



DISASTER—Spectators and rescuers dot the ice of the Duplessis Bridge at Three Rivers, Que., after four days the bridge collapsed early Wednesday. This aerial view shows the bridge and part of the city of Three Rivers. Persons are known to have died when their cars were swept into the river. (CP PHOTO from Toronto Telegram)

Old country
FOOTBALL

League, Division "A"
2, Rangers 4
Hibernian 1
Midlothian 4, Clyde 3
Dunfermline vs Morton, postponed
Dundee vs Dundee postponed
Falkirk 0
vs Airdrieonians
Dunfermline vs East Fife
League, Division 1
Newcastle 0 (tie)
Blackpool 3
West Bromwich
Stoke City 1 (tie)
Bolton Wanderers 2 (tie)
Fulham 0
United 1, Middlesbrough 6, Everton 3
Wednesday 3, Huddersfield 2
Tottenham Hotspur 0 (tie)
Sheff. Wednesday Wanderers 2
League, Division II
Grimsby Town 3
Cardiff City 3
Rovers 0, Brentford 2
Blackburn Rovers 2
Sheff. Wednesday 1, Sheffield United 0
Coventry City 0
Manchester City 2
Notts County 1
Birmingham City 0
Southampton 2
Barnsley 2

Atomic Blasts—
Nevada City
Shaken Again

Flash Seen Hundreds of Miles—Radioactive Snow In East
Five eastern Canadian cities and one American have reported radioactive snow. The Canadian cities are Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Fredericton and Quebec, and the American, Rochester. Scientific officials have declared that the dust in the snow, definitely associated with the atomic blasts, is harmless. However, Governor Thomas Dewey of New York has informed the authorities that he wants to know more about it.

LAS VEGAS — Concussion from another atomic blast, some 75 miles away, hit this southern Nevada city yesterday with the force of an earthquake. It shattered plate glass windows in a downtown department store and brought a flood of calls from alarmed citizens to the police. One observer on a downtown street said: "Windows in big stores bulged in and out like balloons. I thought they were all going to go."

It was the first damage reported here in the series of shocks. The fourth atomic flash in less than a week, it lit up the pre-dawn sky with noontime brilliance and was visible for a radius of more than 400 miles throughout the west. It was reported seen as far away as the San Francisco Bay area. The brilliance of the light and the force of the explosion which rocked the downtown buildings touched off new speculation about what the Atomic Energy Commission is testing at its big new range in the desolate desert northwest of here.

The commission, as customary, confined itself to confirming that a test had taken place.

Relaxing On
Wage Freeze

WASHINGTON D. C. — The Wage Stabilization Board last night relaxed the wage freeze to permit pay increases to millions of production workers. The action will allow merit raises and length of service pay boosts which were previously prohibited by the general wage-price freeze. The wage board specified that increases must follow "established patterns" in effect in 1950. The officials further stressed that the thaw in the freeze will not permit of general across-the-board pay boosts. A. A. Cassells sails for Vancouver aboard the Union steamship Chilcotin Sunday.

Winter's Dead
Mount To 175

CHICAGO — Winter today held the usually sunny south in a frigid embrace after staggering the area with her hardest blows in more than a decade. Even Florida had ice and snow. But Dixie, prepared only for mild winters, appeared the worst hurt. The six-day coat of ice and snow has taken 32 lives in the south. For the entire country, the number of winter deaths has risen to 175. Crops suffered millions of dollars' worth of damage. In Florida, the \$106,000,000 citrus crop is in peril.

Aluminum Use
Again Lowered

WASHINGTON — The use of aluminum in more than 200 non-defense products was banned today. The action was announced by National Production Authority, which said the curtailment was designed to assure adequate supplies for military needs. It orders a halt in the use of aluminum, effective April 1, for a long list of manufactured goods ranging from cocktail shakers to automobile hardware. The action does not affect kitchen utensils, such as pots and pans.

