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Meat, Butter Price Controls Are Resumed

Chinese Burn British Consulate, Injure Official in Canton Riot

HONG KONG (CP)—A British warship was en route to Canton today to evacuate Britons if necessary it was reported here following demonstrations in the Chinese city.

CANTON (CP)—A mob of several thousand Chinese attacked the British consulate here today, setting it on fire and destroying it and slightly injuring the vice-consul, J. K. Blackwell.

The attack was believed to be part of anti-British demonstrations which have followed an announcement that the Chinese government had protested against prison sentences imposed in the British colony of Hong Kong on two Chinese.

COAL MINERS STILL SILENT

CALGARY, ©—There was still no union comment today on the "unauthorized" strike which made idle between 8,500 and 10,000 coal miners in British Columbia and Alberta, now in its fourth day.

Robert Livett, union president, gave no indication of the union's intentions to appoint a representative to a conciliation board. Lacking official union comment, it was assumed that the miners have struck on a "no-contract-no-work" basis.

Gunmen Grab \$7,500 From Vancouver Bank

VANCOUVER, ©—Three gunmen who robbed the Burnaby branch of the Royal Bank of Canada Thursday escaped with \$7,500. The trio, each carrying a gun, forced 13 bank workers and several customers against a wall in the floor. The getaway car was found on Burnaby Mountain, five miles from the bank. The same branch of the bank was robbed of \$8,000 on May 16, 1946.

B.C. FISHING LEADER DIES

VANCOUVER, ©—Alvah L. Jager, 71, former chairman of the International Pacific Sockeye Salmon Commission, and a leader in the British Columbia fishing industry, died in hospital today following a short illness.

Born in Iowa, he started his business career in Boston in 1901 and came to British Columbia in 1908 to build up the Canadian fishing industry, died in hospital today following a short illness.

CHANGES IN INDIAN ACT IMMINENT

OTTAWA, ©—A new "Bill of Rights" for Canada's 130,000 Indians and Eskimos, involving the re-writing of the Indian Act, is the immediate project of Canada's parliament which has concluded the hearing of evidence during two sessions of parliament. The Indian Act has been scarcely changed since it was originally adopted shortly after Confederation.

Representatives of practically all the Indian tribes and Eskimos in the country and many church and Indian Department workers gave testimony during the hearings of the joint parliamentary commission which was set up to recommend changes in the Indian Act.

SHORT CUT

By travelling through the new canal instead of around the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa, ships save a total of 4,300 miles from Plymouth, England to Bombay, India.



GOOD IN THE ARCTIC—AND NEW YORK TOO—There are worse places than a quonset hut during an Arctic period such as New York had recently thanks to a record snowfall. And this quonset hut is home to Harry Flegenbaum in the Bronx. Quonseter Flegenbaum is bucking a drift at his front door as he pulls son Richard on a sled to his waiting mother.

Barbara Ann Scott Wins World Skating Crown

PRAGUE (CP)—Canada's Barbara Ann Scott, a bundle of charm in emerald green, Thursday night won the European figure skating crown for the second consecutive year and maintained her iron grip as undisputed queen of the ice.

Showing her dazzling blades against 18 of the world's best skaters from five countries, the 19-year-old blonde and blue-eyed beauty from Ottawa put on a smashing display to win the free-skating competition.

Her performance was so overwhelming, that all seven judges placed her first on their score sheets.

Barbara Ann Scott remained a foremost figure in Canada throughout 1947, in physical prowess competition. Sporting editors, noted as a somewhat cold blooded breed regarded her as the Dominion's outstanding woman athlete.

In the year-end sport poll, Miss Scott received 72 of a possible 72 points, winning the award for the second consecutive year. The poll was sponsored by the Canadian Press.

At the winter Olympics test in Europe yesterday, an ovation from no less than 12,000 persons thundered over Miss Scott, as her victory was made known. It was in 1947 that Barbara Ann captured two fresh titles, and successfully defended another.

She was hailed as a personage wherever she went last year. She

was the first woman ever to receive an official reception at a session of the Ontario legislature. And her popularity in Quebec did not suffer when, replying to a greeting from Mayor Houde in Montreal, she spoke in the French language.

GANDHI FASTS FOURTH DAY

NEW DELHI, ©—Mohandas K. Gandhi, bent on bringing communal harmony to India, fasted into the fourth day today, too weak to walk. A competent medical source said that Gandhi, 78, can fast an additional six days "at the utmost" before his life becomes seriously in danger.

DISPUTE OVER MARSHALL PLAN

WASHINGTON, ©—State Secretary Marshall and Senator Robert Taft appeared headed for a head-on collision today on how much the European recovery plan should cost the United States.

