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Currie Appears Before Defence Committee

13 Communist Leaders In U.S. Prefer Prison To Life In Russia

NEW YORK, AP—Thirteen second-string U. S. Communist leaders, who preferred imprisonment to life in Russia, were sentenced Tuesday to terms ranging from one to three years. They plan an appeal.

Seven drew three years in prison and \$6,000 fines. Five got two years and \$4,000. One received one year and a \$2,000 fine. Eight of the defendants came originally from what now are Iron Curtain countries, four are native Americans and one is from Trinidad.

There is ample scope in this country, Federal Judge Edward Dimock told them, "for those who wish to improve the country but no scope whatsoever for those who advocate its overthrow by force and violence."

Surprising Tribute

Judge Dimock received a surprising tribute in view of the abuse heaped on him by Red publications. Defence lawyer Frank Serlino, in his conduct of the trial, "a sample of American justice at its best."

The 13 defendants could have

been sentenced to a maximum of five years in prison and fined \$10,000 each for conspiring to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the government in violation of the Smith Act.

This maximum penalty was the one generally levied against 11 top Red leaders convicted on the same charge in 1949. The 13 were allowed to have stepped into the shoes of the convicted 11 to run the party.

Turn Down Russia

Judge Dimock suggested Tuesday he might work out a probation plan to spare the 13 prison and life in Russia. They rejected his suggestion, calling it "banishment."

George Blake Charney, last of the defendants to address the court before sentencing, said the 13 felt no remorse. "Innocent people have no reason for remorse. We are people of resolute opinions. We are people of principles, proud of our Communist views. These views represent the best interests of the American people."

Quiet Session Is Surprise To Packed Audience

OTTAWA, (CP)—The heralded appearance of George S. Currie before a Commons committee began Tuesday before a packed audience but without fireworks and without a single question being asked by the Progressive Conservatives.

After the sensational assertions of the Currie report, which he signed, and the turbulent Commons debate it provoked, the committee session came to an anti-climax. Mr. Currie, a former army colonel, former deputy defence minister and now a prominent Montreal accountant, had a quiet morning.

Little New Territory

Mr. Currie's replies covered no significant new territory with the possible exception of his suggestion that the Works Services should become primarily a civilian organization and that it might be turned into a crown company so it could avoid the "delays and unrealistic attitudes of the Civil Service Commission which supervises government hiring."

He said a shortage of skilled men

New Stamps Boost Conservation



A new stamp issue designed to emphasize the importance of wildlife conservation programs of the federal and provincial governments has been designed for the post office and will go on sale April 1. Emanuel Hahn, Toronto sculptor, designed two of the

stamps, a four-cent bighorn sheep to be black, and a three-cent moose in brown. The two-cent stamp showing a polar bear and colored blue, was designed by John Crosby, an artist of the National Museum at Ottawa. (CP PHOTO)

Eisenhower Supported In "Secret Deal" Move

WASHINGTON AP—Senator Robert Taft of Ohio forecasts quick congressional approval for President Eisenhower's plan to repudiate any secret agreements with Soviet Russia.

Taft, the Senate Republican floor leader, said he wholeheartedly endorses the president's proposal.

Dulles In London

Eden spoke shortly after State Secretary Dulles of the U. S. arrived in London for talks in which Eden and Dulles will discuss the "mystery" chair said to have been used by James VI at his 1567 coronation as king of Scotland.

French Agree

Building of Western defences against Communism and a speed-up of European integration are Dulles' main concern. But he has to explain the new American foreign policy, too. He is reported to have given French government officials assurances which won their agreement on the Formosa decision.

Worst Spot In Britain's Flood Pic

Worst spot in Britain's flood picture is being given to sealing the hundreds of breaches in torn sea walls and dikes. House and property repairs will have to wait their turn.

Chinese Asked To Aid Invasion

VANCOUVER, (CP)—The Vancouver Sun said Tuesday in a newspaper story that Chinese here are being asked to contribute to a new invasion attempt of China by Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalist forces.

Move To Aid Victims Of Flood Gets Underway

In the big cities, in chambers of government and in hamlets, Canadians are joining in a spontaneous movement to aid flood-stricken areas of Britain and Europe.

