

EDEN ANNOUNCES CABINET CHANGE

New Men For Three Top Posts

LONDON, (Reuters)—Prime Minister Eden today announced a major reshuffle of his cabinet, naming new ministers for the three top posts.

Defence Minister Selwyn Lloyd, 51, becomes foreign secretary and Harold Macmillan, 61, former secretary for the last four months, becomes chancellor of the exchequer.

The new defence minister is Sir Walter Monckton, 64, who has earned wide praise for his handling of industrial relations as minister of labor over the last four years.

KEY POST FOR BUTLER

R. A. Butler, 53, moves from the chancellorship of the exchequer to become lord privy seal, a non-departmental post which frees him for duties as the prime minister's right-hand man.

He also becomes leader of the House of Commons, making him responsible for carrying through the government's program of legislation.

This puts Butler in line for succession to the premiership although no appointment of a deputy prime minister was announced.

With more changes in the lower ranks of the government, the reconstruction is the most sweeping since the Second World War.

It realizes Eden's aim to streamline his government so that it can stand without further major changes during the Conservatives' four years of office still ahead.

No previous prime minister since the war has at one slash changed his three key lieutenants—chancellor of the exchequer, foreign secretary and defence minister.

MONCKTON BACK

The big surprise of the reshuffle was the appointment to the defence portfolio of Monckton, who had been expected by many to retire from politics.

A notable promotion was that of Iain Macleod, formerly minister of health, to the ministry of labor and national service. At 42 he becomes the youngest member of the cabinet.

Six ministers in the old government, which Eden formed when he took over from Sir Winston Churchill last April, disappear from the administration.

Drowned When Aerial Chair Cable Breaks

HALIFAX (CP)—One man drowned but a second escaped with injuries Tuesday when an aerial chair carrying them across a wind-tossed stretch of water between two lonely islands off northern Cape Breton plunged into Cabot Strait after the cables snapped.

J. C. Theakston, district marine agent for the transport department here, identified the victim as George E. Gatzka, 29, of New Victoria, N.S., assistant lightkeeper on northeast St. Paul's island.

Second assistant keeper Marlin L. Baker of Gatzka's body. Gatzka was married but had no children. He had worked at St. Paul's for two years.

The men were travelling between the islands to bring back Christmas supplies discharged by the Edward Cornwallis.

Baker said he saw Gatzka, still clinging to the aerial chair, disappear beneath the water. The sea was rough with waves 19 to 15 feet high. Baker, badly bruised, said he could do nothing to save his companion.

NEWS IN BRIEF

BANK DIRECTOR DIES

OTTAWA (CP)—Russell Blackburn, 81, senior director of the Bank of Nova Scotia died here Monday night after a short illness.

BIGGEST BUYING SPREE

LONDON (Reuters)—Britons are on their biggest Christmas buying spree of all time. Present expectation is that about 50,000,000 pounds will be spent on beer, wines and liquor alone.

CAR THEFT SENTENCE

BOSTON (AP)—Jervis Jennings, 38, of Halifax and East Boston, was sentenced Tuesday in federal court to three years' imprisonment for transporting a stolen automobile. The federal prosecutor said Jennings stole a car in Somerville last April and drove it to Halifax.

OUT OF MOTHBALLS

HALIFAX (CP)—The navy said Tuesday two frigates will be taken out of mothballs to offset the loss of three ships being loaned to Norway from the Atlantic fleet as part of a NATO agreement. A spokesman said the Lanark and Fort Erie, now in Sydney, will be returned to service.

HIROHITO AT MOVIE

TOKYO (Reuters)—A Japanese emperor Tuesday attended a public movie theatre for the first time. Hirohito, with three other members of the imperial family, attended a charity showing of "Cinerama Holiday."

