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EGYPT'S PRESIDENT OUSTED IN STRUGGLE FOR POWER

Split In British Labor Party In Commons

Resume Medical Watch At Bedside Of The Pope

VATICAN CITY, (Reuters)—The Pope, gravely ill with an undiagnosed gastric illness, was confined to bed by his doctors Wednesday after what was described as a "fairly good" night.

No official announcement was made by the Vatican on his condition.

A statement Tuesday night by the Vatican newspaper *Osservatore Romano* said that "the development of the holy father's illness is markedly slow."

The Pope slept for nearly five hours in the afternoon, but this rest failed to entirely banish occasional attacks of hiccups.

Plus has agreed to be examined today by two Italian specialists.

Prof. Roccadoro Galazzi, the pontiff's personal physician, and his assistants were reported Wednesday to have resumed the round-the-clock bedside watch which they gave up two weeks ago when the Pope—78 next Tuesday—began to rally from his first serious stomach disturbance.

After an attack of vomiting Monday night, the Pope was reported to have again suffered from occasional hiccups Wednesday. The beginning of his illness a month ago was marked by nine days of almost continuous hiccups which exhausted him.

This state of exhaustion has so far prevented his doctors carrying out an x-ray examination which, they say, would be the only way to make a sure diagnosis of the Pope's malady.

A German heart specialist who had been attending the Pope has left Rome for his home in Frankfurt.

Freight Shed At Amherst Burned

AMHERST, N. S. (CP)—Fire destroyed a 70-year-old Canadian National Railways freight shed here Wednesday and police are investigating the possibility the \$150,000 blaze may have been the work of a firebug.

Fire Chief Lester Lowther said the blaze was of mysterious origin and that several persons had been questioned by police of their whereabouts at the time of the fire.

St. Laurent Backs U. S. Stand In Pakistan Deal

By WILLIAM STEWART
Canadian Press Staff Writer

NEW DELHI, (CP)—At a hard-hitting press conference with Indian correspondents, Prime Minister St. Laurent Wednesday rejected suggestions that United States military aid to Pakistan is a mistake, said Canada would be "very much concerned" at any arms deal between India and Russia, and endorsed Prime Minister Nehru's appeal for a cease-fire in Indo-China.

The Prime Minister held a spirited question-and-answer session with more than 100 correspondents. One of the reporters remarked afterward that while the atmosphere remained good-humored, it was one of the "toughest" press conferences he had ever seen here.

Another said that in six years it was the first time a press conference had ended with applause.

Some of the newspaper men

Urge Cut In Interest On Housing Loans

OTTAWA, (CP)—Quebec's top labor body urged the government Wednesday to reduce interest rates on housing loans to less than five per cent. The current rate is 3 1/2 per cent.

Noting that rates under the government's housing legislation may rise to 5 1/2 per cent, the 100,000-member Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor described the new bill as a "disappointment" and of little use to the average worker.

The confederation asked the government to recognize its responsibilities in the housing field and authorize its agency, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, to enter fully into lending operations and provide housing funds at the lowest rate possible.

The labor body's brief was presented in French to the Commons banking committee by Ferdinand Bourret of Montreal, editor of the *CCCL* weekly, "Le Travail".

Bell Telephone Company Report

MONTREAL, (CP)—Net profit of Bell Telephone Company of Canada increased in 1953 to \$26,484,740 from \$22,570,350 the previous year, the company's annual report showed Wednesday.

Net profit was equal to \$2.65 a share against \$2.47 in 1952.

Coming Events

- *Dance in Millview Hall, Friday.
- *Dance in Fortune Bridge Hall, Friday, February 26th.
- *Jamboree at Cornwall postponed.
- *Earl of Hillsboro rummage sale at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 at the Legion Hall.
- *Pownal Institute Concert, Friday, February 26th, at 8:15. If stormy, following Friday.
- *Warner Brothers Movie, Fredrickton, Saturday, February 27.
- *Buying young pigs 20 lbs and over. Highest market prices. Cecil Stetson, Marshfield. Phone 5979.
- *New Haven Jamboree" Wilshire Hall, Friday.
- *Unloading Old Sydney Coal at Millton today and Friday. Vernon Gillespie.
- *Show Morell Hall Friday. "The Frogmen". The picture you've been waiting for.
- *Jamboree dance, Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Feb. 27. Canteen service and door prize. Burke's orchestra.

Views Differ On Arming Of Germany

By RANALD MacLURKIN
LONDON, (Reuters)—A split in the British Labor party over the arming of Germany widened as the House of Commons opened a two-day debate Wednesday on the Berlin Big Four conference.

Herbert Morrison, deputy leader of the Labor party and former foreign minister, brought the quarrel into the open by saying the idea of trying to keep Germany neutral was "foolish and utterly impracticable."