Red Cross Girls Awarded Medals

TORONTO, (CP)—Two Canadian Red Cross girls, Virginia Cook of Calgary and Sheila Douglas of Ottawa, have been awarded the Canadian Army's Korea medal for service with the UN forces in the Far East. They are the first women civilians to receive the medal.

Most legislators thought Eisenhower was referring chiefly to tabular agreements reached at the Roosevelt-Churchill Stalin meeting at Yalta in February, 1945. The meeting resulted in American and British concessions to Russia to persuade her to enter the Pacific war against Japan.

Eisenhower's plan was widely regarded in Congress as the first move toward carrying out his presidential campaign promise that the United States will seek to bring about the liberation of captive peoples behind the Iron Curtain, by means short of war.

Eden Expresses British Fears Over Formosan Deal

LONDON, (AP)—Foreign Secretary Eden said Tuesday Britain fears American denunciation of Formosa will have "unfortunate political repercussions without compensating military advantages."

Seek Information On Mystery Chair

LONDON, (AP)—Col. Alan Gomme-Duncan, Conservative member of Parliament, says a request has gone to Canada for further information on the "mystery" chair said to have been used by James VI at his 1567 coronation as king of Scotland.

No Easy Solution To Sugar Problem, Howe Declares

HAVANA, (CP)—Rt. Hon. C.D. Howe, Canada's trade minister, says Canada and Cuba may be able to work out a new sugar agreement when the current one expires soon, but it would have to be one based on an understanding of "our respective problems and difficulties."

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Holland Remains In Grip Of Terrible Flood

AMSTERDAM, (CP)—The death toll behind the Netherlands' flood-breach dikes jumped to more than 1,000 Wednesday while across the North Sea Britons fought to plug holes torn in England's eastern coast.

Holland remained in the grip of its most terrible flood in four centuries but the threat eased in Britain and Belgium.

Rescue efforts in the flooded lowlands were focussed on 1,500 Dutchmen marooned on a crumbling dike in southeast Holland.

Terrible Plight

The survivors were without food, drinking water, shelter or medicine. Monday the villagers got their first help—a lone Dutch Navy helicopter. In 26 flights, it transferred 47 persons from rooftops and trees to the dike refuge.

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Good News For N. S. Farmers And Miners In Throne Speech

HALIFAX, (CP)—There was good news for Nova Scotia's farmers and miners Tuesday at the opening of the fourth and probably last session of the 44th legislature.

Government assistance for breaking new ground will be reinstated, D. D. Sutton L—Kings announced in moving the address in reply to the speech from the throne. The program was discontinued last year.

New Coal Market

A new market for Nova Scotia coal was foreseen in the throne speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor Fraser at his first legislature opening since succeeding J. A. D. McCurdy several months ago.

Equipment is being installed at a low temperature carbonization plant in Stellarton to determine suitability of changing the province's bituminous coal into an economical, easily ignited coke, the speech said.

The Stellarton plant, operated by the mines department, will test all grades of Nova Scotia coal. R. L. Stanfield, Progressive Conservative Opposition leader, urged Premier Macdonald and his 26 Liberal followers to consider a "well-rounded highways safety program" including more rigid licensing requirements, review of some previously issued licences and revision of motor vehicle insurance laws.

He asked that a commission study the insurance field. "Perhaps," he said, "the government could take over the business." Progressive Conservatives form the official opposition with eight members and the OCP has two. There are no vacancies.

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Soviet Union. The Ukraine, with its population of more than 38,000,000 1939 census is the second biggest Soviet republic.

Other Highlights

Not only has Jewish influence always been strong in the Ukraine but there has often been evidence in the past of tendencies towards "nationalism." The Kremlin has tried to "Sovietize" all Ukrainian culture.

Other Highlights

Stalin, by putting the squeeze on "Sionist" and "bourgeois" influences in the Ukraine, may be trying to kill two birds with one stone—keeping the Jewish element firmly in check and suppressing "nationalist" tendencies.

Queen Hotel At Bathurst, N. B. Swept By Fire

BATHURST, N. B. (CP)—Flames swept through the Queen Hotel here Wednesday morning and doomed the 40-room, three-story wooden structure.

Guests and staff members left the hotel safely. There were no reports of injuries.

Fire broke out in an apartment at the rear of the 60-year-old building shortly after 10 p.m. Firemen and equipment from four departments fought the blaze in lightly falling snow and a moderate temperature. Three alarms brought help to the Bathurst brigade from units in west, south and east Bathurst but the flames swept out of control.

