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Concession Leftists

Part of Milan to Be Left Office By National Government

Leftist organization almost vaulted to the city and province yesterday during a bitter protest against recent Milan's prefect, from the government promise that the prefect would stay on for the time being.

Communist said that a national government representative had arrived at an agreement with the leftists under which they promised to call off a general strike protesting against the leftist prefect.

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NO SURPRISE IN ELECTIONS

Government Party Continues in Britain

LONDON (CP)—Results of two by-elections Thursday for British Parliamentary seats were not surprising although the tendency in both was away from the government.

In the Yorkshire constituency of Howdenshire, long a Conservative stronghold, the major opposition party retained the seat when G. W. Odey, polled 23,344 votes compared with 9,293 for the Labor candidate, Tom Neville, and 3,819 for the Liberal candidate, J. E. Wilson.

In Edinburgh East the government party candidate polled 16,903 votes compared with 11,490 for D. Matthes, Liberal, National and Conservative candidate, 3,379 for J. Junor, Liberal, and 1,882 for Mrs. Mary Dott, Scottish Nationalist.

FOUR CHINESE DEAD IN FIRE

VANCOUVER (CP)—Four elderly and possibly more Chinese are dead and one fireman is injured as a result of a three-alarm blaze which swept a building in rabbit warren Shanghai Alley in Chinatown, doing some \$50,000 damage. The possibility of more than four Chinese being dead is being checked by the police.

It is believed that the Chinese were living in the building, which was supposed to be empty without the knowledge of the owners.

Identity of the victims was not immediately learned. The fire broke out shortly after 2 a.m. Pacific Standard Time and was fought in a dense fog for more than five hours.

Early reports indicated that the Chinese had died from suffocation. The fireman suffered burns.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MAYOR'S RELIEF

Further subscriptions of \$15 from the Business and Professional Women's Club and \$8 from the Ladies' Reading Club for the Mayor's Fund for overseas food relief have been received, it was announced today by Mayor N. E. Arnold.

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Arriving on the liner S.S. America from New York at Southport, Eng., was Mrs. Cobina Wright, New York socialite, who attended the royal wedding. She is a firm friend of Lieut. Philip Mountbatten. Also on the U.S. liner was Blevins Davis, who broadcast the royal wedding to America. Photo shows Mrs. Cobina Wright strolling on deck with Mr. Davis.



NEW STREAMLINED POWER—Orders for two of these powerful triple-unit diesel electric locomotives have been placed by the Canadian National Railways. The first road diesels to be purchased for Canada, they can serve as heavy duty freight locomotives with a top speed of 50 m.p.h. or handle standard pullman trains up to 102 m.p.h. The units may be operated separately or in combinations. An outstanding feature is ability to start heavy trains quickly and smoothly, and to keep pulling them at a constant speed up grades.

Foreign Ministers Are Talking Of Big Four Conference Collapse

STRESSED NEED FOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOL HELP

The provincial government "simply must come to the rescue of the municipalities" in the matter of school financing, Mayor Nora Arnold said Friday on her return from Victoria where she took part in a delegation of mayors and reeves which met the cabinet on Tuesday to plead their case for relief from education costs.

The cabinet, with Finance Minister Anscomb presiding in the absence of Premier Hart, gave the delegation of 65 civic leaders a "sympathetic" hearing but made no commitments, Mayor Arnold said.

However, she was enthusiastic over what she described as the effective way that the 12 spokesmen for the municipal heads had put their claims across. She was particularly pleased with the able leadership given by Mayor William Mott of New Westminster, president of the Union of B.C. Municipalities.

"Mayor Mott was determined that the meeting should not degenerate into a question-and-answer session in which our case could be picked apart while it was being presented," she said. "He explained at the outset that we merely wanted our case heard. It was heard."

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LONDON (CP)—Russia and the western powers indirectly acknowledged today the possibility of a collapse in the Big Four foreign ministers' quest for a peace treaty which would keep Germany harmless but would still be helpful to Europe's recovery.

