

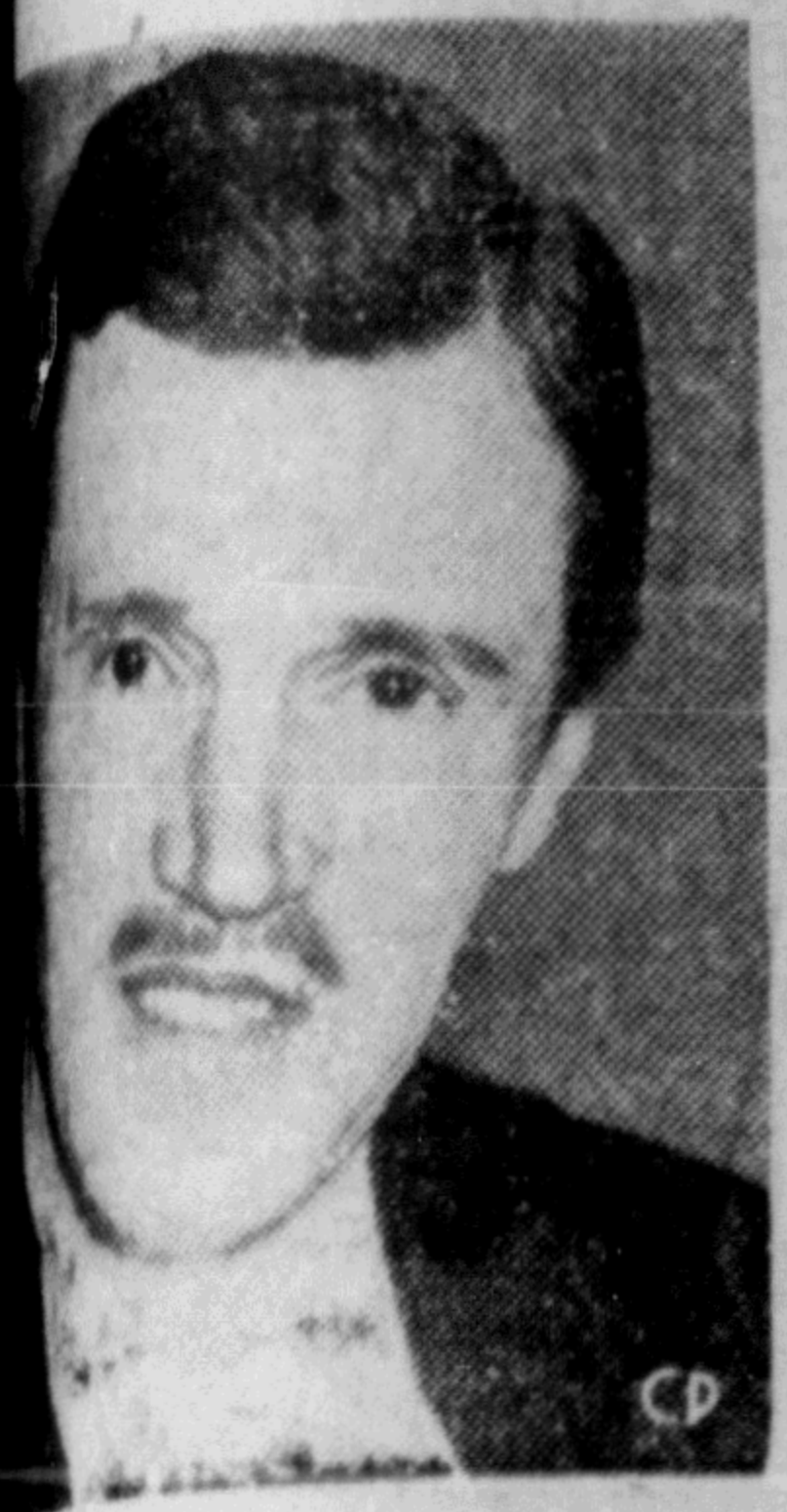
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CONCILIATOR—Mr. J. O. Wilson of the British Columbia Supreme Court has been appointed to head several conciliation boards which will seek to settle disputes between railway companies and labor unions. (C. P. Photo)

## Rising In Philippines

MANILA (CP)—Constabulary quarters tonight reported seven men were killed and 10 missing and presumed dead following an encounter between government troops and Moro outlaws in Jolo in the southern Philippines. More than 1000 Moro outlaws in the area are reported to be defying government forces in the foot of Mount Luak on island.

