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British Taxes Are Being Further Stiffened

Plans Reported Successful Atomic Bomb Test

The London correspondent of the newspaper Aurore that certain British military circles with whom close relations had information making them place credence in a Paris newspaper report yesterday telling that Russia had planned an atomic bomb test June 15 in Siberia. Correspondent Percherel asserted that these sources regarded the report as "practically certain." Percherel said their attitude conformed with "skepticism in scientific circles in Great Britain which military sources were obliged to associate with the test."

ORDS PASSES

Amendment in House Rejected—Sees Dictatorship

Former Prime Minister Churchill declared in the House of Commons that "we are approaching dictatorship in the Labor government." He said the Conservative party would curb the power of the Labor government. Churchill said that in a similar situation in the past, ministers without the confidence of the people were dismissed. "What I hate is the idea of anybody's dictatorship or Prime Minister's dictatorship," he said. He charged the Labor government with "sinister intentions" and declared it had "designed to kill the Bill."

LIGHT SNOW AND FINE WEATHER

With light snow on the ground eastward from Hazelton through the Bulkley and Nechako valleys, beautiful sunny weather has been prevailing for the past couple of days in the central interior, according to C. A. Berner, divisional superintendent Canadian National Railways, who returned to the city on last night's train from a trip over the territory on regular inspection duties.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.

Vancouver	
Bralorne	11.00
B. R. Con.	.05
B. R. X.	.09
Cariboo Quartz	2.75
Dentonia	18 1/2
Grull Wihksne	.05
Hedley Mascot	1.00
Minto	.02 1/4
Pend Orelle	2.30
Pioneer	3.85
Premier Border	.05 1/4
Privateer	.34
Reeves McDonald	1.10
Reno	13 1/2
Salmon Gold	.25
Sheep Creek	1.03
Taylor Bridge	.45
Taku River	.66
Congress	.03
Pacific Eastern	.06
Hedley Amalgamated	.03
Spud Valley	11 1/2
Central Zeballos	.01 1/4
Silbak Premier	.75

Toronto	
Authona	11 1/2
Aumaque	.33
Beattie	.85
Bevcourt	.61
Bobjo	.15
Buffalo Canadians	.17
Con. Smelters	90.00
Conwest	1.70
Donalds	1.19
Eldona	1.35
Elder	.78
Giant Yellowknife	6.20
God's Lake	1.07
Hardrock	.35
Harricana	.09 1/2
Heva Gold	.30
Hosco	.48
Jacknife	.07
Joliet Quebec	.53
Lake Rowan	.17
Lapaska	.21
Little Long Lac	1.68
Lynx	11 1/2
Madsen Red Lake	3.55
McKenzie Red Lake	.64
McLeod Cockshutt	1.70
Moneta	.45
Negus	2.20
Noranda	50.50
Louvicourt	1.64
Pickle Crow	2.80
Regcourt	16 1/2
San Antonio	4.75
Senator Rouyn	.65
Sherritt Gordon	2.99
Steep Rock	2.30
Sturgeon River	.19



CANADIAN MISSION WHICH STUDIED CLOSER COMMERCIAL RELATIONS—Members of the Canadian Commercial Mission which went abroad to study closer commercial relations with African and European countries, landed at New York yesterday enroute, home to Ottawa. Here they are shown shortly after their arrival at Lisbon, when they were guests at a luncheon given by the Portuguese foreign minister. Smiling in centre of the group is James MacKinnon, leader of the mission.

Important To Prince Rupert

Vital Matters Coming Up At Conference of Pacific Northwest Trade Association

With such matters of vital interest to this port as conditions in the Orient with respect to future trade development and the changing situation in Alaska coming up for consideration, quarterly meeting of the Pacific Northwest Trade Association has been set for December 1 and 2 in Spokane and the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia is moving towards having as strong a representation as possible at that gathering.

PALESTINE AGREEMENT

Russia and United States Said to Have Ironed Out Differences

LAKE SUCCESS — Soviet Delegate Semen K. Tsarapkin said that Russia was prepared to make concessions in an effort to reach an agreement with the United States on enforcement of the proposed partition of Palestine into separate Arab and Jewish countries.

CHELOHSIN STRANDED

Union Steamship Co. Coastal Vessel Badly Holed

VANCOUVER — Union Steamships Ltd. coastal steamer Chelohsin was badly holed when she went ashore on a rocky island in Chatham Channel, 160 miles north of Vancouver, during the night. The vessel was later refloated and reached Minstrel Island safely with 26 passengers who were still on board. The vessel is in no danger.

Building Costs Are Going Down

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The cost of building homes in the United States is expected to go down sharply with a more plentiful supply of building materials now in prospect.

