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Green Sees More Hope For East-West Accord

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OTTAWA (CP) — External Affairs Minister Green said Wednesday there seems to be far more hope now for an East-West disarmament agreement.

He said at a press conference following his return from the Paris NATO meeting late Tuesday night that he may be completely wrong in his optimistic view on the chances of world disarmament.

The record of East-West disarmament negotiations in the last 14 years was "a pretty discouraging exercise."

"But this is the survival of civilization we are concerned with," Mr. Green said. Disarmament plans must be given the most careful consideration though the West could not yet let its guard down.

CANADA BELONGS
Canada is a member of the 10-country United Nations disarmament committee which, the five Western countries have proposed, should get down to work about March 15 at Geneva.

Lt-Gen. E. L. M. Burns, who will be Canada's chief negotiator, will visit Geneva, Paris and London early in January and reach here about Jan. 8. He will meet representatives of the other four

Western countries on the committee — Britain, the United States, France and Italy — in Washington Jan. 13.

Mr. Green said the Canadian government will be largely guided by Gen. Burns' recommendations. Gen. Burns leaves his post as commander of the UN Emergency Force in Egypt this month.

He was asked what new disarmament proposals could possibly be made by Canada after 14 fruitless years of East-West negotiations.

Mr. Green said conditions have changed constantly. If Russia didn't alter its stand, there would not be any progress in the newest round of negotiations.

FEELS RUSSIA GENUINE
He said he feels Russia is genuine in its announced desire for a disarmament agreement with the West.

At another point, Mr. Green said NATO is a "very strong alliance."

Press reports had overplayed the agreements at the NATO council meeting just ended.

If there were disagreement you can't lay down the law or start throwing people out of an alliance of this kind.

NATO bonds were "a good deal stronger than most Canadians realize or I had expected," Mr. Green said.



NEW LETTER BOXES

The post office has ordered 25 of these new boxes for mailing letters and expects them to be in use by early next year. They

will be given a trial in most Canadian cities. Here Postmaster-General Hamilton is seen depositing a letter in one

of the first boxes produced. They are made of reinforced fibreglass. (CP Wirephoto)

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS START THINGS POPPING

Popping Christmas crackers, at 6.30 on New Year's morning as a means of waking parents would undoubtedly result in open hostility but on Christmas morning such actions are accepted in good part. Many reasons have been advanced to account for the beaming smiles

quickly mustered by mothers and dads on Christmas morning. The more cynical may say they'll make up for it New Year's Eve, some mothers may attribute it to extreme curiosity over the contents of an odd shaped parcel dad sneaked into

the house while the more honest type of father may frankly admit he wants to play with junior's toys. The real reason, however, comes from the hearts of those who consider Dec. 25th a brief pause in the mad scramble for existence, a pause bare-

ly long enough for families to join together in peace and happiness and reaffirm their faith in the knowledge that the true spirit of Christmas is known and understood in millions of Christian homes throughout the world.

Ch'town Enjoying Peaceful Christmas Holiday Season

A light snowfall on the day before Christmas rounded out the preparations of Islanders for the big day.

Many business establishments outdressed themselves to decorate for the holiday and private homeowners had a field day with decorative lights, distributing them over outside trees, window frames and almost anything else that would support them.

Christmas carols sounded from church steeples and outside amplifiers.

The center of the Christmas celebration was, of course, in the churches. City churches, indeed all Christian churches, held their own special services to mark the birth of Christ.

The Roman Catholic churches of the city celebrated Midnight Mass and Christmas morning masses, and St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral also had a midnight service in the form of a musical service of Solemn Sung Eucharist, preceded by a service of Evensong.

St. Paul's held a Christmas Eve celebration of Holy Communion and a Christmas service yesterday morning.

Zion Presbyterian Church Christmas services were held in the morning and evening of Sunday, Dec. 20 and the Kirk of St. James held a festival of Christmas worship at 11 a.m. yesterday and a candlelight carol vesper service at 4:30 p.m.

LOCAL BRIEFS

SPENDING HOLIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Arthur of Summerside are spending the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Henderson and Mrs. Arthur's mother, Mrs. R. V. MacIntyre of Charlottetown.

MATRRESS FIRE

Firemen were called to the home of J. Hibbert Howatt, 27 Villa Street on Christmas Eve to put out a small fire. The fire, reportedly in a mattress, caused some smoke damage to the house. A city pumper was on the scene for about half an hour.

