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TOMORROW'S TIDES

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PROPHETIC PICTURE OF "FROGMAN" — in this picture, taken from the movie, Cockleshell Heroes," a Warwick production released by Columbia Pictures, Lionel Crabb, the English "frogman" whose mysterious death in England provoked an international espionage scandal, is shown (right) attaching a "limpet bomb" to the hull of a ship. The movie tells the story of a handful of British sailors who successfully blew up Nazi ships in the harbor of Bordeaux during the war. Crabb acted as technical advisor on the film and also participated in the underwater action. In the above picture Lieut. Comdr. Crabb acted as a double for actor David Lodge.

Canada Gets Tariff Reductions On $300,000,000 In Goods

Concessions Aid Exports to U.S.

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OTTAWA (CP)—Canada has obtained tariff reductions on more than $300,000,000 worth of goods in the first general round of world tariff bargaining in four years. About two-thirds of the concessions will help expand Canadian exports to the United States.

In return, Canada has agreed to either hold the line or reduce rates on some $100,000,000 worth of goods, including the elimination of a long-standing 22½ per cent tariff on newsprint and the slashing of her tariffs on beer.

Canada's reductions will go into effect early in July as each of her negotiating partners make agreements operative. U.S. reductions, totalling about 15 per cent, will become operative in three stages, starting June 30, and will be spread over a two-year period.

COVER $200,000,000

The first reduction of five per cent will take place June 30; the second five per cent a year hence and the third on June 30, 1958. The changes will cover more than $200,000,000 worth of Canadian goods including a number of important chemical and paper products, aluminum and steel and some minor farm items.

Authorities said the U.S. refused to do any negotiating on major Canadian farm and fish exports. They said they explored every possible approach but [illegible] positive farm front.

The concessions, announced in the Commons by Trade Minister Howe today, were negotiated during four months of horse-trading at Geneva under the 36-country General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Twenty-two of the 36 countries participated.

Canada did most of her direct negotiating with the U.S., her chief market, but none with Britain, her second-best market. However, under the terms of GATT, the concessions granted to one country are applicable to all others.

NOT SPECTACULAR

Authorities said that while the concessions obtained are important, they are not spectacular. They are far less than those negotiated under the three previous post-war conferences: at Geneva in 1947-48; Annecy, France, in 1949; and at Torquay, England, in 1951-52.

Yet, they added, every bit counts. Canada depends heavily on her exports for national income and prosperity. Every tariff concession obtained may increase Canadian shipments, expand home industry and create more jobs, they said.

They conceded also that the general effect of the current tariff agreements is to increase the "pull" of Canadian exports to the U.S. and away from Britain.

As in previous conferences, the Commonwealth tariff preferences—tariff advantages negotiated among Commonwealth partners in 1932—are whittled down. The amount chopped this time is not large but affected are such products as textile machinery, orange juice, electrical precision apparatus and a few other goods.

MAJOR DEAL WITH U.S.

Tariff concessions negotiated by all GATT countries in the Geneva conference recently ended covered some $2,500,000,000 worth of goods. Canada's total foreign trade amounts to more than $8,000,000,000 with a little less than one-half in exports and slightly more than one-half in imports.

In addition to the U.S. Canada also negotiated tariff bargains with nine European countries and three from Latin America. Officials said concessions granted by three other European countries also will help Canadian exporters.

But the major deal was with the U.S., the market for more than 60 per cent of Canadian exports. Empowered by congress to reduce rates by 15 per cent over a three-year period, the U.S. extended reductions on some 860 items, of which 150 are expected to be beneficial to Canada.

Tariff Talks Highlights

OTTAWA (CP)— Highlights of Canada's new tariff negotiations announced today:

Canada gains tariff concessions from other countries on more than $300,000,000 worth of goods. She grants concessions on goods valued at some $180,000,000.

United States agrees to reduce tariffs on some 650 items, of which 150 beneficial to Canada. More than $200,000,000 worth of Canadian exports involved.

American reductions to be over two-year period; will total 15 per cent, with first five-per-cent cut to go into effect June 30. Further cuts of five per cent each to be made at end of each 12-month period.

All of Canada's tariff concessions to become effective immediately after other countries make tariff agreements operative. Canadian cuts likely in early July.

Canada agrees to cut tariffs on 11 valued at $91,000,000. Amount of cuts vary. She agrees to keep tariffs on 60 other items, valued at $66,000,000, from rising.

Canada agrees to eliminate 22½ per cent tariff on newsprint; sugar for wineries to be reduced by 99 per cent.

Canadian beer tariff cut by more than half. Drive by foreign brewers for share of Canadian market expected.

