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Death Leads To Den Of Red Mystery Man Ridgway Says Not Satisfied With Nato Force Under Command

PARIS, Jan. 5 — (AP) — Gen. Matthew Ridgway said today that the 18 Western divisions in Germany would not be defeated in the event of a sudden Russian attack but "would suffer grievous blows."

The General made his statement in reply to questions at a post-New Year press conference two weeks after he had told North Atlantic Treaty officials that he didn't have enough force at hand to defend Western Europe.

In essence he repeated that assertion today by declaring that the strength and training of the forces under him is "not satisfactory in the light of the mission assigned to me and in view of the accepted estimates of the enemy's capabilities."

Huge Russian Force

He declined to say how many divisions or airplanes the Russians have. But sources close enough to him to know what he was talking about have estimated the Russian forces at 175 divisions and 24,000 combat planes. Of the divisions, some estimates have indicated that perhaps 50 Red divisions are in Western Russia or in Germany.

Facing them across the Elbe at or near the Rhine are six U.S., four British, five French, one Netherlands and two Belgian divisions. A Canadian brigade also is stationed in Germany.

During the conference a half-dozen correspondents, mainly American, tried through questions to reveal the extent of disagreements which they found in December between Ridgway's supreme headquarters and the civilian officials making up the North Atlantic Treaty Council.

Outlines Problems

Without smiling, only once raising his voice at a repetitious question, Ridgway outlined the problem he faces.

He makes the demands, based on what he believes is required for defence of Europe. The civilian authorities determine "how much of that he can have without upsetting economic and social conditions in the Nato countries."

"My reports to my military and political superiors within Nato have all been in accord with these fundamentals," he said. "I have nowhere found substantial disagreement with the nature of our military problems. I have found, as is perfectly natural, differences of view as to how and when these problems should be solved."

"That in itself is, I think, highly encouraging. It reveals a basic agreement of the utmost importance on what must be done."

Judy Garland's Mother Found Dead

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Jan. 5 — (AP) — Film star Judy Garland's mother, Mrs. Ethel Milne Gilmore, 56, was found dead today on the parking lot at Douglas Aircraft Company, a company spokesman announced. Mrs. Gilmore, reported estranged from her famous daughter in recent years, was employed at the plant as a \$61-a-week clerk who copy-read purchase orders.

Coming Events

- *Crushing at Lot 65 Corner, Monday and Saturday. Thomas Carragher.
- *Dance at Cecil Smith's, Inkerman, Tuesday night, January 6th. Everybody welcome.
- *Closing for stock taking, Wednesday, Jan. 7th. Parker Canfield, Crapaud.
- *Annual Meeting Kingston Public Hall, in Hall, Thursday, January 8th, 8 P. M.
- *Farmers, ask about the Shur Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- *Legion Meeting, Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Wednesday, January 7th.
- *All interested in the welfare of Union Road (Queens County) old school kindly attend meeting at the home of Sterling Yeo, January 12th, at 8.30.
- *Victoria Rink Wednesday night, special skate. Attention New Haven Royals, Tryon Arrows and Green Road Meteors, South Queen's Hockey League meeting at 9 Wednesday night in rink of office about teams and other teams wishing to play for the B. C. Wood Trophy. Please have two representatives present.

Alberta Has First Snowstorm

EDMONTON, Jan. 5 — (CP) — What a difference a day makes...

Alberta was clear of snow early Sunday and the unseasonable warm weather had Albertans referring to their provinces as the "banana belt."

Today, Alberta was covered by a white blanket of snow ranging from half an inch to 3.2 inches at Edmonton and four inches at Wagner farther north.

The first general snowstorm of the season roared south from the Yukon at a 40-mile-an-hour clip. Edmonton's mild spell was abruptly ended with a one-below-zero reading, ending 290 days of above-zero weather.

It was only Saturday that Calgary golfer Art Lowes shot a hole-in-one at the Calgary Golf Club. Grass fires were plaguing Calgary firemen.

In the Lethbridge district, farmer H. A. Sun planted 30 acres of mustard and prepared to plant some wheat. And the Lethbridge Meteorological Office reported that since Sept. 1 the average temperature at the Southern Alberta centre had been 42.1 degrees.

Group Capt. E.A.D. Hutton Dies Suddenly

CLINTON, Ont., Jan. 5 — (CP) — Group Capt. E. A. D. Hutton, 43-year-old commanding officer of R.C.A.F. station, Clinton, died at the station hospital tonight of a cerebral haemorrhage.

