

# Vogeler Disavows His "Confession" To Reds

WASHINGTON, June 9—(AP)—Robert A. Vogeler, grim and unsmiling, told Friday of 17 months of torture and degradation in a Communist Hungarian prison, and disavowed as "rubbish" his purported confession of sabotage and spying.

Seemingly physically fit but still tense after four weeks in a hospital, the 36-year-old American business man detailed for the first time the ordeal he underwent before being freed. He was released April 28 through a deal with the Hungarian regime arranged by the State Department.

In a talk at the National Press Club, the official of the International Telephone and Telegraph Company said he was denied sleep and grilled for 78 hours following his arrest, plunged naked into ice water, slugged, and pined with strong stimulants.

"There comes a time when a person is faced with the utter futility of not complying with demands," Vogeler said. "He believes that he is abandoned, that an alleged confession will appear anyway—and so he signs the rubbish placed before him."

At his Communist-exploited trial in Budapest Vogeler said he was represented by a "perfect stooge." He was denied the services of an American lawyer and forbidden contact with the U. S. legation.

"As for my testimony at the trial, I seem to have created an unfortunate impression at my first press interview (at Vienna following his release) that the testimony was partly true," he said. "In my description of it, I sought to use irony when I said 'there was some truth in it.' Perhaps I have lost my sense of irony. The fact is that my name, my birthplace, my employer's name and some other facts were indeed accurately given. But little, if anything else, applied."

# Plan New Rates Bill This Session

OTTAWA, June 9—(CP)—The Government plans to introduce its freight-rate equalization bill at the current session of Parliament but to let it await passage until the fall sitting, it was learned today.

Prospects are that the legislation paving the way for equalized rates across the country will be turned over this month to a Commons committee for consideration in the off-season.

Government officials said the move, making the complex bill public well in advance of parliamentary action, also would give time for it to be studied by the railways, provincial governments and others interested in the freight-rate question.

# Presbyterians Approve Higher Minister Pensions

OTTAWA, June 9—(CP)—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada has approved increases in pensions to ministers. The increases, effective last April, amount to one-ninth of the church's present contribution.

This advances the amount contributed by the church from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per year of service. It means that a minister who has made full contributions will receive a maximum of \$750 annually at 70 years after 40 years' service.

The Assembly approved greetings to the King, with wishes for his speedy recovery; to the Governor-General, with appreciation of his work in Canada and good wishes for his health and happiness when he returns to England, and to Prime Minister St. Laurent.

# Million-Dollar Rain In Sask.

REGINA, June 9—(CP)—A "million-dollar" rain drenched Southern Saskatchewan last night.

The Provincial Agriculture Department made that estimate of the value to Saskatchewan's grain crops of a downpour, which in Regina reached torrential proportions and caused street flooding.

"It couldn't have come at a more desirable time," said officials of the Agriculture Department.

The Saskatchewan Wheat Pool said the rain would assure germination of late-seeded grain retarded by the dryness of the top soil.

OTTAWA, June 8—(CP)—Canada's 125,000 Federal civil servants have asked the Government for a cost-of-living bonus on the basis of 1.25 a month for every one-point climb in the cost-of-living index.

# Memory Of Former Island Educationist Honoured By Wisconsin University

Many persons in this Province will read with appreciation the following memorial resolution passed recently by the Faculty of the University of Wisconsin, in connection with the death of Emeritus Professor Arthur Gordon Laird:

December 17, 1869 — February 19, 1951.

"Born at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, a member of one of the leading families of Canada, educated at Dalhousie, Cornell and Leipzig, much-travelled, in many countries and widely read in the literatures of several languages, Professor A.G. Laird brought to his teaching and research a rich personality and a deep understanding of classical and modern European culture.

"Except for brief periods at Stanford and Cornell, his teaching career was entirely at Wisconsin. During the forty-four years of his active service as a member of the faculty (1894-1938), he contributed in many ways to the value and prestige of his department and the university. He was for a long time chairman of the Department of Classics and a member of the University Committee on Publications, sometime Acting Dean of the Graduate School and chairman of the Graduate Division of Language and Literature, one of the founders of the "Classical Journal", and the author of solid and penetrating books and articles on Herodotus, Thucydides, Plato and Homer.

