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7,000 DESERTED

Simmonds Says Korea Brigade Had Many Misfits

OTTAWA (CP) — Lt. Gen. Guy Simmonds, former chief of the army general staff, said Wednesday, 7,000 of the 20,000 men recruited for the Canadian Infantry Brigade for Korea in 1950 deserted.

He said in an interview that political pressure was exerted to make the brigade entirely one of volunteers and that as a result many misfits were taken in.

Gen. Simmonds, stern critic of Canadian defence policy since his retirement from the army a year ago, was commenting on charges by Maj.-Gen. W. H. S. Macklin, retired army adjutant - general, that thousands and thousands of men recruited into the Korean brigade never fought or did a day's work and that many were drawn from prisons.

Gen. Macklin was speaking to the 25th Lake Couchiching conference sponsored by the CBC and the Canadian Institute of Public Affairs.

WEEDED OUT 3,000

Gen. Simmonds said that besides the 7,000 deserters, another 3,000 men were weeded out before the brigade, which comprised some 10,000 men, sailed for Korea in 1951.

Gen. Simmonds said no recruiting was actually done in prisons but he knew of cases where magistrates had given persons convicted of minor offences the choice of joining the army or taking a jail sentence.

Gen. Simmonds' figures clashed with those given in a recently published official history of the

brigade in the Korean War. The history says 1,600 men were discharged and another 600 deserted before the brigade sailed for Korea.

EXCELLENT IN ACTION

On this point the history said: "Such wastage was largely a by-product of the speed with which the force had to be recruited. However, the quality of the Canadian contribution was excellent as the troops' record in action clearly shows."

Gen. Simmonds said some misfits reached Korea but mostly they were discharged before the unit departed for the war. The brigade was trained at Fort Lewis, Wash. Gen. Simmonds praised the brigade in action.

Three Cypriots Are Hanged For Murder

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP)—Three young Greek Cypriots were hanged today for murder in terrorist act against the British.

The three went to their deaths at the same time on a triple gallows behind the massive walls of Nicosia central prison.

The trap was sprung by three hangmen, their identities kept a closely guarded secret to prevent reprisals by Greek Cypriot nationalists.

British troops had manned machine-gun posts on towers above the prison walls as a deterrent to special services for the three men.

The men were Andras Zakos, 25, Charilaos Michael, 22, and Yianis Patatou, 22. Patatou was found guilty of killing a Turkish-Cypriot policeman and the other two took part in an ambush in which a British soldier was killed.

Earlier the Archbishop of Kitum acting head of the Greek Orthodox Church in Cyprus, said the executions would "widen the gap between the people of Cyprus and the British government."

EISENHOWER

Predicts That "Good Sense" Will Prevail "On Suez"

Health Promotions In Newfoundland

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Appointment of Dr. Arthur Knowling as assistant deputy minister of health was announced Tuesday.

He succeeds Dr. James McGrath, who has been named minister of the department.

Dr. Knowling was previously head of the health department's tuberculosis dispensary. He is succeeded in that post by Dr. Edward Malone, a sanatorium staff doctor for two years.

MacLeod Clansmen Flock To Skye For Celebrations

ISLE OF SKYE, Scotland (Reuters)—The far flung members of the fabled Clan MacLeod are coming ashore by the boatload on this remote Scottish isle for ancient ceremonies marking the coming-of-age of their future chief.

Macleods from Canada, the United States and many other parts of the world are making the journey for a week-long party at Dunvegan Castle, stronghold of the clan for 700 years.

They are coming in response to an invitation from Dame Flora MacLeod, 78-year-old present

chief of the clan, who has invited every MacLeod here for the celebrations beginning next Saturday.

Dame Flora's heir is her grandson, John, who to please his grandmother had his name changed officially several years ago from Gordon, his father's surname, to MacLeod.

According to the family's ancient tradition he will have to prove himself a worthy future chief by draining an old bull's horn which holds a nearly two bottles of wine "without setting it down or falling down."

His clansmen will be watching—parched—to see that he empties the horn completely.

