



HELESS—A seven-hour \$750,000 fire last week destroyed five buildings at the main of Belleville in the worst fire in the eastern Ontario city in 35 years. Nearly half of 22,000 people witnessed the blaze. Only person to suffer injury was Fire Captain Joe suffered hand cuts. Seventy-five firemen and volunteers from three brigades fought freezing sleet storm to bring the fire under control. (CP PHOTO)

# FIRE IN TRAIL ATOMIC PLANT

## Official Of Union Expelled

OTTAWA (CP)—J. E. McGuire, national secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees and other Transport Workers (CCL), has been removed from office and expelled from the Union, the national executive board announced today.

The board statement said that the action had been taken after McGuire was found guilty of a series of charges including circulation of false and misleading information, "vilification of a fellow officer and member, namely the national president (A. R. Mosher)."

McGuire was also found guilty of "disregarding constitutional authority without proper approval" and "general disregard of supervisory authority."

There was no immediate comment from McGuire.

One point of resentment between the pair was believed to be the fact that Mosher is staying in office well beyond the 65-year old mark at which the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees pensions officials.

## Blaze in Chemical Works Quelled in 45-Minute Fight

TRAIL (CP)—Fire stabbed at the heart of one of Canada's atomic energy operation Sunday night but missed. The blaze flashed through the transformer room of the hydrogen section of the chemical plant at nearby Warfield.

It was brought under control in 45 minutes. The transformer was razed but no one was injured.

The plant is part of the huge operation in this area of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co., the biggest lead-zinc chemical producer in the world. Guarded plants in the area also produce heavy water for atomic energy.

## Coast Puck Play-offs Settled

SEATTLE (CP)—A four-goal outburst in the final period gave the Victoria Cougars a 5-4 victory over the Seattle Ironmen Sunday and put Victoria into the Pacific Coast play-offs.

Edmonton and Saskatoon will open in best of five quarter final at Saskatoon Tuesday.

Seattle and Tacoma will start in best of five quarter final at Saskatoon Tuesday.

New Westminster and Victoria will open best of seven semi-final at New Westminster Wednesday.

Saturday results:  
Seattle 3, New Westminster 8.  
Vancouver 1, Tacoma 9.  
Saskatoon 3, Calgary 6.



HEADS INQUIRY — Gordon Fraser, Q.C., lawyer of Windsor, Ont., has been appointed a commissioner to inquire into the affairs of the East Windsor Hospital. The appointment was announced by Attorney-General Dana Porter of Ontario who initiated legislation to make the legislation possible. A request for the inquiry was made by M. Frank Brobst, hospital board chairman. (CP PHOTO)

## Man Moves To China Proper, Says Skipper

Captain of Motorship Hai Yu Confident That Communists Will Be Ousted

Forty-six-year-old Captain Erh Chang Shih, master of the Nationalist Chinese government freighter Hai Yu, which is in port loading grain cargo, is confident that the Nationalists will go back to the Chinese mainland—indeed "they must go back," he asserts, but how soon it's hard to say. It will probably be by way of war—in one or two years or more.

## Plane Missing On East Coast

HALIFAX (CP)—A Maritime Central Airways Dakota with five persons aboard is still missing on a flight between St. John, N.B. and Goose Bay, Labrador. This is a twin engine aircraft with a two man crew and three passengers. It took off from St. John Saturday and was last heard from over the RCAF station at Chatham, N.B., where the pilot gave a routine progress report. Fifty planes are continuing the search today.

## United States Wins Badminton

CALGARY (CP)—A six-man United States team defeated Canada 6-3 Friday and Saturday in the North American zone Thomas Cup badminton ties to win the right to represent the continent in the inter-zone playoff at Singapore in May.

## Cleaning Up After Wind

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky—With an emergency declared, relief organizations went into action following week-end tornadoes in five southern states which left at least two hundred persons dead, thousands injured and homeless and unestimated damage.

It is described as the worst wind disaster to strike the United States in twenty years.

Arkansas reported 115 dead and Tennessee, fifty. Missouri, Alabama, Mississippi and Kentucky were also hard hit.

Cooler weather today brought a subsiding of the danger of the wind continuing.

## Loggers Ask Higher Pay

VANCOUVER.—International Woodworkers of America will ask for a 35-cent across the board wage increase on April 15 when they meet with the operators.

Requests will also be made in connection with holiday pay, health and welfare benefits and travelling time.

## Honored By First Aiders

Life Membership To Ragnar Elyofson—Objective To Aid Civil Defence

Prince Rupert branch of the St. John Ambulance Association elected R. E. Elyofson chairman at the annual meeting during the week-end and conferred further honor upon him by presenting honorary life membership in recognition of his long and efficient service as instructor for the branch.

