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REPORT EGYPT WILL BREAK RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN

U. S. Jets Win Big Victory Over Migs In Korea

Mayor Stresses Value Of New Tax Assessment Roll

Increased civic revenue at a lower property tax rate was predicted by His Worship Mayor J. D. Stewart at the annual meeting of the City Council last night. This, he said, would result when the findings of the Board of Assessors, now completed, have been implemented and the tax structure placed on a sound and equitable basis. Other anticipated improvements were cited by the Mayor, who also gave a general review of the year's activities and warmly complimented all the members of the Council and civic officials on their efforts. Following is the text of His Worship's report:

"Time marches on and with the passing of the year 1951 the term of the present Council has but one function left, which function is to report on the activities which the City Corporation has been engaged in during the last half of the term for which they were elected to serve as City Fathers. This is a duty we owe not only to the citizens who honour us with their confidence but also to ourselves as the administrators of City affairs. At this meeting reports of the work of the different departments of Civic Government will be submitted by the several chairmen of the various committees but before calling for their reports I will take the liberty of reporting to you on behalf of the ex-Mayor, B. Arthur McDonald, and myself. "During the past year cities and municipalities all across Canada were, and still are, being faced with steadily rising costs. The constant and perpetual cry is for more revenue so that citizens can be given the liberty of reporting to



His Worship Mayor Stewart

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Blast Ten Russian-Built Planes From Sky

SEOUL, Korea, Jan. 26.—(Saturday)—(AP)—United States Sabre jets blasted 10 Russian-built Mig's from the Northwest Korean skies Friday in the U. S. Air Force's second largest aerial victory of the war. In addition, one Mig was probably destroyed and three were reported damaged. The Fifth Air Force reports American losses, if any, only in a weekly summary. "The biggest day's toll of speedy, swept-wing Red jets was 13, on Dec. 13. Two other were listed as probables and three damaged.

Ground Fighting Flares While the four dogfights flamed high over Mig alley, fighting flared anew on the western front. The U. S. Eighth Army communiqué reported clashes with Communists in company strength northwest of Korangpo—an area some 10 miles northeast of Panmunjon, site of the stalled truce talks. Another skirmish, with Reds in platoon strength, was reported on the snow-mantled front northwest of Chorwon, in West-Central Korea. The two costliest dogfights for the Reds came late in the afternoon. Seventeen Sabres swept into elements of an 80-plane Communist formation north of Sin-

Board Exempts Maritime Potatoes From Increase

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—(Special)—The Board of Transport Commissioners will allow no further increases in freight rates on Maritime potatoes, it is set forth in the Board's judgment handed down here today on the Railway Association's application for general freight rate boosts. Under the heading of "Potato Industry of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick Potato Industry," the Board states: "We consider that when the present freight rates on potatoes are a factor in reducing the production thereof, as demonstrated in this case, we may give consideration to modifying the increase, therefore we would allow no further increase on this commodity." It is noted in the judgment that separate briefs were filed by the P. E. I. and N. B. sections of the potato industry and that witnesses were questioned and cross-examined. "It appears," read the judgment, "that while a considerable part of the industry produces seed potatoes which are exported principally to the United States and other countries, there is a considerable production of table potatoes which are sold in the Toronto marketing area, to which long hauls are prevalent from Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, and that owing to the several general rate increases on this traffic, the cost of transporting potatoes has increased to the point where it is almost as great as what the potato grower is receiving for his product. "That in itself is not an argument for exempting an article from an increase in freight rates. It was submitted, however, that Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick are being forced to curtail their production and output materially, that the Board must carefully consider whether, in the administration of its duties, some consideration should be given to the consequent reduction of railway traffic, and whether some relief can be afforded. "The Board has been directed on more than one occasion—and is still under the obligation—to see that the rate structure shall be such that commodities may freely move." F. D. Smith, K.C., and Rand H. Matheson appeared before the Transport Board for the Maritimes Transportation Commission on behalf of the four Maritime Provinces.

