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Big Four Conference

THE REPLY of the three Western Powers to the Soviet note proposing a meeting of a Council of Foreign Ministers has opened the door wide to very sweeping possibilities.

And a meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers would seem to provide the most hopeful channel for peace at the moment. But it remains, of course, to be seen whether the Soviet government will accept the idea of a meeting "to seek a peaceful solution of existing issues."

The Soviet note, to which the three powers are now replying, proposed "the convening of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the U.S.A., U.S.S.R., Britain and France to examine the fulfilment of the Potsdam Agreement on the demilitarization of Germany."

That was at once regarded very naturally in London, Washington and Paris as too restricted a scope for such a conference in present world conditions.

"Demilitarization" is only one facet of the German problem; the German problem is only one facet of a world problem. To discuss the "demilitarization of Germany" in isolation, out of its world context, would seem somewhat unreal; nor would it seem likely to lead to any result.

It seems indeed that the Soviet proposal was not intended very seriously, that it was made on the assumption and in the expectation that it would be rejected.

The Russian proposal as it stands has been declined. But at the same time it did seem to afford just a chance, if a slender one, of a wider and possibly more fruitful consultation.

Moscow seemed at any rate willing to talk. No opportunity, even though slight, of which British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin has called "a sincere attempt to achieve, through negotiation, the removal of the underlying causes of world tension," could be neglected. A decision was quickly taken that the reply should not be a blank negative but alternative proposal giving more opportunity for really valuable results.

To quote Bevin again, the three powers "are ready to take part in any properly prepared four-power meeting which offers the genuine prospect of putting an end to the existing state of tension, and of bringing about lasting friendship between the free world and the U.S.S.R."

That is the essence of the three-power replies. We have now to see what response the Soviet government will make to such an offer.

EASY WITH CONTROLS

IN ITS APPROACH toward mobilization of our industrial resources, Ottawa is reported as still favoring moderation and caution in rushing into drastic regimentation and government control.

Sober-minded citizens with memories of the last war still fresh will approve this realistic attitude. They will realize, of course, that Canadians are not altogether their own masters in this matter. To put it bluntly, we are too small and too close to the United States to be able to set our own gait, even if we wanted to. Broadly speaking, whatever Uncle Sam decides to do in channeling production into defence, we have little choice but to follow. We can only hope, therefore, that sober counsel prevails at Washington as well as at Ottawa.

Putting our whole economy into a straitjacket, with manpower, supplies, prices and wages, and almost everything else rigidly controlled, is not a move to be undertaken lightly. As we discovered 10 years ago, it means a revolutionary upset for the nation, socially and industrially, and it only worked reasonably satisfactorily because the people were aroused by and actually engaged in a full-scale war. And, as we discovered five years later, once fastened on, it takes a long time to get rid of the shackles of state control. Moreover, as we also discovered after the war, control so far as prices are concerned does not prevent increases—it merely postpones them.

The difficulties of a period such as this of twilight mobilization are truly immense. But until it's a decision of total effort for total war, let's go easy. To move too fast in this grim business can be just as grave as too late.—Financial Post.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY

"Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God."—James 1:19-20.



As I See It

By ELMORE PHILPOTT

HOSPITALS—NOW

MY WIFE has just come home after an operation in the hospital. She was one of the lucky ones.

She got in, after only a couple of weeks of waiting, and only two last-minute postponements due to "lack of beds." When she did get in, she got fine treatment—the best ever, she says.

Until I had a chance to hear and see for myself what goes on in a big Vancouver hospital I thought vaguely that the newspaper complaints about lack of beds were probably exaggerated.

Brother, did I get an eye-opener! Far from being exaggerated, the Vancouver scarcity of beds is so acute that it is a disgrace right now.

In the event of war—God help us. No one else will be able to do even with a bed.

SUPPOSE A MOSCOW paper wanted to print a blast at the decadent democracies. Suppose it took a simple thing like hospital beds in the rich, progressive city of Vancouver, British Columbia. It would not need to hire any glib liars or truth-twisters. All it would need to do would be to report the grim facts.

Here are some: Doctors in Vancouver get up at the crack of dawn—but not what you might expect, to start visiting their patients.

No, no. They get up to hustle down to the hospital to queue up for their chance to beg to get one or more patients into hospital. Some of the most skilled doctors in the country spend hours on end doing nothing but sitting in line waiting their turn to ask to get a patient into hospital.

Of course, everybody in B.C. is SUPPOSED to have the right to hospital treatment—paid for by the compulsory hospital insurance scheme. But the fact is that many sick people who require hospital attention are refused such because there simply are not enough beds to fill the need.

MOREOVER, although the public pays the shot for the hospital upkeep, the hospital authorities themselves retain the right to pick and choose among the doctors. Those on the hospital staff list get their patients in. Those not on the staff list do not.

Here is now the bed scarcity works: A patient may be perfectly satisfied with the professional ability of his or her doctor. But the patient needs to get into hospital. That family doctor is not on the "inside track" with the hospital—which is privately managed. So to get into hospital at all the patient is compelled to switch to some other doctor who has the preferred connections to get patients into the institution in question.

PROMINENT Vancouver citizens, whose names are known from coast to coast, have recently been compelled to go to other cities to have major operations because their own doctors in their own city were unable to arrange hospital accommodation. And on top of this comes the plain warning from Major General Worthington that Vancouver needs three times the present number of beds as a precaution for another war.

