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Tibet's God-Like King Survives Rough Trip

By PETER JACKSON

NEW DELHI (Reuters) — The Dalai Lama, after successfully eluding 50,000 Chinese Communist troops, has escaped to freedom in India, and now may head a delegation to put the plight of Tibet before the United Nations, diplomatic sources said Thursday night.

The sources said Tibet's god-king probably would be accompanied to New York by members of his cabinet who escaped with him. Like him, they also are seeking political asylum in India.

It is almost certain that India will grant political asylum to him. He was reported to have survived his long trek over the Himalaya Mountains "in good health."

The Communist New China News Agency reported earlier that the Dalai Lama reached Indian soil two days ago. It said Indian officers at Tawang, Assam, 18 miles south of the Tibetan border, had gone to meet him.

Prime Minister Nehru Thursday night called a meeting of the central parliamentary board of his ruling Congress party to discuss delicate issues regarding Tibet. Political observers took this to mean the Dalai Lama.

TOP SECRET

However, party officials said all who took part were sworn to secrecy. They added: "We shall let you know what we discussed when the time comes. But at this stage is is still top secret."

Diplomatic sources said they believed the Indian government learned of the Dalai Lama's arival in India on Wednesday or early Thursday.

The sources said New Delhi and Peiping have been in constant communication during the last few days. Nehru wanted to make it clear that while India felt bound to give at least temporary asylum to the Dalai Lama, this should not be construed by China in any way as an unfriendly act.

THEY MARCH TO PROTEST H-BOMB

Some of Britain's marchers who protested the H-bomb are seen as they move toward London's Trafalgar Square. Some 6,000 people participated in the rally which climaxed a four-day, fifty-mile trek by a group who came from Aldermaston Atomic Weapons research centre in Belkshire.

Alcohol Program Reported Popular

The youth of today are very much interested in the problem created by the use of alcohol, Don Gilchrist, supervisor of temperance education in the province of Nova Scotia, told the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation yesterday.

Mr. Gilchrist in speaking of the allied youth program said there is no doubt that the program has proven its value within the high schools. He also stated that the guided course on alcohol education given in grades seven, eight, and nine has developed a greater interest in the true facts about alcohol education.

He reported that in a recent survey conducted among high school students of Nova Scotia, of those who said it was not smart to drink, 52 per cent admitted they had used alcohol at some time or another because they were forced into it through the opinion of society.

Mr. Gilchrist said the program of temperance education in Nova Scotia had been approved and is well received by all denominations, both Protestant and Roman Catholic.

Mr. Gilchrist works as an official of the department of education in the province. The program which he administers with the help of an office secretary was set up 10 years ago. The main text book used is the "Manitoba Manual on Alcohol Education"

While it is the duty of the director to co-ordinate the work done by the Temperance Federation, the actual work of instruction is done by the teacher in the schools. The work is arranged according to grades.

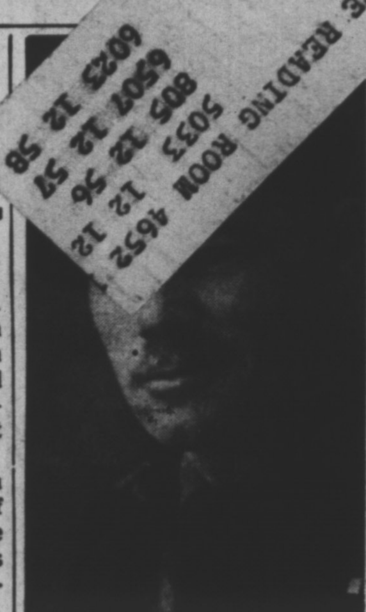
NOT SMART TO DRINK

Briefly, Mr. Gilchrist said, what is taught to the students is, "It is smarter for teenagers not to drink". To assist them in following this idea, Allied Youth posts have been set up in the schools.

He said the motto of this organization is, "To learn the facts concerning beverage alcohol and how best to conduct my life in relation to these facts".

Mr. Gilchrist said schools of alcohol and narcotic education are conducted from time to time and are attended by the clergy, teachers and laymen working with alcoholics. The best authorities in North America are brought to these schools to give instruction.

The Temperance Federation also conducts schools or short courses. These courses held at various points throughout the province have at times attracted an attendance of 52 people, Mr. Gilchrist said.



