act. A snow-slide killed seven on a Banff mountain, Marilyn Bell swam the English channel, and Edmonton kept on the Grey Cup.

All this against a background, particularly early in the decade, of Britain's struggle to survive as a trading nation. Devaluation of the pound was one of 1949's big Harry S. Truman's election in the face of the U.S. presidency, in the face of forecasts of defeat, surprised the world. In 1950 came the attempt by Puerto Rican fanatics to kill the Flying Enterprise, for 14 days; and in 1953 to the exploit of a New Zealand bee-keeper who scaled Mount Everest. Illness of Pope Pius XII touched millions of hearts in 1954, and in the year just closed the Western world watched anxiously the health of President Eisenhower.

That was the year in which Peron fell in Argentina. Churchill finally stepped down, and Princess Margaret decided not to marry Peter Townsend.

**CANADIAN SCENE**  
Aspects of the Soviet-Western conflict touched Canada early when in 1946 a Russian embassy clerk, Igor Gouzenko, turned up with evidence of an active spy ring. That was the year of an 81-day steel strike. The Evelyn Dick

not subject to tides, they are able to feed continuously, with the result that growth is twice as fast. Oysters now take about four years to mature, but Mr. Helgesen says he finds that under his system they mature in less than three years. Each March he imports 80 cases of Pacific oyster seed from Japan and sows it in his beds, using the rotating crop system. He plants six acres a year so that one bed is always ready to harvest.



### TYNE VALLEY

The many friends of Mr. Wilfred MacDougall regret his illness in the Prince County Hospital, and hope he will soon be able to return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph MacLean and family of Bedford, Nova Scotia, are spending the holiday season at the home of Mr. MacLean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan MacLean.

Mr. and Mrs. K. B. MacKay and family, Stanley Bridge, spent Christmas week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred MacDougall, Tyne Valley.

The many friends of Mr. Leemar Campbell are pleased to know he has recovered sufficiently to be able to return to his home after being a patient in the Prince County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Dymont and family, Semon Park, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Newcombe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kelvin MacLean and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Birch and family, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dymont.

The many friends of Mr. James Dymont are pleased to learn he is a patient in the Stewart Memorial Health Centre and hope he will soon be well again. Mr. Dymont will have reached the grand old age of ninety-four in February.

The patients and staff of the Stewart Memorial Health Centre, have enjoyed television during the Christmas season supplied by the kindness of Dr. Robinson.

Miss Helen Nisbet, who is employed in Ontario, spent her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Nisbet.

The United Ladies Aid met at the home of Miss Gertrude McNevin on Thursday evening, Dec. 29th.

Rev. and Mrs. Angus Macdonald, Norton New Brunswick, were visiting with friends in this vicinity during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan MacKay and daughter, Sandra, Hunter River, spent Christmas with friends in Tyne Valley.

Mrs. Hart Lidstone was a visitor to Port Elgin during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Margaret Glendenning has returned to her home in Port Elgin, after having spent the past month with her sister, Mrs. Hart Lidstone.

Mrs. Eileen Miller, teacher at Sherbrook, is spending her vacation at her home here.

The many friends of Mr. Aileen Yeo, regret his illness at his home and hope for a speedy recovery.

A splendid Christmas Concert was staged by the pupils of Tyne Valley School on Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd, under the leadership of the teachers, Mr. Donald MacLean and Mrs. Preston Grigg, B.E.

### PROMOTED

A Prince Edward Island R.C.A.F. officer Flight Lieutenant G. Bruce MacDonald, 30, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan MacDonald, 385 Cedar Ave., Summerside, was promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader, the Air Force announced in its New Year promotion list. Squadron Leader MacDonald, presently residing in Summerside where he holds the position of Assistant Deputy Judge Advocate in the Prairie Command Headquarters, was born in Alberton, he attended high school in Summerside from 1931 to 1941 and during the war saw service with the RCNVR in the Atlantic and Pacific. He later returned to Summerside where he obtained his senior matriculation in 1946. He took pre-law studies at Acadia University for the following two years and from 1948 to 1951 studied at Dalhousie University where he obtained his Bachelor of Law degree. In January, 1951, he enlisted in the R.C.A.F. at Halifax and was employed in the office of the Judge Advocate General at Air Force Headquarters in Ottawa. In December the following year he proceeded to Japan and Korea with the 25 Canadian Infantry Brigade, acting as prosecuting counsel, acting as prosecuting counsel, he returned to Canada the following December and in March, 1954, assumed his present position in Summerside. Squadron Leader MacDonald is married to the former Mildred A. Lowther, of Carleton Place, P.E.I., the couple has three children, John Allison, 8, Robert Boyd, 6, and Alan Bruce, 4.