He was a native of Manchester, England, and a veteran of 18 years' service in the R.C.A.F. telecommunications field.

Prior to the outbreak of the Second World War he was assigned to signal duties in the Maritime Provinces. In 1940 he assisted the de Havilland Aircraft Company in developing the first R.C.A.F. radio-trainer aircraft.

Upon graduation from the R.C.A.F. War Staff College in 1944, he served overseas as senior radio maintenance officer of R.A.F. Bomber Command headquarters. For his work in this post he was mentioned in dispatches.

Returning to Canada in 1946, Group Captain Hutton served as chief signals officer with the Canadian Joint Staff at Washington, D.C., and later as director of telecommunications operation at Air Force Headquarters.

Germans Plan Auto Plant in Ont.

OAKVILLE, Ont., Jan. 5 — (CP) — A German automobile manufacturing company is negotiating for a 250-acre tract of land in Trafalgar Township on which to build a large plant, it was learned tonight.

The site is about one mile north of the present Ford of Canada assembly plant now under construction and is north of the Queen Elizabeth Way about 18 miles west of Toronto.

The German company plans to turn out low-priced autos, selling at less than \$1,000, it was learned.

Canadian Trade Mission To Tour Latin-America

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Canada's greatest good-will trade mission in history set off on a trail-blazing tour of nine Latin-American countries today to convince business men of the vast opportunities in the expanding Latin markets.

With Trade Minister Howe at its helm, and including some of Canada's most prominent industrialists, the 12-man mission headed south hopeful that "business men will catch 'Latin-American fever' and follow the friendship flight with personal exploration of the fast-growing trade area."

Importance of the trip was emphasized by the fact that two cabinet ministers—External Affairs Minister Pearson and Defence Minister Claxton—were on hand to wish the mission a "bon voyage" as it headed out of suburban Rockcliffe airport aboard the RCAF CS luxury airliner.

Mr. Howe emphasized the trip has no defence aspects.

A large group of Government officials and other well-wishers stamped their feet in sub-zero weather, envious of the mission's five-week, 17,000-mile trip in the summer warmth of the tropics.

The mission headed for Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Venezuela, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Cuba and Mexico.

On the north coast of Brazil, it will be flying over the so-called "Green Sea," a solid mass of jungle, home of head-hunters and wild animals. Some of its journey will be over uncharted areas, high mountain ranges and a variety of temperatures and altitudes.

An experienced 15-man RCAF crew, including three pilots named the big four-engine plane which will reach Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, the first official stop, on Wednesday.

The airman shivered in summer khaki uniforms as they prepared for the take-off. A cold wind swept across the tarmac and they would have gladly exchanged for warmer clothing, but the itinerant dictated the lighter clothing.

Mass of Evidence Discovered In Rooming House

MONTREAL, Jan. 5 — (CP) — The quiet death of a tubby, expressionless little Montrealer today led police into the maze of his operations as a Communist undercover man.

They stumbled on a mass of evidence about the activities of Constantine Stathopoulos, also known as Costa Paulos, in the shabby rooming house where he died apparently from natural causes.

Police found stacks of Communist literature, two mean-looking weapons, a bundle of notebooks in undecipherable code, and code charts that may unlock their secrets.

One notebook entry the anti-subversive squad were able to make out was the name of Klaus Fuchs, atomic-secret spy convicted in Britain and serving a 14-year prison sentence.

May Be Big Find

A police spokesman said that while it will take experts, possibly using the code sheets, to make out the elaborate notes, their find may be the most important they have made in months.

City police found their way to the den of the 60-year-old Greek when they were called to 2049 Clark Street, in a rundown district of midtown Montreal, Saturday night.

It was simply a routine investigation. Stathopoulos had been found dead in his bed by others in the house.

Anti-subversive agents were called in on the case when examination of the neatly-kept room revealed that books, magazine, and pamphlets crammed in five suitcases all were Communist literature.

A black automatic with a wooden shoulder attachment, dozens of sub-nosed bullets and a razor-sharp jungle knife, turned up in a trunk.

In Greek Underground

Documents indicated that Stathopoulos fought in the Communist underground in Greece during the Second World War.

Police said Stathopoulos had been employed off and on in Montreal pastry shops for the past three years and earlier was a member of the defunct, Communist-directed Canadian Seaman's Union.

Members of the Greek community in Montreal said they knew of Stathopoulos' Communist leanings. They said he was "quiet and unassuming."

Police said that under the name Paulos, he had been listed in their file of Communist suspects since 1949.

