

WORLD EVENTS IN PICTURES

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THUGS GET \$75,000 IN GEMS IN DARING ROBBERY — Wearing shoulder-length Klan-type hoods, two armed men robbed wholesale diamond and jewelry firms in an estimated \$75,000 in gems. Working for six hours, the thugs drilled through and blew another to pieces. W. Reichman, left, bookkeeper for one of the jewelry firms, is shown here. The thugs, after binding the night watchman, forced him to open the safe into the office, shown right, where they sorted out the gems before making their escape.



BETTER HE SHOULD WIN QUIZ PROGRAM—Not even enough to buy a bone for his dog. That's what Jack Parkes of Ottawa says about the compulsory savings cheque he holds. Government returned him 11 cents. It cost 27 cents to get it. Never mind Jack, maybe with the tax reductions of Finance Minister Douglas Abbott, you'll be able to buy two bones for your dog next year!



GREEK ROYAL COUPLE GODPARENTS—It's a big day for the infant granddaughter of General Van Fleet, head of the U.S. army group in Greece. At her christening in the Athens Anglican Church, King Paul and Queen Frederica serve as her godparents. Around the christening font during the ceremony are, left to right, the baby's mother and father, Lt.-Col. Edward K. McConnell, of Gistonia, North Carolina; King Paul and Queen Frederica.



IN PARIS—Everything seems to be sweetness and light at the "Big Four" chit-chat gaily at a reception given by the French government at the Elysee palace in Paris by the president. Left to right are French Foreign Minister Schuman; French President Vincent Auriol; Russian Commissar Andrei Vyshinsky and the United States, Secretary of State Dean Acheson.



WINS CANADIAN MILK PRODUCTION TITLE—Almost smiling at you here is "Commander's Rose of Sharon," or just plain "Rose," owned by Harry Stewart of St. Catharines, Ont. She has something to smile about for she is champion cow in Canada. Winner of the Canadian Guernsey milk production title, Rose's production was 21,064 lbs.



OPPOSING ITALIAN COLONY PLAN—Hector McNeill, British minister of state, greets Dr. Verde De Sala, a member of the special delegation from the Council on African Affairs which made formal protest at Lake Success, N.Y., against proposed plan to partition Italy's former African colonies between Italian and British trusteeship. The delegation demanded limited trusteeship under the U.S. Trusteeship Council and then guaranteed independence for the countries involved.