Owner of the building was A. J. Assoff, now in Quebec City for the international hospital.

No Trace Of Missing Plane

HALIFAX, (CP)—Search planes covered 11,000 square miles of lonely Labrador wasteland Tuesday without finding a trace of missing RCMP Lancaster and its name crew members.

Twenty-seven planes from bases at Greenwood, N. S., Summerside, P. E. I., and Goose Bay, Labrador, took part in the hunt. Twenty-three will continue the search Wednesday.

The crippled Lancaster crashed Sunday southeast of Goose Bay after being diverted from a routine training flight to hunt for a missing civilian plane.

That plane, missing since Friday, carried two men. American planes still are hunting for it.



Other Highlights

TORONTO, (CP)—Observed temperatures bulletin issued at the Toronto Public Weather Office Tuesday night:

	Min.	Max.
Darwin	23b	6b
Victoria	44	53
Edmonton	21	32
Calgary	21	42
Regina	3	27
Winnipeg	0	16
Toronto	14	24
Ottawa	2b	14
Montreal	1	11
Quebec	5b	12
Saint John	3	28
Moncton	1	20
Halifax	10	27
Charlottetown	4	20
Sydney	8	27
Yarmouth	12	29
St. Johns, Nfld.	—	24

Other Highlights

HALIFAX, (CP)—Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Wednesday:

Light snow fell Tuesday night in the southwestern part of the Maritimes with temperatures in the 20's. In the northern part of the district skies were clear and temperatures below zero.

A storm developing off the Virginia coast will intensify as it approaches the district. The southern part of the Maritimes is expected to get four to eight inches of snow, and strong winds will cause considerable drifting. Only one or two inches of snow is likely in Eastern Quebec.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island: Cloudy, with snow ending in evening. Mild. Northeast winds 25, shifting in evening to northwest 25. Low-high at Charlottetown 15 and 25.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 6:28 A. M. and 5:07 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 1:50 A. M. and 12:35 P. M. Summerlike tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Sun rises today at 7:25 A. M. and sets at 5:31 P. M.

Coast Guard Cutter Sees Flare In Area Where Big Airliner Believed Down

NEW YORK, (AP)—A coast guard reported Tuesday night that it saw a brilliant flare shot up from the sea in the North Atlantic area where a search is on for a missing British airliner carrying 39 persons.

The U. S. Coast Guard cutter Campbell radioed that it observed the white light shooting skywards at 7:30 p.m. EST, 8:30 AST and proceeded immediately in that direction.

Earlier Tuesday the cutter sighted an oil slick and objects that may mark the North Atlantic grave of the missing airliner.

In London, Skyways Ltd., operators of the four-engine transport-carrying aircraft, gave up hope for the plane and those aboard. The passengers were British servicemen, wives and children being ferried from London to the West Indies.

The plane sent out a distress message shortly after midnight Sunday about 350 miles east southeast of Gander, Nfld. The Campbell later reported that heavy snow began falling shortly

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Coming Events

*Dance in Brookvale school, Friday, February 6th.

*Hockey match Long River to night, Sea View vs. Long River.

*Car of Baled Shavings to arrive first half of February. Book your orders. E. McDougall, Vernon.

*Barn Dance at Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Thursday, February 5th.

*Hockey tonight, Stanley Bridge rink, Cavendish vs. Breadalbane.

*Our store will be closed tomorrow due to store repairs. Vernon J. Noye, Hunter River.

*Card party and dance Hope River Credit Union Hall, Wednesday, February 4th. If not fine Thursday.

*Victoria rink Thursday night, Charlottetown Ables Sisters vs. Victoria Seagulls. Game time 8 o'clock. Skate after.

*Come to the Shur-Gain Amateur Show at 8 P. M. Wednesday, February 4th, in Winslow Station Hall. Sponsored by Highfield Women's Institute. Door prize.

*Master Feeds—Another car has arrived Clark's Feed Service, Mount Stewart; also grinding and mixing service. Feeders who keep records use Master.

*Concert in French River hall Wednesday, February 4th, Kensington performers and local talent. If not fine, Thursday. Sponsored by hall company. Sale of candy.