## WEEKLY STOCKS

Vancouver	
Alcan	93 1/4
Bank of Montreal	9.30
Bank of Victoria	.03
B.C. Electric	.05 1/2
Bank of Commerce	1.37
Bank of New Zealand	.03 1/2
Bank of Toronto	.30
Bank of Montreal	.07
Bank of Victoria	5.70
Bank of Commerce	3.15
Bank of New Zealand	.03 1/2
Bank of Montreal	.22
Bank of Victoria	1.21
Bank of Commerce	.43
Bank of New Zealand	8.20
Bank of Montreal	1.39
Bank of Victoria	12.75
Bank of Commerce	1.75
Bank of New Zealand	4.05
Bank of Montreal	.34 1/2
Bank of Victoria	.06
Bank of Commerce	.925
Toronto	
Alcan	99 1/2
Bank of Montreal	12 1/2
Bank of Victoria	.52
Bank of Commerce	.25
Bank of New Zealand	.14
Bank of Montreal	.53
Bank of Victoria	105.00
Bank of Commerce	1.26
Bank of New Zealand	.57
Bank of Montreal	.43
Bank of Victoria	5.15
Bank of Commerce	6.30
Bank of New Zealand	.36
Bank of Montreal	.23
Bank of Victoria	.06 1/2
Bank of Commerce	.15
Bank of New Zealand	.06
Bank of Montreal	.73
Bank of Victoria	.05
Bank of Commerce	.05
Bank of New Zealand	.40
Bank of Montreal	1.1 1/2
Bank of Victoria	3.09
Bank of Commerce	1.31
Bank of New Zealand	.31
Bank of Montreal	1.05
Bank of Victoria	67.55
Bank of Commerce	1.1 1/2
Bank of New Zealand	1.11
Bank of Montreal	.71
Bank of Victoria	3.89
Bank of Commerce	.21
Bank of New Zealand	2.63
Bank of Montreal	2.19
Bank of Victoria	.72
Bank of Commerce	.40
Bank of New Zealand	3.35

# Britain Has Atomic Bomb, Paper Hints

## Anti-Communist Program Proposed

### For Aid Of Middle East

LONDON (CP)—Great Britain is pressing the United States and Canada to help launch a giant new program for the Middle East and Southern Asia, a responsible British source reported today. He said the idea had come up "in most general terms" at top-secret, three-power talks now going on in Washington. Three-fold aims of such a project are said to be:

1. To save these strategic potentially rich regions from the spread of communism.
2. Help of Western Europe, mainly Britain, to close its debit gap between dollar buying and dollar spending.
3. Take off Britain some of the load she claims she is carrying in paying off wartime sterling debts, accumulated by countries like India, Pakistan, Egypt and Iraq.

### Tenders To Be Reconsidered

Although a report of the board of works committee, recommending the adoption of a tender for the Shawatians Lake emergency water pumping plant, was presented at a special meeting of city council last night, it was decided to reconsider the tenders. Alderman Whalen said that, although he suggested the acceptance of the B. C. Equipment Co. tender of \$7,828, he had changed his mind. Information received a short time before the meeting, prompted him to do this, he said. "I feel that all the tenders were not given a square deal," he said. He added that one of the tenderers approached him and stated that a lower figure could have been arrived at if he had been given the same specifications. It was finally decided that the board of works committee again meet and report the final decision to a special council meeting Friday afternoon.

### Chennault Ships Off To Formosa

HONG KONG (CP)—Eight of Major General Claire L. Chennault's civil air transport planes left unexpectedly today for Formosa and a highly reliable source said they were spurred by possible British recognition of Communist China. Eight other Chennault planes were getting ready to leave for that Nationalist Island fortress on the southeast coast of China.

### Power Strike Flares Again

LONDON (CP)—The three-day wildcat strike in state-owned power plants flared back to life today hours after it appeared settled. The 2700 strikers voted this morning to resume work but the workers at three or four plants failed to go back when scheduled as the electrical authority had posted notices telling the men that they were returning "unconditionally." The strikers said the word "unconditionally" was too broad and they would only go back under the terms existing before the walk-out.