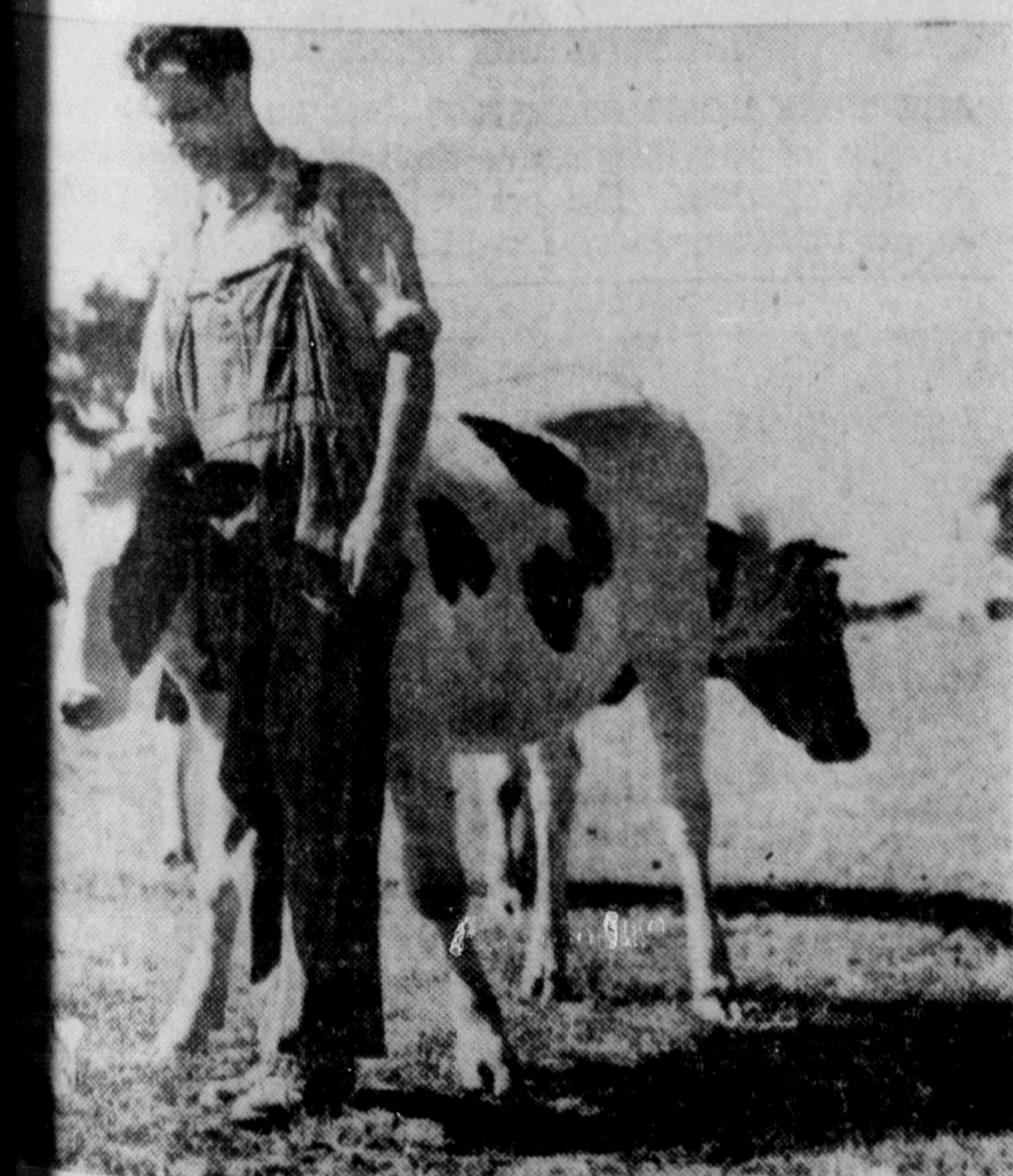
AT ISRAEL'S "FRONT LINE"—Touring the Holy Land during the recent Arab-Jewish struggle, Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., son of the late U.S. president is shown chatting with Israeli sentry at a frontline position in Jerusalem.



U.N. WELCOME TO ISRAEL—In significant United Nations moment, the new nation of Israel was voted into the International assembly of nations at the General Assembly meeting in Flushing Meadows, New York. The vote was 37-12 with nine abstentions.



GANDER AT A SHEEPISH GOOSE—There's a wild goose chase every day at the Livingstone, N.J., farm of Bob Baer, who, for lack of a sheep dog, employs a wild gander named Flatfoot to lead his flock of Hampshire sheep in for feeding. Flatfoot, who flew in out of nowhere on the Baers three years ago, stays with the sheep constantly and as might be gathered from the picture, has them behaving like lambs. At feeding time he leads the galloping sheep toward the narrow gate into the barnyard, jumping aside just as they reach it. And when he's cooped up in a shed with his charges during bad weather, Flatfoot finds amusement by riding them around the enclosure. Baer and his wife have been assured that he's a wild gander, but the only trace of wildness left in Flatfoot is his refusal to let even the Baers touch him.