## Seeks Lift Of Embargo

Federal Minister Enters Live Stock Misunderstanding

VICTORIA (CP)—Alberta's Minister of Agriculture Hon. David Ure wants the British Columbia livestock embargo lifted. He attended a special meeting of the cabinet today. "There is," he said, "no point in the embargo. We have no foot and mouth disease in Alberta and the situation is well under control in Saskatchewan."

At Ottawa, the federal minister of agriculture, Rt. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, disclosed existence of a "federal-provincial understanding" to the effect that British Columbia is to restore a relatively free movement of Alberta livestock and meats into British Columbia. He made public an exchange of telegrams in which he informed Mr. Ure of the "understanding" that B.C. would admit livestock and meats provided they were certified free of disease by federal health inspectors.

Meanwhile the first cattle to arrive in Vancouver from outside British Columbia in nearly a month rolled into city stockyards. Another shipment is expected tomorrow.

One packer said: "There is plenty of beef in Vancouver now."



ON ATOMIC BOARD — W. J. Bennett, a member of the Atomic Energy Control Board and President of Eldorado Mining and Refining, Ltd., is one of nine directors named by the government for the new crown company which will direct Canada's atomic program. The new company is the Atomic Energy of Canada, Ltd. Eldorado is the crown company which produces uranium. (CP PHOTO)

## African Crash Kills Sixteen

MARSEILLES, France (CP)—Sixteen persons, including a baby, were killed early today when a passenger plane crashed at Gao, French West Africa, reports reaching here said.

The plane, belonging to the African Transport Co., crashed while taking off from Gao, after landing at Gao, east of Timbuktu, for refuelling.

Three persons were reported rescued.