### WELLINGTON

#### SAFETY SUGGESTION

GUYSBOROUGH, N. S. (CP)—Splitting the deer season into two periods — one for bucks and one for does — is suggested by the local fish and game association. Hunters say the scheme would make hunters look for antlers or check their absence, and the act of identification would ensure the hunter was firing at a deer, not another hunter.

#### STILL WAITING

HALIFAX (CP)—The post office here says 15,000 pieces of Christmas mail will never be delivered. That's the total of incorrect or insufficiently addressed mail last Christmas.

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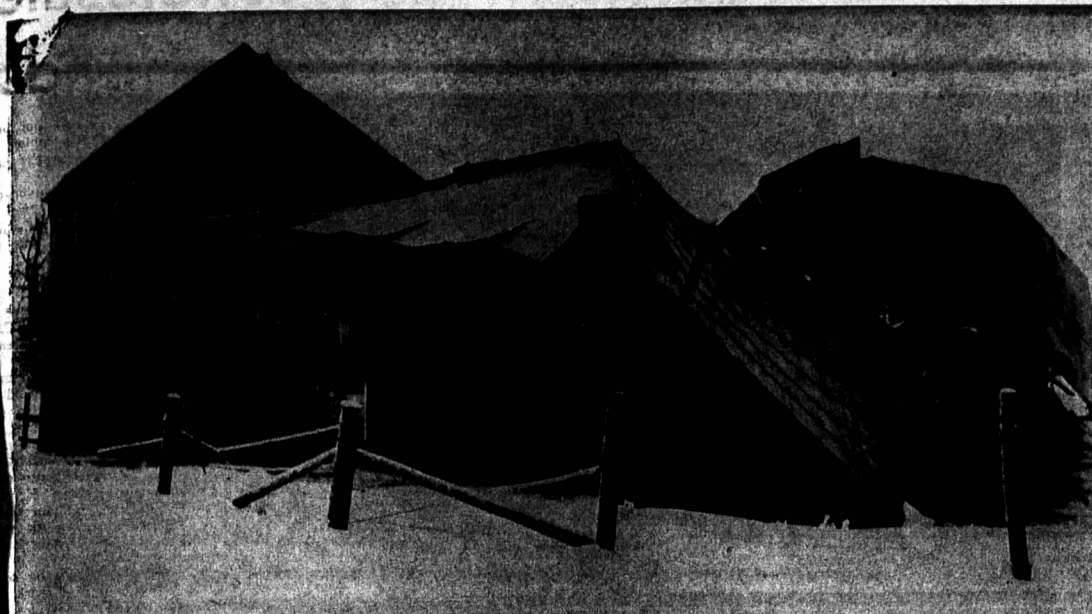
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### THE HUMAN JUNGLE

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### BARN AT ALBERTON REPORTED TOTAL LOSS

This barn at Alberton, 35 by 100 feet, owned by Eric Corbett of Summerside went down Saturday night under the combined force of ice and wind. It is reported a total loss. Photo by Weeks.



### ALBERTON STREET AFTER THE ICE DID ITS WORK

This street at Alberton, near the Princess Pat Theatre shows power poles with the tops broken off and all wires and transformers on the ground. Most telephone wires across the street are also down and the ornamental trees are broken wrecks.

### The Western Guardian

**LEAVING FOR OTTAWA**—Mr. and Mrs. J. Watson MacNaught are leaving this morning for Ottawa. On arrival Mr. MacNaught will resume his parliamentary duties and while in Ottawa Mr. and Mrs. MacNaught will be in residence at the Chateau Laurier. S.

**ENGAGEMENT**—Mr. and Mrs. Austin Noonan wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley Marion to Mr. Donald Somers, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Somers, Summerside, marriage to take place in the near future.

**HOSPITAL OPERATING**—It was announced yesterday by the Board of Trustees that during the present conditions the Stewart Memorial Health Centre at Tyne Valley is functioning normally with the aid of its Auxiliary Electrical Unit.

**SOUTH FREETOWN MISSION BAND**  
The Faithful workers Mission Band of Freetown United Church met for their Annual meeting December 27th, at the home of Garth and Claudia Drummond. In absence of President Verden Reeves, the Vice-President Gail Drummond presided.

The Christmas worship service with lighted candles on each side of the Manger. Scene opened with a prayer the Story of Jesus' birth taken from Luke 2; was read by Thane Drummond. An impressive part of this service was a candle lighting exercise with Ian Drummond, Gail Drummond, Wesley Beffel, Irwin Drummond, Garth and Claudia Drummond as candle bearers.

