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**Charles Wins
By Knockout**

PORTLAND — Former Heavyweight Champion Ezzard Charles, 189 pounds, knocked out Joe Butch of Woodburn, Oregon, 1-40 in the eighth round of a scheduled 12-round bout here on Saturday night.

**Old Country
FOOTBALL**

- English League, Div. 1
Aston 2, Wolverhampton Wanderers 2 (tie)
Blackpool 3, Huddersfield Town 1
Bolton Wanderers 1, Stoke City 1 (tie)
Charlton Athletic 0, Portsmouth 2
Derby County 1, Aston Villa 1 (tie)
Fulham 1, Burnley 2
Liverpool 1, Chelsea 1 (tie)
Manchester City 3, Sunderland 1
Middlebrough 2, Preston North End 5
Newcastle United 2, Manchester United 2 (tie)
West Bromwich Albion 3, Tottenham Hotspur 1
Division II
Birmingham City 2, Leicester City 0
Blackburn Rovers 3, West Ham United 1
Cardiff City 4, Nottingham Forest 1
Hull City 2, Sheffield United 1
Leeds United 0, Doncaster Rovers 0 (tie)
Luton Town 2, Bury 1
Notts County 2, Swansea Town 0
Queens Park Rangers 1, Coventry City 4
Rotherham United 1, Brentwood 1 (tie)
Sheffield Wednesday 4, Everton 0
Southampton 1, Barnsley 1 (tie)
Scottish League, Div. I
Airdrieonians 2, Third Lanark 1
Dundee 2, Motherwell 2 (tie)
Dundee 4, Stirling Albion 1
Hibernian 5, Raith Rovers 0
Partick Thistle 1, Rangers 3
Queen of the South 4, Morton 1
St. Mirren 3, Aberdeen 1
East Fife 2, Hearts 4

Hockey Scores

- Pacific Coast
Seattle 4, Victoria 4
Saskatoon 4, Edmonton 5
Pacific Coast—Amateur
Nanaimo 1, Kerrisdale 3

**Carry War
Into China**

LONDON (CP) — The British government is urgently examining a United States proposal for possible extension of the war into Chinese territory should a Korean truce be agreed to and then violated by the Communists, it was learned today.

**Brief Recess
For House**

OTTAWA — A reluctant House of Commons, stalled in efforts to get an early decision on the government's anti-resale price-fixing legislation, decided late Friday to take a brief Christmas holiday and come back Thursday, December 27.

**Where Is
Uncle Joe?**

LONDON — Joseph Stalin's 52nd birthday was celebrated Friday behind the Iron Curtain but there was no clue in Moscow reports as to the present whereabouts of the Premier.

Should Keep Infantry at Home—Pearkes

Churchill Faces Big Task as Year Closes

LONDON (CP)—Britain acknowledged in 1951 that she could not carry out her £4,700,000,000 rearmament program in the three years originally allotted, but will arm as quickly as she can "with the idea of deterrents rather than the idea of danger."

The announcement came from Prime Minister Winston Churchill at the close of a year in which the British lion found its tail energetically twisted in Iran and Egypt, looked uneasily at growing United States air strength in East Anglia and came into conflict with her own western partners over the question of arms standardization and military commands under the North Atlantic Treaty.

As 1951 drew to a close, Britain also found herself under growing criticism in Europe and the United States for her stand-offish attitude toward European federation.

On the credit side, the United Kingdom won recognition in an official North Atlantic report as one of the few countries judged to be contributing all possible support to the common defence effort. This report said it was felt Canada could do more.

Domestically, the country showed its determination to be prepared with announcement that the wartime Home Guard is to be revived and that a naval mine-watching organization will be recruited.

FAIR-FLUNG BATTLEFRONTS

British troops were on the move throughout the year. In Korea, exploits of the gallant Gloucestershire Regiment and the King's Own Scottish Borderers went far to support a statement by Field Marshal William Slim, chief of the general staff, that the British soldier is the best in the world. First man to win the Victoria Cross in Korea was Maj. Kenneth Muir, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who received the award posthumously.

Paratroopers flew into Iran in mid-summer but were flown out again as the Iranian government insisted on its law nationalizing the oil fields and the refinery built by British-owned Anglo-Iranian Company. Loss of the oil revenues caused a sharp strain on Britain's balance of payments.

In the steaming jungles of Malaya, the "bandits" who for

**Native Is Shot
At Ft. Babine**

An Indian is reported to have been shot at Fort Babine yesterday. No further information was available today but RCMP here say the case is being investigated by Burns Lake police who left the interior town by plane this morning.

