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# CANADA - U. S. CONSIDER EXPANSION OF DEFENCES

## Tie-Up Of 35 Deep Sea Ships Is Threatened

### Labor Party Turns Down Resolution Aimed At U. S.

By TOM OCHILTREE  
MARGATE, England, (AP)—The Labor party Monday rejected a left-wing resolution aimed at pinning the blame on the United States for the cold war and the armament race.  
Aneurin Bevan, long an advocate of arms reduction in Britain, took no part in the debate. Some of his followers supported the measure from the floor, but most remained quiet. Thus the debate did not represent, in any sense, an organized attack by Bevin's faction on the policy of the party leadership.  
The rejected arms cut resolution declared "our dependence on the United States commits us to a vested interest in the cold war."  
Bevin's silence spotlighted an atmosphere of harmony which has been unheard of in socialist conclaves of recent years. But veterans were not convinced that the efforts to present the appearance of a united front would last all the way through next Friday, when the convention ends.

#### Policy Statement

The party's executive committee placed a proposed policy statement before the delegates for approval. Entitled "Challenge to Britain", it lays stress on the need for Britain to improve her financial position in the world, make her industries more efficient and use her land better.  
There is hardly more than lip service to nationalization of industry.  
The statement is assured of ultimate adoption, but its moderation could well come under attack by some of the "unlucky" ideas carried through faithfully to the end.  
Another show of harmony came earlier when Herbert Morrison, of party leader Clement Attlee's moderate wing, withdrew as candidate for party treasurer, leaving unopposed the man who has held the post for a decade, 73-year-old Arthur Greenwood.  
Had Morrison stayed in the contest and won, he would have gone back on the executive committee, from which he was bumped by the Bevanites last year. But the

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## Coming Events

- \*\*Dance at Gordon Lodge every Friday night.
- \*\*Dance Grandview Thursday. Burns' Orchestra.
- \*\*Dance, Lorne Valley every Tuesday. Turner's Orchestra.
- \*\*Dance every Tuesday night, Stanley Bridge Rink hall. Music by Munroe's Orchestra.
- \*\*Don't miss the masquerade dance in Stella Maris Hall, North Rustico, Wednesday, Sept. 30. Good prizes, good music.
- \*\*Come to the Cornwall Concert in Wilshire Hall, Friday, October 2nd. Auspices Mission Band.
- \*\*Lads and Lassies in Morell Hall, Wednesday night at 8.00 P.M. Sponsored by Poultry Club.
- \*\*Dance in Millvale School, Wednesday, September 30th. Dancing from 9 till 1. Canteen service.
- \*\*Dance, Covehead—Stanhope Community Hall, Wednesday, Sept. 30th.
- \*\*Weekly Dance Winslow Station Hall, Thursday, October 1st. Dorn Bros. Orchestra. Canteen service.
- \*\*Reserve October 20 and 21 for the annual chicken supper and bazaar, St. Mary's Hall, Souris.
- \*\*Now crushing grain at York mills Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 15c per cwt. Arthur Simpson.
- \*\*Bean supper, Tryon Community Hall, Wednesday, Sept. 30th. Proceeds for hall. 80 and 35 cents.
- \*\*Fenner's regular barn dance, Brackley Beach, Tuesday night. Prizes will be given for lucky ticket on bus and at dance. Buses leaving I.M.T. 9:30.
- \*\*Farmers ask about the Shur-Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill. Farmers who break records use Shur-Gain.
- \*\*Come to South Rustico Hall, Tuesday, September 29th and have the Charlottetown Lads and Lassies pipe, sing and dance their way into your hearts. You'll enjoy them. Sale of baskets afterwards.

### Sees No Sign Of Depression

LONDON, Ont. (CP)—There is no more credit out in Canada now than there was in 1939 in relation to Canadian income, and the Canadian economy is far from a depression, Credit Bureau officials heard Monday.  
Canada's economy is on an upward march that should last at least 25 years without anything more than minor setbacks, G. Don Smith, general manager of the Credit Bureau of Montreal said.  
To meet this quarter-century expansion that should see the "doubling of Canada's population" and witness "terrific" expansion in her industry and commerce

### U. S. Planes Blunder In War Games

ABOARD H.M.C. VANGUARD, (AP)—United States naval planes "attacked" the British battleship Vanguard Monday in the first big blunder of NATO's North Atlantic manoeuvres off Iceland.  
The planes, from U.S. carriers, and the Vanguard were all seeking the same "enemy"—the British cruiser Swiftsure in Exercise Mariner.  
But the planes apparently took the battleship for the cruiser and gave the Vanguard a terrific imaginary passing.

