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Canada you do not know
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clared Dr. Lotta Hirsch-

in an appeal for help
it of the thousands of
starving, frightened

of Europe, made before
members of the Women's
Club at a dinner

in the Civic Centre last
Lotta Hirschmanova, in-
sured by the president, Mrs.

son Youngs, is well ac-
quainted with the situation in
today from the stand-
point of social welfare.

in Prague, Czechoslovakia,
graduate of universi-
Prague and Paris, she
doctorate in philosophy

diploma in social science
journalism. Formerly a
woman in her native
and France, she was

to take refuge in Bel-
gium during the war. She gain-
ed entrance to Canada in 1942
on the request of the Czech

government and in 1945 became
service director of the Uni-
ted Service Committee of
Canada. Dr. Hirschmanova has

visited Europe twice since the
war and gave an eye-wit-
ness account of the conditions
there. On her most recent trip

in 1947, she found Europe
and hope much to help herself
and still very much in need of
help.

Bombed cities are being re-
built with bare hands because
of lack of machinery. Factories
cannot fill orders because of
lack of raw materials. Choice

of food is being killed for food
because of lack of fodder and
the lack of food.

an catastrophic crop failure
due to rain followed
a great heat wave, the like
of which had not been recorded

since 1813 added to the cease-
less, gnawing hunger of the
people.

Barbara Ann Scott Wins Olympic Title

Now on Sound Basis, Prince Rupert Never Looked Better -- C. H. Orme

After more than forty years' close association with Prince Rupert from the earliest days of speculative stimulation through the heights of optimism and the depths of despair, Ex-Mayor C. H. Orme, before he left last night for Victoria after spending the past few weeks here, said the outlook for Prince Rupert's future never appeared brighter to him than it does today. "The basis of the city's future progress is doubtless, sounder than ever before now that some of the old speculative phases are behind us," this pioneer of pioneers commented. "As I see it there is no place in Canada that offers a better opportunity today."

Mr. Orme expects to be back in Prince Rupert early in May.



OPTIMISTIC—"Prince Rupert on solid basis"—C. H. Orme.

Market Is Firming Up

But Situation Is Still Somewhat Uncertain

CHICAGO — The headlong plunge of commodity prices showed signs of touching at least a temporary bottom today. Wheat futures again reached a maximum allowable decline of 10c a bushel but found enough buying to recover slightly. Corn skidded the daily limit of eight cents for a third straight day.

Oats were down a lesser amount. Some balance came back into the stock market where prices held just about even. Cotton futures, after dropping heavily, recovered to show narrow gains at noon on the New York Exchange. Erratic movement of commodities other than grains lent encouragement to analysts who see this week's break in the price front as a healthy adjustment rather than a definite change of direction.

WATERWAY IS CRITICIZED

Senator Lodge Thinks Big Scheme Impracticable—Colleague Sees Differently

WASHINGTON—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, speaking in opposition to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway proposition, pictured the whole region as a solidly frozen waste for five months of the year, a highly dangerous navigation system under the best of conditions and a vulnerable area that could only with difficulty be defended from a modern air attack. He spoke for four hours.

There was no assurance, said Lodge, that the Canadian Parliament would approve the agreement and he believed Premier King was hesitant to sign the agreement "which the United States Government insisted on." Senator Wiley declared that Senator Lodge's fears were all imaginary. What worried him was that his home city, Bdston, might lose some trade. What he had said about fog was all in his mind. Senator Wiley remarked that the St. Lawrence had a better accident record than most comparable seaways and that the Canadian government records show there was more fog in New York than in the St. Lawrence.

Canadian Makes Air Speed Mark

MORETOWN VALENCE, Gloucestershire, England — Squadron Leader Bill Waterton of Edmonton today established an air speed record of 515.89 miles an hour for the 100-kilometre closed circuit. The record is subject to confirmation.

SAME BANDITS STRIKE AGAIN

Marpole Branch of Imperial Bank in Vancouver Robbed of \$900

VANCOUVER — Two overall-clad and goggled gunmen yesterday robbed the Marpole branch of the Imperial Bank of Canada of \$900. They are believed to be the same men who robbed the same branch of \$1500 on New Year's Eve.

Bank Manager Reg Astley, who fired two shots at the bandits, said he was "positive" they were the same ones who pulled the previous hold-up.

ATOM AIRCRAFT CARRIER NOW

Formidable New Fighting Vessel Proposed for U.S. Navy

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Planes big enough to carry atomic bombs may be able to operate from a giant new American aircraft carrier.