Several hundred guests also will see the clan's greatest treasure—the fairy flag which, according to legend, can save the clan only three times when it is in desperate need.

Islanders claim the flag already has done its job twice. The last time was in 1520 when the clan was attacked by the Macdonalds. The fairy flag was waved and the Macdonalds—who may have been somewhat bemused—saw what they thought was a large army descending upon them. They fled in disorder.

READY FOR THIRD TEST
Dame Flora hopes the flag will use its third magic spell to help her recover the family fortunes.

"We want him to make a huge fortune and save us when the British death duties inheritance

tax come after my death," she said. "It is the hope of the clan that the flag will give him all the help he needs."

Dame Flora has in the past travelled to many parts of the world, including Canada, telling Macleods about their ancestral home, which is beginning to show its age and needs help.

The Canadian Macleods have a special interest in their future chief. He will be going to Canada in September to study at McGill University.

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Lobster Boats Sabotaged Before Fishing Season Opens

An Alberton lobster boat, owned by Silas Matthews, was damaged Tuesday night at Minasitog Harbour and a second Alberton boat belonging to Wilbur Fraser was heavily damaged and set adrift by a group of unidentified persons who were reported to have showered the men aboard the boats with rocks and other missiles.

The fishermen were preparing their boats for the opening of the south side lobster season on August 10th when the incident occurred.

Members of the Alberton Detachment of the R.C.M.P. are investigating.

Murder Warrant On Husband

By DON HOYT
Canadian Press Staff Writer
SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — A murder warrant was served on John Patrick Mahoney Wednesday night, seven minutes after an inquest jury decided his 27-year-old wife died of throat slashes inflicted by a sharp weapon in the hands of her husband.

The slender Mahoney, who was taken into custody by police Monday following discovery of his wife's half-clad body sprawled across a bed in their flat, showed no emotion as Detective Inspector George Stubbs read the warrant for his arrest on a charge of murder.

DELIBERATE AN HOUR
The coroner's jury deliberated one hour.

Four of nine witnesses during the inquest testified Mahoney admitted cutting his wife's throat after beating her unconscious.

Detective J. F. Ross said Mahoney told him he killed his wife when Ross arrived at the rallyard district flat in answer to a call allegedly made by Mahoney to police headquarters.

He said I just killed my wife," Ross testified.

Mahoney said he had had an argument with his wife that morning. He had done decided he might as well finish the job."

A broken half of a wooden lamp and a fishing knife bearing brownish stains were introduced as evidence.

Two taxi despatchers testified Mahoney entered a taxi shortly after 8 a.m. Monday, seeking change for a quarter. Both said he stated don't faint when you hear what I'm going to say."

The witnesses said he dialed a number and said into the pay telephone how soon can you send a car down I just killed my wife."

Dr. E. A. H. Mackeen, provincial pathologist, testified the fishing knife could cause the neck wounds which he said resulted in Mrs. Mahoney's death. She also suffered multiple fractures of the skull.

Mahoney is scheduled to be arraigned on the murder charge in city police court today.

Island Dancers Compete In Scotland's Festival

Mrs. Wilfred Burke and two of the Islands leading Scottish entertainers Heather and Tommy Burke returned to the City Tuesday after a nine week visit to Scotland, where the young couple received additional training in piping, highland dancing and Gaelic.

Shortly after their arrival in Scotland they played for the wedding of their cousin Georgina Bamford and Adam Bathwell. On that occasion the pipers were Lt. McKay, Thomas Burke and Pipe-major Thomas Findlay. Heather presented the traditional silver horseshoe to the bride. During their stay in that country they were the guests of Mrs. Burke's sister, Mrs. Roderick Bamford.

During the final week of their visit the couple competed in the Festival of Dancing which was held in Edinburgh, entering in the third British Open Highland Dancing Championship, which is open to both amateurs and professionals throughout the world. In these competitions Heather won a certificate of merit in the Sean Trubhais and Tommy also received a certificate of merit in the Strathspey and Reel of Tulloch. At the Edinburgh Festival they also piped at the special request of Pipe-major or Statters of Edinburgh Castle, the assistant to Pipe-major Willie Ross. He congratulated them as outstanding players for their age and said there was nothing he could show them, as they were exceptionally well taught."