GRANTED that we live in crazy times. But was anything more insane than for Ottawa to appoint General Worthington head of the Canadian Civil Defence program but with no real power to act?

The question of who is to pay for the tripling of the hospital accommodation has not even been faced by the St. Laurent government—much less decided.

Meanwhile the responsibility for getting enough beds to look after the peacetime needs of the people of B.C. rests with the government of B.C.

Compared with this aggregation of sound-sleepers Rip Van Winkle was a chronic insomniac.

Third Cease Fire Message

NEW YORK—A third message was sent by the United Nations cease-fire committee to the Chinese Communist government yesterday at Peking, seeking an end of the war in Korea. The two previous notes went unanswered.

1950 Sees Canada Important Factor In United Nations Body

By NORMAN ALTSTEDTER Canadian Press Staff Writer

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (CP)—The impact of Canada's role on world affairs as expressed through the United Nations continued to grow in strength during 1950. As the year drew to a close, L. B. Pearson, Canada's external affairs minister, was appointed to a three-man UN committee, set up to seek mediation of the Korean war.

The choice of Pearson to the important committee indicated the stature He and Canada have attained among the leaders of the 60 nations which make up the world organization.

Canada took another leading role in the Korean problem by setting up a special force for service with the United Nations in Korea or elsewhere. In this move, Canada led the way in plans for formation of an international army to fight aggression wherever it may occur.

The start of 1950 saw Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, who headed the Dominion's U.N. delegation during its two years on the U.N. Security Council, return to duties in Canada. The end of Canada's security council term also marked the beginning of another term for Canada as a member of the Economic and Social Council.

R. G. (Gerry) Riddell, 42, formerly Pearson's special assistant, arrived at Lake Success in August to take over as Chief of Canada's permanent delegation. John Holmes of the External Affairs Department, had worked as acting head of the delegation until that time.

ON U.N. SECRETARIAT During the year two Canadians were appointed to important posts on the U.N. Secretariat. Dr. Hugh L. Keenleyside, formerly Canada's Deputy Minister of Resources, and Maj. Gen. Howard Kennedy, former Quartermaster-General in the Canadian Army, became top-ranking International Civil Servants.

Keenleyside, 51, was appointed head of the U.N.'s Technical Assistance Administration — A brand new post. The T.A.A. was set up as an outgrowth of President Truman's "point four" program of aid to under-developed countries. In its final form, the T.A.A. is to help two-thirds of the world lift itself from backward methods of industry, agriculture and health, among other aspects of life. For a beginning, U.N. members pledged \$20,800,000 to the project.

Kennedy, a 57-year-old forestry specialist, arrived in the Middle East last April as director of a \$53,000,000 U.N. relief and works program for Arab refugees of the Arab-Israeli war. Besides co-ordinating the direct relief and works programs to help the refugees, Kennedy had the diplomatic task of conferring with governments on the projects.

With the opening of the U.N. General Assembly Session Sept. 19, a large Canadian delegation headed by Pearson, arrived in New York. For the first time in three years members of the opposition party in Canada's parliament were among members of the delegation.

In his main policy speech at the session's opening, Pearson called for a "two-year moratorium on bellicose and violent speeches at the United Nations" and a two-year attempt to do something effective about peace.

But by Dec 15 when the assembly officially ended, the outlook for peace was dim, with Russia failing to accept the U.N. majority's initial efforts to mediate the Korean war.

Lingering hopes were held that Pearson, along with India's Sir Benegal Rau and Iran's Nazrolah Entezam, could find a way to avert a major conflict between Communist China and the United Nations.

Expects Russia To Strike Soon

WASHINGTON D. C.—Former Secretary for War Robert Patterson predicted last night that Soviet Russia would strike directly against the western nations with all the strength at her command by next year.

CLEAN STANDARD HEATING OILS A STANDARD OF B.C. PRODUCT

Protesting at Freight Boost

OTTAWA—There was a wave of protest from the provinces yesterday at the announcement of the railways that they were seeking a new five percent increase in freight rates following the granting of wage increases by the federal arbitrator.

Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland, Premier T. C. Douglas and Premier E. C. Manning of Alberta were among those who protested.

Hon. Henry Bosman, minister of agriculture for British Columbia, said a further increase in rates would act as an embargo on exports from his province.

Dr. H. M. Daggett arrived in the city on Wednesday's plane from Vancouver to spend the Christmas and New Year season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Daggett.

Conditions required on long power lines, points such as Vanderhoof, McBride, Burns Lake, Endako, Quesnel and others could easily be supplied with power in addition to Prince George. Many of these settlements already are already receiving power from the B.C. Power Commission's diesel units.

