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## Nationalist Defences In South China Crumbling Before Communists

### NEVER WILL BE "GOODY" CITY SAYS CASEY

Casey's liquor laws and the city's boot-licking came in for some harsh criticism from the public last night as the aldermen tried to devise a plan which would be fair to those convicted of liquor infractions and, at the same time, uphold the law.

The police committee's report was approved. The right to retract with due cause."

### Privy Council Appeal Is Out

E. T. Applewhaite Has His Say as Ottawa Has One-Man Filibuster

OTTAWA (CP)—A one-man filibuster by Thomas L. Church, Progressive-Conservative member for Toronto-Broadview, held up for a time yesterday, Parliament's third reading of the bill to abolish appeals to the Privy Council which was finally passed without recorded division. The bill would make the Supreme Court the final court of appeal for Canada.

Church fought for supper adjournment of the House, getting the help of Prime Minister St. Laurent who said he wished the member to be satisfied.

Church's argument threw the House into a tangle of legal wits over whether the House should give third reading today.

At the voting only Mr. Church voted disapproval after the Speaker had ruled that the question should be cleared up today regarding the third reading.

Church declared that an attempt was being made to break ties with the British Empire.

E. T. Applewhaite, Skeena, said that, as a Canadian, he wished to protest any suggestion that Canada was trying to sell out of the Commonwealth.

### GAME HANDY—

## Accommodating Moose Shot At New Hazelton Station

Usually, a moose is shot while rambling in the woods or swamps instead of while loafing around a railway station.

But the latter is exactly what happened at New Hazelton last Saturday morning. During the night, a good-sized bull, wearing eight-point antlers, came out from the surrounding hills and, when first sighted, was standing near the water tank, barely a thousand feet from the station building and handy to homes. The time was around eight o'clock and the morning was gusty and wet.

It so happened that a man carrying a rifle but hardly expecting to see any game so near his own fireside, is Bill Holmes of Usk, for some time living at New Hazelton and employed as a miner.

Mr. Holmes was just starting out on what he hoped would be a successful hunting trip when he noticed something that gave him the surprise of his life.

In the name of firearms and dining car tickets what was a moose doing right in town—and at a railway station of all places? Well, there was no sense in just staring and guessing! Holmes up and fired, dropping the venison, practically in its tracks. Everything worked with



PROMISE FULFILLED—A hearty welcome was accorded Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of the United Kingdom on his arrival at Ottawa to fulfil a promise to visit Canada. Among those on hand to greet the 69-year-old trades-unionist-turned-statesman and his wife was "dear old friend" former Prime Minister Mackenzie King. Left to right, are: Mr. King; Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, U.K. high commissioner to Canada; Hon. Brooke Claxton, acting external affairs minister, Mr. and Mrs. Bevin. (C. P. Photo)

### Three Die Sud'only

Aged People Succumb at Ootsa Lake, Kitwanga and Smithers

Three sudden deaths from natural causes at central interior points are reported today to divisional headquarters of the provincial police here by the Smithers district office.

William Henry Cook, old age pensioner at Sreatnam in the Ootsa Lake district, was found dead in his cabin on Sunday. Coroner White conducted an inquiry.

Carl Russell, aged Indian, was found dead beside his cabin at Kitwanga Monday. Coroner Drake satisfied himself that death was due to natural causes.

Mrs. Edith Wright, aged 78, also an old age pensioner, was found dead outside her cabin at Smithers Sunday.

## Bulletins

### MONTREAL CONVICT SLAIN

MONTREAL—A 19-year-old escaped convict was shot and killed by an off-duty constable early today as he and two other escaped prisoners were trying to break into a private home in the north-eastern section of the city. Police identified the youth as Jean Charles Labrosse who was killed as he attempted to frighten an officer with a piece of metal.

### WAS SHE MURDERED?

VANCOUVER—The possibility of murder is seen in the death of the decomposed body of an apparent young woman which was found in the water off West Vancouver at the week-end. Police announce that there has been no positive identification as yet although a newspaper said that it was the body of a woman who had been missing for a month.

### TO ASSIGN WORKERS

LONDON—Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, served notice on British workers today that some of them may have to give up their present jobs and go to work in the "dollar-earning" industries. There could be no guarantee, he said, that people would be allowed to remain in their present jobs. During the war the government reserved the right to direct British working men and women into jobs where they were most needed. It still had the authority to do so.

### EARLY ELECTION UNLIKELY

LONDON—The possibility of an early election dimmed today and there are increasing signs that Prime Minister Attlee's government may wait until next spring before calling for a vote. Attlee is to see Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin tonight on the election question.

