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Canadian Spy Conspiracy Is Developing

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT IS ARRESTED IN ESPIONAGE CASE

Fred Rose, Canada's Only Communist Representative, Taken—Four Other Men Also Arraigned Today

OTTAWA—Fred Rose, Labor-Progressive M.P. for Montreal-Cartier, was arrested late yesterday as an outcome of the espionage investigation and was arraigned in police court today in Montreal and released on \$10,000 bail. Four more persons were arraigned in Ottawa.

A second report of the Royal Commission was made today and Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King announces he will make a statement on Monday.

The first report of Rose's arrest came from Mrs. Rose who said that the police came to their apartment shortly after her husband returned from the Parliament Buildings at 11 o'clock last night. Almost in tears, she told newsmen: "I know that he is innocent."

Rose attended the opening of Parliament yesterday and responded jokingly to persons who repeated a rumor that the R.C.M.P. were going to detain him in connection with Canada's probe into Soviet espionage in the Dominion.

The Dominion government today charged the member with conspiracy and violation of the Official Secrets Act of 1939.

The linking up of four more men with Soviet espionage activity in Canada brings up to nine the number of persons so far identified in the inquiry.

Four government scientific workers were charged with transmitting confidential war information to Russia including details of a super-explosive known as "RDX."

Five other men, held incommunicado in Royal Canadian Mounted Police barracks, still remain unidentified.

Fight to Last Man

Iran Will Resist Russians to Very End, Says War Minister

TEHRAN — The Iranian war minister says that his army is ready to fight to the last man if Russian troops advance any closer to Tehran. He said the Russians now are at Karaj, just twenty miles northwest of the Iranian capital and he said trainloads of troops and ammunition are arriving nightly.

B.C. POLICE TO GIVE TESTIMONY IN SASKATOON

Staff Sergeant G. A. Johnson of the provincial police here and Cpl. T. D. Brunton and Constable W. H. Richmond of Terrace are leaving on tonight's train for Saskatoon where they will give testimony at the King's Bench court murder trial of Emil Joseph Gauthier, who was said to have confessed at Terrace last October to the 17-year-old murder of Mike Pilawski, a transient worker, near the Saskatchewan city.

Gauthier named James Goulet of Vancouver as his accomplice in the 1928 killing and a similar charge has been laid against Goulet.

The three B.C. policemen went to Saskatoon last December to give testimony at the preliminary hearing.

U.B.C. Extension Dept. May Have Space In Centre

Space will be made available in the Civic Centre for a branch of the extension department of the University of B.C. if it should decide to expand to Prince Rupert. Civic Centre chairman T. N. Youngs informed the Junior Chamber of Commerce last night.

Mr. Youngs said the idea had been approved by the Civic Recreation Board as an extension of cultural opportunity in Prince Rupert. He made the disclosure during discussion of a motion that the Junior Chamber invite the extension department to establish a branch here. The motion was approved.

Bulletins

FRONTIER NOT CLOSED
ANKARA — Official denial was made today by the Turkish government that the Bulgarian-Turkish border had been closed.

'QUAKES IN CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES—Two earthquake shocks were felt at 5:26 and 5:51 this morning from the Imperial to the San Joaquin valleys. Earth slides were reported and clocks stopped. Lesser tremors were experienced later.

FIRE ON CORVETTE
VANCOUVER — Fire broke out this morning at the West Coast Shipyards on a corvette being reconverted for Union Steamships Ltd. Dense smoke caused 100 workmen to withdraw to safety.

FREIGHTER ADRIPT
VANCOUVER — The 10,000-ton freighter Baton Park broke mooring lines in a windstorm on the North Shore today but was finally got back again with the assistance of tugs.

NEW HOSPITAL
VANCOUVER — Plans are under way for a new 350-bed children's hospital here. Half of the \$2,000,000 cost will be financed locally and government grant is expected for the balance.

NEW AMBASSADOR
WASHINGTON — Walter Bedell Smith has been nominated by President Truman as the new ambassador of the United States to Russia.

