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### Big or Little Slice?

GIANT APPLE PIE weighing 150 pounds was baked for the 500 youngsters in Montreal's Boys' Club. A Montreal grocery chain provided the pie, ice cream and soft drinks for

## Hotel Fire Jury to Call Wife Owner at Resumed Sitting

owner, told the coroner's jury he "didn't know anything" about a hotplate being used in Room 2, occupied by Allan Peters and his wife, Nina, whose body was found in the ruins. Other witnesses testified they saw flames first in or near room 2 and Fire Chief Earl Becker said the blaze "may have origin-

## SPRING BRINGS 22-INCH SNOWFALL ON PRAIRIES

There was nothing gentle about the coming of spring to prairies yesterday. Strong winds piled a 22-inch snowfall into deep drifts in many places. The snow, which fell in showers on the coast and a three-inch snowfall in the Kootenays.

## Rupert Ball Players Move For Big League Camps

Prince Rupert baseball players are on their way to take advantage of offers by professional clubs. Well-known catcher

## Crude Oil Prices Gasoline

Imperial Oil Co. announced today that prices for gasoline, furnace oil and stove oil in British Columbia will increase today.

Gas here will go up to 10 cents a gallon; furnace oil to 10 cents a gallon and stove oil to 10 cents a gallon.

Indicated prices may increase with completion of the Edmonton-Vancouver pipeline next fall.

The increase is necessary by higher imported crude oil prices which come from California.

Sealed orders until open in mid-afternoon. Incoming plane from the Atlantic into the United States under a new identification system inaugurated by the

announcement of the U.S. Air Force today, the U.S. Air Force military—must enter the corridor 225 miles from the Nantucket, Massachusetts, beacon.

is similar to the one employed for the last considerable time to identify aircraft flying from Hawaii or the Aleutian area.

# 30 Airmen Going To Far East Die In Transport Plane Crash

## Craft Strikes Hill South of Oakland

By The Canadian Press

OAKLAND—Thirty-five persons, most of them United States airmen heading for duty in the Far East, were killed when a four-engine transport plane crashed and exploded in a ball of fire south of here Friday night.

## Giant New Gas Well Reported In B.C. Area

OTTAWA (CP)—George Murray, Liberal Member of Parliament for the Cariboo, said in an interview Friday night he has heard a big gas well has blown in about 300 miles north of known fields, on the British Columbia side of the Peace River area.

Mr. Murray said he got the information in a telephone call from his wife at Fort St. John, B.C., about 375 miles south of the well area.

The well would be in the extreme northeast section of British Columbia, Mr. Murray said. He said his information indicates that the well is uncapped and "running wild." He was not sure it was a fire.

He said discovery of gas in that area would be significant, adding to known reserves of the Peace River territory.

A proposal now is under way to ship gas from further south Peace River districts to southern B.C. and the United States.

Westcoast Transmission Company now is trying to obtain a permit from the U.S. Federal Power Commission to take Peace River gas into the U.S.

Mr. Murray located the reported new well as about 75 miles northeast of Fort Nelson, and 75 miles east of the Alaska Highway, just south of the B.C.-Northwest Territories border.

## OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP Semi-Finals Bolton Wanderers 4, Everton 3. Tottenham Hotspurs 1, Blackpool 2.

ENGLISH LEAGUE Division I Arsenal 2, West Bromwich 2. Charlton A. 2, Middlesbrough 0. Chelsea 1, Sheffield Wednesday 0. Derby County 0, Newcastle U. 2. Portsmouth 2, Burnley 1.

Division II Barnsley 1, Birmingham County 3. Blackburn Rovers 1, Plymouth A. 3. Brentford 1, West Ham United 3. Doncaster Rovers 0, Leicester C. 0. Huddersfield T. 5, Southampton 0. Hull City 1, Leeds United 0. Lincoln City 1, Luton Town 2. Nottingham F. 4, Rotherham U. 3. Sheffield United 5, Bury 1. Swansea Town 5, North County 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE Division A Aberdeen 4, Queen of South 0. Airdrieonians 2, Dundee 1. Clyde 1, Falkirk 4. East Fife 4, Celtic 1. Hearts 1, Raith Rovers 2. Rangers 4, Motherwell 1. St. Mirren 2, Hibernian 2. Partick Thistle 0, Third Lanark 0.

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL Scotland 0, England 1.