The Vanguard frantically tried to identify herself as a friendly ship. But still the planes came in. Then the Vanguard opened fire with blank shells at the planes, believed to be based on the U.S. carrier Bennington, made run after run.  
A few minutes later the Vanguard spotted the Swiftsure about 11 miles away and pounded the cruiser with her 15-inch guns. The Swiftsure, with much lighter armament, was outclassed and on "sunken," presumably, although the final word on her fate will not be decided until exercise umpires confer.

The Vanguard and the U.S. force had been seeking the Swiftsure since Sunday. The battleship started to head north with the U.S. cruisers Macon and Des Moines. A North Atlantic storm slowed down the cruisers, so the Vanguard knifed on alone.  
The battleship entered the iceberg belt and flurried as snow made visibility poor. The planes, also rushing in for the kill on the Swiftsure, spotted the Vanguard and attacked.  
The Royal Navy officer on the bridge gave orders for the battleship's own defence. "Never mind the enemy" he ordered. "God save us from our friends."

### Liver Ailment Now On Wane

DIGBY, N.S. (CP)—Hepatitis, a liver ailment that has had half this town's population on the ropes for months is on the wane, health officials said Monday.  
More than 1,000 were stricken by the disease that causes fatigue, headaches, nausea, stomach pains and indigestion.  
Only a few cases required hospital treatment. Source of the highly contagious disease is unknown, but it is believed to be a virus.  
Stores and hotels reported a serious drop in business because customers avoided the town although there was no quarantine.

### 2,700 Officers, Men Sail For Germany In Nov.

QUEBEC (CP)—Brig. Frank Flury, officer commanding eastern Quebec military district, on Monday announced 2,700 officers and men, picked to replace an equal number of members of the 27th Brigade in Germany, will leave here during November.  
An advance party of the troops, serving as part of Canada's NATO forces, is scheduled to embark for Europe in about 10 days.  
The troops, including second battalion of the air-borne Royal 22nd Regiment, will leave Quebec City in five groups, beginning in the early part of November.

### 1,000 Crew Men May Be Affected By Walkout

MONTREAL (CP)—The Seafarers International Union (AFL-ILC) launched a strike of crew members of Canadian deep-sea vessels Monday to support demands for shorter hours and better pay.  
The union, it has 2,800 members in Canada and 93,000 in the United States, set its strike machinery in motion at noon when last-minute negotiations failed to effect a settlement.  
Approximately 35 Canadian vessels, some of them on the high seas, and 1,000 crew men may be affected by the strike, union officials said.

#### Strike Begins

When the strike deadline was reached at noon, crews of three ships in Montreal harbor walked off carrying their gear. Police moved in to guard the ship but no trouble was reported.  
The ships were the Canadian Pacific immigrant liner Beaverbrae; the Canadian Leader, operated by Canadian National Steamships, and the Canuk line freighter Seaboard Trader.

The union served notice Friday that it would call a strike Monday if its demands were not met. Representatives of the Shipping Federation of Canada, the federal labor department and union met Sunday but failed to agree.

#### Forecasts Ruin

A shipping federation spokesman said if the strike persists "it will mean the finish of the deep-sea merchant marine of Canada."  
He said Canadian companies "could not hope to compete with foreign lines whose wages are only a fraction of those paid here."  
He said the average basic wage is \$198 a month, with free board, lodging and medical care. He said the union has eased its original demands for a 40-hour week instead of 56 hours and a wage increase of \$50 a month to a 48-hour week until new negotiations in April, 1954, and an increase of \$30 monthly.  
However, the spokesman said, a reduction in the work week would ruin the industry.

