



TO FACT BOARD—Evan W. T. O'Donnell, counsellor in the office of the Canadian high commission in London, has been named to the new Atlantic Defence Board. Mr. Gill joined the external affairs department in March, 1950. Previously he served in Ottawa as secretary to the cabinet defence committee and the chiefs of staff committee.

Logging Camps Closing Down

VANCOUVER — The closing down of logging camps on the coast, due chiefly to heavy snowfalls, is increasing the number of unemployed in Vancouver.

It is said that, within the past few days, no fewer than seven hundred young men have arrived in Vancouver and more keep coming and some have already started hunting longshore jobs. Some of the logging camps may not re-open until April.

Resourceful After Snake Bite

PORT PIERCE, B.C. — When a snake, a night watchman, was bitten by a rattlesnake he was resourceful. He disconnected a tube leading to the vacuum-type windshield wiper and used it to suck the venom from the wound.

It was soon back at work. No harm was done except a swollen hand and arm.

Watching For Counterfeits

VANCOUVER — As a consequence of a counterfeit bill scare in Vancouver, cities elsewhere on the coast are turning more cautious, as to acceptance of some of the money that starts local circulation. In Vancouver, bogus cash complaints came from two pharmacies. There have been nine false money notes. These were American, in tens and twenties. The RCMP are of the opinion that one man is responsible, not a gang.

Georgic Returning To Atlantic Run

LONDON — The 27,469-ton liner Georgic is to be returned temporarily to transatlantic service, the Cunard Steamship Company has announced. The Georgic is now carrying British emigrants to Australia.

Give Chinese Atom Bomb, Says General

Speaking For Himself, White House Suggests

MARCH AIR BASE, California (CP)—Use of the most effective weapon—the atom bomb—against Red China was recommended here by Major General Emmett O'Donnell who has just returned from the Far East bombing command.

"I think we'd be very effective with the ultimate weapon against China," said the general.

Asked by a reporter to define the "ultimate weapon," the general replied: "The atomic bomb."

"They'll understand the lash when it's put to them," General

O'Donnell said.

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Condemning China As Aggressor Is Deferred

Letter Carrier Service In Prince Rupert Near

Reassuring Word Received From Postmaster General

Prince Rupert is very close to complying with the requirements for the inauguration of letter carrier delivery service in the city, according to a gratifying communication which has been received from Hon. G. Edouard Rinfret, Postmaster General, by the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce. As soon as the remaining requirements are met, it is expected the long-desired service will be instituted.

Frank Almond Suffers Defeat

VANCOUVER — Nick Smith of Los Angeles last night handed Frank Almond his first defeat, winning by a ninth-round technical knockout over the Canadian featherweight champion.

The Vancouver fighter went down twice for the count of nine in a bout scheduled for ten rounds.

Almond's title was not at stake.

May Call More Yanks To Arms

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Admiral Forrest P. Sherman testified today that, unless international conditions improve, "it will probably be necessary to increase the United States fighting forces above the present goals of close to 3,500,000 men."

Sherman, member of the joint chiefs of staff, gave this "personal opinion" to the Senate preparedness sub-committee.

Cold Hits Fairbanks

FAIRBANKS — A severe cold wave—the mercury hitting 52 below zero here during the night—has gripped Alaska for the last week.

Merchants and hotel and apartment dwellers report increasing hardships as the Fairbanks steam-generating plant was taxed to capacity to provide heat.

Dense icy fogs have hampered plane services and most stores have exhausted their supplies of perishables, fresh meat, milk and eggs. There are, however, plenty of staples but no fresh foods.

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Union steamer Chilcotin, Capt. H. E. McLean, arrived in port at 12:50 p.m. Friday enroute from Vancouver to Masset. Disembarking here were Mrs. R. W. Martin and children, Susan and Douglas, W. E. McLean, D. H. Arney, R. Cathro, D. Eby, E. Swift, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson and L. Morrison.



STORM CENTRE—Storm which hit Vancouver Island Monday lashes water of inner harbor at Victoria. Winds reached 80 miles an hour. Power lines were torn down, creating a partial blackout, and about 30 persons were injured.

