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7 MINERS RESCUED AFTER EXPLOSION IN ALLAN SHAFT

Manitoba Calls For Federal Aid In Flood Areas

Drew Urges Commission To Study Gov't Finances

OTTAWA, April 28 — (CP) — A full-scale debate on Government efficiency was launched in the Commons today as the Progressive Conservative Party de-

Coming Events

- Mail your films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Play, Tracadie Hall, Wednesday, May 3rd. Dance after.
- May Day Dance, Millview Hall, Monday, May 1st.
- Food Sale today. S. A. MacDonald's, 2 P. M.
- Come to Cornwall Concert, May 9th. You will enjoy it.
- Farmers, now booking Clover Seeds. Rush order. McGuigan & Boyle.
- Reserve Wednesday, May 10th for Clearance Auction Sale, George MacMillan, Covehead.
- Y. M. C. A. Ladies Auxiliary rummage sale at the Market Saturday at 7 P.M.
- Cake sale in aid of Highfield Presbyterian Church, Moore and McLeod's, April 29th, 2 p.m.
- Hampton Hall, Bean Supper, Saturday, 29th. 35 cents. Followed by Community Films.
- Seed Cleaning Plant now open for Grain and Timothy. John Leard, Crapaud.
- Bonshaw tonight at 8.30. Show "Spooks Run Wild" with the East Side Kids.
- Garden Seeds. Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vessey, York, P. E. I.
- Rummage Sale Saturday, April 29th. Trinity Church Social Hall, 7 P. M. Sponsored by Junior W. A.
- Unloading car cement, also car asphalt shingles, 12 lb. felt paper May 1st and 2nd. Court & Son.
- Variety Concert in Covehead Community Hall, May 3rd. 8 o'clock. Dance after.
- Dance - St. Peter's Legion Hall, every Tuesday night, 9.30 to 1.00. Cliff Peters Orchestra.
- Now in stock. A full line of feeds at low prices. W. O. Myers, Stanley Bridge.
- See three act comedy Bringing Up Mother in Summerfield Hall Monday evening, May 1 at 8.30. Sale of candy.
- Basil Holm will be collecting hogs through De Sable and vicinity all day every Monday for Swift Canadian Co.
- National Film Board presents films May 5th. South Melville School. Sale of Lunches and Candy.
- Come to the big opening Dance, at the Bonshaw Inn, Tuesday, May 2nd. MacNeill's Orchestra.
- Mayfield Variety Concert in Fredericton Hall, Monday, May 1st. Sponsored by Springton Women's Institute. Sale of lunches.
- Rummage Sale at Market Building, Saturday, April 29th. 3.00 P. M. Charlottetown Business and Professional Women's Club.
- Kinkora Hall. Seven Mile Bay will present their 3 act comedy in Kinkora Hall, Monday, May 1st. Curtain 8.30. Lottery of quilt.
- Our asphalt shingles are to advance in price. Up until Thursday the 4th of May we will sell at our present low price. R. L. Dickerson.
- Booking orders for Timothy, Clover and Turnip Seed. Also wanted large quantity good quality feed oats. Chas's Feeds Service, St. John's.
- Mrs. Margaret O'Brien and Susan Jenkins in "Big City" plus all your favorite stars in "Sons of the Sea" at MacDonald Bros. Theatre tonight. This is an evening of entertainment that you don't want to miss.
- Buying pigs, all kinds and sizes, boars and sows as well. Monday at Fredericton. Buying young pigs Tuesday 9 a.m. New Haven, 10 Milton, 1 York, 2 Bedford, 3 Mt. Stewart. Paying \$21 per pair for good pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen.

manded a royal commission investigation into the whole field of Federal administration now costing \$2,400,000,000 a year. George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, in a 90-minute criticism of the present methods of handling the financial estimates and of "inefficiency" generally, moved that a royal commission be set up to make recommendations for:

1. Reducing public expenditure to the lowest point consistent with efficiency.
2. Eliminating duplication of overlapping services.
3. Consolidating all public services and departmental activities of a similar nature.
4. Improving the general efficiency of government and assuring all members of the civil service full recognition of their responsibilities.

Finance Minister Abbott said Mr. Drew was charging the Government with waste, extravagance, duplication of services and the like. This he challenged and categorically denied.

"In my judgment there is no duplication, waste and extravagance," he added. Mr. Drew had called for a board of accountants to take over the scrutinizing job which was primarily the function of Parliament. The fact was that the Opposition had done a lot of talking about waste and extravagance, but had "fallen down on the job" of exercising a constant and vigilant scrutiny of public accounts.