Pilot Killed In Sabre Jet Crash

CHATHAM, N. B., Jan. 5 — (CP) — F.O. John Richard Thomson, 29, of Unionville, Ont., died today when a Sabre jet fighter crashed near here.

Thomson was reported to have been on a routine weather flight when his plane crashed 17 miles east of the airbase. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, of Toronto and a six-year-old son Michael.

First Mig Of 1953 Shot Down

SEOUL, Jan. 6 — (Tuesday) — (AP) — The first Communist Mig jet of 1953 was shot down in flames over Northwest Korea Monday by United States Sabres in an air battle fought almost seven miles high, the Fifth Air Force reported.

On the frozen ground, infantry on patrol encountered Chinese wearing new black-and-white spotted winter uniforms — apparently designed to camouflage them in night forays over the snowy front.

The bitter cold cut ground contacts to scattered clashes. No major action developed along the front, the Eighth Army communications reported. Temperatures dropped as low as 11 degrees above zero.

Veteran Airman Dies At Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Ernest Orchard Winchester Hall, 53, first man to fly over the Canadian Rockies, died yesterday in hospital.

The veteran of both world wars, Mr. Hall piloted a Flying Jenny over the mountains shortly after the First World War.

A holder of the Air Force Cross, he has taken a prominent part in veterans activities and was resident director of Burns Brothers and Denton, investment dealers, and Bailey Selburn Oils.

Report Everything Normal In N. Y.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 — (AP) — The CIO Transport Workers hope to end tonight New York's vast subway system, which took up the initial slack of a widely-heralded bus strike.

"We believe that due to crowding the bus will be slowed down," a TWU official said of the roaring subway trains.

However, on the first full work day since the New Year's eve strike began, the city hummed away at near normal pace despite the TWU strike against eight big private bus firms in Manhattan, the Bronx and Queens.

"Business seems to be taking the bus strike in stride," was the word from the New York Board of Trade, although the union insisted bedlam was in the offing underground.

The TWU's strike for a 40-hour week for 8,200 private lines' drivers and maintenance men made idle buses that normally haul 3,500,000 fares a day. It was feared these riders might swamp the already over-taxed subways.

But the board of transportation said "everything is normal."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 — (AP) — Britain's new ambassador to the United States, Sir Roger Makin, arrived today and promptly pledged "to further the good relations between our two countries." He succeeds Sir Oliver Franks who resigned to return to private life as a university professor in Britain.

Churchill Reiterates Opposition To Extension Of War In Far East

(By George Cornell)

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 — (AP) — Winston Churchill said on his arrival here today Allied action in Korea has given the world a "hopeful future" for peace—but he opposed any extension of that war.

Britain's Prime Minister, immediately after he departed from the liner Queen Mary, met this afternoon with President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower. They conferred at a home of a mutual friend, financier Bernard Baruch.

To a huge shipboard press conference, Churchill said the danger of another world war has receded—and he credited resistance to Soviet aggression in Korea as the main reason for that.

Centre of Gravity In Europe

But he warned against widening the fighting there, saying that the "centre of gravity" for peace "lies along the frontiers of the Iron Curtain in Europe"—not in Asia.

Pickersets March Before U.S. Embassy

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Picketers marched in an orderly row today in front of the United States embassy where their leaders deposited a petition urging President Truman to commute the death sentences of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, convicted U.S. atom spies.

Rev. Glendon F. Partridge of Montreal, who said he is chairman of the national committee to save the Rosenbergs, said the vigil will be kept up round-the-clock until some action is taken.

The Rosenbergs, convicted of conspiracy to pass atomic information to Soviet Russia, are scheduled to be electrocuted Jan. 14, but Judge Irving R. Kaufman, who presided at their trial, today offered them a conditional stay of execution if they

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Deputy Minister Reviews Farm Prospects For 1953

Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, spoke before the Rotary Club, Charlottetown, yesterday during which he reviewed the agricultural position for 1953.

Shaw, with the splendid state of production in agricultural products across Canada, and detailed the market trends during the year 1952, which indicated a lowering in the price of most farm commodities, while at the same time increased the price of many products, equally as high costs of operation, higher interest, tax and transportation rates, and a greater scarcity of farm labour at a higher cost.

Touching on the dairy industry he emphasized the tremendous value of the industry to Canada, which he estimated at over 700 million dollars annually, to the farmer and to all those engaged in processing. Two million Canadians are dependent on this industry which is the keystone of agricultural stability and farm conservation.

