

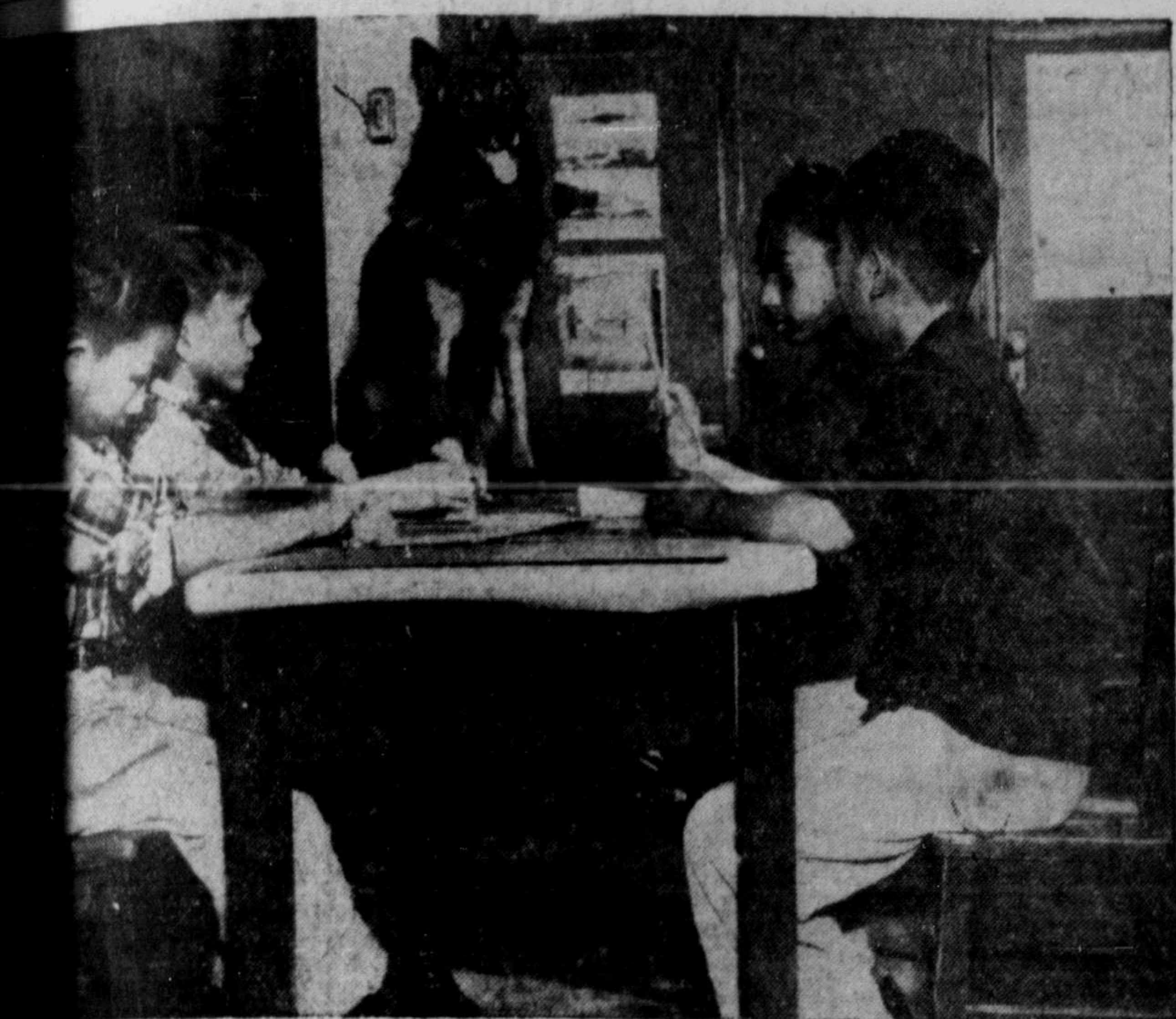
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**NORWEGIAN ELKHOUND**, makes a perfect model for these fifth-grade students at St. Minor School. They are making clay models of their pet animals for a coming contest. The children are (left to right): Kazuhiko Mihara, 10; Glenn Wickstrom, 10; Lena, 11; and Harry Yoshimura, 10.

## Employment Situation Vote Voted Again by Government

—The Commons unemployment situation. Members Monday night voted 101 to 63 against a Progressive Conservative motion that a

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STARTS IN B.C. APRIL 24

—British Columbians will put the clock ahead one hour at midnight, April 24, the start of daylight time for the province. The clocks will be turned back to regular time Sept. 26.

## Ring 'Kingpin' Stiff Jail Term

—George Mallock, a curly-haired United States treasury agent named Henry L. Giorodano broke a narcotics ring doing an estimated \$750,000 annual business.

Mallock was sentenced to seven years on each of three charges—conspiracy to possess narcotics, giving away narcotics and possession of narcotics. The sentences run consecutively.

He also was ordered to pay fines of \$17,000 or in default serve an additional seven years.

William Carter, the first of the three to face trial, is serving a seven-year sentence.

Mallock's brother, John, who fled with him in February, 1951, when they jumped a total of \$40,000 bail, is still at liberty.

Mallock, captured in New York last December, was termed "president and general manager of a business dealing in murdering souls of the people," by special crown counsel Douglas Brown.

In sentencing Mallock, Mr. Justice A. M. Manson paid tribute to Giorodano who came here from Kansas City to testify.

"We want that spirit of co-operation to continue between our country and the United States," he said, "not only in the operations of our police forces, but in every possible way."

## House To Start Night Sessions

VICTORIA (CP)—Premier Bennett has made preparations for night sittings of the legislature. A notice of motion was tabled Monday saying night sittings could be called on or after Thursday.

## 309 Motor Licences Issued at Office Here

A total of 309 motor vehicle licences have been issued from permanent agent's office here today.

The total comprises 917 passenger and 392 new commercial plates.

Plates were available for sale during the same period as last year in which 2,039, including passenger licence tabs and commercial plates, were issued.

The last year in which 2,039, including passenger licence tabs and commercial plates, were issued for vehicles, total issue was 1,922, including 1,317 passenger and 605 commercial plates.

Deadline for installation of 1954 licence plates was Sunday, but the government offices had many customers Monday and some this morning.

## Canadian-Built Ships Carrying Supplies For Communist Rebels

**Vessels Purchased  
After End of War**

By F. K. WU

HONG KONG (CP)—The Canadian-built Ming Sung ships are being used to supply the Communist Vietnamh rebels in French Indo-China, according to shipping circles here.

## Freight Rates Reduced

OTTAWA — The board of transport commissioners today laid down an equalized scale of basic freight rates for Canada to go into effect March 1, 1955.

The new scale, generally cutting western rates and boosting those in the east to bring regional levels closer together, substitutes for one the board proposed tentatively in December, 1952.

The commissioners have made changes in the original equalization program and also have retarded the effective date. The initial target date was Jan. 1, 1954. Last year, it was put back to Jan. 1, 1955.

Today's order says the scale must be effective "not later than" March 1, 1955. The railways have called for a minimum of one year to make it operative.

## CEILING CHARGES

The board's order directs equalization, between the Pacific coast and the Quebec-New Brunswick border, of the railways' "class" rates. These are the ceiling charges, which carry about one-fifth the \$1,000,000-a-year rail freight business and on which many other tolls are based indirectly.

All traffic within the Atlantic provinces is exempted from equalization, in line with the 1951 parliamentary legislation ordering the board to level off rates as between different regions. The Atlantic rates are protected under the Maritime Freight Rates Act of 1927.

Concurrent with the effective date of the new order, a board-directed general reduction of five per cent on previous ceiling rates within western Canada will be wiped out. This went into effect last Nov. 15 as an "interim" measure pending prospective reductions.

Freight going beyond Vancouver to Victoria, and in the opposite direction, will pay only for 40 miles of haul.



## TLC Urges Use Of B.C. Labor By Frobisher

VICTORIA (CP)—Representatives of the Trades and Labor Congress unions in British Columbia today asked the government to get assurances local contractors and labor are used in the contemplated hydro-electric development of Frobisher Limited in the north.

A brief presented to the cabinet and signed by 12 TLC unions urged the government to give assurances that:

The company will use B.C. and Yukon labor on all projects;

B.C. and Yukon contractors and subcontractors be given contracts in preference to outside interests.

B.C. wage scales and conditions of employment be effective on all projects.

The brief urged that all companies seeking to develop natural resources in the province be asked for assurances along those lines.

The delegation was led by R. K. Gervin, secretary of the Vancouver and New Westminster Trades and Labor Council.

## WEATHER

### Forecast

North Coast Region: Mostly cloudy today and Wednesday. Scattered rain showers occasionally mixed with snow in the northern part.

Little change in temperature. Winds southwest 20 in exposed areas otherwise light.

Low tonight and high Wednesday at Port Hardy 34 and 44, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 32 and 40.

## Worker Injured At CCC Plant

A Columbia Cellulose employee was injured in a mishap this morning at the Watson Island plant, and taken to Prince Rupert General Hospital for treatment.

John Bussanich suffered multiple fractures in his left forearm, including his elbow, when his arm was caught in a coal conveyor at the plant.

## Charles McKay, Young Army Veteran Dies

Charles McKay of Port Simpson died yesterday in Prince Rupert General Hospital after a brief illness.

The 33-year-old army veteran had been home from army service less than a month at the time of his death.

Born in Port Simpson, he spent most of his life in that village, joining the Canadian Army in 1952 and serving in Canada with the 2nd Battalion, PPCLI.

Survivors include his father, James McKay, a brother, Andrew and sister, Louise, all at Port Simpson. His mother predeceased him.