At the House opening Prime Minister St. Laurent said the Federal Government will investigate the flood situation in Manitoba to decide what, if any, Federal aid will be given. Mr. St. Laurent also announced that advantages and responsibilities of Canadian citizenship will be emphasized this year in Canadian schools May 23, the day on which schools ordinarily mark Empire Day.

Others who followed Mr. Drew in the debate on his motion for a royal commission included Prime Minister St. Laurent, Solon Lou, Social Credit leader, John Diefenbaker (PC-Lake Centre) and Ross Thatcher (CCF-Moose Jaw).

Mr. Drew suggested a royal commission survey of government administrative practices might follow the form of the Hoover Commission investigation in the United States where it was estimated \$5,000,000,000 might be saved. He thought \$500,000,000 annually might be saved in Canada by a similar examination.

He said under present methods of handling financial estimates Parliament and the taxpayers only got partial answers as to what the money was used for and what it was spent on.

HOLDENVILLE, Okla., April 28 — (AP) — Savage tornadoes smashed into Texas and Oklahoma late today, killing at least nine persons and injuring more than 100. Scores of buildings were damaged.

French Gov't Fires Top Atomic Energy Scientist

By Robert C. Wilson
PARIS, April 28 (AP) — The French Government today fired Frederic Joliot-Curie, outspoken French Communist scientist, as head of its Atomic Energy Commission. It also ousted him from the French Institute of Scientific Research.

The action, effective immediately, was acclaimed by moderate and rightist political leaders alike. Joliot-Curie himself made no public comment.

A Communist deputy, Roger Garudy, called the firing a blow to science and to peace and demanded a parliamentary debate. The Moscow radio carried news of the dismissal without comment.

The lean, 50-year-old atomic specialist drew fire by a declaration April 8 to the 12th National Congress of the French Communist Party. "Communist scientists will never contribute a particle of their science to a war against the Soviet Union."

The cabinet decision was announced by the Minister of State, Henri Teigen, who quoted Premier Georges Bidault as saying: "For all the scientific merits of this scientist, his public statements and his unqualified acceptance of resolutions voted by the Gennévilliers Congress of the Communist Party made it impossible to maintain him in his functions of high commissioner for atomic energy."

Damage Mounts Into Millions Along Red River.

WINNIPEG, April 28 — (CP) — The Red River flood reached a 50-year high level today in most of far-south Manitoba. Worse was to come. George Wallace, provincial drainage engineer, said the crest of water from North Dakota will not reach inundated Emerson, at the international border, until Sunday or Monday.

Provincial and municipal leaders said the muddy deluge already is a national emergency. They called for Federal help to meet flood losses. At Emerson, Letellier, Dominion City, St. Jean Baptiste, Morris and other towns and villages the water moved higher.

Winnipeg and St. Boniface, farther downstream on the Red's course to still-frozen Lake Winnipeg, more sandbags were piled against the threat of higher water next week.

At Emerson the Red was higher than it has been since 1897. The town now is three-quarters under water. "Far worse than 1948" when the last bad floods occurred in Manitoba, said Errik F. Willis, Works Minister and Deputy Premier.

Prime Minister St. Laurent said in Ottawa he would prefer to make no comment until he is directly approached by the Manitoba Government. In badly-flooded Morris, 30 miles downstream from Emerson, Mayor Harry Shewman wired Mr. St. Laurent for help. He said there should be Federal money for flood victims, a royal commission to look into flood control, and income-tax reductions for those who suffer loss.

IN B. C. TOO
VANCOUVER, April 28 — (CP) — The ominous threat of floods in the Fraser Valley and southeastern British Columbia continued to grow today.

The forecast of summer-like weather and the sullen refusal of the mountains to start their normal run-off added up to danger for residents of the vulnerable areas.

Holding more water—in the form of snow—on their slopes than before the devastating floods of 1948, the mountain's run-off was weeks late.

New Packaging Method For P. E. Island Cheese

Island cheese in one pound, pliofilm wrapped packages will replace the long familiar, round forms of cheddar cheese here if a packaging method agreed upon by members of the P. E. I. Cheese Manufacturer's Association yesterday proves satisfactory.

Known as the pressure packed system of marketing the new method will first be used some time this fall, beginning on a small scale and increasing to full production in one plant possibly at East River and

New Potato Warehouse Agreement Criticised By Queen's Liberal MP

OTTAWA, April 28 — (Special) — J. Lester Douglas, Liberal member for Queen's, today confessed disappointment at the new agreement governing construction of frost-proof potato warehouses in Prince Edward Island. "It is not a good deal in my opinion," Mr. Douglas told The Guardian tonight. "It is not as beneficial to the potato-growers and shippers of the Province as the former arrangement which is now revoked."