Situation In Canal Zone Grows Serious

ISMAILIA, Egypt, Jan. 26.—(Saturday)—(CP)—A pro-government Cairo newspaper reported today that Egypt will break relations with Britain as a result of the Suez Canal zone battle Friday that killed and wounded many Egyptian police. A diplomatic break has been carefully sidestepped through the more than three months of undeclared hostilities in the zone. The newspaper Al Misri said the cabinet made the decision last night. The Egyptians reported their dead numbered 46 and the wounded 73 in the biggest single zone battle between British troops and Egyptian police. British sources said unconfirmed reports showed they lost four military personnel killed and nine wounded.

Six-hour Battle The battle was fought for six hours at Ismailia, midway point on the 104-mile-long canal. It has been a bloody battleground since Egypt's mid-October decision to scrap treaties with Britain and demand that British troops withdraw. The four-hour cabinet meeting ended with no public announcement. Reporters were told at midnight merely that "the discussion is still open" and that the cabinet will meet again Sunday. Egypt recalled her ambassador to London, Abdel Fattah Amr Pasha, in mid-December. The British ambassador to Cairo, Sir Ralph Stevenson, has remained here. When Amr came home it was emphasized his recall did not mean a diplomatic break.

\$236,114 Debt Increase With \$6,117 Current Acct. Surplus Shown In The Civic Accounts



Coun. L. E. Prowse

Probe Murder of Winnipeg Girl

WINNIPEG, Jan. 26.—(CP)—A little brown-haired girl was found slain in her home today after police interrupted her foster parents in a bizarre, outdoor prayer session in a nearby vacant lot. Police said the couple will be charged tomorrow with murder. The victim was Martha Louise McCullough, 7. Her foster parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gavin McCullough, both in their late 40s. McCullough has been accountant and office manager of the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce. Police Chief Charles MacIver said the child was struck by a bottle and strangled as she lay in bed after her parents had taken part in an all-night session of prayer. Mrs. H. Dettman, a neighbor, said she called police when she saw the couple praying in a vacant lot about noon. Despite sub-zero weather, she said McCullough wore only a night shirt; his wife wore a chenille housecoat and bedroom slippers. Neighbors told of the couple's religious zeal. They said the McCulloughs, who have a son attending university, had adopted the little girl when she was six months old. Recently, neighbors said the couple had regularly attended a series of "faith healing" services. It could not be learned whether they sought cure for any ailment. The child was said to be in good health. Police Chief MacIver said an inquest into the child's death will open tomorrow.

A surplus on current account of \$6,177.23 and a net debt increase of \$236,114.63 for the year ending Dec. 31 last was shown in the auditors' statements submitted by Coun. L. E. Prowse, chairman of the finance committee, at the annual meeting of the City Council last night. A large portion of the debt increase, Coun. Prowse emphasized, is recoverable in street and sidewalk assessments. The statement showed the net debt of the City at Dec. 31 to be \$2,390,653 as against \$2,154,530 on Dec. 31, 1950. Referring to the proposed new assessment for real estate, Coun. Prowse predicted this would result in a much lower tax rate to offset the much higher rate in property. "A continuation of the present policy of the City in all matters, and a gradual building up of the sinking fund will place our City in a preferred position without the taxpayer feeling it to any great extent," he stated.

Auditors' Report Following are excerpts from the auditors' report: Motor trucks, police equipment and office equipment to the value of \$10,468.53 and purchased from current funds have been transferred to the capital account balance. (Continued on page 8 col 4)

