

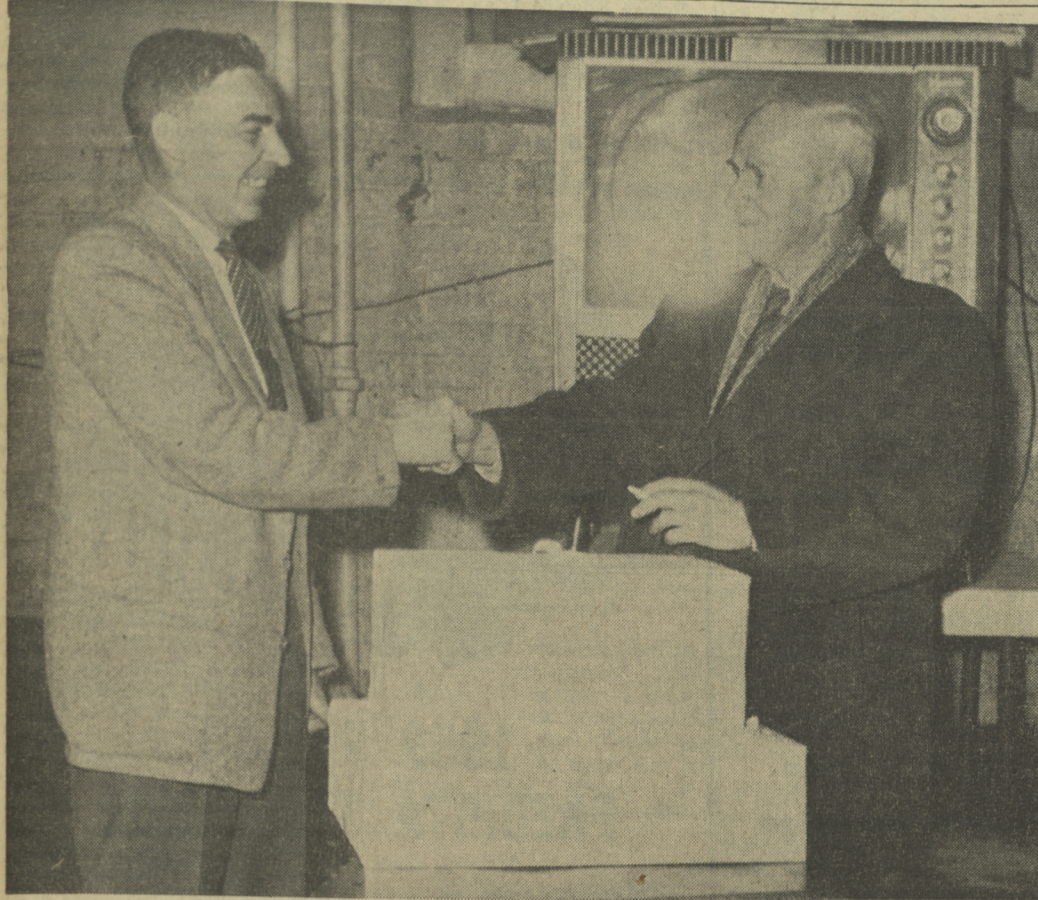
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PM Hurries To Bedside Of Mother

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It was announced the prime minister and his party would leave tonight from Auckland aboard their ROAF plane.

Prime Minister Walter Nash of New Zealand expressed deep sympathy with Diefenbaker and expressed regret at his early departure.

"Mr. and Mrs. Diefenbaker and their whole party all have been very welcome guests among us," Nash said, "and we profited by their visit."

"We should have been delighted to have them stay a much longer period but at such a time we have only thoughts of sincere sympathy... and we wish them Godspeed and a safe return home."

Earlier the Canadian leader had motored 250-miles to the hot springs resort centre of Wairakei for an intended 2½ day rest.

Big Storm Moves Up East Coast

BOSTON (AP)—A threatening northeast storm moved up the Atlantic coast toward New England Thursday night and snow-fighting forces were alerted for a fall of six inches or more with heavy drifts thrown up by 40- to 50-mile-an-hour winds.