NAMED AMBASSADOR

OTTAWA (CP)—Montreal-born Leon Mayrand, 50, has been appointed Canadian ambassador to Spain, replacing Lt.-Gen. Maurice Pope, 66, who is retiring. External Affairs Minister Pearson announced Tuesday.

STOVE BURNS

STELLARTON, N. S. (CP)—Fire destroyed a local branch of Sobey's Food Stores Tuesday afternoon with loss estimated at more than \$20,000.

URGE HIGHWAY PROGRAM

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government was urged Tuesday to adopt a bold new program for highway development in Canada and back it with the resources of the federal treasury. The suggestion was made by the 43,000-member Canadian Automobile Association in a brief presented to Works Minister Winters.

TORONTO (CP)—Temperatures issued by the public weather office:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	55b	46b
Vancouver	34	42
Victoria	36	44
Edmonton	14b	7b
Calgary	12b	6b
Regina	7b	2b
Winnipeg	13b	1b
Toronto	3b	6
Ottawa	16b	10b
Montreal	13b	7b
Quebec	19b	10b
Fredericton	5b	1b
Saint John	4b	zero
Halifax	11	12
Charlottetown	1b	8
Sydney	13	19
Yarmouth	9	9
St. John's	16	22

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office here reports a large high pressure area over the central part of the continent is moving slowly, and there is no indication of a break in the cold wave. The weather will remain fine except for some sections where winds are blowing off the sea.

Regional forecasts: Northern Nova Scotia and New Brunswick: A few clouds; continuing extremely cold; north-west winds 20. Low-high at New Glasgow 12 below and 5 above. Moncton and Fredericton 15 below and 5 below. Saint John 10 below and 5 below. Edmundston 15 below and 5 below. Campbellton 10 below and 5 below.

Prince Edward Island: Clear with a few cloudy intervals and widely scattered snowflurries; extremely cold; west winds 20. Low-high at Charlottetown 5 below and zero.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2:30 a.m. and 3:28 p.m. Summer tides eight minutes later than Charlottetown.

Sun rises at 7:48 a.m. and sets at 4:34 p.m.

Gardiner Noncommittal On Aid To Potato Growers

OTTAWA (CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner intimated Tuesday that if federal aid is granted for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island potato growers also would have to be granted to Nova Scotia apple growers.

"If you do one thing, you've got to do the other," he said in an interview. Officials from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island completed two days of discussions with federal officials and presented a formal request for federal aid to help divert some surplus potatoes into starch factories.

presentation was made to A. A. Shaw, chairman of the federal price support board. Mr. Gardiner said he had not seen the presentation as yet but probably would bring it later before the cabinet for discussion and decision.