**Alida Johnson
Traffic Victim**

A well known city telephone operator is in Prince Rupert General Hospital after being struck by an automobile Tuesday evening at the top of Fulton Street. She is Miss Alida Johnson, 719 Lotbiniere Avenue, suffering from shock, bruises and possible internal injuries.

Police said driver of the car was Arthur T. Hanberg, 252 Ninth Avenue East. The case is still under investigation.

**Mayor-Elect
Takes Oath**

Mayor-elect Harold S. Whalen took his oath of office yesterday before City Clerk R. W. Long. Several newly elected aldermen and one parks board commissioner also were sworn in. They were Ald. George Casey, T. Norrington Youngs, and J. W. Prusky (council); and C. P. Balagno (as parks board.)

**Would Separate
Departments**

VANCOUVER — Whether the present provincial government Department of Lands and Forests should be separated into two divisions, each with its own cabinet minister is one of the questions which will be debated at the Truck Loggers' Association ninth annual convention in Vancouver next month.

In our early history, when forestry was relatively unimportant, the union of the Department of Lands and Forests was a logical one," says association president J. W. Baikie. "With the expansion of our provincial economy, over the years, the problems of administration have become more acute. There is a belief that the operation of these two complex divisions should be separated for greater efficiency.

The year's final review of British defence was given to the House of Commons early in December by Premier Churchill. His general message was that the danger of war seems to be reduced, although the country will not be able completely to fill all its target under the original three-year £4,700,000,000 arms budget.

On home defence, the Prime Minister said the country should conjure up for any potential paratroopers the picture of "the back of a hedgehog rather than the paunch of a rabbit."

He said the greatest concern in rearmament is caused by the slow process in developing the RAF, particularly in the supply of the latest machines. In this respect it had previously been hinted that aircraft construction was lagging, largely because of a lack of skilled manpower. One of the country's big problems is to find the 500,000 workers needed for various armament factories.

On the vexed question of a supreme commander for Allied forces in the Atlantic, Churchill showed himself still unconvinced by American arguments. He said it wasn't a question of national pride but of good working arrangements on which salvation might depend.

On Anglo-American differences of opinion over whether the Allied armies should adopt the British or American rifle, Churchill emphasized the need of a harmonious long-term plan. But he did say he thinks the British 280 may be the best yet made.

Churchill closed with an unexpected tribute to the "sterling patriotism" of Emanuel Shinwell, former Socialist defence minister and long one of his principal foes in Parliament. The kind words to Shinwell, coupled with Churchill's soft treatment of former Labor Minister Aneurin Bevan, led political observers to believe one of the premier's principal objectives is to win national support of defence policy.

He may also be seeking to clear himself of charges of "warmongering" — charges levelled by some socialists before the October general election, and criticized by many responsible commentators as among the most unscrupulous in modern British politics.

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**Natives to
Vote Soon**

January is election month for the natives in Indian villages in B.C. and for the first time Indian women have the right to vote for their own chief councillor and councilmen. This provision is made under the new Indian Act.

Prince Rupert Indian Superintendent F. E. Anfield said today 10 villages in his district will have elections. He is returning officer and no election can be held without his supervision.

Another new provision under the Act is election of chief councillor in a separate vote. Under the old version, chiefs were appointed from the body of elected councillors.

First on the list for election is Hatzley Bay, on January 12, followed by Kikkatia, January 14, and Port Simpson, January 17.

One councillor is elected for each 100 people in the village. Eligible persons must be 21 or over, reside on the reserve and must be "persons of good report."

Indians are heavy voters, says Mr. Anfield and an extra heavy turnout is expected this year due to the women's vote and an increased interest in civic affairs.

**West Coast
Lodge Burns**

BAMFIELD — A \$50,000 fire destroyed Bamfield Lodge at this west coast of Vancouver Island outpost Thursday night. Manager Orval Brickman was the only person injured.

**B.C. Power Commission
Plans More Expansion;
North Gets Attention**

VICTORIA — More relatively remote areas of British Columbia may have electricity before too long, it was indicated in the B. C. Power Commission's annual report for its sixth year of operation.

During the past fiscal year investigations were made into the possibility of supplying the communities at Queen Charlotte City and Skidegate, both on the Queen Charlotte Islands, and at Port St. James.

In the fiscal year, two new power districts were added by the Commission—Merritt in the central interior and Houston on the Bulkley River south of Smithers.

Since the end of the year, Hope and Lillooet districts have been transferred to the B. C. Electric Company.

Also since March 31, a new power district has been set up on the west coast of Vancouver Island serving the Tofino-Ucluelet area. The generating plant there purchased from the War Assets Corporation, formerly provided power for the RCAF station at Tofino airport. It has been rehabilitated and now has a generating capacity of 300 kilowatts.