An inquiry into the death is being conducted by Deputy Coroner George Dawes. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## 1953 Good Citizen Shield To Be Presented Tonight

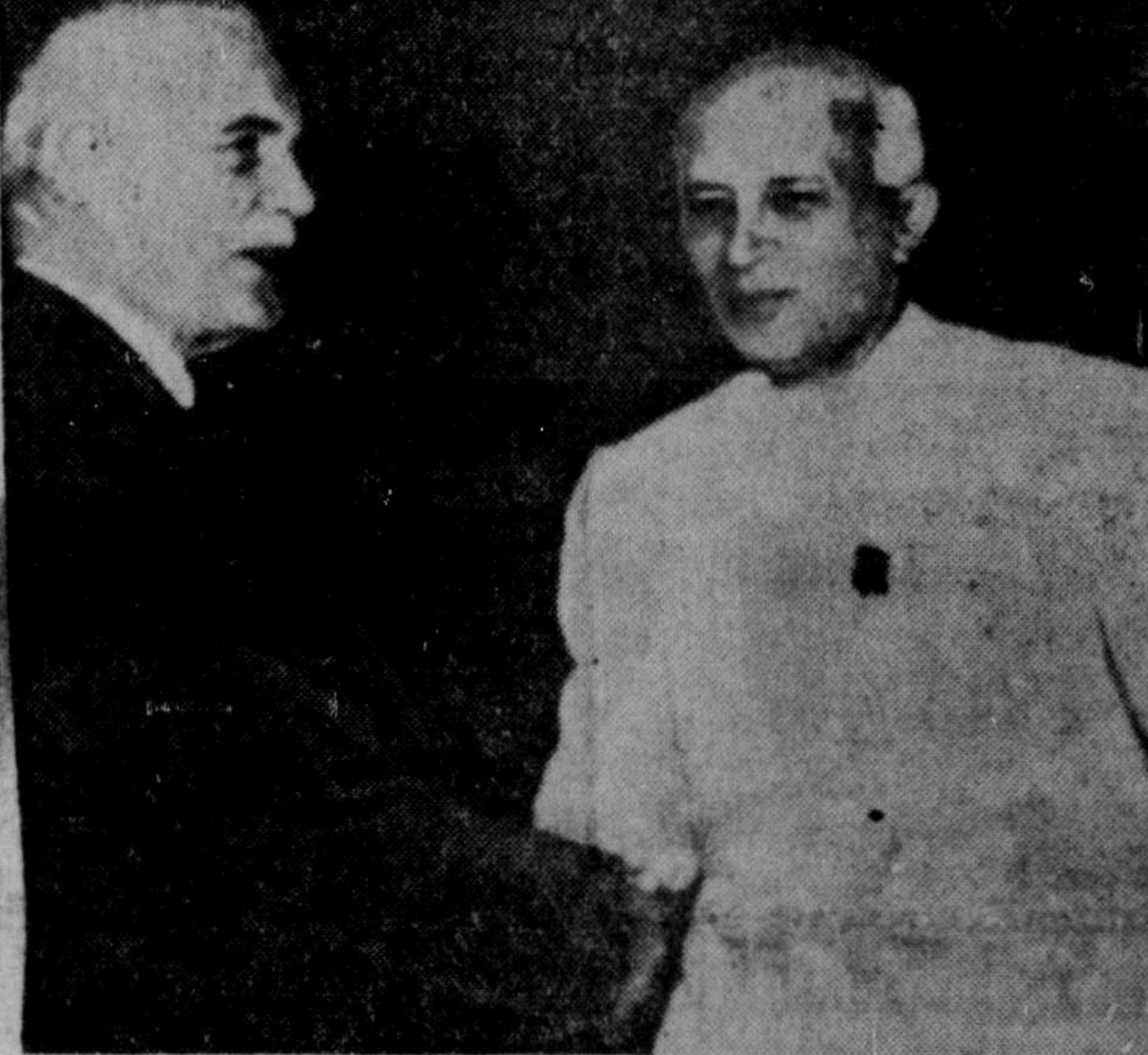
One of four outstanding Prince Rupert residents will be named Good Citizen of 1953 at a banquet tonight in the Commodore Cafe at 7:30 p.m.

The Alex Hunter Good Citizenship Shield will go to a person selected by a panel of judges from nominations made by Prince Rupert residents.

The panel of judges has narrowed the original field of 25 to four, who are (in alphabetical order): Mrs. T. J. Boulter, Dr. R. G. Large, R. G. Moore and Major W. C. Poulton.



**ACTRESS JUDY HOLLIDAY**, star of Columbia's "It Should Happen to You," shows four-year-old Debby Dains a small vial of the new polio vaccine, which will be tested on over half a million second-grade children through the U.S. this spring. Miss Holliday was a victim of the disease as a youngster, but managed to come through without damaging effect. Contributions to the B.C. Polio Fund should be sent to Box 151, Prince Rupert.



**PRIME MINISTER ST. LAURENT** (top) wears the star and crescent, emblem of Pakistan, presented to him on his arrival last week at Karachi for a four-day visit. In the picture are: (left to right) K. P. Kirkwood, Canadian high commissioner in Pakistan; Mr. St. Laurent; Mrs. Hugh O'Donnell, Mr. St. Laurent's daughter; Begum-Mohammed Ali and her husband Prime Minister Mohammed Ali of Pakistan. Above, the prime minister is welcomed by Indian Prime Minister Nehru on his visit to the foreign ministry at New Delhi. Mr. St. Laurent's endorsement of an appeal by Premier Nehru for a cease-fire in Indo-China was received with much pleasure in Indian government circles.

## U.S. Tightens Up Security After House Shooting Fray

WASHINGTON — Representative Alvin M. Bentley, Michigan Republican, most seriously wounded of the five Congressmen shot down in the House on Monday, spent a "fairly restful night."

Dr. Joseph R. Young said, however, that Bentley's condition remains critical.

Bentley underwent surgery Monday night for repair of the damage caused by a pistol bullet that pierced a lung, his liver and a kidney. Immediately after the operation he was listed as having a 50-50 chance to recover.

Meanwhile, tighter security precautions were ordered into effect to guard against any possible recurrence of the wild shooting affray in the House of Representatives chamber.

House leaders, in the wake of the incident involving four Puerto Rican fanatics, decreed strict steps to keep "potentially dangerous" persons out of the galleries.

Representative Kenneth R. Roberts (Dem.-Ala.), 41, also underwent surgery, but of an exploratory nature. He will be in hospital two weeks or more.

The other three, less seriously wounded, were Representatives Ben F. Jensen (Rep.-Iowa), 61, hit in the left shoulder; Clifford Davis (Dem.-Tenn.), 56, hit in the right leg; and George T. Fallon (Dem.-Md.), 51, struck in the hip.

All were felled by bullets frenziedly fired from automatic pistols in the hands of three men and a woman who rose dramatically during a routine House session, waved a Puerto Rican flag and sprayed bullets wildly through the chamber "to attract attention to their cause."

**SAME GROUP**  
Their professed cause: "The

independence of Puerto Rico."

They are members of the Puerto Rican Nationalists, the same group which included as members the two men who tried to shoot their way into Blair House in November, 1950, and assassinate former president Truman.

That more congressmen and spectators weren't hurt appeared nothing short of miraculous.

An estimated 20 to 30 heavy-calibre bullets were fired from Luger-type pistols.

The shooting lasted only about a minute—but it was the most turbulent minute in the history of Congress.

## "NO! FREE"

Mrs. Lolita Lebron, 34, of New York, admitted leader of the group, had difficulty controlling her pistol. It spouted flame and bullets toward the ceiling, punctuating the woman's cries of, "My country is not free; free Puerto Rico!"

Police, doorkeepers and others rushed for the gallery and the door leading from it. Quickly they grabbed three of the assailants and either held them firmly or pinned them to the marble floor in a general scrimmage.

The three assailants, along with a fourth captured shortly afterwards, were booked at police headquarters as:

Mrs. Lebron; Rafael Concel Miranda, 25; Andres F. Cordero, 29; and Irving Flores, 27, all of New York. All were charged with felonious assault to kill, a charge which carries a maximum penalty of 15 years.

Each was held on bail of \$100,000.

EDMONTON—British Columbia defeated Newfoundland 10-7 today in third round Canadian curling championships. It was British Columbia's first win in two starts.



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## Let's Have Vancouver's Nerve

HOW important an airport is to a city these days may be judged from the fact that Vancouver is now after its second. Apparently not finding the spacious Sea Island field sufficient, the Board of Trade is considering construction of one off Spanish Banks.

Its ambitions are by no means modest. Built on tidal flats, the airport would require a vast system of breakwaters and extensive landfilling operations. The planning board admits that, without a great deal of help from the federal government, costs probably would be prohibitive.

Vancouver's bold approach is a lesson to those here who mutter fearfully about the difficulties of putting an airport on Digby Island. If Vancouver, which already has the most up-to-date flying facilities, has the nerve to ask that an airfield be built in the ocean, surely Prince Rupert, which has nothing, should not feel it is too demanding in proposing that one be constructed on somewhat mucky ground.

No doubt any additional flying space in the Vancouver area would be intended primarily for private planes and other small operations which tend to interfere with the important commercial traffic. What a different situation we have here! Just a single airstrip would at once be a boon to flying in every category. Far from being merely a sportsman's luxury, it could change the whole map of northwest flying operations, to say nothing of filling a gap in our coastal defence.

If Vancouver gets a spanking new airport on Spanish Banks to serve its amateur fliers, we are going to be poor relatives indeed as we trudge through the bush to climb aboard our jitney-service helicopter.

## As Others See Us

CANADIANS will be interested to learn the truth about their country as affirmed by no less an authority than the Soviet Encyclopedia, an official publication of the Soviet government of Russia. The encyclopedia has sixteen pages of letter press on Canada.