Coming Events

- "Dance in Vernon River Hall January 28 in aid C.W.L.
- "Seed! Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vesey, York.
- "Rummage Sale Saturday, January 26th, 2:30. Junior Lounge Y. M. C. A.
- "Annual Meeting of the Clyde River Farmers Institute will be held January 30th, in the School.
- "Farmers, ask about the Shur-Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- "Rummage sale St. Peter's Cathedral Sunday School Room, Saturday, January 26th, at 7 P. M.
- "Hear John Myers, Guest Speaker, Burns Concert, Victoria Hall, January 31st.
- "For Snapshots that will not fade mail your Films and Negatives to Garnum Photo Studios, Charlottetown.
- "Come to the hockey game at Fredericton rink, Saturday, Jan. 26th, Married Men vs. the 'Jets'. Game time 8 sharp.
- "Notice.—Monday, January 28th, cutting ice for the public, three days. Elmer MacDonald, Crapaud.
- "Get your beef cattle ready for the Fat Stock Show. Use your own grain. See Gil Henry, Purina Feed Store.
- "Hockey Wiltshire rink to-night, Hampshire Bulldogs vs. Wiltshire Miracles. Canteen service. Skate after.
- "Shur-Gain Amateur Cavalcade, Marshfield Hall, January 30th at 9 p.m. Sponsored by Dunstaffnage Women's Institute.
- "Victoria rink tonight, don't fail to see the hockey match between Cape Traverse Rovers and Charlottetown Bombers. Skate after.
- "Now in stock. Hog and Dairy Concentrates, bran, shorts, wheat, barley meal, dairy ration, pig grower, pig starter, saw ration. R. L. Dickleson, New Glasgow.
- "Hockey North River rink Saturday, Jan. 26, Cornwall Meteors versus Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs. Game time eight o'clock. Skate after.
- "The J. W. A. of Trinity United Church will hold a Pantry Sale at Moore & MacLeod's, on Saturday, January 26th, at 2:30 P. M.
- "As we are only setting to orders on hand, it would be advisable for any person wanting baby chicks for February and orders delivery to place their orders with us immediately. Dillon & Spillet.
- "Mount Stewart Strawberry Growers Exchange. Members are invited to attend a special meeting at 8 P. M., Wednesday, January 30th, at Canadian Legion Hall to discuss form of incorporation. Pius MacDonald, President.

Coun. Cox Shows Value Of City Traffic Meters

A credit balance of \$3,169.02 accrued since the placing into operation of parking meters in the City on June 9th, 1951, was reported by Councillor C. M. Cox, chairman of the Police Committee, at the annual meeting of the City Council last evening. The figures were for the period June 9 to December 31. The total income from the meters was \$8,977.15 and the expenditures \$5,808.13. "After much discussion and long delay," Coun. Cox said, "we had hoped to get our parking meters into service in the early spring, but on April 4 we received a letter from a law firm in Toronto advising that our meter company had infringed on the patent rights of another meter company and legal action was being taken. Not wishing to become involved in any legal dispute, the matter was referred to our Recorder for investigation and advice, and the meters remained idle until our Recorder had the opportunity of a personal interview with one of the legal firms involved in the dispute and we were assured that we were in the clear. The meters were put into service on June 9. One week was allowed for motorists to become acquainted with the system and warning tickets only were issued for violations. "After six and a half months of service I am convinced that they have accomplished the purpose for which they were installed: the elimination of all day parking in the busy business sections of the city, and while they were not installed for revenue, they have contributed \$8,323.56 in the 6-1-2 months, half of which was paid to the meter company according to contract. "Some additional automatic meters were purchased to replace the hand-operated ones on George Street; also, a machine for counting and rolling the coins. (Continued on page 15 col 3)

Federal Surplus Now 721 Million

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—(CP)—Although defence expenditures were double the amount a year ago, the Federal Government's budgetary surplus climbed to \$721,000,000 in the first nine months of the current fiscal year. The monthly treasury report, issued today by the Finance Department, showed that revenues for the nine months ended Dec. 31 totalled \$2,804,300,000 and expenditures \$2,082,700,000. In the corresponding period of 1950-51, revenues totalled \$2,049,809,000 and expenditures \$1,628,400,000.

