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Soviet Russia Criticized At Ottawa

Foreign Affairs Debate Proceeding In Commons

OTTAWA, (CP)—Minister of External Affairs L. B. Pearson, opening a debate on foreign affairs in Parliament today, sharply criticized Soviet Russia, charging it with aiming to widen its political power on other nations and stamp out their independence. He declared that the Soviet was endeavouring to reduce Yugoslavia into slavish obedience.

B.C. WOMAN WINS AGAIN

TORONTO—Emblematic of the world's championship in wheat growing, the Canadian National Railways wheat trophy for annual competition at the Royal Winter Agricultural Fair was won for the second time in its three years of competition by Mrs. A. G. Kelsey of Erickson, B. C. Mrs. Kelsey was advised by wire by the fair officials of her victory over many outstanding wheat growers and it is hoped that she will be present next week to receive the trophy in person.

The minister of external affairs credited the United Nations with taking action in crises which might have precipitated war.

Too Many Ships Now

Is Complicating Merchant Marine Problems, Head of Canadian Commission Says

QUEBEC—The problem of exchange, as well as the fact that the "world has too many ships" is complicating world shipping problems, John V. Clyne, chairman of the Canadian Maritime Commission, said on his arrival here today aboard the liner Franconia.

Returning from talks in Britain between British and Canadian shipping authorities on merchant marine problems, Mr. Clyne said the talks will be resumed shortly in Ottawa with Sir Gilmour Jenkins, permanent secretary of the British Ministry of Transport.

Encouraging Of Home Building

OTTAWA, (CP)—The House of Commons, after a seven-hour debate, last night approved in principle a bill making major changes in government legislation aimed at encouraging construction of more homes in Canada. Down payments under National Housing Act would be cut in half.

The approval came after Hon. R. H. Winters, minister of reconstruction, said he was anxious to get the legislation through because provinces which wish to cooperate with the federal government must pass complementary legislation in their legislatures.

Opposed to Re-zoning

Opposition to a re-zoning proposal which would change a portion of First Avenue West from a residential to a commercial area met with stalwart opposition from residents of that district who Monday night backed up a petition with a personal appearance before city council.

Key to the controversy is the re-zoning of a section of First Avenue, west of Ninth Street, to include the present Arrow Bus Lines garage in a commercial area. Nearby residents opposed the suggestion and added one of their own—that the bus company move its maintenance operations to some other part of the city.

Alderman George Casey, chairman of the zoning committee, assured the delegation that neither he nor his colleagues had any intention of taking action until they had heard all sides of the matter.

A petition, signed by 32 taxpayers who estimated that they represented \$100,000 in taxable property, termed the presence of the bus company's garage and its "noisy" buses a "nuisance."

Shelford Darton, 1022 First Ave. West, one of three residents of the area who addressed council, said that the roar of bus motors in the early morning was a "regular nuisance" and that he would like to have "the buses removed from that neighborhood."

D. G. Frizell, who said that he was building two homes in that area, felt that, while it was a desirable residential district, it was not suitable for commercial enterprises and that the presence of the bus line garage tended to depreciate property values.

Mrs. J. A. Rutherford of 1045 First Avenue told council that, since the petition had been drawn up, the "nuisance had been exaggerated by the parking of buses over an area of four or five blocks."

"Those buses are interfering with our lives and we think that they are in the wrong part of the city."