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Higher Freight Rates Are Asked

OTTAWA © — The railways applied yesterday for immediate general freight rate increase of five percent and deferred increase by an unstated amount. The proposed five percent increase, it is estimated, would yield the carriers \$17,500,000 a year. The reason is based chiefly on their increased wage bill. With a general increase, the railways asked for an immediate 10c per ton increase in coal and coke rates.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

- Light up and decorate for Christmas! You will find just what you require for your home at the VARIETY STORE. 29c
- Mrs. Bundy, Terrace, sailed last night on the Prince George for Vancouver.
- Christmas cards just arrived, Peter Pan Gift Shop. (11c)
- That last-minute thought—Always lots to choose from, and open nights for your convenience. THE TOTEM POLE GIFT STORE. (11c)
- Meeting of International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 510, Friday, December 22, 8 p.m. (298c)
- Miss Edith Little R.N. of Prince Rupert General Hospital nursing staff leaves on this evening's train for her home at Terrace to spend the Christmas holiday week-end.
- S.O.N. members and Sonja Ladies, get your tickets for the New Year's Eve party at Black 991, Green 325 or Black 661 not later than Friday, December 29. (298c)
- There is only one more shopping day till Christmas. GET YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS NOW. We still have a fine selection at the VARIETY STORE. 29c
- Do not forget the Salvation Army. Thom Sheet Metal, Black 884.
- Dance Valhalla Hall, Saturday night.
- The Rotary Club luncheon meeting yesterday was given over to Christmas community singing. Leading the singing was George Mitchell, with T. Lock at the piano. President A. B. Brown was in the chair and wished the members the compliments of the season.
- S.O.N. Christmas Tree Wednesday, December 27 at 2 o'clock. Program in evening at 8:30. Dance, 10 o'clock. Refreshments. (299c)
- MOTORISTS — Bob Parker's Service Station will be open Christmas Day, 12 noon to 2 p.m., Boxing Day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for your convenience. (299c)
- Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ohlson, Ketchikan, arrived here Wednesday on the Princess Norah and left on that night's train for Green Bay, Wisconsin. Mrs. Ohlson is assistant to the Canadian National Railways agent in Ketchikan. Mr. Ohlson is a contractor.
- The Directors of the Aero Club wish to announce that there are a few tickets available for their New Year's Eve Dance. Tickets may be picked up from Mr. Woods at Brownwoods Shoe Store. (11c)
- Attention Northland Dairy Customers—There will be no milk delivery Christmas Day. For your convenience an early morning delivery will be made Tuesday (Boxing Day). Please have your bottles out by 6 a.m. Extra milk and cream can be obtained from your local driver for the holiday season. (293)
- FLASH — IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT! With a view toward serving the buying public of Prince Rupert with their personal Christmas shopping requirements, the following stores will be open till 9 o'clock Friday night: WALLACE'S DEPARTMENT STORE LTD. RUPERT PEOPLES STORE. RUPERT MEN'S & BOYS STORE. (298)
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Ray Reflects and Reminisces

Prince Rupert's real old timers are becoming fewer but they are by no means scarce. And many a one abounds in pep and good cheer. Some are a long way over seventy. Several score were seen at that dinner yesterday. But they have not forgotten how to laugh and—well, they can dance pretty fair at that. That's what keeps them young.

Herbert Hoover, the only American ex-president left alive, started something. His fellow countrymen are in hot debate over his foreign policy ideas. In a word, Hoover is for keeping out of Asia and Europe. Well, George Washington counselled the wisdom of "no entangling alliances." All things considered, a good point for argument!

After tomorrow, no paper for three whole days. Think of it. Three days. How easy to put things off. And how easy to stretch and yawn. There's won't be any rudeness. No bothing with urgent telephone calls! No chasing elusive news items! Such lordly leisure! The sheer beauty of it! [O yeah!—Editor.]

The motto of the 15th Infantry Regiment in Korea is "Can Do." So, when a South Korean infantryman joined their ranks and they discovered his name, they had another Asiatic problem to deal with. His name is No Can Do. Real name, too.

Canada's railways have not delayed in wanting to shoot up freight rates, after increasing wages, the consequence of last summer's strike. How does 28 percent sound? That's a lot of increase. Heck! Who has any more money, anyway?

Comments Elmer Adams in the Detroit News: "Not only should we tighten our belts, as advised, but we should equip ourselves with a pair of good strong suspenders. Otherwise one of these days some..."

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. ©—Newfoundland has a place of its own in Saskatchewan. Premier Smallwood has been informed that an island in Lake Amisk has been officially named "Newfoundland Island" and now appears under its new name on maps of the area.

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that certain families do not receive more than their share of the bounty that abounds in the city. Among the groups that have asked for lists are the IOOE, Soroptimists, Women's Co-ordinating Council, Moose Lodge, Business and Professional Women, Reading Club, churches, Salvation Army and many others. The lists supply not only the names of the families but also what the requirements are—toys with therapeutic value, clothing, and, yes, medicine.

In some cases where children are living with older people who have not the means to make a showing at Christmas, the good people of the town are walking in with gifts and delicacies. A typical case of what is wanted is an uncooked ham by an old age pensioner who was recently fitted with false teeth. He does not want anyone else's cooking to spoil the taste of a delicacy that has been denied him for a long time.

Another thing that was taken care of was transportation to the "Over 70" banquet Thursday afternoon. Lists as complete as possible were drawn up but, even at that, Aid, George Casey delighted officials of the Welfare Branch during the morning by adding some names and addresses of some who had been overlooked.

Dyke McMillan, social worker in the city, has not enough words of praise for the good-hearted citizens of Prince Rupert. "They have helped out in every way possible," he said. "It is a particularly good sign of the unselfish thinking in Prince Rupert. People seem to go all out to help." Mr. McMillan said many people and organizations keep doing things for others all year without anyone knowing about it. The resources of the Social Welfare Branch are so limited, he said, that they have to depend heavily on individual generosity, and it's not lacking.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
S.O.N. Christmas tree and dance Dec. 27
Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas cabaret party, Dec 23.
Presbyterian Burns Banquet, Friday, Jan. 26.
New Year's Eve Dance at Odd-fellows' Hall, 12:01. (p)
Legion Card Party, January 3, 1951.