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NEW GENERATOR IS INSTALLED

A switchboard operator left at the Maritime Electric Company plant adjusts the voltage at the main switchboard. RIGHT - A general view of the turbo-generator room at the local power plant, in the rear can be seen the two Swiss engineers who are supervising the installation of the new turbine. BOTTOM - J. VanMarion, superintendent, Emil Zigerlig and Willy Kissling the engineers from Switzerland along with the general contractor's supervisor Angus Campbell, Montreal, keep a close watch on the installation of the new 7,300 kilowatt hour turbo-generator now being installed in the new extension to the plant. Guardian Photos



Mr. Ralph Manning Appointed Assistant Deputy Treasurer

At a recent meeting of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council Mr. Ralph Manning of Charlottetown, was appointed Assistant Deputy Provincial Treasurer, effective September 1st, 1956.

Mr. Manning's duties will be to assist Mr. W.E. Massey, Deputy Provincial Treasurer, who has been on sick leave for the past three months convalescing from a serious illness.

Up to the present time Mr. Massey has been called upon to fill many arduous duties in addition to being Secretary of the Treasury Board; Secretary-Treasurer of the P.E.I. Industrial Corporation; and Secretary of the Tourist Accommodation Loans Committee. Many of these duties will be delegated to Mr. Manning who will also be in charge of all revenue and loan collection accounts.

In speaking with the Provincial Treasurer, Hon. B. Earle Macdonald, he claims the Treasury Department today has grown three-fold with the expansion of governmental functions and the provision of additional services with the same number of staff as was employed ten years ago.

Immigration Mission Visits European Refugee Camps

OTTAWA (CP) — Immigration Minister Pickersgill said Wednesday a Canadian immigration mission now is visiting European refugee camps and that he believes a good number of eligible immigrants will be found.

He was replying in the Commons to suggestions that immigration be increased.

There is a more hopeful attitude among would-be European immigrants about job opportunities in Canada compared with the bad publicity caused early last year by commons debate on unemployment measures, Mr. Pickersgill said.

Immigration from the United Kingdom was increasing. Some 7,000 of the 11,000 immigrant increase in the first six months of 1956 had come from the U.K. Up to June 30 this year, 89,938 immigrants entered Canada compared with 56,417 in the same period last year.

Mr. Pickersgill said one reason for this was the assisted-passage scheme for dependents.

The minister said he is discouraged about the immigration decline from the Netherlands. One reason was that some Netherlands were taking advantage of Australia's free-passage scheme.

In reply to the suggestion of Davis Fulton (PC — Kamloops) that Canada might adopt a similar scheme, Mr. Pickersgill said it has never been part of Canadian policy to compete actively with Australia.

Ambrose Holowach (SC — Edmonton East) said immigration policy seems restrictive rather than liberal. Procrastination in the department caused futility among would-be immigrants and they applied elsewhere.

Steel Prices Rise In Canada

HAMILTON (CP) — The Steel Company of Canada Wednesday announced increases in steel prices ranging from \$6 to \$8 a ton.

The price boosts follow an announcement Monday of price increases by the United States Steel Corp. in Pittsburgh. The Canadian increases, however, are said about 25 per cent less than the \$8.50-a-ton rise in the U.S.

The announcement by Stelco President H. G. Hilton indicated further price increases may be necessary. Both Canadian and U.S. increases follow in the wake of the United States steel strike which resulted in workers' wage increases.

The announced increases: 30 cents a 100 pounds for steel plates, sheet, hot-rolled sheet, cold-rolled sheet and galvanized sheet; 30 cents a 100 pounds for carbon-steel bars; 40 cents a 100 pounds for alloy steel bars.

Present basic prices were not immediately available.

Half Million Back Pay

SYDNEY (CP) — Sydney steelworkers will receive more than \$500,000 in their pay envelopes today.

Approximately \$250,000 is retroactive pay, which steelworkers gained during recent contract negotiations.

Average back pay will be between \$50 and \$60 per man.

