

Ceasefire For Christmas Suggested In Viet Nam



EAGER EATER

Snowflake, a baby Polar Bear born at the Philadelphia Zoo a week ago, is fed a special formula by Kathleen Umphrey, 25, daughter of Zoo's Curator of Mammals, "Little Girl," Snowflake's mother. Snowflake gave birth to two babies and promptly killed one of them. Zoo keepers saved Snowflake from a similar fate by luring the mother into her outdoor pen and closing the door behind her. For the first few days it was "touch and go" for Snowflake, but the baby now seems to be thriving. It weighs two pounds and must be fed every three hours day and night. (AP Wirephoto)

OTTAWA SHOWS CONCERN

Soviet Union Is Accused Deframing W. Germany

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada accused Russia Wednesday night of an entirely unfounded campaign of defamation against West Germany. An external affairs department official spokesman said it is a matter "of grave concern" that Soviet policy should apparently be directed not only toward the indefinite postponement of solutions to cardinal issues of European security, but also toward sowing mistrust of the Federal Republic of Germany as a partner in NATO by an entirely unfounded campaign of defamation against it. The spokesman was commenting on a Moscow report Wednesday quoting Tass, the Soviet news agency, as saying that Canada is supporting the revival of German militarism by permitting West Germany to conduct cold-weather weapons tests at Camp Shilo, Man.

Atomic Arms In Viet Nam Not Considered By U.S.

UNITED NATIONS (CP)—Delegates agreed the landmarks of the session were the appeal by Pope Paul for an end to war and the decision against recognizing Communist China. The session dealt with a record 108 items, in marked contrast with last year's session, which was paralysed by a crisis over the financing of peace-keeping operations. Goldberg said "although the fighting unhappily continues in Viet Nam, we will not lessen our efforts to move the conflict to the battlefield to the conference table for unconditional negotiations." Asked what the role of the UN should be in bringing about a settlement in Viet Nam, he urged continued efforts of UN officers and individual members "through the medium of quiet diplomacy." He said the United States is willing to negotiate the conditions laid down by Hanoi for settlement of the conflict.

MACNAUGHT IS MENTIONED

Senate Appointments Guessing Becomes Lively At Ottawa

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Potatoes Lead Way In Income

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA — Sharp increases in potato prices in the third quarter of this year gave Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick the largest percentage increase in farm cash receipts of any province, the Dominion Bureau of statistics reported Wednesday. Receipts from the sale of potatoes rose from \$34.7 million for the first nine months of 1964 to \$64.1 million for the same period of this year. All of this gain is attributed to a substantial increase in prices which arose out of a short crop in the United States in 1964 and the resultant strong demand in that country for Canadian potatoes. For the first nine months of this year the P.E.I. total of all farm receipts rose to \$30,399,000 compared to \$22,686,000 in the same period of 1964 and \$18,563,000 in 1963. To the end of September this year receipts from the sale of potatoes alone totalled \$13,678,000 compared to \$7,462,000 last year and \$5,796,000 in 1963.

Commentator Dies Of Cancer

LONDON (Reuters) — Richard Dimbleby, 52, Britain's top television commentator, died of cancer Wednesday. Dimbleby was known to millions around the world for his descriptions of Britain's great state and royal occasions. He had been in hospital here for eight weeks. Earlier Wednesday, his son David announced Dimbleby was in a coma. He had carried on a secret fight against cancer for five years. He became seriously ill soon after covering the visit of Pope Paul to the United Nations in October. Dimbleby won praise abroad for his commentary on the funeral of Sir Winston Churchill in January, heard in North America via communications satellite. His last major royal event was May when he covered an official visit by Queen Elizabeth to West Germany. He won several national radio and television awards. His coverage of the Queen's coronation in 1953 for television in Britain was one of his outstanding successes.



