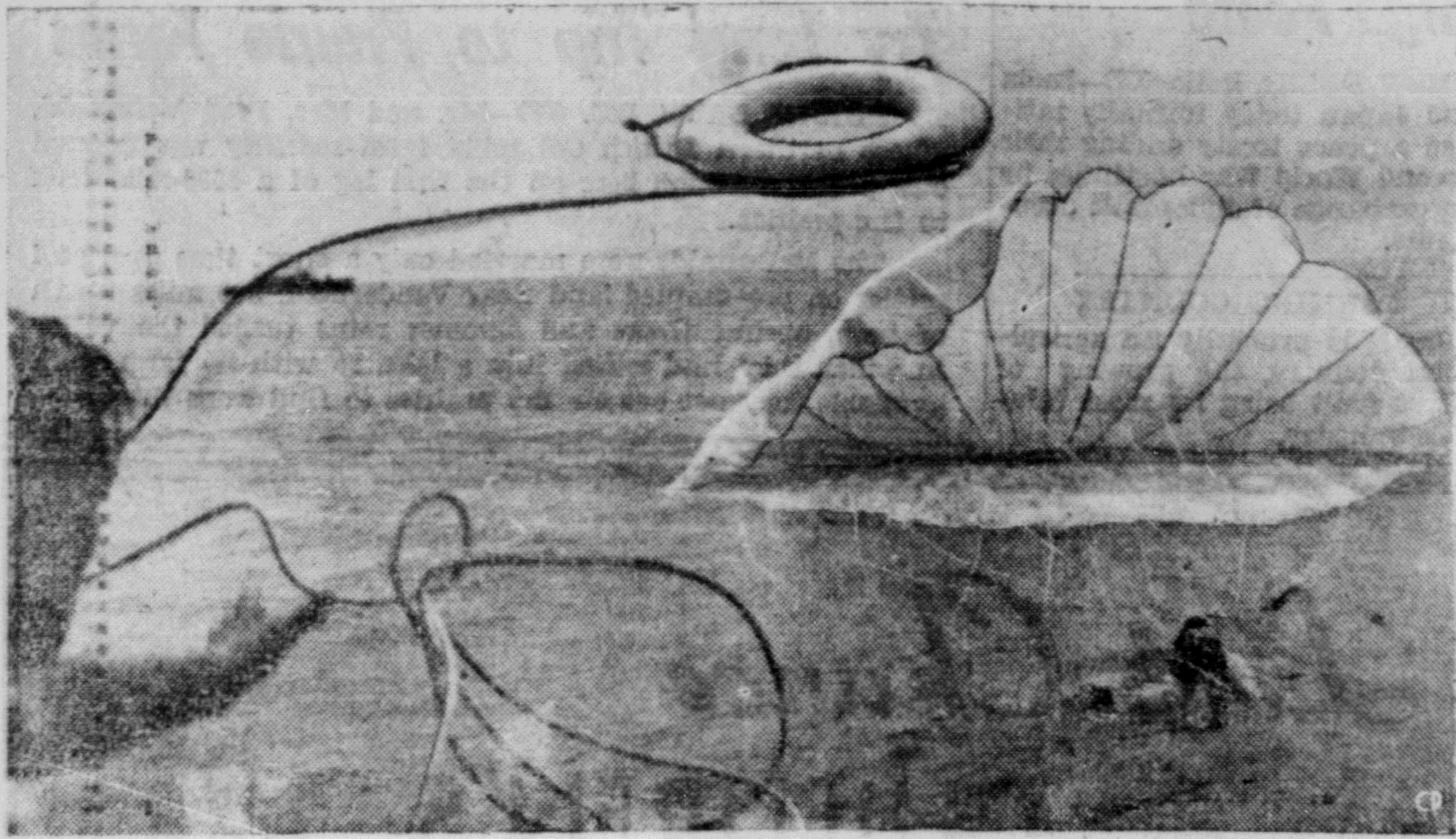




A WET JOB—A lifeboat snakes out to a paratrooper floating in the chill waters of Lake Ontario off the waterfront of the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto. Every day during the exhibition 24 paratroopers will drop in demonstration jumps. Also taking part are three RCAF helicopters who will snatch "crash victims" from the water. It's a wet job. (CP PHOTO)

Egypt's Strong Man's Career Is an Open Book

CAIRO (AP)—Egypt's strong man, Major-General Mohamed Naguib, behaves in public like a man running for office. But he isn't looking for votes. The Egyptian army's tanks and bayonets are ballots enough to keep him in office.

Son of an Egyptian police officer and a Sudanese mother, he is a pre-Soviet democrat. He likes people, thinks they are intelligent, patriotic and instinctively good. He doesn't have this feeling about the vast majority of politicians, though.

Naguib, a devout Moslem, told the attractive Mrs. Doria Shafik, Islam's most energetic suffragette, that women can be used in the army driving cars, trucks and performing other types of services.

The army is not in politics, he has reiterated since his coup d'état which led to Farouk's abdication July 26. Politics should be left to politicians, he insists. However he forced Farouk to accept the man of his choice—Aly Maher—as premier when he sprung his coup.

Naguib has said he is only interested in the reconstitution of the army on a level commensurate with its value to the nation. However he's let it be clearly understood that the army has a great interest in the purge of the corrupt politicians and public servants from the Egyptian administration.

He says the army will keep a close watch on how well the purge and social welfare programs get along. Colonel Mohamed Rashad Mehanna, a trusted adviser, was simply an army career man when the coup came about. In a week's time he was elevated to minister and then to the three-man regency council.

Naguib wanted one of his own men on the council, a certain way of keeping posted on what transpires at the highest political event.