The "true state of affairs" in Canada, says the encyclopedia, is that "the rights of Canadian citizens are grossly broken up by police repression directed mainly against workers and progressives."

It proceeds: "Included in the British Empire, Canada is in fact in considerably greater dependence on the monopolists of the United States. The system of government reproduces the most reactionary features of the state order of the United States and England. The Canadian senate is a most reactionary institution consisting of representatives of big capital. Election rights are based on racial, religious and property discrimination. Very often most important state decisions are taken by the Canadian prime minister and cabinet without prior consultation with the house of commons, which later gives formal sanction."—The Winnipeg Free Press

## OTTAWA DIARY By NORMAN M. MacLEOD

No less than 462 applications for divorce have been filed so far this session with Parliament. That is an all-time record figure. Last year's total was 282.

The situation constitutes one of Parliament Hill's minor mysteries. So far no one has come up with a satisfactory explanation of the year's sudden jump in the statistics of marital disasters. The rotation of men coming home from service in the Canadian overseas forces in Korea and West Germany has contributed to the rise, but only in a minor degree. The great bulk of the cases are civilian.

Normally the peak of divorce in Canada has occurred in the past after periods of war. Absence of husbands on prolonged periods of overseas service apparently imposes too great a strain on many marriage ties. But the peak of Parliamentary divorce after World War II came in 1950, with a total of just 350 applications to the Senate Divorce Committee. Since that year the decline has been steady—until this year's sudden bulge in the statistics.

Incidentally, the Senate Committee which sits upon the divorce applications to Parliament is being watched this year with unusual interest. The reason is the presence on the committee, for the first time since Confederation, of a woman member.

She is Hon. Nancy Hodges,

recent appointee to the Senate from British Columbia. One of the most versatile recruits to the thinning ranks of the Upper House in a long time, Mrs. Hodges is noted for having combined successfully over her lifetime the often conflicting and always exacting careers of housewife, journalist and legislator.

She became the first woman Speaker in British legislative history when she was elected to the Speaker's chair in the British Columbian legislature in 1949. She was for 26 years women's editor of the Victoria Daily Times and continued to write a daily column for that paper up to her appointment to the Senate. At the time of her retirement as columnist she had written a total of 2,550 daily columns. When she announced that she was laying down her pen, her fan mail greatly exceeded by a wide margin the number of columns she had written.

One of the most frequent criticisms of the Senate divorce committee through the years has been its lack of a woman member. That defect now is remedied, and the individual selected is a thoroughly forceful and competent personality. Parliamentary observers are watching with interest, in consequence, to see what effect the woman's touch is going to have on the granting of divorces.

## As I See It



by

Elmore Philboote

P.M. in India

PRIME Minister St. Laurent has scored a marked success in India on one point.

He has stated, in the most clear-cut terms, that Canada has no fear of "American imperialism." This country has lived for over a century side by side with a big neighbor whom we have found to be the finest in the world. No doubt, neither the U.S.A. nor Canada finds the other a perfect neighbor. There are frictions and annoyances. But on the whole our border remains the friendliest in the world. Nobody in this country has serious doubts that it will fail to remain that way.

Even on the ticklish question of American aid to Pakistan our Prime Minister has been forthright. Regardless of what his earlier preferences may have been, Canada's Prime Minister makes it clear this country has no objection to the mutual assistance. Had Mr. St. Laurent taken any other stand it would simply have made relations between India and Pakistan much worse.

WHILE Mr. St. Laurent's trip has been a marked success in this one respect, it cannot be said that it has so far succeeded so well in North America.

The Montreal Gazette recently expressed the glaring misunderstanding of the main purpose behind our PM's trip in a truly absurd cartoon. The picture shows our Prime Minister holding out a huge rifle and bayonet and trying to convince a reluctant looking gentleman, with folded arms, marked "Nehru," that "it isn't enough just to hope that lightning won't strike."

The intention of the cartoon was no doubt good enough. But if the Communists in India are as cunning as they are in every other country they could not do better than to reprint thousands of copies of that picture to suggest to the impoverished people of India that the purpose of our Prime Minister's trip was to sign up an important country for another white man's war.

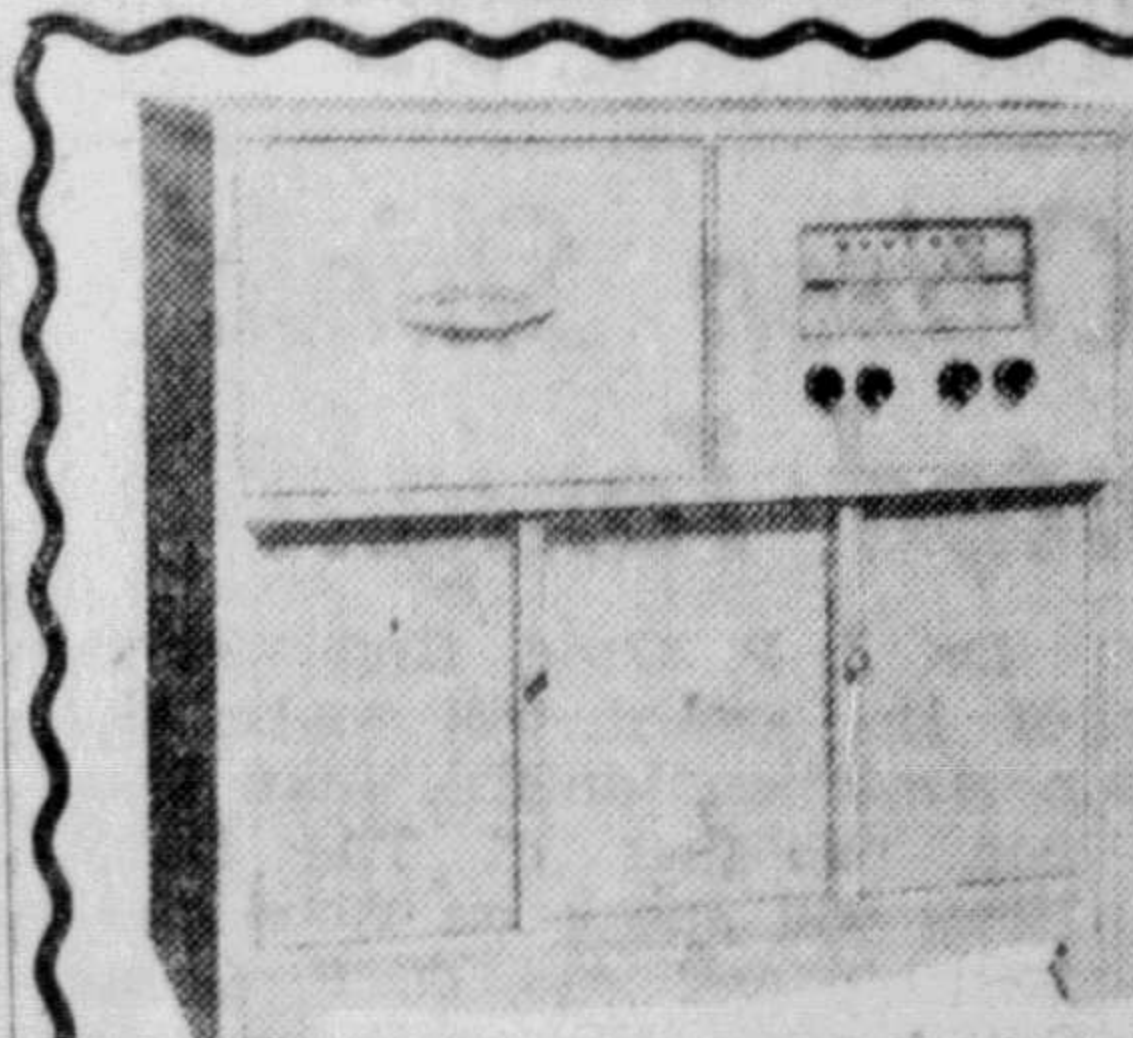
The Indian who saw that reprinted cartoon would not have the opportunity of reading the full edition of the Montreal Gazette (February 24), which on another page carried a cable from India beginning:

"NEW DELHI, February 23 @ —Prime Minister St. Laurent, in his speech to the Parliament of India, said today: Canada does not question India's policy of steering a middle path between the western powers and the Communist world."

I MYSELF have heard the Prime Minister of India explain India's world position time and time again.

What I heard him say, both in the Parliament of India and to vast masses of the people of India, was that India believes the automatic lining up with one or other of the two rival world blocs would have the effect—not of stopping war between them—but of making it much more probable.

IF THE PRESENT regime in India should fall, Communism would not need to sweep in from Russia or China. Within a short time all India would inevitably go Communist. Mr. Nehru probably believes that his government would fall if he lined up, as Pakistan has done, with the U.S.A. I am not suggesting, of course, that that is the main reason why Mr. Nehru, and the Congress Party, refuse to do any such thing. But it is a reminder of the folly of most of the North American critics of what is mis-called "India's neutrality."