Kurds on Move Now

Declare Republic in Iran Seventy-five Miles From Russian Frontier

LONDON (CP)—The London Daily Express reports that Kurdish tribes in northwestern Iran have proclaimed an autonomous republic. The Daily Express asserts these Kurdish tribes border Azerbaijan and Iraq and are within 75 miles of Turkey.

In London, the British foreign office says it has no information of any such development.

The Daily Express notes that both Turkey and Iraq have large Kurdish populations on their side of the border.

Local Tides
Saturday, March 16, 1946
High 0:47 20.0 feet
12:50 21.0 feet
Low 6:46 5.9 feet
19:07 2.7 feet

DAGGETT OF PRINCE RUPERT IS HEAD OF NEW CENTRAL B.C. BODY

SMITHERS (Special to Daily News)—The Central British Columbia Municipal Association was organized here at a meeting of municipal leaders from Prince Rupert to Prince George yesterday and Mayor Daggett of Prince Rupert was elected president with City Clerk H. D. Thain, also of Prince Rupert, secretary-treasurer.

WELDING SPARKS START BOAT FIRE

Sparks from an electric welding torch used in the hold of the trolly boat Nereis at a float near Cow Bay at 6:30 last night started a fire which caused much excitement but little damage. The fire in the bilge was extinguished by the city firemen before any appreciable damage was done to the boat.

CRANIAL PARTS
The human skull has 22 bones



UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI HONORS WINSTON CHURCHILL—Before an estimated 20,000 persons in the Orange Bowl in Miami, Fla., Winston Churchill receives the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from President Bowman F. Ashe, left, of the University of Miami. Behind Churchill, Dr. Guy E. Snavey, executive director of the Association of American Colleges, places the hood around Churchill's neck. Churchill delivered an address in which he thanked the University of Miami "on behalf of my country" for the "wonderful help it gave us in the late war by training cadets of the Royal Air Force before the U.S. became a belligerent."

India Can Be Independent But Are Warned of Course

Prime Minister Attlee Makes Definite Statement of Government's Policy

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Clement Attlee told the House of Commons today that, if India chooses full independence from Britain, "in our view she has the right to do so." During debate on the mission of three cabinet members who will go to India shortly to again take up the problem of self-government for India, Attlee said "it will be for us to help to make the transition as free and easy as possible," adding that "I hope the Indian people may elect to remain with the British Commonwealth. If she does so, it must be by her own free will, for the British Commonwealth and Empire is not bound together by chains of external compulsion."

Attlee said that Britain, in making a final treaty with India was not "going to hold out anything to our own advantage that would be to the disadvantage of India." He said he thought India would find great advantages within the Commonwealth and warned that no great nation can stand alone today.

TODAY'S STOCKS

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VANCOUVER	
Bralorne	16.00
B.R. Con.	.19
B.R.X. 1935	.17
Cariboo Gold	2.75
Dentonia	.45
Grull Wihksne	17 1/2
Hedley Mascot	2.45
Minto	07 1/2
Pend Oreille	3.40
Pioneer	6.40
Premier Border	09 1/2
Premier	2.50
Privateer	.60
Reeves McDonald	1.26
Reno	.13
Salmon Gold	29 1/2
Sheep Creek	1.41
Taylor Bridge	.85
Whitewater	03 1/2
Vananda	.47
Congress	.11 1/2
Pacific Eastern	.13
Hedley Amalgamated	13 1/2
Central Zeballos	.20A
Oils—	
A.P. Con.	.16A
Calmont	.30
C. & E.	2.15
Foot hills	1.80A
Home	3.10
TORONTO	
Aumaque	1.20
Beattie	1.36
Bobjo	.22
Buffalo Canadian	.30
Con. Smelters	82.75
Eldona	1.08
Elder	1.05
Giant Yellowknife	7.25
Hardrock	.90
Jacknife	.29
Joliet Quebec	1.17
Little Long Lac	2.60
Madsen Red Lake	4.10
MacLeod Cockshutt	2.95
Moneta	.65
Omega	.27
Pickle Crow	4.00
San Antonio	4.95
Senator Rouyn	1.02
Sheriff Gordon	1.85
Steep Rock	3.65
Sturgeon River	.33
Lynx	.32
Lapaska	.54
God's Lake	.58
Negus	2.70

NORTH STILL HIS CONCERN

Hon. E. T. Kenney Heard From in Connection With Protest Over Road Policy

The Prince Rupert Automobile Association has had a reply from Hon. E. T. Kenney, minister of lands, who was sent a copy of a telegram which was forwarded to Hon. Herbert Anscomb, minister of public works, protesting at the latter's contention that maintenance of the Prince Rupert-Hazelton Highway should be a federal rather than a provincial highway.