Canadian tariffs reduced on some seafood products, namely, shelled oysters and shrimps.

Tariff on open pleasure boats reduced to 20 per cent from 25. Duty on fish hooks for non-commercial fishing reduced to 10 per cent from 15. Duty on rifles and guns of kind not made in Canada reduced to 7½ per cent from 10.

Canadian tariffs reduced on textile machinery, orange juice, cigar tobacco, sawmill machinery, cash registers, road building machinery and other goods.

Experts Hope Dikes Will Hold As Flood Crest Expected Today

CRESTON, B.C. (CP)—The flood crest of the Kootenay river is expected here today but diking authorities hope defences will hold until a drop comes.

Magistrate Guy Constable, chief of the committee co-ordinating diking efforts, said dikes are in reasonable good shape and if the river goes down a foot from the expected 25-foot peak "it would be a very great relief."

However, he said the river might stay at or near peak level anywhere from two to five days.

The river dropped three-tenths of a foot Wednesday at the international boundary upstream from here, and although there was a slight dike break it did not become serious. Water was also down slightly here after a cool night.

A peak expected Wednesday did not materialize.

TROOPS TO WITHDRAW

One worry was the large amount of snow in the area at the north of Kootenay lake. The lake, with Creston at the south end, has been high and has added its pressure to that of the river on the 55 miles of dikes in the area.

With the picture looking brighter, the army announced that 100 of 150 engineering troops in the area will be withdrawn Saturday.

The Columbia river continued to rise at Trail, B.C., 48 miles west of here. But rises of six inches at Trail and Castlegar, 17 miles north of Trail, were offset somewhat by a one-inch decline at Revelstoke, further upstream.

FERRY THREATENED

Ten families had been evacuated from homes on Groutage Ave. in Trail, an area particularly susceptible to high water. Health inspectors planned visits to other homes to see if flooding constituted a health menace.

The city engineer said residents who declined to leave any possibly threatened area would be forcibly evacuated.

There was a possibility the rising Columbia might force the cross-river ferry out of action at Castlegar. Highways department officials said this would come if the river rose another three inches, since this would prevent cars from boarding.

Only buses, ambulances, police cars and smelter workers' cars were carried overnight.

FLOWER THIEVES IN CEMETERY IDENTIFIED BY CARETAKER

Culprits who have been clipping flowers from graves at Fairview Cemetery have been discovered and City Hall notified, it was learned this morning.

Cemetery caretaker Edward Saunders reported that flowers placed on a grave one day would be missing next day, with stalks clipped off close to the ground. Similar incidents occurred last year.

Mr. Saunders investigated the desecration and reported this morning that the flowers had been clipped off by four deer visiting the cemetery grounds in search of tasty fodder.

Ferryman To Face Trial In Death of Little Girl

LANGLEY, B.C. (CP) — Gerald Eaton, 51-year-old ferryman, was committed for trial here Wednesday on a charge of murdering eight-year-old Carolynne Moore.

The child's badly-beaten body was found eight miles north of this community, 30 miles south of Vancouver, last April 28.

Eaton will appear at the Fall Assizes in New Westminster.

At the preliminary hearing of the charge, RCMP Corporal John Purdy testified that Eaton led him to the lonely spot where the girl's body was found. She had disappeared two days earlier while walking from school to meet her mother at a church bazaar.

Eaton was picked up originally for interrogation about another incident, the RCMP officer testified, but under questioning burst out with "I know what you're trying to get me on—that little girl."

More than 100 spectators attended the one-day hearing in the Masonic hall.

Dr. Clarissa Aszkanazy, pathologist, said the cause of death was "a severe fracture of the skull with severe injury to the brain."

In addition to head cuts and a skull fracture, there were 10 marks on the girl's left shoulder, "superficial yellowish abrasions compatible with finger marks."

RCMP laboratory technician Edyth Hewson of Regina testified the child was not raped.

Among 33 exhibits entered were a tire wrench and matting from Eaton's car, the clothing of the child and a blood-soaked gunny sack.

Only One Boat Sells Halibut On Exchange

Only one boat sold its catch on the Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange this morning, the Kaarc II, with a cargo of 30,000 pounds of halibut from Area 3.

Selling to Babcock Fisheries, the catch brought prices of 21 cents a pound for mediums, 15.7 cents a pound for large fish and 14 cents a pound for chicken.

The Margaret I delivered a catch of 10,000 pounds of Area 2 halibut to the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association.

Alberta Fires Under Control

EDMONTON (CP) — Mopping up operations started today in Alberta's forest fire areas.

