

Czechoslovakia Facing All-Red Regime by 1956

By WILHELM KRASSER

VIENNA (Reuters) — Czechoslovakia is being groomed, politically and economically, for eventual incorporation in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, observers here believe.

The Czech constitution is being remodelled on Russian lines and in every phase of Czech life and industry Russian methods and advisers are being brought in to tell the Czechs how to do things the Russian way.

The Czech brewers, famous for centuries for their beer, were sent to Russia to learn brewing. A Russian also has been appointed technical adviser to the Czech beet sugar industry—even though it was Czechs who started the beet sugar industry in Russia early in this century.

Meanwhile the process of assimilation is continuing. Already, the Czechoslovak constitution has been remodelled on Soviet lines.

MOVIES AND BOOKS

The army has senior Soviet officers in charge of its training and organization, and wears the same type of uniform, uses the same weapons, drill and even words of command as the Red army.

The schools are using more and more translations of Soviet text books.

More and more Soviet movies, in their original language with Czech or Slovak subtitles, are being shown.

The indications are that the date set for the completion of the process of incorporation is 1956. For, although Czechoslovakia's current five-year plan ended Dec. 31, there is to be no new five-year plan until 1956, the year the Soviet Union's own next five-year plan is due to start.

TRADE FIGURES CHANGE
How closely Czechoslovakia is already linked with the Soviet

Union is shown by foreign trade figures.

While Czechoslovakia imports from the Soviet Union were 6.8 per cent of her total imports in 1947, they had reached 36.4 per cent by 1952. Similarly, Czechoslovakia's exports to the Soviet Union increased from 4.9 per cent in 1947 to 31 per cent in 1952.

Before the war, Czechoslovak trade was mainly with the West.

On Soviet orders, a great part of Czechoslovakia's industry was set to produce heavy metal goods for Russian use.

The concentration on the heavy industries has left the production of consumer goods, formerly Czechoslovakia's chief articles of trade, inadequate even for home consumption.

This Week—

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PERSONALS

Prince Rupert Little Theatre officers were interested to learn of the arrival here yesterday of Mr. Ian Dobbie, one-time director of the Totem Theatre in Vancouver and widely-experienced in the theatrical field.

The English-born actor, who has come to Prince Rupert for "a change of environment," started his drama career in England and then travelled to New York where he played in "off-Broadway" experimental groups. He moved to Vancouver in 1948 to become professional director of the Vancouver Little Theatre. Two years ago he took over direction of Totem Theatre, leaving in June to direct the Canadian Players in Montreal.

He plans to visit Europe on holiday next August before returning to England to work in his own theatre.

He expects to remain in Prince Rupert for several months.

Canadian National Railways officials arriving here on business this morning were J. J. Beahan of Vancouver, manager for the B. C. district, his secretary, Jack Fraser and J. A. Duff of Vancouver, industrial agent for B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Parsons and small daughter, of Lethbridge, Alta., have been visiting here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parsons, 935 Ambrose Avenue. They plan to leave for home tomorrow night by train.

A corporal and two constables of the RCMP also arrived on the George today to take up duties here and at Smithers.

Cpl. R. Wildgoose and his wife, formerly stationed in the Hazelton district and later at Winnipeg Beach, Man., and Cst. Ken Tubman, from Trail, will join the city detachment here. Cst. Birkenthal of Vancouver will be stationed at Smithers.

Eight Named To Chamber Executive

Executive of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce named at the annual meeting this week is composed of J. T. Harvey, Dr. A. W. Large, J. D. McRae and A. D. Vance, and new members A. P. Crawley, Dr. L. M. Greene, W. C. R. Jones and J. F. Magor.

Prayer Week Services Continuing

Week of Prayer services are continuing here with an increasing congregation meeting nightly at St. Andrew's Cathedral for special services at which the Rev. Murdoch Nicholson of Vancouver is guest speaker, on the theme "Christian Discipleship."

Prayer times were led Monday by Bishop H. G. Watts and last night by the Rev. Fred Antrobus of the First Baptist Church. At the first service the Vancouver pastor was introduced by the Rev. Leonard Thorpe, president of the Ministerial Association, who also offered the prayer of invocation.

"Salvation precedes Service for Christ," said Mr. Nicholson. "Otherwise, our good intentions are cancelled by that which holds us back from unreserved allegiance. The allegiance must be declared by each in his own way."