## Malenkov Freed

MOSCOW (CP)—Moscow radio announced Friday the Central Committee of the Communist party of the Soviet Union has freed Prime Minister Malenkov, at his own request, from his duties as secretary of its Central Committee.

## SOME CREATIVE ARTISTS SHOW SIGNS OF INSANITY

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Lord Dunsany, Irish playwright, dramatist and poet, says some creative artists show signs of insanity. He blames the machine. Sipping tea, the Irish peer told an interviewer: "The shock to the human nervous system produced by the machine is far too great. We no longer live attuned with nature, but that's not all of it. "Sensitive people are going mad first. We have art, such as surrealism; poems, short stories and plays that have little or no meaning. This, I think, is due to the peculiar kind of insanity produced by the machine. "It accounts, too, for the obscenity of literary production these days. Insanity and obscenity are related."

## Ex-Trusty New Czech President

By The Canadian Press

VIENNA — Antonin Zapotocky, 68-year-old former Nazi concentration camp trusty wanted by the Dutch on war crimes charges, today was elected Communist president of Czechoslovakia.

Prague radio announced the rubber-stamp Czech Parliament voted unanimously, 271 to 0, to put the one-time trade union leader in the seat vacated just a week ago by the death of president Klement Gottwald.

The Czech Central Committee proposed to Zapotocky that Vilem Siroky be the new premier.

Zapotocky has been premier since shortly after the Communists seized power in February, 1948.

## MPs Suggest Act Cover All Seamen

OTTAWA—Members of all parliamentary parties representing Canada's coastal fishing areas suggested Friday night the government extend provisions of the Merchant Seamen Compensation Act to cover deep-sea fishermen.

P. E. Cote, parliamentary assistant to Labor Minister Gregg who administers the act, said most fishermen already are covered for compensation for death or injury through various provincial workmen's compensation boards.

Merchant seamen's compensation is designed to cover merchant seamen sailing abroad who are not so covered.

The discussion occurred as the Commons considered government amendments making an upward revision in compensation under the Merchant Seamen Compensation Act.

Maximum income used in computing compensation is being increased to \$3,600 from \$2,500 a year; monthly pension to the widow of a seaman to \$50 from \$45 and for dependent children to \$15 from \$10. The bill was given third reading.

## U.S. Cutter Coming Here

The U.S. Coast Guard cutter, White Holly, will arrive here tomorrow for drydocking in the Prince Rupert drydock, it was disclosed today.

The ship's company consists of one officer and 20 ratings. The cutter will remain here three days.



QUEEN MARY, 86 IN MAY, has been ill for the last three weeks, confined to bed at her Marlborough House residence by a gastric ailment. Because of her age she does not plan to attend the Coronation ceremony at Westminster Abbey in June.

## Committee Named to Study Canada's Territorial Waters

OTTAWA (CP)—An inter-departmental committee has been established by the federal government to study Canada's territorial waters.

Watson MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Sinclair, said in the Commons Friday, recommendations of the committee will be studied and possibly adopted by the government.

He spoke before the Commons gave third and final reading to a bill making a series of amendments to the act to protect coastal fisheries.

Howard Green (PC-Vancouver-Quadra) said Queen Charlotte Sound and Heate Strait should be considered part of Canada's territorial waters. He stated he had received complaints that United States ships were catching crabfish in Heate Strait.

Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, VC, (PC-Nanaimo) asked if U.S. ships could come within the three-mile territorial limit to catch crabs. Mr. MacNaught said such ships could be stopped by protective Canadian ships.

Mr. MacNaught said he would inquire whether any complaints have been received about American ships fishing within territorial waters on the west coast.

Many amendments to the act, first passed in 1868 and last amended in 1913, were designed to bring the legislation up to date.

One provision would prevent foreign ships from buying bait or supplies within Canada.