Taft suggested last night a \$1 billion cut, but Marshall warned that any change in previous estimates would endanger the whole plan.

Taft had said before that the \$6,800,000,000 figure for the first 15 months of the plan was too high.

LOCAL TIDES

Saturday, January 17, 1948
High 5:15 18.7 feet
17:08 17.5 feet
Low 11:21 8.8 feet
23:25 6.7 feet

AGAIN WORLD CHAMPION



TWO PERSONS DIE IN TRAIN WRECK

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas ©—At least two persons were killed and an undetermined number of passengers and crew were injured when two Rock Island trains, one a passenger and the other a freight, collided near the western limits of Little Rock yesterday. W. L. Martin, engineer of the passenger train, was scalded to death. The other fatality was an unidentified woman.

BRITAIN IS BUYING Rhodesian Tobacco

LONDON—Great Britain has arranged to buy 46,000,000 pounds of tobacco from Southern Rhodesia in each of the next five years. This will mean that in 1949 nearly a quarter of the tobacco sold by shops in Britain will come from that territory.

SCOUT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETS

Executive council of the Prince Rupert Boy Scout Association will encourage boys in the local Cub and Scout groups to take greater interest in hiking, observation tours, tracking and nature studies. The recommendation was made at a meeting of Scout councillors in St. Andrew's Cathedral Hall last night.

The meeting also decided to begin plans for a summer camp for Cubs and Scouts this summer. Plans for the observance of national Boy Scout week were also discussed. Boy Scout week this year will be from February 15 to 22.

Chairman of the meeting was Col. Keith Dixon, local Boy Scout Commissioner. Present were Rev. Basil S. Procter and Wilfred St. Clair of the Cathedral Troop and Pack; Roy Brain, Ian Dunbar and D. McAllister of the Third Troop, of First Presbyterian Church and Frank Stone of the Second Troop from Conrad Street school.

Miss Honora Silversides, local Girl Guide Commissioner, was a guest at the meeting.

PALISANA SAILS FOR THE SOUTH

Her hull temporarily repaired, the Northland Transportation Co. motorship Palisana sailed out of Prince Rupert harbor at 6 p.m. Thursday bound for Everett, Washington, the destination for which she was headed one week earlier when she went aground at Barrett Point in a snowstorm.

The Palisana was taken out of dry dock Thursday morning after workmen made temporary patches on her hull which was damaged on the starboard side. She re-loaded a small quantity of fish at Atlin Fisheries and headed south.

Permanent repairs will be made in an American shipyard.

Crown Properties Worth Millions

ROME—The Italian Republic becomes richer by some \$100,000,000 now that the monarchy has been abolished by law, and the royal family a thing of the past. The principal real estate consists of four palaces, fourteen castles, costly villas, estates, jewels, foreign holdings, cultivated and forest lands.

REPLANTING FORESTS

LONDON, ©—During the next five years nearly 1,500,000 acres are to be devoted to reforestation it was announced at the annual report of the forestry commissioners. With a planned expenditure of \$80,000,000 the ultimate object is to replant 5,000,000 acres of forest in the next 50 years.

MAY 1 FOR 1948 FISHING OPENING

Only One Group Stands Out Against This Date at Seattle Conference

Boat owners and halibut fishermen, who met recently in Seattle in annual conference with the International Fisheries Commission to discuss fishing regulations for the 1948 season, came to general agreement as to the acceptability of May 1 once more as the date for the opening of North Pacific fishing. The only group which stood out against this date was that comprising Seattle union fishermen who wanted April 1 for the opening date.

George Anderson, secretary of the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union here, returned to the city this week after attending the conference as representative of the Prince Rupert halibut fishermen. Capt. Carl Giske represented the Prince Rupert halibut boat owners and is expected to return to the city this week-end.

Views were so divergent upon the possibilities of voluntary curtailment of halibut fishing that no common ground could be reached and nothing was agreed upon, Mr. Anderson reports.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.

Vancouver	Toronto
B. R. Con.	Athlona
B. R. X.	Aumague
Dentonia	Beattie
Grull Wikhsne	Bevcourt
Hedley Mascot	Bobjo
Minto	Buffalo Canadian
Pend Orielle	Consol. Smelters
Pioneer	Conwest
Premier Border	Donalds
Privateer	Eldona
Reeves McDonald	Elder
Reno	Giant Yellowknife
Salmon Gold	God's Lake
Sheep Creek	Hardrock
Taylor Bridge	Harricana
Vananda	Heva
Congress	Hosco
Pacific Eastern	Jackknife
Hedley Amalgamated	Joliet Quebec
Spud Valley	Lake Rowan
Central Zeballos	Lapaska
Silbak Premier	Little Long Lac
Oils—	Lynx
A. P. Con.	Madsen Red Lake
Calmont	McKenzie Red Lake
C. & E.	McLeod Cocksbutt
Home	Moneta
	Negus
	Noranda
	Louvicourt
	Pickle Crow
	Regcourt
	San Antonio
	Senator Rouyn
	Sherritt Gordon
	Steepp Rock
	Sturgeon River

MAY RECRUIT U.N. FORCE VERY SHORTLY

LAKE SUCCESS, ©—A United Nations delegate said today that he had been informed that the Security Council will act on providing an international military force to police Palestine before the United Nations commission goes to the Holy Land to enforce partition.

