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ST. LAURENT URGES OPEN MIND ON CHINA POLICY

Shippers Bid To Break N. Y. Dock Strike

Death Penalty Suggested For Drug Racket Heads

OTTAWA, (CP)—A woman senator whose province is the home of many of Canada's narcotic addicts has urged that the brains of the rings be put to death after being convicted.

Senator Nancy Hodges, a Liberal from British Columbia, said Thursday stronger punishment than the proposed 14 years in prison is needed for "the higher ups in the drug traffic, those men who sit like bloated, obscene spiders spinning a vile web in which to lure and smother the innocent victims of their bestial trade."

Mrs. Hodges, a newcomer to the Senate and former speaker of the B. C. legislature, spoke during debate on a series of changes proposed to narcotic laws. She quoted police authorities as saying that in Vancouver alone 1,000 addicts are on the streets at all times and another 500 are serving jail terms.

A physician, Senator F. W. Ger-shaw, said in explaining the proposed changes that Canada has about 3,000 addicts.

Appointment For Cmdr. Birtwistle



Commander Ken Birtwistle (above) who was recently promoted to that rank and transferred from Halifax to Ottawa has been appointed Deputy Director of Naval Organization with headquarters in the Capital city.

Commander Birtwistle is a son of former Chief of Police Birtwistle and Mrs. Birtwistle of Charlottetown and continued his career with the Royal Canadian Navy following active service in the late war.

TORNADO KILLS TWO

KANSAS CITY, (AP)—A mother and her son were killed Thursday when a tornado struck the Bendavis community, about 18 miles south of Houston, Mo. Victims of the blow were Mrs. Sarah Maxwell, 81, and her son, Thomas, about 50.

Harsher Sentences

The proposed changes would remove fines and provide penalties ranging from six months to seven years for being in illegal possession. But the maximum penalty for having narcotics and trafficking in them would be boosted to 14 years from seven.

Whipping as a penalty for illegal possession also is dropped but it may be added by the judge to the penalty of anyone convicted of trafficking.

Senator Hodges said those at the head of the narcotics traffic "are potential murderers, potential murderers of men's souls and in my estimation that infinitely worse than the homicide of one individual."

She said that if hanging can be justified at all it is justified in the case of the top men in the drug rings.

"In fact, I think hanging is too easy for those people."

British Gov't Avoids Hydrogen Bomb Debate

LONDON, (AP)—Labor party members demanded Prime Minister Churchill Thursday a statement as to whether he will consult at once with President Eisenhower and Premier Malenkov on postponement of future hydrogen bomb tests.

The government refused a request for an immediate H-bomb debate. But Labor member William Warney submitted this question to be asked of Churchill next Tuesday:

"Whether in view of the unknown and uncontrollable effects of hydrogen bomb explosions, he will consult immediately with President Eisenhower and Mr. Malenkov with a view to securing postponement of any further such explosions pending international discussions on control and abolition."

The questions climaxed a day of mounting demands by press and politicians for diplomatic efforts to banish the threat of atomic war.

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Churchill Told

Churchill told the House Monday he was still pressing his plan for an informal meeting of chiefs of government, including Russia, to talk over the "stupendous problems and perils" of the atom race.

The H-bomb matter came to a head in Britain with reports that the United States' latest tests in the Pacific "surprised" scientists by their force and fury.

The Marquess of Salisbury, director-designate of the proposed atomic energy authority, told the House of Lords Wednesday night that the "hideous reality" of the hydrogen bomb makes necessary a live-and-let-live understanding between Russia and the West. No one, he said, can win an atomic war.

Dr. Donald Soper, president of Britain's Methodist conference, issued a statement calling on Christians everywhere to petition their governments to ban or abolish atomic and hydrogen bombs.

French Continue Fire Assaults On Vietminh

HANOI, Indo-China, (AP)—French planes dropped streams of firebombs on Vietminh troops positions around besieged Dien Bien Phu Thursday in a tremendous aerial assault.

The French said their air arm inflicted heavy losses on the Communist-led rebels and upset their timetable for renewal of new attempts to crush the north-west Indo-China fortress with mass infantry attacks.