He refused a demand by Miss Jennie Lee—wife of left-wing leader Aneurin Bevan—to disclose how many votes the national executive committee, ruling body of the party, earlier in the day decided to approve German rearmament.

But it had already leaked out that moderate leaders of the party had pushed their policy through by only four votes—14 to 10. This followed Tuesday night's blow for the party leaders when a meeting of Socialist members of Parliament gave them a majority of only nine (113 to 104) over Bevan's

Quebec Soldier Awarded British Empire Medal

OTTAWA, (CP)—L. Cpl. Dugal of Quebec City has been awarded the British Empire Medal by the Queen the army announced Wednesday.

Dugal, 22, came out of Communist captivity in Korea April 21, 1953, with a little black notebook that he had managed to keep hidden from the Reds. In that notebook he had written the names of 15 fellow Canadians who were prisoners-of-war. Later he remembered having seen a 16-Capt. Joseph Michael Liston of Ottawa.

The army, which up to that time had been able to list only one Canadian as prisoner-of-war, checked Dugal's story closely.

On the strength of his evidence alone, it listed all 16 officially as prisoners.

Dugal's score turned out to be perfect. When the final prisoner exchange was completed last September after the Korean armistice, all 16 men listed by Dugal had been returned as prisoners. Besides these 16, two other Canadians were repatriated by the Communists.

Dugal was taken prisoner when a company of the 1st Battalion, Royal 22nd Regiment, went out on

Awarded Degree Of Doctor Of Divinity

Rev. A. S. Weir (above) of Cornwall, is one of the ministers of the United Church who will receive the Degree of honorary Doctor of Divinity at Pine Hill Divinity Hall on April 1st.

A native of Greenwood School district, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, Rev. Mr. Weir was honoured in 1951 by being elected president of the Maritime Conference of the United Church. He attended the General Council of the Church at Vancouver in 1948 and four years later was a Maritime representative at Hamilton Ontario.

Rev. Mr. Weir has been engaged in the work of the Christian Ministry since 1908 when he assumed the duties of pastor at Merigomish, N. S. in the Pictou Presbytery. He later held pastorates in Wallace,



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Describes Agriculture In Australia, New Zealand

Presentation To Mr. W. R. Shaw Last Evening

Mr. Walter R. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was honored by members of the Dominion Provincial Agriculture Conference at a dinner meeting held last evening at Birch Court. An address and presentation was made by Mr. Frank Tinney on behalf of the Conference which Mr. Shaw organized and promoted seven years ago. Mrs. Shaw was also remembered with a suitable gift which coincided nicely with her birthday.

In reply to the address, Mr. Shaw interspersed his opening remarks with some very acceptable humor but in closing spoke in a more serious vein when he made reference to the many fine people, who in the course of his experiences gave some form of encouragement when the going was tough. In this regard he was not forgetful of the ladies, whom he said were often the driving force behind a man. Mr. Shaw said that he was happy to have his wife share the occasion with him.

The following is the address read by Mr. Tinney:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With this sumptuous repast soon to be but a pleasant memory may I ask for your attention for

The second evening of the Dominion-Provincial Agriculture Conference being held at Birch Court was featured last night by a delicious turkey dinner served by the ladies of the Parkdale Women's Institute. Mr. George Ayres presided and welcomed the guests. Among those present at the head table were Hon. C. C. Baker, and Mrs. Baker, Dr. J. A. Clark, former superintendent of the Experimental Farm and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. George Ayres and Mr. Sydney Williams, who was the guest speaker of the evening.

Mr. Ayres made reference to three members who are in hospital namely, Chester Shaw, W. F. A. Stewart and Henry MacLaren. Mr. Stewart MacLaren very capably headed the singing of "Alouette" and following the speech of the evening all enjoyed dancing, cards or crokinole.

The guest speaker Mr. Sydney Williams, superintendent of the Experimental Farm at Nappan, N.S., was introduced by Mr. R. C. Parent, who told of Mr. Williams' work at the Experimental Farm in Ottawa and his subsequent transfer to the Province of Nova Scotia.

Mr. Williams gave a very interesting account of a trip he had made in the interests of the department to Australia and New Zealand.

Illustrated Talk

In his talk which was illustrated by pictures taken on the spot, the speaker was able to give his audience a clear picture of agricultural conditions in the land down under. He pointed out that in Australia, where the yearly precipitation is very light, a much greater acreage of grazing land is required for sheep than is needed in this country. The Merino sheep raised in that territory produced a wool which for fineness of texture and non-shrink qualities is not excelled anywhere.