Alexander To Be Member Of Canadian Privy Council

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—(CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent announced today that Viscount Alexander will be made a member of His Majesty's Canadian Privy Council when he retires next week as Governor-General. He is the first retiring governor-general in history to be honored this way. This means that Viscount Alexander will become a member of the Canadian council in the same way that Prime Minister Churchill is a member. Mr. Churchill received the honor in 1941. On the reverse side, Mr. St. Laurent himself is a member of the King's Imperial or British Privy Council as well as being a member of the Canadian council in his capacity of prime minister. Members of the Canadian Privy Council have the title of "Honorable." Those of the Imperial Council are called "Right Honorable." Mr. St. Laurent explained that this was the first time Canada has been able to so honor a retiring governor-general. Usually, governor-generals still hold that vice-regal office when they leave Canadian shores in the interim before the arrival of their successor.

Tunisian Area Under Siege

TUNIS, Tunisia, Jan. 25.—(CP)—French troops clamped a state of siege on Tunisia's Cape Bon today and opened a hunt for armed Arab nationalists who have been demonstrating violently for home rule. Scarlet-capped Zouaves manned the siege line, running from Bou Picha and cutting across Cape Bon at its base. Tanks rumbled into the area and helmeted infantrymen began a house-to-house search.

Civic Balance Sheets

The following balance sheets showing current account, capital account and sinking fund for the City of Charlottetown for the year ending Dec. 31 last are from the report of the auditors, Messrs H. R. Doane and Company, submitted at last night's annual meeting of the City Council:

CURRENT OR CIVIC ACCOUNT	
Assets	
Cash On Hand	\$ 80.00
Taxes Receivable	79,896.68
Real Estate	62,511.18
Personal Property	88,606.68
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	\$ 231,014.72
Accounts Receivable	139,090.62
Sundry	398.61
Debiture Interest Prepaid	32.50
Deferred Charges	431.11
80% of 1951 New Assessment Expenditures	7,605.48
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	\$ 100,040.60
Liabilities	
Bank Overdraft — Nil, Current Account	\$ 73,893.47
Less Cash in Bank — Parking Meter Account	3,109.00
Debiture Interest Payable	\$ 6,846.16
Accounts Payable	6,326.97
Housing Account Deficit	3,178.23
Due to Capital Account	\$ 86,133.83
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	26,586.23
Deficit Account	\$ 112,720.11
Balance at debit, Dec. 31st, 1950	\$ 18,865.80
Adjustments of 1950 Accounts	9.15
Less: Excess of Revenue over Expenditures	\$ 18,856.65
Excess of Revenue over Expenditures	6,177.23
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	12,679.42
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	\$ 100,040.69
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
Assets	
Assessments for	
Permanent Works	\$ 30,999.19
Concrete Sidewalks	9,875.57
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	\$ 40,874.76
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	11,009.40
Less: Reserve for Uncollectable	\$ 29,865.36
Airport	15,000.00
Civic Purposes	241,700.00
Direct Relief	187,000.00
Market Building	84,217.70
Other Property, Lands and Buildings	157,423.71
Public Library	9,975.00
Fire and Movable Property	157,885.00
Pond Improvement	4,859.12
Sewer System	5,855.00
Schools and Equipment	198,000.00
Streets, pavements, storm sewers, etc.	192,000.00
Soldiers' Monument	11,500.00
Spring Park Culvert	9,534.56
Victoria Park Road, Breastworks, etc.	137,277.80
Water Tanks and Drinking Fountains	2,500.00
Waterworks System	692,500.00
Due from Current	\$ 26,586.23
Due from Current	\$ 3,900,497.48
Liabilities	
Bank overdraft — Capital Account	\$ 267,034.50
Debitures Payable	
Airport	\$ 15,000.00
City Ordinary	432,200.00
City Refunding	178,050.00
Direct Relief	170,000.00
Direct Relief Refunding	17,000.00
Fire Refunding	5,750.00
Permanent Works	805,300.00
Permanent Works Refunding	358,750.00

Ships Sail For Suez

The Admiralty in London announced British warships are sailing for the mid-Mediterranean island of Malta — possibly headed for the Suez as reinforcements. (The Admiralty declined to identify the ships, but London reports they included the aircraft carrier Ocean, two cruisers and seven destroyers. A Malta dispatch said the British Mediterranean commander-in-chief, Admiral Sir John Edgerton, ordered the ships to sail eastward under Rear-Admiral R. A. B. Edwards, his second in command. Ismailia is the site of a French convent where an American-born woman was shot dead last Saturday during a battle between British troops and Egyptian guerrillas. The British and Egyptian counter-charges of responsibility for her slaying are being investigated by both sides. The British Suez commander, Lt.-Gen. Sir George Erskine, sent his troops in to clear out a large canal-side sector of Ismailia Sunday. Further action was ordered yesterday against Egyptian police whom the British accused of tolerating and abetting sniper and bombing attacks.