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Halifax Lawyer To Head Probe

HALIFAX (CP)—A Halifax lawyer will head a royal commission inquiry into the Oct. 23 mine cave-in at Springhill, N.S. which killed 75 miners, it was learned reliably Thursday night.

An informed source told The Canadian Press that Donald McInnes had been chosen by the Nova Scotia government as chairman of the three-member commission. Other members were reported to Tom McLachlan, former president of the United Mine Workers District 26, and an unidentified British Columbia mining engineer.

N.Y. Readers Are Without Newspapers
NEW YORK (AP)—Millions of readers in and around New York were without newspapers Thursday as major metropolitan titles were shut down in a delivery men's strike.

Radio and television stations expanded their news programs to help fill the gap created by the absence of the 5,500,000 daily newspaper copies published in Manhattan and Queens.

The New York Central Railroad issued a handbill-like digest of events and distributed it on trains carrying office workers to their suburban homes. The news was supplied by The Associated Press as a public service.

Coffee Prices Cut In Canada
TORONTO (CP)—Canadian housewives are getting their coffee at a lower price Thursday. Most brands were cut at least two cents a pound in the last week and some of the large chain stores' own brands were reduced by as much as six cents a pound.

Main reason for the decrease in price is that production of coffee has been increasing over the last few years and Thursday there is a bigger supply than demand for coffee beans.

W. L. Scandrett, president of the Tea and Coffee Association of Canada said: "This is due to large over-production estimated to reach 6,600,000,000 pounds by mid-1959."

Power Stores, Dominion Stores, Loblaw Groceries and A and P all announced price decreases, effective Thursday, on their own brands. Nationally, advertised brands were reduced by two or three cents a pound a few days ago.

Vancouver Vote Proves Upset
VANCOUVER (CP)—Thomas Alsbury, 54-year-old high school principal, was elected mayor of Vancouver in an upset victory over veteran Fred Hume Wednesday.

Mr. Hume, 56, who had been elected mayor for four straight two-year terms, conceded defeat with about two-thirds of the 94 polls reported to it by Mr. Alsbury's fifth bid for the mayoralty.

Final unofficial figures showed Mr. Alsbury, in his fifth bid for the mayoralty, received 41,948 votes, Mr. Hume 29,934 and Archie Proctor, a third candidate, 4,993.

Hungarian Revolt Debate Flares Up Again In U.N.
UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (CP) The aftermath of the 1956 October revolution in Hungary boiled up again in the United Nations Thursday as the Soviet Union and the United States engaged in one of their bitterest verbal exchanges of the year. In addition, Russia accused a Canadian army officer of trying to foment governmental overthrows in eastern Europe.

Soviet Delegate Valerian Zorin told the UN General Assembly that "a certain Canadian Captain Goodspeed set himself the task of working out in detail questions relating to subversive activities against independent states and the organization of armed conspiracies for the purpose of overthrowing the regimes existing in these states."

The allegation against the Canadian came into the UN for the first time, although it had been made in Moscow some months ago and was explained at that time by the defence department in Ottawa.

Goodspeed, writing in the official NATO publication General Military Review, posed a hypothetical situation in a 1957 article entitled "The Secret Army. It dealt with the relationship between what became known during the Second World War as "cloak and dagger" efforts and the fighting role of the conventional military forces. Zorin Thursday — as did Moscow in the past—took the article literally and interpreted it as a handbook for subversive efforts by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Soviet delegate described the Canadian officer's hypothesis this way to the UN assembly: "Explaining the reasons which induced him to come out with such an unusual article, the author says that he had decided to bridge the gap in the education of officers of NATO armies, which lies in the fact that in the recent past two little military thought has been given to the technicalities of the coup d'etat and that the coup has not been a subject for study in most staff colleges."

"This article gives detailed instructions for NATO officers and their agents in various countries how to organize underground work, how to supply conspirators with arms, how to maintain liaison (with outside forces)."

Linking this article with the Hungarian outbreak which preceded its publication by several months, Zorin termed it "nothing less than the summing up of the results of an adventurist attack of NATO adventurers against people's Hungary, nothing less than direct instructions for subversive elements preparing new provocations against the Soviet (Communist) countries."