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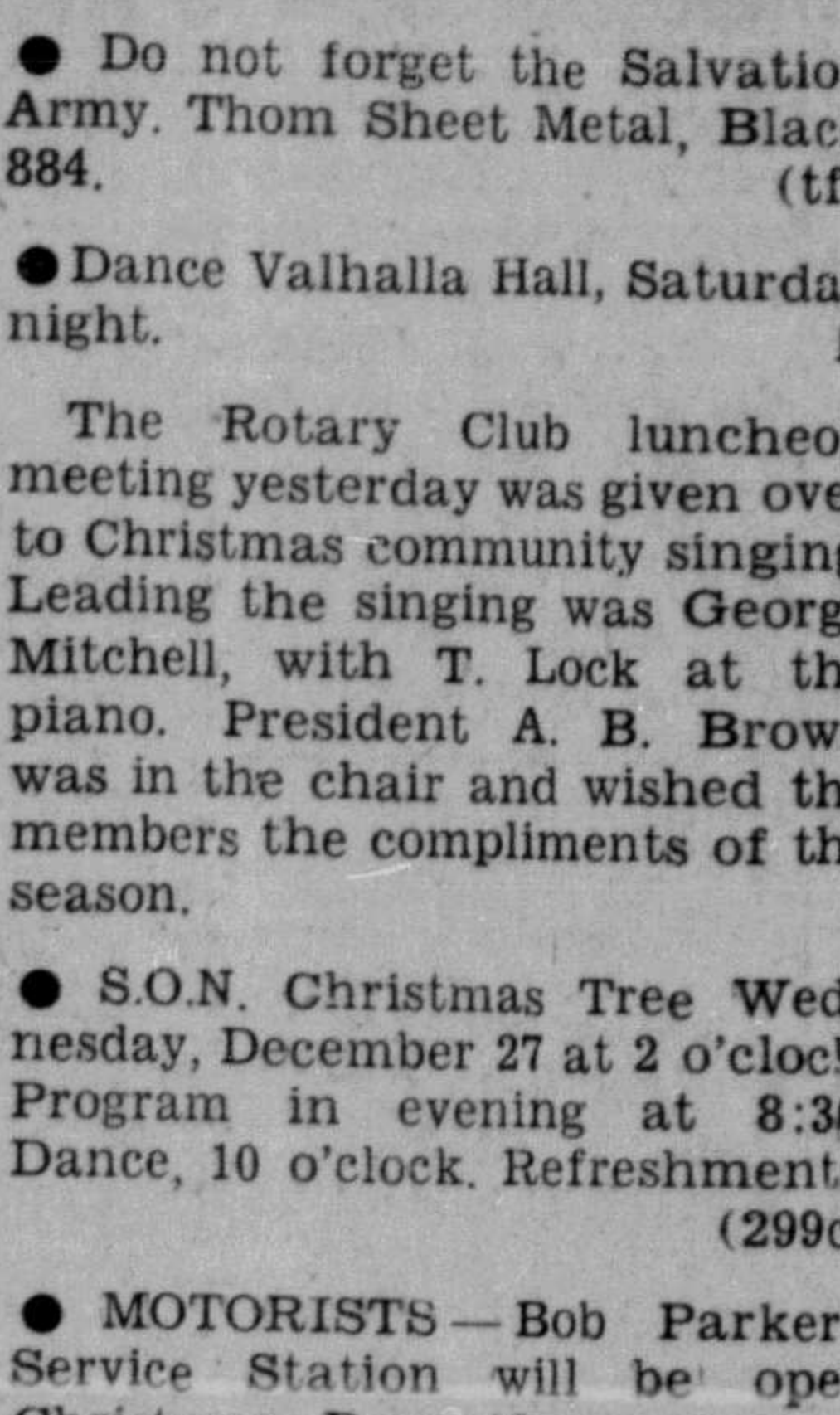
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TERRACE TOPICS

Sunday in Terrace Churches—Homecomings for Christmas

TERRACE—Special Christmas services are being held in the Anglican church on Sunday starting with the children's service in the morning, when the topic of Archdeacon Hodson's address will be "The Boy Who Missed Christmas." Instead of having gifts given to them for their Sunday School treat the children are being asked to take a gift to be sent to the Indian children of some mission in the north, next year. At morning prayers, the address will be on "Christ's Advent to the Individual." In the afternoon, the Archdeacon will hold a Christmas service at the "Home for the Aged." The evening sermon will be "Let Us Go to Bethlehem" and this will be followed by a carol service. On Christmas morning Holy Communion will be held at 8 o'clock; at 11 o'clock the Archdeacon's address will be "No Room in the Inn."

Mrs. Hazel Heppell of the Mary-Lynne shop has been joined by her husband from the Queen Charlotte Islands who intends to stay here.

Mr. P. Scutt, high school teacher, left on Tuesday's train for Vancouver, where he will spend the Christmas holidays.

Don Gillanders left on Tuesday for the south where he will attend the Students' Council as the Terrace delegate.