## Telkwa Incorporating

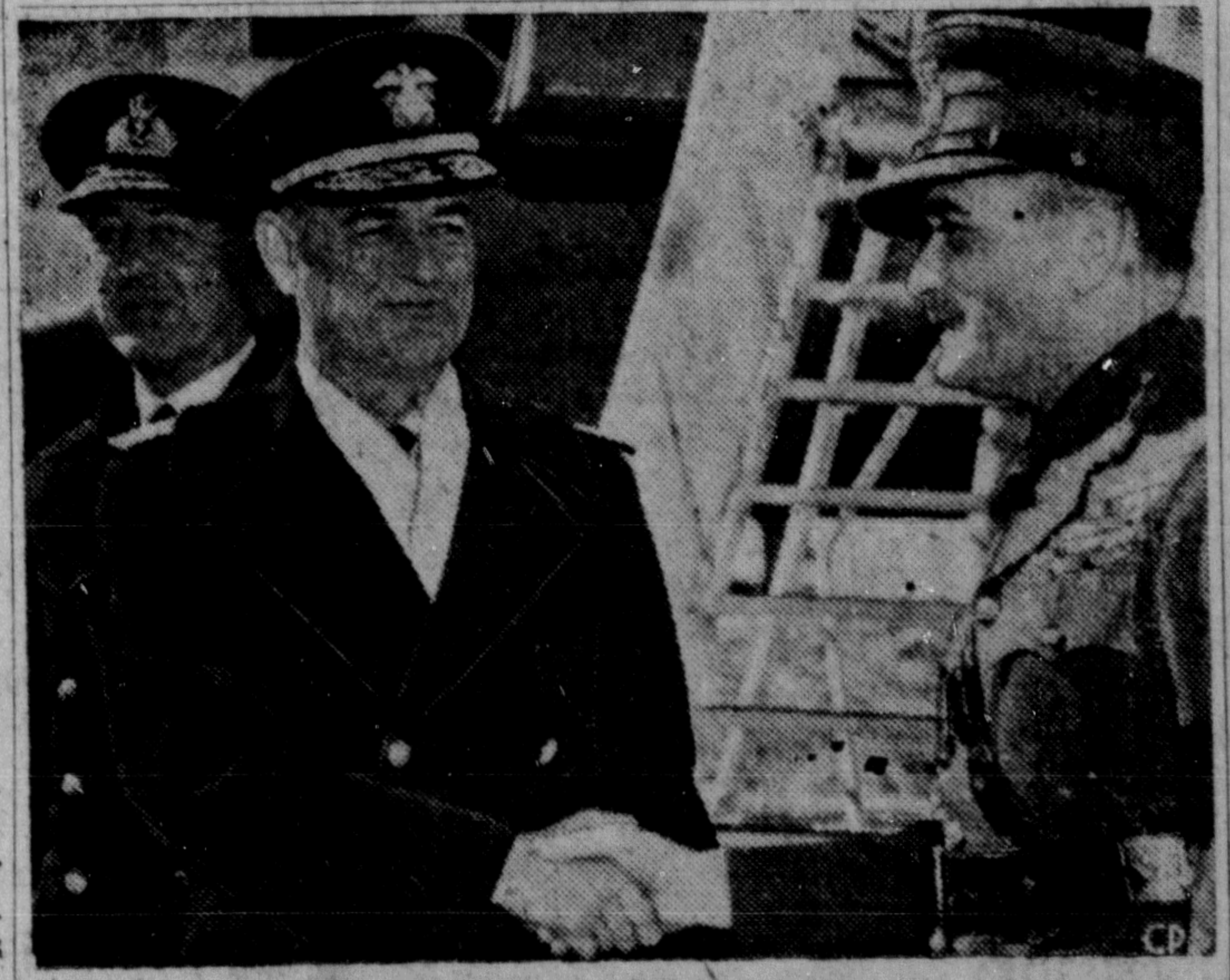
## Smoke Eaters Capture Title

TRAIL (CP)—Smoke Eaters captured the B.C. senior amateur hockey championship Saturday, defeating the Kelowna Packers 7-3 in the deciding game of a best of five series.

The Smokies now open in Western Canada Allan Cup semi-final series against Edmonton Pats at Edmonton Tuesday.

## Bustling Interior Community To Assume Municipal Status

Preliminaries to the incorporation of Telkwa under the British Columbia Villages Act have just been completed and that bustling central interior coal mining, lumbering and farming centre will soon be assuming municipal status, according to C. P. Bussinger, prominent business man and community leader, who is a visitor in Prince Rupert today.



VISITS OTTAWA—Admiral Lynde D. McCormick, head of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's Atlantic Command, arrives in Ottawa for a series of conferences with top defence officials. He is greeted by Gen. Charles Foulkes, chairman of the Canadian Chiefs of Staff, as he steps from a plane at Rockcliffe. Directly behind Admiral McCormick is Vice-Admiral Sir William G. Andrews, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Atlantic Command, who is accompanying Admiral McCormick on his tour. (CP from National Defence)

Only formally now awaited is final approval by provincial government of maps and boundaries. When petitions were circulated recently on the question of incorporation, ninety-two per cent of the citizens of Telkwa favored the move to assume local governmental responsibilities.

Mr. Bussinger is chairman of the incorporation committee.

Today, he reports Telkwa has a population of 500. When he moved in there in 1935, there were only seventy-five people in the then sleepy village.

Mr. Bussinger reports the bridge across the Bulkley River at Telkwa, whence the coal comes from the Goat Creek mine, is now undergoing major reconstruction. It is officially closed although arrangements are made to pass over in the evenings and early morning for light traffic including milk deliveries, school children, etc.

Highways in the Bulkley Valley are also closed to heavy traffic during the period of the spring thaw.

Mr. Bussinger is president of the Skeena District Liberal Association and is attending an executive meeting of that body this afternoon. He will enplane tomorrow for a business trip to Vancouver and expects to drive home next week.

## TODAY'S STOCKS

VANCOUVER		TORONTO	
American Standard	25	Athlona	.09 1/4
Bralorne	6.00	Aumague	.20
B. R. X.	.03	Beattie Duquesne	.44
Cariboo Quartz	1.25	Bevcourt	1.01
Congress	.05	Consol. Smelters	36.00
Cronin Babine	.42	Conwest	3.80
Gant Mascot	.90	Donalds	.41
Indian Mines	.21	Eldona	22 1/2
Pioneer	2.25	East Sullivan	8.40
Premier Border	.33	God's Lake	.37
Privateer	.09 1/4	Hardrock	.15
Reno	.04	Harricana	.12
Sheep Creek	1.61	Heva	.11
Silbak Premier	.56	Joliet Quebec	.43
Taku River	.07	Little Long Lac	.70
Vananda	.19	Lynx	.14
Salmon Gold	.03 1/2	Madsen Red Lake	1.95
Spud Valley	.12 1/2	McLeod Cocksbutt	2.75
Silver Standard	2.30	Moneta	.36
Western Uranium	4.10	Negus	.64
Oils		Noranda	79.50
Anglo Canadian	9.10	Louvicourt	.30
A. P. Con	.55	Pickle Crow	.15 3/8
Calmont	1.95	Pack Antonio	2.45
Central Leduc	3.70	Sheriff Gordon	4.30
Mercury	.32	Sheep Rock	6.95
Okalta	3.75	Silver Miller	1.55
Pacific Pete	11.25	Upper Canada	1.70
Royal Canadian	.28	Golden Manitou	6.50
Royalite	16.50		