### PASSENGERS NOT AROUSED

TORONTO—First Officer Woods told the Noronic inquiry today that no members of the crew of the ill-fated lake vessel had been required to arouse passengers in the event of fire in report. He said that no instructions had been issued by him to arouse the passengers.

### APPOINTMENT CRITICIZED

OTTAWA—Donald Fleming, Progressive-Conservative, Toronto-Eglinton, yesterday protested the appointment of Donald Gordon as new chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways on the grounds that he had no experience in railway affairs. He declared that it was a "shameful violation" of principles of promotion within an organization.

### "AD" BUILDING REPORT FILED

A report of an interview with Col. A. W. Sparling, head of War Assets Corporation in Western Canada, regarding the feasibility of purchasing the former American army administration hall for civic purposes was ordered filed by Mayor Arnold, Tuesday night after it had been read to council by Finance Chairman T. B. Black.

The report arose out of a motion last month by Alderman H. S. Whalen and the city investigate the feasibility of using the building for a city hall and fire hall.

"Col. Sparling implied that our suggested offer of \$5,000 could not be entertained and although he had no authority to set a price, any acceptable offer would be considerably higher," Mr. Black stated.

"The committee feel that the price would not be less than \$40,000 to \$50,000, exclusive of land. Cost of repair can only be determined by a proper survey, dependent on the use the building is put to. The committee feel that the minimum cost for alterations and repair would not be less than \$50,000 and could reach \$200,000."

### THE WEATHER

Synopsis  
Relatively clear skies have returned to the southern British Columbia coast in the past 12 hours. Cloudiness persists over many of the interior regions and scattered shower activity is to be expected this afternoon. Clearing skies tonight will produce the risk of sharp frosts in most of the interior valleys. Ground frosts will touch the Lower Mainland. Tomorrow will be sunny in most of these regions.

The disturbance in the Gulf of Alaska appears to be weakening this morning and is likely to affect only the north coast of the province. Occasional light rain is expected to occur in that area tonight.

Forecast  
North Coast Region—Cloudy today. Overcast with occasional light rain tonight. Cloudy Thursday. Little change in temperature. Winds westerly, 20 m.p.h. in the exposed areas, becoming southerly, 20 m.p.h. tonight. Little change in temperature. Lows tonight and highs Thursday—at Port Hardy, 42 and 54; Sandspit, 40 and 50; Prince Rupert 45 and 50.

## Government Flees From Canton Into Far Away Chungking

HONG KONG (CP)—Nationalist defences in South China crumbled today before fast-moving Communist armies. Red elements are reported within thirty-five miles of the tottering provisional capital of Canton. The government has fled to Chungking, far in the interior. Thousands of evacuees are jamming Hong Kong.

There has been no sign of resistance from five Nationalist Sea and air travel from Hong Kong to Canton has been cancelled.

Among those in flight from Canton to Hong Kong are some foreign diplomats. The British consul-general and his staff, however, are remaining in Canton and will stay "no matter what happens." The city remains calm.

