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and small.

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## FIVE MISSING FEARED DEAD IN ONTARIO TRAIN WRECK

### Passengers, Crew Of Grounded Liner Removed

#### Three Die In Early Morning Conflagration At Shamrock

Three men, Hugh Moan, 38, his brother Frank Moan, 48, Shamrock and a friend, James Claude MacInnis, 40, Rose Valley, all died in a fire which swept the small home of the brothers early yesterday morning. It was discovered by a passing motorist and nearby neighbors aroused.

Help was summoned from Kinkora and Emerald, but the house and barn, located near the intersection known as Moan's Corner and the County Line Road between Queen's and Prince Counties, was beyond saving.

At first only two bodies were found and they were presumed to be the Moan brothers who were known to live there alone. However, a later search revealed the body of the late Mr. MacInnis who was assumed to be spending the night with his friends. Cause of the fire was not immediately determined.

Surviving the Moan brothers are three sisters, Minnie and Margaret Moan, Summerside, and Ida, Mrs. Thomas DesRoches, Saint John, N. B. The late Mr. MacInnis is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. MacInnis, Rose Valley, one sister and two brothers. The latter are Lloyd Moan, West Royalty, and Wallace, Rose Valley.

Funeral services for the two brothers were held yesterday afternoon with interment in the Kinkora Cemetery, while the services for Claude MacInnis will be held today with interment in the Presbyterian Cemetery, North Tryon.

HALIFAX, Dec. 23 — (CP) — F. Harold Goucher, 55, manager of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, died here today after a brief illness.

#### Coming Events

- \*Farmers, ask about the Shu-Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- \*Crushing and mixing on Tuesday's and Saturday's. Concentrate on hand. A. Larsen.
- \*Box Social and Dance in Credit Union Hall, Summerside, Friday, December 26th. Good music.
- \*See "The Jackie Robinson Story", North Rustico, Friday at 8 p.m.
- \*Don't miss entertainment in Crapaud Hall, December 29th. Films, etc. Lunches sold. Auspices St. John's W. A.
- \*Special dance, sponsored by C. W. L., Tracadie Hall, Monday, Dec. 29. McKearney's Orchestra.
- \*Master Feeds — Another car has arrived. Clark Feed Service, Mount Stewart. Feeders that keep records use Master.
- \*Don't miss the big midnight dance in St. Peter's Big Holy Name Hall, Christmas night, Chatham Orchestra.
- \*Midnight Show "Here Comes the Groom", starring Bing Crosby at Mt. Stewart, Christmas night.
- \*Raynor's chicks will be here in January. Cash in on next summer's profits. Order your chicks now from Raynor's Chick Hatchery, Mt. Herbert.

#### Britain May Spring Guided-Weapons Surprise

LONDON, Dec. 23 — (Reuters) — Britain is expected to unveil new remote-controlled weapons — rockets, pilotless planes and guided missiles — next year.

Newspaper reports here and in Australia say the new weapons will be tested at the Woomera rocket range in Western Australia early in the new year.

A government spokesman said: "For security reasons we cannot discuss the nature of the weapons now being tested."

"But there may be some surprises in the new year," he added. Production of guided weapons will be boosted in 1953.

Main reason for increasing production of guided weapons is believed to be lower cost of production compared with that for fighter or bomber planes. Britain's recent cuts in defence spending convinced

#### Staff Appointment At Chalk River Plant



Mr. Gordon Moore, Bachelor of Engineering (above) recently received the distinction of an appointment by the Canadian Foundation Company to their engineering staff at the Atomic Plant, Chalk River, Ont.

#### Abbott Strikes First Coin Of New Elizabethan Age

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 — (CP) — Finance Minister Abbott today struck the first Canadian coin of the new Elizabethan age.

"Lovely!" he exclaimed, as he picked up the shiny one-cent piece bearing the graceful profile design of the Queen.

W. C. Ronson, 66-year-old Master of the Mint, immediately presented the coin to the Finance Minister and replaced it in the Mint coinage box from one out of his own pocket.

By turning a lever in one of the Mint's stamping machines, Mr. Abbott set the stage for a tremendous outflow of new Canadian coins, from one-cent to one-dollar.

From now until early next month, the Mint's presses will be rolling, using big quantities of bronze, steel and silver to stamp out probably about 2,000,000 coins for shipment across the country.

But that will be only the first issue. By the time the year is out, the Mint estimates that it will be printing more than 100,000,000 of the new coins — the country's normal annual consumption of coins.

"What happens to all these coins sometimes is a mystery to me," said Mr. Ronson. "Before the Second World War, we used to strike only about 30,000,000 coins a year. Now it's gone up to 100,000,000."

Defence planners that remote-controlled weapons are their best bet.

The research being conducted here is divided into work on defensive and offensive weapons.

Defensive rockets and guided missiles are intended mainly to destroy enemy planes. They are self-aiming and largely eliminate the "human element" and errors of judgment by fighter pilots.

Britain is known to have such guided missiles four or five times as manoeuvrable as the latest planes, and faster. They can be launched from the ground or from planes in flight.

Offensive "robot" are mostly rockets, capable of carrying atom bombs.