270 Belgian Miners Trapped

MARCELLE, Belgium (AP) — A coal mine fire trapped 270 men 2,485 feet below the surface Wednesday and authorities say it may turn out to be the worst mine disaster in Belgium's history.

All escape routes have been cut off by the blaze. Rescuers working desperately with fire fighting equipment Wednesday night — 13 hours after the fire started — had brought eight bodies and six injured men to the surface. The dead men were asphyxiated.

One mine official said it would be miraculous if many more of the trapped miners were saved, but he added that no rescue efforts are being spared.

FROM SHORT CIRCUIT
The mine engineers said the fire was started when a coal car left its rails, cut an electric cable and caused a short circuit.

Twenty-five men escaped by elevator before the flames melted its cable and sent its cars crashing to the bottom of the pit. Seven other men found their way to the surface through a labyrinth of side passages before these, too, were blocked by the fire.

Rescue workers were driven back repeatedly by the flames, fumes and heat that melted their heavy rubber boots.

A dynamite blast breached a concrete wall blocking one escape route. It was through this opening he dead and injured men were brought out. But apparently it led only to a side passage blocked by fire at its other end.

Loyal Ecuador Troops Take Prov. Capital

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — Loyal troops, closing in on a rebellion in western Ecuador's Manabí province, have recaptured the provincial capital and put rebel leaders to flight, the government announced Wednesday.

The capital is Portoviejo, a main stronghold of the rebellion. All Ecuador has been politically restless since Ecuador's Liberal party lost the presidential election last June.

Mayor Polot Ortiz said Jose Maria Plaza, a civilian leader of the rebellion who was a Liberal in June, fled to the mountains from Portoviejo.

FORCES WITHDRAWN
He added in a broadcast that the rebel military chieftain, Lt. Col. Arturo Davila, withdrew his forces from Portoviejo to the city of Chone, joining Sen. Homero Andrade, who was described as the civilian chief.

Presidential spokesman Gustavo Tamayo said the rebels also have been driven from the cities of Manabí and Jipijapa and that remnants of their forces have been cornered on Andrade's ranch near Chone.

The government radio said Chone is surrounded by government troops.

CAPITAL QUIET
Ecuador's high command said the revolt would be put down "once and for all, by whatever means necessary." The government contends the rebellion has support outside Manabí province. It denied a rebel radio report that other garrisons were joining the rebellion of the military garrison of Portoviejo.

