

CONSIDER EVACUATING 45,000 FROM VOLCANIC ISLAND

Egypt Considers Diplomatic Break With U. K.

Major Montreal Stores Defy Closing By-Law; Students Demonstrate

By Rene Lagace MONTREAL, Dec. 9 (CP) — French-speaking students Saturday staged a demonstration in front of major retail stores which defied a new municipal by-law ordering them to remain closed on all Roman Catholic holy days of obligation.



NAMED LIAISON OFFICER BETWEEN R.C.A.F. AND NATO IN FRANCE

Saturday was the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the students, mainly from the University of Montreal, put on the demonstration in protest against the stores remaining open. Store owners said they remained open to contest the validity of the by-law which would also force them to close on five other holy days throughout the year.

Police, with advance knowledge of the student plans, were prepared. The students numbered more than 100 at the start but their ranks thinned to 75 or so with the arrival of police cars carrying policemen armed with tear gas.

Fists flew for a while as police elbowed the students away from the stores and seized placards they were carrying. The posters read "Fermex vos magasins" (close your stores). Some students were shouting "The law is there for one and all."

A police official said they had been warned Friday of the intended demonstration. Extra constables were in the district and plainclothesmen mingled with shoppers.

The official said that for every store that obeyed the law in the district—on west-end St. Catherine Street—two remained open.

Seven stores — Eaton's, Morrison's, Simpson's, Ogilvy's, Birks, Renfrew's and Mappin's — announced previously they would defy the by-law to get a test case before the courts. They advertised in English newspapers Friday that they would be open. In French papers, they merely advertised sales for Monday and Tuesday.

Lawyers for the seven stores already have started action contesting the by-law's validity.

Coming Events

- \*Uggs Christmas Concert, December 20th.
\*South Milton Concert Wednesday, Dec. 19th.
\*Wheatley School Concert, December 19th.
\*Come to the Concert in Winsloe Station Hall, December 20th.
\*Come to Christmas Concert Grandview Hall, December 21st.
\*Christmas Concert Ebenezer School, Wednesday, December 12, Curtain 8 p.m.
\*Don't miss Springvale School Concert in Brookfield Hall, Thursday, Dec. 13th.
\*The postponed annual meeting of Cornwall hall will be held Tuesday, Dec. 11.
\*Springvale Christmas Concert in Brookfield Hall, Thursday, Dec. 13th. Curtain 8:15.
\*For Snapshots that will not fade mail your Films and Negatives to Garnham Photo Studios, Charlottetown.
\*Dance. Reserve Tuesday night for barn dance Fenner Stewart's, Brackley Beach, on behalf of polo children. Door prize. Bus as usual.
\*Buying live fowl and chicken fally. We weigh and pay at farm. Write or phone collect for pick up service. Smith Bros., Pownal.
\*Buying live chickens and fowl Monday and Tuesday 9 until 12. This will be our last buying days for live poultry. R. L. Dickleson, New Glasgow.

Levelling Of Village Stirs New Bitterness

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (AP) — Acting Foreign Minister Ibrahim Farag Pasha announced today that Egypt is considering severing diplomatic relations with Britain. Farag Pasha said study of the question was the "direct result of British forces' aggression in Suez."

The cabinet was in session tonight and the pro-government newspaper Al Balagh said it would take definite and decisive action on breaking relations with Britain.

At an earlier meeting today, informants said, the cabinet approved a royal decree confiscating the lands of the 87-year-old, British-founded Gezira Sporting Club of Cairo, the centre of much of the capital's social life.

The cabinet also decided, the informants said, to discharge all Britons employed by Egyptian Government departments.

British Soldiers Killed Two British soldiers were stabbed, beaten and killed and a third was critically wounded in the Arab quarters of Ismailia Saturday night.

The British army said all three were robbed. The soldiers, members of a regiment stationed 10 miles north of Ismailia, on the Suez Canal, had gone to Ismailia to attend an army movie and apparently lost their way.

The attack, which the British attributed to "terrorists," apparently had no connection with the demolition of an Arab village outside Suez by the British army Saturday to clear the way for a short road and bridge.