The government recently disclosed tests with a radio-controlled rocket with a 1,000-mile range and a speed of 2,000 miles an hour.

#### Two Canadians Among Those Wounded On Champollion

BEIRUT, Lebanon, Dec. 23 — (CP) — Skillful Levantine boatmen removed the last of the passengers and crew of the wrecked French liner Champollion today after 16 or more had perished in frenzied attempts to fight their way to shore through raging surf.

Some died in leaps into the sea after hours of horror aboard the listing, broken hulk of the 12,346-ton vessel and others were lost in the capsizing of a lifeboat before the rescue operations started to click.

Exactly how many died may not be known for days. But 16 bodies, broken by the offshore

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#### Egg Support Program To Be Renewed

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 — (CP) — The Federal Government has decided to renew its egg price-support program for 1953, the Agriculture Department announced today.

Support will continue at the wholesale price of 38 cents a dozen for grade A large at storage points, plus carrying charges, the department said.

There has been some agitation by poultrymen in recent months for a higher price.

At the same time, the department reiterated that the hog support price will be reduced to 23 cents a pound Jan. 1—down from the current level of 26 cents.

Hog producers appealed unsuccessfully for continuance of the current price until the United States market is reopened March 1 next.

#### Elmsdale Man Celebrating 101st Christmas Birthday

With 101 years behind him Mr. Alexander "Sandy" Cameron, Elmsdale's oldest citizen, reads without glasses, can hear any conversation spoken in a normal tone of voice, and has most of his natural teeth.

He walks several hundred yards daily to the post office and store, chops the kindling and does other chores around the house. Displaying a ready wit and keen sense of humor, Mr. Cameron, enjoys remarkable health and activity. In his younger days he used eye-glasses but his sight improved in later years so that they were no longer needed and he now frequently reads for a half hour at a time without difficulty.

He usually arises about 8.00 a.m. and goes to bed around 8.00 p.m. but if folks come in to visit he is quite ready to sit and talk until 10.00 p.m. or later.

When surprise was expressed at his ability to be able to cut kindling wood Mr. Cameron gave assurance that he was able for the task, "even with a dull axe."

In addition to his daily walks to the Elmsdale store and post office he has, on several occasions, this past summer, accompanied friends by motor car to Alberton and other nearby points, but he expressed regret at having missed making an annual visit to his native New London.

Indicative of his spirit and humor of 101 years, when requested to move from one chair to another for the taking of the above picture, volunteered his cooperation in every way, "except to stand on his head."

How To Do It  
His advice on how to live long and be healthy is to "live a day at a time and don't worry about the little things that don't really improve."

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#### Wounded Canadians Home For Christmas

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 — (CP) — An R. C. A. F. North Star took off from Dorval Airport today on a flight that will span the continent twice in 48 hours so 17 wounded soldiers can spend Christmas at home.

The four-engine aircraft from No. 426 Thunderbird Squadron was scheduled to touch down at Tacoma, Wash., after dark tonight. By midnight, it will be refueled and ready to take off with eight stretcher cases and nine sitting

wounded—all veterans of the 25th Canadian Infantry Brigade in Korea.

The plane is expected to drop the last of the veterans at Halifax tomorrow night. It will make stops at Edmonton, Winnipeg, London, Toronto, Trenton, Ottawa, Montreal, Saint John, N. B., and Halifax.

The trip is the last of a series of flights that included flying supplies and Christmas cheer to some of the Defence Department's most northern and remote spots.



Mr. Alex Cameron

#### No Change In Twins' Condition

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 — (AP) — The Brodie Siamese twins maintained their hold on life today, but there were indications that, at best, both face a long, uphill fight for survival.

Rodney Dee was conscious but still critical. Roger Lee remained in deep coma and in very precarious condition.

Doctors were faced with this predicament: The twins are without tops on their skulls and need a covering of transplanted bone to prevent possible infection.

However, such a covering cannot be given them until their condition improves.

#### Holy Christmas

Hang out the Christmas holly wreath,  
Hang up the mistletoe;  
Pile high the yule-logs on the hearth,  
While candles softly glow.

Let gladness echo in each heart,  
The Christmas Carols sing,  
In honor of that Holy Child,  
Our Saviour and our King.

For nigh two thousand years ago—  
In Bethlehem far away  
Within a stable, there was born—  
Our Lord—on Christmas Day.

The Angels from around God's throne,  
Descended to this earth,  
And heralded with praise and song  
The wonders of His birth.

Yes, Angels brought the wondrous news,  
And wise men from afar,  
Were guided to that hallowed place  
By God's most honored star.

No legendary tale is this,  
No fable fabrication;  
This truth has gone throughout the world,  
From nation unto nation!

Through all the ages yet to come  
This story sweet and true,  
Portrays the greatness of God's love—  
A Saviour born for you!

—John Robert Lamont Campbell  
John of "The Lilacs"

#### C.N.R. Freights Collide Head-On In Muskoka Area

TORONTO, Dec. 23 — (CP) — The Canadian National Railways said tonight that five men are reported missing in a head-on crash between two freight trains three miles south of Southwood in a remote section of the Muskoka district. Four men were injured, none seriously.