Proposed addition of a 60,000 to 80,000-ton mammoth flat-top was announced yesterday by Secretary of the Navy John L. Sullivan.

Other experimental warcraft, additions to the United States arsenal and new weapons are also proposed. First hint of the atomic bomb naval craft was made a month ago by President Truman.

BRITAIN IS CRITICIZED

Charged By Ukraine By Blocking Palestine Partition Plan

LAKE SUCCESS — The Soviet Ukraine today accused Great Britain of obstructing the partition of Palestine.

Vassily A. Tarasenko, Ukrainian delegate on the security council, charged that the position taken by Britain was contrary to the United Nations Assembly's decision to split the Holy Land into Jewish and Arab states.

NUTLEY, Sussex, Eng. — Five paintings worth more than \$40,000 including works of Turner and Gainsborough, were presented by F. G. Netteleford to Liverpool Corporation Walker Art Gallery.

DE VALERA LOSES MAJORITY IN EIRE BUT MAY CARRY ON GOV'T

DUBLIN (CP)—Thomas L. Mullins, Secretary of the Fianna Fail (government party) said that Prime Minister Eamonn de Valera lost his Parliamentary majority by a slim margin in Wednesday's general election.

However, Mullins said the Prime Minister would be able to form a new government with the support of labor and independents.

Complete returns from three-quarters of Eire's forty constituencies show de Valera's Fianna Fail cannot hope to obtain the seventy-four seats needed for a clear majority in the 174-member Dail.

The fine Gael Party is second with 23 seats followed by Labor in third place with eleven. Four other parties have split up the remaining twenty-one seats so far decided.

MAY KNOW IN WEEK'S TIME

Meantime Kenneth Meek Non-Committal in Regard to Waterfront Installations

Stating that the former United States Army waterfront installations were still under his control in negotiations with the War Assets Corporation but declining to discuss any details of his deal, Kenneth Meek of Calgary said this morning that he might have something to say in about a week's time on the matter. He suggested that there might be developments in the meantime which would result in final consummation of the deal.

Mr. Meek reiterated frequent statements that he was doing everything in his power to develop some useful function for the installations rather than demolish them. Meantime, he had assumed maintenance charges in connection with keeping them standing. He suggested that War Assets was insisting on an early disposal of the matter.

Mr. Meek said that, on a recent trip east, he had endeavored to develop interest in the use of the installations but that he had met the opinion that they were "public utilities" in which the people of Prince Rupert should interest themselves.

Meantime a telegram received by the Daily News from F. X. Jennings of War Assets headquarters at Montreal said that "sale of the installations is not yet completed" and gave the understanding that Mr. Meek was now in Prince Rupert.

BULLETINS

ANOTHER SUICIDE
PARIS—A War Ministry spokesman today announced that General Otto von Stuepnagel, wartime commander of German troops in occupied France, hanged himself this morning in Cherchemidi Prison. A 69-year-old bachelor Stuepnagel was under indictment on charges of "crimes against international law," including the execution of hostages.

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NAZI GENERAL TAKES OWN LIFE

NUERNBERG — General Johannes Blaskowitz, who surrendered to the Canadian Army in Holland in May 1945, committed suicide in a Nuernberg prison yesterday shortly before he was to go on trial for war crimes.

The 64-year-old Wehrmacht veteran, who surrendered his forces May 5, 1945, to Lt.-Gen. Charles Foulkes, commander of the First Canadian Corps two days before the German surrender eluded his guards and leaped from a top tier of cells to the tiled floor of the prison rotunda.

SAVINGS ARE BEING HELD

For Application Against Income Tax Arrears, Minister Tells House

OTTAWA — Hon. Dr. J. J. McCann, minister of national revenue told a questioner in the House of Commons that compulsory savings collected by the government during the war were being retained against arrears in income tax payments.

Answering T. J. Bentley, C.C.F. member for Swift Current, Dr. McCann said the retention of the savings was being made under an order-in-council passed January 8. He said the total amount that was repayable had been more than \$500,000,000 of which nearly four million had already been paid out.

Habitual Criminal Loses His Appeal

VICTORIA — William Munavish, aged 34, of Vancouver lost an appeal from an indeterminate sentence in penitentiary as a habitual criminal. Munavish was the first person in Canada to be conducted under the Habitual Criminal Act which has been in force since last July.

JUST LIKE HUMANS
Kangaroos feed while sitting erect, holding the food in their forepaws.