Show Of Force The Egyptian Government ordered police to oppose the demolition by force, but no shooting developed. The government explained that Egyptian police were prevented from carrying out their orders by the overwhelming show of force by British troops.

The new road links the British garrison area at Suez with a water-filtration plant. Britons said it would by-pass a spot where Egyptians sniped at engineer detachments and set off pitched battles last week.

British Brig. K. T. Darling, commander of the 16th Parachute Brigade, said the road was completed today, except for a few touches, without opposition.

Widow of Famed Jack Miner Dies KINGSVILLE, Ont., Dec. 9 (CP)—Mrs. Laona Miner, 84, widow of the famed naturalist-lecureur Jack Miner, died here last night. Her husband died in 1944 at the age of 79. She married her late husband in 1888 and in 1904 helped him establish the Jack Miner Bird Sanctuary on the 300-acre Miner farm here.

KILLED ON STREET SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 9 (CP)—Sylvester A. Gillis, 72, died in hospital today from injuries received when he was hit by a truck Saturday on a downtown street. Police said Gillis, who was deaf, walked in front of a truck driven by Garfield Miller of Barron Road. Gillis, a retired contractor, lost his hearing aid a week ago and was awaiting a new one.

prohibition of atomic weapons before controls are set up. The West insists that there can be no disarmament until a control and inspection system is set up to insure that prohibition is not just a paper declaration.

The new disarmament commission—replacing the Atomic Energy and Arms Commissions—would open long-range U. N. atomic talks but little hope of disarmament is seen until international tensions are eased, Canada would be a member of the new commission — along with the Security Council countries—because of her part in development of atomic energy.

Revision of Nervo's report will mean postponement of tomorrow's 60-country political committee meeting at which the report was to have been presented.

Disagreement Forecast For Churchill-Truman Meeting

(By John M. Hightower) WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—Some sparks of disagreement may fly when Prime Minister Churchill sits down with President Truman early next month to talk global issues. Churchill's statements indicate there are sharp differences of opinion between him and the President. For example there is Churchill's proposal for a Big Four meeting, which would include Premier Stalin and Truman, to try to iron things out with the Russians.

Churchill is likely to get a rebuff on that one. There has been no indication of any change in the President's opposition to negotiations direct with Stalin.

One widely held view here is that at best Churchill is due for a disappointment in Washington. It is believed he is coming to try to renew the kind of British-American relationship that existed in the Second World War period. At the highest level that relationship took the form of a tight personal understanding and

continuous co-operation between Churchill and the late President Roosevelt. The big difference now is that although Churchill again is in power in a time of crisis, Truman has not the working habits nor does he use the personal exercise of his power in a manner comparable with that of Roosevelt.

Truman, in conferring with foreign leaders, usually has his staff experts present, and they do much of the talking. Churchill is also expected to want a sweeping review of global strategy in the conflict with Russia and to make a stronger bid than Prime Minister Attlee did directly for an influential voice in the determination of that strategy.

President Truman's advisors believe he will pitch American policy more on the North Atlantic Treaty arrangement in which Britain and the United States must share their responsibilities and powers with France and other Allied countries.

2,000 Canadians Sailed Saturday For Germany (By Rod Currie) HALIFAX, Dec. 9 (CP)—The 2,000 men, part of Canada's 27th Brigade, were impatient to get away. A roar of approval went up when the gangplank was finally lowered and the tugs edged the transport Fairsea away from the dock.

The cold, early-morning drizzle which greeted the first of five trainloads of men to arrive here Saturday, gave way to bright, spring-like weather, and billowing white clouds as the ship departed, headed for Germany, where the men will join Gen. Eisenhower's Nato army.

The scene was reminiscent of Second World War days when thousands departed from this old war base. Some wives and sweethearts came from distant parts of the country for a last goodbye. Most of the men have signed for three years European service.

Robert Henry, Hamilton, Ont., was going for the "adventure". He served five years overseas in the last war. Sgt. Dick Selhan, Ottawa, who served with the Cameron Highlanders in Iceland, England and France, was headed back to "get a look at Germany. I never did get to Germany," he said.

The trim, newly-painted ship was several hours late leaving because of a delay in train arrivals. The embarkation proceeded without a hitch as troops walked smartly aboard.

