

France Would Pool Coal, Steel Industries As Step Towards Peace

By CARTER L. DAVIDSON
 PARIS, May 17—(CP)—France has proposed that the coal and steel industries of Europe be pooled under a "common high authority" as a step toward prosperity and peace.

The French cabinet's decision to support the pooling of heavy industry was announced by Foreign Minister Robert Schuman, long an advocate of closer economic relations with Germany.

To lead off the plan, Schuman said France is prepared to join her rich Lorraine and Saar basin output with that of Germany's industrial Ruhr valley.

Schuman's disclosure followed by a day his talks with State Secretary Acheson of the United States, in which the two discussed the best means of bolstering Western Europe to meet the threat of Communism.

Replied to a question, Schuman said the plan is open to "any country in Europe, east or west."

Unofficial sources estimate last year's total coal production in France and the Saar at 65,000,000 metric tons, compared to West Germany's 103,000,000 tons. Steel production in France and the Saar totalled 10,800,000 tons, these sources said, compared to 9,100,000 tons in West Germany. A metric ton is 2,240 pounds.

Schuman said West Germany's position must be decided jointly by the three occupying powers and "we will perhaps talk about it" at the meeting of himself, Acheson and Foreign Secretary Bevin in London later this week.

Senator Urges One Government

OTTAWA, May 16—(CP)—A white-haired 74-year-old western senator today urged the Upper Chamber to back the idea of a single, unified government of all freedom-loving countries as a means to obtain 100 years of peace.

Senator T. A. Crerar (L—Manitoba) said if civilization is to be saved, then the world had to act quickly for the "sands are running out" and a third world war soon may come.

Supporting a motion of Senator W. D. Euler (L—Ontario) calling for a conference of Atlantic treaty nations to develop the theme of a single government, Senator Crerar said such a move could bring together no less than 300,000,000 persons.

Miner Praised For Bravery In Nova Scotia Explosion

STELLARTON, N.S., May 17—(CP)—A 26-year-old coal miner was praised today for a "particularly fine case of mine bravery" when an explosion and fire ripped through the Allan Shaft here two weeks ago.

Alex Sample, resident superintendent of Acadia Coal Company, said Leonard Morrison, a native of Providence, R.I., remained beside his engine after the explosion.

"This young man might easily have given his life for his fellowmen," Mr. Sample said. "Fortunately he was able to get out after going far beyond his call of duty."

By operating the engine, Morrison got 45 men to the surface by sending them 2,400 feet on a riding rake—a string of coal cars. Otherwise, they would have had to walk, as Morrison himself had to do.

"Once the word of trouble reaches a man below," Mr. Sample said, "he is on his own, the same as the rest. So he didn't have to stay but he did."

Seven miners were trapped by the blast but all escaped, some of them badly injured.

Auto Permits Valid For Year

OTTAWA, May 16—(CP)—Government officials confirmed today that border-crossing permits for automobiles of Canadian travellers to the United States will be valid for a one-year period ending March 31, 1951. The change, second to be made since the revenue department introduced the contro-

Sydney Parley Wants U. S. Aid For Southeast Asia

By Louis L. Leck
 SYDNEY, Australia, May 17—(CP)—A Commonwealth conference indicated today that it will appeal directly to the United States to give speedy economic aid to all Southeast Asia in its fight against the threat of Communist expansion.

Pakistan's delegate said outright that United States aid is sought and the other six delegates said or implied that Commonwealth resources alone would not be sufficient for the job.

Attended by delegates from Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India, Ceylon and Pakistan, the 10-day conference aims to set up a program of economic aid to countries of Southeast Asia which are threatened by Communism.

Fisheries Minister R. W. Mayhew of Canada told the conference's opening session that the Dominion's main commitment is in the North Atlantic area, but she does not intend to overlook responsibilities in other parts of the world.

Ghaurdy Nazir Ahmed Khan, Pakistan's Industry Minister, said: "We earnestly seek the co-operation and assistance of countries outside the Commonwealth, especially of the United States."