FRED MULLEY MRS. BARBARA CASTLE ROY JENKINS

PARKING SIGN IS OPPOSED

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Use of colored markings to designate the levels of a downtown parking garage has touched off a civil rights dispute. The United Negro Protest Committee wants a sign on the eighth floor, which is designated as black, changed. Each floor is marked with a colored strip and a sign above it naming the color in English, German, French and Spanish. The sign on the eighth floor says "black, schwarz, noir and negro." Matthew Moore, president of the committee, said Wednesday: "We consider it a reflection. We want them to delete the words negro and black."

Hope Injured In 5-Foot Fall

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Comedian Bob Hope fell five feet from a stage at the Morat air base Wednesday and tore at least two ligaments in his left ankle. Apparently not knowing at first the extent of injury, the 63-year-old comedian continued the show for U.S. troops. The accident occurred backstage while Hope was waiting for his entry cue during his show at the base, 150 miles northeast of Bangkok. Witnesses said Hope was standing beside a door when an unidentified person rushed through the door and brushed past the comedian. Hope lost his balance and fell backward off the stage. His fall was broken by several soldiers who caught him. The comedian is making his 14th annual Christmas tour to entertain U.S. troops overseas.

Falls Project Starts In '66

MONTREAL (CP) — Robert Winters, who has left the chairmanship of the British Newfoundland Corp. to become federal trade minister, says "construction is expected to begin next year" on the Churchill Falls power project in Labrador. "The project will start producing power, according to present planning, by 1971," said Mr. Winters in a Tuesday interview.

Wilson Shuffles British Cabinet

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Wilson shuffled his government Wednesday night, apparently to relieve political strains within his Labor party and the cabinet itself. Roy Jenkins was promoted from aviation minister to Home Secretary and moved into the inner cabinet replacing Sir Frank Soskice. Mrs. Barbara Castle was shifted from minister of overseas development to transport minister — the first woman ever to hold the post. The shift of Mrs. Castle into the tough transport post was the only real surprise in the shuffle, which had been rumored for some time. Wilson waited until Parliament adjourned Wednesday for a month's Christmas recess to announce the changes. Tom Fraser, who has been criticized by Labor and Conservative MPs for lack of imagination in dealing with transport problems, returned to the back benches of the House of Commons. Soskice was under criticism from Labor's left for taking too legalistic a view of the home secretary's responsibilities, which include law enforcement and immigration. He becomes lord privy seal, a catch-all post. Lord Longford gave up his post as lord privy seal and will become colonial secretary replacing Anthony Greenwood. Greenwood moves to Mrs. Castle's job at overseas development. The aviation ministry is being taken over by Fred Mulley, a management specialist who has been army secretary. His successor in that post was not named.

Man. Legislature Opens On Feb. 3

WINNIPEG (CP) — The fifth session of the 27th Manitoba legislature will open Thursday, Feb. 3, Premier Roblin announced Wednesday. The opening date is two to three weeks earlier than usual. The FP newspaper group includes the Winnipeg Free Press, the Ottawa Journal, the Vancouver Sun, the Calgary Alberta, the Victoria Times and Victoria Colonist, the Lethbridge Herald and the Free Press weekly Farmers Advocate.

U.S. Offers 30-Hour Peace

SAIGON (AP)—The U.S. military command in Viet Nam today ordered a 30-hour Christmas ceasefire to be broken only in self-defence. The Viet Cong two weeks ago offered to put into effect a ceasefire from 7 p.m. Christmas Eve to 7 a.m. Christmas morning, to allow Americans and other troops in Viet Nam to observe Christmas. The broadcast was qualified, however, by a statement that U.S. troops should not carry weapons, launch attacks or engage in spying. The announcement from the American command was for a longer period—from 6 p.m. Dec. 24 to midnight Dec. 25. A U.S. military spokesman said similar instructions have been issued by South Vietnamese government military leaders. ISSUED ORDER —The order for American forces was issued by Gen. William Westmoreland, commander of U.S. forces in Viet Nam. The announcement by the U.S. military spokesman said: "In keeping with the spirit of Christmas and consistent with like instructions that have been issued by the chief of staff, (South Vietnamese army) Gen. Cao Van Vien, Westmoreland has directed that U.S. forces in Viet Nam will not fire at or on the enemy except in self-defence during the hours of 1800 (6 p.m.) 24 December and 2400 (midnight) 25 December." Some military and other officials in South Viet Nam earlier had taken the position that the Viet Cong announcement of a ceasefire was a mere propaganda gesture. The Viet Cong have declared similar truce periods in the past, especially during the Vietnamese celebration of Tet, the lunar new year, and these periods at times have been violated.