"I have but one concern," says Mr. Kenney's wire, "in connection with same (the highway) and that is the best interests of the northern people. I have never receded at any time from this stand and I do not propose to do so."

BABEL GONE

The Tower of Babel, at the Chaldean city of Ur in lower Mesopotamia, has completely disappeared.

Weather Forecast

PRINCE RUPERT — Cloudy with scattered rain and snow showers. Clearing in evening. Maximum today, 42; minimum tonight, 34. Winds moderate. Saturday—Cloudy with scattered showers. Clearing in evening. Winds moderate.

LABOR COUNCIL BACKS MARINE

Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council has endorsed proposals by the Canadian Seamen's Union regarding maintenance of a permanent Canadian merchant marine and regulation of pay and hours of work for Canadian seamen.

The proposals, endorsed by the monthly meeting of the council last night, will be presented to Prime Minister Mackenzie King by the Seamen's Union. They urge:

1. That the government maintain a permanent merchant marine through government ownership of Park Steamship vessels with operation by private ship owners or by the government itself.
2. Establishment of a minimum wage of 50 cents an hour for ordinary seamen and deckhands with wages for other occupations scaled accordingly.
3. Enactment of eight-hour day legislation covering all Canadian ships, including those plying lake and coastal waters.

A communication from W. H. Brett, M.L.A., assured the council that he would always be available to support advancement of labor interests and asked the council to feel free to bring his attention to any such matters.

The council agreed to support a request by Local 513, International Union of Operating Engineers, that the National War Labor Board rescind an authorization dated January 4, 1946, and which the union considers unfair. The union contends that the authorization in question is a violation of an agreement involving five other A.F. of L. unions, whose support the operating engineers are also seeking.

David Crocker, the council's delegate to the Labor Co-ordinating Council, which is composed of two members from the Trades and Labor Council, Prince Rupert Labor Council and the "Jobs for All" committee, announced his resignation from that post due to pressure of business and William Reid was appointed to fill the position.

High praise for the work of the Prince Rupert Industrial Development committee was expressed by the meeting after discussion of its work.

In the absence of President August Wallin, Vice-President J. S. Black was chairman. There was a good attendance of members.

AMERICAN POPULATION
The population of all the Latin American countries combined is almost as large as that of the United States.

Metlakatla Was Winner

Basketball Game With Prince Rupert Decided By Last-Minute Basket

METLAKATLA, Alaska (Special to Daily News)—After a slow start in the first quarter, the basketball game here last night between Prince Rupert All-Stars and New Metlakatla seniors saw-sawed right up until two seconds before the final whistle when Metlakatla scored the winning basket.

The final score was: Metlakatla 57; Prince Rupert 55. Sonny Beynon of Prince Rupert was high scorer of the game with twenty points.

CHARGE IS DISMISSED

A charge of retaining stolen property laid against Sven Ortuquist of Oona River on information of Hagbert Hansen of Prince Rupert, was dismissed in magistrate's court Thursday afternoon by Magistrate Andrew Thompson. Ortuquist was alleged by Hansen to have taken port lights and cabin railing from a boat beached on Porcher Island near Oona River. A Bruce Brown was counsel for the defence and Staff Sergeant G. A. Johnson of the provincial police prosecuted.



HIS PARISH IS AT ESKIMO POINT—Father Roland Coutemanche, of Eskimo Point, north of Churchill, Man., who like other priests of the sub-Arctic has used dogs to reach his parishioners. A new type of clothing and revolutionized travel for these northern priests may result from "Operation Muskox."