Yet there has been no indication that Naguib is trying to dictate to premier Maher's government.

Of course Gen. Naguib is not alone in the "army movement". He is surrounded by a corps of young senior officers. Their identity is kept highly secret. Efforts to learn any information about them generally end in failure. It is generally agreed that the young officers group represents a good cross section of Egypt.

Naguib is stern, although not a martinet. British officers who have worked with him describe him as a man of integrity and ability.

After his successful coup, Naguib was riding down a principal street in his open car while thousands of persons cheered him and jammed around the vehicle.

He spotted someone in the crowd, got out and walked directly to an old woman struggling to get close to him. He leaned over and kissed her hand. Father of three children, Naguib leads a simple home life. His salary is \$287 a month. He lives within that salary. Soon after the coup he ordered all the fancy automobiles owned by the army for senior commanders sold. Jeeps are good enough, he said.

He speaks Italian, French and English. While a junior officer he earned two degrees at Foad University.

Five times a day he turns toward Mecca and prays. During the holy month of Ramadan he rigidly holds to the rigorous fasting schedule which prohibits a Moslem from even taking a drink of water during the time the sun is in the sky.

Less Food in Europe; Yugoslavs Feel Pinch

LONDON (AP)—Europe's larder won't be so full this winter. Summer weather upsets have trimmed most harvests, but outside Yugoslavia and some Cominform countries food will not be scarce.

For Yugoslavs things look tough. A 10-week drought has slashed one-third off most crops. However, reserves from last year's big harvest probably will stave off a return to ration cards.

Already Premier Tito's government has banned exports of grain and fodder and is looking for ways to buy or borrow wheat. The government estimates harvest losses at 100,000,000 dinars (more than \$350,000,000).

Here is a country-by-country roundup:

Britain—A £5 subsidy for every new acre broken put more land under the plow than ever before. But granaries will be no fuller than last year due to the drought.

Austria—Most yields are down due to the drought but reserves will tide the country over.

Belgium—Normal harvest despite the weather.

Bulgaria—The Communist-controlled press admits the wheat crop is poor in quality. Czechoslovakia—Minister in charge of buying farm products forecasts a bumper harvest.

Denmark—Grain and fruit yields will be well above normal.

France—French farmers beat prolonged drought and foot-and-mouth disease to turn in average to good yields. Wheat harvest is estimated at 14 per cent up from last year.

West Germany—Drought has cut crop yields and sent milk and butter prices soaring. Current forecast: wheat normal, fruits normal or better, vegetables poor to good.

East Germany—Grain harvest likely to reach 90 per cent of official estimates. Rationing will continue.

Greece—Good yields will keep prices down.

The Netherlands—Farms survived spring frosts to turn in crops better than last year.

Italy—Grain returns are reported good.

Norway—Fodder output is slightly above average but vegetables, grains and fruits are down.

Portugal—Grains are up. Romania—Crops are reported good but the Communist-ruled farmers aren't happy about it. Communist newspapers show hundreds have been jailed on charges of sabotage or withholding crops from the govt.

Tourist Slumps Strike At Nova Scotia Resort

CHESTER, N.S. (CP)—The character of this Nova Scotia vacation resort is changing because tourists don't come here any more. Both hotels, which once catered to throngs of tourists from the United States, Canada and other countries, are for sale.

The sea-skirting golf course is no longer smooth and well-trimmed. Weeds are pushing through the tennis courts. Yachting has diminished.

The "Riviera of the East"—so dubbed by the Board of Trade—is looking for industries. There is a feeling of concern among the some 1,000 permanent residents.

BOOM YEARS

While the community was prospering during the war and pre-war years, real estate soared. A small lot sold for thousands. The buying was exclusively by wealthy folk, mostly from the United States.

Leonard Giddy, president of the Board of Trade, says the lack of tourists has had a serious effect on Chester and "it will be worse this winter, too, when everybody finds they have not the money they did in previous years."

Shop keeper William Clarke says "things are very, very quiet this year—almost dead. Unless there's a terrific change in the next few years this place is just going to die out."

"Another said: 'At one time all we thought about was the tourist trade. Everybody lived well and happy on the money the tourists left. But today they are looking for industry because the village is going to seed.' A stranger, whose motive still

puzzles the community, turned up recently and told citizens he had come to establish a large textile factory.

He arranged to take over the closed Hackmatack Inn and ordered daily meals for 40 technicians at another place. But no technicians came and he disappeared.

"There was a terrible let-down feeling," said Mr. Clarke.

PRODUCTION DECREASE

Canada's 1951 output of 305,964,000 pounds of butter was the lowest in 20 years and 65,000,000 pounds below 1941's record production.

Prince Rupert Daily News
Thursday, August 28, 1952

Drilling Oil In Jungle Rugged Task

CALGARY (CP)—William Holdrinet, 41-year-old Dutch oil man who arrived recently to work in Alberta, will find oil drilling less complicated than in the Indonesian jungles where he spent 21 years.

In Indonesia the oil men had to respect native rituals. "We used to take part in our native laborers' religious ceremony to keep bad spirits away," he said. This ceremony performed before drilling started involved the ceremonial sacrifice of a cow.

Holdrinet came here from Pendopo in Sumatra, a native village where 200 oil men live amid tropical forest.

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It Was Only in Fun, Pap

SAN SEVRO, Italy (Reuters)—Roberto Ugliola, 10, punched Pino Miglio, 10, on the nose. Pino punched him back. Each went and told his father. Pasas Ugliola and Miglio both grabbed knives, met in village square and stabbed each other. Today they were in adjoining hospital beds. Roberto and Pino were out playing again, not much worse for wear.

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