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## Shipbuilding Here

PRINCE RUPERT will be interested to see if the local shipbuilding plant is included in the program of contracts for new naval construction amounting to \$8,000,000 which are about to be let, a preliminary announcement from Ottawa being that yards on both coasts and on the Great Lakes will share in the work.

It is recalled how the local yard was turned to in the emergency of war, first when small warship construction was necessary in a hurry and later when larger merchant craft were required.

The yard has been kept busy on a fairly minor scale for some time now on small repair work principally for the growing fishing fleet.

It would be gratifying, however, to see the plant put to larger use for which it has often in the past proved itself so capable.

## ON THE ATTACK

IN HIS FIRST WORD as head of the Catholic Bureau of Information in the United States, Father McCarthy spoke in no hesitating tones. "The Church today is able to stand before the world and say: 'This is our position. This is what we hold. We don't want it watered down.'"

Perhaps it is a healthy sign that we have recognized that Christianity isn't all gentleness and charity. That there is iron in it, too; the stern duty of resisting evil. Too many have confused the long-dead theories of communism with the practical, vicious and aggressive doctrines of Marx and Stalin. They have thought, by turning the other cheek, to make it gentle again. It is well that men are awaking, in time, and coming out fighting. In Europe, the Catholic Church has ceased to temporize. Excommunication, the last great threat of the Church, awaits the avowed communist. No longer can communists serve both Christ and Caesar. How potent is this weapon? How deep is the continuing loyalty? In Czechoslovakia, with Cardinal Mindszenty's grim fate all too well remembered, with Archbishop Berans a virtual prisoner of the State, Catholic prelates and people alike faced the open threat of government prohibition and gathered in Trnava, twelve thousand strong, for the consecration of new bishops. In Yugoslavia, Marshal Tito's sparring with the Kremlin entered a new phase with Tito tempting his neighbors also to defy the cominform and with Moscow, for the first time, describing him as an enemy. In Germany communist forces met a crushing defeat at the polls.

In Canada, too, the attack is on. Quebec and Ontario police discover and disperse a communist summer school. John Hladun of Toronto, one-time communist organizer and presently publisher of the anti-communist "Worker," told a United States deportation committee that the communist party of Canada, to which the man under investigation belonged, aimed to "organize a revolt against the government of Canada by force of arms." But democracy was fighting. The Trades and Labor Congress is joining with other labor units in a united force of just short of a million against communism. Speaking to the Canadian Institute of Public Affairs, Hon. Lester Pearson, Canada's Minister of External Affairs, called for an alert and intelligent public to deny power and influence to those who misuse freedom, and stated that the criminal code might be amended to deal with enemies of the State. There, then, is the "irrepressible conflict" between Christian democracy and atheistic communism. We don't want it watered down by woolly-minded individuals who believe that useful results will follow a policy of appeasement.