Mr. Williams referred to the disadvantage the country experiences in the many different gauges of railroads that exist in the different states. This involves the unloading and reloading of freight every time a train crosses

"Full Employment" Plan Is Presented To Gov't

OTTAWA, (CP)—The powerful United Automobile Workers of America (CIO-CCIL) stormed Parliament Hill Wednesday with a 125-man lobby presenting the government and Commons with a "full employment" program aimed at stemming the rise in Canada's jobless.

The union, in the biggest mass lobby in years, sent two-man teams gangling up on individual Commons members and had its top Canadian officers place the program before cabinet ministers.

The UAW's descent on Parliament coincided with the government's official publication Wednesday of its monthly unemployment figures, which were made public in the Commons about 10 days ago.

Largest Figure

These showed about 524,000 persons looking for work through national employment service at Jan. 21. This was the largest figure since the service started operations in 1940-41.

The government's review Wednesday said manufacturing had slipped. In other industries, more workers than normal were on short-time work. Bad weather had caused declines in such industries

News In Brief

SAINT JOHN, N. B. (CP)—Negotiations to end Saint John's bus strike have halted with no sign of settlement in sight and no further meeting scheduled.

LONDON, (Reuters)—The British Army is preparing to equip itself with atomic weapons, but push-button warfare is still a long way off, War Minister Anthony Head said Wednesday.

OTTAWA, (CP)—Trade Minister Howe said Wednesday the government still has hopes of recovering the loan made to the Ming Sung company for nine Canadian ships, seized by the government of Communist China.

Announcement Made Before Dawn Today

CAIRO, (CP)—Egypt's first president, Maj.-Gen. Mohammed Naguib, has resigned in the apparent upshot of a struggle for power with his vice-premier, "strong man" Gamal Abdel Nasser.

An official announcement just before dawn today said Nasser is taking over as premier of Egypt and president of the revolutionary council, but it said nothing about the presidency of the republic.

Maj. Salah Salem, the minister of national guidance, announced early this morning that the revolution council which rules Egypt has accepted the resignation of Gen. Naguib from the presidency of the Egyptian republic and all other official posts which he held.

Officers of the Egyptian revolution council, the high command and cabinet ministers were summoned to an extraordinary joint meeting presided over by Lt.-Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser, the vice-premier, at 3 a. m.

Nasser has assumed full powers as chief of the Egyptian ruling military junta "until the liberation of the country from imperialistic forces," Salem said.

He added that the post of president of the republic would remain open until "the return of parliamentary life in Egypt."

Led Revolt

Naguib led the military coup which dethroned Farouk in July, 1952, and set up the revolutionary council which proclaimed Egypt a republic June 18, 1953. He became president and prime minister.

During the first year of his military regime after Farouk went into exile, he was commander-in-chief of the armed forces, prime minister in a civilian cabinet and member of the revolutionary council.

He came to power on the tide of the revolt of the younger men of the Egyptian army against the old established order.

The announcement said Naguib's resignation was submitted three days ago. It was announced just before dawn today.

The revolutionary council in the announcement said Naguib wanted more power and authority than he could be granted under the spirit of the army revolution.

There had been frequent reports that Nasser was becoming the real power in the military government—more important than Naguib, who has been referred to as "the reluctant dictator."

Report P. E. I. Man Drowned

TORONTO, (CP)—Reginald McDowell of Prince Edward Island was drowned Wednesday night when he fell into Toronto bay while walking along the quayside with a companion.

His friend, who said the two were walking along the waterfront after having a few drinks, said he saw McDowell slip but was unable to save him.

Pensions For Disabled Are Forecast In N. S.

By IRVING C. WHYNOT
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HALIFAX, (CP)—The Nova Scotia legislature Wednesday opened what is expected to be one of its most spirited sessions since Premier Angus L. Macdonald first led the Liberals to power in 1932.

The speech from the throne, read by Lieutenant-Governor Allison Fraser, gave little indication of possible legislation except to say that pensions for totally disabled persons will be introduced. This likely will be about \$40 a month.

Robert L. Stanfield, leading a Progressive Conservative Opposition increased by 50 per cent in the provincial election last May, said the speech showed signs of "creeping paralysis."

For Premier Macdonald the first session of the 45th general assembly saw him with the smallest working majority since he first led the party to victory.

Two Montreal Youths Are Sentenced To Hang May 18

SUDBURY, Ont., (CP)—Emile Bedard, 17, and Jean Guy Henaire, 19, both of Montreal, were found guilty Wednesday of the murder of bus worker Frank Asselin. They were sentenced to be hanged May 18.

The trial lasted eight days. The jury in Ontario Supreme Court deliberated two hours and 13 minutes.

The youths were asked if they had anything to say before sentence was passed.

"I am not guilty," Henaire replied.