In a political development, a former premier of Viet Nam called for a cease-fire now. Tran Van Huu, who held the premiership of Indo-China's largest state from 1950 to 1952, appealed also to negotiators at the forthcoming Geneva conference to end the war, now in its eighth year.

Offer Wage Boost Plus Other Benefits

By ARTHUR EVERETT
NEW YORK, (AP)—The shipping industry made a bid Thursday to smash New York's costly waterfront strike. They offered a wage boost plus nearly \$1,250,000 in cash for a return to work.

At the same time, the shippers said they will try to get a new Taft-Hartley labor law injunction against the strike of the old International Longshoremen's Association Inc., which has cost an estimated \$275,000,000. Such an injunction ended an ILA strike last October.

The shippers' retroactive wage offer was ridiculed by the ILA's executive vice-president, Patrick J. Connolly, who told reporters: "They are trying to bribe people. What we want is a contract. We resent it very much. It will have no effect."

Deadline March 31

To the port's 24,000 longshoremen, the shippers offered an eight-cent-an-hour wage increase, plus a two-cent boost in welfare benefits—all retroactive to last Oct. 1. It gave the dockers until March 31 to accept the offer.

The New York Shipping Association, which represents 170 salt water shipping and stevedoring firms, said retroactive wages to all the longshoremen would amount to \$1,400,000.

The basic dock wage now is \$2.27 an hour.

The 21st day of the ILA strike found the union, its strike lines holding shakily, facing:

1. A slow but steady return to work by rival AFL dockers.
2. Refusal of ILA dockers in other cities to extend the strike along the east coast from Portland, Me., to Hampton Roads, Va.
3. A trial starting next Monday for contempt of a federal no-strike injunction in force when the ILA walked out March 5. The union could be fined from \$100,000 up if convicted.

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Double Murder Charge Laid

WINNIPEG, (CP)—A double murder charge was laid Thursday against an unemployed graveyard worker accused of killing his wife and step-son with a butcher knife. The stabbing occurred Wednesday night in the north Winnipeg home of the man charged—64-year-old Anthony Woytyshyn. He took the life of Mrs. Martha Woytyshyn, 56, and her 28-year-old son by a previous marriage, Orest Ostapowich.

Woytyshyn was remanded a week without plea.

ASHWORTH DIES

TORONTO, (CP)—Edward M. Ashworth, 74, general manager of the Toronto Hydro Commission from 1924 until his retirement three years ago, died Thursday.

Salary Increases For All Island School Teachers

All Prince Edward Island school teachers will receive a straight salary increase of \$50.00 next year according to an amendment in the School Act which was given a second reading in the Legislature yesterday afternoon.

The increase will become effective on July. Education Minister Hon. Keir Clark estimated there are about 720 teachers in the Province and the increase along with the new increments being paid out will cost the Government about \$58,000 next year.

Increments of \$50 each are to be paid to teachers at the commencement of the third, sixth, ninth, twelfth and fifteenth years in the teaching profession.

The increments will not apply to permit teachers. "Once they become regular teachers they will get their increments," said the Minister.

Dr. MacKinnon Appears Again Before Education Committee

A bit more fire was shown in the Education Committee meeting yesterday with practically all members snapping questions at Dr. Frank MacKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College, who was testifying for the second successive day. The seven-man committee is headed as chairman by Hon. Keir Clark, Minister of Education.

That the tempers of some committee members were slightly on edge was shown when Mr. Lorne MacFarland, Fifth Prince, said they were making a mountain out of a molehill. He was satisfied with the way the College was being run and inquired why the committee was asking so many questions. "I think the whole thing is a damn waste of time," he stated.

The remarks were greeted with laughter and desk thumping by members of the House present.

Mr. J. W. D. Campbell, First Prince, was inclined to agree as he could see no reason for such a thorough investigation. Maj. John A. MacDonald, Third Kings stated that the hearing was of utmost importance and of great benefit to everyone interested in education.

Saurel Sails To Release Sealer

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Transport Department icebreaker C. G. S. Saurel sailed from Sydney, N. S., Thursday to go to the rescue of the Newfoundland sealer Arctic Prowler, caught in the ice in Belle Isle Strait near Harrington Harbor.

The Saurel must cover 300 miles of ice-obstructed water and is not expected to reach the Arctic Prowler until late Friday.