Reported missing: Engineer F. A. Bumstead, Long Branch; Brake-Y. B. Lane, Capreol; Engineer F. Hall, Barrie; Fireman M. L. Pender, Toronto and Brakeman A. H. J. Prevost, Long Branch.

The four injured men were taken to hospital in Orillia. They are Fireman W. J. Dunn, Mimico, cuts to his head and bruised left knee; Conductor G. Rose, Brownhill, bruised left arm; Brakeman J. Cox, Alderwood, slightly scalded on the back of his neck and chest, and J. M. Valley, road diesel foreman of engines from Toronto, dislocated left shoulder and a fractured right ankle.

Two other crew members of the freight were uninjured. They are W. E. Clark of Frobitoke township and Brakeman H. W. Tough, Toronto.

C. N. R. officials said a northbound extra freight with a steam locomotive pulling 45 freight cars, nearly all of them empty, left Washago at 11:40 a.m. a second train with two diesel engines and 62 freight cars, all but one of the freight loaded with general merchandise, passed through Torrancia heading south about 12:05 p.m. The two crashed at 12:31 p.m.

One man jumped clear just before the impact. He was believed to be the fireman on the northbound

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#### Heavy Snowfall In Montreal

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 — (CP) — A heavy snowfall on top of earlier freezing rain today caused hundreds of minor accidents, washed out airline flights and snarled traffic throughout Montreal.

Police reported about 250 minor accidents, mostly collisions, but no one was seriously injured.

The freezing rain which started early today coated the streets with a treacherous layer of ice. The rain turned to snow and by 9 P.M. about one inch had fallen.

#### Auriol Seeks France's 18th Premier Since War

By Godfrey Anderson  
PARIS, Dec. 23 (AP) — President Vincent Auriol is back at a familiar job tonight — trying to find a new premier for France.

It is the third time this year that the 18th time since the war that the President of the Republic has been called on to perform his constitutional task of picking a man commanding even a precarious majority in Parliament so as to give France a government.

Antoine Pinay, the conservative little leather merchant from Saint Chamond, is out. He gave France nine months of relative stability before being brought down by converging attacks from right and left and the defection of a part of his coalition majority.

The franc sagged and the price of gold climbed.

It took 415 francs to buy a dollar today on the black market, though 300 were enough during most of Pinay's "save-the-franc" administration. Gold bars of one kilogram (2.204 pounds) were up 499,000 francs to 515,000 or more.

Pinay resigned early this morning when Foreign Minister Robert Schuman's Roman Catholic Movement Republican (MRP) decided to abstain on the first of three confidence votes in connection with Pinay's 1953 budget.

Pinay was clearly at the end of his patience with a Parliament which had long kept his administration teetering on the edge of defeat.

"If anyone thinks I will return to that bear cage, he's crazy," Pinay told those who sought to change his mind.

#### Death Yesterday Of Noted Island Surgeon

Dr. David W. MacKenzie, 77, long recognized as one of Canada's outstanding surgeons, died in the P. E. I. Hospital yesterday following a short illness. His son, Dr. David MacKenzie, had just arrived from Montreal the previous night to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

The late Dr. MacKenzie was a native of Flat River where he received his early education before attending Prince of Wales College. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree at Dalhousie University and later earned his M.D. at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

He was a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a Fellow of the Royal Society of England. He was also a former president of the Urological Association and of the Clinical Society of Genitourinologists.

Dr. MacKenzie for several years was on the staff of Bellevue Hospital, New York, and in 1917 went to Montreal to head a new medical department there. Since his retirement six years ago he has made his home in this Province while spending most of the winter months in California. However, despite his proffered retirement he was frequently called on to lend his skill at local hospitals.

He suffered a heart attack several weeks ago, but was thought to be on the road to recovery as he had shown marked improvement in recent days and had expected to spend the Christmas season at home with his family.

Dr. MacKenzie is survived by his wife, the former Miss Edith Moore, Eldon; one son, Dr. David MacKenzie, Montreal; a brother Hector MacKenzie, California; and a sister, Margaret, also on the West Coast.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon from St. John's Presbyterian Church, Belfast, starting at 2:00 o'clock.

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HALIFAX, Dec. 23 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Wednesday.

Synopsis: A storm centred about 300 miles south of the Nova Scotia coast is moving slowly northeastward. It is causing gales over the ocean and strong, gusty winds extend into Nova Scotia. This storm will continue to cause an easterly flow of mild, moist air over the Southern Maritimes and little change is expected in the weather on Wednesday.

The outlook for Christmas Day is for cloudy weather and temperatures in the Southern Maritimes will continue above normal.

Regional forecasts, with an outlook for Christmas Day.

Prince Edward Island—Cloudy. Occasional drizzle. Very mild. Easterly winds 20. Low and high: Wednesday at Charlottetown 92 and 35.

Outlook for Christmas—Cloudy and mild.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 3:58 A.M. and 4:39 P.M. Sun rises today at 7:50 A.M. and sets at 4:36 P.M.



Tomorrow being Christmas Day, the next issue of The Guardian will be Friday, Dec. 26.