LT.-COL. KENNEDY

Hospital Job Appointment

Lt. Colonel E. K. Kennedy, chief clerk in the Department of Public Works, has resigned his position to become employed with the Prince Edward Island Hospital Commission. He left yesterday for Ottawa where he will take a course in hospital administration and other related work before returning to his duties here.

Succeeding Colonel Kennedy will be Joseph Shelfoon who has been accountant with the Department for a number of years. Succeeding Mr. Shelfoon is Roy Matheson who until now has been employed in the office of the Government garage.

Commission Will Study Freight Rate Problems

By JOHN LeBLANC

OTTAWA (CP)—A royal commission will conduct the federal government's promised long-range inquiry into freight rates and allied problems of the railways and their users.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker, making this known Thursday, indicated to reporters that the commission setup might be announced in more detail today.

It was the first firm announcement that a full-dress royal commission — the first general inquiry into railway matters in about 10 years — would inquire into the complexities of freight rates and their impact on various sections of Canada.

Previously, cabinet members had stated only that there would be an inquiry aimed largely at redressing freight rate "discrimination" against the western and Atlantic sections of Canada on a long-term basis, while short-term measures are put into effect in the meantime.

SHORT-TERM STEPS

Short - term steps already announced:

1. A $20,000,000 federal subsidy to the railways for one year, to be used to soften the impact of a 17-per-cent general rate increase that went into effect Dec. 1. A bill to provide it is due to reach the Commons next week.

2. The intention of the government to block any further general rate boosts until it has received the recommendations of its inquiry body, which transport minister Hees has estimated would take a year.

In reply to some expressed skepticism that this ponderous job could be done in a year. Mr. Diefenbaker said he thinks there is no doubt it can be completed in this time.

Lime Subsidy Is Increased

The subsidy on limestone has been increased from $3.00 a ton to $3.60 per ton, according to an announcement made yesterday by Hon. Eugene Cullen, Minister of Agriculture.

The Minister said the increase in subsidy will be enough to take care of the recent freight rate hike which is 40 cents at Moncton and 60 cents from other Maritime points from which limestone is procured.

Limestone costs the farmer about $3.80 per ton bulk and from $5.25 to $6.25 per ton bagged. Mr. Cullen said the subsidy applies to limestone imported to the Island by truck as well as by rail.

Grim Years Seen Ahead Eisenhower Tells NATO

By GEORGE KITCHEN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON (CP) — The NATO powers returned Thursday to the birthsite of their alliance and heard President Eisenhower promise to keep open the doorway to honest discussion and negotiation with the Soviet Union.

But he warned them that they must be prepared, in the meantime, to live out the years ahead "in a world in which tension and bickering between free nations and the Soviets will be daily experiences."

The NATO partners would continue to make "concrete and realistic" proposals for disarmament, for a just solution to the German problem, for European security and for co-operation in the new realm of outer space.

"We shall continue to strive for a more general and far-reaching, but always practical, settlement of differences with the Soviets," he told a vast assemblage of NATO political, military and diplomatic leaders in a great gold-and-white government auditorium where the North Atlantic security pact was signed 10 years ago this Saturday.

MUSN'T RELAX

NATO Secretary-General Paul Henri Spaak said the alliance members cannot afford to relax because the Soviet Union "is playing a game in which the ultimate stake is the very existence of our European political institutions and defence systems."

Foreign Minister M. H. Luns of The Netherlands, council president, calling for a strengthening of NATO forces, said there could be "no security for the free world unless NATO has the strength needed to deter aggression."

Christian Herter, acting U.S. state secretary, suggested the Soviet threat today, while at times "more subtle, varied and devious," is "no less dangerous" than it was when NATO was founde 10 years ago.

Eisenhower, delivering the central address as the NATO council prepared to open three days of secret talks centred on Germany and the budding Berlin crisis, spoke against colorful backdrop of the four-pointed NATO star and the flags of the 15 nations that make up the alliance—the U.S., Britain, France, Canada, Belgium, The Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, Portugal, Luxembourg, Greece, Turkey, Italy, Iceland and West Germany.

Seated in a semi-circle on the stage behind were the delegation chiefs of the 15 NATO states, with Defence Minister George R. Pearkes representing Canada.

NOTE SMITH'S DEATH

The recent leath of External Affairs Minister Sidney Smith, who ordinarily would have represented Canada, was noted by the council president in one of the opening addresses.

Luns suggested the council give "renewed" attention to a progressive implementation of NATO treaty provisions for a closer economic co - operation between the member states.

Eisenhower, first supreme commander of the alliance's military forces, promised the West never would abandon its attempt to persuade Russia to foresake its goal of world domination.

'NOT PRESENTED'—BONNELL

Island's Hospital Plan Has Not Been Rejected

"No communication to the effect that Ottawa has not accepted the Island Hospital Insurance plan has been received by me" said Hon. M. L. Bonnell yesterday, commenting on an earlier press report that the Federal Government had turned down the proposal.

Health Minister Bonnell said the Island plan is not yet prepared and will not be presented in Ottawa until he goes there at the end of this month. "I can hardly see how Ottawa can turn down a plan which they have not seen", he added.

Dr. Bonnell felt that if the inference was that the Federal Government had not accepted the act passed by the Island Legislature, this too was far from correct, since the only way in which the act could be contested would be through the Supreme Court of the Province or the Supreme Court of Canada.

Continuing, Dr. Bonnell stated that Ottawa has never stipulated the percentage of the population which they require under the plan. I feel confident that the Federal Government will accept our plan and I shall be surprised if they don't", he said.

In the meantime, Dr. Bonnell said plans are going ahead and he has every reason to believe that hospital insurance, as promised to the people of Prince Edward Island, will be in effect by the first of October.

Poaching, Small Lobsters Termed Major Problems

Poaching during the closed season, and landing undersized fish during the open season, so far as the Prince Edward Island lobster industry was concerned, were the two most troublesome problems facing the federal fisheries deparment, Loran E. Baker, director of fisheries for the maritime district, said in Charlottetown last night.

Guest speaker at a Queen Hotel banquet held in conjunction with the course for cannery foremen which began Wednesday and ends today, Mr. Baker, who has been in the federal fishery service since his retirement from federal politics in 1949, said that such practices, if continued indefinitely would eventually result in the disappearance of the lobster industry through the pressure of economic factors.

Mr. Baker was introduced to the assembly by Prince Edward Island's deputy minister of fisheries, E.M. Gorman, and thanked by Ulric Poirier, manager of the Egmont Bay Fishermen's Co-operative.

Other speakers included Hon. Dougald MacKinnon, minister of fisheries, and James Burden, president of the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation. Both spoke briefly.

DROP POSSIBLE

Though P.E.I.'s lobster wealth had been called "staggering" by some of the world's greatest experts on the subject, its potential could be reduced to uneconomic proportions by exploitation, it was emphasized.

Despite the fact that the lobster larvae count off Miminigash might be 1,000 times as great at any given time as that obtained off the southwest Nova Scotia port of Yarmouth, the lobster industry in the latter area and adjoining districts was still very lucrative, and was worth six to seven million dallars annually.

This was possible because the fishermen along that coast had seen the necessity some years ago of adopting a very large carapace measurement, Mr. Baker asserted. Now most fishermen abide by the regulations and only market-size lobsters were landed.

It was due to the greater potential that cannery-sized fish

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Recess Taken To Meet Yvon

FREDERICTON (CP) — The New Brunswick Legislature took a brief recess Thursday afternoon to meet a distinguished visitor—Yvon Durelle—the fighting fisherman from Baie Ste. Anne, N.B.

Prior to the recess, both Premier Flemming and Liberal Opposition Leader Louis J. Robichaud paid tribute to the British Empire light-heavyweight champ.

Hospitals Bar Visitors As Flu Epidemic Rages

HALIFAX (CP) — Maritime health officials started to throw up new defences Thursday against an influenza virus that has been on the rampage for more than a month. Thousands of citizens have been stricken.

Officials closed hospitals to visitors in Summerside, P.E.I. Lancaster, N.B., and Sydney in an effort to check the fast-striking disease. Others in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were closed earlier. Doctors in some areas said 'flu had reached epidemic proportions.

The Nova Scotia health department said it couldn't estimate the number sick in the province, but in Sydney alone 1,500 cases had been reported.

Deputy Health Minister Dr. J. S. Robertson said the principal virus had been identified as type B, a relatively mild variety. "We aren't worried in a major way," Dr. Robertson said. "It knocks people out but it isn't killing anybody." However, some pneumonia deaths have been reported.

EASES IN HALIFAX

Health and school spokesmen here said the disease appears to be slackening in the Halifax area. The attacks being with high fever. Recovery usually takes about a week.

