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OUR JAP MINES NEAR PR. RUPERT

CANADA TO CO-OPERATE WITH ALL AMERICAN NATIONS

NEW YORK (CP)—L. B. Pearson, Canadian under secretary of state, said here today that Canada would play its "full part to ensure security and promote progress of the Americas." He said in answer to the question as to why Canada had not joined the Pan-American Union, that "we have never been asked."

Mr. Pearson, former ambassador to Washington, said that Canada stood today as a free and democratic nation within the British Commonwealth but "ready and able to co-operate with other American nations. We are a nation strong enough to make co-operation with us worthwhile, both in peace and in war."

Is Convicted Of Snatching

Ronald Williams to Be Sentenced by Judge Fisher Next Monday

Sentencing of Ronald Williams, found guilty of the theft of a case of silver from the store of John Bulger, Ltd., will take place next Monday afternoon. This was announced Friday by Judge W. E. Fisher in County Court, following conclusion of the trial and address of counsel.

Resuming the giving of his evidence yesterday, accused told of having done some shopping for personal effects prior to entering the Bulger store. He could not recall clearly how he had been carrying the goods. There were produced in court a couple of shirts and a towel. A parcel was made of the same, by way of demonstrating, any possible resemblance of such parcel, in general size, to the missing case of silver.

Williams, as he stood in the witness box, said more than once, that he could not understand why Miss Miller and Mrs. Pope, the two chief witnesses against him, could have any reason for making such statements. For one thing, it had been sworn to that, when he entered the store, he was not carrying anything with him. He said he knew better. He certainly had a parcel. As for the theft of a box of silver that charge was utterly false.

"Do you," inquired T. W. Brown, Crown Counsel, "ever have any trouble not taking things?"

For a moment it seemed as if the unexpected query came as a bit of a surprise. Then he said, quite evenly:

"No, sir!"

"Not subject to kleptomaniac, or times when you are thinking of it, or feel temptations, or wondering if it would sometimes be necessary for you to resist?"

The accused stated he had never given way to the condition described. He thought persons down with nervous attacks or not themselves could be in that state. But anyone could feel tempted. He was candid in saying he had no immediate use for a box of silver, but could use it if he ever had such an article.

ACCUSED'S WIFE GIVES EVIDENCE

Williams' wife was next called. Girlish looking, plainly dressed, she walked smartly to the witness stand, remaining there but a short time. When her husband came home on the afternoon of February 21, he had a couple of parcels—tinned milk and laundry. She certainly never saw a box of silver anywhere.

Counsel for the defense, W. O. Fulton, spoke for a good half hour. Innocence, he submitted, had been established beyond any reasonable doubt. A thorough search, in many different places had disclosed no box of silver.

Turning to the alleged theft in the store, was it logic or plain

Brett Hits Unfair Load Regulations

VICTORIA (CP)—W. H. Brett (CCF-Prince Rupert) charged that a number of organizations in the province are using the name "co-operative" for purposes other than those intended. He urged in the legislature Friday close government supervision of co-operative associations.

Mr. Brett also urged that the government undertake a survey of the electric facilities offered by his constituency with a view toward encouraging industrial development there, and a further survey of the coal fields between Prince Rupert and Telkwa.

He declared that it is a short-sighted policy to import coal from Alberta when vast, undeveloped resources are available in this province.

Mr. Brett called attention to discrimination against Prince Rupert in the matter of unfair load-line regulations requiring 21 cents a ton more freight costs for an 8,000-ton cargo at Prince Rupert than at Vancouver. The differential, set by an international regulation convention years ago, due to weather conditions north of latitude 51 degrees, is unfair, he contended.

He declared that weather conditions between 51 and 56 degrees are as good, or better than between 40 and 50 degrees. The discrimination, a distinct advantage to Seattle and Vancouver, keeps the northern grain elevator empty, he charged.

He also urged that the highway east of Prince Rupert be maintained and kept open on a year-round basis.

Bulletins

N.Y. SHIP AFIRE
NEW YORK—One member of the crew and two firemen were injured in a fire which raged for four hours through the 20,067-ton United States Line vessel, John Ericsson late yesterday, causing an estimated \$1,500,000 damage and delaying the departure of the British liner, Queen Elizabeth, which was berthed at the same Hudson River pier. Fire officials said the blaze was caused by a short circuit.

SHIP BLOWS UP
DEAL, Kent, Eng.—The 7,000-ton Greek coal ship, Ira, exploded and broke in two today after running aground on treacherous Goodwin Sands but the 34-man crew was rescued. The ship was formerly an American Liberty ship and was carrying coal to Antwerp on her first Atlantic crossing.

NEWS BLACK-OUT
MOSCOW—Foreign Secretary Bevin of Great Britain said today on arrival for the foreign ministers' conference, that "we shall spend the days ahead trying to make some peace which will prevent any future aggression and let the whole world live in security." A stringent news black-out was clamped down on Russian press and radio today.