Would Declare Title Vacant

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Boxing Commission voted yesterday to ask the National Boxing Association to declare the light-heavyweight championship vacant because the titleholder, Joey Maxim of Cleveland, has not defended his crown in six months.

The local commission's request will be presented to the National Boxing Association executive meeting in Indianapolis on January 27.

Pats Make First Hit

MIRYANG — Two Korean Communists, the first of the enemy to be killed by the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Korea, fell before the sights of Cpl. William Arnold O'Brien of Pictou, New Brunswick.

O'Brien drew his deadly bead Wednesday during a three-day anti-guerrilla operation by a company led by Major Vince Lilley of Hamilton.

O'Brien's victims were couriers to a band of 50 guerrillas who were surrounded in the hills.

Americans Murdered

EAST-CENTRAL FRONT, Korea — The bodies of ten American soldiers, nine of them apparently murdered by their North Korean captors, were found today by a United Nations patrol.

One soldier had, apparently, died of his battle wounds. All murdered men were shot through the head.

The death weapons used were identified as Russian-made "burp" guns and machine-guns.

Whether the plunge was accidental or deliberate was not known.

A radio message from the plane, enroute from San Francisco to Honolulu, said Smith had removed the right escape hatch and leaped from the plane "while it was flying at 7,000 feet, 750 miles off the Pacific Coast."

Dead Soldier Penticton Man

TACOMA — A Canadian soldier was killed and seven other men including another Canadian were injured yesterday in an automobile accident.

The Canadians were members of Canada's Korean brigade stationed at Fort Lewis.

The dead soldier is Staff Sergeant William A. Rathbun, aged 36, son of Major W. A. Rathbun of Penticton.

Trooper Ivan Conroy, 26, of Verdun, Quebec, was injured.

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U.N. Back In Wonju

EDMONTON — Edmonton had its coldest night so far this winter when the temperature dropped to 27 below zero. Grande Prairie was the coldest point in the province with 40 below.

Fire Chief Quits

PORT ALBERNI — Objecting to "certain statements, innuendoes and threats," Fire Chief W. F. Venables has resigned. The entire department may also resign, it is said.

Eleven Dead In Coal Mine Blast

KERMIT, West Virginia — Eleven men died and two more were injured when an explosion ripped through the Burning Springs mine here yesterday. "Gaseous condition" was blamed for the blast.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bennett, Masset, are returning home tonight on the Chilcotin after a visit here.

WEATHER

Synopsis

Snow fell in most southern sections of the province overnight as another weak Pacific storm moved inland. Some clearing took place this morning over southern Vancouver Island and is expected to spread to the lower mainland during the afternoon.

In the Cariboo clear cool weather prevails and temperatures in this area fell overnight to as low as 25 below zero.

Another Pacific storm is developing about fifteen hundred miles west of the coast and is expected to bring more snow to the southern coastal sections of the province by Saturday night.

Forecast

North coast region—Variable cloudiness today and Saturday. Occasional snow flurries. Continuing cool. Winds northerly, 15 miles per hour. Lows tonight and highs Saturday—At Port Hardy, 22 and 35; Sandspit, 20 and 35; Prince Rupert, 20 and 30.

No one was injured Thursday afternoon when an automobile driven by Don Ritchie was in collision with a taxi on the Port Edward road about a mile from Port Edward.

Norman Nelson sails on the Chilcotin tonight for a business trip to Masset.

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Move Criticized In United States House

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CP)—Resolution calling on the United Nations to brand Communist China an aggressor in Korea was blocked temporarily in the House of Representatives today after a Republican member attacked it as being equivalent to a declaration of war.

Uganda To Come Back

HALIFAX — Hon. Brooke Claxton, minister of national defence, indicated last night that the 8800-ton cruiser Uganda is going to be brought out of mothballs.

Mr. Claxton said: "The Navy will accelerate its program of refitting, rearming and commissioning all existing ships" in addition to preparing to handle new warships now being built.

The minister named no ships but "all existing ships" would include the Uganda, which has long been in mothballs at Esquimalt.

Claxton's Warning— "Business As Usual" Is Over

HALIFAX — Canada's business-as-usual era is over, Defence Minister Brooke Claxton said last night for all to hear. It may be gone for a generation.