### First Avenue Is Residential Area

No change may be made after all by the city whereby the continuation of a bus line headquarters at the present location on First Avenue West would be permitted. Residents of that area have complained against the bus line there and petitioned for a removal thereof.

The zoning committee had no report to make when the matter came up at this week's city council meeting but Ald. Casey, the chairman, suggested that a new location for the busses might be found on First Avenue near the naval headquarters. After some discussion, in which aldermen urged a definite stand be taken on the matter, it was decided to communicate with the residents concerned, informing them that the residential area would be maintained there under the zoning bylaw and the council will endeavour to see that the busses are removed to another location as soon as possible.

### Lower Coast Is "Seeing Things"

VANCOUVER—Vancouver and Victoria were "seeing things" last night, Vancouver speculated over a great black cloud that drifted over the city and which did not seem like an ordinary rain cloud. Victoria people saw a mysterious flash of light out over the Straits toward Victoria.

### Non-Partizans Sweep Election

VANCOUVER—Non-Partizan Association candidates swept the civic election here yesterday. The C.C.F. was successful in winning only one seat on the Parks Board.

### Buy Railway Tickets Early

VANCOUVER—With a long holiday week-end this Christmas and a heavy demand for tickets, the importance of buying tickets as early as possible was stressed here today by S. M. Greene, General Passenger agent, Canadian National Railways. Trains will carry extra equipment to accommodate the large number of passengers who will take advantage of the long week-end to go "home for Christmas." For convenience and to avoid the last minute rush, persons travelling during the Yuletide should buy their tickets as soon as possible, Mr. Greene said.

### Oil Sandstone Is Encountered

VICTORIA (CP)—Minister of Lands Kenney said that the Phillips Petroleum Co., now drilling at Lone Mountain in the Monkman Pass area, has struck Dunvegan sandstone at 1250 feet. This is the same formation which occurs in oil bearing areas in Northwestern Alberta. Lone Mountain is near the Alberta border on the Red Willow River in the Peace River Block.

### Looks Like Oil On Charlottes

Drilling for oil on Graham Island of the Queen Charlottes, Royalite company at last reports, was down 500 feet with its outfit. It has been announced that characteristically oil-bearing formation has been encountered.

### Freedom Sons Pledge—

## Doukhobors Repent And Promise That They Shall Sin No More

NELSON (CP)—Sons of Freedom, radical members of the Doukhobor sect, last night told the British Columbia Police that they had decided to "come forward to confess, repent and never repeat any more destruction."

A statement, signed by four sect members, was presented to Inspector R. S. Nelson of the British Columbia Police who agreed to discuss the matter further at a public meeting in nearby Krestova on Sunday.

The Doukhobor-settled region has been under police guard since the provincial government instituted a crackdown on bombings of Canadian Pacific Railway lines. One of the signers of the statement is John Lebedoff whose home was burned by Sons of Freedom followers on December 4 in the last piece of violence the area has seen since arrival of special squads of the British Columbia Police and Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The four signatories said they were told they had "gone too far" and the crisis had been reached. Inspector Nelson said he had told the delegation that, if they were sincere, their statement would be "very gratifying to all" but he told them it was up to the Sons to prove that they meant what they said.

### Jap Oranges Are Delayed

With two ships which had been due in Vancouver from the Orient about December 15 having been delayed until December 22 or 23, there has been a hold-up in large shipments of Japanese oranges destined for the Christmas market in British Columbia and it is possible a shortage may develop within the coming week with a possible deluge around Christmas Eve or later. Meantime, some stores here are still carrying supplies although the market is active and these may be exhausted before long.

### Riverside Mine Still Shipping

STEWART—Riverside Mine on the Alaskan side of the border, continues to ship ore with quite good results. The weather which has been down around the zero mark may cause a cessation of the work owing to freezing. So far no difficulty has been experienced, it is said, and the operation of the property continues.

### Would Postpone Rent Increases

QUEBEC (CP)—Premier Duplessis announced today that he has asked Finance Minister Douglas Abbott for a postponement of recently authorized rent increases until the Supreme Court of Canada has decided on the validity of rent controls.