The sealer with 75 men aboard has been fast in the ice for the last 12 days.

Calls New Film Insult To R.C.M.P.

OTTAWA, (CP)—A former Mountie described Thursday the Hollywood film "Saskatchewan" as "atrocious, a travesty of historical fact and an insult to the RCMP."

Maj.-Gen. G. R. Peakes, VC (PC)—Quemal-Saanich, asked in the Commons if any public money was spent on the production, filmed in the Rockies of Alberta by Universal-International. It stars Shelley Winters and Alan Ladd.

Justice Minister Garson said no public money went into the film and added that RCMP Commissioner L. H. Nicholson has told him that he agrees with Gen. Peakes' opinion.

Gen. Peakes said the film also is an affront to the memories of great Canadians who averted Indian warfare in western Canada.

The RCMP also never engaged in any murderous killing of Indians nor did members of the force ever indulge in mutiny as depicted in the film.

Russia Claims Occupation Of E. Germany Ended

BERLIN, (Reuters)—The Soviet government Thursday announced the end of the occupation regime in Communist East Germany and declared the Communist state a sovereign nation conducting its own internal and external affairs.

Soviet troops will continue to be "temporarily stationed" in East Germany, said the Soviet declaration, published by the East German news agency ADN.

The declaration said the Soviet Union would retain in Germany only those functions connected with guaranteeing security and arising from the obligations of the four-power agreement on Germany concluded at Potsdam in 1945.

All Soviet surveillance over the East German state organs, hitherto carried out by the high commission, will cease, the announcement added.

Western officials here have long expected this move. Under it, East Germany assumes a European satellite status, with a comparable degree of freedom from Moscow domination.

External Affairs Are Debated In Commons

OTTAWA, (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said Thursday it would be most unfortunate for Canada to tie itself down to a pledge not to recognize the Chinese Communist government.

But, he added in an external affairs debate in the Commons, Canada "should not" recognize the Chinese Reds at this time. The government was not contemplating or considering recognition but it might in the future if conditions changed.

The prime minister's statement was largely a reiteration of views expressed in the Far East near the end of his world tour and at a press conference here on his return.

He said he came before the House as a "repentant offender" for his "regrettable transgression" for saying in the Far East that China has the government the people want. If he had used those words, he had not meant them for no such thought had entered his mind.

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Begins Serving One-Year Term For Refusing Oath

QUEBEC, (CP)—Rene Marquette, the man who refused to take a court oath, was placed in a cell Thursday at Quebec jail to start serving a one-year sentence he may end at will.

A court bailiff went to the Lac aux Saules home of the 36-year-old contractor Thursday. A warrant ordered him with a warrant ordering his detention. The bailiff accompanied him on the 50-mile trip back to Quebec.

Marquette was sentenced March 1 for contempt of court after refusing to take an oath in a civil case or give any reason why he should not take the oath.

He will remain in jail until either his time is up or until he changes his mind.

No Appeal

If he sticks to his refusal for the year, he could be put back in jail on the same charge for another year if he again refuses in court to take the oath. The process could conceivably go on for the rest of his life. There is no appeal against the sentence.

The case developed out of Marquette's appearance in court Feb. 25 to testify as to his financial means. He had been ordered to pay some \$500 in costs to a motorist after a collision between his truck and the other's car.

When he failed to give the account of his finances so the court could take measures to set-

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Egypt's Military Junta To End Rule On July 23

By Gilbert Seddon
CAIRO, (Reuters)—President Mohamed Naguib announced Thursday after a six-hour meeting of Egypt's military junta that it will end its rule July 23—two years after the army revolution movement swept King Farouk from his throne.

Cairo radio declared: "The revolution is over."

Naguib's plan for an early return to parliamentary rule had been strongly opposed by his deputy premier, Lt.-Col. Abdel Gamal Nasser, and other army leaders.

But today, a month after Nasser and his followers temporarily forced him from office, Naguib announced that all political parties, including the Wafd and the fanatical Moslem Brotherhood will be restored.

He said the army leaders will withdraw from politics "since they have no intention to form a political party."