"No Limit" Urges
Gen. Eisenhower

WASHINGTON D. C. — Speaking last night, General Dwight Eisenhower urged that United States Congress should place no limit on the number of forces to be sent to Europe. "One unit now would be equivalent to two or three later," he said. Great Britain, Eisenhower admitted, was "contributing powerfully" to the western effort.

Strike Makes
Many Jobless

CHICAGO — Federal court action and urging from the White House brought no indication today of an early back-to-work move by "sick" striking American railroad switchmen. No break appeared in the crippling walkout over a long-standing wage-hour dispute. Efforts to reach a settlement were taken by the national mediation board in Washington. The strike threatened to strangle many war and civilian operations. The number of workers idle in other industries soared past 150,000.

NEW ORLEANS
HAVING SNOW

NEW ORLEANS — It snowed yesterday in this far south United States city which seldom sees snow.

COMBINATION
ARENA FAVORED

Of 56 ballots received so far at the Daily News office in the Ice Arena poll, 50 favor the combination skating and curling rink idea. The choice between a \$250,000 and \$75,000 project is almost evenly divided—27 to 25.

Ready for Battle—

Pats Make
Final Test

PUSAN, Korea — Canadian troops in Korea dug in today for "Operation Maple Leaf" which will determine their readiness for battle. The Princess Patricia's left their camp at dusk last night, marched to a mountain four miles distant, scaled it and proceeded to establish positions. It was bitterly cold and most of the men abandoned attempts to slit trenches in the frozen rock-ridden soil and, instead, built hiding places, using stones, branches and rice straw.

'Xmas For
Sioux Men

ESQUIMALT—When the Canadian destroyer Sioux arrives here Sunday from tour of action in Korea, Christmas 1950 will be re-enacted. Santa Claus will be on hand to take part in the welcome to officers and men. There will be turkey dinners and presents will be found under many belated Christmas trees. Chief Petty Officer Ted Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mills of Prince Rupert, is aboard Sioux.

Strike Affects
Airway Traffic

TORONTO — Repercussions of a wildcat strike of 10,000 United States switchmen were felt today to a degree in Canada. Freight and passenger trains bound for the United States were curtailed in some regions, but no layoffs were foreseen by Canadian National Railways and Canadian Pacific Railway as a result of the walkout. Meanwhile, Trans-Canada Airlines flights leaving Montreal and Toronto reported an increase in the number of people flying to the United States.

HOCKEY
scores

Pacific Coast
Vancouver 4, Portland 3
New Westminster 2, Victoria 2 (tie)
Okanagan-Mainline
Kerrisdale 5, Nanaimo 4 (over-time).

WORLD CRISIS DANGEROUS BUT NOT
HOPELESS, PEARSON TELLS COMMONS

Truman Is
Optimistic

PHILADELPHIA — President Truman said today that "the good reason to hope" another world war can be avoided if we can get over the present crisis successfully. But the United States, the President added in a speech here, "cannot lead the forces of freedom from behind. We have a tremendous responsibility to lead and not to hang back." The job in hand, Mr. Truman said, was to "restrain aggression before it bursts into another world war." "We are working with other nations to create a rule of law in the world," he added.

In Korea—

Advance
On Seoul
Going On

TOKYO — Allied forces were today reported less than seven miles from bomb-ravaged, fire-blackened Seoul. Earl D. Johnson, United States assistant secretary of the army, said he had visited the troops within that distance southwest of the former South Korean capital. His trip indicated that United Nations elements actually were even closer than seven miles. Battles raged along the western sector late today. Johnson, making a personal inspection tour of the tenth day of the Allied limited offensive, said he saw "Chinese bodies all over the place."

While United Nations units pushed northward, Red China's foreign minister, Chou En Lai, broadcast from Peking that Communist China will ignore the good offices committee of the United Nations which has declared China the aggressor in Korea. Chou accused the United States and "its accomplices" of wanting war and blocking the path to a peaceful settlement in Korea. Aside from the sector visited by Johnson, the picture of the western battle in regard to Seoul was not clear. Associated Press Correspondent Stan Swinton said one United Nations force has stabbed through Tosamgo, seven miles south of the Han River and 10 miles south of Seoul, in a shooting foray behind enemy lines. Other Allied troops have driven to within a mile and a half south of Anyang—a gain of more than a mile—against bitter Communist resistance.

