

# Axis War Monarchs Are Abdicating Thrones

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DAY AND NIGHT SERVICE

## Canada Not Consulted

King Makes Statement  
Matter of British With-  
drawal From Egypt

OTTAWA — Prime Minister Mackenzie King told Parliament yesterday that Canada had not been asked for or given her approval to the withdrawal of British troops from Egypt.

## \$100 For Less Driving

Being guilty to a charge of driving, Gordon Kelly, a driver, was fined \$100 with probation for three months in which he appeared before Justice W. D. Vance on Wednesday. The charge arose from a collision between a truck driven by Kelly and an Arrow bus on the highway on Monday. Kelly's driving licence was revoked.

## ANS VIEWED VETERANS

Canadian Legion Hopes to  
Construction Under Way

Plans for the Canadian Legion's proposed extension of its existing building were approved at the regular monthly meeting of the Legion last night. The extension, similar in design to the present building, will add 1,000 sq. ft. and the plans will be submitted to the city council for approval. It is expected to have construction under way this year.

Following a report by Mr. Davies, Prince Rupert was taken to the provincial Canadian Legion convention held in Vancouver last month.

Considerable discussion took place in regard to extending the Legion's bar parlor and with the recent order which allows taverns to be open for business from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., and while it was suggested that there be not be enough business to keep the longer hours, it was decided to try it on a temporary basis.

## ME STORES MEAT SHY

Supply Situation is  
Apparently Not Critical in  
Prince Rupert as Yet

The meat shortage was shown in affecting Prince Rupert this morning. There were reports as to the level of stocks at several butcher shops from which inquiry was made. The meat department of the store had closed down while the large concern was running to depletion of stocks. Butchers said they had sufficient stocks for a few days at most. More meat is expected on the train from Edmonton. The shortage is reported to be all over on Bulkley Valley and little relief is expected from that source since there is no active local demand for the central interior from such areas as the many sawmills.

## WOULD TIE UP CONSTRUCTION

OTTAWA — Secretary of British Columbia Building Trades Council H. W. Watts predicted a strike in the lumber industry would also tie up building construction. He said that, if the International Woodworkers of America call a strike next Wednesday, it will mean from 8,000 to 10,000 building construction workers will be laid off within a

## MAYORS MAKE SUBMISSION

Their Case Presented to  
Dominion-Provincial  
Conference

Denied personal representation at the recent Dominion-provincial conference, the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, of which Prince Rupert is a member, submitted a concise brief to the federal and provincial representatives, one of which was similar to a submission in Prince Rupert's brief to the Goldenberg Commission.

Seeking a continuing commission to investigate Dominion-provincial - municipal relations, the brief urged that the federal governments pay municipal taxes or grants, and local improvement taxes on all Crown lands within municipalities.

This submission is substantially similar to one contained in this city's brief to the Goldenberg provincial-municipal commission recently.

The three other clauses of the brief were:

1. The federal government relieve the municipalities of the full cost of unemployment relief for employable persons.

2. The federal government enact an adequate low rental housing and slum clearance act.

3. That the federal and provincial governments make a definite statement of their policy in respect to financial assistance to municipalities for public works projects.

The brief was submitted by Jessica A. Allen of Montreal, secretary of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities after a request for representation to the Dominion-provincial conference had been turned down.

## Montgomery and Stolz June 28

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Promoter Mike Jacobs announced that Bob Montgomery of New York and Pennsylvania, recognized lightweight champion, and the challenger, Allie Stolz, will fight for the title in Madison Square Garden on June 28.

## 559,000 POUNDS OF HALIBUT ARE LANDED AT PRINCE RUPERT TODAY

Season's First American Vessel  
Brings in 65,000 Pounds

Halibut sales at Prince Rupert today soared to 559,000 pounds as fair weather continues on the fishing grounds. This morning also saw the first landing of halibut from an American vessel this season, with the arrival of the Seattle boat Omenay with 65,000 pounds which were sold to the Fishermen's Co-operative at the American ceiling price of 15½ and 13½ cents.