The opening devotions were led last night by the Rev. L. G. Sieber of the First United Church and the order of service directed by Canon Basil S. Prockter.



A PATIENT at Hamilton's Mountain Sanatorium, Emile Sutherland, a blind Indian girl from Port Albany, Ont., had her Christmas season brightened by a visit from a member of the famed RCMP. Constable David Crimp of the Hamilton detachment brought Emilie a doll and Emilie "sees" him, in full uniform, with her sensitive hands.

Noted Furrier Says Buying Mink 'Like Buying House'

By WALTER GRAY

Canadian Press Staff Writer

TORONTO (CP)—A bevy of dolls draped in mink sashayed along a runway.

They moved in time to the words, almost musical in their intonation, of Jean Courtot, internationally-known furrier.

"You must never look at the fur as taking you for a walk. You must be taking a walk with your fur."

Svelte Betty Warner showed,

definitely, she knew what he was talking about. With a flick of a shoulder she let \$19,000 worth of imperial pastel mink ripple as casually as a housewife shrugs off her apron after doing the supper dishes.

Courtot and his models were displaying some of his high-priced handiwork for the Ontario Fur Breeders' Association and the March of Dimes Foundation.

Courtot gave his audience some tips in buying mink.

"It's like buying a house," he said. "You must know what is in it."

He said he bases his value of a mink coat at 50 per cent for the skins and 50 per cent for the workmanship that goes into the finished product. Just like buying a house.

Why does a woman wish to buy a mink, asked the man who has push fur shops in Paris, London and Toronto?

Her reasons are "widely varied, and often intangible"—economic and psychological and the pull of fashion.



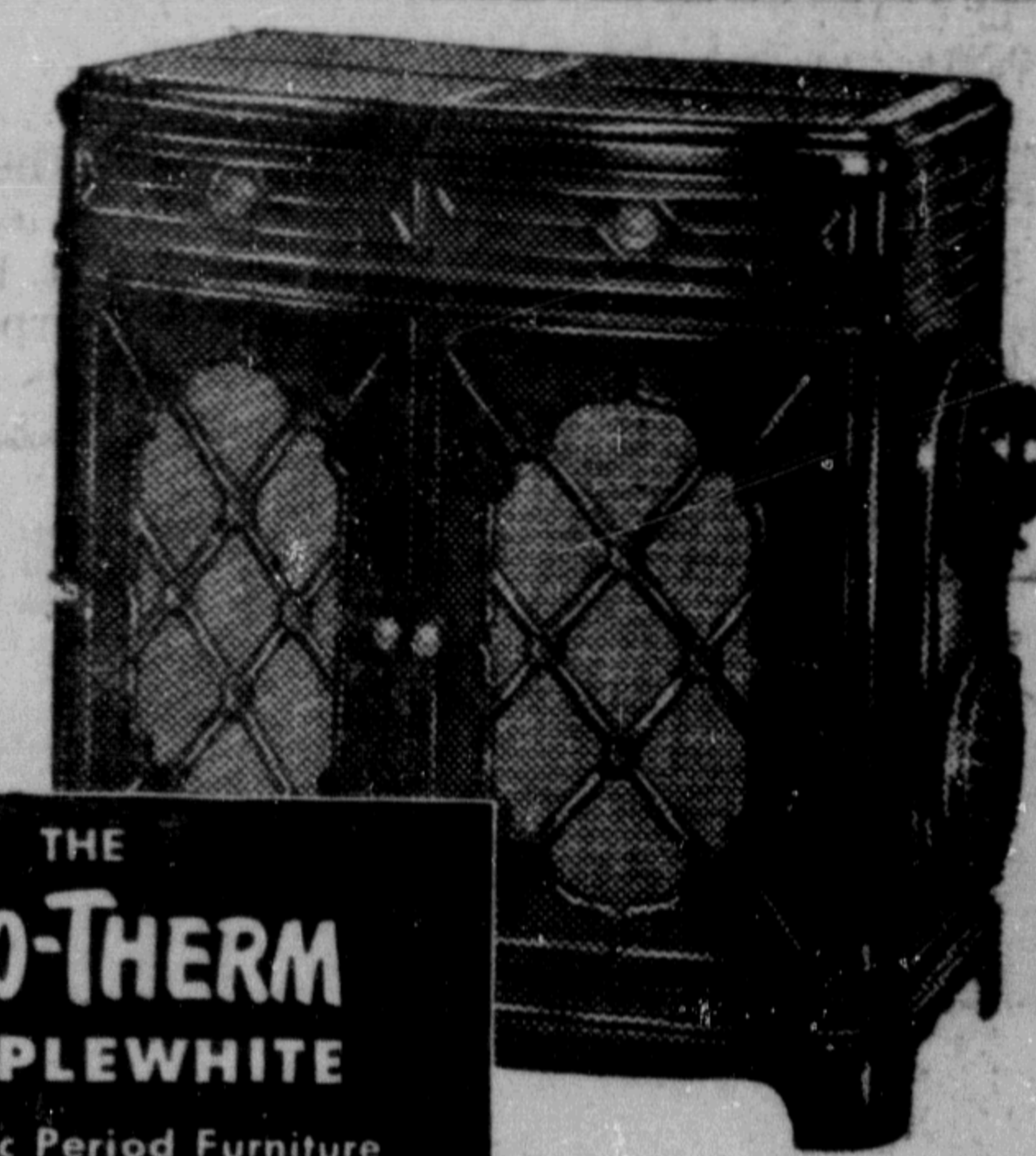
PAUL E. ROBERTS, Vice-President and General Manager of Alaska Pine & Cellulose Limited, has been elected chairman of the western division of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association. Members of the executive committee include Wentworth Brown, vice-president, Columbia Cellulose Company Limited and Leander Manley, secretary-manager.