This was the main theme of the opening session of the conference, called officially "The British Commonwealth Consultative Committee Conference."

versal form E-60 about two months ago, was announced yesterday by Edgar Wackett, collector of customs at Windsor.

Brackley Presents Variety Concert

A delightful concert by Brackley W. I. in Harrington Hall was enjoyed by a capacity-packed audience.

Mr. Guy Rodd capably introduced the evening's entertainment with an address of welcome.

The twins—Donald and David Jenkins, dressed as page boys, announced all members by presenting plaques, designed by Mrs. Frank Blatch, designating both the specialty and name of performer.

A solo by Jeannie Jenkins and tap-dancing by Gail Frowse preceded the one-act play entitled, "Henry's Mail-Order Wife."

This is a hilarious comedy farce directed by Margaret Clark.

Cast of characters—Abe Gubbins, Roy Stewart, Henry Gubbins, George Jackson, Jim, a cowboy—Ivan Bryenton, Becky Simpson—Marion Younker. The 1st Mrs. Tucker—Ivan Bryenton. The 2nd Mrs. Tucker—Pearl Jackson. The Reverend—Keith Cudmore.

A novelty number in step-dancing by "Prof. Tanglefoot and Grace Allure" was one of the highlights of the evening's performances. The jovial crowd demanding an encore were delighted by a waltz and a swinging dance. Off stage accompaniment was provided on a harmonica.

Other specialties included:—

\$20,000,000 Crop Loss Estimated

WINNIPEG, May 17—(CP)—Crop loss in flooded southern Manitoba this year "may run as high as \$20,000,000," an official of the Provincial Department of Agriculture estimated today.

More than 500,000 acres of land are flooded, he said. About 400,000 would normally be planted. Approximately 2,000 farms—excluding market gardens—are affected by the Red River inundation.

"Unless we have most favorable weather, with water receding quickly and fast drying, only a small portion will be seeded this year," he said.

Trio, Shirley Frowse, Vera Newson and Thelma Newson; Duet, Rena and Ivan Bryenton; Tap-dancing, Joan Nelson of Charlottetown. All specialties were very heartily enjoyed.

A Drama Festival one-act play entitled, "The Dear Departed" directed by Cecilia Blatch, took the audience back to the nineties in both costumes and stage-setting.

Cast of characters—Mrs. Slater, Bertha Pierce; Victoria Slater, Shirley Frowse; Henry Slater, Brent Newson; Mrs. Jorden, Gladys Mackay; Ben Jorden, Harvey Jenkins; Abel, Jim Mackay.

After final curtain call, Mr. Guy Rodd came to the platform, complimented the performers and announced "The King."

Asks U. S. Aid For Manitoba

WASHINGTON, May 16—(AP)—Senator Kenneth Wherry (Rep., Neb.) today introduced a resolution in the Senate calling on President Truman to extend immediate aid to the flood-swept Manitoba.

Democratic leader Scott Lucas of Illinois objected to its immediate consideration. He said he wanted to "know a little more about it."

The Wherry resolution calls on the President to direct government agencies "to make available immediately the fullest aid consistent with law" to aid Manitoba and "especially the City of Winnipeg."

Ontario Gives To Flood Areas

TORONTO, May 16—(CP)—Voluntary assistance given the province of Manitoba in combating flood conditions has cost the Ontario government more than \$150,000 to date, it was learned today. Most of the expenditure has been for the purchase and shipment by air of sandbags, hip boots and pumping equipment.

TOOTH TROUBLES

SUDBURY, Ont.—(CP)—Untreated cavities in the teeth of 6,500 school and pre-school children examined in Sudbury's first dental public health survey, numbered 20,181, or an average of almost three per child.

In the World of Books

With Will R. Bird
 ANOTHER PAMELA by Upton Sinclair; Macmillan's; 313 pages; \$3.75.

Some decades ago one of the enjoyable books one heard discussed in open debate was Richardson's Pamela. It both delighted and shocked the good folk of England more than a century ago. Pamela of that day was a persistent letter writer, and there was the villain who pursued her. Sinclair has attempted to provide a modern Pamela, and has made a considerable stab at it but I feel that the majority of readers will say they prefer Richardson's presentation. The modern miss is a strict Seventh Day Adventist who finds her way to a sordid farm into a home of wealth. She is proud, tolerant but no relation to Lanny Budd, the lad who could do no wrong.

