

Maxims of a Mere Man
The honey is sweet,
But the bee has a sting.

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Prince Edward Island
Like The Dew
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Russian Diplomat's Wife Declares Her Belief Australia Kidnapped Husband

CANBERRA, (Reuters) — The Russian ambassador summoned the Soviet diplomat's wife to a press conference Wednesday to tell reporters her husband could not have freely chosen to take political refuge in Australia and must have been kidnapped.

Coming Events

- "Dance in Millview Hall, April 15th.
- "Dance Kelly's Cross School, Easter Monday night.
- "Reserve Wednesday, July 14, Lower Montague Regatta.
- "A meeting of the Hunter River-Glasgow Racing Club will be held at Chris Orr's on Friday evening.
- "Card party every Friday, St. Peter's Legion Hall, Dance Saturday.
- "Show, Morell Hall Thursday and Saturday, "Hiawatha". This is a good show.
- "Easter Dance, Belfast Hall, Monday, April 19th. Sponsored by Eldon W. I.
- "Regular Saturday night dance in Legion Hall, Souris, Saturday, April 17, 1954. Canteen services.
- "Joint dance in St. Peter's Legion Hall, Easter Monday night, starting at 8:30. Legion and C. Y. O. Chalmers' Orchestra.
- "Wellington Dramatic Club present their three act comedy in Thanksgiving Hall, Tuesday, April 20th, 8:30. Good specialties.
- "At Kensington, Easter Monday, Souris Players present "A Quiet Homecoming". Curtain 8:15.
- "We will be closed Good Friday, April 16th. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- "Our store will be closed all day Friday: J. F. MacLean, Wheatley River.
- "Don't forget the dance at South Rustico Hall Easter Monday night.
- "Our Easter Beef is in today. Choicest Quality. Animal was fed by Mr. Ed. Robertson, Birch Hill; Sterling S. Ings, Cherry Valley.
- "Our stores will be closed Good Friday, April 16: Clayton Morrison and C. R. Dunsford, Hampton.
- "Our places of business will be closed all day Good Friday. Signed: Crapaud Creamery; Waddell Bros.; Parker Canfield.
- "Will be doing custom grinding and mixing Thursday, April 15th. Closed Friday, April 16th. P. L. Morris Feed Service, Kinkora.
- "Dance, Easter Monday night, Morell Hall, Modern, old-time, Burns' orchestra. Sponsors, Morell C. Y. O.
- "St. Theresa plays present 3-act comedy in St. Theresa's Hall, Easter Monday, curtain 8:30. Dance after.
- "Opening dance Beaver Hall, Montague, Tuesday, April 20. Don Messers' Orchestra. Admission 50 cents. Regular dance Saturday, April 24.
- "Farmers: Requiring financial help to raise Hogs, Chickens, Turkeys, do it the Shur-Gain way. Contact our dealers or P. L. Morris Shur-Gain Feed Mills, Kinkora, Summerside, Charlottetown.
- "What's new in feeds? 22% of Shur-Gain sweetened Calf Starter and Grower. The results are excellent. Get some at E. J. MacDougall's Feed Service Mill, Vernon.
- "Attention Hog Producers in Montague and Cardigan areas. Messrs. Sid McLean and Norman MacKenzie will be loading hogs at Montague and Cardigan on Thursday April 15th, and on every Thursday thereafter. Canada Packers Ltd.
- "Arriving shortly a carload of No. 1 Barley Meal \$2.85 per bag. Carload No. 1 Barley and Oats \$2.50 per bag. Carload of cement. Complete stock Asphalt shingles, etc. on hand. Get our prices before buying. Phone or write R. L. Dickieson, New Glasgow.

The Australian Parliament approved a bill launching a full-scale investigation of Communist spy activities in documents handed over by Petrov.

The president of the Australian Communist party, R. Dixon, called the move a "political stunt."

Mrs. Petrov, a vivacious blonde about 10 years younger than her husband, who is 45, arrived at the Soviet embassy in a black sedan after reporters requested to see her.