NATIONALISTS HOLD U.S. SHIP

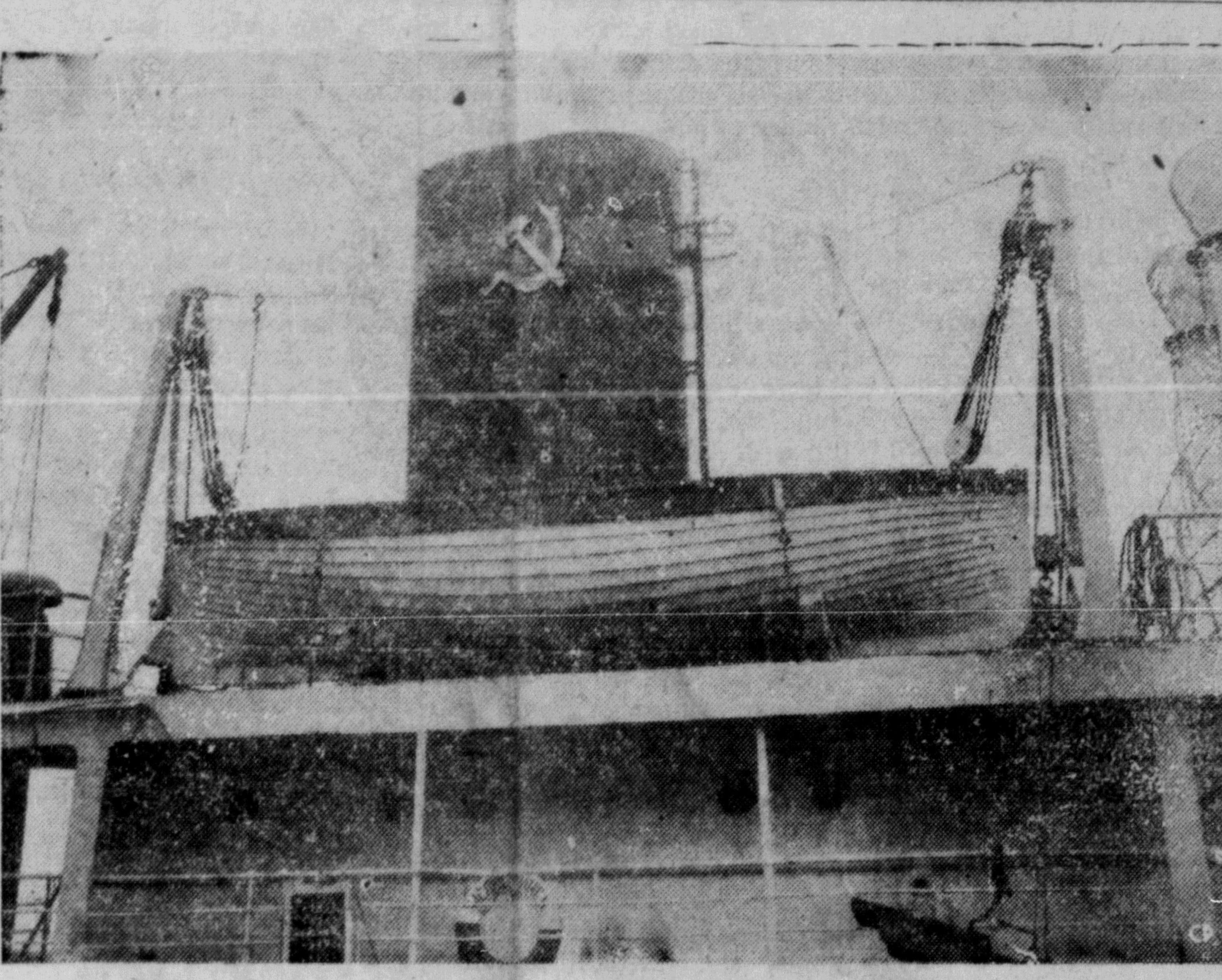
HONG KONG—The United States vessel Flying Cloud was reported held by Chinese Nationalists Tuesday at the mouth of the Yangtze River.

The Norwegian ship Unia was also said to have been held up along with British vessels caught some time ago.

An unconfirmed report said the Flying Cloud was caught when leaving Shanghai.

HUGE TOLL OF FOREST FIRES

MONTREAL—Fires this year wiped out 1,500,000 acres of Canadian forests, creating a potential wood and labor loss of \$50,000,000, an unofficial survey to the end of September showed Tuesday. Figures on the tally were released by Norton Anderson, vice-president and general manager of Canadian Forestry Association which carried out the survey.



FIRST RED FREIGHTER—The crew of the Russian freighter Chelyushinets steered clear of newspaper photographers when she docked at Montreal. A guard at the rail ducked out of camera range; the captain refused to be interviewed. The Chelyushinets, first Soviet ship to visit Montreal since before the war, is taking on a cargo for Britain. (CP Photo)

Bulletins

FATAL SQUAMISH FIRE

SQUAMISH—Six-year old Sharon and four-year old Patricia, daughters of Mrs. Violet Watkinson, were burned to death when fire, caused by explosion of an oil stove, destroyed their home. It was just a year to the day since the father of the children was killed in a railway accident at Lillooet.

B-29 CRASHES

WASHINGTON—Air Force headquarters here have been advised that a B29 plunged into the sea near Bermuda. There are no particulars yet as to casualties.

WOMAN NOMINATED

VANCOUVER—For the first time the Non-Partisan Association has endorsed a woman for aldermanic candidature. She is Mrs. R. J. Sprott, prominent in business and club circles. Other nominees include Aldermen Alex Fisher, R. K. Garvin and Halford Wilson.

STRIKE AVERTED

WASHINGTON—A strike of 2,000 American Federation of Labor deck officers on 500 vessels plying the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico sea lanes was narrowly averted last night with government intervention which resulted in a truce for at least one week but more probably for thirty days, agreed upon an hour before A.F.L. masters, mates and pilots were to walk off.

\$10,000 Fire In New School At Houston

Extensive Damage Done to New Educational Structure in Interior Town

Estimated ten thousand dollars damage was done to the new \$46,000 school building erected and occupied during the past few months at the Bulkeley Valley community of Houston. A bucket brigade, in which women and children helped the men of the town, is credited with having saved the fine new structure from complete destruction.

According to report received at division headquarters of provincial police here from Sgt. T. D. Brunton, district chief of British Columbia police at Smithers, the fire started from a hot air duct in the furnace room. There was time to sound the alarm and all the pupils emerged from the building uninjured. There were three teachers and 87 pupils.

