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FOUR CANADIANS ON QUEEN'S NEW YEAR'S HONORS LIST

Canadian Troops Greet New Year With Action

Taft Says Ban On Labor Bargaining May Be Necessary

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 — (AP) — Senator Robert A. Taft (Rep. Ohio) says he doesn't favor a ban on industry-wide bargaining, but says it might become necessary unless means are found to cope with national strikes.

Taft, in an interview with Fortune Magazine published today, said "It would be almost impossible" to enforce such a ban, and "right now, I don't think I'd propose it." But he added:

"If all other remedies fail in dealing with nation-wide strikes, then we might have to try something like that."

Taft said he hopes to keep intact the basic features of the Taft-Hartley labor law, and see how they work under the new Republican administration. But he wants certain changes.

Leading Labor Role

Taft, who has played a leading role in guiding his party's labor policies, said he wants to preserve Taft-Hartley's provision for an 80-day no-strike injunction in emergency disputes.

To deal with such disputes not settled in the 80 days, he said Congress should enact special legislation "on the spot."

"It might provide for seizure, another injunction or arbitration — or Congress might decide not to do anything," he said. "But whatever it did would be tailored to the needs of the case, and the possibility of enormous government power would be off the books as soon as the strike had ended."

Taft said such strikes, imperiling the national safety, aren't usual anyhow.

Favors Right To Strike

"Personally, I'm in favor of the right to strike in a free economy," he said. "The newspapers holler their heads off that people are suffering. Usually, they're not suffering; real life is still a threat."

He said many people feel it's the government's duty to settle strikes, but if it starts tampering with wages, it must tamper with prices, and "that's the end of free competition."

Little Action On Korean Front

SEOUL, Jan. 2 — (Friday) — (AP) — Action along the snow-draped front and in the air over North Korea lessened on the first day of the New Year, with only small patrol clashes reported along the uneasy truce line.

In the air, Fifth Air Force fighter-bombers slashed at Red front-line positions and supply areas beyond the front. Sabre jets swept through Mig alley in North Korea but spotted no Red jets.

Coming Events

•Victoria Rink Saturday night, opening skate.

•Auction and Dance, Millview Hall every Friday.

•Dance at Kelly's Cross school Friday night, Jan. 2.

•Farmers, ask about the Shu Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.

•Dance South Rustico Hall Friday, January 2. Canteen service. Music by Charlottetownians.

•Showing at Mount Stewart, "Tea for Two" on Friday and Saturday at 8 P. M.

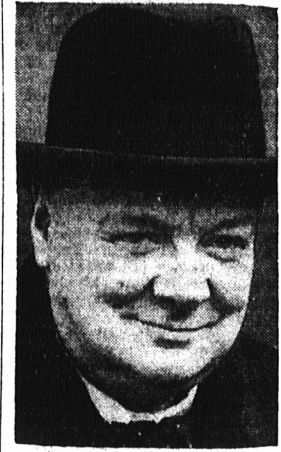
•Card Party Stanley Bridge School Friday, Jan. 2nd, sponsored by Women's Institute.

•Unloading car bulk one feed oats, \$2.90 per cwt. off car, Saturday. Bring bags. Dillon & Spillet.

•Dance, St. Peter's Bay Holy Name Hall, Friday evening, January 2nd, starting at 9:30. Chaisson's Orchestra.

•Coming to Morell tonight only, "The Highwayman." An Allied Artists picture, starring Philip Friend, Charles Coburn, Wanda Hendrix, A Jack Dietz Production. Color by Cinecolor. This is a show for the whole family.

Churchill Greeted New Year At Sea



Prime Minister Churchill

ABOARD THE LINER QUEEN MARY AT SEA, Jan. 1 — (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill joined fellow passengers in welcoming the New Year early today and then retired to his 11-room suite aboard this luxury liner to continue planning his forthcoming informal chats with President-elect Eisenhower.

The 78-year-old British leader, who sailed Wednesday for New York, made his first public appearance aboard ship a few minutes before midnight last night when he joined a cheering throng in the first-class lounge waiting to hear the bells signal the beginning of 1953.

Chinese Five-Year Plan Gets Underway

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1 — (AP) — Communist China hailed the start of her first Soviet-style "five-year plan" today with a series of broadcasts alternately boasting and exhorting the faithful to do better.