For the second time since the Korean fighting started, Claxton told the Halifax Board of Trade that the government is going to give the defence effort major acceleration. It will have "a big effect on the civilian economy."

Defence costs are going to soar "very much higher" than this year's record of \$860,000,000.

Canadians will have to "do without a lot of things all of us would like to have," the minister said.

Manpower will be needed in increasing numbers. The country will move more and more toward war footing.

Because Russia aims at "unlimited expansion" and has shown increasing willingness to risk general war, "we are going to have far more business than usual and it is going to put pressure on resources of manpower and raw materials and productive capacity of this country."

C.P.R. Says It's Losing

Case for Higher Freight Rates Starts

OTTAWA — Opening the bid of the Canadian railways for another freight rate increase, the Canadian Pacific Railway today told the Board of Transport Commissioners that it had a "revenue deficiency" in 1950 on rail operations.

Launching a case for a five-per-cent general increase, the company submitted figures indicating its 1950 revenue fell short by \$2,990,000 of meeting the company's financial standard prescribed by the board a year ago.

Had the current wage levels and prices of materials been in effect for all 1950, the company contended, the deficiency would have been \$12,507,000.

The Canadian Pacific is Canada's "yardstick" line. The board sets freight rates on the basis of its financial requirements. "Deficiency" is based on the company being allowed net income of about \$46,000,000 a year to cover fixed charges, dividends and surplus.

Miners Get Wage Boost

WASHINGTON D.C. — John L. Lewis and representatives of virtually the entire United States soft coal industry agreed today on a voluntary pay increase of \$1.60 daily—without a strike being called.

The boost would raise 400,000 soft coal miners' basic daily wage from \$14.75 to \$16.35.

The operators said it will have to be accompanied by an increase of five or six percent—maybe more—in the price of coal.

Mrs. Violet Frandle, 1158 Park Avenue, returned from Vancouver Tuesday where he had been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Pearl Donaldson.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.)

VANCOUVER		TORONTO	
American Standard	33	Athlona	7 1/2
Bralorne	7.50	Auracque	31
B.R.X.	4 1/2	Beattie	70
Cariboo Quartz	1.25		
Hedley Mascot	.52		
Pacific Eastern	.05		
Pend Oreille	8.90		
Pioneer	2.40		
Premier Border	.08		
Privateer	.07		
Reeves McDonald	4.80		
Sheep Creek	1.50		
Silbak Premier	.29		
Taku River	.05		
Vananda	.13		
Salmon Gold	.03		
Spud Valley	.04		
Silver Standard	2.88		
Western Uranium	1.45		
Oils—		Oils—	
A.P. Con	.39		
Atlantic	2.50		
Calmont	.90		
C & E	9.60		
Central Leduc	2.28		
Home Oil	15.50		
Okalta	2.30		
Pacific Pete	8.25		
Princess	1.65		
Royal Canadian	.10		
Bevcourt		Bevcourt	
	49 1/2		49 1/2
Bobjo	.14		.14
Buffalo Canadian	24 1/2		24 1/2
Consol. Smelters	132.00		132.00
Conwest	2.00		2.00
Donalda	.59		.59
Eldona	25 1/2		25 1/2
East Sullivan	9.15		9.15
Giant Yellowknife	7.50		7.50
God's Lake	.44		.44
Hardrock	.31		.31
Harricana	.10		.10
Heva	8 1/2		8 1/2
Hosco	.6 1/2		.6 1/2
Jackknife	.5 1/2		.5 1/2
Joliet Quebec	82 1/2		82 1/2
Lake Rowan	.6 1/2		.6 1/2
Lapaska	4 1/4		4 1/4
Little Long Lac	.93		.93
Lynx	.16		.16
Madsen Red Lake	2.65		2.65
McKenzie Red Lake	.48		.48
McLeod Cockshutt	2.60		2.60
Moneta	.39		.39
Negus	1.20		1.20
Noranda	78.00		78.00
Louvicourt	.25		.25
Pickle Crow	1.84		1.84
Regecourt	5 1/2		5 1/2
San Antonio	2.95		2.95
Senator Rouyn	.22		.22
Sheritt Gordon	3.40		3.40
Steep Rock	8.75		8.75
Silver Miller	1.05		1.05
Upper Canada	2.06		2.06