MACKENZIE KING AND EIGHT OF HIS CABINET MINISTERS ARE TO RETIRE

OTTAWA, ©—Reports are current that eight of the ten members of the federal cabinet will retire when Prime Minister Mackenzie King leaves political life, possibly next August, or just before the next general election. Reports predict for retirement among the ten Hon. J. A. Glen, minister of mines and natural resources; Hon. James A. MacKinnon, minister of trade and commerce, and Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, minister of labor.

Dead of Two Wars Are Commemorated

LONDON ©—Two minutes' silence commemorating the dead of two world wars was observed by thousands of Britons crowding flash-draped Whitehall from Nelson's Monument to Parliament Square. Through a thin curtain of rain, crowds stood motionless as Big Ben and Hyde Park guns signalled 11 a.m. and two minutes of silent tribute.

Child's Skeleton—Clothing Found

LOS ANGELES ©—Parents of Rochelle Gluskoter, six-year-old, whose kidnap—disappearance twenty months ago was never solved, have identified clothing found with a child's skeleton in nearby Orange County as being that of their youngster.

Bulletins

UKRAINE GETS SEAT

LAKE SUCCESS — India has given up its fight for a seat on the United Nations security council which means that the Ukraine will get the seat. The election of Ukraine is expected to be ratified by the General Assembly tomorrow.

BUTTER GOING UP

VANCOUVER — The price of butter is expected to advance to 70c here within a few days. An increase in the 60c wholesale price is anticipated.

TRUMAN ON GREECE

WASHINGTON, D.C.—President Truman told United States Congress that "Greece is free" because of American aid but her economic plight is "not basically improved" and the military picture is becoming worse. The report was made as of September 30, set up a \$400,000,000 fund to help Greece and Turkey combat communistic pressure from inside and outside their border.

LABOR GOV'T OUT

SYDNEY, Australia — The federal government's plan to nationalize private banking in Australia today faced the proposed combined opposition of Victoria, West and South Australia. Thomas Luke Holloway, Victoria Liberal party leader and probable new government leader, announced that three states would unite in opposition to the plan following Australia Labor's most decisive defeat since 1931 in the state election Saturday.

TORONTO TAXI DRIVER SLAIN

Woman May Have Had Hand In Ontario City's Latest Murder Mystery

TORONTO ©—Police today continued intensive search for the slayer of a taxi driver, Ralph Margeson, father of five children, who was, apparently killed for \$15 in cab fare money he was carrying. The body was found Tuesday, shot through the head.

A woman may hold the key to the solution of the slaying. Police say that a woman was last night a passenger in the taxi driven by the 32-year-old driver. She may have had some connection with the killer who fired a bullet into the back of Margeson's head.

Would Fill Central B.C.

Minister of Trade and Industry Eyres Speaks For Neglected Hinterland

VICTORIA — Central British Columbia, from McBride to Prince Rupert, traversed from end to end by the Canadian National Railways, offered opportunity for people of modest means as well as those of substantial capital, declared Hon. L. H. Eyres, minister of trade and industry, in a "Provincial Affairs" address Monday night. He spoke of the possibilities in that area for pulp, veneer and rayon mills, saw-mills, grist mills and canneries. The abundance of power in the Bulkley and Nechako Rivers was also referred to.

Advocating decentralization from the thickly populated and congested area in the south-eastern corner of the province, Mr. Eyres urged the filling up and development of the neglected spaces. "The vast neglected hinterlands must be allowed to come into their own if British Columbia is to fulfill its rightful destiny as a part of Canada."

Other areas which Mr. Eyres prescribed for populating and development were the country through which the Pacific Great Eastern Railway passed and the Peace River district.

FINED \$300 ON LIQUOR CHARGE

William Gulbrandson, who arrived in the city from Vancouver on November 5, will be returning south in police custody if he finds himself unable to dig up \$300. Magistrate W. D. Vance named the figure in police court Monday afternoon when he found Gulbrandson guilty of supplying liquor to an Indian. Gulbrandson came back to this city on November 5 after sojourning at Okala for the last three months on a similar charge, the punishment being imposed by the same magistrate. He was picked up again on November 8 and the following day was given the opportunity of paying \$300 or returning to Okala.

Local Tides

Thursday, November 13, 1947	
High	1:36 20.3 feet
	13:22 22.4 feet
Low	7:21 6.3 feet
	19:58 2.0 feet

CRITICIZES PLAN

WASHINGTON — Senator Robert Taft predicts that the Marshall Plan will mean higher prices and taxes in the United States. A fight in Congress over the plan is looming.