Pass Marks

There was a great difference of opinion between the chairman and Dr. MacKinnon on the method of listing pass marks. Mr. Clark maintained that a pass meant a "clear" pass with no failures and said that Dr. MacKinnon in his figures considered students in his class who were conditioned in one or two subjects if they had the overall percentage. The

Retrospective Step

"No international thing should be able to shoot its way into the United Nations," he said and added that Canada would be a real Communist China would be a retrograde step.

One Stipulation

The three Allied high commissioners sent a letter to acting chancellor Franz Buecher saying they approved the amendments making it legal for West Germany to be a member of EDC, and approving a clause giving the West German government responsibility for defence and authorizing conscription of all German men from the age of 18.

President Theodor Heuss has withheld signature—a last act of ratification—pending passage of the amendments and approval by the occupying powers.

But the commissioners attached the stipulation that no German could get into uniform before EDC is ratified by all six nations.

EDC has been approved by the Dutch, Belgian and German parliaments, Luxembourg. Italy and France have yet to act. Prospects for quick action in either France or Italy appear remote.

To Present Budget On Tuesday Night

Hon. W. E. Darby, Attorney-General and Provincial Treasurer, announced yesterday that he will present his annual Budget to the Legislature on Tuesday night, March 30.

Canada Watching Contaminated Fish

OTTAWA, (CP)—All fish imports which might have been contaminated by the huge March 1 atom explosion in the Pacific will be inspected for radioactivity before being admitted, a fisheries department official said Thursday.

Dr. John L. Kask, chairman of the fisheries research board, said he has sent instructions to the fisheries experimental station at Vancouver to work in collaboration with health officials there checking Pacific fish imports, including canned and frozen tuna.

At Vancouver it was reported a cargo of 29,000 pounds of fresh frozen tuna en route here from Japan aboard the United States freighter Oregon Mail, will be checked with geiger counters when it arrives here. The Oregon Mail was due to arrive Thursday night.

Western Allies Approve Conscription Of Germans

By GEORGE BOULTWOOD
BONN, Germany, (AP)—The Western Allies have cleared the way for final German ratification of the European Defence Community treaty.

They approved Thursday night constitutional changes that will permit Bonn to raise a 500,000-man army, but barred actual conscription until EDC is ratified by all six participating nations.

This was a compromise worked out after a week of wrangling between Britain and the United States on one side and the French on the other.

The French feared that the German constitutional amendments voted by the West German parliament last week would give the Germans unrestricted rights to rearm.

After much hesitation and caustic comment from the Germans, the French accepted a British-American compromise formula.

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| Toronto | 36 | 55 |
| Ottawa | 21 | 34 |
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| Quebec | 11 | 33 |
| Saint John | 16 | 39 |
| Moncton | 17 | 41 |
| Halifax | 27 | 30 |
| Charlottetown | 21 | 34 |
| Sydney | 27 | 35 |
| Yarmouth | 24 | 40 |
| St. John's, Nfld. | 30 | 37 |

HALIFAX, (CP)—The Weather Office here says a disturbance over northern Ontario has brought an end to the fine weather over the Maritimes. Snow is expected to change to rain Friday in most of the district, and although as much as four inches may fall in the northern regions, there will be considerably less in the south.

It will soon disappear with the rain and milder weather.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island: Cloudy; wet snow changing to rain during the morning, ending in the evening; mild; southeast winds 15 increasing during morning to south 25 and shifting to west 25 in evening; low-high at Charlottetown 22 and 42.

Eastern N. B. counties: Snow, changing to rain in the morning and ending in afternoon; mild; southeast winds 25 shifting to west 25 in afternoon; low-high at Moncton 22 and 47.

St. John river valleys: Snow, ending in afternoon, then cloudy; mild; southeast winds 15 increasing during morning to 25 and shifting to west 25 in afternoon; low-high at Fredericton 27 and 47, Saint John 30 and 47, Edmundston 27 and 45.

Bay of Chaleur: Snow, changing to rain about noon and ending in the afternoon; mild; southeast winds 25 shifting to west 25 in afternoon; low-high at Campbellton 20 and 45.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 3:06 and 2:09 p.m. Summer tide 18 minutes later.

Sun rises today at 6:06 a.m. and sets at 6:32 p.m.



TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: