



ONLY THEIR CHILDREN can distinguish between Paul Tobey (left) and his identical twin brother Wesley, president and vice-president respectively of the Canadian Legion branch at Newmarket, Ont. Since childhood they have been confusing friends, RCAF officials during the Second World War and even their wives whom they met while in England. They are married to sisters, formerly Zena and Amy Bainbridge.

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First Ship of Japanese Arrives From Red China

MAIZURU, Japan (AP)—A shipload of 2,000 Japanese came home Monday from years spent in China under the Nationalists and then the new Red bosses.

Some wept with emotion at the sight of their homeland. Others boldly quoted Communist propaganda themes.

The repatriates stranded in China since the end of the Second World War, docked here aboard the ship Koan Maru.

BEG Society Search For Manager Fails

VANCOUVER (CP)—The British Empire Games Society is still looking for a general manager.

A two-month search has ended in failure and a spokesman said:

"Every man we have asked has turned us down flat."

Thirty-six applications were received, and these were screened to five, but none of them was exactly what the society wanted. Other men sought for the job refused it.

The selection committee has started anew and may have to go back to the original list.

The job would start immediately and run through to the end of 1954. The games are scheduled for July, 1954.

Peace Bait Fails to Stir British Press

LONDON (CP)—All sections of the British press Monday urged the western world to take a cautious nibble at the new peace bait held out by Russia.

The general tone of editorials in newspapers of the political right, left and centre is: "What can we lose?"

"Final hope of the world," says the Conservative Daily Sketch, "lies in the amicable arrangement between east and west, even if friendship cannot be achieved. We must start talking peace before we can assure peace. The west has nothing to lose by meeting these gestures halfway, as long as it maintains its strength and its preparations."

Moscow Radio, meanwhile, continued its new theme of peace and collaboration with the west.

The time appears ripe for planting new seeds of discord.

The arrivals may heighten the Red campaign if large numbers come ashore singing the praises of China and Communism—only a few weeks before the voters go to the polls in a vital contest for leadership of this country.

Dog Lovers Protest Move To Hike Licence

EDINBURGH (CP)—Dog lovers throughout Britain are not on the trail of Sir William Darling, 67-year-old Conservative member of Parliament for Edinburgh South. The Rumpus started after Sir William, former Lord Provost of Edinburgh launched a television appeal for a boost in dog licences to \$5.75 from the present fee of approximately \$1 a year.

"The facts show that dogs worry sheep, trespass in gardens and dirty the streets," Sir William remarked. "They may be carriers of disease. They sneeze and they snuffle while children are fondling them. Statistics, furthermore, show they are a menace on the roads, causing hundreds of accidents. And each dog eats anything up to four pounds of meat a day."

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CHARLES P. FELL, Toronto investment dealer, has been appointed chairman and member of the board of trustees of the National Gallery at Ottawa. Mr. Fell, president of the Toronto Art Gallery, is on the executive committee of the board of governors of McMaster University, Hamilton. He succeeds H. S. Southam, publisher of The Ottawa Citizen, as board chairman of the National Gallery.

Water Rights Saved For Commission

VICTORIA (CP)—The provincial government has reserved the water rights of two rivers and a creek in the interior of British Columbia for use by the B.C. Power Commission.

Lands Minister Robert Sommers said unalienated lands and unlicensed water rights of the Spillmacheen river and Bugaboo creek near Golden and the north fork of the Quesnel river, south of Quesnel, have been reserved for the commission.

In his announcement, he said Ralph Chetwynd, minister of trade and industry, has indicated that steps will be taken to develop power on the north fork of the Quesnel for the Cariboo and Prince George area.

It said Bugaboo creek and Spillmacheen river, which flow into the Columbia river, and their tributaries and lakes are made available for the development of power by the commission.

Russia Offers Influence To Free Britons

LONDON (CP)—Russia has offered to use her influence with the Communist government of North Korea to release nine British civilians and an Irish missionary captured when South Korea was overrun in 1950, the British foreign office said Saturday.

The decision, "in accordance with personal instructions from Vyacheslav Molotov," Russia's new foreign minister, was in reply to the latest of many British requests to Russia to have the nine released.

The Britons include Vyvyan Holt, former British minister to South Korea, two members of the British legation staff at Seoul, and the Anglican bishop of Korea. The others are two priests, a nun, a writer and a Salvation Army worker.

Western observers, citing the Soviet move, saw encouraging signs of a new conciliatory Russian attitude toward the west.

The foreign office, however, warned against premature optimism.

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Committee Releases Testimony

WASHINGTON—Gen. James Van Fleet told United States Senator that the 8th Army hasn't enough ammunition to meet the Communist offensive in Korea.

Van Fleet gave his testimony to the Senate armed services committee March 5, 6 and 10. Most of it was kept secret until Sunday when the group decided the public should have the full story.

The former 8th Army commander said he understood the situation is better now than it was when he left Korea last month, but he emphasized he is in direct disagreement with his Defence Department superiors in Washington on how much ammunition the army should shoot and what the Army's mission in Korea should be. He favors a more aggressive policy.

Van Fleet said troops in Korea have to be in trouble in order to shoot heavy weapons and then they have only enough supplies for merely a protective action to save themselves.

He said he had been forced to issue a no-shoot order to his gunners in order to hoard dwindling supplies and at one time in May 1951 there were no shells left in his supply dumps—only shells at the gun pits.

Funeral Held For Pioneer Chinese Grocer

Funeral was held here Sunday for Mah Ching Bing, 70-year-old Chinese pioneer here and veteran grocery clerk.

Mr. Mah, who came to Canada 52 years ago, settling first in New Westminster, then Calgary, arrived here in 1912. He was employed at the Sunrise Grocery for 25 years.

His immediate family is in China. His funeral was held from B.C. Undertakers under the auspices of his many relatives.

A very active member of the Chinese community in Prince Rupert, Mr. Mah was a Chinese scholar, having attained a high education in his native land.

Burial took place at Fairview Cemetery.



HARVEY MURPHY OF VANCOUVER, head of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, (Ind.), has been called one of the "real" leaders of the Labor-Progressive (Communist) party in Canada by Pat Walsh, Walsh, Quebec union organizer who resigned recently from a number of Communist-front organizations, said Tim Buck, nominal LPP leader, was "only a figurehead."

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