The Peiping broadcasts quoted the official Peoples' Daily as listing these three main tasks for 1953:

"1. To carry on and reinforce the 'Resist-American-aggression-aid Korea' fight;

"2. To begin carrying into effect the first five-year plan of national construction, and to fulfill and over-fulfill the construction plan for the year 1953; and

"3. To convene the All-China People's Congress for adoption of a constitution and the plan for national construction."

At the same time, it urged efforts "for peaceful settlement of the Korean question on a fair and reasonable basis."

ON REST TOUR

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 1 — (CP) — Premier Joseph Smallwood left by air today on the first leg of an 11-day rest tour which will take him from New York to South America. Mr. Smallwood is making the cruise on medical advice but his office said his condition is not serious.

3,500 New York Buses Are Tied Up By Strike

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 — (AP) — A New Year's strike today "grounded" 3,500 privately-owned buses that ordinarily rumble along New York's streets with 3,500,000 passengers daily.

Other forms of transportation still operated and the first day of the strike caused comparatively little inconvenience. Most stores and other business places were closed for the holiday and only a trickle of normal commuting was scheduled.

Some places will remain closed tomorrow, as well as on Saturday and Sunday, for the holiday weekend. It appeared the full force of the strike of 8,200 drivers and maintenance men would be felt Monday.

Manhattan thoroughfares were a strangely deserted "Sunday look" today—partly because the buses were absent and partly because icy highways in outlying districts

18 Patrols Go Out Into No Man's Land

By BILL BOSS
Canadian Press Staff Writer With Canadian Forces in Korea

WEST SECTOR, Korea, Jan. 1 — (CP) — United Nations troops in my part of the western sector dispatched 18 patrols into the clear, cold, brightly moonlit rice paddies of No Man's Land on New Year's Eve.

Outposts in a valley between hills manned by United Nations troops and those ahead manned by Chinese Communists counted the hours of their listening watch, silently shook hands as 1953 hit Korea, then resumed their vigil.

One officer and two soldiers on reconnaissance patrol worked their way right in behind certain enemy positions and observed their movements.

Platoon and section positions on one regiment's battalion-wide telephone hookup were serenaded by a Vancouver entertainment team. Lorain McAllister, blonde singer, was accompanied on the accordion by Karl Karleen from the command post of another outfit momentarily in reserve.

Killed By Sniper

A corporal and three men, for four hours on a standing patrol on glare ice brightly lit as midday in the New Year's eve full moon, started home at 12:30 a.m.

An enemy sniper who'd apparently watched for hours opened fire at a range of 300 yards. One shot struck the patrol.

Its corporal fell with a bullet through the heart. It pierced his armored vest, his paybook wallet, and burst through his body and emerged through the vest.

This before 1953 was 45 minutes old war claimed this force's first sacrifice.

Maintain Traditions

Maintaining homeland traditions, officers and sergeants' messes were at home today to visitors.

A festive New Year's Day meal was arranged for the Third Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry who were unable to observe Christmas. They found their turkey and other goodies well preserved thanks to Korea's wintry cold. Soldiers celebrated the day in company mess.

The Royal Canadian Regiment also was able to celebrate in company areas as it was at Christmas. The Royal 22nd Regiment spread Christmas over a week, sending 20 men from each company daily down to a rear area where Santa Claus brought every man a gift and each soldier could get a traditional meal.

Governor-General's New Year's Day Levee Held

OTTAWA, Jan. 1 — (CP) — A tradition dating back to the early days of New France today was continued by Hon. Vincent Massey, Canada's first native-born Governor-General.

Mr. Massey held the Governor-General's New Year's Day levee in the stately Senate Chamber. There he met representatives of the government, the judiciary, the diplomatic corps, the armed forces and people in all walks of life.

The levee was the first for Mr. Massey, appointed last spring to succeed Lord Alexander, now Britain's defence minister.

Some historians have traced the levee back to the days when Canada was a French colony. Each New Year's Day the French governor would hold open house for all male settlers in the new colony.

Others state the levee dates back to the old French court when

kings, on arising, allowed male friends into their chambers to help them don their royal attire.