Bedard, sobbing, said: "I told the truth in the witness

Heavy Damage To Power, Telephone Lines From Ice

More than 100 telephone and electric light poles were pulled down in the past two days by the weight of ice on the wires. While the siver thaw brought beauty to the average person it brought a lot of overtime work to linemen of both companies.

Most of the damage appeared to be centred in King's County with Telephone Company officials reporting that there were at least 39 poles down in the area of Rollo Bay, Marie Station, Five Houses and Sparrows Road. There was also considerable damage to lines between New Perth and Montague.

The Telephone Company stated it hoped to have temporary repairs made and circuits operating by Sunday, but that it would be at least three weeks before permanent repairs could be effected. From Souris to South Lake, while there

were only a few poles down approximately 75 per cent of the wire had ripped loose.

Maritime Electric officials could not estimate the extent to their lines pending full reports from the repair crews who have worked day and night since the storm. With a shortage of employees to handle the emergency they were forced to call on a crew working in Tignish. In that section of the Island, however, there had been a heavy snowstorm and the crew could not get out. The Provincial Government co-operated by sending a snow plow to their relief and the men reached this city and almost immediately went to work.

The storm caused practically no damage west of Charlottetown, where precipitation was in snow principally, other than freezing rain.

Town Planning Discussed At Joint Meeting Last Night

"We will co-operate in any degree in any form of sound and sensible plan for the expansion of Charlottetown and the villages of Parkdale and Spring Park into a greater group to the advantage of all concerned," said Mayor J. D. Stewart, in speaking at a joint Board of Trade and Community Planning Association dinner meeting at the Charlottetown Hotel last evening.

"It is indeed an honour to be present with members of the City Council and a pleasure to assure the Board of Trade of our willingness to co-operate wholeheartedly as far as our authority at city hall will permit," the speaker continued. "I am glad to see the Commissioners from Spring Park and Parkdale here also. Sensible co-operative planning must come eventually and it is encouraging to know that a deep interest is being taken in the matter by the Provincial Government in control of such matters."

Mayor Stewart touched briefly on the matter of a City Tourist Bureau in the Market Building, and expressed the opinion that the present council would take the matter up vigorously at the next meeting and in co-operation with the Board work out a satisfactory solution as recommended by the retiring council and of which he personally strongly approved.

His Worship reviewed the Airport situation, Daylight Saving Time, Tag Days and other minor matters of civic interest. "Although everybody in the city apparently wants daylight saving we do not possess legislation to make it effective. A more agreeable approach to the Government on the subject might be made by all municipalities if they agree, but the lead should not be given by Charlottetown," the speaker said.

Support Trade With Russia

OTTAWA, (CP)—Canada's three leading political parties support trade in non-strategic materials with Russia and other Iron Curtain countries.

The Liberal, Progressive Conservative and CCF parties made this clear in the Commons Wednesday during debate on a government bill to expand the operations of the Export Credits Insurance Corporation which insures Canadian exporters against political and credit risks in foreign countries. The Social Credit party did not participate in the debate.

The bill, which received second reading—approval in principle—increases the capital stock of the Crown corporation to \$15,000,000 from \$5,000,000 and will enable it to give more coverage.

FOLKS WHO SLIDE OUT OF THINGS EASILY SHOULD TRY GETTING OFF A CROWDED STREET CAR.

Find Wreckage Of Missing Jet

CHATHAM, N. B. (CP)—Wreckage of an RCAF Sabre jet, missing since its Chatham base since Tuesday afternoon, was found Wednesday on the unbroken ice surface of Shediac bay, off Westmorland county. Search continued for the pilot, PO Ronald Neil Flalo, 18, of Winnipeg, believed to have bailed out before the crash in a blinding rain storm.

Reports of residents who heard a crash led searchers to the area.

Edmonton	31 43
Calgary	30 30
Regina	31 35
Winnipeg	27 31
Toronto	30 41
Ottawa	15 24
Montreal	13 33
Quebec	18 26
Saint John	21 32
Moncton	21 37
Halifax	34 46
Charlottetown	27 41
Sydney	31 36
Yarmouth	— 39

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HALIFAX, (CP)—The Dominion Public Weather Office here says disturbances over Ontario and the southern United States are approaching the Maritimes and will cause dull, wet weather on Thursday.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island, eastern N. S. counties, lower St. John river valley: Overcast with occasional drizzle and rain; extremely mild; light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown 35 and 40, Moncton 33 and 40, Fredericton and Saint John 30 and 40.

Bay of Chaleur, upper St. John river valley: Overcast with occasional drizzle and rain; milder; light winds. Low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton 25 and 35.

Bay of Fundy: Light winds; overcast with intermittent drizzle and occasional rain; visibility variable 1-2 mile to four miles in mist and fog patches. Temperature in the 30s.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 3:26 a. m. and 2:46 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 6:56 a. m. and sets at 6:54 p. m.