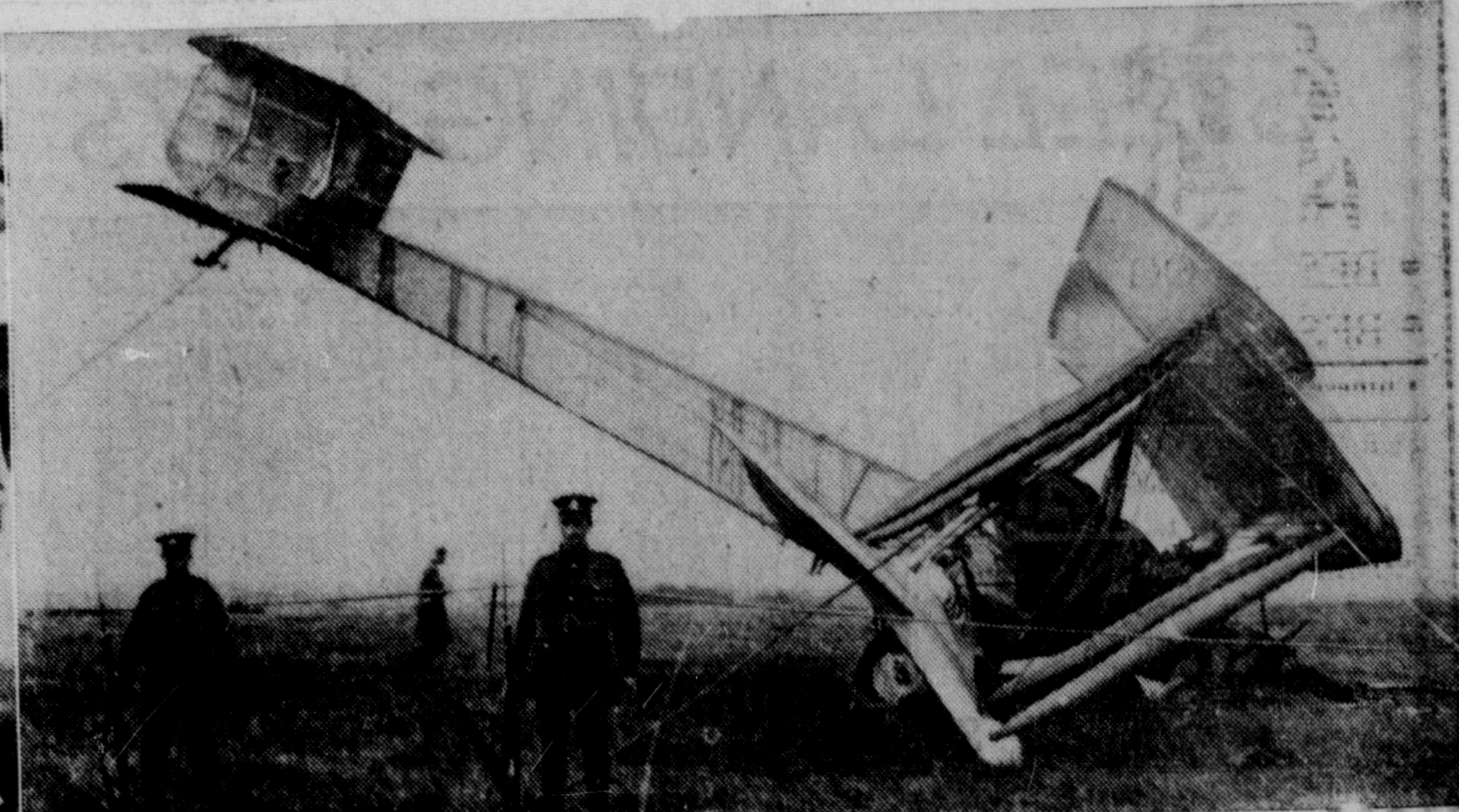


DROUGHT THREAT BECAME REALITY—With one of the driest summers recorded in Ontario the province recently had one of its worst droughts on record. Crops withered for lack of moisture. Industries in southern Ontario laid off staffs, production was partially or entirely stopped. The dairy industry here was possibly hardest hit as drought thinned the herds.



Thirty years ago this summer, Capt. John Alcock and Lieut. Arthur Whitten Brown climbed out of an airplane in which they had flown 1,880 miles non-stop from Newfoundland to Ireland. Flying through frozen sleet and dense fog without modern detecting and radar equipment, they had completed the first direct trans-Atlantic flight in a frail Vickers Vimy biplane.

The British fliers had taken off with an overload of 1,000 pounds, and shortly afterwards a technical defect put their radio out of action. At that time little was known of weather conditions in mid-Atlantic and they were sometimes forced to fly only 300 feet above the ocean. Both men have since died: Pilot Alcock on Dec. 18, 1919—only seven months after his his-



toric flight—through a fatal air crash in France; Navigator Brown last year, 1948. It took them nearly 16 hours to reach Europe—today trans-Atlantic planes fly from Gander to Shannon in seven-and-a-quarter hours. Photo, left, shows Capt. Sir John Alcock (left) and Lieut. Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, two months after their historic trans-Atlantic flight. They were both

knighted by King George V. Photo right, shows the Vickers Vimy biplane after Alcock and Brown had landed in an Irish bog near Glifden in Galway. "We landed in the softest part of Ireland," said Alcock. "The machine sank into it up to the axle and fell over on her nose." The historic airplane is now preserved in London's South Kensington Science Museum.