

Nothing To Stop General MacArthur

Commander Free Cross 38th Line

LONDON. — In an important pronouncement the Minister of State told Parliament that Douglas MacArthur cannot be bound to stay the 38th parallel in the Korean war.

However, such a crossing might have significant political and military reactions.

The British stand to now had presumably been that the 38th parallel should not be re-crossed.

The United States official stand had been in favor of a free hand for MacArthur.

Twenty-Seven Die in Crash

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia (CP) — A Colombian Air Lines plane crashed near the village of Hatoneuvo in Bolivar Department yesterday, killing twenty-seven persons. Search parties arrived on the scene last night and found all aboard killed.

Hiss Starts Prison Term

NEW YORK (CP) — Alger Hiss, one-time bright young star of President Roosevelt's New Deal, surrendered today to begin serving a five-year prison term for perjury.

The 46-year-old former high State Department official, his appeals to higher courts rejected, gave himself up to Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard.

Hiss was convicted January 21, 1950, on two counts of perjury. The conviction, in fact, branded him a liar and a traitor who betrayed his country by turning over government secrets to Whitaker Chambers, admitted courier of Communist spy ring.

Entertain N.Z. Envoy

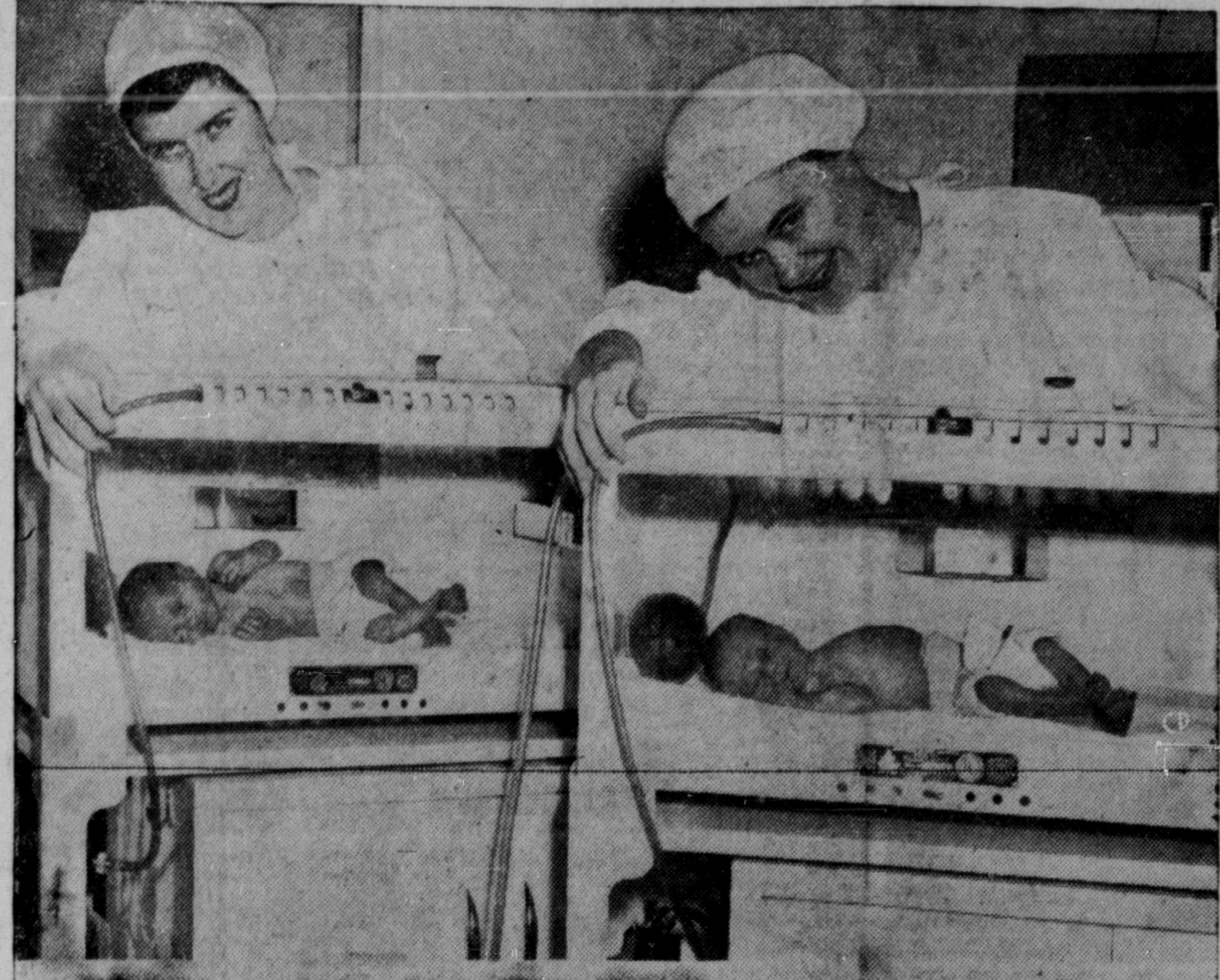
Civic entertainment for Hon. T. C. A. Hislop, New Zealand high commissioner to Canada, and his party included a motor tour yesterday afternoon around the city and to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. plant and the Columbia Cellulose plant at Watson Island, Mayor G. W. Rudderham was official host, assisted by Ald. Douglas Frizzell and J. Harry Black.