Norman Willmore, provincial lands and forests minister, announced late Wednesday all forest fires are under control but a state of emergency declared last week will be maintained. The public has been barred from off-highway travel in forest and national park areas.

Three hundred soldiers, sent last weekend to fight the blazes, were released from fire duties but detained to search for Cpl. [illegible] Miller of Palmerston, Ont.

GOVERNMENT RESIGNS

SINGAPORE (Reuters)—David Marshall, chief minister of Singapore, and his coalition government resigned today because of the failure of the recent London talks to bring agreement on independence for the colony.

Man Fined $25 For Coat Theft

A North Vancouver man was found guilty in police court this morning on a charge of theft of an overcoat from a Prince Rupert man.

Fined $25 and costs or in default of payment sentenced to 14 days in jail was Aksel Stadsnes, of North Vancouver. He pleaded not guilty through counsel A. Bruce Brown to taking an overcoat belonging to Charles Francis Ryall at the Canadian Legion last Saturday.

Official Shot By Terrorists

NICOSIA, Cyprus (Reuters) — Terrorist gunmen shot a government official to death on the steps of the district commissioner's office in the heart of Limassol today in the second bold daylight murder on Cyprus in 24 hours.

The British troops immediately sealed off the area and began a search with police dogs. A curfew was clamped on the city.

Spy in Prison, Not Shot Say British

LONDON (CP)—The foreign office announced today that a British subject named Capt. John Herbert King was sentenced to 10 years penal servitude in September, 1939, for passing information to the Soviet government.

The announcement came after other British government departments had declined to comment on testimony given to a United States Senate investigating committee alleging that Britain executed a Soviet spy in the Tower of London in 1939.

Isaac Don Levine, an American author, testified at a Senate internal security sub-committee hearing that he got the story of the execution from Gen. Walter Krivitsky, former chief of the Soviet secret police in Western Europe, before he was found shot to death in a Washington hotel in 1940.

Krivitsky, he said, told him that Britain had quietly executed a man named King, one of two Britons allegedly recruited as Soviet agents. Levine said he thought from Krivitsky's description that the other agent was Donald Maclean, turncoat British diplomat now in the Soviet Union.

The foreign office, in today's announcement, said King had been employed by the communications department of the foreign office.

Robbers Get 25-Year Sentences

Holdup Ends In Death, Jail

NEW WESTMINSTER B.C. (CP)— Three bank robbers drew sentences Wednesday of 25 years each for the armed robbery in April of a bank at nearby Coquitlam in which another bandit was killed and an RCMP constable wounded.

Sentenced by Judge Bruce Fraser were William Banks, 29; Howard G. Folster, 22, and William Gary Owens, 20.

All three had pleaded guilty to armed robbery of the Coquitlam branch of the Royal Bank of Canada April 3.

Constable Bud Johnstone, since promoted to corporal, was shot eight times as he dashed into the bank. However he returned the fire and killed William Herbert Howerton of Vancouver and wounded Banks.

Banks testified at the trial that Howerton suggested the robbery in late March while all four were drinking beer in a New Westminster hotel.

"At first we thought he was joking but we were all short of money and decided it might be a good idea," he added.

The robbers got $10,000 out of the bank but their escape was interrupted by Constable Johnstone and another RCMP constable who recovered the money and captured all the bandits within an hour of the robbery.

F. T. Brown Appointed B.C. Engineer

VICTORIA (CP)—Highways Minister Gaglardi Wednesday announced the appointment of Fred T. Brown, 45, of Calgary as chief engineer for the B.C. highways department.

He will succeed Neil McCallum who resigned Jan. 31 because his position had become "untenable."

Mr. Gaglardi said Mr. Brown, former chief estimator for Hannix Construction Ltd., will take over the position in two or three weeks.

Salary is $10,800 a year, plus $2,400 for the chief engineer's membership on the highways board which details construction plans.

Canada Imports Japan's Salmon

VANCOUVER (CP)—Unbelievable as it sounds, longshoremen Wednesday began unloading a consignment of 50,000 cases of sockeye salmon from Japan.

Importers explained the majority of the large British Columbia sockeye pack is exported each year and the entire 1955 catch went overseas to protect markets there.

The imports from Japan are to meet demands of the Canadian market.

WEATHER

Cloudy with scattered showers today. Occasional sunny periods. Rain tonight. Scattered showers Friday. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly 15 increasing to southeast 25 in exposed areas near the Queen Charlottes tonight diminishing Friday morning. Low tonight and high Friday at Port Hardy 45 and 58, Sandspit 45 and 55, Prince Rupert 48 and 58.