MANSON FUNERAL

The funeral for Lawrence (Larry) Thom, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Thom, 92 Queen St., was held from the MacLean Funeral Home where the service was conducted by Reverend Archdeacon J. T. Abbott. Pallbearers were Ernest Lord, T. J. Knox, E. V. Bell, G. E. Proctor, W. N. Wilson, J. R. Finley. Interment took place in the People's cemetery.

CAR HIT POST

An unknown car jumped a curb in Victoria Park last night and knocked down a lamp post. Police are confident that their investigation will be fruitful as the car is probably extensively damaged. The post is one of a type supporting two overhead lamps and is made of heavy metal.

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wind up a 10-day-week series of special Christmas sermons on Dec. 27 with the sermon "Remember Jesus Christ." The theme of the series was "Nativity Personalities."

The First Baptist Church held one Christmas service last Sunday and will hold another to-morrow, while Trinity United held a special service in keeping with the occasion at 7 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Dec. 27, combined O.G.T. groups from Trinity United, Zion Presbyterian and First Baptist churches will hold vesper services at Trinity Church.

In general Christmas time in the city this year was very quiet

once the last minute shopping rush was over. A general feeling of "Peace on Earth" seemed to prevail on Christmas Eve as the streets of Charlottetown gradually were deserted and people held quiet gatherings with friends in their homes. At least one group of carolers were in the streets on Christmas Eve and their voices lent much to the good spirits of the listeners.

More Iranian Troops Said 'Placed On Alert'

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN

TEHRAN, Iran (CP)—Iran is reported to have put more troops on the alert along the Soviet border as well as the frontier with Iraq, as a result of the tension between Iraq and Iran.

Although army headquarters declined to comment, reliable sources said the alert orders went to a division in the northern province of Azerbaijan and to another stationed near Kermanshah, on the central western frontier between Iran and her Arab neighbor.

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STILL HELPING

LONDON, Ont. (CP) — At 65, Samuel Harris is 15 years over the approved age limit for blood donors, so he volunteered his car instead to be used for transporting blood donors to and from the local Red Cross branch.

DENY TROOP REPORTS

The government-owned Iraqi news agency, Thursday night denied the Iranian reports of Iraqi troop concentrations. A statement broadcast by Baghdad radio said Premier Abdul Karim Kassem's government affirmed its peaceful intentions "but at the same time is capable of suppress-

ing aggression from whatever source it comes."

The Russians rushed to Iraq's defence against Western-allied Iran. A Moscow radio commentator accused the Iranian government of embarking "on an adventurist path in an attempt to distract the attention of the Iranians from their disastrous (economic) situation."

The broadcast charged that "Iranian newspapers have deliberately raised a hue and cry around the frontier disputes which can and must be settled through talks, and have created a tense atmosphere."

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UPW No. 282 Elects Slate

Clifford Murphy was re-elected president of Local 282 of the United Packinghouse Workers of America at a meeting held in Labor Council Hall in Charlottetown Monday night.

Other officers named to the executive include: Jack Brown, vice-president; James MacFadyen, financial secretary; Miss Theresa Bowlan, recording secretary.

Trustees named are Clifford Gillis, I. MacDonald, and Keith Mutch.

The new officers will assume office January 1 and serve for a one-year term.

New Icebreaker Docks In Quebec

QUEBEC (CP) — The new icebreaker Wolfe docked in Quebec Wednesday to start work with her sister ship Montcalm to keep ice flowing down the St. Lawrence.

The Moncalm patrolled the Quebec City area alone last winter.

The Wolfe, 220 feet long and weighing 2,022 tons, was launched in Montreal three months ago. She arrived here from the Maritimes after her shake-down cruise.

Main duties of the two ships will be to clear paths for the Quebec-Lewis ferry, prevent ice from forming dam-like jams and escort ocean ships expected here this winter.

This will be the port's first effort to handle winter navigation on a considerable scale.

War Veteran Passes In N.S.

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Ski Boom Leads City People Back To Old Fashioned Yule

MONTREAL (CP) — A modern boom in skiing has been leading some of Quebec's city-dwellers back to an old-fashioned Christmas.

Before the Second World War most of the skiers who visited Quebec's Laurentian Mountains for their magnificent natural and man-made skiing facilities were well-to-do sports-lovers who patronized the province's luxurious resorts.

