

Russia Gives Brushoff To Bermuda Talks Proposal

By ROY ESSOYAN
MOSCOW (AP)—Russia Tuesday gave the brushoff to the Bermuda talks proposal to give advance notice on atomic test explosions and to invite international observation of the experiments.

But Leonid F. Ilyichev, foreign ministry press chief, stopped short of outright rejection of the proposal made by President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Macmillan at their Bermuda meeting. He said Russia favored a "radical solution"—outright prohibition of nuclear tests—rather than "roundabout methods."

The position thus appeared to be the usual East-West standoff—with Russia wanting a simple agreement to stop testing bombs, the West contending a paper agreement would be useless in the absence of a broader disarmament agreement or means to enforce it.

Ilyichev rejected, in effect, a Japanese note asking that Russia's atomic test explosions be suspended. Without a big power agreement to end tests, he said, the Soviet Union would have to continue perfecting its weapons, including nuclear weapons, in the interests of its own security.

TWO REJECTIONS
Thus Russia and Britain on the same day turned down Japan's protests. Macmillan's government

announced in London that it had rejected Tokyo's fourth protest in a series of weeks against a series of H-bomb tests scheduled to begin anytime now at Christmas Island in the Pacific, 4,000 miles from Japan. The British reply said the tests were "in the interest of the free world."

Last Sunday Macmillan and Eisenhower in their communique on the Bermuda talks said it was their intention to conduct nuclear tests in such a way as to prevent "world radiation from rising to more than a small fraction of the levels that might be hazardous."

"SIMILAR RESTRAINT"
"We look to the Soviet Union to exercise a similar restraint," they added.

They also said they would be willing to register notice of their tests in advance with the United Nations and "permit limited international observation of such tests if the Soviet Union would do the same."

He said that in the absence of a world agreement for comprehensive disarmament the "security of the free world" depended on "the nuclear deterrent," and that an agreement to limit nuclear tests could not be effectively enforced for technical reasons.

Ilyichev questioned the value of mutual observation of tests and

called for immediate suspension of all atomic and H-bomb tests, either on a temporary or a permanent basis. He made clear Russia has no intention of stopping her own tests unless the others do.

The Soviet delegates to the UN disarmament sub-committee now meeting in London would exert every effort to obtain suspension of tests of weapons of mass destruction," he said.

He added that the delegation was ready to try for an independent solution of the problem right now "without linking agreement on this question with other disarmament discussions."

Case Involving School Taxes

Public halls are specifically exempt from assessment for school taxes under Section 66 of the School Act of Prince Edward Island, advised Judge C. St. Clair Trainor presiding at yesterday's session of Queen's County Court.

This ruling was communique to the plaintiffs' representative, Mr. James Munn, who presented evidence on behalf of the trustees of School District No. 157 (Mt. Herbert), in an action initiated by them to recover taxes assessed on Mt. Herbert Hall. Mr. J.O.C. Campbell, Q.C., appeared on behalf of Mr. J. Robert Munn, an interested party. In order that Mr. Munn could be further instructed by his clients, the trustees of School District No. 157, an adjournment to April 11th was granted by the court.

Dates were fixed for the hearings of a number of other civil actions appearing on the docket.

In the case of associated Shippers vs. Wendell Morrissey, judgment by default was rendered. Mr. K.M. Martin, Q.C., appeared for the plaintiff. Following the opening of the session, a total of four actions involving garnishees were dealt with and disposed of by the Court.

Other barristers present in Court on behalf of various clients included N.W. Lowther, Q.C., A.J. Haslam, E. Somerled Trainor, A. Walthen Gaudet, Gerald P. Foster, L.P. O'Donnell.

"Life Saver" Club Expands

An enthusiastic response is being met in securing members for the "Life Saver" Club according to reports given by representatives of organizations in Charlottetown and vicinity at a well attended meeting held at Red Cross Headquarters on Monday night.

Mr. A. Fremont Archer, newly elected Chairman of the Red Cross Blood Donor Committee for Charlottetown presided at Monday night's meeting, and after introducing the members of the Executive of his committee, explained that the meeting was called for the special purpose of briefing the representatives appointed by the different organizations on the "Life Saver" Committee in their duties, and for receiving reports from them on the progress. He said that all-out drive for the enlistment of "Life Savers" in Charlottetown and the surrounding districts was necessary because of 1,500 donors who will be required when the next Blood Donor Clinics are held in Charlottetown on April 29th, and 30th, May 1st, and 2nd.