Heads I.O.O.F. In Nova Scotia

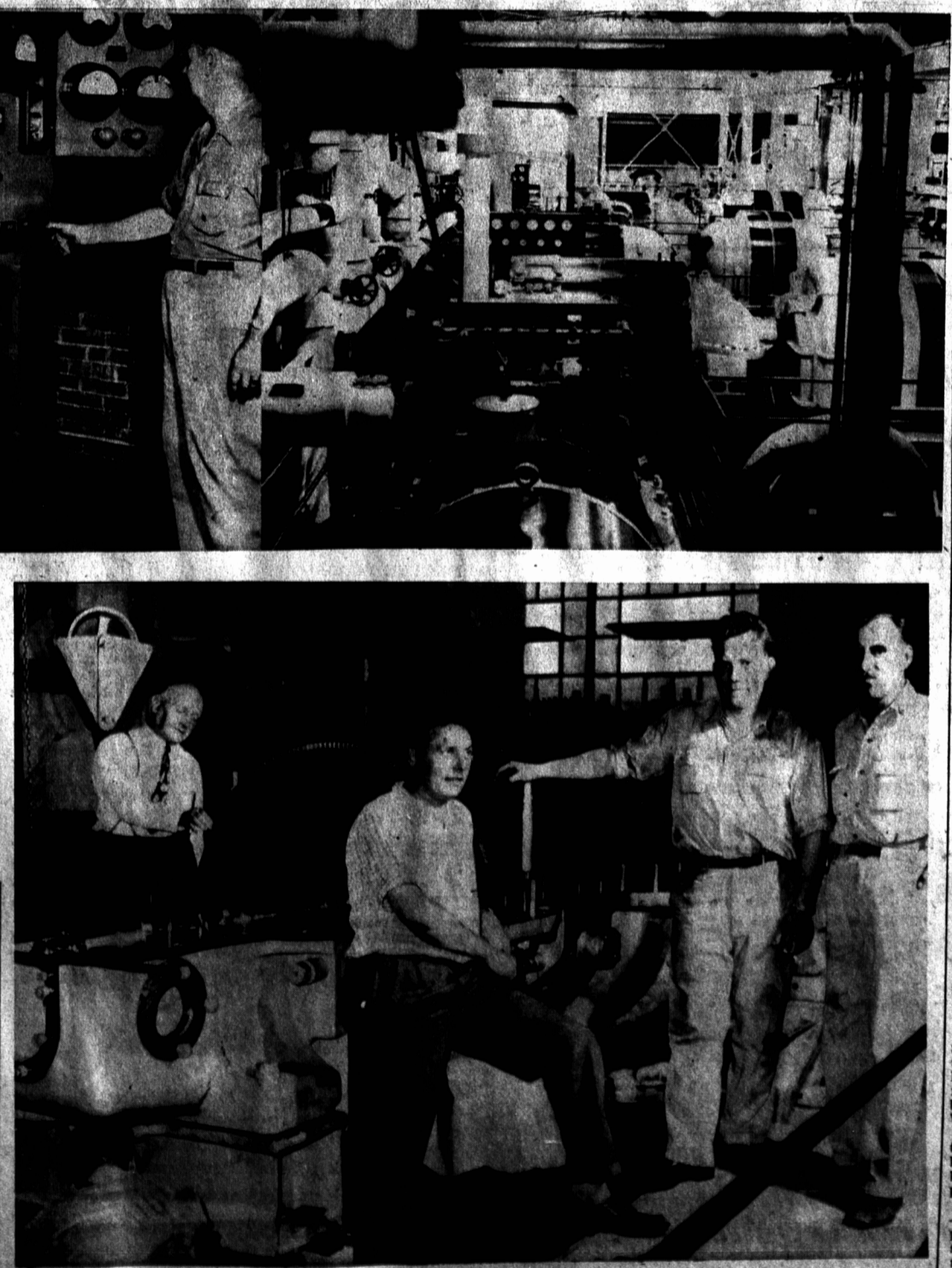
SYDNEY (CP) — James W. Dunn of Dartmouth, N.S., was named master of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows here Wednesday.

Meeting in its 98th annual session, the IOOF elected Rev. D. B. Tupper, Springhill, N.S., as deputy master and Gus MacDonald of Sydney, Warden.

D. J. Chisholm of New Glasgow was re-elected secretary.

Killed Near Wolfville

WOLFVILLE, N.S. (CP)—Harold Levy of Greenfield, Kings County, died in hospital here Wednesday shortly after a truck he was operating was involved in an accident on the Wolfville - Kentville Highway.



Senators Discuss Small Loan Companies

OTTAWA (CP) — The Senate Wednesday approved the principle of a bill reducing interest rates on small loans and criticized and praise for the small loans companies.

Senator Cyrille Vaillancourt (L—Quebec), president of the Quebec Federation des Caisses Populaires (credit unions), said the present rate of two per cent a month on loans up to \$500—to be retained on loans up to \$300—is too high.

Credit unions, with rates of five to six per cent a year, offered borrowers much better arrangements.

PROTECT THE POOR
It had been said that under the new government legislation the graduated scale of interest rates on loans up to \$1,500 would drive some small loans companies out of business.

"We're not here to protect 90 business organizations, but to protect the poor people," Senator Vaillancourt said.

The bill was referred to the Senate banking committee for detailed study. It was studied earlier for about a month in the Commons banking committee before being passed by the Commons.

WIDENS POWERS
Apart from setting new rates, the bill would widen federal regulatory powers over the small loans business to loans up to \$1,500. The present limit is \$500.

Scholar Charles E. Howard (L—Quebec) said small loans companies are doing "splendid work" applying credit to persons who need it but cannot get it from the banks.