A brief holdup came when the ship was nudged into the stream and then dropped anchor. Rumors that the ship was in difficulties were scotched when officials said she was merely "swinging her compass"—a pre-voyage test for accuracy. It was not until dusk that she finally headed seaward.

The Salvation Army was on hand to pass out packages of fruit and candy along with a booklet introducing them to Europe. Many men carried Christmas parcels, fiddles or banjos, besides their full army packs.

Friends, relatives and a few hundred Halifaxians stood on the dock for several hours talking to the men aboard ship. One soldier reminded a friend not to forget to send him pictures. Another red-faced youth disappeared from sight after his mother shouted to the delight of the other men, "Don't forget to say your prayers, dear."

3 Children Perish When Home Burns BARRIE, Ont., Dec. 9 (CP)—Three children perished in their flaming home in Honey Harbor today while firefighters watched helplessly. Four other children escaped.

Burned to death were: Twins Peter and Paul Rice, 13 months, and their sister, Mary, 4 months. Honey Harbor is about 90 miles north of Toronto in the Muskoka district. Police said the fire was started by 14-year-old Malcolm Rice, who was playing with matches while his mother went for water.

Typhoon Brings New Threat To Camiguin Is.

(By Henry Hartzbusch) MANILA, Dec. 9 (AP)—More than 10,000 panicky refugees crowded into the village of Caterman on the south coast of Camiguin Island today as Hibok Hibok volcano belched lava and choking ashes for the fifth straight day. Philippines Government officials are considering evacuation of all the stricken island's 45,000 residents.

The evacuation and relief operations were threatened by a tropical typhoon which roared in to the Central Philippines Sunday night.

Strong winds and heavy rains lashed the southeast coast of Samar, some 150 miles north and east of Camiguin. The Weather Bureau predicted the centre of the storm, with winds up to 120 miles an hour, would hit Southern Samar and Northern Leyte Islands during the night.

Red Cross workers stood by in threatened areas to assist the typhoon victims. Three weeks ago a typhoon ripped through the Central Philippines, killing at least 82 persons and causing heavy damage to property and crops.

Four Philippines air force planes left Manila Sunday for the big island of Mindanao with sacks of rice, canned goods and medical supplies. Camiguin, a dozen miles off Mindanao's north coast, is reachable only by sea.

The Philippines News Service said rescue crews had unearthed some charred bodies in the village of Baylao on the hard-hit northern end of the island. The news service said the death toll was mounting by the hour, but the official number of dead remains at 265. Other hundreds are believed to be buried under the smoke blanket of ashes.

Suggests One Cause For Royal Laughter LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuters)—One reason why Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh laughed so frequently during their trans-Canada tour is given with all solemnity by a Sunday Express columnist today.

The royal car had a radio which the columnist said, the Duke switched on softly. They could hear a radio announcer say "Here they come. The Princess is beautiful, clear-eyed and pink-cheeked."

And the Duke would mutter "What? after that party last night." (Continued on Page 15 Col. 4)

U. S. Army's Shoeless Hillbilly Is British Vet

LONDON, Dec. 9 (CP)—Peter Grainger, the United States army's "shoeless hillbilly" was identified today as a wounded veteran of Britain's Eighth Army who fought alongside Italian partisans after escaping from a German prison camp in the last war.

The Sunday Chronicle published an interview with Mrs. Helen Grainger. She said she is the wife of the man who hoaxed the American army and who now is under treatment in a Toronto veterans hospital.

Grainger broke into the news last month when recruiting officers reported he had joined the U.S. Army after a lonely life in the New Mexico hills. They said he told them he decided to join up "after paw died," walking out of the mountains barefoot to offer his services at a Texas army post.

Three weeks after he was inducted he disappeared and turned up later near Sudbury, Ont. An Ontario Provincial Police constable recognized him as the man who had disappeared from his forest ranger's post six weeks earlier.

War-time Experience Grainger, then described as an incoherent state, was taken to hospital where authorities said he was a British army veteran. His wife said in the Sunday Chronicle interview that Grainger's reported actions in the United States paralleled his wartime experience.

Mrs. Grainger said her 27-year-old husband had gone to Canada to try to make a home for his family. His wife told the Sunday Chronicle: "I read the story of how my husband behaved in America with tears in my eyes. What he did in Texas was almost identical with what he did in Italy during the war."

He was in the Eighth Army and was wounded badly in the head. He escaped from a German prison camp. He was barefooted and sec-

Allies Ask Quick Red Decision On Prisoners In Stalled Truce Talks

(By O. H. P. King) MUNSAN, Korea, Dec. 10 (Monday)—(AP)—Allied truce negotiators bluntly asked the Communists today to make a quick decision on the U. N. demand for immediate discussion of prisoners exchange.

1. An Allied subcommittee would be read at 1 p. m. tomorrow (11 p. m. EST, Monday) to discuss the problem of exchanging prisoners.

2. An Allied liaison officer would be at Pannunjon two and one-half hours earlier "to receive your answer."

A tersely-worded statement was given to the Reds immediately after today's meeting opened.

Maj-Gen. Howard Turner, who handed them the statement, pointed out that it had been seven days since the Allies proposed a second sub-committee to discuss item four on the armistice agenda—exchange of prisoners.

He said the Communists had yet to give the U. N. command a firm answer.

Before the meeting, Allied and Red staff officers signed an agreement fixing specific boundaries of a provisional buffer zone. The agreement must be approved by the full delegations.

The staff officers have been discussing the northern and southern boundaries of the demilitarized zone ever since the full delegations approved a cease-fire line based upon the agreed battle line.

A pooled dispatch from Pannunjon said Turner presented the demand on prisoners to the Reds at the direction of Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, chief Allied delegate.

Turner told the Reds the proposal was made for the sole purpose of speeding the talks. "If you are in fact interested in an early armistice and in the humanitarian features of consequent early settlement of prisoners of war matters," Turner was quoted, "we can see no justification for any further delay in your acceptance of our proposal for concurrent discussions of items three and four on the subcommittee level."

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Reports Farm Outlook Continues Good In P.E.I.

With higher consumer spending due to increased industrial production and employment in the coming year, the demand for food products will remain good, Hon. S. C. Baker, Minister of Agriculture said last night.

Mr. Baker returned over the week-end from Ottawa where he attended the Dominion-Provincial Agricultural Conference. The conference is called annually by the Rt. Hon. James H. Gardiner, Federal Minister of Agriculture and is attended by Provincial Ministers and Deputy Ministers and leaders of agricultural organizations.

He said that from reports given to him submitted, a pretty fair barometer of the situation, as far as the coming year is concerned, can be obtained. Unless international relations deteriorate still further, and provided there are favourable growing conditions in 1952, the picture for this province will remain somewhat the same as the past year, he reported.

While the total farm income for Canada is expected to be higher next year, this increase will main-

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Three Drowned When Car Goes Into River

FORT COULOGNE, Que., Dec. 9 (CP)—Three persons were drowned but a fourth escaped Saturday night when an automobile left the highway two miles west of here and plunged into the Coulogne River.

Drowned were Doreen Miron, 23, Melvin Leguier, 25 and Berin Leguier, 22, all of this town 55 miles west of Hull, Que. The 19-year-old driver of the car, Lillian Miron of Bryson, Que., escaped. She squeezed out of a buckled door as the car plunged into the river and settled upside down in about 15 feet of water 20 feet from shore.

High tide today at 8:53 A. M. and 8:18 P. M. Sun rises today at 7:40 A. M. and sets at 4:31 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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HALIFAX, Dec. 9 (CP)—Weather synopsis and official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at 11 p. m. tonight. Synopsis: An intensifying disturbance now moving rapidly east-northeastward through Nova Scotia is causing rain in the southern part of that Province and snow over the rest of the Maritimes.

By morning, this disturbance will be well east of the district and the rain and snow will have ended in all regions. Northerly winds in the wake of this disturbance will bring colder air to the Maritimes on Monday. Skies will be generally cloudy and widely scattered snowflurries are expected in most regions.

Forecasts, valid until Monday midnight: Prince Edward Island — Snow ending before dawn, then cloudy with widely scattered snowflurries. Colder Monday. Light winds increasing before dawn to north-wind 20. Early morning and mid afternoon temperatures at Charlottetown, 28 and 25.

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