As the ministers reconvened today they were still without agreement on a single major point after four days of discussion. Yesterday they talked about what might happen if this conference bogs down, as the Moscow meeting did last spring, in disagreement.

O. C. Football

Football Association Cup First Round
Wimbledon 0, Mansfield Town 1.
New Brighton 4, Marine Crosby 0.
Lincoln City 0, Workington 2.
Gateshead 1, Bradford City 3.
Hull City 1, Southport 1. (extra time).

Oldham Athletic 6, Lancaster City 0.
York City 0, Rochdale 1.
Crewe Alexandra 4, South Shields 1.
Tranmere Rovers 2, Stalybridge Celtic 0.
Chester 3, Bishop Auckland 1.
Barrow 3, Carlisle United 2.
Hartlepool United 1, Darlington 0.

Wrexham 5, Halifax Town 0.
Stockport County 3, Accrington Stanley 1.
Bristol Rovers 3, Leytonstone 2.
Watford 1, Torquay United 1. (extra time).
Newport County 0, Southend United 2.
Dartford 0, Bristol City 0. (extra time).

Gillingham 1, Leyton Orient 0.
Townbridge Town 1, Brighton and Hove Albion 1. (extra time).
Crystal Palace 2, Port Vale 1.
Bromley 3, Reading 3. (extra time).
Notts County 0, Horsham 1.
Aldershot 2, Bromsgrove Rovers 1.
Swindon Town 4, Ipswich Town 2.

Exeter City 1, Northampton Town 1. (extra time).
Norwich City 3, Merthyr 0.
Vauxhall Motors 1, Walsall 2.
Colchester United 2, Banbury Spencer 1.
Runcorne 4, Scunthorpe United 2.
Ferryhill 2, Grantham 1.
Great Yarmouth Town 1, Shrewsbury Town 1.
Cheltenham 5, Street 0.

THE WEATHER

Forecast
Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast, intermittent rain this afternoon, tonight and Sunday. Winds light, increasing to southeast (20 m.p.h.) this afternoon. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—At Port Hardy 38 and 48, Massett 42 and 50, Prince Rupert 42 and 50.

Deferring Partition

No Action Likely to Be Taken By U.N. Assembly, It Now Appears

NEW YORK (CP)—Efforts to drive the Palestine partition plan through the 1947 General Assembly of the United Nations in its dying hours faltered today as a new move to defer final action until next spring gained momentum.

With the weary Assembly preparing to resume its sessions this afternoon after a 24-hour recess proposed by France, Colombia's Dr. Alfonso Lopez was reported to have lined up strong support, including Arab-led anti-partitionists, for his plan of deferring.

EXPECT AIR MAIL TODAY

But No Passengers Are to Be Carried

Air mail destined for Vancouver and other points has been sent out twice this week by train and a third shipment was loaded on today's plane. Air mail went out on Wednesday night's train and again last night. Postmaster J. R. Morrison said.

Air mail for Prince Rupert has been piling up at the southern end of the route and may be sent out today if the flight is completed as scheduled. However, if it does not get in today, it will arrive on the steamer Coquitlam on Sunday. Mr. Morrison said that he had received word from the Vancouver post office that the Coquitlam would pick up the air mail which is now at Port Hardy and bring it through.

"That is the official word I have received," Mr. Morrison said. "However, it may be changed if today's flight comes in."

Air mail service between Vancouver and Prince Rupert was expected to be resumed today for the first time since last Saturday with receipt by the local office of Canadian Pacific Air Lines this morning of word that a flight from Vancouver would reach Sandspit.

However, today's flight from Prince Rupert to Sandspit would carry no passengers, but only mail, express and freight, Agent Glen Lee said. The flight left at its scheduled time of 12 o'clock.

Thursday's flight to Sandspit was grounded at the Island airstrip overnight after the Vancouver-Sandspit flight, which was in two sections, remained at Port Hardy. It returned to Prince Rupert at 4 p.m. Friday, carrying 18 passengers, five of whom had gone over the day before on their way to Vancouver and 13 from the Islands.