Acting Prime Minister Howe headed the 1,007 persons who shook hands with Mr. Massey at the hour-long ceremony. Prime Minister St. Laurent spent the holiday with his family in Quebec.

Mayor Charlotte Whitton, who once protested against the appointment of a Canadian as Governor-General, was one of the few women allowed to attend the normally all-male function. She curtsied to Mr. Massey and extended the best wishes of the season.

Only other women allowed to attend the function were officer-members of the armed forces.

After greeting Mr. Massey, the guests moved to the spacious railway committee room of the Commons where light refreshments were served.

Union Chief's Message To Churchill Protested

Blame Fog For Death Rate Rise

LONDON, Jan. 2 — (Friday) — (Reuters) — A staggering rise in the London death rate last month resulting from the city's worst fog in living memory is under investigation, the British Medical Journal said today.

The five days of the smoke-filled "pea-souper" from Dec. 5 to Dec. 9, were followed by 4,700 deaths—double the figure for each of the preceding two weeks and treble that for the corresponding period in 1951.

The investigations, the Journal said, include a detailed analysis of deaths by age and cause as stated in the death certificate, a study of lung chemistry in certain fatal cases, and a further chemical study of the fog and smoke.

HILLBILLY SINGER DIES

OAK HILL, W. Va., Jan. 1 — (AP) — Hank Williams, hillbilly singer and composer, died today. Charles Carr, chauffeur for the radio and recording star, said the 37-year-old Williams became unconscious in his automobile near here. Cause of death was not immediately determined.

New Republic Is Created In The Indian Ocean

MALE, MALDIVIVE ISLANDS, Jan. 1 — (Reuters) — Britain today signed a treaty giving recognition to a new republic — a cluster of thousands of coral atolls making up the Maldives, 400 miles from Ceylon in the Indian Ocean.

Sir Cecil Syers, high commissioner in Ceylon, signed for Britain. Then with the pomp and grandeur of the ancient ceremonial of the islands, Prime Minister Amir

Didi was installed as first president of the republic.

The ceremony ended 836 years of sultanate rule and liberated the girls of the Moslem population from "purdah" — seclusion from male eyes.

The high walls which shut in the women's quarters of every house are

being pulled down at the order of the 42-year-old President. Unveiled women took part in the day's rejoicings.

Syers arrived Wednesday aboard the cruiser Ceylon from Colombo. More than 20,000 persons from the 215 inhabited islands of the group gathered in the capital for the celebrations.

Were Nest Of Murder

The peaceful islands under the waving palms were a nest of murder and plunder in the days of the buccaners 400 years ago. An official representative of Portugal, Captain Vicente Sodre, sent in 1502 to dislodge Arab merchants from the Maldives and corner its trade, turned pirate himself.

The Portuguese first established trading companies on the islands, which produce nuts, fruit, cereals and fish, mostly sold to Ceylon.

Pirate activities drove the Sultan to put himself under the protection of the Dutch in Ceylon in 1648. Britain took over in 1785.

The islands were ruled in ancient times by the Chinese and at an other period paid annual tribute to India. The 93,000 inhabitants are almost all Moslems.

The treaty signed today does not affect a defence agreement signed in 1948, when Britain granted dominion status to Ceylon. The Maldives cease to be a British protectorate, but Britain will still control the islands' foreign affairs and defence.

The islands elected Amir Amin Didi as president last March. This followed the death of Sultan-designate Amir Abdul Maied, chosen to rule in 1945 but too ill to take the throne.

PARIS, Jan. 1 — (Reuters) — The population of France will reach 43,000,000 during 1953, the National Institute of Statistics forecast today. Present population is estimated to be 42,755,000 and about 400,000 births are forecast for the next year.

Montreal Doctor Gets Exclusive Order Of Merit

LONDON, Jan. 1 — (CP) — The Queen today honored a Montreal neurologist and seven atomic scientists.

In her first New Year's honors list, the Queen conferred the exclusive Order of Merit on Dr. Wilder Graves Penfield, director of the Montreal Neurological Institute and professor of neurosurgery at McGill University.

The list created three barons, three baronets and 50 knights, and distributed dozens of lesser honors among Commonwealth people from all walks of life. Three other Canadians received military awards.