Extra staff at the post office during the Christmas rush included Roy Clifford and Marjorie Bonner.

Jules Perry has arrived home from Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Perry.

Jack Kirkaldy and Charles Agar were on Thursday morning's train from Vancouver to spend the holidays with their parents here. Both are at University of British Columbia.

Fred Baker has returned from Vancouver where he had a medical check-up.

J. Atwood returned to his home in Terrace on Thursday morning's train from Prince Rupert, coming in from Ocean Falls where he has been ill with pneumonia.

Slushy Streets Terrace Problem

TERRACE—Torrential rains fell in Terrace on Thursday and although the temperature is mild, the rain has made the slushy streets worse than ever with deep ditches of water at the sides of the road on Lakelse Avenue. Conditions in the business section of Kalum are really bad, where there is a big six foot or more dyke of snow down the centre of the road. With this snow and slush, parking of cars is very hazardous and the whole outlook is very grim. However, the commissioners are determined to find a solution for the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing after the snow plough has gone over the road. This is to be their first project in the new year—to have the shopping centre, at least, properly cleared of snow.

May Anchor Seats For Safer Flight

LONDON—A new idea for making air travel safer is being considered by Britain's Ministry of Supply.

Under the plan, aircraft seats would be attached to a cable. This in turn would be fastened to the floor and anchored to the tail unit.

The basic feature is to prevent seats being torn from their moorings, one of the causes of the high mortality rate in air crashes.

Honor Frenchwoman Who Guarded Music

LONDON—Madame Huylebroeck of Lille, France, who safeguarded musical instruments of the Royal Army Service Corps from 1940 until the war ended, has been presented with the R.A.S.C. badge inscribed with her name as a token of gratitude. Madame Huylebroeck says she will always treasure the souvenir. The instruments were left with her when the unit to which Belgium.

SOMERSET, England—When the local council investigated a family's complaint of overworking it soon found the reason. One room was entirely devoted to caged birds.

Legion Show Merry Affair

Cabaret Social Provides Merriment A-plenty

Ribald fun opened the "Bring-Your-Missus" social affair at the Canadian Legion Wednesday night.

Tears and laughter filled the eyes of the couples at 24 cabaret tables during a two-hour show.

With master of ceremonies Nigel Hale and his partner Harley Lewis, assisted by Mrs. G. V. Hanley and Mrs. J. S. Black, the program had everything from Charlie Hallan's Spanish songs to Hawaiian grass skirts.

Rounds of applause encored Mrs. Roy Wicks, who sang "I Bacio," "Ciribiribin Waltz Song" and an Irish lullaby. Equal appreciation was shown John Botsford, until recently tenor with the "Theatre Under the Stars," and Arthur Richardson.

Mrs. Black, who opened the evening with community singing, provided piano accompaniment for Mrs. Wicks and Mrs. Botsford. Mrs. Jean De Carlo was pianist for Mr. Richardson.

A highlight of the evening was Mrs. Black's Hawaiian skit, "Hula-Hula Girls," which included the brawny forms of Art Holbrook, Bruce Simondson and Al. Ross setting upon the wandering sailor, Harley Lewis.

Extreme sense of balance was shown by Leslie Parkes who kept a full glass of beer on his head while dancing to volunteer pianist Wilf. William's music. During the seven minutes that Mr. Parkes swung to the music, he slowly sank to the floor, twisting completely over from side to side, and rising again, without the liquid spilling.

Four sailor girls zipped open the program with sea chanteys. Their "Blow, Blow, Blow the Man Down" had good harmony, creating a seaman's roll to the old chanty. Mrs. G. V. Hanley, who directed the skit, was piano accompanist. The "Sailor's Four" were Mrs. A. L. Holbrook, Mrs. Jean Nixon, Mrs. May Pihera and Mrs. Helen Speers.

"Rancho Grande" and "La Paloma" were sung in Spanish by

Casualties Are Heavy

TOKYO—General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said today that United Nations casualties during the Korean war "disaster" since November 27 period totalled nearly 13,000. These included killed, wounded and missing for all Allied forces except those of the Republic of Korea.

Charlie Hallan, who accompanied his singing with a guitar.

Effective pantomime by Nigel Hale, Mrs. Peggy Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. John Denning held the audience in a skit entitled "A Tramp on the Park Bench." "Oscar the Flea," by the Nigel-Haley team, and "The Sinatra Act" were other skits Mr. Hale conducted.

In the Sinatra act were Mrs. Peggy Andrews, Mrs. Dot Lugin, Mrs. Harley Lewis, Mrs. Thora Hardy and Mrs. Jean Nixon. Mr. Hale acted the part of the zoot-suited crooner.

A man and wife musical skit, "The Frustrated Husband," was played by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis. They combined with piano accompanist, Mrs. Jean De Carlo in a farcical skit.

Winners of the three turkey raffles held during the evening were Mrs. Douglas Guyatt, Mrs. Vic Duncan and Frank Hicks.