Coming Events

- New Glasgow concert, Dec. 22.
- South Milton concert, Dec. 22.
- Westmoreland School Concert, December 22.
- North Granville School concert, Dec. 22.
- Mount Herbert school concert tonight.
- Christmas concert, Millview Hall, Dec. 22, 8 p.m.
- Lower Freetown Christmas concert, December 21st.
- Windsor North Christmas Concert tonight.
- Kingston School Concert tonight 8 p.m.
- Anglo Rustico school concert, Dec. 23.
- Wiltshire School Concert Thursday, Dec. 22nd.
- Argyle Shore Christmas concert, Friday, Dec. 23.
- Christmas Concert, Bridgetown Hall, December 22.
- Dance in Mount Ryan Hall every Thursday night.
- Cornwall Christmas concert on Thursday, Dec. 22nd.
- Greenvale School Concert in School, Thursday, Dec. 22.
- Come to St. Mary's School Christmas Concert tonight.
- Bellevue Christmas concert in Grandview Hall, December 22.
- Morial School Concert Thursday, Dec. 22nd. Curtain at 8.
- Headteacher Christmas Concert Friday, December 23 at 8 p.m.
- Dance cancelled at West Royalty Hall, Wednesday, Dec 21st., only.
- Hatsville School Concert Dec. 21. Dance after.
- New Perth School Christmas concert in New Perth Hall Thursday, December 22 at 8.00 p.m.
- Christmas Concert Marshfield Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 21st, 8.00 p.m.
- Eldon school Christmas concert, Belfast Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 8 p.m.
- New Year's eve dance Mount Stewart Memorial Hall, Friday, Dec. 30. Burns Orchestra.
- New Haven Christmas Concert School, Thursday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m.
- Christmas Concert, Stella Marie Hall, North Rustico, Thursday, Dec. 22.
- York Point Christmas Concert, North River Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 21.
- Christmas Concert in West Royalty Hall, Thursday, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock.
- Christmas Concert, Marshfield Hall, Wednesday, December 21, 8.00 p.m.
- Holiday dance, St. Mary's Hall, Burris, Tuesday, Dec. 27th. Cliff Peters' Orchestra.
- Borden School Concert Wednesday, Dec. 21 in Canadian Legion home, 7:30 o'clock.
- Grand Tracadie Christmas concert, Corran Ban Hall, Thursday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m.
- Kelly's Cross Christmas Concert, Thursday, Dec. 22. Curtain 15. Dance after.
- Protestant Orphanage Christmas Concert, Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd, at 7:30 p.m.
- Dance Cardigan Legion Hall, Thursday. Webster's Orchestra. A system. Canteen service.
- The Christmas Concert of North School will be held in North School Friday, Dec. 23rd.
- Unloading car oil cake, all day Tuesday and Wednesday morning, Dec. 20-21. Wiltshire Dairying Co.
- Johnston's River Christmas concert in Mount Ryan Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 21st. Curtain 15.

SUGGEST SUBSIDIES

The delegation suggested that through federal subsidies, farmers may be encouraged to divert some of their surpluses into starch factories thus easing the food market glut.

Canada this year produced about 63,600,000 bushels of potatoes, up 23 per cent from 1954. Large crops also have been produced in the United States.

Maritime officials said they received a courteous hearing from

four aircraft reach Antarctica

WELLINGTON, N. Z. (Reuters)—The terse message "aircraft on ice" snapped out of a radio speaker aboard the icebreaker Arcturion Tuesday and signalled the successful completion of a 2,300-mile flight from New Zealand to Antarctica.

Four American planes shared the honor of being the first to fly from an outside land mass to the icy wilderness.

The planes, two Neptune naval patrol bombers and two Skywarrior transports, landed on a flag-marked, 2,700-yard airstrip cut out of the frozen wastes of McMurdo Sound, 800 miles south of the Antarctic Circle.