Farm Income Hits Record

OTTAWA (CP)—Farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations reached a record \$2,659,400,000 in the first nine months of this year, up 5.4 per cent from the previous record in the same period last year. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics said Wednesday its figures included cash from the sale of farm products, payments from the Canadian Wheat Board on previous years' crops, cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada, and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. The figures are gross—not counting the cost of producing the commodities sold. Most of the increase resulted from higher payments by the wheat board out of funds earned on the sale of earlier crops, the bureau said. There were also higher returns for the farmers from potatoes, cattle, hogs and dairy products.

Globe-Mail Joins FP Publications

TORONTO (CP)—The Globe and Mail, Toronto's morning newspaper, has joined the FP Publications group with dailies in six other cities. Addition of The Globe and Mail to the FP group was made known late Wednesday in a joint announcement by the two publishing companies. It said that officers of the various newspapers in the group are unchanged and that each paper continues its present editorial policies. Financial details of the transaction were not announced. The FP newspaper group includes the Winnipeg Free Press, the Ottawa Journal, the Vancouver Sun, the Calgary Alberta, the Victoria Times and Victoria Colonist, the Lethbridge Herald and the Free Press weekly Farmers Advocate.

WHEAT EARNINGS DOWN

Wheat revenues to the farmers were down substantially in the first nine months of this year from 1964 figures because of a drop in marketings. Deliveries are being stepped up again now, however, under new sales contracts with Communist countries. DBS said all provinces but Saskatchewan shared in the nine-month 1965 increase over 1964 cash receipts for the same period. Farm cash receipts by province, not including supplementary payments and with 1964 figures in brackets, were: Prince Edward Island \$30,-

Lord Thomson Joins In Aid To Shipyard

By HAROLD MORRISON
LONDON (CP)—Lord Thomson, the Canadian-born publisher, has decided to add shipbuilding to his extensive enterprises and incidentally help preserve the jobs of some 5,000 Scottish workers. Economics Minister George Brown announced Wednesday that Thomson and another wealthy entrepreneur, Sir Isaac Wolfson, are joining the government and trade unions and other groups to take over Fairfields shipyard in Glasgow. The amount of equity involved is the equivalent of about \$6,000,000 with the British government putting up 50 per cent and the private groups, including trade unions, putting up the other 50 per cent. It was not made clear how much of Thomson's money would be involved but it is understood the over-all participation would be sufficient to keep the shipyard in full operation for its 5,000 employees. The new company, to be known as Fairfield (Glasgow) Ltd., will be under the chairmanship of Scottish industrialist Iain Stewart.

Earthquake Is Reported

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — An earthquake apparently centred between Kodiak Island and the southern tip of the Kenai Peninsula on the south central Alaska coast at 11:58 a.m. PST Wednesday, the Alaska disaster office here reported. First reports were that some light damage was done at the navy base and coast guard facilities at Kodiak, the disaster office said.

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ONLY 2 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS



HOME IS THE SPACE EXPLORER
Lt. Col. Frank Borman, command pilot of Gemini 7, and his wife, Sue, embrace on his arrival at Ellington AFB in Houston, Texas Wednesday. One of the couple's sons, Edwin, 12, waits to welcome his famous dad back home. (AP Wirephoto)

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WILL NEED LOANS
The new company will need extensive loans to keep it afloat until money from new defence contracts starts flowing in. Brown promised the government will make these loans available. "I am glad to say that we now have the foundation for a financial partnership between the government, private enterprise and the trade unions as a result of which this shipyard can continue," Brown said in his statement.