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## Railway Wage Dispute In Canada Deepens

Star Enlists in U.N. Narcotics Drive



Cooper is welcomed to U.N. Headquarters at Lake N. Y., by Benjamin Cohen, U.N. Assistant Secretary for Public Information. Mr. Cooper visited U.N. to record Secretary for a radio program entitled "Shooting Gallery" describing the U.N. Narcotic Commission's efforts to control drug traffic. "Shooting Gallery" will be aired over stations in the world's English-speaking countries.

### is Orderly in Spite Of Day Demonstrations

BERLIN (CP)—Threats of trouble marked the first May Day celebrations in divided Berlin. Cool-headed German police from both sides averted any outbreak of rioting.

In the western sector an estimated 750,000 German speakers who attacked Russia and communism. A few blocks away, thousands of eastern Berliners took part in organized demonstrations where speakers assailed the west.

In Moscow, capital of all communist-style May Day celebrations, Generalissimo Stalin reviewed thousands of cheering Russians in a mammoth parade. Moscow was engulfed in a sea of red bunting.

### LITTLE HOPE TO GET \$50,000,000

OTTAWA — China's civil war has cost Canadians at least \$51,000,000. External Affairs Minister Pearson told the Commons. He said the government had only a faint hope of collecting that amount from the beleaguered Nationalist regime which it still recognised. Nationalists used up that amount of the \$60,000,000 made available for them.

### Floods Moving In On Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, — The Red River cut loose with new flood blows today as soggy, groggy southern Manitoba. The Canadian Army moved into the Red River flood zone as the highest water since 1832 poured toward Winnipeg, the province's largest city.

Thirty soldiers were rushed to Morris, 41 miles south, to throw up a sandbag dike around the hospital. An amphibious duck stood by to remove patients if the army failed. All of Morris, a town of 1,000, was covered by the muddy river water. Scores of residents, heeding their mayor's warning to evacuate, moved to Winnipeg and other places.

In Winnipeg the river rose all during the week-end. By early today it stood at 23 feet, only five inches below the level reached in 1948 when the last floods occurred. Streets in some residential suburbs were under water.

Twelve patients, including two mothers and their three and four day old babies and four expectant mothers, were in the Morris hospital. Some of the patients were seriously ill.

### Six Die as Army Bomber Hits Tree

LEBANON, Ill. — A United States Air Force B-25 bomber struck a tree today showering flaming gasoline on two adjacent houses and killing six men known to be aboard.

Army officers said parts of four bodies had been recovered. They continued the search for the other two but said there was not a chance that any of the plane's occupants survived.

### New Lighthouse Tender Due Soon

Harbor Master Here To Be Appointed In About Three Weeks

The new 150-foot motor vessel Alexander Mackenzie, now nearing completion at the Burrard dry dock at North Vancouver, will be ready by the end of June to replace the Birnie as lighthouse tender for the Department of Transport operating out of Prince Rupert. It is announced by N. A. Beketov, local agent for the marine department, who returned to the city on the Chilcotin last evening from Vancouver. Capt. Norman MacKay, at present in command of the Birnie, will be master of the new vessel, it is expected.

Mr. Beketov, while in Vancouver, acted as an examiner for candidates for the position of harbor master at Prince Rupert in succession to the late Capt. J. R. Elfert. The final appointment of the harbor master here is expected to be made within three weeks. There were several candidates.

### Fires Light During March

No large fires broke out during April but a few came close to becoming major blazes. Quick work on the part of the fire department on April 21 at 12:50 p.m., with the aid of the C.N.R. yard crew, averted a major dock conflagration. On that date, the Bacon Fisheries smokehouse near the C.P.R. docks caught fire. Damage was estimated at \$150.

Total number of calls during the month was 20. At the end of last week, a total of seven fires broke out and in one instance prompt action by the firemen averted what might have been a large blaze. This was at the Besner Apartments on April 28 at 3:45. Someone had left a cigarette on a table. Damage was caused to the walls and ceiling to an amount of approximately \$100.

At the Pioneer Laundry April 12 at 2:25 p.m. sparks from a drying machine ignited lint under the wooden floor of the building. A large amount of smoke was encountered by firemen who ripped away a section of the floor. Damage was estimated at \$135.

During last month, bush and grass fires were practically non-existent. But during last week of the month, four such blazes were responded to. Total financial damage during last month was approximately \$500 as compared with March's loss of about \$900. During March, firemen responded to 19 calls and the outstanding fire was at the Star Store and apartments on March 12.

### Fraser Flood Danger Grows

VANCOUVER — The ominous threat of floods in the Fraser Valley and southeastern British Columbia continued to grow today with the forecast of summer-like weather and sullen refusal of the mountains to start their normal run-off.