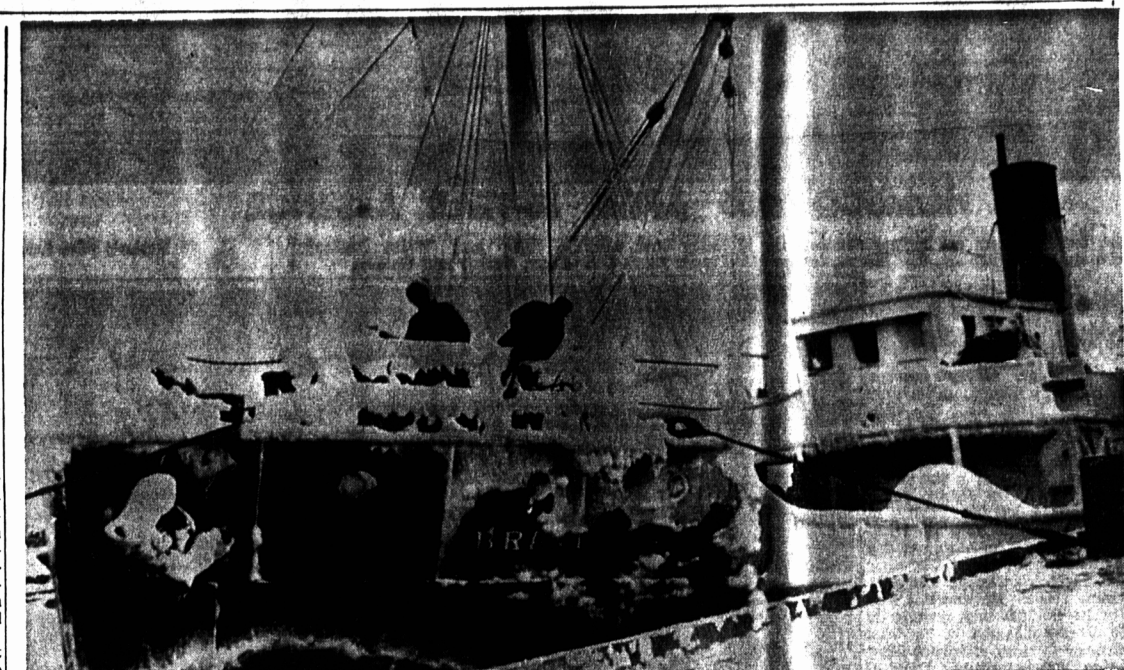
Toronto-Montreal Trip in 52 Minutes

MONTREAL (CP)—Britain's new jetliner Comet III sped like a silver bullet from Toronto to Montreal Tuesday, "coasting" on only two of its four engines part of the way.

Sleek and gliding in a clear, wintry sky, the world-circling Comet made the 337-mile hop in 52 minutes at an average speed of 336 miles an hour.

"Actually, we took our time—there was no attempt at a record," said Pilot John (Cat's Eyes) Cunningham, war ace and chief test pilot for de Havilland Aircraft Company Limited.

At 20,000 feet after leaving Toronto, Cunningham cut back two of the Comet's engines and the 60-passenger plane hurtled along without apparent effort on the other two.



CGS BRANT SHOWS SIGNS OF FRIGID WEATHER. Proving that life at sea is not all sunshine at this time of year, Brant working to clear the superstructure of the coating of ice collected on her recent tour of duty in the Northumberland Straits. Barter's Film Lab.

Aid Sought In Case Of Ch'town Harbor Freeze-Up

Shipping interests locally are greatly concerned about ice conditions resulting from the present cold spell, which is the worst experienced here at this season since 1942 when the thermometer registered eleven below zero on the 20th of December.

Yesterday Mr. Neil Matheson, M.P., wired the Deputy Minister of Transport at Ottawa for approval to retain the government ships Saurer and Brant at Charlottetown for the purpose of assisting shipping in and out of the harbour.

Officials of the Irving Oil Company also wired Ottawa for the same purpose, they having ships arriving to discharge petroleum products to their new bulk storage plant.

Ice conditions coupled with the heavy loading and deep draft have made it necessary for changes in the scheduled entry of the Irving Company's tanker Irvingbrook. The information obtained from the company is that the ship will lie off Fitzroy Rock, and the smaller tanker Seekonk which is arriving from Pictou will load from the Irvingbrook and transport to the Railway wharf.

Bluenose At Yarmouth Following Stormy Voyage

YARMOUTH, N. S. (CP)—The new Yarmouth-Bar Harbor, Me., ferry Bluenose, encrusted with ice slipped out of an offshore blizzard and docked here Tuesday.

Canadian National Railways officials said the boat will make her first run across the Bay of Fundy's mouth to Bar Harbor Jan. 4, returning two days later.

H. A. Pickering, CNR divisional superintendent, said no trial runs will be made and that the \$5,000,000 ship would lay over each weekend here. Originally it was planned to have the ship remain at Bar Harbor.

COMES IN WITHOUT PILOT. Capt. K. L. Crump brought the ship into harbor of a rising tide without the use of a pilot boat. It was only the second time the captain had made the tedious run down the narrow harbor channel.

Prince Edward Island M.P. at Washington Luncheon

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