The Soviet ambassador said: "Reasonable people would understand that reports about Petrov are without foundation. I am sure that reports about Petrov's voluntary request for asylum are also utterly not true."

"It is difficult for me now to explain to you what the reason was for these reports. They are nonsense from beginning to end. That is all I want to say."

Mrs. Petrov confirmed that it was her choice to stay with the Soviet embassy.

In halting English, she said of her husband: "I am sure he is kidnapped and what the papers write is only a lie."

Cabinet Minister Says Tax Trouble Quebec's Fault

OTTAWA, (CP) — Northern Affairs Minister Lesage said Wednesday Quebec is attempting to blame the federal government for its own decision to impose a provincial income tax.

"This double taxation is exclusively the result of the decision of the Quebec government," he now attempts to throw the blame upon the Canadian government," Mr. Lesage said in the Commons.

The situation, he said, "reminds me of the little boy who pulled the cat's tail and replied to his father who had told him to stop: 'I'm not pulling the cat's tail.'"

He spoke during the third day of the budget debate which continued through the half-day sitting before the House adjourned for the Easter recess until Monday, April 26. The usual 6 p.m. adjournment time.

No Negotiations
Mr. Lesage was the first cabinet minister to refer to the budget debate to the Quebec taxation issue since Finance Minister Abbott's budget April 6 rejected Quebec's bid to have its new 15-per-cent income tax fully deductible from federal income tax payments.

Federal tax laws allow deduction of five per cent of the provincial tax from federal levies.

G. H. Castleden (CCF—Yorkton) said the same economic signs that prevailed before the last depression now can be seen. The budget took no action to forestall a depression and instead provided "a continual source of optimism."

J. W. McNeil (PC—Perth) criticized various aspects of the income tax laws and said tax inspectors in rural areas should have prior farming experience to give them more understanding of the costs of running a farm.

West Says "No" To Soviet Proposal

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — Russia's Andrei A. Vishinsky called on the West Wednesday to count Red China, India and Czechoslovakia in on a United Nations disarmament sub-committee to discuss curbs on hydrogen and atomic bombs.

The West immediately said no. Vishinsky championed Communist China in the 12-country UN disarmament commission as the United States, Britain and France in notes to Moscow told the Russians that Red China will not be regarded as a great power at the Geneva conference opening April 26.

4 Sentenced For Express Robbery

HEARST, Ont., (CP) — Four men were sentenced Wednesday to lengthy prison terms for their part in the theft of \$11,000 which disappeared mysteriously from a Canadian National Railway express train last November.

Magistrate Marcel Leger sentenced Armand Lauson, 54-year-old lumberjack, to three years in Kingston penitentiary for the "indirect theft of the money." His companions, Theodore Lemire, 44, Joseph Longtin, 54, and Leo Leclair, 54, janitor of the Hearst High School were sentenced to serve 18 months each in prison.

They were charged with retaining stolen property.

The money, in five and 10-dollar bills, was in transit from the Bank of Canada at Ottawa to the Imperial Bank in Kapuskasing when it disappeared last Nov. 7.

LONDON, (CP) — Alderman Sir Cyril Dyson, mayor of Windsor, Berkshire, left London Wednesday night on a Trans-Canada Air Lines plane en route to Windsor, Ont., to attend the Canadian city's centennial celebrations.

Britain Promises Troops For Continental Defence Army

Convicted Of Attempt To Blow Building

TORONTO, (CP) — George Davidson, 24-year-old father of two children, was convicted Wednesday of placing enough explosives in a downtown Toronto building to blow it "from here to Hudson Bay."

Charged with him were three brothers, Victor, 28, Harry, 36 and Cecil Chernick, 30. They pleaded guilty to placing an explosive in the building and charges of attempted arson and conspiracy were withdrawn.

Davidson earlier pleaded guilty to attempted arson.

All were remanded until today for sentence.

Police arrested the four Feb. 10 in a raid on the fourth-floor of a west-central Toronto building following a telephone tip that something was going to happen there.

In the space occupied by the Superior Paint Co., they found dynamite caps, four bottles of nitroglycerine and four one-gallon cans of gasoline.