"All his life he was a tireless worker; his enthusiasm for teaching, and learning seemed inexhaustible. After he retired from active teaching, he continued to work on some problems of textual criticism which he was eager to solve. And in his final sickness when he no longer had the physical strength to read for himself, his greatest satisfaction was to talk with friends about great works of literature and to listen to a young colleague who came to the hospital to read to him from a new work on Homer.

"Although Professor Laird was first of all a scholar, he was physically very active and he was keenly interested in sports. In college he played cricket, football, tennis, and baseball. As a member of the faculty he was one of the founders of the tennis club. He played golf throughout the season every year until he was almost eighty. Thanks to his unusual physical vigor, he was able, in the course of his last trip abroad, to visit on foot many out of the way sights of literary or historical interest in Greece. He delighted also to discuss sporting and athletic events with numerous friends at the University Club where his shrewd observations, now gay, now caustic, and his hearty laughter were greatly appreciated.

"No one who had the privilege of hearing him give an explication of a text can forget his lucid analysis, his illuminating interpretations, and his sharp, though cautious, conclusions. His students and his colleagues here and elsewhere had the greatest respect for

his erudition. In fact, his book on Herodotus, which was published almost fifty years ago, is still the authoritative work on that writer's usage.

"He and his charming wife, the late Harriet Remington Laird, were among the most popular young people in the faculty during his early years here; and although he lived very quietly after her untimely death, his company was always sought after by a large circle of discriminating people both in the university and in the city.

The signatures of the Memorial Committee members are appended to the above resolution as follows: Walter R. Agard, Charles Edson, Philip G. Fox, J.P. Heironimus, Julian Harris, Chairman.

# BURGESS BEDTIME

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Down, down, down, fell Buster Bear. The two little cubs in the top of the tree almost fell after him they leaned so far out to watch. It was lucky for Buster that there were many big branches on that tree below him. They helped to break his fall. Mother Bear no longer looked ugly.

She was grinning, yes, sir, she was grinning as she watched Buster hit one branch after another, breaking one or two. For the last half of that fall there were no branches. There was nothing to break his fall. When Buster hit the ground, it was with a thump that knocked all the breath out of him for a few minutes. He just lay there on the ground trying to

get his breath back and wondering if he would be able to walk after such a fall.

He didn't wonder long. He heard Mother Bear up above starting to climb down. He scrambled to his feet. There were many sore places where he had been bumped. But he didn't think about these now. No, sir, he didn't. The only thought in that black head of his was to get away from there and Mother Bear as fast as his legs could take him.

He scrambled to his feet none too soon. Mother Bear had reached the lowest branches, and now she did just what Buster had done. She let go. You see Bears learn how to fall when they are very small and they never forget. Somehow they never break any bones. If Buster hadn't moved fast Mother Bear would have landed right on him. When she hit the ground right where he had been lying he was already running. Mother Bear ran a little way after him, but only a little way. She grinned as she watched his big feet kick up the leaves as he ran. Then she went back to the foot of the tall pine and called the cubs down. You should have seen those black imps hurrying down to join their mother.

"Who was that dreadful fellow?" asked one of the imps.

"That," replied Mother Bear, "was your father."

"What's a father?" asked one of the imps.

Of course the cubs didn't know. All they knew was their Mother and that was all they ever would know. Fatherhood doesn't mean a thing to little Bears. What a lot Bear fathers and their lively cubs miss in life.

LONDON—(CP)—Tenants of council houses in suburban Epsom have been cautioned by the City Corporation that they will be given notice to vacate their premises if they fail to cultivate their gardens.

# C. N. R. Planning New Rail Line In Manitoba

MONTREAL, June 9—Notice that Parliament will be asked to authorize the C.N.R. to build a 155-mile railway from Sherridon to Lynn Lake, Man., 550 miles northwest of Winnipeg, appeared on the order paper in the House of Commons in Ottawa today.

Commenting on the project, Donald Gordon, chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways, said that the total cost of the new line is estimated at \$14,500,000 and that construction is expected to start this summer.

A survey party of seventeen engineers is now in the Northern Manitoba wilderness to determine a route for the rail extension, looking to completion of the line by the fall of 1953.

The new railway will serve a mining area located at Lynn Lake by Sherridon Gordon Mines. At present the only access to the region is by air transport and winter road, and the building of the line will enable the mine to be brought into production.

Annual production is estimated at 8,400 tons of nickel, 3,400 tons of copper, 100 tons of cobalt, 1,500 tons of copper sulphide and 72,000 tons of ammonium sulphate. The value of this production is estimated at \$14,000,000 yearly.