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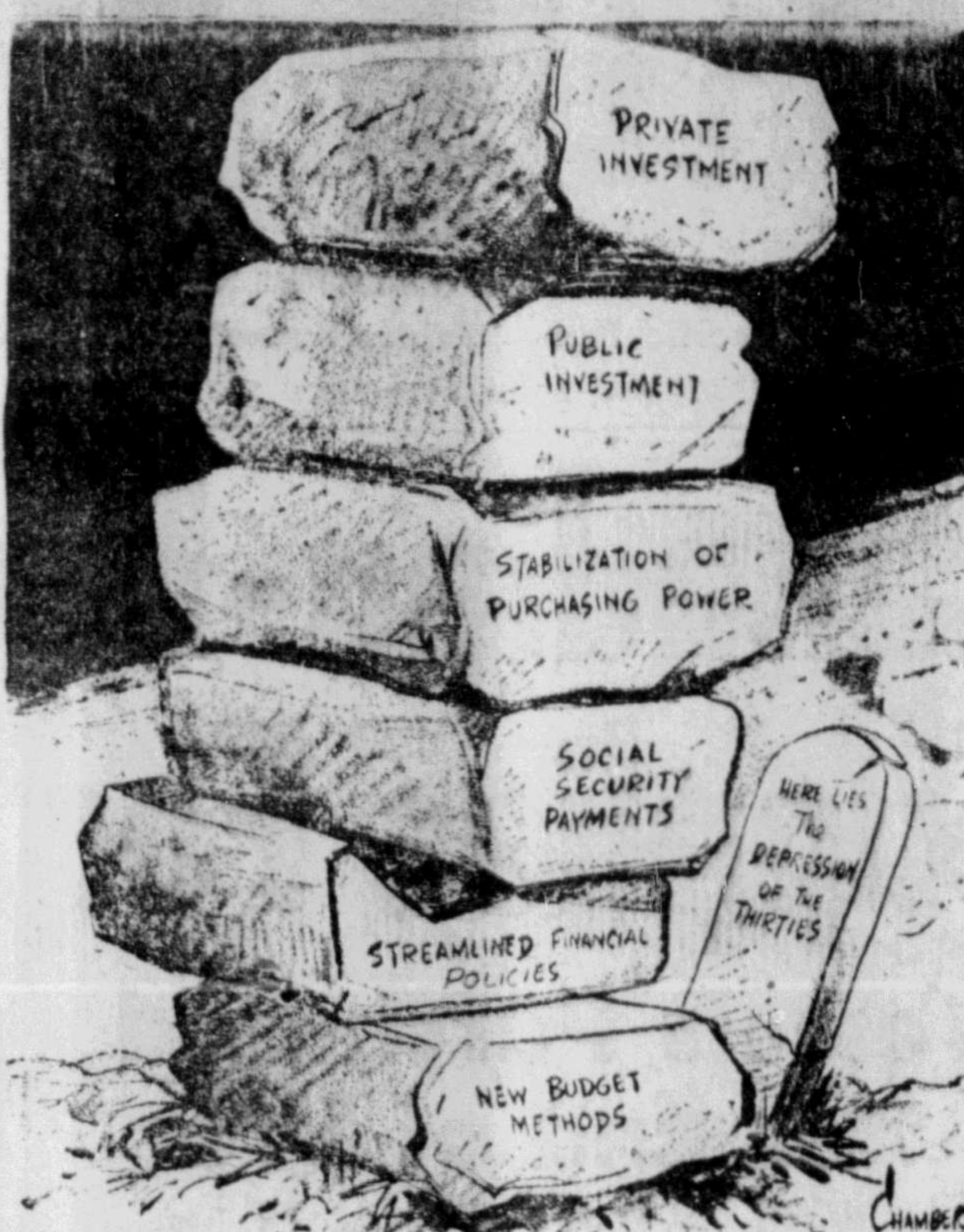
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SLIGHT CHANCE OF A RESURRECTION—By Robert W. Chambers in Halifax Herald.

## Bank Letter Stresses Importance Of American Pulp, Paper Market

MONTREAL—The importance of the United States market in determining the continued prosperity of the Canadian pulp and paper industry, is stressed by the Bank of Montreal in the February issue of its Business Review, released today.

Pointing out that it is in newsprint where the industry scores over the rest of the 32 countries which produce it, the review notes that the U.S., Canada's biggest customer, absorbs more than all the rest of the world, and last year took 85 per cent of Canada's exports.

The U.S., it points out, uses 76.3 pounds of newsprint per capita annually, compared to 51.1 pounds in Canada, 32.2 in the U.K. and 4 in India. It has been estimated that one half of the world's people use an average of less than five pounds per year, which leads the review to assume that an increase in literacy and living standards could produce "an enormous expansion in demand and would, in fact, require large additional sources of supply."

## Social Service Grants Reflects Growth of B. C.

VICTORIA — The continued growth of British Columbia's population is reflected in the February report of the Department of National Health and Welfare, issued today by W. R. Bone, regional director.

During the month, 401 families receiving Family Allowances entered this province, while 277 left for other parts of the Dominion. Eighty-five old age security pensioners came to British Columbia in the same period, with 51 leaving. In both instances the bulk of the movement was to and from the Prairie provinces.

During February federal welfare payments in British Columbia amounted to \$5,618,893, of which \$2,211,583 represented Family Allowances, going to 366,195 children in 180,525 families. Old age security pensions totaled \$3,402,220. They were paid to 84,846 persons.

## Phone Company Profits Rise

VANCOUVER (CP)—Net profit of the British Columbia Telephone Company for 1953 came to \$2,542,056, an increase of more than \$800,000 over 1952, the company said in its 62nd annual report last Friday.

The 1952 net profit was \$1,714,044. The company added \$325,734 to the surplus account after paying dividends and appropriations for reserves.

The review does caution that it would hardly be justifiable to assume that the trend of production in the past years, moving from a condition of short supply to a state of equilibrium, will serve as a gauge of growth for the years to come. It adds, however, that there is no reason to suppose that potential markets are close to being filled.

Contributing to the industry's magnitude and success are the size and availability of suitable wood resources, the presence in large volume of clean water for the manufacturing process, the plentiful and convenient supply of hydro-electric power, and the proximity of the U.S. market for the major products.

## DEMANDS INCREASING

The review goes on to give a detailed breakdown of the annual average disappearance of wood from the forests between 1940 and 1949, and points out that while demands are increasing, it has been held that by close regulation, supervision and co-operation between governments and industry, by use of more types of available wood and by persistent efforts to minimize hazards, Canadian forests can support forest industries at their present levels indefinitely, and even allow a considerable degree of expansion.

Taking a glimpse at the provinces, the review records that Quebec leads the industry, having produced 49 per cent of all Canadian paper in 1952. Ontario, which in the same year produced 27 per cent, is second, and British Columbia (eight per cent), third.

The review concludes: "Because of proximity, if for no other reason, the near-term future of Canadian pulp and paper is likely to be determined primarily by trends of demand in the United States. Even if per capita consumption should tend to level out, increasing population could lower the demand in that country alone sufficiently to provide a further stimulus to the Canadian industry."

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## Ray Reflects and Reminisces

Life doesn't consist in what a man possesses, but in what possesses him.—Galt Reporter.

Henry Green, convicted murderer of Atlanta (Georgia), has been granted a 20-day stay of execution. This, it is officially announced, is because he can recover from a hernia operation before he is hanged. Reason for the delay is not clear. Canada, where the penalty is still a problem, had nothing to do with it.

It isn't true that every man has a price. And it's certainly untrue that every woman has a figure.

They do say the reason its called take home pay is because you can't do anything else with the darned stuff.

March did not come in like a lion. Why pick on the poor brute?

## Canada May Ship Atomic Fuels Around World

PORT ARTHUR, Ont. (CP)—Canada's atomic power chief has taken a look into the future and came up with two long-range forecasts.

William J. Bennett, president of Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., says uranium-rich Canada some day may be shipping atomic fuels to other countries to operate their atomic power plants. She also may build packaged atomic power plants and export them to power hungry areas of the world.

Mr. Bennett, in an address to the Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce, said atomic energy for peaceful purposes will play a major role in promoting peace and combating communism in underdeveloped countries. Through its use power-poor countries could raise their living standards and defeat poverty, one of the chief causes of political unrest.

He suggested the goal could be reached through implementation of President Eisenhower's plan to pool the atomic energy resources of world powers. This would make peacetime uses of atomic power available to all nations.

## CONSIDER FUTURE

"If a way can be found to implement the Eisenhower plan we will have to look beyond our needs, when we consider the future of our Canadian atomic energy program," he said.

"Certainly we will have an important contribution to make from our fund of technical experience. It is also probable that the fuels for atomic power plants. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that we may even export package power plants."

"Do you know how to keep potatoes from sprouting?" some one asks. Eating them is one way.

## Pope Celebrates 78th Birthday

VATICAN CITY (AP)—White-and-golden flags of the state of Vatican City, of which Pope Pius is sovereign, flew today in honor of his 78th birthday and the 15th anniversary of his pontificate.