The building consists of three classrooms and a teachers' room.

Train Falls Into River

Native Workers Lose Lives In Crocodile Stream

WATERVAL, Transvaal—A train carrying 500 native workers on Tuesday plunged fifty feet into the flood-swollen Crocodile River, killing fifty natives and one European. One hundred natives were injured but not severely.

Europeans and Africans, working together, are frantically passing bodies of dead and injured from hand to hand up the steep banks of a rocky gorge.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis
A storm which had remained stationary off the British Columbia coast for the past two days began to move eastward during the night and threatens to bring increasingly heavy clouds over the entire province for the next two days. Light rain which was falling along the coast and in the Prince George area this morning will spread to the remainder of the province tomorrow. Southerly gale warnings of winds up to 40 miles per hour have been issued for all exposed coastal waters.

GALE WARNING

Forecast
North Coast Region—Gale warning continued. Intermittent rain today and tomorrow. Remaining mild. Southerly gales, 40 miles per hour. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy, 42 and 52; Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 40 and 48.

BOND BYLAW FOR SEWER PROPOSED

A money bylaw which would permit the city to sell \$144,000 in bonds to repay the treasury for construction of sewer outfalls in the downtown area will be referred to city raters in a referendum in December.

Purpose of the bylaw will be to retrieve money spent out of general funds on sewer outfalls by selling bonds. The matter was brought before council last night by finance chairman T. B. Black.

Bulk of the sewer cost arises from the construction of 1960 feet of sewer in the Cow Bay area east of McBride Street which, because it is classified as an outfall, cannot be charged as local improvements.

Alderman Black has told council that the money which was being used to build the sewers was coming from general revenue and should be recovered for working capital for the city.

HOCKEY SCORES

Pacific Coast
Victoria 6, Vancouver 1
New Westminster 3, Fresno 3
Oakland 4, San Diego 1

Constable Ross Gibson of the city police department sailed Tuesday for Victoria, where he will attend police training school for the next month.



THEY SAY—Peeved at English reporters, these three girls smile a welcome to Canada as the Canadian Empress of Canada reaches Montreal. "A lie," they are asked about the reporters story that the girls had "books" containing the names of 100 boy friends in the United States. They have only names of a few others they met in England. And, besides, they were not looking for jobs, not husbands—"unless the right job comes first. Left to right: Nadine Taylor, 22, Bisham, June Redgrove, 21, originally from Sydney, Australia Christmas, 20, London. (CP Photo)

Co-ops Take Lead Of Hoop League

Merchants, Peoples Store Kinsmen Win

Co-ops became undisputed leaders of the Senior Hoop League last night when they took a decisive lead in the expense of the luckless Brownwoods. The Co-op to 43. At no time were the Co-op trailing, and at the end of the third quarter, they had piled up a lead. Brownwoods made a strong bid in the last few minutes of the game to overcome this lead and for a while it looked as though they might do it as they came within five points of overtaking the winners. However, time ran out on them and the final score gave Co-op the seven-point lead.

It was a big night for Co-op's Joe Davis. He played a bang-up defensive game and picked off the rebounds time after time. He was responsible for 12 of his teams points and shot two sensational baskets that brought the fans to their feet. Angus Macphie made his first appearance of the season and was on the floor for a brief five minutes before retiring to the coach's bench.

Doug Shier, for Brownwoods, gave a demonstration of foul-shooting that will be hard to equal. He made 9 of 11 tries, and was top scorer for both teams with a sparkling 17 points. The game was ragged compared with other games played this season but Brownwoods final spurt gave the crowd the excitement they craved and the fans went home well satisfied.

Co-op—Arney 11, Flaten 11, R Holkestad 7, Davis 12, D. Scher's 8, Morgan 1, Macphie. Total 50.
Brownwoods—Gurvich 4, Shier 17, Lavigne 2, Pierce 4, Bussey, Thompson 3, Sunberg 7, Bill 6, Owens, Davidson. Total 43.

INTERMEDIATE

Merchants pulled the game out of the fire in the last quarter to win 29 to 24 over North Star who had held the lead all the way. North Star was worthy of a win, but Harold Marshall of Merchants went to town in the last few minutes to rack up 9 points and assure his team of the final lead. (Continued on Page Four)

D. R. McKerricher, district representative for Shell Oil Co., returned to the city on the Prince George this morning after a business trip to Vancouver.

Tides

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10:45	21.5 feet
13:25	19.9 feet
4:33	6.0 feet
17:15	4.1 feet



SARI TROUBLES—Mrs. S. K. Kirpalani, wife of India's High Commissioner to Canada, finds the sari-ankle-length garment worn by women of India—unsuitable for year-round wear in the North American climate. She often dons western dress, although at most social functions she usually chooses one of the delicate eastern garments similar to the sari she is wearing in the picture. (CP Photo)