But since the war the development of co-operative ski clubs has put the sport within reach of everyone and French-language Canadians have taken to the hills in droves.

And in many ways they have taken skiing into their lives and touched it with their unique blend of religious and cultural traditions.

A case in point are the members of the Val David Ski Club, all from the Montreal area, who have taken to spending Christmas in the club lodge, about 30 miles north of Montreal.

PRAY AND MEDITATE
In numbers as high as 60, they spend Christmas Eve quietly in conversation, prayer, or meditation. For the last three or four years, they have put solemn and meaningful religious activities in the place of hectic Christmas parties back in the city.

One year they separated into small groups, each with an informally appointed leader, and filed into the surrounding woods. There each group built a fire amid the quiet of snow-laden spruces and sat around it, praying or singing softly under the direction of the leader.

The ceremony was suggested by the shepherds who sat around their fires on the hills above Bethlehem before the first Christmas.

Shortly before midnight, as tradition says the shepherds did, the groups gathered to pray at a nativity scene or "creche" which had been modelled in snow and then returned to the club chapel for mass, celebrated by Abbe

LINK WITH JAPAN
MONTREAL (CP) — A Japan-Canada Society has been formed here to foster cultural and commercial relations between the two countries. The society staged an exhibition of ancient Japanese culture at McGill University's Redpath library.

Wrecker Needed To Move Wreck
A wrecker was needed to extricate a 1941 Chev. from the side of a 1959 Chev. station wagon after a traffic mishap last night on Great George Street. The vintage Chev. buried its nose in the wagon which in turn bounced off a half-ton truck standing next to it.

No one was injured and the older Chev. bore the brunt of the attack.

Vaniers Leave For Holidays
OTTAWA (CP) — Governor-General and Mme. Vanier left Ottawa Wednesday for Quebec City and Camp Valcartier where they will attend midnight mass on Christmas Eve with the three battalions of the Royal 22nd Regiment.

Major-General Vanier is colonel of the regiment and one of its founding members during the First World War.

His stay in Quebec for Christmas means he will not be here to receive a delegation of university students from Montreal who have announced their intention to present the Governor-General with a petition Christmas Day protesting the government's decision to arm Bomarc anti-aircraft missiles with nuclear warheads.

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Canadians Participate In New Rocket Firing

WASHINGTON (AP)—A four-stage rocket carrying a 48-pound payload was fired 560 miles above the Atlantic Ocean by Canadian and American scientists Tuesday in a new study of galactic noise, the strange radio signals given off by the stars.

The apparently successful experiment also provided a test of the X-248, a new solid-fuel rocket engine which is comparatively inexpensive.

The Canadian and U.S. scientists who teamed up on the shot hope the study of celestial radio signals eventually will help man to improve his communications and aid navigation.

7,000 POUND ROCKET
The rocket, named the Javelin, measured 48 feet and weighed 7,000 pounds on takeoff from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration station at Wallops Island, Va.

An administration spokesman said: "All stages fired, and according to initial estimates, the maximum altitude reached was just about on the nose—about 560 miles high."

After an 18-minute flight the Javelin plunged into the ocean about 600 miles from Wallops Island.

A three megacycle radio receiver was aboard the rocket to pick up the noises which come from the sun, some other stars and from gaseous materials in space.

The administration spokesman said it would be a couple of days before scientists can determine the degree of success of the shot and what information it provided.

ROAD ACCIDENT INJURED FOUR
PEMBROKE, Ont. (CP)—Four soldiers from nearby Camp Petawawa military camp were injured in a highway accident near here while en route to their New Brunswick homes for Christmas.

Detained in hospital with facial lacerations were L. Cpl. Lawrence Hierlihy, 20, of Tabusintac and Gdsm. David Arbo, 21, of Saint John.

Discharged after treatment following the accident Tuesday were Guardsmen Cecil Ramsay, 21, of Newcastle and Morris Miller, 22, of Saint John.

None was seriously injured. Car driver Ray Douthright, 22, of Mapleton, Ont., was unhurt when the vehicle left Highway 13 on a curve near here.

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RADIOACTIVE WATCH
David Straker, 30-year-old Calgary draftsman, displays a Swiss-made watch which tests have shown contains an abnormal amount of strontium 90. Tests have showed the watch gives off about 1,000 times as much radiation as a normal luminous dial. It has been sent to Ottawa for further tests. (CP Photo)