### "Attacking" Fleet Takes Pounding From Gales

LONDON, (Reuters)—The attacking fleet taking part of south Iceland in the NATO operation, Exercise Mariner, is having more than theoretical trouble with 10-mile-an-hour gales and mountainous seas, U.S. vice-admiral Thomas S. Combs said Monday night.  
Admiral Combs said his flagship, the 45,000-ton battleship Iowa, had rolled as much as 26 degrees, and the smaller ships, especially the destroyers, had had "an exceedingly rough day."

#### Ships Damaged

Huge waves smashed over the bow of the U.S. cruiser Worcester and tore gear loose from the decks causing the ship to take water.  
Another U.S. cruiser, the Des Moines, which picked up the Supreme Atlantic commander, Admiral Lynde D. McCormick, at Reykjavik, Iceland, was unable to transfer him and a group of newspaper correspondents to the Iowa because of the rough seas.

#### One Casualty Reported

Only casually reported was a Royal Navy plane, which crashed at sea eight miles off Le Havre while operating in the English channel. The pilot is missing.  
Other British planes flying with him at the time started a search and were joined by a radar training ship, two French lifeboats and two Firefly planes.

### PEI Fishery Revenue Hit \$3,758,700 Peak In 1952

#### Declares Beria Escape Story Looks Like Hoax

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Senator Joseph McCarthy (Rep., Wis.) said Monday the reported escape of Lavrenty Beria, deposed boss of the Kremlin's secret police, "begins to appear like a hoax."  
McCarthy said he expects the Spanish government will release a statement shortly about a man who resembles Beria and who claims to be the former Soviet secret police boss.  
Previously a source identified with McCarthy's Senate committee had described McCarthy as strongly inclined to believe the mystery man was Beria.

### City School Superintendent Reviews Educational Problem

Local educational problems and requirements are reviewed optimistically by Mr. K. A. Parker, Superintendent of Schools for Charlottetown, in his first annual report to the City School Board.  
The year under review has surely been a most significant one, states Mr. Parker. "As a result of careful and detailed study by the Board of School Trustees certain major recommendations have been made and implemented which will determine the educational pattern in Charlottetown for generations to come. The problems existing in the city schools are sharply defined and will be briefly reviewed."  
"First, there is the need to develop and to maintain an informed and supporting public opinion regarding the functions

and aims of the educational effort. The harassed taxpayer has a right to know why education for today's living takes such a large part of the tax dollar. Obviously there are clear and concise answers to his question but all too few seem to have them.  
The task of disseminating such information must be the responsibility of education officials, administrators and teachers. Much can be accomplished through the press, radio and public meetings. The most direct approach is through a growing and intimate relationship between the home and school, between the teacher and parent.

#### Helpful Organizations

"In this connection the work of such organizations as the Home and School, Women's Institute, Catholic Women's League and similar organizations is of paramount importance. Charlottetown is most fortunate in this respect, having an active Home and School in each of the four schools. Nothing is closer to the heart of a parent than the welfare of his child. Financial support will be readily forthcoming once there is intelligent understanding as to what their schools are attempting to do."  
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### New York Dock War Is Looming

By ARTHUR EVERETT  
NEW YORK, (AP)—A full-scale New York dock war moved nearer Monday, as the orphaned International Longshoremen's Association cleared the decks for a mid-week waterfront strike.  
A 120-member ILA negotiating committee announced it will recommend a strike for midnight Wednesday when the old contract expires. It comes to terms before then with Atlantic coast shippers from Maine to Virginia. The ILA was in the midst of negotiating a new contract with the shippers when it was expelled from the AFL.

### Report McGill Has New Air Raid Warning System

MONTREAL (CP)—The Gazette says in a front page story Thursday that scientists at McGill University have designed a continental air raid warning system that may form a major part in North America's protective system against invading aircraft.  
The system, known as the McGill Fence, has been in the planning stage for some time at McGill's electronics laboratory, the Gazette says, and is under strictest secrecy on orders from the federal government.  
The story says the plan will be submitted in October to a joint meeting of Canadian-United States defence boards.  
The McGill Fence, if accepted would replace the Lincoln Line, designed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to protect the vast northward of Canada, the paper says, adding:  
The Lincoln Line was designed to link a radar network being built around Alaska with the warning system of the U. S. air force base at Thule, Greenland.  
The Gazette says McGill scientists, under professor Garnet A. Wootton, director of the laboratory, drew up a new plan calling for an intermediate line of plane spotting aided by new technological developments made by McGill.

### Ford Co. Lays Off 955 Employees

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP)—The lay-off of 955 hourly-rated employees of the Ford Motor Company of Canada at the end of this week was announced Monday by Ford President Rhyx M. Sale, who said that the movement of assembly operations to the new Oakville plant will necessitate the layoffs following the taking of annual inventory Thursday and Friday. Many of the men would be back at work before Christmas.

### Show Concern Over Russia's Atomic Power

OTTAWA, (CP)—Canadian and American defence experts, sharing concern over Russia's growing atomic striking power, are studying "intensively" the expansion of their continental defences.  
An authoritative source said Monday joint discussions are under way to determine what steps, if any, will be taken to improve the existing warning system in Canada's northland, and to build up retaliatory power.  
At the present time, Canada pays one-third of the cost of the northern defence network and the United States the remainder. Both Canadians and American man look-out stations across the country.

#### Comments On Report

Commenting on a Washington report that the U.S. national security council, the senior strategy-policy body, believes it "imperative" that continental defences be "strengthened," the spokesman declared:  
"We share their concern. We are studying the matter intensively with them."  
It was learned that tests of the atmosphere taken after Russia exploded its hydrogen bomb recently showed the Soviets' atomic development to be far ahead of previous calculations.  
The Washington report said American planners believe the initial step to speed up continental defence would be "expansion of the radar warning net designed to provide early warning of approaching bombers through stations in high latitudes of the Arctic as well as stations further south."

#### Still Some Money

Asked where the money might come from to pay for the Canadian part in any such expansion, the spokesman said "there's still some left in the kitty." If more were needed when that's gone, an additional appropriation would be sought.  
The two major elements in continental defence are radar warning stations and interceptor planes. Since the latter are directed to enemy planes by the former, any expansion will be governed by the availability of both.

### Hope For Solution To Strikes In Timmins Area

TIMMINS, (CP)—The Porcupine gold camp may learn today whether the Ontario government has a solution to its long rash of mine strikes.  
Labor Minister Daley will meet in Toronto with Mayor J. W. Spooner of Timmins and Reeve Victor Evans of Tisdale township, the two communities hardest hit by the strikes which have left 4,000 men idle in six of the area's 11 mines.  
Business men in this area, who say there has already been a noticeable slump in sales, are pinning their hopes on government intervention settling the disputes. Mine operators and the United Steelworkers of America (U.S.W.) are at odds over wages, hours and union security.  
The union is winterizing picket line tents in expectation of a long battle. Some residents, unwilling to hold out with no end to austerity in sight, have started to pull stakes.

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MONT JOLI, Que. (CP)—Two Quebec bush pilots have struck it rich, discovering rich iron ore deposits while flying over northeastern Quebec, and selling the claims for more than \$1,000,000.  
They told Monday of the strike that dates back to July. Capt. Paul Lapointe of Rimouski, Que., said he and his copilot, Bill Atwater have sold their claims to the Iron Ore Company of Canada.  
In Montreal, a company spokesman said the discovery is apparently iron ore and not some other metal. He was not sure whether the option was taken by the Iron Ore Company or by Hollinger Consolidated, the parent company. Lapointe, chief pilot of Quebec-Air Incorporated, said the deposit is 80 miles north of Havre St. Pierre and was discovered on a flight from Goose Bay, Labrador, to Mont Joli.

#### Youth Killed While Hunting

LITTLE CURRENT, Ont. (CP)—Fifteen-year-old Melvin Baxter of nearby Tehummah was killed Sunday when he received a shotgun blast in the stomach while hunting ducks. The gun discharged when he was getting into a boat.

#### ON WEEK ENDS THE FARMER HIKES TO THE CITY AND THE CITYMAN HIKES TO THE COUNTRY!

TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Dawson ..... Min. Max.  
Victoria ..... 28 45  
Edmonton ..... 45 57  
Calgary ..... 36 50  
Regina ..... 38 70  
Winnipeg ..... 34 61  
Toronto ..... 47 71  
Ottawa ..... 41 63  
Montreal ..... 56 63  
Quebec ..... 46 52  
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