Mr. Duplessis said he had advised the minister of finance that Quebec will step in if the Supreme Court of Canada decides that rent control is a provincial matter.

### Manitoba Stays Out

WINNIPEG (CP)—Manitoba does not propose to enter the field of rent control "at this time," it was announced today. The information was contained in a letter sent to Finance Minister Douglas Abbott by Premier Campbell of Manitoba. Saskatchewan and Alberta have already announced their intention of stepping into the rent control field.

### HOCKEY SCORES

**Pacific Coast**  
New Westminster 3, Seattle 1  
San Diego 3, San Francisco 1  
Fresno 2, Los Angeles 2

**N.I.L.**  
Detroit 5, Boston 2  
Toronto 2, Montreal 2  
Chicago 5, New York 3

### LOCAL TIDES

Friday, December 16, 1949  
High ..... 10:09 21.4 feet  
              23:12 18.5 feet  
Low ..... 3:55 7.8 feet  
              16:57 4.1 feet



THANKS TO CANADA—This little Italian girl, orphaned by war, has had a jar of milk to drink today. She received it from Canada through the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF). A score of United Nations countries are helping six million sick and hungry children in Europe and the East. The postal address "UNICEF, OTTAWA" is accepting Canadian funds to buy Canadian food to be shipped overseas by UNICEF.

### Another School— Metlakatla Coming In

The school board, at its regular meeting last evening, received a communication from F. E. Anfield, Indian Agent, calling attention to the coming enfranchisement of the natives of Metlakatla, a few miles from Prince Rupert which would bring the school there into the local provincial district. The number of children there, of school age, totals 28. Absorption of the Metlakatla school would involve the working out of several matters of detail. While actual enfranchisement has not as yet taken place, Mr. Anfield thought advisable to bring the matter before the board now. Without discussion, Mr. Anfield's letter was laid on the table, for the consideration of the 1950 board.

The meeting was presided over by the chairman, Dr. R. G. Large, the others present being A. Bruce Brown, W. J. Scott, A. J. Dominato, H. F. Robins, Mrs. E. Becker and Mrs. M. M. Roper, secretary.

Dr. Large congratulated Mr. Scott and Mr. Dominato having been returned by acclamation at the recent municipal election. A letter from Port Essington requested that something be done in giving assistance for janitor work there. This will be accepted.

In connection with the projected school building at Port Edward, a letter from the Deputy Minister of Lands was read, this making reference to the necessity of determining the site, before the sale of the new townsite lots before long. This matter will be the subject of a report.

### Attendance Reports

Attendance reports for November showed the total enrollment of 1260 compared with 1261 in October and 1164 in November, 1948.

Booth School, total 454, average 418.525.  
Borden Street, 236, average 27.97.  
Conrad Street, 253, average 212.60.  
King Edward, 317, average 282.77.  
Digby Island, 20, average 14.65.  
Port Simpson, 4.  
Port Edward, 75.

To some extent, non-attendance had been caused by illness, chiefly measles, mumps, chickenpox, and to a lesser degree, swollen glands. It was mentioned in the report that some of the children's parents were anxious to have them return to their studies as soon as possible, following recovery, and it was suggested that this could have caused set-backs. In other words, they had returned to school a little too early.

October accounts of \$1,997.34 and November of \$25,868.26 were passed.

The traffic situation in Claude Street presents disadvantages from the standpoint of school children security, according to a letter read. The city clerk will be communicated with, respecting this matter.

An application for the position of school teacher was received from Mrs. R. K. Cameron and accepted.

Previous to the meeting of the board, the teachers' salary committee met, those present being R. G. Moore, G. Bateman, W. Wright and Mrs. Doris Cobb.

### AIR PASSENGERS

To Vancouver (today)—M. P. Houghton, J. L. Wright, R. F. Fauton, S. B. Roberts, G. A. Brennan, Miss E. Schild, H. Hamel.  
To Sandspit (today)—Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Richardson, D. Darosh. From Vancouver (Wednesday)—E. Green, Master O'Toole, J. R. Durkin, D. J. Campbell, S. B. Roberts, Mr. Rystad, Mr. Elkins, H. D. Thain.  
From Sandspit (Wednesday)—Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. Cook.