Touching upon substitutes he declared that margarine is with us to stay, and dairymen will have

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Asian Socialists Plan Conference At Rangoon

RANGOON, Burma, Jan. 5 — (Reuters) — Asian Socialists meet here tomorrow to decide whether to join European Socialists in a world movement to counter the Communist tide.

Ever since European Socialist parties formed their "Socialist International" 18 months ago, they have favored expanding it to take in Asia and the Middle East — potential front-line of Communist world revolution.

But many Asian Socialists believe their brand of socialism is different from Europe's. They are either living under colonial rule or just emerging from it — and Europe is the traditional centre of colonial imperialism.

Seeing nothing in common with the "International" — firmly lined up behind Western rearmament — many Asians have courted the neutral "third force" policy popular in India and Burma.

Charged with the difficult task of persuading Asian Socialists they have a common bond with their European opposites is Clement Attlee, leader of Britain's Labor Party and special delegate from the International.

His main support on the conference floor will come from the right-wing faction of the Socialist Movement (Social Democrats), already a member of the Socialist International. Indian Socialists and the Malayan Labor Union are other non-European members.

Attlee's main weapon will be the prestige he has in Asia as the Prime Minister who granted India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Burma their independence.

Seven Injured; Only One Of 35 Is Unhurt

BELFAST, Jan. 5 — (AP) — A twin-engine British airliner crashed and burst into flames while landing near here tonight, killing at least 27 of the 35 persons aboard and injuring seven.

Only one of those aboard — steward Jack Young, 26, of Belfast — escaped apparently unhurt. He was hurled from the tail of the plane as it broke up. All other crew members were killed.

Most of the passengers were Britons. One of those killed was a small baby.

Hill Beacon

The airliner, a 36-seater Viking on a routine flight from London, hit a beacon pylon as it came in to land at nearby Nutts Corner Belfast airport. The plane careened off the pylon and bounced against the airport's radio control building before smashing into a runway close to where officials and relatives of the passengers were waiting to welcome the arrivals.

Flames enshrouded the wreckage as one girl passenger ran screaming from the airliner, bleeding profusely and with her clothing ablaze. She was taken to hospital.

The British-European Airways, owner of the wrecked plane, withheld identifications of the victims until next of kin had been informed.

Everything Normal

Young, undergoing treatment for shock at a hospital, said "everything was normal" as the plane approached for a landing.

"The passengers had fastened their safety belts when suddenly there was a terrific crash like a bomb in a blitz," Young said. "The next thing I knew I was lying in a muddy ditch."

BEA gave the casualties as 27 dead and seven injured. However, unofficial sources put the toll at 29 dead and five injured.

The crash occurred only about 100 yards from the end of the runway.

One of the engines hurtled 40 yards through the air, and a propeller was found in an adjoining field.

When the injured girl ran screaming from the wreckage, spectators rushed up and pulled other passengers from the plane as firefighters extinguished the flames.

Broke Safely Record

The wreck broke BEA's and BOAC's long safety record. Up to tonight they had gone well over a year without a death or injury.

Airport officials said the plane's captain was G. H. Hartley, the first officer, R. D. Hayes, and the radio officer, T. R. A. Merry.

The airfield had been blanketed in fog most of the day and several planes were diverted.

British-European Airways grounded 19 of its 41 Viking aircraft a year ago after defects were discovered. They were returned to service after replacement of mechanical parts.

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — H.M.C.S. Crescent will sail from Halifax Jan. 9 for Esquimaux, B.C., Naval Headquarters announced today.

The destroyer will be paid off following her arrival on the west coast and her crew will be transferred to the newly-rebuilt fleet destroyer, H.M.C.S. Algonquin. Stripped of her original superstructure the Algonquin has been converted to a destroyer escort and will commission early in the new year.

Provinces Open Fire On Railways' New Rate System

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Eight Provincial Governments today opened fire on a railway plan for a drastic change in Canada's freight rate system that would have the effect of raising rates.

Before the Board of Transport Commissioners, provincial lawyers questioned whether rail traffic would bear the higher rates and suggested the railways would be pricing themselves out of some of the transportation business.

A witness for the Canadian Pacific Railway—sponsor of the proposed rate-setting system—defended the plan under cross-examination from lawyers representing all Provinces except Ontario and Quebec.

The 1953 renewal of Canada's six-year freight rate agreement came as the board resumed hearings on an application for the new rate method. Railway testimony had been completed in November, and today the Provinces began cross-examination of the rail evidence.