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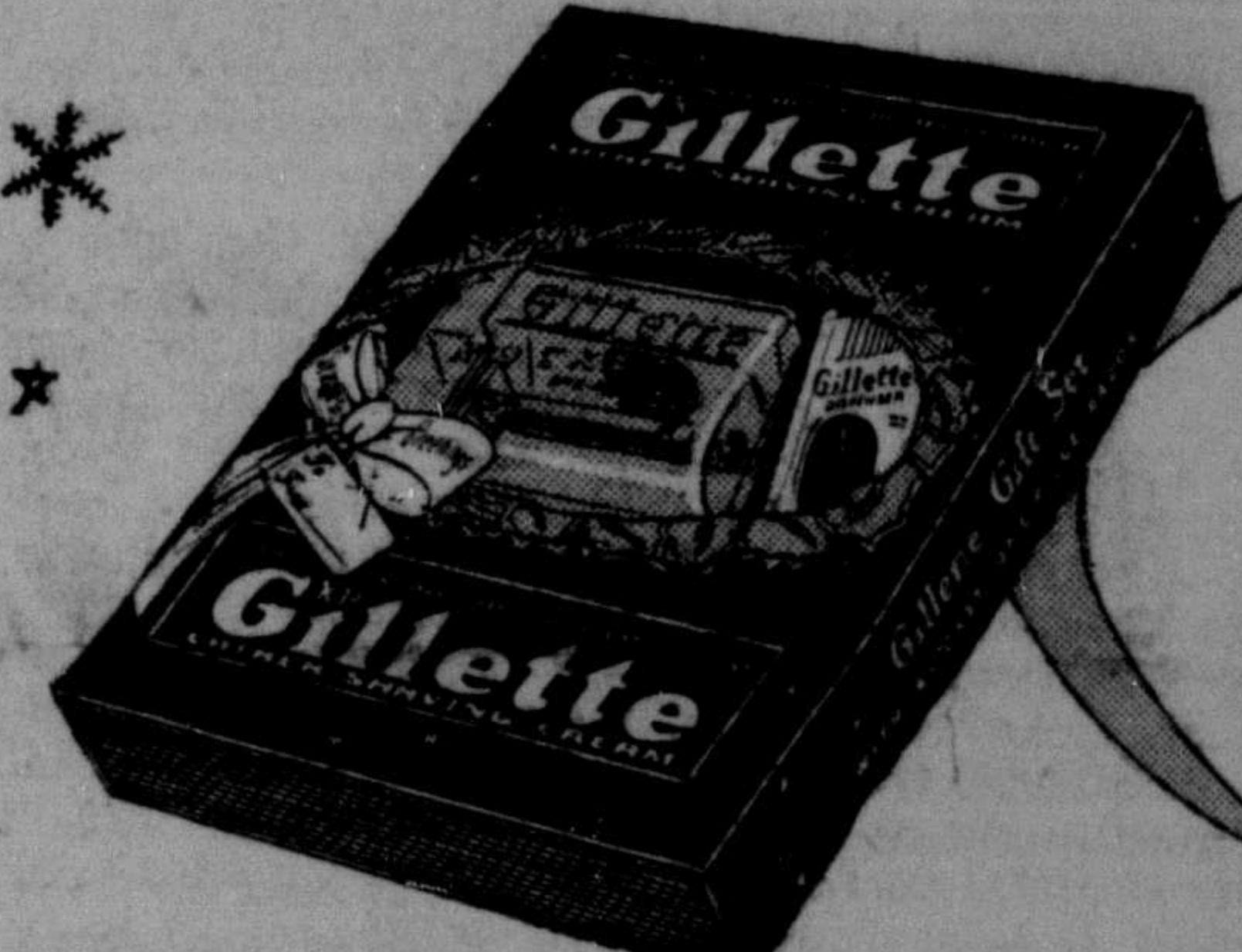
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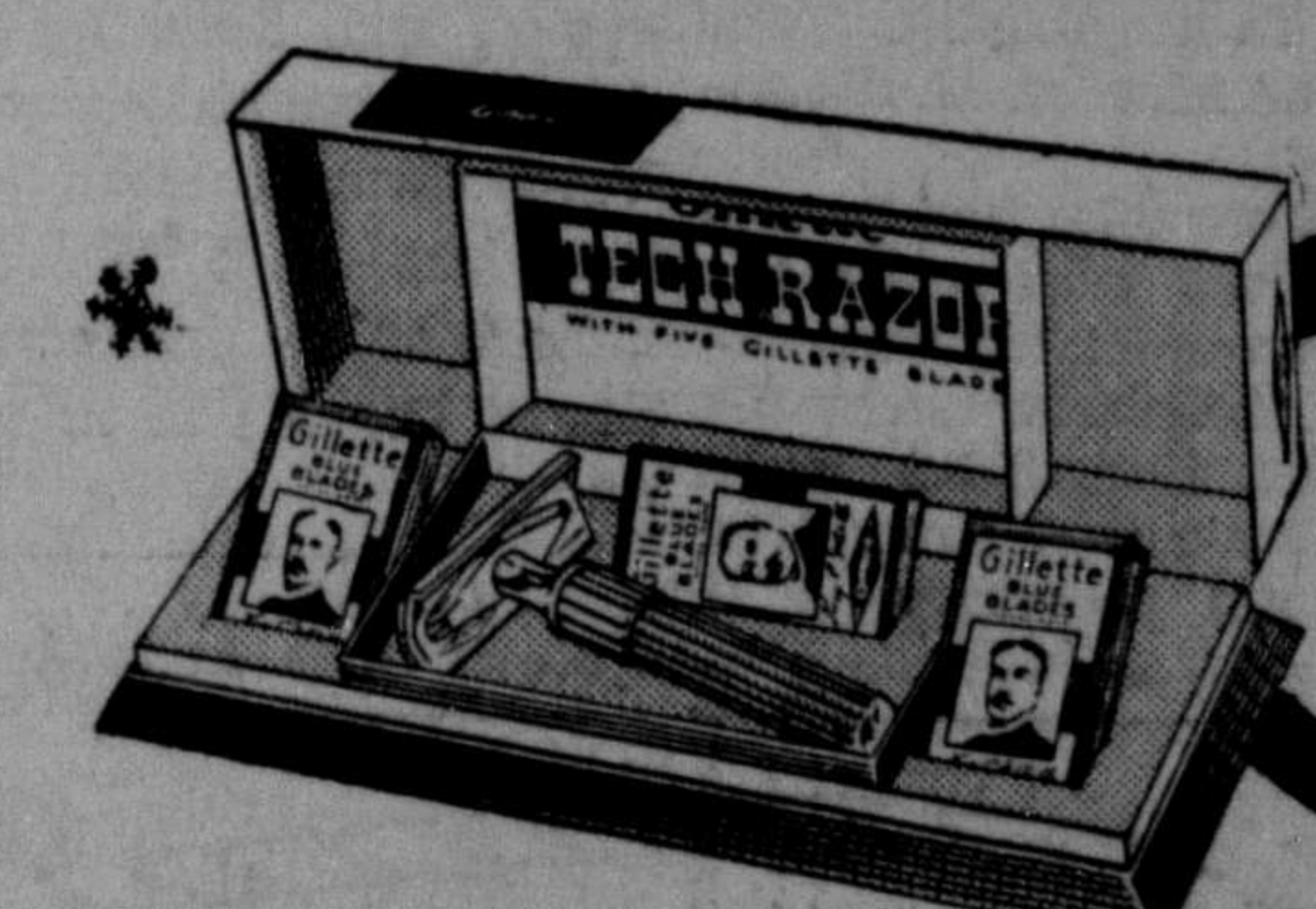
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Among the speakers was Mayor G. W. Rudderham who stressed the usefulness and value of such a delightful function. Such get-togethers maintained the spirit of unity as the years increased.