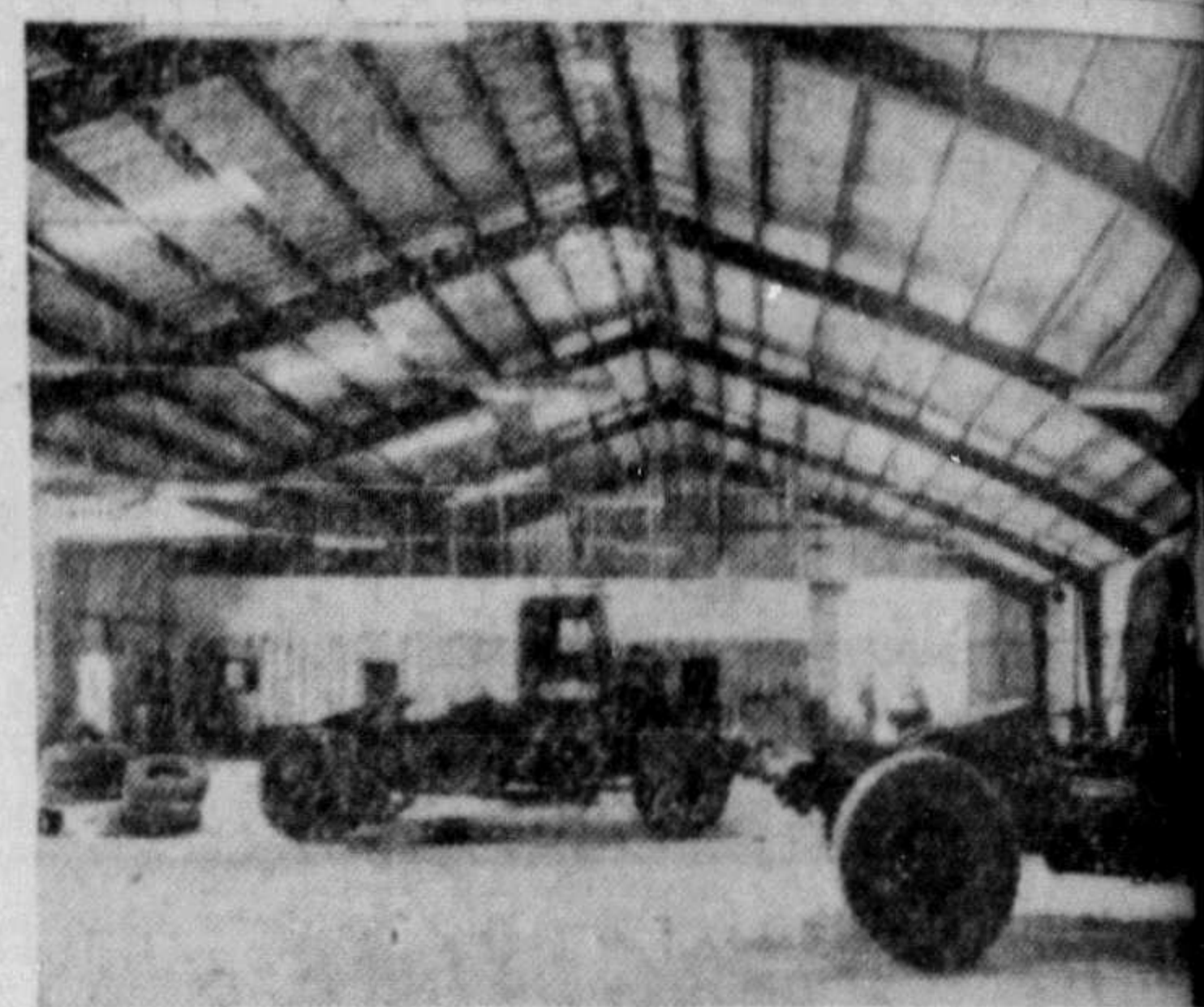
Telegrams and messages from all parts of the world continued to pour in, greeting the pontiff and expressing wishes for his full recovery from the stomach ailment that has confined him to his apartment for 36 days.

Vatican sources said this morning that his improvement of the last few days continues.

In Rome's St. Mary Major basilica, the world's oldest shrine to the Virgin Mary—where the Pope said his first mass 54 years ago—thousands attended a solemn mass this morning for his recovery.

Most heartening news of his ailment was given Monday by the Vatican newspaper, l'Osservatore Romano, which described his general condition as "good."

Considerable time is needed yet for the pontiff's cure, it added.



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## The Gnat and the Bull

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**The Canadian Bank of Commerce**



# are Players Win Praise of 600 Fine Performance in 'Streetcar'

## Nina Youngman Outstanding In Difficult Starring Role

More than 600 people took an imaginary trip on "A Streetcar Named Desire" last night and had the journey of their lives, running the gamut of emotions and leaving the Civic Centre auditorium exhausted but happy.

Their vehicle was Tennessee Williams' famous Broadway play, "A Streetcar Named Desire," staged by the Prince Rupert Little Theatre, and Prince Rupert had never seen anything like it.

Rousing applause was accorded the players as they took their curtain calls at the close of the performance.

The dynamic story with its psychological impact, the imaginative stage setting, lighting and sound effects and an outstanding cast combined to make the opening night a huge success.

The fine professional touch of director Ian Dobbie was recognizable throughout, in cast, stage set and lighting, but Nina Youngman in the leading part earned individual honors, as did Gerry Woodside and Marjorie Leeman in the major supporting roles.

Miss Youngman was superb as "Blanche DuBois," a well-bred sensitive girl who, through tragic circumstances had fallen to almost the lowest point of degradation.

### EXACTING PART

The exacting part, one of the most difficult in stage history for a woman, called for almost constant presence on stage with several long soliloquies.

Miss Youngman carried it off beautifully, displaying considerable acting ability. She started off as a paranoiac, alcoholic and nymphomaniac, struggling to hide her circumstances from her sister and brother-in-law, and gradually becoming more ill, reaching insanity at the end of the play.

Gerry Woodside also showed acting ability, giving a convincing portrayal of Stanley, a fundamentally decent but down-to-earth and excitable Polish-American, husband of Blanche's sister, Stella.

His growing resentment of Blanche's high-falootin' pretences and her gradual intrusion between him and his wife, his drunken brawls, attacks on his wife, followed by broken pleas for forgiveness, all were well-presented.

### GOOD CHARACTERIZATION

Marjorie Leeman managed a good characterization of bewildered Stella, torn between loyalty to her husband and to Blanche

and unable to believe Stanley's reports of Blanche's degradation.

The clever stage setting, virtually unchanged throughout the two-part play, combined with the unusual lighting and sound effects added to the reality of the play as did the southern drawls, convincingly affected by the cast.

The curtains never changed on the stage setting, but minor scene changes were carried out in the dark, with the lights coming up to spotlight the opening actions of each scene.

### WELL-DESERVED APPLAUSE

Also deserving plaudits were all members of the supporting cast, who gave their all to the comparatively minor parts. Leading the supporting cast were Keith Faught as "Mitch," an impressionable friend of Stanley's who falls for Blanche's airs and graces, and Shirley Hill playing Eunice Hubbell, a slovenly but good-hearted neighbor.

Others in the cast were Marian Thomas, Jim Cumming, Ted Capstick, Archie McLeod, Gayle Leeman, Marjorie Smith and Werner Jensen.

Harold Thomas was stage manager assisted by Robin Bird and Keith Faught, properties by Marian Thomas, set painted by Gillian Hodge, sound effects by Bob Hill, and lighting operation by Dick Paul.

"Streetcar" will be staged again tonight and at a hold-over performance Wednesday night in the Civic Centre.

The Little Theatre's next production will be "Born Yesterday," a Broadway hit comedy.

## Shower Fetes Bride-Elect

A miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. Kris Berg, Hays Cove Avenue, in honor of Miss Paulette Madsen, whose wedding will take place in Vancouver next month.

Streamers and bells decked the honoree's chair and similar decorations graced the rooms for the event. Decorations were by Mrs. Geraldine Holbrook.

The guests enjoyed Bingo after which the many lovely gifts were wheeled in on a gaily decorated miniature truck by young Kristen Berg.

Refreshments were served at the close by the hostess.

Invited guests included Mrs. Rose Telseth, mother of the bride-to-be, Bertha Anderson, Gunvar Berg, Esther Husvik, Jean Johnson, Audrey Bremner, Geraldine Holbrook, Irene Berg, Caroline Grimble, Leona Berg, Jessie Hoff and Evelyn Green.

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GRIPPING TENSION is portrayed in this dramatic study of Stanley Kowolski (left) and Howard (Mitch) Mitchell in the Prince Rupert Little Theatre production of "A Streetcar Named Desire." The play, the first of a series to be staged by the group under the direction of Ian Dobbie, opened at the Civic Centre last night. Gerry Woodside plays the part of "Stanley" and Keith Faught stars as "Mitch."

## Hiroshima's Recovery From Atom Bomb Described by Missionary at Meet Here

Hiroshima's recovery from the atom bomb was described for a meeting of over 100 church women here yesterday by the Rev. J. McSherry, who has served as an Anglican missionary in Hiroshima for many years.

Speaking to a combined meeting of the WA's of St. Andrew's and St. Peter's churches, with representatives of other church women's groups, he said he felt that the west owes Japan a debt for the devastation caused by the bomb.

He said the bomb had been to some extent unnecessary. Japan had reached the end of its tether before the bomb, and then the bomb had killed 100,000 innocent women and children.

Five years after the dropping of the bomb, he said, there had still been much evidence of its devastation. However, at present, nine years later, there are few if any signs of the bomb.

He also noted that the multi-million dollar American atom bomb casualty commission in Hiroshima is spending thousands yearly on A-bomb damage research but little to aid the victims.

Turning to his own work in Japan, he said that mission work now is different from the old conception. "We don't go as missionaries but as partners in evangelising the world, helping to bring to foreign lands the belief of Christians."

He said missionaries now go as guests and servants, on the request of the people of Japan, to work as assistants to the Japanese ministers.

One of the thrills of mission work, he said, is the great welcome given by the people "who are hungry for our teachings."

He also spoke of the church in which he served in Hiroshima, "Church of the Resurrection," which was financed almost entirely by one Japanese Christian who had lost his family in the A-bomb attack.

Mr. McSherry illustrated his remarks with pictures of Hiroshima, shortly after the bomb

and recently, as well as pictures depicting various phases of life in Japan and concluded his talk with praise for the Japanese people. He had a great respect for the hard-working Japanese who had rebuilt their land and come through their suffering with dignity and faith.

The meeting wound up with a

social hour and refreshments served by the Anglican WA.

Mr. McSherry also spoke at St. Peter's Seal Cove church Sunday night and attended a fireside meeting of the Anglican Young People's Association after church.

He left today for Terrace and other points east, including Prince George.

## Fulltime Officer With Wrens Inspects Rupert Detachment

A Wren officer on full time duty with the Royal Canadian Navy—Lieut. Myrtle Irene Allen—last night inspected the Wren division at HMCS Chatham.