Reds Threaten Retaliation If Force Used In Berlin

Commissioners To Seek Authority For Plebiscite

The Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply will "very definitely" request the Legislature to provide them with the authority to hold a plebiscite on the question of fluoridating the City's water supply, Commissioner E. E. Clawson said yesterday.

He added that the application would be made in sufficient time to be considered at the next session of the House.

Neither Mr. Bevan, the chairman of the Commission, nor Commissioner W. L. MacKenna was available for comment.

However, Commissioner Clawson could give no definite statement as to the date on which the plebiscite would be held. "It will be at a time convenient to the public," he said.

Asked what cash outlay would be involved to conduct such a plebiscite, Mr. Clawson replied that he had no idea.

STUDY MADE
Mr. Clawson stated that the Commission had studied the fluoridation question "at length" during the past few years, but could not say whether or not the Commission intended to publish a full report on their survey.

In the Commissioner's opinion it would be "unfair" to release for publication the names of the various individuals who had objected to fluoridation or cautioned the Commissioners against acting at this time.

Mr. Clawson admitted that the Kinsmen Club had sent the Commission a letter expressing unanimous approval of fluoridation, and urging its immediate adoption.

He said that the cost of the survey made this fall was "not worth considering."

AUTHORIZATION NEEDED
K. M. Martin, Q. C., said yesterday that the Commissioners cannot call a plebiscite without first obtaining authority from the Legislature of the Province.

Mr. Martin, who is solicitor to the Commission, added that this meant that the Commissioners, if granted the power, could call for a vote on this question any time thereafter unless a fixed period in which they must do so was set by the enabling enactment.

To date the Commissioners had not indicated to him that they intended to make such an application at this session of the Legislature.

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It was most likely that this authority would be requested in the form of an amendment to the Sewerage Act, one of the two Acts under which the Water Commission operates, Mr. Martin noted.

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10 Families Homeless In Saint John

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—Fire Chief H. S. Knight said Thursday night he believed a fire on Main Street in Saint John's north end was under control after sweeping through the upper portions of three three-story buildings.

The structures contained the Lansdowne Super Market, Stolar Tailoring, the Victory Shoe Repair Store, a fabric shop and unoccupied premises used until recently as Howard's Pharmacy.

The three-alarm fire of unknown origin drove 10 families to the street from upper floor apartments in near zero weather.

One fireman, James Barry, was overcome by smoke and taken to hospital.

The fire is near the scene of a \$100,000 blaze last Oct. 22 which destroyed three tenements, gutted two others and spread to two buildings across the street, leaving 148 persons homeless.

Tempers Flare At Geneva Talks
GENEVA (AP)—Russian tempers flared Thursday in the 10-nation conference on prevention of surprise attack.

Soviet delegates angrily accused the West of trying to trick the Communist bloc by Trojan horse tactics into accepting espionage agents in the role of international inspectors.

The West denied it. It was a dramatic illustration of the deadlock that has persisted since the conference opened Nov. 10th.

WANT TECHNICAL STUDY
The experts of the five Western powers—the United States, Britain, France, Canada and Italy—came to Geneva to engage in a technical study of the problems of surprise attack.

But the representatives of the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Romania and Albania have from the first tried to transform the talks into a general disarmament conference.

Thursday the Russians made it plain they were fed up. "We raised hell in there," they told reporters.

Soviet Col. Gen. A. A. Gryzlov made the sweeping charge that the West's approach to the surprise attack problem constituted an attempt to get military secrets from the Soviet bloc.

International warning systems outlined in Western documents would serve as Trojan horses, he said, prying into all sorts of things behind the Iron Curtain and establishing the location of Soviet missile pads.

Western delegates challenged these allegations in detail.

Five Freighters Are Trapped In Lake St. Peter Freeze-Up
MONTREAL (CP) — Sluggish Lake St. Peter—a bulge in the St. Lawrence River between Montreal and Trois-Rivieres — froze over Thursday and trapped at least five ocean-bound freighters.

One Norwegian, two British and two German vessels making a dash for the open waters of the Atlantic crunched to a halt as they attempted to navigate eastward through the ice-clogged channel.

The British freighters Carriagan Head and Montclair, the German vessels Leabeth and Esther Schulte and the Norwegian ship Stringheim became stuck this afternoon.