Some might think a maid would have small opportunity to be outstanding in a family story, but Pamela makes her chances. She has her religious upbringing to maintain her when the devil tempts, and her cheerful good nature and apparent simplicity make her popular with all her household. She is the vehicle for Sinclair's satire, tolerant with her fellows, and admires those who pose as her betters. She is presented as the type who believe ill of none and see good where others would peer in vain. Her remarkable resistance to all temptation is sometimes rather incredible.

The author makes it apparent that he has no love for those who possess wealth, no matter their intentions. To serve his purpose he distorts their thinking and is not kind in his treatment. The book is entertaining for those who appreciate Sinclair's irony and gentle fun. The author's claim is that he was careful to let Pamela be her real self in her letters; he had no part in their construction, confining himself to a few corrections in spelling. If you liked the original Pamela it is probable that you will enjoy this one.

Cherry Valley Players Present Comedy-Drama

"The Girl Who Forgot," the 3-act comedy-drama which is being presented at various centres by members of the Cherry Valley Y. P. U. is meeting with astounding success. It is a play full of ups and downs which readily holds your rapt attention.

Rose Day, the girl who forgot, a pretended amnesia victim, and vividly portrayed by Lucinda Martin, sobs her way out of the rain into the home of David Baird the district attorney which is ably depicted by Lloyd Martin on whom she seeks revenge for sending her father to the penitentiary for theft.

The revenge she seeks is in league with Danny Mann, alias Jabon, David Baird's butler and a one time criminal who was sent up for two years by his present boss. This part is expertly taken by Russel Young.

Mann, alias Jason needs the pearls so prized by Pearl, 16-year-old blind ward of the attorney, and which is an excellent bit of work by Leida Lee, to meet the expense of giving his beloved wife, Moll, the required attention to save her life. He seeks the aid of Rose Day because of her sought after revenge and knowing also she will refuse Moll nothing because Moll befriended her when she was down and out.

Rose is to win the complete affection of the blind girl in order to get the combination of the safe so the butler may secure the pearls. This is readily done as Pearl is completely devoted and sees with the "eyes of her heart" Rose to be the perfect friend.