This evening there will be a small dinner at the Canadian Legion by the city and the Legion. Later in the evening the party will sail for Vancouver on the steamer Prince Rupert.

TODAY'S STOCKS

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

VANCOUVER	
Standard	30
30	6.50
0.04	0.04
Quartz	1.25
0.08	0.08
Mascot	0.60
0.230	2.30
0.13	0.13
0.08 1/2	0.08 1/2
0.05 1/2	0.05 1/2
1.61	1.61
0.35	0.35
0.06 1/2	0.06 1/2
0.15	0.15
0.04 1/2	0.04 1/2
2.60	2.60
1.80	1.80
0.22	0.22
TORONTO	
0.08	0.08
0.21	0.21



FLYING TWINS—These premature twins, a girl and a boy, were flown from Terrace to Vancouver in an RCAF plane through a blizzard last week. Doctors advised the move because of an influenza outbreak at Terrace. Parents of the twins, now in St. Paul's Hospital at Vancouver, are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bilton of Lakelse. (CP PHOTO)

Snow Here But Gale in South

Even though winter again visited this northern coastal port last night with two inches of snow, the weather here "has it all over the south" this year.

According to the Digby Island weather office, Vancouver, Vancouver Island and vicinity fared much worse than Prince Rupert and the north coast.

"They even get the gales that are predicted for here," the weatherman chuckled, saying that last night's predicted storm by-passed this area and now was concentrated in Georgia Straits.

Overnight temperatures remained mild with a low of 30.1, no wind recorded.

Outlook for the next 24 hours is "showery," which may mean either occasional snow or rain.

Concentration Camps Says Native Member For Atlin

VICTORIA (CP)—Frank Calder (CCF-Atlin) told Legislature introduction in British Columbia of the reserve system had stripped Indians of their initiative and independence.

The only Indian MLA in Canada said in his opinion reservations were "nothing but concentration camps" and made a plea for amendments which would allow Indians to purchase homestead land.

Legislature started Easter holiday today. Work will start again Tuesday.

Wheat Payment Is Approved

OTTAWA.—Attempt to block the payment of \$65,000,000 to Canadian farmers to make up losses on wheat shipments to Britain was beaten back in the Senate yesterday. A motion by Senator Norman Lambert to eliminate the payment was defeated 27 to 8.

The House approved the payment 85 to 27, Progressive Conservatives, a handful of Liberals and one independent voting against it.

BASKETBALL B.C. SENIOR "B" PLAYOFFS

• Prince George Series Cancelled •

Senior "B" Finals — March 31st and April 2nd
PRINCE RUPERT JETS
vs
WINNERS — PENTICTON vs VANCOUVER

Tickets on Sale Monday — Phone 107 for Reservations

Labor Act Unchanged

Nor Will Anything Be Done About Workmen's Compensation

VICTORIA (CP)—Labor groups were told yesterday the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act will stay as it is for the next year to prevent hasty—and perhaps unwise—changes.

Labor Minister John Cates announced in the Legislature there would be no amending at the current session of either the ICA Act or the Workmen's Compensation Act but steps would be taken toward improvement after careful study.

He said a House committee would be named to meet with labor organizations and management representatives with a view of making improvements next year.

His statement was the government's answer to demands of B.C.'s three major labor bodies, which last week made representations for immediate change in the labor act.

Strikes Tie Toronto Milk

TORONTO (CP)—A strike cutting off milk supplies to more than one million persons in Great Toronto started today.

A walk-out of 1700 dairy workers was called on schedule after failure of an all-night meeting of union and employer representatives to settle final differences.

The Toronto Milk Distributors' Association and Milk Drivers' Union held meetings until almost 5 a.m. before they gave up their attempts to reach a settlement and avert a milk delivery strike.

Last point at issue was the retroactivity of a \$3 a week salary increase which had been agreed upon by both parties.

It was learned that, before the discussions broke up in a huff, the union and operators had been within two weeks of settling the dispute over the effective date for the increase.

A morning check with larger Toronto dealers indicated the shutdown was effective. In the most of cases workers were sitting around doing nothing.

The union indicated it will not place picket lines around Toronto's 70-odd dairies unless they attempt to operate with non-union labor.

The striking workers include inside dairy employees as well as milk drivers and their idleness cripples all dairy operations.

THE WEATHER

(Synopsis)
Strong westerly winds struck at Vancouver and Victoria overnight as cool Pacific air pushed inland over the province. At one time early this morning Vancouver wind rose close to fifty miles an hour in a brief gust.

More southeast gales are indicated for northern coastal waters later today as another rapidly moving weather system reaches the Queen Charlottes from the west. Rain from this system will spread southward along the coast tomorrow but strong winds are not expected over the southern coast with this storm.