The Canadian landings totalled 493,000 pounds, 421,000 of which came from 14 regular halibut boats, the balance being brought in by packers from the fishing camps.

Largest Canadian cargoes were 56,000 pounds, landed by the Margaret I which sold to Canadian Fish and Cold Storage, and Miss Jean, which sold to National.

Canadian landings brought the ceiling price of 18¼ and 16½ cents.

(Ceiling price 15½c and 13½c)  
**American**  
Omenay, 65,000, Co-op.

**Canadian**  
(Ceiling price 18¼c and 16½c)  
Gony, 22,000, Co-op.  
Gibson, 20,000, Booth.  
Good Hope I, 23,000, Co-op.  
Annabelle, 8,000, Atlin.  
Dollina, 32,000, National.  
Elva M., 35,000, Cold Storage.  
B. C. Troller, 15,000, Royal.  
Helen II, 38,000, Co-op.  
Miss Jean, 50,000, National.  
Smith Sound, 14,000, Nelson Bros.  
Margaret I, 50,000, Storage.  
Kyrielle I, 12,000, Co-op.  
Joe Baker, 16,000, Atlin.  
Lols N., 16,000, Pacific.

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## 'TO-MAY DATE TOO

—Reports persist that Emperor Hirohito may decide to abdicate in the near future. It is expected he will be called as a witness June 3 to the war crimes tribunal which will hear the cases of Former Premier Tojo and others.

## FOUR DIE IN HOUSE FIRE

SAINT JOHN, New Brunswick — Four of eleven children of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elward were burned to death early today when a two-storey wooden house was destroyed by fire. The victims were Marie Lois, aged 11; Bernice Frances, 13; Joan Catherine, 10, and James Urban, ten months. The father, mother and two sons received burns in attempts to save the four children.

The fire is believed to have been started by a spark from a stove which is thought to have been burning inside the walls of the kitchen some time before the family was aroused.

## FAILURE MUST NOT PERSIST

Premier Garson Warns Against  
Multiple Taxation and Other  
Matters—Must be Intergovernmental Accord

WINNIPEG, Man. — Premier Garson of Manitoba said in a statement released today after a two-day session of the provincial cabinet that Canada could not afford to allow failure of the Dominion-provincial conference to remain a closed matter.

The statement said that there were few indications that Canada, faced with a critical period, can survive another dose of multiple taxation, fiscal injustice, deadlock and impotence of the thirties.

Mr. and Mrs. George Frizzell will be leaving next Sunday for their summer home at the Skeena River-Hot Springs to take up residence for the season.



TO END EXILE IN ITALY—Returning to his native Italy, from which he became an exile in 1938 after long opposition to the Fascist regime, Arturo Toscanini is shown, left, with his wife and their son, Walter, as they boarded a plane at La Guardia Field. The 79-year-old maestro will conduct a series of six operatic and symphonic concerts at La Scala in Milan to help pay the cost of reconstructing and re-equipping the famous opera house that was damaged by air raids during the war.

## Bulletins

**MAY SEIZE RAILWAYS**  
WASHINGTON — President Truman suggested at a press conference today that he might be forced to seize the railways of the country. The coal strike was developing into a strike against the government, he declared.

**BRITAIN AND EGYPT**  
CAIRO—Britain is said to be asking for a year to withdraw its forces from Egypt. Egypt wants it carried out within six months.

**CONFERENCE ADJOURNS**  
LONDON — The Commonwealth premiers' conference has been adjourned until May 20 by which time Prime Minister King of Canada will be here.

**FIRE IN CARIBOO**  
QUESNEL—Fire fighters have been dispatched from here to a point south of Quesnel where rather extensive forest fires have broken out.

**TOO MANY TOURISTS**  
OTTAWA—Senator Foster of New Brunswick criticizes the government for advertising for tourists. There will be more than the country can handle, he says.