The Queen's member who has long years of experience in the potato warehouse business to his credit characterized as "unnecessary" the clause in the new order-in-council about the potato warehouses whereby the Co-operative association will pay back to both Federal and Provincial Governments the amounts they receive as grants-in-aid.

Had the former agreement been adhered to, he said, there would probably have been no demand on the part of the Federal Government for repayment. He had never heard of farmers on the Canadian Prairies paying back sums received under the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act or the Nova Scotia had ever repaid grants made them by the Federal Government.

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New U. S. Envoy



Stanley Woodward, above, close friend of President Truman and chief of protocol in the state department, has been chosen new ambassador to Canada. He will replace Laurence A. Steinhardt, killed in a recent plane crash near Ottawa.

Beaverbrook Paper Critical Of The U. S.

LONDON, April 28 — (AP) — The Daily Express, Lord Beaverbrook's staunchly anti-Communist newspaper, charges today that the United States invited Russia in denying Rev. Hewlett Johnson, "Red" Dean of Canterbury, a transit visa to get home from Australia.

"Nobody is afraid of the Dean or minds greatly what he says," says the Express, "yet there is an American official act, refusing entry to the United States to a British citizen seeking to pass from one part of the Commonwealth to another."

"Denial of freedom to move about is one of the reasons we resent the Russian system so much. The Americans, in imposing this ban, are imitating the very philosophy which they seek to extirpate."

Housing Loans Show Increase

OTTAWA, April 28 — (CP) — The housing loan business is on the upswing and Ontario is smack in the midst of it.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation reported today that Canadian lending institutions put \$398,000,000 into real estate last year, an increase of nine per cent over 1948. Business was good for another point, too. Canadians repaid \$137,000,000 worth of mortgage loans in 1949, up 14 per cent from 1948.

Lending institutions investment in Canadian real estate at the end of the year totalled \$1,000,000,000—representing 23 per cent of the \$4,500,000,000 lending institutions' assets.

Sample surveys showed that the average house cost about \$7,700 to build in 1949, an increase of 12 per cent over 1948.

The biggest part of the lending business is done in Ontario, the housing survey showed. A comparison of the Provinces shows Ontario in the lead in the number of loans granted last year. Of the 62,000 across the country, Ontario did business in 30,800 loans, valued at \$180,000,000.

Other Provinces: Prince Edward Island, 145 loans, valued at \$731,000; Nova Scotia, 4,400 at \$15,000,000; New Brunswick, 1,000 at \$,300,000; Quebec, 7,400 at \$87,900,000.

FISH LANDINGS

OTTAWA, April 28 — (CP) — Landings of sea-fish in Canada during March amounted to 23,456,000 pounds, a decrease of 1.5 per cent from last year's corresponding total of 23,808,000 pounds. The Bureau of Statistics reported today. The total landed value during the month amounted to \$1,142,000, decrease of 6.2 per cent below the March, 1949, value of \$1,217,000.

Five Men Are Burned Seriously

By HARRY SUTHERLAND (Canadian Press Correspondent)
STELLARTON, N.S., April 28 — (CP) — Nova Scotia's famed draegermen crew, some of them veterans of the Moose River drama, went into action again today and brought to safety seven miners trapped in the Allan Shaft coal pit here by explosion and fire.

Groping their way through searing heat and dangerous gases, the 20-man rescue squad brought the seven men — five of them seriously burned by the blast — up from the 1,200-foot level to safety.

The explosion, which could have resulted in the Province's first major pit loss since 1938, occurred at 6 p.m. near a section of the pit opened several years ago. It had been sealed off following a similar blast years ago in which a score or more of miners were killed.

As anxious relatives by the hundreds milled around the pit head, Jimmie White led the draeger crew underground. Trainer of the squad, recognized as tops in their field in North America, White now is chief safety man for Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation.

First they brought up five of the trapped men. Then they continued the hunt for the remaining two. Just as they reached the limit of their endurance in the depths, they had success. The heavy masks, oxygen tanks and other equipment they carry limits the time they can spend working.

Mine manager Ernest Wright, hearing the news in his office, turned to a union official and said: "Oh, thank God, they got the last of them."

Officials of Acadia Coal Company, a Dosco subsidiary, went into an immediate conference following the rescue. There appeared to be a strong possibility that the mine would be sealed with cement over the pit head and air shaft. This would eventually cause the fire.

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N. B. Legislature Prorogues

FREDERICTON, April 28 — (CP) — The second session of New Brunswick's 41st Legislature was prorogued late tonight by Lieutenant-Governor D. L. MacLaren. It opened March 7.

The Lieutenant-Governor gave royal assent to 110 bills tonight. Seventy-two previously received assent.