Fit. Lt. Robert Martin Edwards of the RCAF received the Air Force Cross for service on the Korean airlift. British Empire Medals went to Cpl. Jean Baptiste Paul Alme Trudel of the RCAF and Sgt. Kenneth Gordon Tuttle, an infantryman from Vancouver.

Penfield was the first Canadian to join the coveted society of 24 knights. The late William Lyon Mackenzie King, who received the Order of Merit in 1947 when he was Canada's Prime Minister, is a world-renowned leader in his field and has written several books on neurology.

A Bomb Experts

Two prime movers behind Britain's first atomic explosion, in the Monte Bello Islands off Australia last year, were named commanders of the Order of the British Empire. They are Dr. Leonard Tyle, chief assistant to Dr. William Penney, and Charles Britain's atomic engineer at one of Britain's atomic stations. Penney, the brains behind the bomb, was knighted shortly after the explosion.

Five other assistants to the group were given lesser honors. Most of the awards were made on the advice of Prime Minister Churchill and his cabinet, but some were the Queen's personal choices. Lt. Cmdr. Michael Parker, private secretary and equerry to the Duke of Edinburgh, became a member of the Royal Victorian Order.

Three New Barons

The three barons created are: Sir Clive Baillieu, chairman of the Dunlop Rubber Co. During the Second World War he headed Britain's purchasing commission in the United States.

Sir Hugh O'Neill, who served in Parliament from Northern Ireland for 37 years.

Estace Percy, who already holds the courtesy title "lord" as a younger son of the Duke of Northumberland. He is a diplomat and former minister of education.

Among the baronets named is RAF Marshal Sir Arthur Harris—nicknamed "Bomber" Harris when he commanded Britain's block-busting bomber force over Germany.

Sir Roger Makins, on his way to the United States to be ambassador, was made a Knight Commander of the Bath.

Neville Duke, test pilot who has probably broken through the sound barrier more frequently than any other Briton, became an officer of the Order of the British Empire.

British Get More Meat But Price Likely Higher

LONDON, Jan. 1 — (AP) — The Food Ministry told rationed Britons today that the new Anglo-Argentine trade pact signed New Year's eve meant a better meat supply this year than at any time since the war.

But to many Britons, some of the gloss was taken off the New Year tidings by the fact that their roasts will probably be more expensive. The increased cost of Argentine meat — it rose from \$350 a ton for chilled beef in 1951 to \$450 — will probably be passed to the consumer.

The Food Ministry made no mention of this, but merely said it hoped "to keep a fairly level ration throughout the year."

At present, each Briton is rationed to a slice of meat about the size of a small steak every week.

The Ministry said Britain will probably get 1,800,000 tons of meat from all sources this year, with the biggest slice coming from home production. The Argentine contribution would be 238,000 tons — more than double the 1952 amount.

25 Persons Escape When Air Liner Strikes Tree

BIRMINGHAM, England, Jan. 1 — (AP) — A two-engine airliner with 25 persons aboard hit an oak tree on a crash landing today and broke in halves. The 22 passengers and crew of three escaped serious injury.

The plane, a DC3 operated by the AER Lingus Line of the Republic of Ireland, came down through a thick mist in a field at the nearby village of Sperral Ash when both engines cut out.

40 Persons Killed, 500 Injured In Explosion At Valparaiso, Chile

VALPARAISO, Chile, Jan. 1 — (AP) — At least 40 persons were killed and 500 injured today when 20 tons of blasting powder exploded in a flaming warehouse. Officials said the death toll might reach 100.

Authorities said a firecracker tossed by a New Year's eve merry-maker might have touched off the fire that enveloped the Highway Department warehouse just before the blast.

Medical aid was rushed from Santiago, the capital, in a shuttle service of military and civilian planes.

Troops in Valparaiso and Aconcagua Provinces were recalled to their stations in an emergency order.

It was the worst disaster to strike this city of 200,000 — Chile's second largest — since a devastating 1906 earthquake.

The warehouse became the center of a raging fire that swept through seven buildings. Its deadly contents — 20 tons of blasting powder — blew up in a series of explosions that rocked the entire city. The first deafening roar was heard as Valparaiso was celebrating the New Year.

Many of the victims were firemen and New Year's Day merry-makers watching the firemen fighting a blaze in a nearby lumberyard.