**A LITTLE "GIVE"**  
MOSCOW—A little more "give" on the part of Great Britain and the United States would go a long way towards settling problems at the Big Four conference, says Tass News Agency.

**TO RESTORE PROPERTY**  
TOKYO—The Japanese government has been ordered to restore property in Japan which was seized from United Nations nationals during the war.

**AMMUNITION BLAST**  
ELSTON, Eng.—A grass fire is believed to have been the cause of setting off a blast in a United States Army ammunition dump near here.

**FATAL YELLOWKNIFE FIRE**  
YELLOWKNIFE—Fire caused the death of Baby Paddy Wheeler when a house was slightly damaged. The child was rescued by a Royal Canadian Mounted Police constable but died two hours later from the effects of smoke in the lungs.

## UNITED STATES OF EUROPE IS ADVOCATED BY CHURCHILL IN DUTCH PARLIAMENT ADDRESS

LONDON (CP)—Winston Churchill, in an address to the Dutch Parliament, called today for a United States of Europe. His statement evoked long applause.

Churchill said: "I see no reason why, under guardianship of world organization, there should not arise a United States of Europe, both east and west, which will unify this continent in a manner never known since the Roman Empire. It will give you prosperity, justice and peace."

The former British Prime Minister said Britain's twenty-year treaty of friendship with Russia will also be a guarantee of peace.

## KING OF ITALY IS ABDICATING

ROME—King Victor Emanuel will abdicate on Saturday. It is announced by the vice-premier of Italy. He will be succeeded by Crown Prince Umberto. King Victor has been living in retirement since 1944.

## DELINQUENCY GROWS LESS

TORONTO — Figures for the last year show an all-time low for juvenile delinquency in Toronto. Judge D. L. Stewart of Toronto Family Court has announced.

Against the sharp rise in the number of children brought into courts during war years up to 1943, Judge Stewart reported a steady decrease since then.

He emphasized courts were more concerned with the reason behind misdemeanors and social possibilities rather than the children's criminal acts. He thought most delinquents were in that class before they knew what had happened rather than premeditating their misconduct.

The court officer named three basic rights of all children—wholesome outlets for normal energy under proper direction, the right to belong somewhere, with deep roots in the community, and the right to have something by which to live, like the example set by good living parents.

## TO MODERNIZE WOODFIBRE MILL

VANCOUVER — Erection of two chip bins, costing \$80,000, has begun at Woodfibre, officials of B.C. Pulp & Paper Co., announced here yesterday. It is the first step in the company's modernization program.

## STATEMENT ON STRIKE

Pearson Sees No Insurmountable Difficulties—Ready to Arbitrate, Says Pritchett

VICTORIA—"There should be no insurmountable difficulties if both parties are ready to give and talk about a strike," said Minister of Labor George Pearson today following a conference with Harold Pritchett, of the International Woodworkers of America over the dispute between the union and operators which has culminated in a strike call for next Wednesday.

Mr. Pritchett said that the union was still offering to arbitrate and the strike, if called, would not be illegal.

## CONFESSION IN MUSSOLINI CASE

MILAN—A man was reported to have confessed today in connection with the recent snatching of the body of Former Premier Benito Mussolini. The remains are reported to be concealed within Milan.

## Heads Canadian Shipbuilders

VANCOUVER—Clarence Wallace, head of the Burrard Shipbuilding Co. of Vancouver, was yesterday elected president of the Canadian Shipbuilding and Ship Repairing Association. Norman Yarrow of Victoria is an honorary director.

## AMMUNITION DUMP BLAST

LONDON — According to reports reaching here an ammunition dump has exploded in Russian-occupied Germany near Berlin. An undetermined number of persons are killed and injured.

## First Japs Leave Soon

Repatriates to Start Moving From Vancouver at End of Month

LETHBRIDGE (CP) — First group of Japanese being repatriated to Japan from Alberta will leave Lethbridge on May 25 and sail from Vancouver on the last day of the month, according to official announcement today by D. C. Archibald, Alberta supervisor for the Japanese division of the federal labor department.