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Graceful Canadian Girl Wins Skate Figure Title

ST. MORITZ (CP)—Canada's Barbara Ann Scott today won the women's figure skating championship at the Fifth Winter Olympics, climaxing a success story perhaps unparalleled in Canadian sport history and bringing the Dominion its first Olympic skating title.

The 19-year-old Canadian girl, with a characteristically polished performance, scored marks ranging from 5.3 to 5.9 in the three-figure phase of the championship. (Six is perfection).

A special announcement came after Barbara Ann's flawless form in three figures made it certain that judges would confirm unofficial figures.

Telegrams of congratulations soon came pouring in including messages from Prime Minister King and Leader of the Opposition Bracken.

COMPLAIN OF PRESS PARLEY

Members of British Parliament Critical of Their Use

LONDON — Press conferences, generally looked on as a United States invention, have increased and multiplied in Whitehall to the point that members of Parliament—and some reporters—have started to complain.

Critical members of Parliament say the press conference is a convenient method of allowing ministers to avoid making announcements in Parliament where they would be subjected to questions by the opposition.

Correspondents, many of whom have no seat in galleries of either the Commons or Lords, welcome opportunities to meet ministers face to face and have policies clarified.

But even the seekers after news grouse that press conferences with some ministers represent no more than the collection of a long mimeographed statement and a friendly smile. Attempts to carry the minister beyond the written word often are fruitless. This being so, they contend a messenger boy to collect the handout would serve just as well.

Some ministers, like Sir Stafford Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer, make their conferences a semi-public class in economics. Sir Stafford, a firm "stonewaller" when he does not wish to answer a question, retains his boyhood trait of delighting to explain and expound, reputed to have bored the family tenants when he was young. His conferences usually are considered more useful than those of his smiling but hard-to-pin-down predecessor, Hugh Dalton.

Navy Firing, Danger Area Is Declared

SEATTLE—The Coastguard announce that a danger area will be established by the 17th U.S. Naval district for sea to shore surface firing throughout all of February. The danger area will be on the north shore of Ugak Bay, Kodiak Island, Alaska.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

Clear skies and cold polar air combined last night to bring sub-zero temperatures to all of the interior. The Kootenays and the Cariboo reported as much as 20 below zero. Along the coast, Comox, with 13 above, was the coldest spot.

Relief from the cold wave appears to be in sight as a storm is moving in rapidly from the Gulf of Alaska. Mixed rain and snow with strong southerly winds were expected to strike the northern coast by mid-day and spread to Vancouver Island and the lower mainland tonight.

Forecast

Prince Rupert, Queen Charlottes and North Coast—Overcast, continuous mixed rain and snow today. Cloudy with snow flurries tonight and Saturday; southeast winds (15 m.p.h.) increasing to southeast (30) this afternoon and shifting to northwesterly (30) tonight. Milder. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow: Port Hardy 32 and 40, Massett 30 and 40, Prince Rupert 30 and 40.

LONDON — A North London athletic association is producing a play "See How They Run."

Calls For Controls

Liberal Member at Ottawa Veers From Party Line in Advice to Government

OTTAWA — David Groll, Liberal member for Toronto-Spadina, bluntly told the government yesterday that a return to price controls and subsidies was the way to reduce current costs of living.

Veering sharply from the line which has been followed by government supporters, Mr. Groll made his statement in the House of Commons after Rt. Hon. J. L. Isley, minister of justice, had asked the members to support the government's resolution for the establishment of a committee to investigate reasons for the rising cost of living.

Mr. Groll also advocated the reimposition of the excess profits tax to curb profiteering and said the government's policy of non-interference with business and building up huge surpluses was of little importance compared with the health of the Canadian people.

INTEGRITY IN DECLINE

Quaker School Master Blames Oldsters For Youth Becoming Agnostics

BOOTHAM, Yorkshire, Eng. — A Quaker school headmaster, Thomas F. Green, told a religious conference here, that "most of my boys between the ages of 16 and 17 are agnostics." He added: "The same can be said for the undergraduate world as a whole. They think of God as being like Santa Claus to be believed in when one is young. The decline in personal integrity among older people is having its influence on the young. With the many regulations of today, the law is no longer regarded as sacred."

LOCAL TIDES

Saturday, February 7, 1948
High 0:30 16.9 feet
11:52 19.3 feet
Low 6:00 9.7 feet
18:40 4.1 feet

City Merchants

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