NEWSPAPER STRIKE OVER
PARIS—Operators and mechanical workers of more than thirty French newspapers agreed today to end a three-week newspaper strike. If the government approves an agreement granting 17 percent wage increases for seven-day publication, publication will be resumed Monday.

BAN MID-WEEK SPORTS
LONDON (CP)—Banning of mid-week sports meetings, including soccer, in the interests of fuel economy, is to be considered by the government next week.



CANADIAN DELEGATE SIGNS PEACE TREATY—General Georges P. Vanier, of Quebec City, Que., Canadian ambassador to France, is shown as he signed the Italian peace treaty on behalf of his country in Paris. The signing brought violent repercussions in Italy. There were demonstrations in Rome and other cities, and a British general was shot.

Audience Awards Jimmy Holt \$50 Prize In Kin Amateur Show

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD VOCALIST CAN NOW BUY HIS BICYCLE

A warm-hearted audience at the Kinsmen Club's amateur show last night figuratively applauded a bicycle into the eager hands of 11-year-old performer Jimmy Holt when it unloosed its maximum response to his vocal solo "The Minstrel Boy," thereby voting him winner of the \$50 first prize.

Interviewed on the stage by Master of Ceremonies Bob Moore just before his performance, Jimmy was the only one of 30 aspirants who knew what he would do with the prize if he won it.

"I'll buy a bicycle, I guess," he said, grinning.

Then he proceeded to sing the Irish ballad in a warm, clear voice that brought a thunder of applause from the audience of 700 which packed the Civic Centre auditorium.

However, Jimmy was still a long way from winning the \$50 which would buy his bicycle. At the close of the three-hour show five other contestants, also winners in their groups, returned to be re-judged by the applause meter.

In addition to Jimmy Holt, the semi-finalists were 10-year-old Ella Bagshaw, who sang "Blue-bells of Scotland," Sonja Sorenson, piano waltz; Lorraine Youngman, who sang "The Old Lamp-lighter"; Bob Creedon, in hillbilly songs with guitar and mouth-organ; Mrs. Roy Wicks, soprano, "A Heart That's Free."

Excitement rose to fever pitch after the second appearance of the contestants when the judges—Mayor Nora Arnold, Civic Centre Director Don Forward, and Inspector of Schools E. E. Hyndman—were unable to decide between Jimmy and Mrs. Wicks.

Both were called to appear a third time and the applause then left no doubt that Jimmy had won his bicycle. Mrs. Wicks received the \$10 second prize and Ella Bagshaw the third, \$5. The awards were made by Mayor Arnold.

Lasting more than three hours, the show was divided into two parts, the first, non-competitive, included three selections by the Prince Rupert Civic Band, under Bandmaster Peter Lien; three songs by the Borden Street School Choir, under Principal John S. Wilson; piano stylings by Andy McNaughton; a group of songs by children of King Edward school, under Miss Eleanor Moxley, and two soprano solos by Mrs. F. E. Anfield.

The competitive portion of the program was made up of six groups with five performers to a group. Each group winner was judged on the basis of audience applause, and the final winner was chosen from the group winners on the same basis.

The show was opened by Kinsmen Club President R. E. Montador, who introduced Mayor Arnold. Mayor Arnold spoke in high praise of the work of the Kinsmen for the betterment of the city's youth.

The show was arranged by a Kinsman committee consisting of Alex Bailey, chairman, Harold Muncy and Harry Sheardown.

NAVY DISPATCHED TO EXPLODE DRIFTERS SEEN IN LAREDO SOUND

Royal Canadian Navy headquarters at Victoria is seeking further information on the course of four explosive mines, reported in the Larenado Sound area south of Prince Rupert. On March 2 one mine was reported to be drifting in a southeasterly direction 20 miles south of Bonilla Light. The report of this mine was turned in to the Department of Transport office here by Capt. Calvert of the tug S. D. Brooks who reported the position of the mine to be 131 degrees 6 minutes west and 53 degrees 20 minutes north.

The report was forwarded to naval headquarters by Lieut.-Col. Keith Dixon, Department of Transport agent here, and warnings have been broadcast to mariners over the Digby Island wireless station. Ordinarily, when drifting mines are reported, there is little hope of finding them again until they wash ashore at which time navy demolition men are despatched to explode them or render them harmless.

The Navy tug Heatherton, under command of Captain J. E. Francois, will leave Victoria Monday for Laredo Sound to explode four mines, all of which are believed to be Japanese.

Crew members of the Heatherton returned to Equimalt this week to tell of the finding and exploding of one Japanese mine in the same location. The mine was among a pile of logs. The four other mines were believed to be in the same area.

BRITAIN IS LOSING OUT

Never Again Will It Be First Order Military Power, Says Labor Member

DUBLIN (CP)—Capt. Hugh J. DeLargy, Labor member of the British House of Commons for Manchester, wrote in an Eire newspaper today that "Britain can never again be a military power of the first order."

"It is bled white by war," DeLargy said. "Winston Churchill is the Prime Minister no longer and, even if he were, the results would be the same. The process of disintegration is too certain for resistance of even a thousand and Churchills. Never in the world's history did an enormous Empire come to such a sudden end."