## Husband-Wife Medical Team Going to Mine

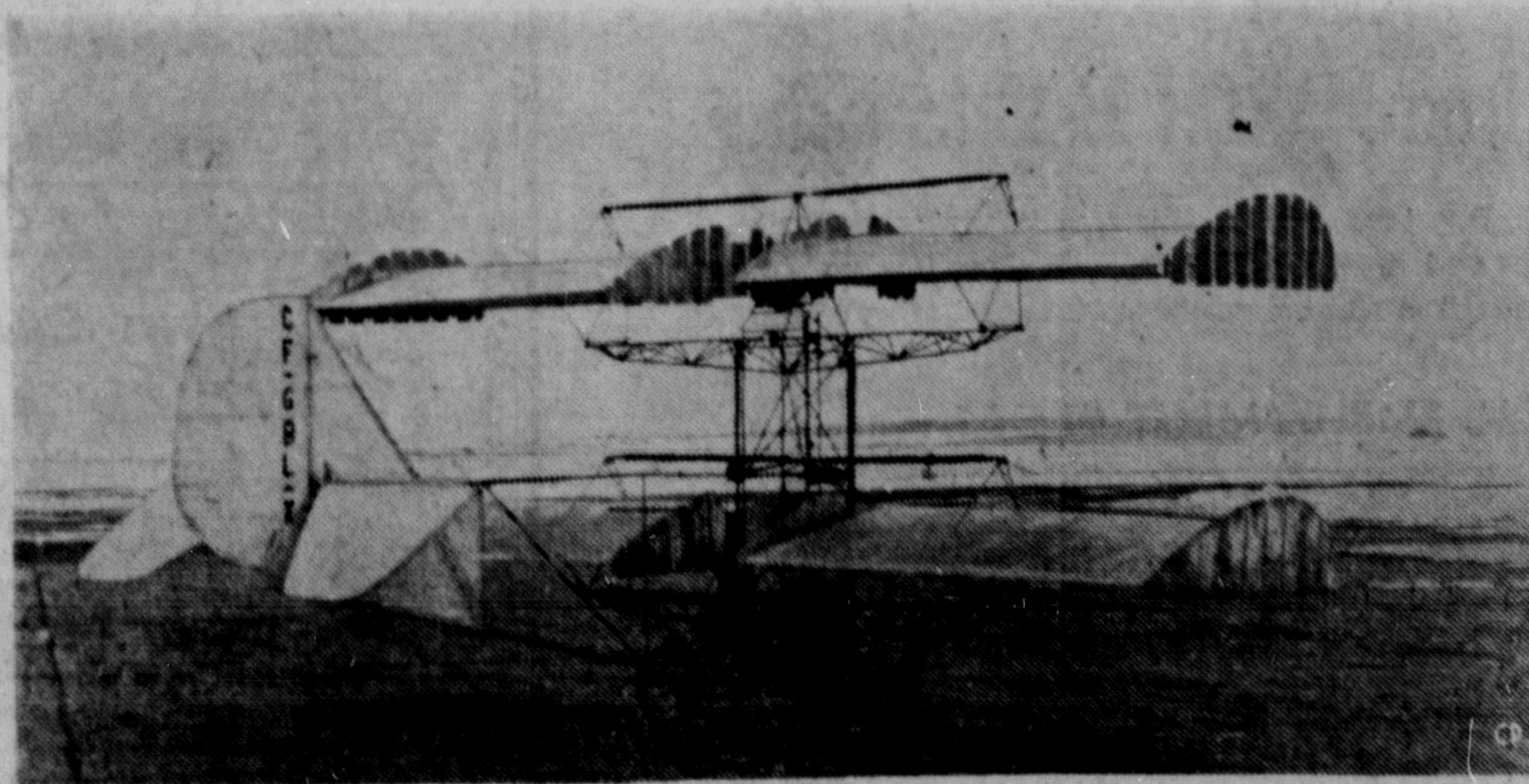
VICTORIA (CP)—Health department officials said Friday a husband-wife medical team will be sent to Hazelton April 1 to replace a doctor refused recognition by the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The announcement came after the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers demanded an investigation into medical services available to 150 miners at Hazelton.

## Tito Returns 'Satisfied'

LONDON (CP)—President Tito of Yugoslavia wound up his historic visit to Britain today with the declaration: "all that we have hoped for has been attained. We have reached full agreement."

What he was taking back to Yugoslavia with him was a British pledge to stand by his Communist Balkan state in the event of aggression.



THIS IS AN ORNITHOPTER, claimed by its inventors, Hartley D. Shannon, J. E. Caldwell and William Francis of Medicine Hat, Alta., to be capable of the closest approximation to bird flight ever designed by man. They say that if successful it may reduce the cost of air transport to the bicycle class. Main features of the machine are the four wings of flaps, each eight feet long and five feet from head to tail edge. The pilot sits in front with two wings on each side of him.