An enthusiastic exponent of the navy as a career opportunity for young girls, she is on a tour of western Canadian

centres. Lieut. Allen hopes to address various women's and girls' organizations explaining the various jobs now performed by women in the navy.

Lieut. Allen served as a Wren and later as a Wren officer during the Second World War. She was one of the last to be demobilized after hostilities ceased and when the Wrens were re-introduced in 1951, was one of the first group of officers to be employed fulltime at naval headquarters in Ottawa.

She is at present on the staff of the commanding officer, naval divisions, at Hamilton, Ontario.

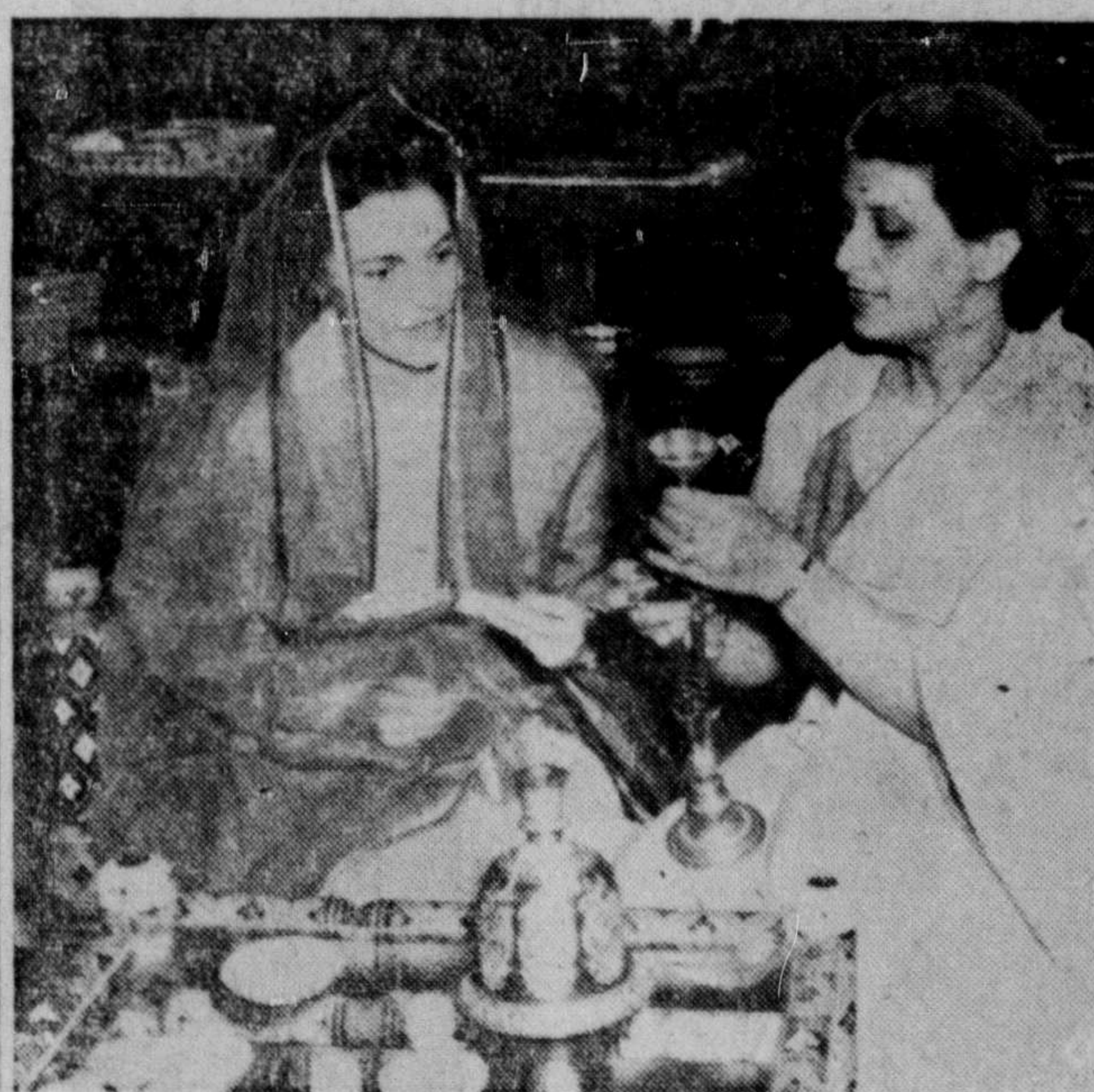
Lieut. Allen will leave here by air Thursday for Victoria.

At the inspection last night, she complimented the Rupert Wrens for their work.

## readers

● Legion Auxiliary meeting, Thursday 8 p.m. Legion Auditorium.

● Attention All Fishermen—The Fishermen's Local, UFAWU meets Thursday, March 4 at 8 p.m. in the Metropole Hall. Election of Convention delegates. Please be on time.



MRS. HUGH O'DONNELL of Quebec (left) daughter of Prime Minister St. Laurent and travelling with him on his Commonwealth tour, wears a red dopatta (head covering) in a cottage industry shop in Karachi. Begum Husain Malik, secretary-general of All-Pakistan Women's Association, explains to Mrs. O'Donnell, workmanship of a hookah, Pakistani smoking pipe.

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Mr. Ness estimated the high and low temperatures of the week to be 41.85 degrees and 33.71 degrees, while actual readings taken at the weather station on Digby showed actual averages of 41.84 degrees and 34.07 degrees.

The very small margin between Mr. Ness's estimate and the actual readings made him the closest of the many entries. He wins the \$25 prize.

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## Canada Now Favorite In Hockey Tournament

STOCKHOLM (CP)—Toronto Lyndhursts, the team none of the sports writers loved, emerged today as local favorites to win the world hockey tournament for Canada after Monday night's convincing 8-0 victory over Sweden's defending champions.

## NHL Drive on For Annual Dollar Harvest

MONTREAL (CP)—Regardless of the post-season Stanley Cup series, a rich harvest of dollars in itself, fat rolls of money are still without owners as the National Hockey League clubs swing into a three-week stretch drive of the regular schedule.

Even conceding first place to Detroit Red Wings before they clinch it mathematically, there are at least three razzle-dazzle races within a race. Conceivably they might not be decided until the last day of the schedule.

Currently Terry Sawchuk of Detroit and Harry Lumie of Toronto Maple Leafs are in such a tight battle for goal-tending honors that \$1,000 is hanging on decimal fractions. The runner-up gets nothing.

The Leafs and Montreal Canadiens at the moment are tied for second place although the Leafs have a game in hand. The second-place club gets \$9,000; the third-place, \$6,300.

With a game in hand over New York Rangers, Boston Bruins are hanging to fourth place by one point. If they can stay put, the Bruins will divvy up \$2,700.

Assuming Detroit nails down first place, the Red Wings will collect a pot of \$18,000.

The Red Wings' Gordie Howe is also on the verge of winning his fourth consecutive point-scoring title. That would give him \$1,000. Maurice (Rocket) Richard of Montreal, now 10 points behind Howe, will get \$500 if he finishes second.

	W	L	D	P	A	Pts
Detroit	36	15	11	163	103	79
Toronto	29	19	12	131	105	70
Montreal	31	22	8	169	127	70
Boston	26	27	7	145	150	59
New York	25	28	8	141	165	58
Chicago	11	45	6	117	207	28

## Cougars Move up Ladder With 4-3 Win Over Edmonton Flyers

By The Canadian Press

The margin of victory was narrow but the wins were important ones Monday night as Victoria Cougars laced Edmonton Flyers 4-3 and Saskatoon Quakers downed Calgary Stampeders 3-1.

Cougars "garrison finish" tightened their grip on fifth place in the Western Hockey League standings and kept them in contention for fourth spot, held down—previously—by Edmonton.

Saskatoon's victory put them eight points off the pace in the race to the wire and gave the Quakers two more important points to put them four up on Flyers.

Edmonton burst from the face-off, scoring with the game just 65 seconds old at Victoria. That goal held up until the third period when Cougars, for the second game in succession, broke through with three swift goals. Flyers scored twice again, but their goals were split by another Victoria counter which won the game.

## Eleanor Holm Gets Divorce

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (P)—Former swimming star Eleanor Holm Saturday was granted a divorce from showman Billy Rose in a routine 15-minute court appearance.

It was in marked contrast to the year-long battle of the Roses in which they aired domestic troubles after 13 years of marriage. Miss Holm charged mental cruelty.

The East York club, which endured blasts of withering criticism before the eight-team round-robin tournament began for their unimpressive showing in European exhibition games, won over a crowd of 16,000 fans headed by King Gustaf Adolf of Sweden and the writers as well with their showing of all-round superiority against the Swedes.

The Canadians, tied for first place with Czechoslovakia and Russia with three victories and no losses, drew a bye in today's schedule while their two chief rivals were pitted against each other in a battle for tournament leadership.

In other games today, Finland defeated Norway 2-0 in a battle for the cellar. The Finns' first victory of the tournament left Norway alone in last place. Switzerland was drawn against Sweden in a night game.

The Czechs had an easy time subduing Finland 12-2 Monday but Moscow Dynamos had trouble with Germany, leading them by only a single goal after two periods before they pulled away for a 6-2 victory.

The Germans face Canada Wednesday while Norway is drawn against the Czechs and Russia opposes Sweden.

Swedish newspapers made a complete turnaround today and ranked Canada as top contender for the world hockey title.

During Toronto Lyndhursts' warm-up trip before the tournament began the Swedish papers gave them virtually no chance to win any medals. But today a unanimous Stockholm press and a couple of team captains praised the Lyndhursts and especially goalie Don Lockhart.