GREATER USE
Dr. J.A. MacMillan, who is the Gyro Club's representative on the "Life Saver" Committee, gave a very informative talk on the advances made in medical science in recent years and explained the reasons for the increased use of blood and its derivatives. He commended those who are active in recruiting "Life Savers" for their humanitarian interest in their fellowman. He also told them that in soliciting blood donors they are functioning which is just as necessary to the recovery of the patient as the surgeon's knife. In concluding his remarks he stressed the personal satisfaction that is derived from helping a fellowman through being "Life Savers" as well as in boosting his service.

Mr. Wm. Hayward reported the following had been appointed by their organizations on the "Life Saver" Committee: Mr. James H. Currie for R.C.A.F. Assoc.; Mr. George Barter for Main Branch Naval Assoc.; Mr. Ray Hughes for Charlottetown Branch of Canadian Legion; Mr. Sheldon Coffin for Wildley Lodge No. 7 and Mr. Walter Murray for Charlottetown Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Mrs. Fred MacMillan said she had been notified that additional appointees from women's organizations were: Mrs. Stewart Ives for Junior Ladies' Aid of P.E.I. Hospital; Miss Margaret MacMillan for the Earl of Hillsboro Chapter of the I.O.D.E.; Miss Hattie MacLean for the Nurses' Alumnae of the P.E.I. Hospital, and Mrs. W.A. Henry for the Royal Edward Chapter of the I.O.D.E.

Home to the residence of her daughter from where the funeral will be held on Thursday morning at 8:40 to St. Dunstan's Basilica for Requiem High Mass at nine o'clock. Interment in the Catholic Cemetery.



GUEST SPEAKER, Mr. Arnold Edinborough (second from left) with three members of P.E.I.'s Canadian Club prior to last night's dinner meeting.

Discusses Crime Comics At Dinner Of The Canadian Club

"This 'flood' of obscene literature... is not a flood but a trickle which can be stopped by action at the local level," asserted Mr. Arnold Edinborough, guest speaker at last evening's dinner meeting of the Canadian Club of Prince Edward Island held in the Charlottetown Hotel.

The guest speaker was introduced to the members present by Dr. Frank MacMillan, President of the organization.

Seated at the head table were His Honor Lieut.-Gov. T.W.L. Prowse, and Mrs. Prowse; Dr. Frank MacKinnon, and Mrs. MacKinnon; Mr. Edinborough; Captain Carl Burke and Mrs. Burke; Mr. Justice G.J. Tweedy and Mrs. Tweedy; Mr. Frank MacKenzie; and Mrs. Cyrus MacKenzie.

NOT NEW
Discussing the subject "Crime Comics and Obscene Literature," the Ontario-born speaker traced the history and development of this type of literature, pointed out to the club members that this type of publication was not new, not particularly Canadian, and far from simple.

In support of his first contention he referred his audience to the "grossly indecent" riddles popular in Anglo-Saxon times; to certain of Chaucer's writings; to the great popularity of certain "indecent and immoral" plays during the late 17th and early 18th centuries, and the wide circulation of the "shocking novel" in the 19th century.

Not only in Canada, but in the United States, Great Britain, and the rest of the Commonwealth, a great "upurge" of public concern on this topic was noted in recent years, the guest speaker declared.

NOT SIMPLE
The wide divergence of opinion among various interested groups

Ferry Is Ready For Spring Run

In reply to a question asked by R.R. Bell in Legislature regarding the readiness of the Rocky Point Ferry "Fairview," Hon. George MacKay, Minister of Highways said the boat had been completely overhauled and the Department was awaiting the arrival of the ship inspector which is expected to be the first of next week.

During the question period, Premier Matheson facetiously replied to the Leader of the Opposition by displaying a model of one of the ice-boats used to cross the straits 60 years ago. The attractive model contained three oars which the Premier jokingly suggested would be very suitable for Mr. Bell and his two members of the Opposition.

L. B. MacMillan

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Highways on August 8, 1890, was promoted to the position of Deputy Minister in the said Department in 1900 and remained as such until his retirement on October 1, 1946; and whereas subsequent to his retirement Mr. MacMillan has continued to serve this Province in a part-time capacity as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Provincial Sanatorium and as Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission to this date; be it therefore resolved that this Legislative Assembly express to Mr. MacMillan sincere appreciation of his work and efforts during an unprecedented period of service of upwards of sixty-six years, and that such expression of appreciation be presented to Mr. MacMillan personally during the present Session of this Assembly.