Continued bad weather in the southern coastal part of the province has been responsible for cancellations of the flights.

FIREMEN DIE IN NEW YORK

Half Million Dollar Fire In Upper Manhattan

NEW YORK (CP)—The body of a fireman was found today in the burning debris of a five-storey loft building in uptown Manhattan. In the same fire another fireman also lost his life and seven were injured.

Twelve hours after the fire broke out in the structure, searchers found the body of Fireman John E. Wynn, aged 32. Earlier they had removed the body of Jacob Bassman. Damage is estimated unofficially at \$500,000.

Bulletins

SEAMEN'S AGREEMENT

MONTREAL—The Canadian Seamen's Union announced last night that agreement was reached with the Shipping Federation of Canada and that a contract for 1948 was signed. The agreement calls for \$20 a month more for all seamen retroactive to last October 15 and 10c an hour more for overtime, two weeks holiday with pay after a year's continuous service, 40-hour week in port, sick pay in foreign ports, continuous employment, union security and marine disaster allowance.

DOUKS SENTENCED

NELSON—Four of 13 Doukhobors, convicted today of arson, were sentenced to stiff prison terms. Nine others will be sentenced later. Two men and a woman were given seven years with hard labor while another man was given a six-year term.

JAIL FOR INDECENCY

NANAIMO—Convicted of an indecent assault upon a six-year old girl, Allan Ford of Parksville, was sentenced to six years in prison. The offence was alleged to have been committed by the 39-year old contractor last September at Errington.

Wide Powers For Schuman

Premier of France Would Crack Down On Agitators—Two Newspapers Occupied

PARIS (CP)—Premier Robert Schuman asked the National Assembly today for broad new powers to crack down on agitators for strikes or sabotage "by speeches, writing or tracts." He said he wanted the right to jail such persons for six months' time as he pleaded for power to help him fight the strangling wave of communist-inspired strikes throughout France. The Assembly was expected to consider the measures later in the day.

Approval would give the government a weapon against newspapers encouraging strikes which have more than two million French workers idle.

Police tonight had occupied plants of two communist newspapers supporting the walkout of the workers.

Government employees found guilty of "agitation" would be dismissed under the measures. Key industries, including electric power, railroads and wire communications, would be nationalized and their employees would work for the government. The power asked for by Schuman would run from tomorrow to May 31, 1948.



WIFE WELCOMES LONG MISSING POLISH LEADER—The long missing Polish peasant party leader, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, is pictured while kissing his wife as he arrived in London. The announcement of Mikolajczyk's arrival was made dramatically in the British House of Commons. The appearance of the former Polish premier, a staunch foe of the present Communist-dominated government of Warsaw, ended two weeks of speculation concerning his fate. He was flown from Germany to England by the R.A.F. He is now in the United States.

COG DRIVERS FLYING EAST

Acc B. C. Trucksters Going to Toronto "Rodeo"

VANCOUVER — Temporarily forsaking the cabs of their familiar road vehicles, five ace British Columbia truck drivers will leave Vancouver airport tonight for Toronto in the "Cog Grinders' Special," a Trans-Canada Air Lines chartered plane, to compete December 2 in the National truck "Rodeo" being held in the Ontario capital. The plane is scheduled to reach Toronto 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Judged the best in British Columbia, the five expert road pilots earned their trip after a stiff two-day competition here with more than fifty of this province's skilled truck and lorry handlers. They are making the trip at the expense of the companies with which they are affiliated and after the Toronto tests will visit Niagara Falls and Hamilton.

In British Columbia they are known as cog grinders and they have dubbed the T.C.A. aircraft taking them to the Ontario meet, where they will compete against the most qualified of Ontario and Quebec drivers, after their

SEED AND SALT

Celery salt is made by combining ground celery seed with salt.

New Telephone Directory

A new Telephone Directory is about to be published. All changes of listings must be in by December 8, in writing at the City Telephone Office.

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