"Swedish ice hockey suffered its biggest defeat in modern times against a team which was enormously superior in everything—the Canadians played better, skated better, shot better," said the Daily Morgon-Tidningen.



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23, Britain's top runner, says he won't go to the British Empire Games at Vancouver July 30-Aug. 7. He is on record as saying that he is saving himself for the European games at Berne in August when he hopes to meet Emile Zatopek of Czechoslovakia in the 10,000 metres. Pire, shown winning a two-mile race in London last season, has cut his season's schedule to two six-mile races to rest his still-developing body for the European games.

## Ted Williams Breaks Arm In Training

SARASOTA, Fla. (P)—Slugging Ted Williams, the highest paid player in baseball, broke his left shoulder Monday in the first 10 minutes of spring training and won't be able to lift a bat before the season opens.

The 35-year-old Boston Red Sox outfielder stumbled and fell while chasing a sinking fly off the bat of Hoot Evers.

"I tried to turn a somersault," Williams said, "but I fell heavily smack on the shoulder. I felt something snap. I knew damned well I'd broken something. It hurt like hell."

"X-rays show the break is in a quite satisfactory position," doctors said. "The shoulder must be in a cast for a minimum of three weeks. He cannot lift his arm or swing a bat for six weeks."

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## Alberta, Two Ontario Rinks Lead in Curling Title Race

EDMONTON (P)—Two rinks from eastern Canada and one from the west—all masters of the drawing game—have emerged at the top after the first two rounds of the Canadian curling championships.

## Auto Racing Track Planned At Aintree

AINTREE, England (P)—Aintree, home of the world's most famous steeplechase, is to have a 1,000,000 auto-racing track built around it.

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Ontario, represented by the Ross Taiton rink from Hamilton; northern Ontario's Don Groom foursome from Sudbury, and Alberta's Matt Baldwin rink from Edmonton, were undefeated at the end of two games each Monday night.

The two eastern rinks were cast in the roles of giant-killers in the opening round. Groom polished off British Columbia, skipped by E. C. (Bung) Cartmell of Vancouver, 17-6 and Taiton defeated Manitoba's Jimmy Welsh 16-7.

Baldwin edged the Campbell brothers of Avonlea, Saskatchewan representatives, 12-10 in the first round, and crushed the Reg Piercy rink from Halifax 23-4 in the second round Monday night.

Grouped behind Ontario, northern Ontario and Alberta with one win and one loss each were: Manitoba, Quebec, Saskatchewan and Prince Edward Island. Newfoundland and Nova Scotia suffered two straight defeats. New Brunswick and British Columbia have played only one game apiece because of byes—and both lost.

Cartmell's rink started with a knockout game against northern Ontario in the first round but it backfired when Groom continued to draw into the house, refusing Cartmell's style.

## LAST NIGHT'S FIGHTS

BROOKLYN — Tommy Farrington Jackson, 194½, Rockaway Beach, N.Y., defeated Clarence Henry, 182, Los Angeles, 10.  
BOSTON — George Araujo, 135½, Providence, R.I., stopped Curley Monroe, 137½, Worcester, Mass., 6.  
HOLYOKE, Mass. — Art Mullen, 123½, Philadelphia, defeated Johnny O'Brien, 128, Boston, 8.  
SAN FRANCISCO — Jesse Flores, 137½, San Francisco, defeated Tommy Manolis, 135, Philippines, 10.  
DETROIT — Mickey Warner, 155, Windsor, Ont., defeated Charlie Whiteous, 158, Toledo, O., 5; Clarence Riley, 163, Detroit, defeated Hec Charette, 159, Windsor, 5; Paul Brooks, 137, Cleveland, defeated Ken Holner, 140, London, Ont., 5.

## WHL STANDINGS

	W	L	D	P	A	Pts
Calgary	35	24	5	241	188	75
Vancouver	34	22	7	189	155	75
Saskatoon	29	25	9	203	196	67
Edmonton	27	29	9	229	241	63
Victoria	25	27	10	177	193	60
New West	24	31	8	189	227	56
Seattle	20	36	6	188	215	46

## UBC Defeats U of C 19-6

BERKELEY, Calif. (P)—The University of British Columbia defeated the University of California 19-6 Monday in the second game of the World Cup rugby series.

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In today's deal the opening lead was the king of diamonds. In spite of his tremendous hand, Mr. Dale was embarrassed by a lack of entries to the board. Dummy could furnish a fourth spade trick and a fourth heart trick but there was no sure way to reach them. The queen of clubs was the only hope.

Mr. Dale ducked the first two diamond leads and won the third with the ace. Mrs. Keen discarding two hearts. He cashed his three top honors in both hearts and spades.

Now the lead of a low club toward the queen would never win the hand. That is, if Mr. Abel had the king, he would win the first club lead and cash two more diamonds. If Mrs. Keen had the king she would cash dummy's queen with it and the last possible entry to the board would be gone.

Here was a case where the end-play was the only hope and a pretty good hope at that. It depended on Mr. Abel's holding the king of clubs — a 50-50 chance.

**PUTS ABEL IN**  
 Mr. Abel had shown out of spades and hearts, discarding a club on the third lead of each of those suits. He was known to have left exactly two diamonds. So at the tenth trick Mr.

South dealer.  
 Both sides vulnerable.  
 North (Mr. Champion)  
 S-J 7 6 4  
 H-J 10 9 4  
 D-9 3 2  
 C-Q 5  
 West (Mr. Abel)  
 S-8 2  
 H-6 3  
 D-K Q J 10 5  
 C-K 8 7 4  
 East (Mrs. Keen)  
 S-10 9 5 3  
 H-8 7 5 2  
 D-8  
 C-J 10 9 3  
 South (Mr. Dale)  
 S-A K Q  
 H-A K Q  
 D-A 7 6 4  
 C-A 6 2  
 The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 3 N T Pass Pass Pass

Dale led his last diamond and Mr. Abel was in. He cashed two diamond tricks and then led the eight of clubs. Mr. Dale put up dummy's queen and when it won, he had the rest of the tricks.

Of course if Mrs. Keen had held the king of clubs, the attempted end-play would have been unsuccessful. But in that case there would have been no play for the contract.

**MONTREAL (CP)**—A tourist from New Jersey reported to police at 2:40 a.m. that his car had been stolen. The report was immediately carried on the police radio system. At 2:45 a police cruiser recovered the car in possession of a suspect.

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 7:15 CBC News Roundup  
 7:30 Leicester Square to Broadway  
 8:00 The Nation's Business  
 8:15 Canadiana  
 8:30 Twenty Questions  
 9:00 Mr. Showbusiness  
 9:30 Vancouver Theatre  
 10:00 CBC News  
 10:10 CBC News  
 10:15 Chewing the Cud  
 10:30 Here Comes the Band  
 11:00 Weather Report  
 Musical Masterpieces  
 12:00 Sign-off