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**Manpower Least of
Europe's Troubles,
Says V.C. General**

PARIS (CP) — Major General G. R. Pearkes, Canadian delegate to the United Nations, said today that the Canadian government policy of sending infantry troops to Europe is "unwarranted."

**Negotiating
Salary Scale**

Having made an offer to adhere to the British Columbia Teachers' Federation schedule or give a \$375 increase across the board, school trustees met last night to consider certain adjustments proposed by the teachers.

Decision was to stand by the offer without changes and, accordingly, the matter was sent back to the teachers.

The negotiations cover the 1952 scale.

**King's Message
In Transcription**

LONDON — Buckingham Palace announced Friday night that the King's Christmas Day message to the Commonwealth will be recorded because the monarch's voice is still too weak for "live" transmission.

It will be the first time a recording has been used in the traditional Christmas Day message.

**United Nations
Back Up States**

PARIS — The United Nations political committee gave the United States a vote of confidence yesterday by rejecting Russian charges that the United States is supporting anti-Kremlin plotters on Soviet soil.

The vote was 39 against the Russian resolution, five for it and eleven abstentions.

**David Musgrave,
Simpson, Dies**

A well-known resident of Port Simpson died suddenly at his home yesterday just prior to his intended departure for Prince Rupert to do his Christmas shopping. David William Musgrave, 55, suffered a heart attack.

He is survived by his widow, Susan; his daughter, Marietta, and his mother, Mrs. Elhel Musgrave, all of Port Simpson.

Funeral will be held tomorrow at the Grace United Church at Port Simpson, conducted by Rev. T. C. Colwell.

**Natives Are
Ruled Out**

VICTORIA — The Liquor Control Board has ruled Indians excluded from veterans' or other private clubs selling intoxicants.

Don McGugan, liquor commissioner, confirmed this Friday after an Indian and a W.A.C. veteran were refused membership in the North Vancouver Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans' Club.

**Million Killed
By Automobiles**

NEW YORK — The United States traffic death toll since the advent of the automobile reached the one million mark today.

The millionth victim was Miss Elma Wischmeier, aged 52, who died in a Cleveland hospital.

**Vice-Premier of
Czechoslovakia**

LONDON — A new reshuffle of Czechoslovakia's Communist government today sent Planning Minister Jaromir Dolansky into the post of Vice-Premier.

Dolansky, former chairman of the State Planning Office, replaces Rudolph Slansky, who was ousted last month as a Trotskyite spy.

Prague radio said that Dolansky was sworn in this morning with three others to new ministries in the fast-changing government of Czechoslovakia.

**Threatened
Cook, Fined**

A Kemano Bay logger was fined \$20 in police court here yesterday for threatening a cook who wouldn't fry a steak after dinner hours.

Appearing before Stipendiary Magistrate Don Forward, E. Lansbury, flown in to Prince Rupert from Kemano under police escort, pleaded guilty to common assault.

**Fort St. John
Well Yields
25-30 Barrels**

VICTORIA — Tests at Pacific Petroleum Limited Port St. John No. 1 well, British Columbia's first oil well, show it capable of 25 to 30 barrels a day flow plus a small quantity of gas.

Hon. E. T. Kenney, minister of lands, said Friday he had received word of tests from Frank McMahon, president of Pacific Petroleum.

Operations have been suspended awaiting better weather.

After the holiday season, a service rig will be moved there in the effort to make the well a commercial producer.

**Sixty Miners Perish
In Illinois Disaster**

Victims of Methane Gas Five Hundred Feet Underground

WEST FRANKFORT, Illinois (CP)—Sixty or more coal miners, trapped in an underground explosion, were feared dead today as rescue workers labored frantically to reach them. Only five bodies were recovered but both mine and state officials held little hope that any of the men had survived the blast.

State Mine Director Walter Eadie said that at least 60 men had been entombed 500 feet below the earth and some two miles back from the shaft.

Grim-faced rescue workers thought there were at least 100 caught in the blocked soft coal pit.

The explosion came less than an hour after the night shift of 220 men had reported for work at 8:30 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) yesterday.

Rescue workers, some wearing gas masks, were impeded by foul air as they timbered their way toward the trapped men.

The blast, believed to have been set off by methane or marsh gas knocked out a cross-section of airlocks in the vast workings of the Chicago, Wilmington & Franklin No. 2 mine.

Because of the shattered concrete airlocks, fresh air from

— TIDES —
Sunday, December 23, 1951
High 8:31 19.0 feet
21:24 16.0 feet
Low 2:02 8.6 feet
15:19 7.2 feet