### Forces Accident Rate Cut Sharply

OTTAWA — Canadian Army, Navy and RCAF vehicles covered more than 31,000,000 miles in 1949 with an average rate of accidents of only 3.8 for each 100,000 miles compared with a rate of 4.7 for the same distance last year.

### Tornadoes Hit South

OKLAHOMA CITY — Eleven persons, and possibly more, died as savage tornadoes ripped over Oklahoma and West Texas during the week-end. Threats of more black spirals hang in leaden skies over both states.

A weather expert says that conditions over the stricken areas are just right for more twisters.

Some 35 persons were injured severely by the wrecking of blasts of the twisters.

In Texas hail added its bombardment to the wind and swelled the damaged toll.

### Royals Are Coast Hockey Champs

NEW WESTMINSTER — The New Westminster Royals captured the Pacific Coast hockey league championship Saturday by downing the Los Angeles Monarchs in one of the closest, most gruelling series in P.C.H.L. history. The final score, 5-4, was as close as early games of the tense series.

For the first time in five years of the league's existence the series finally went the distance. Ollie Dorohoy's unassisted goal at 1:49 of first overtime period concluded the seven-game marathon.

### THE WEATHER

Synopsis  
Rain was general along the southern British Columbia coast and Lower Mainland this morning as another storm moved in from the Pacific. Showery conditions extended over the northern coast and into the Bulkley Valley while cloudy skies had spread over the entire province.

Showery conditions will spread into the southern interior during the day as the system continues its eastward motion. Rain will continue along the southern coast until this afternoon when showery conditions will develop. Relatively cool showery weather will continue over most of the province tomorrow.

Forecast  
North Coast Region—Cloudy with a few showers today and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Winds southeast 15. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 40 and 46.

### Douks Disrobe In Nelson Court

NELSON — Police were prepared Saturday. They came to court with blankets. At the trial of 30 radical Sons of Freedom Doukhobors, women chanted prayers and disrobed.

One woman stood stark naked in the court room while some other women took off most of their clothes before police could act with blankets. "The only evidence I have is in disrobing," one woman said as she removed her coat. The thirty, including several women, were sentenced to three years in jail.

### U.S. Strikes On And Off

Telephone Tie-up Off But Teletypers out—Chrysler Unsettled

NEW YORK — A threatened country-wide tie-up of United States telephone service was averted early today by agreement of the striking maintenance and installation men to resume negotiations.

The action, ended, at least temporarily, the week-long strike of 10,000 employees only four hours before they were scheduled to set up picket lines at telephone exchanges in 43 states. It was the picket line rather than the strike itself that was expected to hobble service.

But another segment of communications was hit by a strike of teletype operators and other traffic workers against the United Press, a news service. The walk-out interrupted a bulletin announcing the company's final wage offer.

There were indications that the end of the 97-day strike of 89,000 United workers against Chrysler Corporation was in the making at Detroit. In New York, 12,000 service employees called off a four day strike.

### Seven Rescued By Draegermen

STEARLTON, N.S. — Nova Scotia's famed draegerman crew, some of whom are veterans of the Moose River gold mine, went into action again Saturday to bring to safety seven miners trapped in an Allan Shaft coal pit by explosions and fire.

Groping through searing heat and dangerous gasses, the 20-man rescue squad brought out the seven men—five were seriously burned—up from the 1,200-foot level to safety.

Anxious relatives by the hundreds milled about the pit head.

### Greece and Yugoslavia Friendly

ATHENS — Greece at the week-end joined Yugoslavia in seeking better relations between the two Balkan neighbors. Following closely on Yugoslavia, Premier Tito's announcement that his government would soon name a new minister to Greece, Premier Nicholas Plastiras said his new government would send a diplomatic representative to Yugoslavia.

### Vancouver's Roy Wouters Winner

HALIFAX — Determined, methodical Roy Wouters, Vancouver and Montreal, a 5-6 underdog, ended George Ross's 20-month reign as Canadian middle-weight boxing king here Saturday by hammering the former West Bay Road, N. S., farm boy into submission in the ninth round of their scheduled 12-round championship battle.

### Pioneer Woman Of City Passes

Mrs. Fanny Leaper, another well known pioneer woman of the city, passed away in the Prince Rupert General Hospital yesterday morning. Seventy-five years of age, Mrs. Leaper had lived in Prince Rupert for some 40 years, making her home at 1867 Seventh Avenue East. She was the widow of the late Harry Leaper, a pioneer railway employee. Son of deceased, Albert Leaper, will arrive from Winnipeg on tomorrow night's train.

### Flash

110 BOATS OUT  
One hundred and ten halibut boats had cleared from Prince Rupert for the fishing grounds up to Saturday night. Since then a few more cleared.