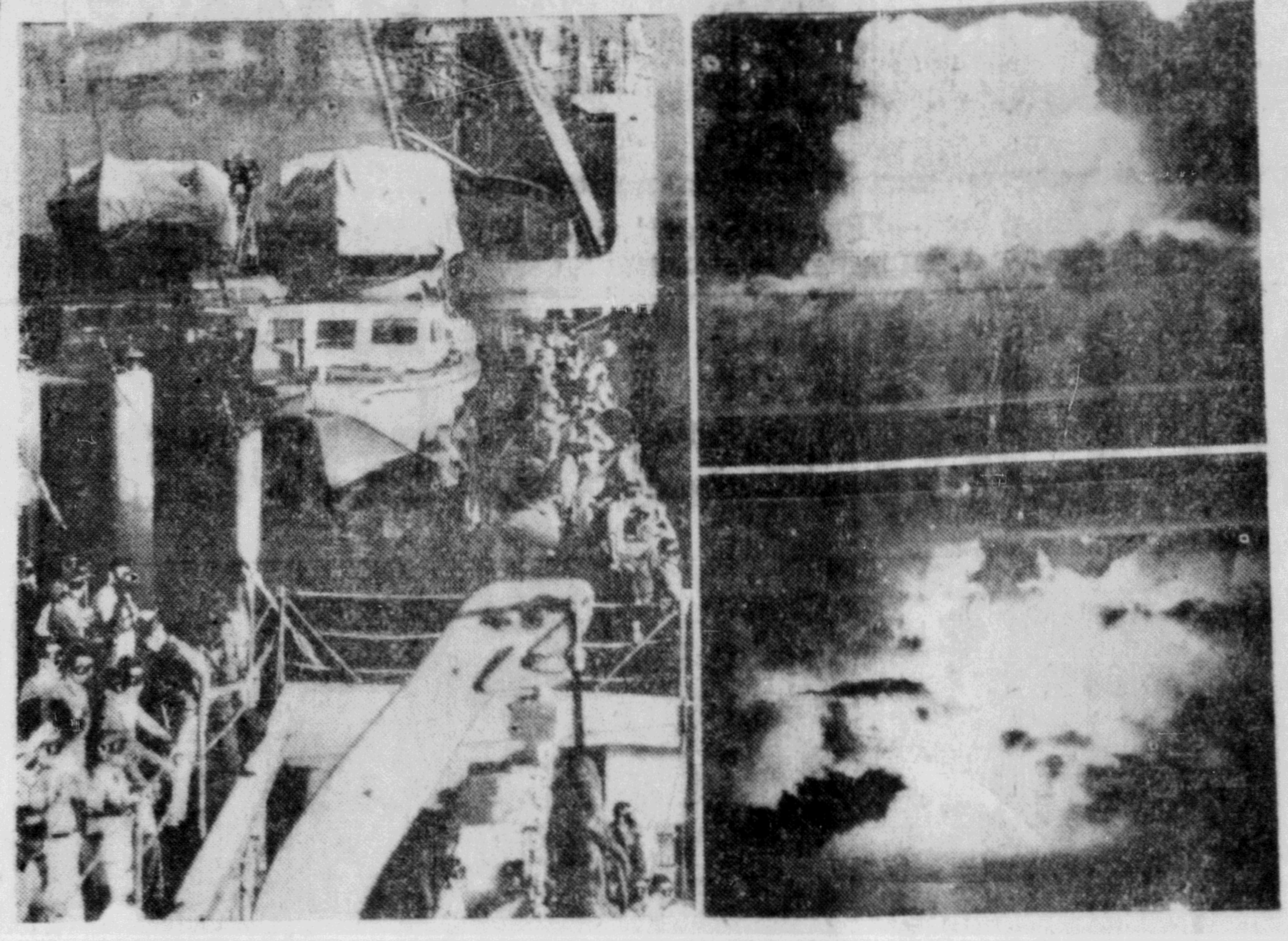
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**FIRST PHOTOS OF ENIWETOK ATOMB-BOMB BLAST**—The photo, left, just released in Washington, shows crew members aboard a navy vessel watching the detonation of a new atomic weapon at the Eniwetok Atoll proving grounds in the Pacific in the spring of 1948. Note that some of the men carefully shield their eyes and turn from the blast, while others, wearing protective glasses, face it. On May 7, 1948, the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission gave President Truman a report on the tests of three new top-secret atomic weapons at Eniwetok Atoll. Notice that the destructive blasts in the on-the-spot photos, right, appear similar to those caused by the mighty atom bomb blast at Bikini. The blasts shown here are from bombs three or four times as efficient as those that were dropped on Japan during the war.



**JAP CLAIMS WHISKEY-AGING PROCESS**—Purely scientific is this round table conference which revolves around the taste of whiskey. After the conference had revolved and revolved and revolved, the committee members announced another milestone of science had been passed inasmuch as whiskey could be artificially aged to 15-year vintage glegle water in 12 minutes. Here, H. Hoshi, president of a Tokyo pharmaceutical company, centre; Dr. Yagi of the Japanese Science council, left; and K. Narasaki show by their expressions the Narasaki's new aging method has at least three supporters in Tokyo.

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## Ray Reflects . . . and Reminisces

General Crerar, who led the Canadian Army in Europe, calls the rulers of Russia "grim, ruthless men." The General has seen the type before and, as a rule, their style in the long run, does not get them anywhere. One could mention, however, a few rather grim destinations.

A lusty lad, whether in Scotland or Canada, going about on his well developed bare feet in the warmth of a midsummer day need not suggest poverty. Such an idea never enters his head. Enjoying health and happiness he comes from a plain, wholesome home and so do the other boys he plays with. Who wants to be bothered with boots and stockings when cool, breezy beaches, dulse rocks and rippling streams all beckon? There are still many hundreds of seaside villages in Canada where, despite all of our real and fancied troubles, the products of soil and salt water and lots of hard work do get results. If cash is what's meant, no one is rich, but on the other hand, there is no poverty, as most of us visualize it. Families may be poor in comparison, but wealthy, in other ways.

Eight more millions will be spent building ships in Canadian yards some of the latter on the Pacific Coast. Since the war, major construction here has not been comparable with what it was earlier and while employment remained steady, an important contract would indeed be welcome. The time is ripe and what the plant can do when the need arises, is unnecessary to tell about again.

No longer need there be the slightest doubt, question or suspicion, that a pause is possible in the onward march of Terrace. It is painful, of course, to print unhappy facts, yet news is news. Terrace is having more and more car mishaps which, by the way, is so characteristic of British Columbia's most populous centre.

The new remedy for arthritis is called cortisone and the cost of one day's dose is \$20. But, of course, there is some slight comfort in hoping that a charge that size will not be permanent. Cortisone is said to have its origin in the yam—a common enough garden product of Latin America and of value as an article of food. How it has become what may be a priceless discovery is known only to science, but it is good to realize the war against crippling disease does not slacken and now and then a victory is scored.

When the British Government delegates arrived in New York Tuesday, en route to the three power fiscal conference in Washington, dock workers declined to touch their luggage, saying they were doing this because of sentiment. And if it comes to that there was a bit of a dollar shortage for a few wharf workers then and there.

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