Far outstanding among the legislation enacted is a "social services and education tax" measure providing a four per cent levy on retail sales of many goods. The act, subject to proclamation, probably will become effective June 1 after administrative machinery has been set up, a reliable source said today.

Works Minister Anderson told the Legislature today that New Brunswick and Federal authorities had not been able "to see eye to eye" regarding the Trans-Canada Highway route through this Province. "We don't want to sign until certain sections (of the agreement) are clarified," he added.

Another enabling act authorizes the Province to participate in housing projects.

King Of Thailand Weds 17-Year-Old Sweetheart

BANGKOK, Thailand, April 28 — (CP) — The King of Thailand (Siam) was married to his beautiful 17-year-old sweetheart today in simple ceremonies presided over by his 94-year-old grandmother.

Only the immediate family witnessed the Buddhist rites at 10:24 A.M. the moment fixed by the royal astrologers as the most auspicious for the marriage of King Phumiphon Aduldet to his distant cousin, Princess Sirikit-Kitiyakorn.

The Princess, daughter of a leading Thai diplomat, arrived half an hour early for the ceremony. The King and his bride signed the marriage register and the King paid the customary fee of ten baht (about 55 cents) in the palace of the queen grandmother, Samdet Ranlaha. Then the old Queen entered the room and poured on the hands of the kneeling couple the holy water symbolic of purification.

Air Armament School At Trenton Likely To Be Removed To S'ide

An important change in the status of the R. C. A. F. station at Summerside is almost certain to take place within the next year, it has been learned. Unofficial information indicates that the Air Armament School, now at Trenton, Ont. Air Station, will be transferred to Summerside and will be located there along with the Air Navigation School, making it a two unit station.

This belief has been considerably strengthened by the Ottawa dispatch in Wednesday's Guardian that a bombing and gunnery range is to be located in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and that it must be within 30 miles of the Summerside air station.

An Air Navigation School has no normal use for a gunnery range and it could only be used for bombing and gunnery practice. If this move is made it will add to the importance of the Summerside station and there will be some increase in personnel. Ally graduates whether they be pilots, navigators or radio officers proceed to the Air Armament School for an eight weeks course immediately after receiving their wings.

The addition of this school to the station would mean an even greater increase in personnel if it were not for another factor. It is expected that the intake of navigation students will shortly commence to fall off and when that takes place fewer instructors, pilots and radio officers will be needed on the station. So that if this change does not take place the number of officers and men stationed at Summerside will likely decrease somewhat.

A number of reasons probably contribute to causing the decrease in the number of basic navigators being trained but one is that training of post-war navigators did not commence as early as that of pilots and radio officers and it is necessary to train a fairly large number for a while to fill all the vacancies that exist in the service for that trade. Later the number can be cut.

From the Air Force point of view it is understood that the transfer of another school to Summerside makes sense in that it is more economical to have two units located together as the large housekeeping arrangements that have to be set up for one school can serve two just as well, with probably some slight increase in personnel. Also there are ample facilities at Summerside, which was a large wartime station, for two schools.

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Heart Disease Specialist Dies

MONTREAL, April 28 — (CP) — Dr. Mercier Fautoux, internationally known for his research work on heart disease, died at his home here today following a brief illness. He was 53.

Dr. Fautoux was a brother of Hon. Gaspard Fautoux, former Speaker in the House of Commons, and Mr. Justice Gerald Fautoux of the Supreme Court of Canada.

LONDON, April 28 — (AP) — A Government decision today to withdraw troops from London's docks, permitting the orderly return of striking longshoremen, appeared to spell the end of the 10-day wildcat walkout.

WINS CONFIDENCE VOTE

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Island Officer Is Promoted To Full Colonel

Lt. Col. Harold Shaw, officer commanding the 21st Field Ambulance, Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, has been appointed Assistant Director Medical Services, Eastern Command Medical Advisory Staff, Reserve Force, with the rank of Colonel. It was learned yesterday.

Col. Shaw is Provincial Pathologist for the Department of Health and Welfare in this Province.

Commissioned as Medical Officer of the Prince Edward Island Highlanders in 1937, Col. Shaw transferred to the 7th General Hospital in 1940 and served as pathologist with that unit throughout the war. The 7th General was the first Canadian Hospital to land in Northwest Europe, serving with the 3rd Canadian Division in Normandy.

In 1946 Col. Shaw was appointed to command the 21st Field Ambulance on its re-organization here. Second-in-Command is Major J. K. L. Irwin.

REPORTS ON GERMANY

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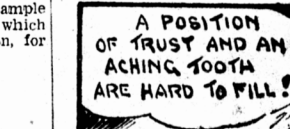
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High tide today at 8.09 A. M. and 8.29 P. M. Sun rises at 5.07 A. M. and sets at 7.14 P. M.

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