The group will consist of thirty-five families and totals 95 persons. All are voluntary repatriates.

## SALVATION ARMY HEAD

Commissioner Albert Orsborn Succeeds Carpenter as General

LONDON — Commissioner Albert Orsborn of Great Britain is the new General of the Salvation Army succeeding General George L. Carpenter, retired. He was elected today.

The son of early day officers of the Army in Britain, the new General was converted in his early teens. He became an officer from Clapton in 1905, serving as division young people's secretary and divisional commander for Norfolk and Southeast London. Then he served eight years on International Training College staff as a brigade officer, second side officer and chief side officer. In 1933 he was appointed chief secretary in New Zealand and three years later became territorial commander for Scotland and Ireland, serving as such for four years. Then came the appointment as territorial commissioner for Britain. He is internationally known as a song writer.

Mrs. Commissioner Orsborn, an Australian woman, died last year.

Col. Hamilton Grant, local veterans' placement officer, was speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club at the Commodore Cafe this afternoon.

## CAPT. STEELE'S BODY IS FOUND

UCLUELET, B.C.—The body of John Steele of Saanich, skipper of the motor vessel Kyak, was found on the beach near here yesterday. The Kyak was wrecked in Barkley Sound last April 7 and Steele had since been missing.

## Negotiations Break Down

Tehran Blames Russia for Inability of Iran and Azerbaijan to Agree

TEHRAN, Pers.—Special counsel for the Iranian Foreign Office said tonight that negotiations with a delegation representing the self-proclaimed autonomous government of Azerbaijan Province had broken down because of "exaggerated demands" of Azerbaijan leaders.

The counsel said the Iranian Premier had refused to meet Azerbaijan demands "because he is conscientiously following the letter and spirit of constitutional law."

The spokesman said that the Azerbaijan delegation was persisting in demands "because of Russian sponsorship and knowledge that the Red Army still backs them."

## CITY FIREMEN QUENCH BLAZE IN BUSHLAND

Made tinder dry by more than a week of rainless weather, an area of brushland covering more than a city block in the eastern end of the city burst into flame this morning and was put out without damage to adjoining property after it had been fought for more than an hour by city and War Assets firemen. The blaze blackened bushland between Seventh and Eighth avenues east of Donald Street. City firemen believe that it may have been started by children playing with matches in the bush.

Answering the fire call, the city firemen connected with a hydrant on Seventh Avenue, and cut in the path of the fire to prevent it from reaching residences on Seventh Avenue. They were later joined by the War Assets department which attacked the flaming area from the Eighth Avenue side.

Playing water from two sides the two groups of firemen reduced the blazing area before it could endanger nearby buildings. By noon the blackened area had been reduced to smoldering ashes.

## Submarine Obsolete

NUERNBERG, Germany—Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz testified today that air power had rendered the submarine almost obsolete as a weapon of attack and declared that in his opinion plane-directing radar "next to the atom bomb was the most decisive weapon of this era."

Admiral Doenitz cited to the international military tribunal tremendous dangers faced by his u-boats from air attack as justification for his order, already introduced by the prosecution, forbidding submarines to attempt rescue of survivors of torpedoed ships.

## THE WEATHER

Synopsis  
Cool moist air over the west coast area and southern Georgia Strait has resulted in variable cloudiness during the past 24 hours. A flow of cool air from northern Canada has moved in over eastern and northern B.C. and is expected to result in lower temperatures over the interior today. Maximum temperatures yesterday over the interior ranged from 75 to 85 while the coast area ranged from 55 to 60.  
Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast — Clear except for fog western Charlottes and fog and drizzle Johnston Strait during morning. Northwest winds 15 miles per hour. Maximum today, Port Hardy 56, Massett 59, Prince Rupert 62.