Another freighter, the Luciana, was rescued from the ice Thursday by the Canadian icebreaker Ernest Lapointe which is attempting to break open a channel.

The powerful icebreaker d'Iberville was also ordered to proceed to the lake, but it was unable to leave Quebec City because of the heavy vapor rising from the river in the sub-zero temperatures.

Weather officials say movement of one of the streams is helping drag cold Arctic air into Canada and the United States.

John Knox of the Toronto weather office said Thursday for the last several days this stream has been depressed well southward. It runs from southern British Columbia to the southern United States, curves across the Carolinas and heads eastward into the Atlantic.

FOLLOW LINE
"The major storm centres are following that line and cold air is dragged in behind each storm. The present jet stream movement may give Canada its coldest winter start in years."

Forecasters here said Canadians can keep on their woolly underwear for the next few days. Little change is expected in the deep-freeze gripping the country.

Cold Arctic air will continue to sweep down from the north, producing bone-chilling temperatures from Newfoundland to Alberta.

Only parts of southern Alberta and British Columbia are getting a reprieve.

ABNORMALLY COLD
The forecasters say the current weather is abnormally cold for the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario. It is about usual for the snow-swept Prairies and west coast temperatures are probably a little above the winter normal.

Toronto was expected to have a low of 15 Thursday night and a high of 20 Friday, Vancouver 38 and 48, Calgary 15 and 25, Edmonton 5 and 15, Regina -10 and 5, Winnipeg -10 and 0, the Lakehead -15 and 0, Ottawa -8 and 8, Montreal -3 and 10, Fredericton -7 and 8, New Glasgow -5 and 20 and Saint John, P.E.I., 0 and 10.

STRANDED AT BERTH
The Imperial Sarnia was stranded at the end of the Marine Wharf yesterday after she disembarked her cargo, 32,000 assorted barrels of bunker oil, furnace oil and gasoline. The ice clogged harbor forced the Imperial oil tanker to remain in Charlottetown until the ice breaker C.G.S. Saurel arrived from Halifax to cut a pathway into the harbour waters. Waiting out in the strait for the ice breaking vessel was the Imperial Halifax with 17,000 barrels of diesel oil and 16,000 barrels of bunker oil. Officials were hopeful the Saurel would break through to the tanker today.

Free City Plan Reaction Meets Biting Criticism

MOSCOW (AP)—The Russians accused the West Thursday night of stalling on the Kremlin's proposal to convert West Berlin into a neutralized free city. They reiterated that use of force in defence of the Western allied sectors would be met with force by the Soviet-led Warsaw alliance.

Tass criticized the reaction of Western statesmen who have said the United States, Britain and France intend to hold fast in West Berlin, 110 miles deep in East Germany. The official Soviet news agency said the Western powers are avoiding a business-like settlement.

Premier Khrushchev turned thumbs down on Western suggestions for a discussion of the Berlin issue in a conference on the bigger question of divided Germany's future. He said in an interview published by an independent Munich newspaper, Sueddeutsche Zeitung, that he did not believe the West would start a war over Berlin, but any Western attempt to force a way to that city would mean Soviet retaliation with powerful weapons.

REPEAT THREAT
Repeating a threat made in the Soviet note on the free city plan handed to the United States two weeks ago, Tass said: "In case of any attack on the (East) German Democratic Republic, the aggressors would meet with a fitting rebuff by the united efforts of the members of the Warsaw Treaty."

It said the U.S. will not be prevented by threats from the other side from carrying out its responsibilities to the people of West Berlin.

The outpouring of words came 72 hours in advance of a scheduled meeting of the foreign ministers of the United States, Britain, France and West Germany in Paris Sunday to talk over Berlin's situation.

U.S. NOT DETERRED
In Washington the state department served notice Thursday night that it "will not be deterred by threats" from defending its rights in protecting West Berlin.

The department at first declined formal comment, and officials said privately it appeared the Tass statement was designed primarily as propaganda to try to make trouble for the western foreign ministers scheduled to meet in Paris Sunday.

Later after study of the Tass statement, the state department issued its reply accusing the Soviets of striking a "note of menace" and emphasizing that the United States for its part "has made no threats."

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