**WEDNESDAY**  
 7:00 B.C. Fishermen's Broadcast  
 7:15 Musical Clock  
 7:30 CBC News: Weather  
 7:35 Musical Clock  
 7:45 Morning Devotions  
 8:00 CBC News: Weather  
 8:10 Here's Bill Good  
 8:15 Breakfast Club  
 8:45 Laura Limited  
 9:00 BCC News and Com. 9:15 Aunt Lucy  
 9:30 Come What May  
 9:35 Time Signal  
 10:00 Morning Vibe  
 10:15 The Happy Gang  
 10:45 Musical Kitchen  
 11:00 Your Good Neighbor  
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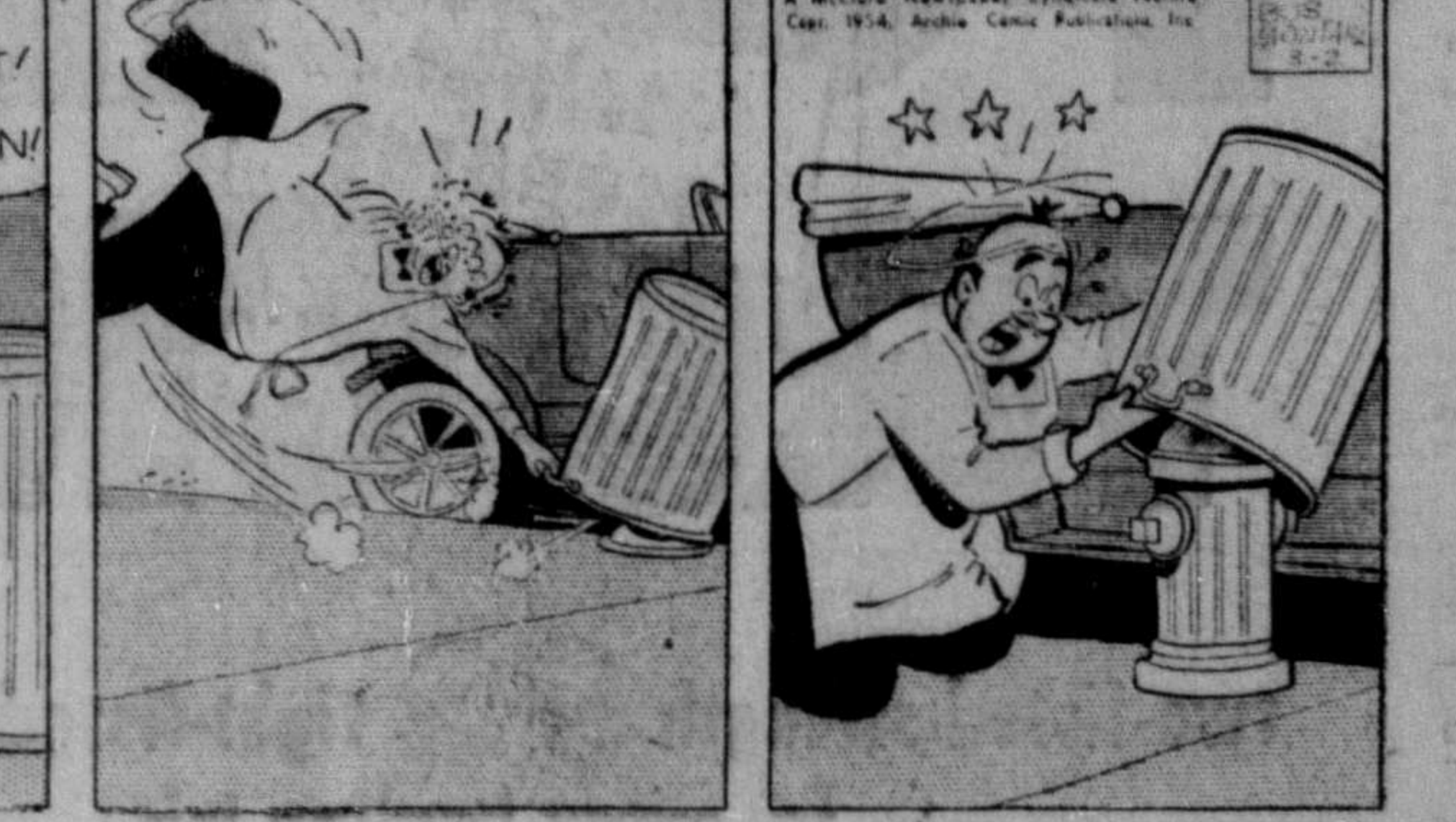
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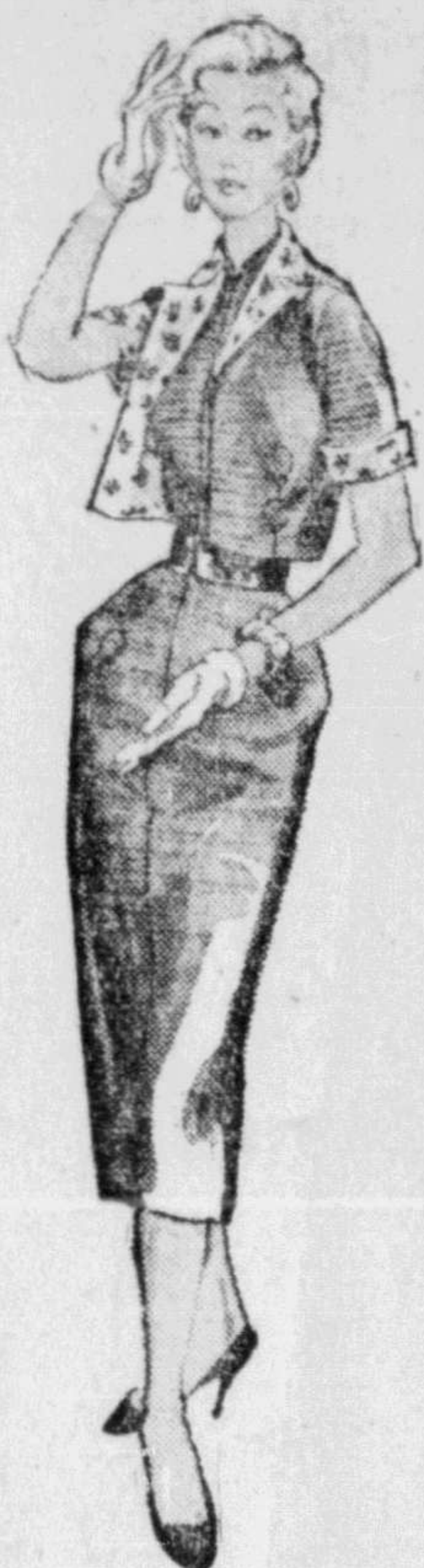
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## Britain Passes Halfway Mark in Drive To Repair Flood-Hit Dikes, Sea Walls

By JOHN DUDMAN

LONDON (Reuters)—Britain has passed the half-way mark in her campaign to repair a 1,000-mile stretch of dikes and sea walls smashed at 1,200 points by last winter's raging floods.

Months of intense reconstruction work have so far cost

the British government £20,000,000. The gaps have been closed. Thousands of workmen have built up and strengthened sea walls protecting densely-populated areas.

The program will not be complete until later this year, but experts are confident the de-

fences now will withstand another onslaught from the North Sea.

High spring tides are forecast for March but chances of last year's disaster being repeated are remote. For one thing, the floods, which gushed over the east coast killing more than 300 people on the night of Jan. 31-Feb. 1 last year, were a fluke caused when a North Sea gale hurled waves nearly 600 feet long against the sea defences while the spring tides were at their maximum.

In one night, 160,000 acres were covered by the sea, 24,000 houses were damaged, 200 major industrial plants were inundated, 14 major gas and electricity installations were crippled.

In East Suffolk, Norfolk and Lincolnshire, sand dunes, which had previously provided a natural defence, were washed away, and new sea walls, about 10 miles long, have had to be built in their place.

From an agricultural point of view, the damage is still far from repaired. Salt water ruined thousands of acres of fertile land.

## PM Denies He Meddling In India-Pakistan Row

COLOMBO, Ceylon (CP)—Canada's prime minister, who in the last 10 days visited both India and Pakistan, says he wasn't a "meddler" while talking with leaders of the two disputing Asiatic powers.

Just as he visited Pakistan it was announced that the Moslem state would receive military aid from the United States. This was opposed by Hindu India. The Indian sub-continent was divided between India and Pakistan in 1947. Still in dispute is the rich state of Kashmir.

Monday India's Prime Minister Nehru, with whom Prime

Minister St. Laurent held several talks last week, spurned a U.S. offer of aid similar to that granted Pakistan.

In New York, The Times says today in a Colombo dispatch that Prime Minister St. Laurent "denied" that he was "an emissary to the East for the purpose of inducing . . . Nehru to keep an open mind on Western defence plans."

But the Prime Minister made it plain to reporters at the press conference that he is not in Asia to mediate India-Pakistan disagreements.



CECIL CLARKE, artistic director of the Stratford, Ont. Shakespeare Festival, is making a cross-country search for actors and actresses for next summer's productions. Associated for seven years with the Old Vic Theatre, London, he has worked with the famed Tyrone Guthrie on many English productions as well as last year's festival at Stratford, Ont.

## Ottawa Asked To Finance Housing Plan

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities appealed to the federal government to finance low-rental housing projects to overcome problems of slums and overcrowding.

The request was contained in a brief presented to the House of Commons standing committee on banking and commerce by J. O. Asselin, chairman of the Montreal executive committee and president of the federation. The committee is considering revisions in Canada's housing code.

A series of these projects, financed entirely by the federal government, would stimulate more active interest by the provinces and municipalities in low-rental housing, the brief said. At the same time it would help to dispel the fears which some people hold toward such projects.

The National Housing Act has made it possible to tackle the problem "in an energetic way," the brief said. Public apathy and active opposition in some quarters, however, have hindered attempts to relieve the congestion and slum conditions.

The federation also asked the government to increase from \$10,000 to \$13,500 the amount of construction money available under National Housing Act loans and to lower the down payment to 10 per cent of the amount.

## SCREEN ★ FLASHES

Films to be shown at the Capitol Theatre this month are as follows:

March 1 to 3—"Siren of Bagdad," Paul Henreid, Patricia Medina, "Those High Gray Walls," Walter Connolly, Iris Meredith; March 4 to 6—"His Majesty O'Keefe," Burt Lancaster, Joan Rice; March 7, midnight, "Tough Girl," James Dunn, Mona Freeman, "Borderline," Fred MacMurray, Claire Trevor.

March 8 to 10: "House of Wax," Vincent Price, Phyllis Kirk; March 11 to 13: "Paratrooper," Alan Ladd, Leo Genn; March 14, midnight, "Hairy Ape," William Bendix, Susan Hayward; "Tanks a Million," William Tracey, Joe Sawyer.

March 15 to 17: "Thy Neighbor's Wife," Hugo Haas, Cleo Moore, "Yellow Sky," Anne Baxter, Gregory Peck; March 18 to 20: "Three Sailors and a Girl," Jane Powell, Gordon McRae.

March 21, midnight: "Arizona Cowboy," Rex Allan, Gordon Jones, "The Lady Pays Off," Linda Darnell, Stephen McNally; March 22 to 24: "Vice Squad," Edward G. Robinson, Paulette Goddard; March 25 to 27: "Eddie Cantor Story," Keefe Braselle, Marilyn Erskine.

March 28, midnight: "Black Castle," Boris Karloff, Lon Chaney, "Port Sinister," James Warren, Lynn Roberts; March 29 to 31: "Terror on a Train," Glenn Ford, Anne Vernon, "Fast Company," Howard Keel, Nina Foch.

## Army Chief Warns Against Further Violence in Syria

DAMASCUS, Syria (CP)—Revolt-racked Syria's army chief of staff sternly warned against further violence and demonstrations yesterday as the capital prepared to greet the nation's new chief of state, Hachem Bey El Attassi.

Though rival factions of army rebels united behind Attassi and ex-dictator Adib Shishkely's cabinet agreed to step out, new rioting broke out in Damascus Sunday night and 13 persons were reported wounded, some seriously.

Troops broke up the demonstrations by firing on the crowds and using tear gas. The capital for the second night was under a curfew.

Damascus was calm again on Monday. One person was killed and 20

REGINA (CP)—Twenty-five cents conscience money was sent to the Regina Exhibition office by a hockey fan whose note said he had taken a reserved seat, although he had purchased an ordinary ticket.

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