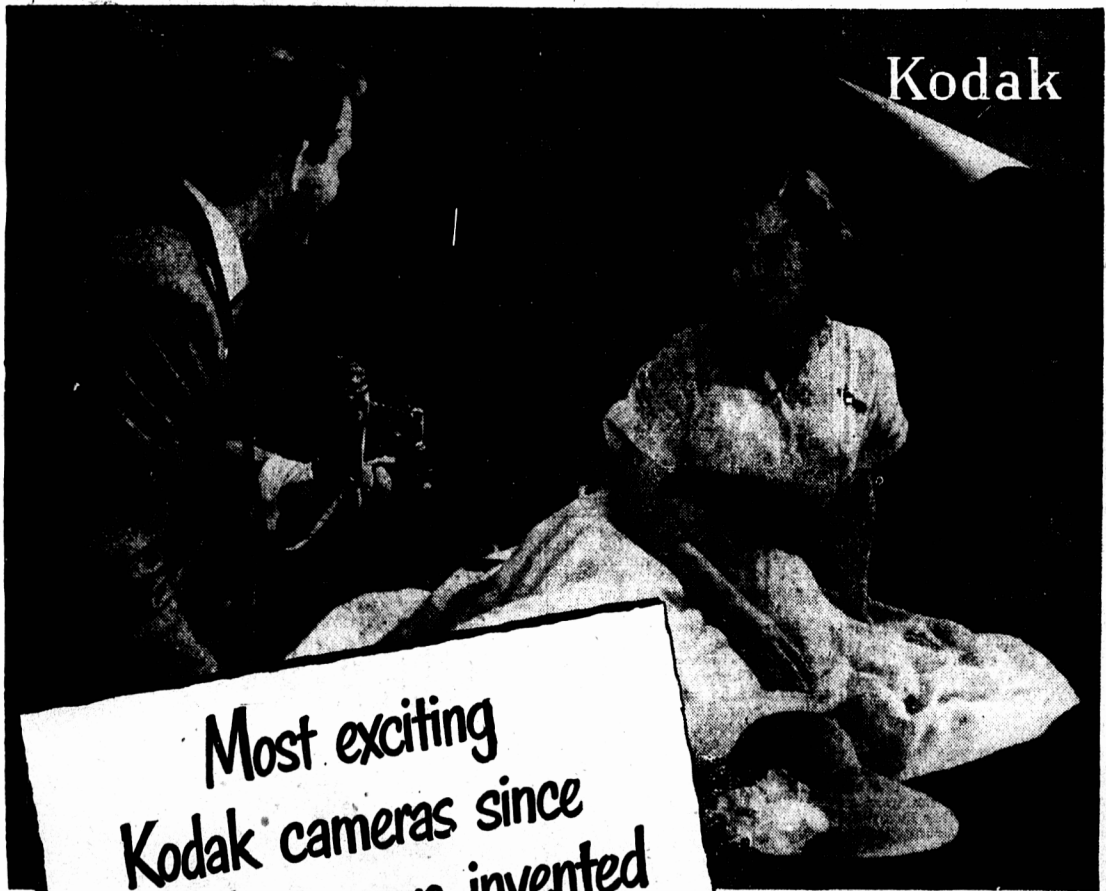
Rose, however, is utterly dismayed at the youthfulness of the district attorney and between them springs up an affection which she tries to repel. The two are Pearl, devoted slaves as is Greta, the touchy Swedish cook, an exceptionally well played part by Laura Dechery.

The well acted parts in this play, full of plot are taken by Cecil Tweedy and Isabel MacLeod who as brother and sister, doctor and nurse, foster brother and sister to Pearl and beneficiaries to Pearl's fortunes are trying to do away with her. Suspicion is aroused and a detective is called in which is well put over by John MacRae who in guise as a Swedish gardener falls for Greta the cook and so we have comedy presented by the "Yumpin Yiminy" Swedes.

Free of the plotting is Linda a lovable little flip whose affections vary with the wind and whom Ruth MacLeod portrays to advantage is visiting at the Baird home to keep Pearl's company. David Baird and Albans, his young helpmate keeps her thoughts straying as first one and then the other are the object of her romantic sallies. Albans, a great bit of acting by John MacLeod has a great affection for Linda and is a bit addicted to flowery phrases and a dignified air. And so the play goes on until it works out to your extreme satisfaction.

Worthy mention is made of the indispensable director, Mrs. George Irving and the untiring prompter, Estelle Jones.

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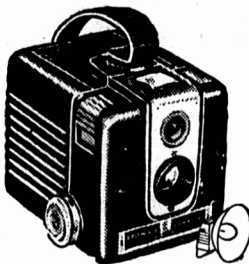
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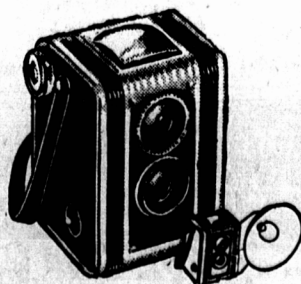
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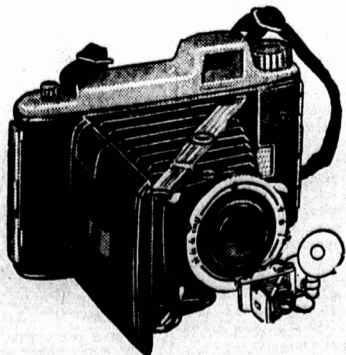
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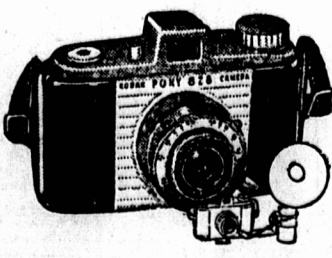
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