



PRIME MINISTER ST. LAURENT reviews an honor guard of the First Canadian Infantry Brigade at Soest, Germany, on his world tour. At right is Major Pierre Chasse of Quebec City.

No Need For Depression In U.S. Seen by Chamber

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States Chamber of Commerce, voicing a cheerful outlook for the American economy, said "it is difficult to see any reason why this country should ever again experience an old-fashioned depression."

But CIO president Walter Reuther called it "dangerous and unrealistic" to think that "spasms and the robins will bring prosperity."

Reuther obviously referred in a statement for the congressional economic committee to recent predictions by Republican administration spokesmen that the U.S. economy, which they contend is adjustment after the Korean war, will start turning upward about spring.

The chamber said in its statement for the committee that so far the "inevitable readjustment" would follow the end of fighting in Korea "has been 'surprisingly easy.'"

Discussing unemployment, the chamber said the census bureau reported that U.S. unemployment in January totaled 3.8 per cent of the civilian labor force—"in no sense an alarming amount."

However, the commerce department announced Tuesday night—after the chamber statement had been prepared—that a new method of collecting statistics indicates that the number of unemployed early last month was 3,037,000—about 728,000 more than reported previously. This works out to 4.9 per cent of the civilian labor force.

Reuther said there may be differences of opinion on the seriousness of the unemployment situation, but "the problem is real, it is here now, and it is inexcusable in a country like ours."

The CIO president, who also heads the CIO's United Auto Workers union, said signs of an economic pick-up have not been seen yet in the automobile industry.

The chamber said a number of "powerful anti-depression tools" already are at hand, including bank deposit insurance, unemployment compensation and amortized mortgages. Such Eisenhower proposals as broadened social security coverage and tax reforms, it added "are clearly called for at this time."



LT. COL. E. T. MUNRO of Ottawa has graduated from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's defence college in Paris and will take up an appointment at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe, Paris. Lt. Col. Munro was among 40 officers and 12 civilian government officials from 12 NATO countries to complete the college's fourth course.

Board To Make Tour To Study Railway Rates

OTTAWA (AP)—The board of transport commissioners may make a cross-country tour this spring to study railway commodity rates in connection with the equalization of Canadian freight-rate tariffs.

Mr. Justice J. D. Kearney, chief commissioner of the board, mentioned the possibility Thursday during hearing of an application by west-coast lumber operators for lower rates on lumber movements to Prairie points.

Mr. Kearney suggested earlier this week that all parties interested in a more equitable scale of lumber rates meet at a round-table conference. This would place them in a position to make concrete suggestions to the board.

He suggested Thursday that these representations could be made to the board during a cross-country tour to study a variety of current commodity rates.



TWO-YEAR-OLD BILLY CLARKE of New York may like cats, but this one seems a little bigger than king size to him, so he climbs into the ocelot's cage for protection. The giant cat took part in the Empire Cat Club's 37th Annual Championship Show in New York.

Mary Pickford, 60 Years Old, Names Chaplin, Disney Geniuses

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)—"Sure, the Irish drank goat's milk," said Mary Pickford, "That's how I have my vitality—because my ancestors drank goat's milk."

At 60, "America's sweetheart" of yesterday still retains the simple charm that once made her the movie favorite of millions.

In the busiest woman in Beverly Hills—or any other hill," she said, smiling, as we sat in the living room of her hotel suite.

"I have a big house to look after, and my husband, Buddy Rogers, and my business interests—and the children, Ronnie and Roxie."

"Roxie will soon be 12, but she's already four inches taller than I am. She's horse crazy. But I'd rather look forward to her being horse crazy than boy crazy."

Mary also is active in half a dozen philanthropic and charitable enterprises. She recently completed her memoirs for McCall's magazine, and said she would like—after 20 years away from the screen—to return in one last film.

BORN IN TORONTO
"It would be the story of my mother's life," she said, "and end on that day in 1909 when I walked into the old Biograph studio and got my first movie job."

Mary was born in Toronto and started her stage career there at the age of six. She rose from \$40 to \$10,000 a week in a few years, and piled up millions later producing her own films. This girl with the haunting face of a golden angel also had a cashbox mind.

"But I dislike business heartily," she said.

Here is Mary Pickford looking back at her life—a reverie aloud: "The greatest picture ever made? My choice would be 'Gone With the Wind.' Of my own pictures, I suppose I still like 'Tess of the Storm Country' best. I made it twice—in 1914 and 1922."

"The greatest geniuses of the motion picture have been Charlie Chaplin and Walt Disney. After them? D. W. Griffith and Irving Thalberg."

"I made 50-odd feature pictures. . . . We do look ridiculous in them today . . . and sometimes

I feel like destroying my old films. . . . Those awful clothes we used to wear. . . . "They can't compare with the pictures now, of course. . . . But silent pictures did speak a universal language."

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Prime Minister Impressed With Warm Pakistan Welcome

PESHAWAR (Reuters)—Prime Minister St. Laurent arrived by air tonight from Karachi for a brief visit to this capital of Pakistan's northwest frontier province, which includes the historic Khyber Pass.

Before leaving Karachi he recorded a broadcast to the people of Pakistan which followed a press conference last night in which he said he feels as much at home among the Moslem people of this young Asian state as in his own capital.

At Peshawar a drive was planned from there to the Khyber Pass before going on to Lahore, where he will be the guest of the governor of the Punjab.

The prime minister told a large group of Karachi newspaper men at the governor-general's residence in Karachi last

night that he appreciated the warm welcome given him at his first Asian stop of the tour. He felt at home because Prime Minister Mohammed Ali of Pakistan had been in Ottawa three years as high commissioner, and the first prime minister of this state, Liaquat Ali Khan, had visited him in Ottawa.

The Canadian leader stood shoe-less, a Moslem custom, in the rain Thursday as he placed a wreath at the graves of Liaquat Ali Khan, who died from an assassin's bullet, and Mohammed Ali Jinnah, founder of Pakistan.

Then he spent the day in talks with government leaders here before holding the evening press conference.

He told newspaper men that the warmth of his reception here showed "we are all of the same human nature."

"Some of us may think we are more advanced than others. But the whole thing started in Asia. Here four or five civilizations have been built up, one on top of the other."

Famed Sculptor

STOCKHOLM (AP)—The sculptor Carl Eldh, who died recently at age 81, began his career at age 13 as assistant to a sculptor working on restoration of the Upsala cathedral. Eldh's major work is the monument to the statesman and labor leader Hjalmar Branting, unveiled here in 1952.

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