News In Brief

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Iceland's president, Sveinn Bjornsson, 71, died today of a heart ailment. He had been president since 1944, when the republic of Iceland was proclaimed. SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 25.—(Reuters)—State finance ministers today decided to ask the Federal Government to stop all meat exports except those to Britain and troops overseas until Australia's supply position improves. LONDON, Jan. 25.—(Reuters)—Prime Minister Churchill, returning to the United Kingdom aboard the liner Queen Mary, has recovered from his cold, it was announced today. LONDON, Jan. 25.—(CP)—The King granted an audience today to Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, who will soon take up his new appointment as Canada's first native-born governor-general. The audience was announced briefly in the official court circular. It supplied no further details.

Toronto To Have Horse Meat Shop

TORONTO, Jan. 25.—(CP)—Toronto will soon have its first legal horsemeat shop. The Police Commission today authorized the city's first retail outlet. Even though Mayor Allan Lamport dissented, the commission approved a license for Peter Tremblay to operate a horsemeat store in the northwest section of the city. SYDNEY, N. S., Jan. 25.—(CP)—Harry Nicholas, 45, former restaurant owner, was acquitted of arson late today in a trial before Judge George M. Morrison. The charge was laid against Nicholas last November after his tourist lodge, the Melrose, was gutted by fire.

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20-Cent Boost In Wheat Prices To Western Farmers

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—(CP)—Trade Minister Howe today announced a 20-cent-a-bushel boost on the initial price of Western wheat, effective Feb. 1. The increase will mean distribution of an extra \$50,000,000 to western wheat farmers. The initial price is the amount the farmer receives when he delivers his wheat to the Canadian Wheat Board, the crown agency which acts as salesman for prairie wheat producers. If the board shows a profit in sales, it distributes this in the form of in-



HALIFAX, Jan. 25.—(CP)—Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Saturday, with an outlook for Sunday. Synopsis: A broad area of snow and rain is moving eastward across Ontario and Quebec, and will reach the district Saturday. The northern regions are expected to have snow, while in the southern regions there will be some snow at first, but this will change to rain as milder air flows into the district. Prince Edward Island—Clear becoming overcast in afternoon. Snow by evening. Much milder. Light winds increasing to south 18 in afternoon and to 25 by evening. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 5 and 32. Outlook for Sunday—Showers, clearing after noon. High tide today at Charlottetown at 10:45 A. M. and 9:51 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 5:39 A. M. and 5:06 P. M. Sun rises today at 7:41 A. M. and sets at 5:11 P. M.

MCA AIR SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 5:30 A.M.; 11:20 A.M.; 4:50 P.M. Ar. Charlottetown from Moncton 7:25 A.M.; 1:25 P.M.; 6:55 P.M. Leave Charlottetown for New Glasgow — Halifax 7:40 A.M. New Glasgow 1:50 P.M. New Glasgow & Halifax Arrive Charlottetown from New Glasgow and Halifax 11:00 A.M. from New Glasgow & Halifax 6:35 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax. MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY ONLY 8:10 A.M. Arrive Sydney from New Glasgow. 10:25 A.M. Arrive New Glasgow from Sydney. SUNDAY ONLY Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 11:20 A.M. Arrive Charlottetown from Moncton 5:35 P.M. BORDEN — CAPE TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE Daily (including Sunday) Leave Borden Leave C. T. 1:00 P.M. 10:55 A.M. 1:30 P.M. 2:40 P.M. 4:30 P.M. 6:00 P.M. 7:30 P.M. 8:00 P.M.