## Will Not Be Tried Out At Forthcoming Tests

LONDON (CP)—The Daily Mirror today gave its readers the impression that Great Britain has produced an atomic bomb. The mass-circulated tabloid says in an unattributed un-dated article by its atomic affairs writer, Ronald Bedford, that 'Britain's atomic weapon, which our scientists have been developing for more than two years, will not be tried out at the forthcoming test of American super-atom bombs.

A government spokesman would make no statement as to whether or not Britain had the atomic bomb.

### 16 Dead In Sioux City

SIoux CITY (CP)—Sixteen persons, including two women, were killed yesterday in the bomb-like explosion at the Swift & Co. packing plant here, it was announced last night.

As darkness fell, hours after the blast, rescue workers were braving gas fumes to continue digging into the debris for possible additional victims.

At least 76 persons were known injured.

The blast is attributed by city fire officials to natural gas but it is not known what touched it off nor precisely where.

An area a block and a half in each direction from the scene was roped off.

Gas masks were used by rescue workers.

### Conrad Street School Expands

Principal T. G. Bateman informed Conrad Street School Parent-Teachers' Association at its regular meeting Tuesday night that, owing to the crowded condition of the present classrooms, a new basement room is to be added during the Christmas vacation and a new teacher will join the staff.

The meeting enjoyed a telling of the Christmas Story by Rev. L. G. Sieber, pastor of First United Church, whose discourse was illustrated by a set of colored slides.

"The Red Wagon," a technical film, was shown by Martin Stuart.

During a brief business session Martin Stuart tendered his resignation as program director and J. Jenkins was named to succeed him. F. Harold Thomas was named publicity convener.

Gratification was expressed at the decision of the city council to build a sidewalk on Claude Street between Sixth and Seventh Avenues for the safety of the children.

The proceedings closed with the serving of delicious refreshments.

### Kegler Sets Mark— Excitement At Bowling Alley

City bowlers were given a mark to shoot at and no little excitement was stirred up at the Prince Rupert Bowling Alleys last night when Jack Paul, playing for the pace-making Manson's team against the Royal Blues, scored a one-game total of 435 out of a possible of 450. When the word got around of what was going on in Paul's alley, play was suspended in the rest of the place as league competitors turned fascinated spectators of the sensational episode.

Paul had a spare in the first frame and then went on for an amazing feat of eleven straight strikes.

Uranium is now being prospected for "from the air" in airplanes especially equipped with new detection devices that react to radioactivity.

### 'Xmas Tree Girl Lost

New Clue in Search for Sixteen-Year Old of Kelso, Washington (CP)—More than 500 searchers, spurred by hopes of a new trail, at dawn today went into the fifth day of a hunt for Ruth Aberle, sixteen year old girl who has been missing since she went into the Oruhg forested country north-east of here, looking for a Christmas tree.

William F. Aberle, father of the girl, said: "I think we've got something this time."

That was last night after scent had been taken up from footprints that matched cardboard cut out of Ruth's shoes. The search party stopped last night but went out again today at daybreak.

### Thirteen Perish As House Burns

ROTAN, Texas (CP)—Twelve or thirteen persons were burned to death today in a 4-room house eight miles northeast of here. All were Latin-American farm workers. Two families made up the victims.

It was believed that four adults—two sets of parents—and eight or nine children perished.

### THE WEATHER

**Synopsis**  
Sunshine will appear in the British Columbia regions today in the wake of the disturbance which moved inland during the night. Cloudy skies and scattered snow flurries are expected to continue over much of the interior.

The cold air mass which moved into the northern areas of the province twenty-four hours ago has remained almost stationary since that time. It is now creeping south again and should enter the Prince George region tonight. Colder weather will follow in those areas.

Another Pacific disturbance approaching the coast will reach the Queen Charlottes tonight and is expected to move south over Vancouver Island and the lower mainland early Friday morning.

**Forecast**  
North Coast Region—Cloudy with a few showers today. Rain tonight. Cloudy with scattered showers Friday. Little change in temperature. Winds westerly (25 mph) gusty, shifting to southerly (25 mph) tonight then westerly (25 mph) again Friday. Lows tonight and highs Friday—at Port Hardy, 35 and 45; Sandspit, 35 and 45; Prince Rupert, 28 and 47.

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