*Hockey North River rink Wednesday, Feb. 4, Cornwall Meteors vs. Glasgow Road Maple Leafs. Game time 8:30. Skate after. Absolutely no skating before or between periods.

St. Laurent Sees Commonwealth Good For World

OTTAWA, (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said Tuesday the Commonwealth, with the Queen as its head, "is an effective instrument for the good of free mankind throughout the whole world."

It is a "magnificent thing," he said, that Commonwealth peoples across the globe can look upon each other as equals without regard to color or creed. That was the kind of unity, based on equality, which had welded Canada into a nation.

The Prime Minister spoke of the significance of the British crown, of the Queen and her role in the Commonwealth, her distinct designation as head of that Commonwealth and as "Defender of the Faith."

His address brought applause from all sides of the Commons as he spoke on a government bill to change the royal style and titles. John Diefenbaker (PC—Lake Centre) said as the Commons listened to the Prime Minister it became "a cathedral of devotion to our history, our heritage and our common pursuit of freedom."

The bill, which was given final approval in a result of the recent Prime Ministerial conference in London, attended by Mr. St. Laurent. The conference agreed that each Commonwealth country should have a title style for the Queen best suited to its own purposes but that designation of Her Majesty as "Head of the Commonwealth" be retained in all titles.

The bill adopts for Canada this title: "Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and her other realms and territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth."

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Hong Kong Fears End Of Trade With Red China

By Graham Henkins
HONG KONG, (Reuters)—British shipping firms in this Crown colony, still carrying on a profitable trade with Communist China, fear they will be the ones to suffer most from the United States' decision to withdraw the seventh fleet from Formosa waters.

The threat of interception by Nationalist Chinese gunboats and armed junks now will be sharpened, business men said Tuesday.

These fears were backed up by reports from Taipei, Formosa, which said the Nationalists will probably order their navy patrols to intercept foreign ships and unload their cargoes if it can be determined that the ships are bound for Chinese mainland ports.

Defence ministry officials indicated that Chang Kai-shek will introduce his closure order against all ports on the China coast. He had rescinded this order when the

Korean war began and former president Truman "neutralized" Formosa with the seventh fleet, because the British government officially recognizes China's Communist regime. British firms here have continued to work the profitable trade channels built up over the last century.

The Communist revolution and war in Korea have curtailed the trade, but it is still an important outlet for Britain, both here and at home. Such trade is considered legitimate so long as no goods embargoed by the United Nations fall into Communist hands.

Though British firms in China have experienced hostility from local Communist Chinese officials, official trade agreements between Britain and China are considerable. Last autumn Chinese orders worth nearly \$30,000,000 were placed for British machinery. More than 1,100 British firms offered to fill the orders.

Under the current three-year pact, the Canadian government, in return for certain Cuban tariff concessions, guarantees a Canadian market for 75,000 tons of raw Cuban sugar a year.

But during the last few months Canadian sugar-beet growers with a big production of their own, have been sharply critical of large-scale imports of Cuban sugar and have demanded Canadian government action to have imports cut.

Under the three-year pact with Cuba, which is due to expire this year, Canada gets about one-seventh of her total raw sugar imports from this island in the Caribbean Sea.

Several remember their own days of trial and the unstinting generosity of the British people. They are seizing the opportunity to show their gratitude in concrete fashion.

One such community is Winnipeg, scene of a devastating flood in 1950. Mayor Garnet Coulter said the citizens "remember with deep gratitude the generous aid which came in 1950 from all parts of the Western world" and he offered "every co-operation in support of the national flood relief fund which I understand it is proposed to form."

Rimouski and Cabano, two small Quebec towns almost wiped out by fire in 1950, have also expressed willingness to help Britons who aided them nearly three years ago.

The federal and provincial governments are taking an active

part. Prime Minister St. Laurent has been given the unanimous support of Parliament to make a "substantial financial contribution" to European aid. The provinces of Quebec, British Columbia, Ontario and Manitoba have signified their intentions of helping.

Some relief is on the way. The Canadian Red Cross has sent 250 cases of bedding to Holland and another 30 cases are being forwarded from Canada.

The 27th Canadian brigade serving in Germany has arranged to put its engineering services to work in Holland.

By Don Dallas
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Other Highlights

A substantial purge of officialdom there seems under way. Several Ukrainian ministers have been attacked for alleged failures and ineptitude.