UNIQUENESS
In speaking to the resolution, Premier Matheson said it was a unique occasion for anyone except those with political affiliations to be brought into the floor of the House.

The Premier referred not only to Mr. MacMillan's lengthy service but to his record as an athlete to note. He recalled seeing a photograph in which the former deputy minister was pictured as a member of the Abegweit Track Team. "His record in athletics as well as a public servant have been outstanding," he said.

Speaking in lighter vein, Premier Matheson told Mr. MacMillan:

an he had a belated confession to make to him. He said that as a young lad on his visits to the Public Works office he had on occasion swiped an apple off the Deputy's desk. "If you have been wondering where those apples went, Mr. MacMillan, you know now," said the Leader of the House.

Continuing, Mr. Matheson said, "We owe a great deal to Mr. MacMillan. I owe him a great deal because he has given me a great deal of sound advice that over the years has stood me in good stead."

The Premier noted the qualities of friendly disposition and sound judgement exemplified in the character of Mr. MacMillan. "He could give a person a good bawling out and at the same time have that person leave him with no ill feeling," he added.

AGREES WITH PREMIER

R.R. Bell said, "It is seldom I arise and agree with the Leader of the Present Government, but this is one occasion on which I am wholeheartedly in accord with the Premier."

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FAITHFUL SERVANT

Hon. Douglas MacKinnon said it was a unique in the history of the British Empire for a man to complete sixty seven years in the public service. "No public servant has ever served this Province more faithfully than Lou MacMillan," said the Minister of Fisheries. "No one will ever know the hundreds of thousands of dollars he has saved the treasury of this Province."

"We who have had the privilege of being associated with him have gained something for having known him. We have taken away something worthwhile. I shall never forget the advice to me 'be honest, fair and true to yourself, Douglas and you don't have to worry what other people think.' It is a pity that time runs out and

Elmer and Kay Gallant in a feature specialty scored a success in keeping with the high place they have achieved among stellar performers.

They were followed by Andrew Gallant and Ruth Ross in step dancing which nicely rounded off the dancing numbers which are invariably a source of keen enjoyment to a Charlottetown audience.

Billie and Donnie Gallant and Doug McEwen sang the concluding song number "Crazy Arms". Frank Costello as Master of Ceremonies kept the tempo of performances up to schedule and Mr. Bernard Hughes was admirable in his work as accompanist. Lobby expressions following the concert were most complimentary to the new parish club and their president Joe Murphy for arranging such a splendid entertainment. There was a large attendance.

Central Christian Young People Meet

The Central Christian Church Young People had an interesting meeting in the church annex last evening. Allan Dunbar led the young people in a sing-song of hymns and choruses.

Rev. Wm. Wood read the Scripture followed by the devotional thought given by Allan Dunbar. Evelyn Weeks led in the evening prayer followed by a season of sentence prayers. The business meeting followed. The young people then divided into classes. The program closed the meeting with prayer.

BRINGS RECORD PRICE

LONDON (Reuters)—An unused 1947 Mauritius penny stamp fetched a record price of £4,500 (\$12,600) at a stamp auction here Monday. The stamp, one of two unused copies of the 1947 issue known to be in existence, was bought by two British dealers, Charles Nissen and William Lee. The stamp was last sold in 1894 for £2,500 to Sir Ernest de Silva of Ceylon, who recently donated it to the Young Men's Buddhist Association, Monday's sellers.

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Toronto 31 36
Ottawa 28 46
Montreal 30 45
Quebec 28 40
Fredericton 20 44
Saint John 23 45
Moncton 22 45
Halifax 28 47
Charlottetown 23 30
Sydney 25 33
Yarmouth 28 44
St. Johns 22 31

TORONTO (CP)—Temperatures issued by the Toronto public weather office:

	Min	Max
(Night)	20	(Day)
Dawson	40	50
Vancouver	38	53
Edmonton	28	40
Calgary	19	34
Regina	31	35

May Take Action Against Digest

OTTAWA (CP)—Revenue Minister McCann indicated Tuesday that court action may be taken against the Canadian edition of Reader's Digest for non-payment of a special 20-per-cent advertising tax which went into effect Jan. 1.

He told a Commons questioner that the magazine has not paid its assessment and the matter has been referred to the justice department.

Dr. McCann did not elaborate, but such a reference to the justice department is customary made either to get a legal opinion on whether court action should be taken, or for preparation of a court case.