Mrs. Cecil Taylor of Vancouver arrived on the Prince Rupert this morning to visit her family here during the illness of her father, George Hill, who is now in hospital.

Dalton's Budget Calls For Cutting Consumer Power in Old Country

Profits Tax Doubled—Big Increases in Imposts on Luxury Items

LONDON (CP)—Chancellor of the Exchequer Hugh Dalton, introducing his anti-inflationary crisis budget in the House of Commons today, announced that the tax on all profits will be doubled as from January 1 of this year. There will be no change in basic income tax of \$1.80 on each \$4 and food subsidies now costing \$392,000,000 a year will be maintained.

Roman Catholic Congratulations

LONDON ©—A Buckingham Palace spokesman said that the King had consented to receive on Thursday from Bernard Cardinal Griffin, official congratulations of the Roman Catholic Church in England and Wales on the impending marriage of Princess Elizabeth. The monarch has relaxed the terms of the Ecclesiastical Act which barred the use of a Roman Catholic title in addressing the King.

RUSSIA IS IN DEFAULT

LONDON ©—Russia was again partly in default on payment No. 1 under the 1941 civil supplies agreement, it was learned today.

Russia promptly paid half of the \$7,120,000 instalment but gave no reason for not paying the other half.

This is the second time that Russia has paid only half of the instalment due. Under the agreement made in 1941 all sums fell due within five years of delivery of material.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

The weather disturbance which was in the Gulf of Alaska yesterday has moved eastward more rapidly than expected and lay east of the Queen Charlotte Islands this morning. Skies will be overcast throughout the major portion of British Columbia today with rain over the south coast and snow in the central and northern interior.

Forecast

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast today. Rain tonight. Cloudy with showers Thursday. Wind southerly (20 m.p.h.) today; westerly (25 m.p.h.) Thursday. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Thursday—At Port Hardy, 40 and 47; Massett, 40 and 47; Prince Rupert, 40 and 47.

Northern B.C.—Snow today. Cloudy with snow flurries on Thursday. Wind southerly (15 m.p.h.) today light Thursday. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Thursday—At Quesnel, 30 and 37; Prince George, 28 and 35; Smithers, 28 and 35; Telegraph Creek, 28 and 34.



FLAG FOR U.N.—Here is the proposed flag for the United Nations which displays the official emblem of the U.N. at the centre of a background of light blue. The general assembly's legal committee at its 43rd meeting agreed to recommend official adoption of the flag.

Taxes on syrups, wines and beers are increased.

There will be an interest rate of three per cent on income and other tax arrears.

Only one-half of commercial advertising will, in future, be allowed as legitimate expense.

Tobacco tax is also increased. Cigarettes currently cost 67c per package and tobacco is correspondingly dear.

Mr. Dalton also announced big increases in the purchase tax, and luxury articles, already paying 100 per cent purchase tax, in future will cost 125 per cent.

The chancellor said the government had finished the first 32 weeks of its current year with an "unprecedented surplus" of \$253,000,000 (\$1,012,000,000). "We are within \$5,000,000 already of the surplus I estimated for the full year," he said.

The emergency budget is designed to drain off some of the consumer purchasing power in the fight against inflation.

"SMOKY" SMITH IS VISITOR HERE

Famous Soldier and V.C. Winner in Prince Rupert On Business

A surprise guest who was duly honored at the Canadian Legion Remembrance Day smoking concert last night was Private Ernest A. (Smoky) Smith of New Westminster, who won the Victoria Cross while serving on the Savoie River in Italy in 1944. "Smoky's" exploit, which led to the wiping out of a German tank unit, was one of the outstanding deeds of valor of the Canadian Army in World War II.

"Smoky" in an interview with the Daily News, paid tribute to the Germans as "tough" fighting men but added: "One Canadian was worth ten of them." Accompanied by Joe McIntyre, Smith arrived by plane yesterday afternoon from the south. Engaged in the real estate business and interested in a local deal, they expect to leave tomorrow on their return south.

It is Smith's first visit to Prince Rupert.

DIRECT BRITONS INTO JOBS NOW

LONDON ©—A new order has been issued giving the government authority to register persons now without occupation or employed in certain types of non-essential jobs—men between the ages of 18 and 51 and women between 18 and 41. Non-essential jobs include workers in football pools and night clubs.

PARTY ENDS FATALLY

MISSION CITY—Jack Hamilton, 47, night watchman at a shingle mill, was today found beaten to death in front of his home five miles north of Mission City. Police are searching for an Indian half-breed and a white woman who were reported to have been at a drunken party Saturday with Hamilton and his wife. Mrs. Hamilton said she left the party when it became "too rough."