Earlier in the afternoon the Charlottetown Fire Department responded to a call to extinguish a grass fire in Southport which threatened to destroy the home of Mr. W. E. MacInnis. There was no damage in this instance.

Canadian Coal For Federal Buildings

OTTAWA, (CP) — The government this year is buying all its bituminous coal in Canada to heat federal buildings in Ottawa.

Mines Minister Prudham informed the Commons Wednesday that 62,908 tons of Canadian coal had been ordered for the 1954-55 fiscal year. In the last fiscal year, only 11,908 of the 52,980 tons purchased were bought in Canada.

Mr. Prudham, replying to a question by H. B. McCulloch (L-Picton), did not say where the Canadian coal was purchased.

Prudham said that the United States coal and \$11.95 for Canadian coal. This year's Canadian price was \$10.68 a ton for slack coal and \$11.43 for stoker coal.

Bevan Quits "Shadow Cabinet"

LONDON, (AP) — Aneurin Bevan quit the Labor party's policy-making "shadow cabinet" Wednesday night in an open row over Britain following the United States-sponsored unit plans against Communist aggression.

Bevan laid his charges, then stomped out of a party caucus.

Bevan told parliamentary correspondents he quit because:

1. He is against German rearmament within the European Defence Community pact.
2. He opposes the new proposed southeast Asia defence plan agreed to by Eden and Dulles and regards it as a surrender to American pressure.

To Train With R.C.A.F.

Cons. Russell Downe (left) and Lloyd Archer of the City Police leave for St. Johns, Que., tomorrow to undergo training with the R.C.A.F. as security police, following leave of absence from the city force.

Cons. Downe has been on the force for over four years following overseas service of five years when he was a motorcycle despatch rider, with the Queen's Own Rifles.

Cons. Archer, with four years city police service, served for over four years during the war with a motor transport unit.

Both were guests at several farewell functions recently and received many parting gifts.

Pair Released On Murder Charge

MONTREAL, (CP) — James Rogers, 22, and Frank Battaglia, 36, were freed of murder charges in court of Queen's bench Wednesday after Mr. Justice Wilfrid Lazure ruled verbal statements they made to police were inadmissible.

The accused said the statements were forced from them by provincial police. A police spokesman testified no threats were used.

DULLES WINS PLEDGE FROM FRENCH TO CONSIDER WESTERN PACIFIC PACT

PARIS, (AP) — U. S. State Secretary Dulles Wednesday concluded a Big Three agreement to work for a western Pacific defence pact against the spread of communism.

The final step was taken with joint issuance of a communique by Dulles and French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault spotlighting the war in Indo-China as a danger to peace in all Southeast Asia.

Dulles' goal was a 10-power military alliance like NATO in Southeast Asia.

After the agreement was announced, Dulles left for home by plane to report to President Eisenhower on his mission.

The statement guaranteed that France, Britain and the United States would furnish a common front at Geneva when the Far Eastern conference opens April 26.

It was similar to the announcement in London Tuesday by Dulles and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden.

Fire Destroys Home At Southport

A disastrous fire which started from burning grass, completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Robertson, Southport, yesterday afternoon. Living in the one-story frame dwelling were Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and their four children ages five to fifteen.

Practically all of the furniture and personal belongings were lost in the fire which levelled the building in little short of a half an hour. There were no injuries.

City firemen responded to the call, but so quickly had the fire progressed that they could do nothing to save the dwelling. Two of the children are staying with their sister, Mrs. George Scantlebury, while other members of the family are with friends in the City.

Peace Threatened

The statement said that the war in Indo-China threatened peace in the whole Pacific area, adding: "In close association with other interested nations, we will examine the possibility of establishing within the framework of the United Nations charter, a collective defence to assure the peace, security and freedom of this area."

A high American source told reporters after the announcement that the Korean question would come up first at Geneva. This would leave a margin of time to get going on the military alliance before the Indo-China question came up.

If the Geneva conference fails to get a solution in Indo-China, the new organization would be ready to function.