(Gale Warning)
North coast region—gale warning issued.
Cloudy today and Friday. Showers this morning. Rain beginning this afternoon and becoming showery overnight. Mild or tonight. Winds—westerly 15 miles per hour increasing to southerly (35) this afternoon and shifting to southwest (30) tonight. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy 38 and 45, Prince Rupert 35 and 42.

For Vancouver (today)—J. G. Moe, H. F. Noakes, Miss Shirley Main, Miss P. Hilton, Capt. B. R. Wilson, Miss S. F. Vaughan, G. A. Hamilton, Mrs. W. R. Clerihue, D. R. Selkirk, C. Richards, J. S. Gray, R. F. Falkenberg, A. Yarysh, R. C. Telford, J. L. Henderson and G. A. Humphreys.

For Sandspit—Mr. Hale.
For Masset—A. Krug, J. Krug, Mr. Boyd, Constable F. Welmen, Miss T. White.

TIDES

Friday, March 23, 1951

High	1:19	20.9 feet
	13:31	21.1 feet
Low	7:26	3.9 feet
	19:42	3.1 feet

Tonight's train, due from the East at 10:15, was reported this afternoon to be three hours late.

Prince George Defaults And Prince Rupert in Hoop Final

The Prince George Clippers have defaulted their northern zone Senior B playoffs which were scheduled for Prince Rupert this week-end. This means that the Prince Rupert Jets will now meet the winner of the Vancouver Arctic-Penticton Omegas playoff which will take place Friday and Saturday at Penticton.

"Uganda" to Be "Quebec"

OTTAWA (CP)—The Navy announced today the cruiser Uganda, in mothballs for some years at Victoria, is going to be placed back in service early next year as a training ship.

She is to undergo an extensive refit in Esquimalt, and will be renamed "Quebec."

Russia Holds US Vessels

Refuses to Return Ships Obtained Under Lend-Lease

WASHINGTON (CP)—Russia has told the United States flatly it refuses to consider returning 670 American vessels obtained under lend-lease during the Second World War.

State Department negotiators reported the Russians accused the United States of violating their promise to sell the fleet to the Soviet Union.

The Soviet government also took the position United States does not need merchant and naval ships in its accelerated defence program, as it claims.

The note said the country has sold surplus ships to several South American and other countries recently.

American negotiators made it plain in talking to reporters they would not accept the Russian refusal.

Howe Assumes New Ministry

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister L. S. St. Laurent today announced appointment of Trade Minister C. D. Howe as Canada's new Minister for Defence Production.

The Prime Minister said Canada will post Sidney D. Pierce to Washington with rank of minister. He will look after defence production matters there.

Prices Are Bounding up

Big Wholesale Advance Will React in Retail Index

OTTAWA (CP)—Record-breaking increase in the retail cost of living index may be anticipated for February as a result of sharp increases in the wholesale index announced yesterday.

The February retail index will be issued early in March. The January index was an all-time high at 172.5.

Virtually the entire wholesale price range in Canada swept to higher ground in January, advancing the wholesale price index 7.4 units to a peak of 233.8, the Bureau of Statistics reported today.

Biggest advances were for wool, worsted yarns and wool cloth. Pronounced gains also were made for meats, leather, oils and fats, lumber, woodpulp and wrapping paper.

In a separate report, the bureau estimated wholesale prices of building materials in January advanced to a peak level.

In that month the cost of living index jumped 2.7 points to reach the record of 175.2, biggest monthly jump in more than three years. This index is based on 1935-39 prices equalling 100.

NO PAPER TOMORROW
Tomorrow, being Good Friday and a public holiday, the Daily News will not be published. The next regular edition will be on Saturday.

Trying to Open Road

But Driving From Prince Rupert to Terrace This Week-end Doubtful

Provincial public works department offices today qualified with a "doubtful" their hopes that the highway between Prince Rupert and Terrace might be reopened for the Easter week-end.

With bulldozers, plovers and caterpillars, crews from both the Prince Rupert and Terrace ends have been endeavouring to break through slides and drifts, at some places six feet deep and filled with debris, which had become frozen during the cold snap of a couple of weeks ago.

The blockade distance has now been narrowed to the 20-odd miles between Kwintisa and Ex-stew.

To add to the difficulty, there has been trouble with some of the snow-clearing equipment—and the snow which has fallen in the lower Skeena Valley during the last couple of days has not helped matters any.

New Homes On Display

Two modern homes will be on display at 657 and 673 Fourth Ave. East this Friday, Saturday and Sunday between two and five p.m.

These model homes designed by Art Ogilvie are furnished by a local furniture store and built by a Fraser Valley contractor.

Financed under the NHL, the homes are ready for occupancy with every modern building device.

A local agency is representative for the homes, 12 of which have been built since the war. There are five more homes planned in the immediate district.

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FRIDAY NITE
MARCH 23
I.O.O.F. Hall
4 DUKES
Dancing 10 - 1:30