The delegate, a member of the Palestine commission, said that he had been advised that the council would act in the near future, perhaps without waiting for a specific appeal from the five-member commission.

Alaska Defences In 'Damned' Poor' Shape

CAMP MURRAY, Wash.—The defences of Alaska, called "the world's most strategic military base," are in damned poor shape to protect the United States and Canada in case of invasion," says General E. N. Llewellyn, adjutant general back from a tour of inspection.

Modified Re-Control of Basic Foods Announced by Abbott

Fertilizers Too Are Regulated in Anti-Inflation Program Announced by Finance Minister

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government, spurred by a rapidly-rising price line, Thursday night embarked on a program of modified de-control by clamping price ceilings on butter and meats, the two strategic mainstays of the Canadian dinner table.

At the same time, mark-up controls—margins of profit—are being applied "where necessary" to increasingly costly imported fruits and vegetables.

In another drive to stem the soaring trend of food costs, certain types of fertilizer which have been advanced sharply in eastern Canada, will be reduced by the use of mark-up controls and roll-back—a form of price ceiling—on certain basic chemical ingredients.

These steps were announced Thursday night by Finance Minister Douglas Abbott in a 900-word statement in which he also disclosed that the government intends to ask parliament to extend its general price controlling powers, due to expire March 31, for another year.

Meantime, he said, the Prices Board is giving "consideration" to instituting prosecutions "of persons who appear to be selling at prices higher than is "reasonable and just."

He said the new measures are intended to put a stop to "unjust and excessive price increases. The price ceiling on butter, selling generally at a figure regarded as substantial in Canada, will be fixed on the basis of 67 cents a pound for whole-sale solid quantities at Montreal.

"This," said Mr. Abbott, "will stabilize butter prices a little below those prevailing during recent weeks."

Two Jews and one Polish Christian were killed in the city, the police said.

NEW VIOLENCE FLARES IN HAIFA

JERUSALEM, ©—The harbor city of Haifa today became the main Jewish-Arab battleground. Reuters news agency quoted a claim by the Jewish defence army that 52 Arabs had been killed, but there was no confirmation of the figure.

The unofficial count of violent deaths in Palestine climbed to 822 since the Holy Land partition vote on November 29.

An official announcement indicated that bombing and fighting victims in Haifa numbered at least 10, with three other persons buried under debris feared dead.

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CADET CORPS INSPECTED BY CAPT. MUSGRAVE

Capt. Cook Corps of Sea Cadets was congratulated on its smartness last night by Capt. A. P. Musgrave, director of Sea Cadets, Ottawa, who inspected the divisions in the navy drill hall prior to leaving for Vancouver after a two-day visit.

Capt. Musgrave termed the local corps one of the best-equipped in the country, and suggested that Sea Cadet work was one of the best types of youth training. He urged the trimly-clad cadets to continue the training as they grew older by joining the navy reserve.

Included in the inspection was the local Wrenneth group, which acts as an auxiliary to the Sea Cadets.

Prior to the inspection, Capt. Musgrave, Lieut. Commander K. Grant, his aide, Lieut. Commander Alex Mitchell, officer commanding Capt. Cook Corps, Commander Orme Stuart and Lieut. John Quinn, of H.M.C.S. Chatham, and Rev. R. A. Wilson, chaplain of the local Sea Cadets, were guests of honor at a dinner at the Civic Centre dining room.

S. P. Woodside, president of local Navy League branch was chairman. At the conclusion of the inspection, the executive of the Navy League conferred with the visiting officers and officers of the local corps.

Capt. Musgrave and Lieut. Commander Grant sailed for Vancouver on the Prince Rupert.

WORKERS STRIKE IN RUHR VALLEY

BERLIN, ©—Some 75,000 German workers were idle today in four Ruhr Valley cities in strikes protesting food shortages.

Authorities feared the strike movement would spread swiftly in Germany's industrial area where hunger has more than 4,000,000 persons in its grip. Many are living on starvation diets.

German newspapers linked the labor crisis with what they call a "Communist master scheme" to wreck the Marshall plan.