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Three Canadians Have Paintings Fashionable New York Galleries

YORK (CP)—This is the first of a Canadian week of fashionable art galleries in New York's 57th Street.

Canadian painters, a number and two Montrealers, one-man shows running

simultaneously. Art dealers are unable to recall that ever happening before.

Roloff Beny of Lethbridge has a big showing of oils, water colors and drawings at the Knoedler Galleries; Jean-Paul

Minutes Honeymoon Precedes Trip to Korea For Infantryman

There was a trophy for the Canadian soldier in Korea the shortest honeymoon, Pte. Joe Fitzpatrick of Sydney, would probably walk off with top honors. He experienced the two biggest moments of his life on Dec. 15, 1953, within a single hour. First he led his childhood sweetheart, Mary Doves, down the aisle of St. Andrew's Chapel Central Ordnance Depot, Montreal, and, after a brief 60-day honeymoon, left with his unit for Korea.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick, also a native of Sydney, N.S., lived down the street from Joe when they were children.

Whips Flags From Hands Youngsters Greeting Queen

BORNE, N.Z. (Reuters) — Winds made Queen Elizabeth catch her hat today and blew two prepared flags out of her hand as the monarch resumed her tour.

Coastal breezes menaced the queen's bonnet from the moment her plane landed here today. The 40-mile-an-

hour wind forced harassed royal secretaries to tape down the pages of one of the two speeches she read outdoors.

The first speech flapped wildly in the Queen's hand as she replied to a welcome address from the mayor of Gisborne, whose own notes fluttered like sails. She laughed when wind lashed her skirts and flung her hair wildly over her forehead.

FACES GALE

She faced the full force of the gale for six minutes on a specially-constructed lookout post over the ocean. The hill lookout and the road leading to it had been built for her visit by the town at a cost of \$3,000.

"I think we'll walk around up here," the Queen decided as the wind tore at her hair and mimosa-yellow cotton dress. She did. The wind followed the royal party back through the streets of Gisborne, where youngsters waving flags saw the emblems suddenly ripped from their sticks.

By the time the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh reached Napier, tour officials had reckoned with the weather. The pages of the second speech were firmly lashed to a piece of cardboard with transparent tape.

'Bobo' Denies She Rejected Settlement

NEW YORK (AP)—Barbara Sears (Bobo) Rockefeller was quoted today as saying it is "real nonsense" to assert she wants a \$10,000,000 settlement from her estranged oil millionaire husband.

Edwin Dunaway, a lawyer for Winthrop Rockefeller, said in Little Rock, Ark., Tuesday that Mrs. Rockefeller had repudiated a financial agreement signed last Oct. 1 and is now asking \$10,000,000.

Dunaway said the agreement of last year called for Rockefeller to provide for his wife and their son, Winthrop Paul, 4, trusts totalling \$5,500,000, \$70,000 annually or an alternative trust of \$500,000.

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