London Hopes
For Cease Fire

LONDON — Great Britain will continue to press for the United Nations to attempt to negotiate a cease fire in Korea despite Communist China's rejection of the proposal, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

Natives In Murder Case

Incidents At Port Simpson Are Recounted

The preliminary hearing of the charge of murder against Harold Ryan in connection with the death of Loraine Tait at Port Simpson December 23 was adjourned to February 9 by Magistrate W. D. Vance yesterday. Examination of the boat West-erly will take place at that time and expert evidence of the police will be presented, as well as that of a doctor. Some fifteen native witnesses were heard in the course of the day-long hearing yesterday. Third witness for the Crown, Robert W. Sankey, said he was in the city December 23 with his family doing Christmas shopping. He had not seen Ryan in town but had seen him in his boat. Wilfred Nott was on his (witness') boat and transferred to Ryan's at the Standard Oil pier. Witness followed Ryan to Port Simpson, he said, and secured his boat to Ryan's there. Ryan told him he was 15 minutes behind in reaching Port Simpson. Crossing Ryan's boat to get ashore, he had stopped to talk. He had asked Miss Tait how long it would be before she was coming up to her house. Everyone was "happy" when he had talked to them. Miss Tait was his sister-in-law and he had raised her until she went away to school. Witness did not see her after her death, but recognized a picture marked "A" for identification. He had nothing to drink with the couple. Wilbur Nott and Alfred Wesley left the boat before he got aboard. On cross-examination witness said Ryan was on deck and Miss Tait was in the doorway when he was talking to them. He had not seen the boat on the trip to Port Simpson except for the signal flashed that the bar was not to be crossed. No sea was running, but it had rained nearly all the way across until they reached Port Simpson. The engine was not running. He and his family went home directly on leaving the boat. The name of his own boat was the "Eileen S," witness said.

GOOD SPIRITS

Donald Sankey said he was called by Ryan to his boat on the evening of December 23. While he was crossing the boats between the float and the West-erly (Ryan's boat), Ryan started toward the float. On one of the intervening boats, Ryan had tussled with him in good spirit. He had never seen accused drunk. He did not see Loraine Tait on the boat. He did not see any lights on the West-erly. The time was close to eight o'clock. He saw no one else around. Cross-examined, witness said

WEATHER

Synopsis
Overnight temperatures ranged from ten to twenty-five degrees above zero over the interior of British Columbia and from 32 to 40 along the coast. Moist Pacific air continues to pour into the province from the west and considerable cloudiness is expected to persist in almost all regions. Showers will occur from time to time in the coastal areas. Snow now falling in the Cariboo is expected to end during the afternoon. It will be a little colder in those regions tonight but little change in temperature is expected over the southern half of the province in the next 24 to 48 hours.

Forecast

North coast region — Cloudy with scattered showers today. Cloudy and a little colder Sunday. Winds, light. Lows tonight and highs Sunday — At Port Hardy, 32 and 38; Sandspit, 28 and 38; Prince Rupert, 26 and 38.

TIDES

Sunday, February 4, 1951
High 0:10 18.3 feet
11:45 21.7 feet
Low 5:43 8.5 feet
18:32 1.9 feet

West Europe
Is Still Key
To Situation

OTTAWA (CP) — The free world is entering a period of greatest danger but has the means of averting war, External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson told the House of Commons yesterday. Cautious confidence was the keynote of the minister's appraisal of the international emergency, given as he stepped into the annual Throne Speech debate to review developments in the foreign field. Pearson said that western Europe is still relatively weak and open to Soviet conquest. In that area lay the greatest danger to the free world. Hope of coming through safely lay in growing collective strength and, "if we use that strength wisely, we do not need to fear."