Police gave this chain-reaction account of the explosion:

A youth, at the height of holiday celebrations, tossed a firecracker that is believed to have set fire to a sheet in a lumber yard. The flames spread to nearby buildings including the warehouse used by the Chilean Government's Highway Department for storing blasting powder.

The blast toppled firemen's ladders. Some of the firemen were hurled into the flaming building.

Practically every window within a radius of 300 yards of the blast area was shattered. Electric and telephone services were disrupted.

Hospitals quickly filled up with the injured. Doctors were summoned from New Year's eve parties to attend the victims.

Informants said authorities have ordered the arrest of Alejandro Lacalle, engineer of Valparaiso Province, on grounds he ordered the explosives stored in the warehouse.

Police said 30 of the known dead were firemen, civilian volunteers.

A three-day national mourning period was ordered.

Rabbi Killed In Boston Park

BOSTON, Jan. 1 — (AP) — A 54-year-old Rabbi died in hospital today of a fractured skull and other injuries suffered Wednesday night at the hands of a vicious mugger-killer.

Rabbi Jacob I. Zuber was walking through a park near his home when he was attacked, beaten savagely, and robbed of a purse containing two or three dollars.

Police said there is no evidence of any weapon having been used and believe the unidentified assailant used only his fists and feet in the attack.

Arrest Made After Holdup In Halifax

HALIFAX, Jan. 1 — (CP) — R.C.M.P. and police threw a roadblock around Halifax early today and arrested a Peter Luton, 35, on a charge of armed robbery.

Luton was taken into custody at Hubley Station, 14 miles from Halifax, two hours after the armed holdup of an Irving Oil Co. plant in the city's north end.

The masked man, who entered the Oil Company office slugged a relief watchman over the head and held the cashier at pistol-point after cutting telephone wires into the building.

He escaped with \$4,688 and police said \$4,438 was recovered.

Six Injured In Montreal Accident

MONTREAL, Jan. 1 — (CP) — Six persons were injured today, one critically, when a car carrying five persons side-swiped another and plunged over a bridge onto railway tracks 50 feet below.

Most seriously injured was Yvon Beaudriault, 15, who suffered a fractured skull and other injuries. Also in hospital were his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Beaudriault, 55, and 54, respectively, his sister Denise, 17, her boy friend, Guy Quintal, 17, and Mrs. Peggy Dregnon, 45.

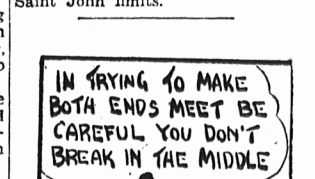
The car, driven by Beaudriault, struck the rear of a car driven by Mrs. Dregnon's husband, smashed through 70 feet of steel guardrail and toppled onto the tracks.

Lancaster N. B.'s Fifth City

LANCASTER, N.B., Jan. 1 — (CP) — Lancaster officially became New Brunswick's fifth city today. The new city adjoining Saint John was proclaimed by Lieutenant-Governor D. L. MacLaren at a ceremony tonight. Mayor T. B. Horsler received a copy of the city charter from Hon. D. D. Patterson, provincial secretary-treasurer.

Other events included a parade music by the Saint John symphony orchestra and a fireworks display. The city area of six and a half square miles, includes the section known as Fairville, and has a population of more than 10,000. It is bounded for six miles by land and 20 miles by water. The famous Reversing Falls are half in the Lancaster and half in the Saint John limits.

IN TRYING TO MAKE BOTH ENDS MEET BE CAREFUL YOU DON'T BREAK IN THE MIDDLE



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

Synopsis: New Year's Day was fine over most of the Maritimes and Eastern Quebec. The temperatures were seasonable. Along the south coast of Nova Scotia there was cloud caused by the severe storm that missed the Maritimes.

A disturbance over Northern Quebec will cause snowflurries over Eastern Quebec Friday and over Northern New Brunswick later in the day. Over the rest of the Maritimes the weather will remain fine.

Prince Edward Island — Clear with little change in temperature, light winds. Low and high Friday at Charlottetown 13 and 30.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 12:56 P. M. and 11:59 P. M.

High tide on the North Shore at 7:32 A. M. and 6:52 P. M.

Summerlike tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Sun rises today at 7:52 A. M. and sets at 4:42 P. M.