BANK IS ROBBED

OIL SPRINGS, Ont., (CP) — Police said Wednesday they are holding two men for questioning in connection with a \$1,900 robbery of the Oil Springs branch of the Bank of Toronto on Tuesday.

Three Killed In Collision

COORNWALL, Ont., (CP) — Three persons, including a mother and her teen-aged son, were killed late Wednesday and another was injured in the collision of their car and a speeding freight train at a level crossing 12 miles west of here.

Dead are Mrs. William Watson, 42, her 14-year-old son, Groulx, and Harvey Martin, 45.

Brought to Cornwall hospital in a serious condition was Mrs. Watson's husband, William. Extent of his injuries are not yet known. All victims were residents of the village of Wales.

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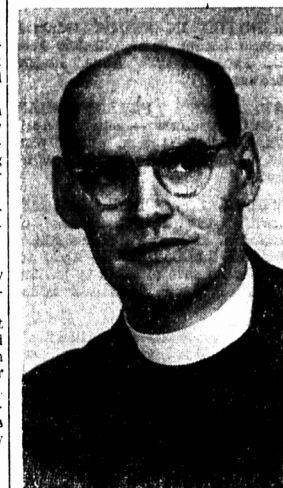
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Called By Trinity As Ass't Minister

At a largely attended congregational meeting of Trinity United Church last night, Rev. Howard Christie (above) of Hunter River United Church, was extended a call to officiate as assistant minister with special reference to young people's work. The call will be subject to the official courts of the church and final action will be taken at the Maritime Conference.

Rev. A. Frank MacLean presided. Representing the pastoral relations committee was Rev. J. M. Sproule, of York United Church. Trinity Church is a congregation of roughly 4,000 people and the religious educational program for the past year has been carried on by Mr. Kelvin Johnston who leaves (Continued on Page 2 col. 6)



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Federal Gov't Recruiting 100 Single School Teachers For Jobs Overseas

OTTAWA, (CP) — Attention—or achtung—Canadian servicemen in France and Germany.

Canadian school teachers — female and single — are heading over there.

Harry Low, director of education for children of Canadian servicemen overseas, said Wednesday the defence department now is recruiting 100 single teachers, mostly women, to work in schools at seven Canadian bases in France and Germany.

Mr. Low has written 30 school boards across Canada asking them to nominate teachers for the posts abroad.

"The response has been very favorable," said the armed forces' bureau of current affairs.

Get Salary Plus
No wonder. The teachers will be on loan for two years from the school boards and receive the same salary they would have got from the boards. They will receive free living quarters overseas and their transportation will be paid there and back. Their superannuation and seniority rights will be maintained.

The defence department, which will reimburse the school boards for the teachers' salaries, has made only one stipulation. The teachers must be single. This does not apply to the principals of the seven schools, who will be able to take their families overseas with them.

Schools and married quarters now are being built at the four RCAP bases at Metz and Gros Tenquin in France and Zwickbrucken and Bad-Sollingen in Germany. Three schools are being erected at Soest, Germany, headquarters of the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade.

The schools are expected to be ready by September and the teachers will sail for overseas in a body in mid-August. When things get rolling, it is expected they will have 3,000 children to teach.

Scientist Sees Some Danger To Canada From H-Bomb Testing In Pacific Ocean

TORONTO, (CP) — Dr. Karl Ruckthought, University of Toronto physicist and wartime meteorologist, said Wednesday Canada could be in the direct line of a jet stream which might pick up radio-activity from Pacific hydrogen bomb tests if the men in charge of the experiments made an error.

Dr. Ruckthought, who said earlier this week that H-bomb explosions could pollute the air with lethal radio-activity lasting perhaps thousands of years, issued a statement in reply to a comment by Dr. J. S. Foster of McGill University. Dr. Foster said the persons conducting the tests "know more than we, or anyone else, about these explosions."

"Canada could be in direct line of a northeast jet stream, which is a body of air travelling at between 100 and 200 miles an hour, which might at any time pick up the radio-activity from such a bomb and carry it to Canada," said Dr. Ruckthought.