The CPR wants rates set on a basis that will allow that company—now the rate "yardstick"—a definite annual return on its net rail investment. At present, the board allows rates on the basis of the CPR's current financial requirements.

The company contends it should be allowed a "rate of return" of 6 1/2 per cent on a "rate base" of about \$1,100,000,000, which would call for an increase of about 30 per cent in freight tolls. However, in a separate application—not being heard at the moment—it asks specifically for an eight-per-cent increase to give it a 5 1/2-per-cent return on investment.

The Government-owned Canadian National Railways has joined in the specific rate application but, in the larger case, has told the board it is taking a neutral stand. All the evidence in the current case has been introduced by the CPR.

Plan Tough Fight

The Provinces that have been engaged in freight rate cases since 1946, regarding this as perhaps the most significant of the long series, are preparing a tough fight against the C.P.R. proposal.

The current series of hearings, it was estimated today, will run three weeks or more.

A United States witness for the

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Mitchell F. Hepburn Passes Away In Sleep



The Late Mr. Hepburn

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Mitchell F. Hepburn, Liberal premier of Ontario from 1934 to 1942 and storm centre of provincial politics for more than a decade, died today in his sleep. He was 56.

His death from a heart attack came only three days after that of Gordon D. Conant of Oshawa, his successor in office.

Mr. Hepburn, who retired in 1945 from a brilliant but stormy political career that attracted international attention, suffered a slight cold and sore throat Friday but the condition had cleared up by late Sunday. His wife found him dead during the night.

The funeral will be conducted Wednesday by Rev. Harry S. Rodney of Knox Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Hepburn, who took office at 37, was the youngest premier Ontario ever had. He already had been elected twice to Parliament when he led the Liberals to victory in the 1934 provincial general election and became a hero to Ontario's depression-weary citizens.

From then on, his vigorous, colorful moves led friends and foes alike to dub him "The Unpredictable Mitch."

He bitterly challenged and defeated the Federal Liberal Government of the late Prime Minister Mackenzie King, for whom he had

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Crescent To Sail For West Coast

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Scarlet Fever Epidemic

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 5 — (CP) — The Health Department today announced that scarlet fever epidemics have broken out in the Avalon Peninsula communities of Freshwater and Dunville. Number of cases involved was not available here.

Canadian Reserve Of Gold, Dollars Climbs

OTTAWA, Jan. 5 — (CP) — A huge stockpile of gold and United States dollars, used to shadow and protect Canada's free-wheeling, high-flying dollar, has jumped to a new high.

Reflecting the strength of the Canadian economy, the reserves, increased to a peak of \$1,860,000,000 Dec. 31, Finance Minister Abbott announced today.

This compared with the previous quarterly high of \$1,856,000,000 Sept. 30, 1952, and the dangerous low of less than \$500,000,000 at the end of 1947.

The fund is built up through the use of federal cash to buy American dollars when too many of them are floating around Canadian markets and sell them when there is a scarcity.

The scarcity sometimes occurs when there is a big deficit in Canada's foreign trade, with more Canadian dollars going to the U.S. to pay bills than American currency coming to Canada.

Sometimes the scarcity or surplus occurs in big movements of capital from one country to another. One reason for the sharp drop in the 1947 level was the extension of heavy loans to foreign governments.

However, in later years Canada has tightened lending policies and boosted exports to a point where last year she netted a surplus of about \$300,000,000 on commodity trade.

With the continual rise in Canada's exports and the big flow of American capital into Canadian developments, there appeared to be a lot more American dollars available in Canada in 1952 than Canadian dollars in the U.S.

Some theorists have argued that the Federal Government should use the exchange fund to push the Canadian dollar down from its premium level, currently three cents.

But Mr. Abbott has stated it would take terrific amounts of federal cash to do such a thing and there wasn't that kind of money lying idle in the Federal Treasury.

HALIFAX, Jan. 5 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Tuesday.

Synopsis: The disturbance over the Great Lakes that was forecast to bring snow to the Southwestern Maritimes tomorrow evening, is moving more slowly and seems to be swinging more to the northeast. This means that more snow is likely in the northern regions, while the southern part of the district will get no more than a few flurries.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island — Clear with a few cloudy intervals, becoming overcast late in afternoon. Colder. Light winds. Low and high Tuesday at Charlottetown 10 and 25.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2:01 A.M. and 2:47 P.M. High tide on the North Shore at 9:41 A.M. and 9:39 P.M. Summerside tide, eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:51 A.M. and sets at 4:46 P.M.