Premier Ill At Home

Premier A. W. Matheson has joined the ranks of those who have become victims to the current wave of influenza which has reached epidemic proportions in some areas.

A report yesterday indicated that Mr. Matheson, who is ill at his home was showing improvement and expected to be back at his desk in the course of a day or two.

Commanding Officer Change Is Announced For Regiment

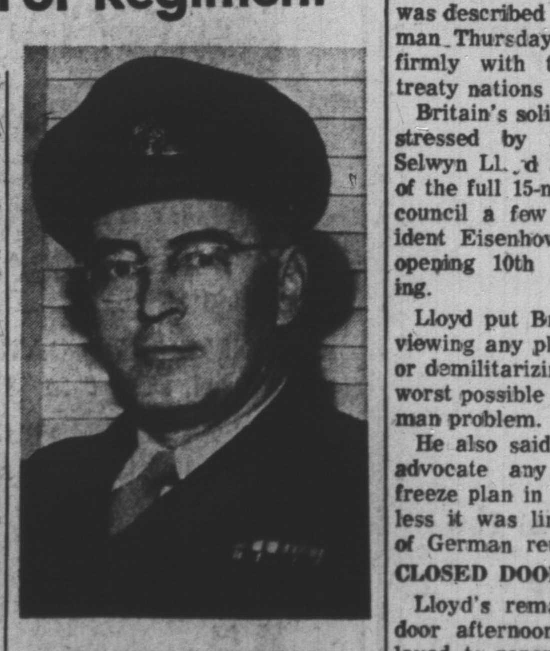
Lieutenant-Colonel John A. MacDonald, CD, has been named to assume the post of commanding officer of the Prince Edward Island Regiment, replacing Lieutenant-Colonel E.K. Kennedy who is retiring because of business reasons.

The announcement of the change in command was made last night by Colonel A. W. Rogers, ED, commanding officer of 2 Militia Group. Lieutenant-Colonel MacDonald's promotion becomes effective immediately.

LT.-COL. MACDONALD

Lieutenant-Colonel MacDonald, who is a member of Parliament for Kings (PC), attended school at Cardigan, St. Dunstan's High School and graduated from St. Dunstan's College with a bachelor of arts degree and a commerce certificate. He was valedictorian of his class in 1938.

The new regiment CO first joined the P.E.I. Highlanders of the non-permanent active militia in 1931 as a private. He was successively promoted to a corporal, sergeant, second lieutenant and qualified for the rank of lieutenant at the Royal School of Infantry at Aldershot.



LT.-COL. MacDONALD

At the outbreak of the Second World War he was in command of

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Solid Front Stand Is Story On Berlin

WASHINGTON (CP) — Britain was described by a NATO spokesman Thursday night as standing firmly with the other Atlantic treaty nations in the Berlin crisis.

Britain's solid front stand was stressed by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Ll..d at a closed session of the full 15-nation Atlantic pact council a few hours after President Eisenhower addressed the opening 10th anniversary meeting.

Lloyd put Britain on record as viewing any plan for neutralizing or demilitarizing Germany as the worst possible solution of the German problem.

He also said Britain would not advocate any troop and arms freeze plan in central Europe unless it was linked with the goal of German reunification.

CLOSED DOOR S[illegible]ON

Lloyd's remarks at the closed door afternoon session were relayed to reporters by the NATO spokesman. They were clearly aimed at dispelling reports that the British favored making more concessions to the Soviets than do the United States, France, West Germany and other Atlantic pact partners.

Conference spokesman sought to picture the four Western Allies as firmly united in their determination to withstand Russian pressure for important concessions.

French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville was reported to have endorsed Lloyd's remarks, saying:

"If Berlin goes, who will go next?"

Couve de Murville also was reported to have stressed the importance of agreement on emergency military measures the Allies must be ready to invoke if need be to save West Berlin.

MUST PRESERVE FREEDOM

Lloyd, Couve de Murville and acting U.S. State Secretary Christian Herter agreed that the freedom of 2,250,000 West Berliners must be preserved.

The French leader also emphasized that the Allies must avoid formal recognition of the East German Communist puppet regime, saying this would perpetuate the East-West division of Germany

DAVE HORNE (right) of the Fish Inspection Laboratory at Halifax gives a demonstration in weighing and inspecting fish products to an interested group of lobster cannery foremen at the fisheries laboratory in the Dominion Building. Fisheries officer in charge of the course is W. A. Murphy shown behind scales in white coat.