A modern townsite at Lynn Lake will house a population between 2,500 and 3,000 on completion of the railway. A 2,000-ton per day mining plant and concentrator will be built there, and a new hydro electric plant will be constructed on the Laurie River. A nickel refinery is to be established in Alberta making use of the natural gas in that Province.

Twenty years ago a line into Sherridon was opened by the

C.N.R. making it possible for Sherridon to produce materials valued at more than \$53,000,000. On completion of the new railway the mining company will transfer its operations to Lynn Lake.

# VALLEYFIELD W. I.

"Mrs. A. C. Fraser entertained the members of the Valleyfield W. I. at The Manse. The Vice-President, Mrs. John A. MacPherson presided and opened the meeting with singing the Ode followed by repeating the collect in unison.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Angus Martin acted as secretary for the evening. Mrs. Johnnie MacPhee was a welcome visitor, and Mrs. W. A. Bruce who had been absent for several months was welcomed back.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. Correspondence was read and discussed. Collection for the evening amounted to \$2.10. The treasurer, Mrs. W. A. MacLeod gave her report.

It was decided to buy fruit and groceries for a family who had illness in their home. Mrs. M. A. MacLeod was appointed to attend to same.

Committees gave their reports. It was decided to send for cottons to Eatons and Simpsons, to be used for charity. After singing "God Save The King," delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

# N. B. MAN KILLED

BATHURST, N.B., June 8—(CP)—Capt. Earl P. Doucet, 30, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Doucet, South Bathurst, was one of 10 men killed in a plane crash Wednesday at San Antonio, Texas. He was a

# SOURIS LINE ROAD W. I.

The regular monthly meeting of the Souris Line Road Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Joseph P. MacAulay on Wednesday, May 23, 1951. There was an attendance of fifteen members and two visitors.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Joseph P. MacAulay. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Roll call was answered by threading a needle while seated on a bottle.

Considerable correspondence was read and discussed. Sick committee reported bills which were financially attended to. School committee submitted a report.

Early plans for official opening of new Souris Line Road school were discussed but there was nothing definitely decided upon.

Votes of thanks were extended to the members by those who had received sick treats.

Miss Helen McIsaac and Mrs. Cyril MacDonald were re-appointed on sick committee.

Bingo then followed, after which a dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

Meeting closed with "The King," member of the United States Army Air Corps and served with U.S. forces in the Second World War.

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# Commons Agrees To Work Overtime

OTTAWA, June 9—(CP)—The Commons agreed Friday to work overtime to hasten the end of the current session, but it spent an hour and 52 minutes fencing around the subject before it finally gave consent.

The time-check was kept by Prime Minister St. Laurent, who later told the Chamber it was that sort of time-consuming debate which made it necessary to lengthen the working schedule to three sittings daily.

No one during that one hour and 52 minutes, he said, objected to longer hours, but a half-dozen members delayed proceedings by discussing "kindred" topics.

Beginning Monday, the Chamber will hold sitting, mornings from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. as well as the customary afternoon and evening sessions. The following week, the usual Wednesday evening holiday will go.

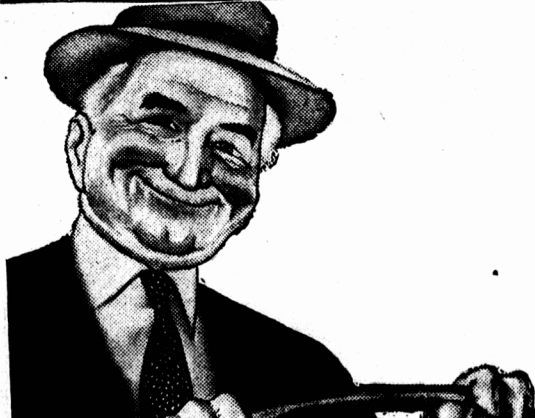
Target for adjournment is the end of this month, but a new session is to be held this fall to deal with old-age pensions and other legislation which the Government does not feel can be considered adequately in the current session.

# Stresses Dangers Of Inflation

WASHINGTON, June 9—(AP)—President Truman has stressed that "if we let inflation run away, the Russians will have won the cold war without firing a shot."

Truman made the comment at a White House conference in urging speedy action on a new economic controls law, Press Secretary Joseph Short said.

The President was said to be especially worried over the impending expiration of existing controls.



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