President George B. Casey was in the chair and made an appropriate opening address.

Mrs. Thomas Glen, president of the Women's Co-ordinating Council, extended a cordial welcome, telling of the pleasure it gave herself and colleagues to see so many present and to share in the duties of having them realize a happy afternoon.

The program included an accordion solo by R. Woods, sketch by Nigel Hale, songs by Mrs. Roy Wicks, Mrs. Holmes, Dyke MacMillan, Pat Carlson, Gillis Couture, recitations by Miss Carlson and Ald. G. B. Casey and a reading by ex-Mayor Norah Arnold. Pianist was Mrs. J. S. Black.

Among those present were James H. Thompson, T. Faure, Miss Edna M. Parker, D. E. Stephens, Mrs. P. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Holtby, Augusta Halverson, A. O. Morse, D. Cavalier, Adam Bertrand, Arthur Thomas, Felix Manhold, Richard Hancock, George B. Casey, Clara E. Casey, G. W. Rudderham, Eric Heilmann, John Bremner, J. G. Steen, E. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoelt, D. J. MacKenzie, Mrs. Margaret Hedstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Killin, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smitin, C. J. Lundquist, Mrs. Annie Taylor, Mrs. C. Bauler, Mrs. Annie Taylor, Mrs. W. W. Smeeton, Mrs. Goodsell, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. (Continued on page 6)



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**Fine Music
Enthralling**

Local Audience
Moved by Desire Ligeti
And Marcus Gordon

A Prince Rupert audience of more than 300 sat enthralled last night as Desire Ligeti, renowned dramatic bass-baritone, and Marcus Gordon, accomplished young pianist, presented a concert covering a wide range of classical music. Both artists, possessed of delightful personalities, gave brief informal explanations of their numbers before rendering them.

The program opened with a group of six selections by Mr. Ligeti. Tonelli's aria, "Tuo Lo Sai," was a fitting opening, not too heavy—not too light, it put the audience in the mood for listening to fine music. "Vittoria, Mio Core," by Giacomo Carissimi, told the story of a young man's love. A deeper vein was struck with "Aufenthal" by Franz Schubert. Written in the last year of the composer's life, the song was poignant with man's love for his home. "Der Musensohn," by the same composer, showed his great versatility. One could nearly see the muse's son irriping about as the music was brought to life by Ligeti's genius. "Widmung" or "Dedication" by Robert Schuman struck a heavier note as the young man dedicated himself to his sweet heart. The first group ended on a merry note with the "Catalgue Aria" from "Don Giovanni." Here the great lover boasts to a new conquest of the many women he has known in foreign lands and at home. It was Mozart at his most fanciful.

The second group by Marcus Gordon at the piano will be memorable in the lives of Prince Rupert music lovers. He chose for his first numbers two sonatas showing two sides of the composer Scarlatti. The first, in E major, was the embodiment of lyric melody. The second, in A major, was acrobatic and called for a great deal of left hand movement. But Mr. Gordon really won his audience with Beethoven's "Moonlight Santa." Before playing it he explained that he thought Beethoven was too deep a thinker to want the word "moonlight" attached to his composition after he died. The artist's rendition of the sonata left the audience agreeing with him. He seemed to find many meanings.