The tax was announced last year as a 20-per-cent levy on advertising revenues of special Canadian editions of foreign magazines—those carrying advertising not appearing in home editions.

A federal official said last week that Reader's Digest had not met its monthly payments, or made a required \$5,000 deposit, or taken out a \$2 licence.

Time magazine, the only other publication believed to be affected by the tax, has met its payments. It is likely that any challenge of the tax law would be based on the claim it is an attempt to regulate or discriminate in the field of magazine distribution.

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office says cloudy skies are forecast for Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Eastern New Brunswick, but the remainder of the district can look forward to another sunny day.

Forecast:

Eastern half of northern Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island Cloudy with little change in temperature; northeast winds 15 Low-high at New Glasgow 20 and 37, Charlottetown 20 and 33.

High tide today at Charlotte town at 8:32 a.m. and 8:07 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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VARIETY CONCERT and slides of British West Indies at Zion Hall on Thursday, March 28, 7:30. Tickets 35 cents.

DR. GEORGE Fisher will give an address on C.F.C.Y.—T.V. on Thursday, March 28 at 6:55 p.m. on behalf of the Rotary Club Easter Seal Campaign for crippled children.

TRIAL BY JURY, Gilbert and Sullivan's delightful musical comedy presented by The Prince of Wales College, April 2, 3, 4 at 8:30. Tickets at Miller Brothers.

DR. O. M. SOLANDT, eminent Canadian scientist, will deliver the Robertson Memorial Lecture at Prince of Wales College, Thursday, March 28 at 8:30. Public cordially invited.

CORRECTION In the recent account of the funeral of the late Mrs. Frank Weeks, formerly of Fredericton, it was stated that one of the pall bearers was Robert Howatt. This should have been Robert Howard.

SPECIAL MEETING, Women's Conservative Association, Thursday evening, March 28th at Conservative Headquarters 8:00 p.m. Queens Court. The speaker, Joseph MacQuarrie, guest speaker. Executive members are requested to meet at 7:30.

FUNERAL TUESDAY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Adrian Peters was held Tuesday morning from the Hennessey Funeral Home to St. Dunstan's Basilica. Solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Preston Hamill. Rev. Francis Corcoran was deacon and Rev. Walter Reid, sub-deacon. Rev. Terrence Campbell occupied a seat in the Sanctuary and Rev. Dr. Bernard Gillis assisted the choir. The pall bearers were: Leo F. Macdonald, J. Frank MacMillan, Jerome Gallant, Joseph Pineau, Frank Murphy and James MacLeod. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery. The funeral was largely attended.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY—The funeral of the late Herbert R. Vessey was held from his residence, 92 Green Street to the Central Christian Church yesterday afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. M.D. Dunbar. During the service the choir sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and Mr. Preston Beck sang a solo "Sunset and Evening Star". Members of the Canadian Legion and the Post Office staff attended in the body. Interment was in the People's Cemetery. Canadian Legion graveside service was read by C.M. Sinclair. Last Post and Regalia were sounded by Bugler William Chanson. The pall bearers were Anthony Burke, Harvey MacPherson, Charles Matheson, William DeCoste, Arnold Yeo, J.J. Connolly. The funeral was very largely attended.

POLICE COURT—A driver appearing before Magistrate K.M. Martin in City Police Court yesterday morning, entered a plea of guilty to driving while impaired, and was fined one hundred dollars and costs or twenty days. A second motorist, remanded Monday on the charge of criminal negligence in the operation of a motor vehicle, was given a fine of sixty dollars and costs or twenty days. A female drunk and disorderly, was remanded Monday was fined twenty dollars and costs or ten days. Another accused facing a similar charge was remanded until Thursday.

BIRTHS
COX—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital Wednesday March 27, 1957 to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox, Charlottetown, a son.

DEATHS
LAVERS—At Georgetown on Wednesday, March 27, 1957, Mrs. Laura Florence Lavers in her 83rd year. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

STEVENSON—At the P.E.I. Island Hospital on March 27, 1957, Mrs. Hannah Stevenson of 35 Rochford Square in her 102nd year, widow of the late James Stevenson, Springton. Remains are resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home. Funeral notice later.

REVELL—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. D.A.S. Macdonald, 70 School Street, on Monday, March 25, Mrs. Joseph Revel, in her 92nd year. Remains were transferred yesterday afternoon at two o'clock from the Hennessey Funeral

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