Jesus' Birth scene was sung. Prayer was by Gail Drummond, followed by repeating in unison the Mission Band Purpose. A reading entitled "A Candle in the Window" by Irwin Drummond and "The Missing Guest" by Gail and Claudia Drummond followed by "Away in the Manger."

Mrs. Drummond told the story "Surprise at Christmas" taken from study book "Chand of India" Prayer by Garth Drummond followed by Lord's prayer in unison brought this part of meeting to a close. Business period, roll call was responded to with a Christmas verse. Offering was taken and dedicated. Claudia Drummond was appointed recording Secretary this being the only change in officers this year.

A vote of thanks was extended to the hostess by Gail Drummond followed by Irwin Drummond the meeting closed with Band Benediction. A social hour was spent with contest and games. Lunch was served by Mrs. Fred Drummond, assisted by her daughter Claudia.

### REGULAR THURSDAY

night dance Canadian Legion Home, Kensington. Music by Erwin Deligan and Sunshine Boys. Admission 50 cents.

**ELEANOR'S STUDIO** having heat and lights but without telephone will be glad to accommodate short notice without appointment. Mrs. Lois E. Cousp-Frop.

**FUNERAL SATURDAY**—The funeral of the late Mrs. Clovis Gaudet was held Saturday morning from her late residence, Egmont Bay, to St. Jacques Church where Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Gallant assisted by Rev. Father Poirier as deacon and Rev. Father Richard as sub-deacon. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. M. Arsenault, Gerald Arsenault, Louis Arsenault, Victor Arsenault, Louis Gallant and Joseph Gallant. Interment was in the church cemetery.

### AIDED IN SURVEY

In reporting the list of Summerside Service Clubs which conducted the house-to-house survey for the Shelter Committee of the Summerside Red Cross Disaster Organization the Summerside Lions Club was regrettably omitted from the list which appeared in yesterday's issue of the Guardian. Members of the Summerside Lions Club, along with members of the other Service Clubs, and the Canadian Legion, have been active in every way possible in the work of assisting the Disaster Committee.

### FREELAND

The December meeting of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Arneold Smith.

Mr. Kenneth MacKay, Fredericton, N. B., spent the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry MacKay.

Allan and Merrill Palmer, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Palmer were home for the holidays at Christmas and have resumed work in Charlottetown.

Mr. Ernest Hardy, Charlottetown, spent Christmas week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Hardy.

The Freeland School presented its annual school concert in the Freeland Hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21st. In spite of bitter cold weather the concert was well attended and enjoyed by all. At the close of the entertainment Santa Claus made his appearance. His merry pranks were enjoyed by young and old. After Santa

### Attention Bowlers of Summerside

All bowling in the Town of Summerside has been cancelled for the St. Mary's Academy and the mixed leagues for this week.

Signed,  
MILT MOLLISON,  
GUS MacDONALD.

### Have Your Dry Cleaning Ready

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### BURLINGTON

Mrs. Lila Henderson and family, Margate, have as their guest for the holiday season, her son, Wallace of the Merchant Navy.

Mrs. Roy Reeves and her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Owen, Kensington, paid a recent visit to Bedouque where they were guests of Mrs. Reeves' mother, Mrs. Hugh Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Adams and family, Charlottetown, spent the Christmas weekend with Mrs. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reeves, Kensington.

O.S.E.M.S. Donald Cameron is visiting his mother, Mrs. Helen Cameron and family, Margate. Donald has been in the Navy for the past six months and will return to duty at Halifax on January 9.

Mr. Billy Fitzsimmons returned to Halifax on January 26 after spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Linus Fitzsimmons and family at Long River.

Miss Ethel Fitzsimmons, of Long River, is spending the holiday season at her home in Long River.

Mr. Ralph Fitzsimmons, of Long River, who has been in Toronto, left recently for Goose Bay, Labrador.

Miss Hilda Fitzsimmons has returned to her duties at Canada Packers, Charlottetown, after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Linus Fitzsimmons and family, Long River.

Miss Betty Johnstone of the Kensington Telephone Exchange, attended the annual Christmas family re-union at her home at Long River.

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### May Double Production Of Oysters In B. C. Area

SOOKE, B.C. (CP)—A new method of oyster culture here may double production at Harry Helgesen's 18-acre oyster farm.

He said he expects the new system will cut by half the time it now takes oysters to mature. It is called the "floating lunch counter" method with oyster seeds planted on shells suspended from a raft, instead of the old system where the seed is planted in rows or strewn over the oyster bed.

Because the young oysters are in the water 24 hours a day and

### THE SCHURMANS SCHOOL PARADE

### SEMI-FINALS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.