## Ships, Plane Join in Search for Missing Metlakatla Fisherman

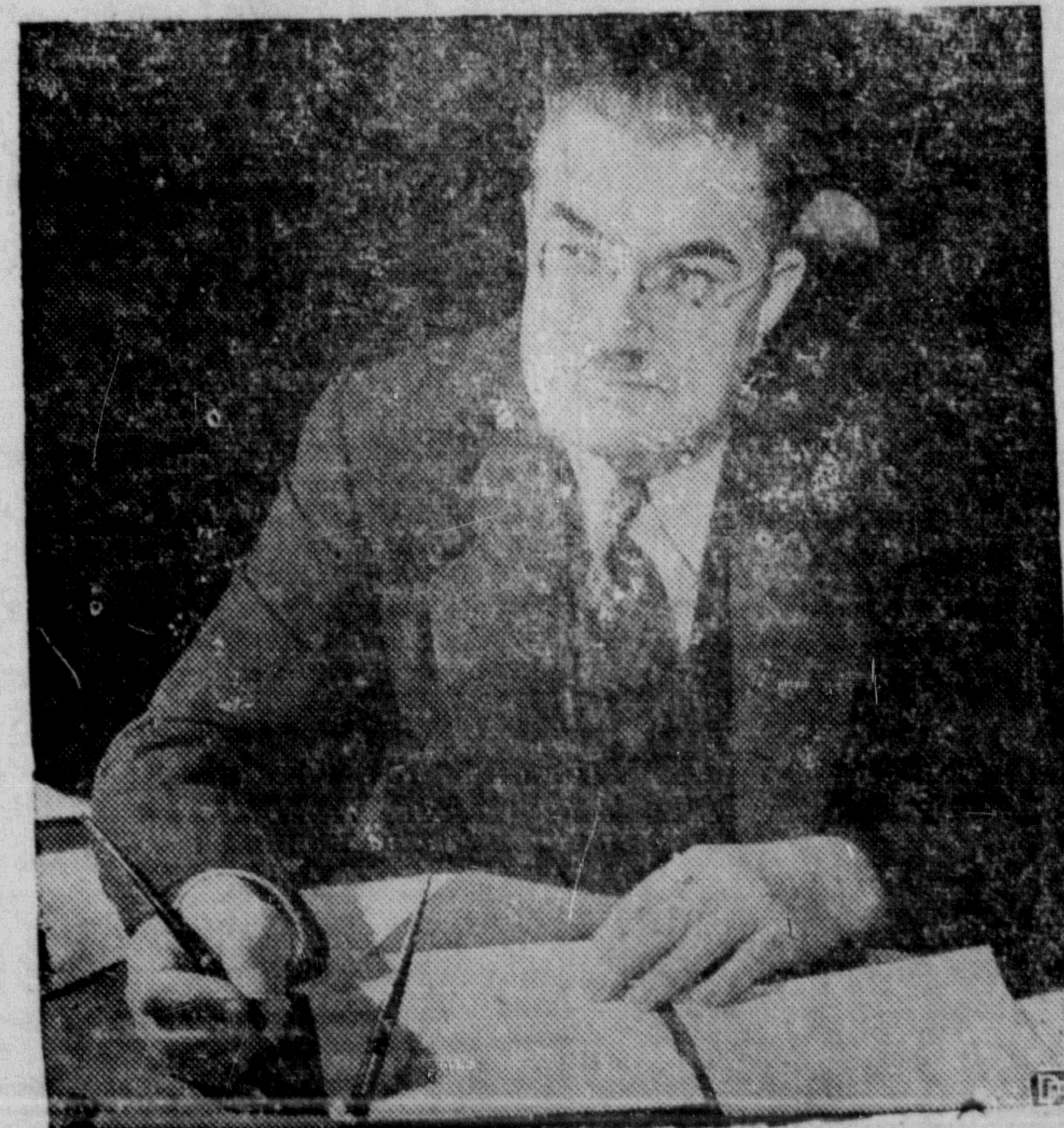
An air and sea search by a Department of Fisheries patrol boat and aircraft was under way today for a Metlakatla fisherman believed to be adrift after the engine of his gillnet boat broke down in stormy Hecate Strait on Monday.

Object of the search is a man said to be George Powell, 36 year old Metlakatla man, whose boat, the Rowena, broke adrift while being towed by another gillnet boat in the area off White Rocks on the northwest tip of a Banks Island. Name of the trolling boat which had been towing the Rowena was not given, but the operator was said to be a man named Tait. Radio interference made it impossible for Fisheries Department officials here to ascertain the names properly.

Word of Powell's plight became known here yesterday when the Fisheries Protection vessel Kitimaat, Capt. Charles Earnshaw, broadcast that it was seeking the missing boat. One report said that the Kitimaat had sighted it, then lost it, but there was no confirmation of this.

Department of Fisheries planes and 54; Sandspit, 40 and 50; Prince Rupert 45 and 50. others made shore safely.

## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT— Gordon Is C.N.R.'s Youngest Chief



NEW CHIEF OF CANADIAN NATIONAL—Donald Gordon, deputy governor of Bank of Canada and former chairman of Wartime Prices and Trade Board, appointed chairman of board and president of Canadian National Railways.

OTTAWA (CP)—Donald Gordon, 47-year-old deputy governor of the Bank of Canada, appointed yesterday as head of the huge Canadian National Railway system as from January 1, succeeding R. C. Vaughan, aged 65, who is retiring, is the youngest head of the \$2,500,000,000 system he ever had. The former chairman of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board will take over control of a vast corporate empire sprawling between Canada's coasts and down to the United States including steamships, hotels, telegraphs and allied services.

The following statement was made by Hon. Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport in the House of Commons Tuesday: Mr. Speaker: I have an announcement.

Jack McNully returned to the city on the Prince George today from a trip to Vancouver.



Thursday, October 13, 1949

High	5:05	16.1 feet
	16:35	18.5 feet
	10:25	10.4 feet
Low	23:47	6.9 feet

### KEY SCORES

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