HEARD SOUNDS

Ruby Eleanor Dudoward, 14, said she was walking on the dock with Ruth Wesley between 10:30 and 11 p.m. that evening. She saw the West-erly drifting in the bay about 50 feet from the dock. Robert Sankey's boat was also drifting. She said she heard sounds like dishes and other things being thrown coming from the boat. She said she heard a voice like Loraine Tait's saying, "Leave me alone." She had also heard another voice, which she thought was Harold Ryan's. She heard no other noise from the boat at that time. Later the girl heard a splash in the water near the West-erly. She saw some one in the water. The person had moved a little at first but not much. Two people in a rowboat took the person into the boat and returned to the shore with it. She saw the body in the skiff and recognized it as that of Loraine Tait. She did not know if the engine on the West-erly was running or not. Before she heard the splash, she had heard Larry Ryan call to the dock asking Harold to bring the boat in and tie it up. She said she heard a reply: "Shut up or you'll be the next." The West-erly did not come into the dock. It was a bright night and she could see clearly. On cross-examination witness said she did not see Harold Ryan after she heard the splash. She indicated a house out the window of the court room to show how far away the boat was at the time. She saw some people in a skiff take a body out of the water. Loraine "hollered" twice after she hit the water, witness said. The water was deep. The people in the boat took the body up on the beach. (Continued on page 3)

No Decision On
Thirty-Eighth

WASHINGTON D. C. — There has been no clarification as yet of reports, supposedly from responsible United States authorities, that decision has been reached to halt the United Nations forces short of the 38th parallel—if they can drive that far north. No new decision has been made in connection with the matter, said one source last night. It is all implication. Nevertheless, there are continued indications that the United States is ready, possibly with such an undertaking, to keep the way open for possible diplomatic settlement of the Korean war. The 38th parallel is thirty-miles north of Seoul and the United Nations forces, in their latest advance, are seven miles or less from Seoul now.

Air Passengers

From Vancouver (Friday) — Mr. Blain, Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Spiers, D. Souther, P. Thomas, F. Carlson, F. M. Boulton. From Sandspit (Friday) — H. Hale. To Vancouver (today) — D. Payne, Mr. Leggart, L. McPhee, Mrs. L. McPhee, N. Howatt, D. W. Rogers, L. E. Hight, S. E. Espley.

TODAY'S STOCKS

VANCOUVER		TORONTO	
American Standard	36½	Athons	08½
Bralorne	6.70	Aumaque	29
B. R. X.	04½	Beattie	66
Cariboo Quartz	1.20	Beycourt	55
Congress	08	Bobjo	16½
Hedley Mascot	62	Buffalo Canadian	30
Pend Oreille	9.00	C. M. & S.	149.00
Pioneer	2.21	Conwest	2.39
Premier Border	09	Donalda	56
Privateer	09½	Eldona	30
Reeves McDonald	4.50	East Sullivan	9.50
Reno	07	Giant Yellowknife	7.00
Sheep Creek	1.67	God's Lake	52
Silbak Premier	30	Hardrock	33½
Taku River	09	Harricana	14
Vananda	10½	Heva	15½
Salmon Gold	03½	Hosco	08
Spud Valley	04	Joliet Quebec	86
Silver Standard	2.80	Lake Rowan	08
Western Uranium	1.70	Little Long Lac	90
Oils		Lynx	16
Anglo Canadian	5.70	Madsen Red Lake	2.70
A. P. Con.	42	McKenzie Red Lake	44
Atlantic	2.80	McLeod Cockshutt	3.75
Calmont	1.15	Moneta	39
C. & E.	12.65	Negus	1.00
Central Leduc	2.60	Noranda	79.00
Home Oil	16.50	Louvicourt	27½
Mercury	14	Pickicrow	1.74
Okalta	2.60	San Antonio	2.75
Pacific Pete	8.75	Senator Rouyn	24½
Princess	1.52	Sherritt Gordon	4.30
Royal Canadian	10½	Sturgeon River	15
Royalite	14.00	Silver Miller	1.20