Laborites In Revolt

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee was confronted yesterday by rebellion of more than 100 of the labor members who are demanding that armed forces of 1,000,000 men be cut in half to boost the labor supply.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis
A very weak circulation of moist Pacific air is causing continued overcast skies in all areas of British Columbia this morning. Temperatures are normal or somewhat higher than normal throughout the province. Light rain is falling in the southern coastal areas and snow is reported in the Prince George district, the Cariboo and Kootenays. A series of diffuse disturbances is now approaching southern British Columbia and Washington coast and little change is in sight for the week end.

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and Norun Coast—Overcast today and Sunday. Widely scattered rain showers today and tonight. Intermittent rain Sunday afternoon. Winds light. Little change in temperature.

Lows tonight: at Port Hardy, 37; Massett, 34; Prince Rupert, 36.

Four Power Agreement

Of Vital Importance, It Is Gen. Marshall's Major Objective At Moscow

BERLIN (CP)—Secretary of State George Marshall indicated today that the United States hopes for a four-power security pact as an interim solution of the German problem pending writing of the actual peace treaty. He said the completion of the four-power pact was of highest importance and gave the impression that such a pact was the major United States objective at Moscow.

Gen. Marshall told correspondents that such a security pact for a forty-year period would clear away many difficulties now blocking Allied peace settlements for Germany and Austria.

JIMMY GOT HIS BICYCLE

Eleven-year-old Jimmy Holt had a big morning. The winner of last night's Kinsmen amateur contest was in a rare position among mortals — he spent all he had, but he got what he wanted—a bicycle and a little extra besides.

Jimmy came down town this morning with his \$50 prize money, stopping at a coffee shop en route. His immediate whim was to own a novelty mechanism known as a hand-shake "buzzer," his big ambition to own a bicycle. He had enough money for both.

The coffee shop was fresh out of "buzzers," but it did have something equally attractive — a huge chocolate cake. Jimmy ordered a slice. He ate it and ordered another slice.

"Now," he commented in the manner of a man of property, "I am going down to buy my bicycle. It costs \$47."

Bo-Me High Wins B.C. Championships Opener

LOCALS OVERCOME MAJOR HURDLE WITH 46 TO 32 WIN OVER KAMLOOPS HI

FIRST ROUND RESULTS
Prince Rupert, 46; Kamloops, 32
New Westminster Trapp Technical, 46; Vancouver Magee, 39
Westminster Dukes, 39; Vancouver College, 35
Victoria, 46; Princeton, 30

To Meet Winner of New Westminster Vancouver In Semi-Final This Afternoon

NEW WESTMINSTER—Overcoming a first half deficit after becoming familiarized with the surroundings of a smaller floor than their spacious home court, Bo-Me-Hi Rainmakers of Prince Rupert came up from behind yesterday to successfully hurdle a major barrier on the way to the British Columbia invitational senior High School basketball championship. They defeated the strong Kamloops High School squad by the decisive score of 46 to 32, and are going on this afternoon to meet Thomas J. Trapp Technical School (New Westminster) which defeated Magee (Vancouver) 46 to 39 yesterday.

Don Hartwig was the star of yesterday's game, scoring 21 of the Prince Rupert points, with other scorers:

Mel Thompson, 9;
Reg Lavigne, 7;
Jim Flaten, 5;
Jim Forman, 2;
Eddie Clecone, 2.
High scorer for Kamloops was Dick Reid with 13 points. At the first quarter the score

GREAT BRITAIN TO JOIN PROTEST

LONDON (CP)—It is understood here that Great Britain is considering action parallel with the United States note of protest to Russia. Complaint was made by United States at Soviet interference with the non-Communist government of Hungary.

WATER FROM NEW ZEALAND

Temporary Reprieve From Shortage With Arrival of Supplies From Down Under

Crisis Is Still On

Industrial Situation Britain About as Usual as Ever

INDUSTRY

Danger of a new wave of industry appears as tell of coal mines, roads being paralyzed by widespread ice and blizzards. There is no sign of thaw following the blizzard which has hit Britain in two.

INDUSTRY

and ice blocked transportation between London and industrial areas today as it is said that £3,000,000 has been spent on road clearing and 10,000 troops had been called to help open roads during the week-end.

COUNTRY SOCCER SCORES

Results of soccer played in the United Kingdom today were as follows:

League—1st Division
Aston Athletic 0, Huddersfield 3.
Blackpool 4.
Everton 2.
2, Blackburn Rovers 2.
United 2, Aston 3.

2nd Division
Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, 1.

League—2nd Division
Fulham 1, Fulham 1.
Other second division games postponed.

League—Division "A"
South 1, South 1.
Thistle 3, Third Lanark 1.
Dunfermline vs. Celtic postponed.

Local Tides

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2:53	22.0 feet
15:09	21.2 feet
9:01	3.3 feet
21:15	3.2 feet

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