"Meteorologically, it is impossible to predict the movement of the jet stream with perfect accuracy and it would be possible for such a stream to carry enough radio-activity to western Canada to ruin the lives of millions of people."

"It is even possible, though remotely so, for eastern Canada to be affected by a jet stream flowing to it across the U. S."

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TERMS OF AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE ANNOUNCED BY EDEN IN COMMONS

(By Seymour Topping)
LONDON, (AP) — Britain Wednesday spurred France toward ratification of the European Defence Community Treaty with a historic commitment to keep troops on the continent. The British offered also to integrate ground and air forces in the six-country European army.

The pledge was announced in the House of Commons by Foreign Secretary Eden. It was aimed at quieting French fears about West German rearmament within EDC and inducing the French parliament to ratify the treaty.

Both the United States and Britain have declared EDC indispensable to the defence of western Europe against the threat of Communist aggression. The British promised to keep their armed forces in Europe as long as that threat exists.

Two Killed In N. B. Accident

ST. STEPHEN, N. B. (CP) — Two persons were killed and two injured when a car went off the road early Wednesday at Moores Mills, seven miles from St. Stephen. Dead were the driver, Kenneth McLellan, 23, of Milltown, N. B., and Miss Audrey Hanson, 19, of St. Stephen.

Miss Verda Merrill, of De Wolf, believed suffering spinal injuries, was taken to hospital here. The other passenger, Ronald Marsden, escaped with slight head injuries.

The accident occurred at a dangerous curve, the scene of four previous fatalities.

Dr. H. S. Everett, coroner, opened an inquest which was adjourned to April 23.

Two Montreal Bandits Sentenced

MONTREAL, (CP) — Judge Arm and Cloutier Wednesday sentenced two self-confessed armed bandits to terms of 15 years in penitentiary for robberies throughout the Montreal district.

Gordon Moran, 25, pleaded guilty to five hold-ups and committing a series of small thefts from stores between March 19 and 26.

Rene Pilon, 24, admitted three hold-ups in city stores shortly after completing a 10-year sentence for similar crimes.

White Paper

A government white paper issued at the same time as Eden spoke said:

"Britain will consult with EDC on questions of mutual concern including the level of the armed forces of the United Kingdom and of the European Defence Community placed under the command of the supreme allied commander, on the mainland of Europe, and any substantial modification in the level or composition of these forces."

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Terms Disclosed

Disclosing the terms of an agreement signed in Paris Tuesday between Britain and the six EDC countries, Eden told the House of Commons.

"Her Majesty's government have undertaken to continue to maintain on the mainland of Europe, including Germany, such armed forces as may be necessary and appropriate to contribute a fair share of the forces needed for the joint defence of the North Atlantic area."

"We have also stated that we have no intention of withdrawing from the continent of Europe so long as the threat exists to the security of western Europe and of the European Defence Community."

The six countries in EDC are France, Italy, West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. Italy and France have yet to ratify the treaty.

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TORONTO, (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	8	27
Vancouver	41	52
Victoria	38	51
Edmonton	32	42
Calgary	26	42
Regina	36	51
Winnipeg	34	45
Toronto	47	66
Ottawa	36	59
Montreal	25	39
Quebec	26	39
Saint John	18	40
Moncton	30	42
Halifax	30	42
St. John's	28	29

HALIFAX, (CP) — The weather office here says fine weather will predominate over the Maritimes Thursday but cloudy skies are indicated for Good Friday.

Regional forecasts:
Prince Edward Island: Overcast; wet snow ending about noon, then variable cloudiness. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown 37 and 46.

Outlook for Good Friday: Cloudy.
New Brunswick: Variable cloudiness; little change in temperature; light winds, low-high at Moncton and Fredericton 23 and 45, Saint John and Edmundston 30 and 40, Campbellton 27 and 40.

Outlook for Good Friday: Overcast.
High tide today at Charlottetown at 9:07 a.m. and 9:26 p.m. Summerside tide 18 minutes later.

Sun rises today at 5:29 a.m. and sets at 6:58 p.m.

Tomorrow being Good Friday and a public holiday, the next issue of The Guardian will be Saturday, April 17.