CRASH NEAR KEREMEOS  
KEREMEOS—Oil flicks in Oilalla Creek, 10 miles north of here, and traces of oil in KeremEOS drinking water caused search for a missing aircraft, lost since early last week on a flight from Trail to Vancouver with two men on board, to be concentrated today on that particular area.

CRASH IN CALGARY  
CALGARY—A plane crashed into a house in South Calgary after a wild career which woke the city. Plane and house were practically demolished. Four occupants of the house escaped narrowly. The 22-year old aerial joy rider, Jack Harper, on an authorized flight, was killed.

KILLED ON MALAHAT  
DUNCAN—Mike Chester, 23, Duncan, was killed when he was thrown yesterday from his motorcycle on the Malahat Highway.

### MEMORIAL CUP PLAY MOVES TO TORONTO

TORONTO — Memorial Cup hockey will return to Toronto Tuesday night when the Montreal Canadiens tackle Regina Pats in the third game of the best of seven junior classic. The first two games were in Montreal with Montreal leading the series 2-0.

### April Weather Fine in Rupert

Very fine weather was enjoyed by Prince Rupert residents during April with a minimum amount of rain and a maximum amount of sunshine.

Only 7.74 inches of precipitation was recorded last month compared with 14.73 inches in April last year. Precipitation was recorded in 20 days.

Sunshine hours totaled 83 in 18 days. During April last year, only 36.7 hours of sunshine was recorded.

Maximum temperature last month was 59.2 above on April 28 and the minimum registered 31.2 above on April 8. Mean temperature was 41.3.

Maximum wind velocity was registered as southeast at 28 miles per hour on April 4, 14 and 19. Maximum barometer was 30.61 inches on April 18 and the minimum barometer was 29.38 on the first day of the month.

In general, the weather picture looked good during the last week of the month and, as the final days of April passed away, the sky changed to a rain washed color and during the first day of May, occasional showers are being noted.

### AIR PASSENGERS

From Vancouver (Saturday) Mrs. E. R. Powers, I. Tucker, Mrs. G. R. S. Blackaby, J. Parkin, W. Doran, Mr. and Mrs. H. Leake.  
From Sandspit (Saturday) Mrs. C. Charleston.  
To Vancouver (today)—Miss F. H. Campbell, Mr. Tucker.  
To Sandspit (today)—F. McMahon, R. Tierney, A. N. Arrow-smith, C. O. Carlson, George Malenoid, A. Gaborieau, R. Mantha, Mrs. O. Charleston, Mr. Assen, F. Russ.  
Queen Charlotte Airlines (today)—To Masset, Mr. Tuma. To Juskatla, J. Ulmer.

### Railway Companies Are Accepting Board Finding-Strike Vote On Anyway

OTTAWA (CP)—Acceptance of the two major Canadian railway companies of the majority reports of recent conciliation boards will not affect the decision already made to take a strike vote, A. R. Mosher, president of the Canadian Congress of Labor, said today. Mr. Mosher said he felt certain the employees would vote for a strike.

### Extra Flights—Air Service Is Increased

Canadian Pacific Air Lines is increasing its daily service between Prince Rupert and Vancouver for the special benefit of week-end travelers. Commencing today, there will be two flights each way on Mondays and Saturdays.

The regular daily flights will leave at 12:10 noon with extra flights at 4:50 p.m. on Mondays and Saturdays. Planes will arrive 3:50 p.m. the regular daily flight and 7:50 p.m. Mondays and Saturdays. The early flights will carry the mail.

The extra flights will involve the use of two planes on the Vancouver-Sandspit section of the flight.

### King of Siam Wed In Simple Service

BANGKOK, Thailand — King Phumiphon has taken as his bride a beautiful 17-year-old princess. In a blue wedding sarong, Sirikit Kitiyakorn became queen of Siam in simple Buddhist rites. The king will be crowned May 5 and they will leave soon after for Switzerland.

### Crown Case Concluded

CALGARY — A 22-year-old Aviation Company employee was killed today when a light plane in which he had been buzzing the city crashed into a bungalow in north Calgary. Dead is Jack Harper, advertising and sales employee of Foot-hills Aviation Ltd., Calgary. The bungalow's four inhabitants miraculously escaped serious injury. Both the plane and house were demolished. Harper was killed instantly.

Mrs. W. D. Vance returned to the city on the Princess Louise this morning from a two weeks' visit in Vancouver.



SIAMESE TWINS AT FIVE MONTHS — Brenda and Beverley Townsend, the Siamese twins born to a Tofield, Alta., couple, now are five months old and healthy. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Townsend, shown here with the twins, plan to send them to an Edmonton hospital early in May for an operation which is hoped will separate them and give the girls a chance for a normal childhood. (CP Photo)

LOCAL TIDES  
Monday, May 2, 1950

0:56	23.1 feet
13:42	20.8 feet
7:26	0.7 feet
19:31	8.7 feet