PRIZE WINNER — This appealing photo of a child's wondering search through an old photo album won a $500 savings bond for a Seattle, Wash., photo hobbyist. Titled "Is That You, Mummy?" the picture was taken by Joseph W. Marshall and won first prize in the nonprofessional class of the Graflex Photo Contest.

Final Reading Set Today For Controversial Bill

OTTAWA (CP)—Only two formalities remained today before the government's controversy-laden gas pipeline bill becomes law, smack on the deadline set for its passage.

The measure, roughly handled during three tumultuous weeks before the House of Commons, received relatively calm, speedy handling by the Senate Wednesday.

In one day the upper chamber approved in principle and in detail the proposal to help finance Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd. in its giant $375,000,000 project to build a 2,200-mile natural gas pipeline from Alberta to Ontario and Quebec.

THIRD READING TODAY

Today the Senate met at 10:30 a.m. to give the bill third and final reading. Debate was possible but not expected. Royal assent to make the bill law was scheduled for the afternoon.

Wednesday the Senate met briefly in the morning to receive the bill—hot from a Commons battle—and give it first reading.

After some six hours of afternoon and evening debate the measure received second reading without a recorded vote. In little more than another hour senators had reviewed and approved its seven clauses and adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

Final reading might have been given Wednesday night except for the insistence of Senator John T. Haig, opposition leader, who said he did not want the Senate accused of passing such a controversial bill in a single day.

RIGHT ON DEADLINE

Today was the deadline set by the government for enactment of the bill, under which Trans-Canada will get a treasury loan of up to $80,000,000 to build the Alberta-Winnipeg leg of its line.

If Parliament had overshot the deadline, the company would have been released from its commitment to build the western section by Dec. 31.

House Adjourns As Liberal MP Dies Suddenly

OTTAWA (CP)—John Lorne of MacDougall, 57, Liberal member of Parliament for Vancouver Burrard, died suddenly yesterday and the Commons immediately adjourned for the day as a mark of respect.

The Vancouver member, first elected to the Commons in 1940, had complained of not feeling well during the last two days. He was present in the Commons for the last stages of the hectic pipeline debate.

A native of Tiberton, Ont., Mr. MacDougall was a dental surgeon graduate of the University of Toronto. He was forced to leave his practice due to disabilities suffered in being wounded three times during the First World War.

At one time he was chief organizer of the British Columbia Liberal Association and first ran for a federal seat in 1935 but was defeated. He was successful in the general election of 1940 and was re-elected at the general election of 1953.

WILL VISIT FRANCE

PARIS (Reuters)—Georgi Malenkov, former Soviet premier, has accepted an invitation to visit France as an official guest, it was announced today. No date has been fixed.

Two Vancouver Men See Due to Eyes of Murderer

VANCOUVER (CP)—The eyes of a murderer have given sight to two men.

William Wallace, 60, of Ocean Falls, B.C., and Arthur Weeds, 32, of Vancouver, now look through corneal tissue from the eyes of 24-year-old Robert Graham.

Graham was hanged at Oakalla prison May 22 for the murder in a street brawl last August of 21-year-old William Holman. He bequeathed his eyes to aid the blind.

Doctors disclosed on Wednesday that tissue removed from his eyes a short time after the hanging was transplanted to the eyes of Wallace and Weeds within 24 hours of the execution.

Bandages were removed from the eyes of both men Wednesday. Both could see.

CRY WITH JOY

Mrs. Weeds said:

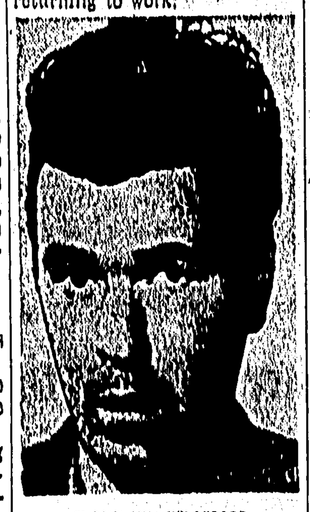
"I've been watching Arthur's eyesight fail for five years. Three months ago he could no longer see my face. Today he saw me as clear as I saw him.

"He sat up in bed counting the windows of the building outside. We were both almost crying with joy."

Wallace told doctors he could see things that he had not seen since 1910.

Both men will soon be released from hospital. Doctors said they now have "normal short-sighted vision" and in three months it might prove perfect with the use of glasses.

Weeds, who was out of work because of his failing eyesight, said he is looking forward to returning to work.



ROBERT GRAHAM
. . . Benefitted two men.