Mr. Ligeti came back with a group of four selections. Verdi's "Confutatis Maledictus," an aria from the "Requiem Mass" he had written for a friend, was fine. The sombre note was maintained with King Philip's aria from "Don Carlo" by the same composer. Here the king asks for death when he learns the young prince is the lover of his young wife. The full "Song to the Evening Star" from "Tannhauser" by Richard Wagner was exquisitely rendered. The "Toreador Song" from Bizet's "Carmen" completed the change as the bullfighter boasted of his conquests.

Following intermission, Mr. Gordon captured his audience once more with Chopin's "Scherzo in C Sharp Minor." Copland's

comedy sketch "Cat and Mouse" leant a merry note to the program. E. Grandos' "Lament of the Maid and the Nightingale" was given every innuendo of feeling as Gordon portrayed the heartbroken girl telling the nightingale her sorrows and the bird broadcasting them in his lovely song. The mood was again lightened with Debussy's comical sketch of "General Lavigne, Eccentric" who was an entertainer in one of the composer's favorite cafes. The composition by the master of the dissonant lost not one bit of Debussy's genius in Gordon's portrayal. The "Sweetheart Waltz" from the "Gypsy Baron" by Strauss-Dohnanyi was appealing. As an encore, Mr. Gordon played Chopin's popular "Polonaise in A Major," which he rendered with full significance.

To start his concluding group, Desire Ligeti chose a Yiddish number, "Alj Elombe Rozsam," a flower song of the 17th century, by G. Kerpel. The translation of the title is "Look at me, Beloved." "Which One Should I Marry?" by Z. Kodaly showed the plight of a suitor having to choose between a vacant headed rich girl and an understanding and capable poor girl. Mr. Ligeti's rendition of the negro spirituals "Deep River" and "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" was considered by some to fall somewhat flat. With his tremendous voice he might have let it roll out more in some sections of the former. He seemed to be trying to put more art in the latter than feeling, something the music does not call for.

With Tschaiakowsky's "None But the Lonely Heart," Mr. Ligeti was once again back on familiar ground an atoned for the two preceding numbers. The group closed with M. Moussorgsky's "Song of the Flea," and the encore number was Schumann's "Two Grenadiers."

Usherettes were the Misses Shari Ingalls, Ferna Graham, Nadia Beketov and Luella MacDonald. Bruce Forward handled programs.

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Santa Claus actually did come down the chimney. One bag would not hold all the presents so Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer, handed replacement sacks to him. While the children had their fill of ice cream and cake, the adults were served tea.

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Following is the list from here on through January:

December 22 and 23—"Last for Gold," Ida Lupino and Glen Ford.

December 24, 25 and 26 (Sunday midnight, Christmas Eve)—"Summer Stock," Judy Garland and Gene Kelly.

December 25 (Christmas night, midnight)—"Ma and Pa Kettle Go To Town," Marjorie Main and Percy Kilbride.

December 27 and 28—"Wagon Master," Ben Johnson and Joanne Dru.

December 29 and 30—"Ma and Pa Kettle Go To Town," Marjorie Main and Percy Kilbride.

December 31 (New Year's Eve)—"Once More, My Darling," Robert Montgomery and Ann Blyth.

January 4, 5 and 6—"Cheaper by the Dozen," Clifton Webb, Jeanne Crain and Myrna Loy.

January 7—"Kiss in the Dark," David Niven and Jane Wyman; "Backfire," Viveca Lindfors and Edward O'Brien.

January 8, 9 and 10—"Come to the Stable," Loretta Young and Celeste Holm.

January 11, 12 and 13—"Annie Get Your Gun," Betty Hutton and Howard Keel.

January 14—"Tarzan and the Slave Girl," Lex Barker and Vanessa Brown; "Armored Car Robbery," Robert Stirling and A. Jergens.

January 15 and 16—"The Big Lift," Montgomery Clift and Paul Douglas; "Jungle Patrol," Kristine Miller and A. Franz.

January 17 and 18—"The Breaking Point," John Garfield and Pat Neal.

January 19 and 20—"Let's Dance," Betty Hutton and Fred Astaire.

January 21—"The Counterfeiters," John Sutton and Doris Merriek; "Black Midnight," with Roddy McDowall and Dennis O'Flynn.

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A list of those who had passed away during the year was read.
The election of officers resulted in M. M. Stephens becoming president for 1951, Mrs. Hugh Killin, vice-president, and Mrs. P. W. Anderson, secretary.
Mr. Stephens, as well as other, during the course of the afternoon paid fitting tribute to the Women's Co-ordinating Council for their kindness. It was no small task and responsibility to prepare for and carry through to successful conclusion, such an occasion.
Arrangements for the banquet were made by the Women's Co-ordinating Council under the chairmanship of Mrs. T. Glen. The food committee consisted of Mrs. T. Boulter, chairman; Mrs. Leo Douron, Mrs. B. Brett, Mrs. M. Wakesdale, Mrs. M. J. Keays, Mrs. A. J. Croxford, Mrs. T. Sillian, Mrs. O. Petersen. Decorating was done by Mrs. Shelford Darton, chairman, and Mrs. V. Tattersall. Mrs. J. S. Black and Mrs. A. L. Haines were in charge of the program. And even Santa Claus put in an appearance.
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