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SCENES LIKE this were encountered G of Friday by telephone company linemen in a few areas as the result of Thursday night's ice storm and strong winds. Those poles were on the road north of Montague along Simon Nicholson's farm. Despite the poles being down, most of the heavy load of wires carried appeared to have been unbroken, however.

900 Telephones Affected As Poles Topple From Ice

An ice storm Thursday night left 900 telephones in the province affected, officials of the Island Telephone Company said. The Montague area and there last night. Most of the damage was east of Charlottetown. Strong winds during the night contributed to the damage. At Charlottetown winds were measured at 32 miles per hour, gusting to 58.

DIEF IN HOUSE FOR 24 YEARS

OTTAWA (CP)—Twenty-four years ago Thursday a young Prairie lawyer named John George Dieffenbaker was first elected to Parliament. His election came after several unsuccessful tries. In extending congratulations to Mr. Dieffenbaker on the anniversary, Transport Minister Pickersgill said in the Commons that neither Parliament nor Canada would have been the same had Mr. Dieffenbaker not been elected.

Good Friday Services Held Across World

Vatican history has no record of any Pope carrying a cross in a religious procession previously. And in Jerusalem throngs of pilgrims from around the world followed Christ's path to Calvary, singing and praying in the twisted, stone-paved streets of the old city. Eight telephone poles were between Carleton Place and the western part of the province, the town of Summerside Electric Director Richardson said. A wire broke near Ottawa Street, caused a power blackout in the northern end of Summerside. Hillcrest and Sherbrooke Power was off for about an hour.

Satellite Launched For Britain

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. space agency launched Britain's second satellite Friday and apparently achieved a successful orbit.

Canada's oldest soldiers in Peace-Keeping Operations

Alaska's Hit By Earthquake

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—Sgt. Jack Murphy, civil defence director here, said the control tower at the Anchorage International Airport went down Friday as a strong earthquake hit Alaska. Murphy said 3,000 feet of runway had been torn up. Alaska communications system officials here said they were advising their people to evacuate their offices at Anchorage.



MR. PARKS

APEC Official Will Attend Paris Meeting

Arthur C. Parks, economist and director of the APPEC research centre in Fredericton, N.B., will represent the Council at a special conference to be held in Paris, France, April 13. Fifteen countries will be represented in this statement and the governor stressed the fact that the speaker did not identify himself as a member of the organization. The seismologist at the University of Washington said it appeared the quake centred on the Rat Island area at the end of the Aleutian chain. The earthquake hit Fairbanks at 3:37 p.m. (10:37 p.m. EST) and was so strong it knocked out the coast and geodetic surveying measuring equipment there. There were no immediate reports of injuries, although (Continued on page 3, col. 6)

Burning Ship Heads For Port

PORTSMOUTH, Va. (AP)—The freighter Mormacope, on fire in one of her holds, headed for Bermuda late Friday under escort of the U.S. Coast Guard cutter Hull Moon. The Hull Moon reached the vessel about 140 miles south of Bermuda. The cutter put firefighters aboard by small boat. The freighter reported she was preparing to flood her No. 4 hold to check the blaze. She carried a cargo of steel and bagged cocoa. Thursday night the Mormacope reported she had a fire in the hold. Early Friday she said that the fire was spreading and she asked for help.

Castro Accuses Minister, Editors of Party's Paper

HAVANA (AP)—Cuban Premier Castro angrily denounced his transport minister and editors of his party newspaper Thursday night while trying to scuttle rumors of internal conflict in his United Party of Socialist Revolution. Castro testified for 2 1/2 hours, in well past midnight, at the trial of Marcos Rodriguez, accused of betraying four pro-Castro student leaders to dictator Fulgenio Batista's police in 1957. Castro charged that during Thursday's first trial, which ended last week with a death sentence, editors and columnists of the party newspaper "played with fire" by printing reports that party scandals had arisen in the trial and were kept quiet. As Havana newspapers published an increasing volume of such reports and articles on the long-standing feud between the Communist and new supporters of the Castro regime, the premier ordered a re-trial with maximum publicity. Castro also spoke critically of Maj. Joaquin Ordoqui, general supervisor of the army and an old Communist foe. Ordoqui had asked President Osvaldo Dorticos to intercede on behalf of Rodriguez, who Rodriguez' trial has brought Communist party friction to public attention for the first time since March, 1962, when Amal Escalante, an old-line Communist, was ousted for placing other such members in key posts. Castro said he considered Rodriguez, a one-time Communist, guilty of informing on the students who had tried to kill Batista. Before Castro came to power in 1959, the Communist party co-operated with the Batista regime. Castro also spoke of the trial of the Cuban Communist party. He criticized Transport Minister Faure Chomón and charged that the minister's testimony during the first trial into political channels by touching on matters that should have been discussed by a party meeting. Castro said he considered Rodriguez, a one-time Communist,

Reds Launch New Satellite

MOSCOW (AP)—The Russians Friday launched another satellite packed with scientific equipment. The satellite was named Cosmos 27. It will continue space research under a program announced last year by the Soviet Union in Shinkins in the Cosmos space program. The satellite's radiation belts, have been unannounced.

Ill Sealer Flown Here

A crew man from the sealing ship Polar Fish was flown to Charlottetown by an RCMP search and rescue helicopter last evening about seven miles off the coast. Gordon Martin of Harbour Gorge, New Brunswick, was rescued after suffering from an infected kidney. He was taken to the Charlottetown Hospital by Hennessey's ambulance where he was attended by Dr. L.H. Killorn.

Queens MP Prods Gov't Over Ferry On New Ferry

expected tenders to be asked. Mr. MacLean said the delay in the program had been accelerated rather than accelerated. ASKS ALMOST SPEEDY PICKERSGILL had the had asked for the utmost speed to be exercised in the matter. "It is a matter of design these vessels properly. I can assure the house that the completion in 30 months will involve putting in a ferry into service in the Wood Islands to Carleton Place." He said there had been some slight delay at the start because of the necessity to design the new ferry so that it can be used on the Newfoundland service. The causeway is constructed. Plans and specifications were drawn up by a Montreal firm of naval architects but they would not have the blueprints ready until the end of the current fiscal year. He pointed out that there is a considerable pressure of work on the high rate of both private and government shipbuilding in Canada. While he said the existing ferry facilities will be strained this summer to look after the large number of ceremonial visitors, he said the putting into service of the new ferry Prince Nova on the Wood Islands to Carleton Place would help to relieve some of the pressure. The Prince Nova will be a faster ship than the Selkirk and will be able to carry 60 automobiles. He said it was necessary to build a ferry about the middle of May.

Single Defence Staff Chief To Develop New Concept

OTTAWA (CP)—Air Chief Marshal Frank Miller, hardy 60-year-old, has been named as the new chief of staff of the Canadian army. He is a 30-year-old former bomber pilot who has had a wide experience in the defence department. He was named chief of staff commander in April, 1960, he was only the second man to hold that job. Gen. Charles Foulkes had been the first chairman for nine years. A lean grey-haired man, he is described by colleagues as "tirelessly hard-working." His face often has a severe look, one associate commented, "but he's a great friend if you're on his side."

Ferry Caron Battles Ice For 20 Hours

NORTH SYDNEY, N.S. (CP)—The CNR's ferry William Caron arrived here Friday after a 20-hour battle with ice in Cabot Strait. The crossing normally takes 1 1/2 hours. The Caron, with 200 passengers aboard, left Port aux Basques around midday Thursday and ran into ice packed on the Newfoundland and Cape Breton coasts. The ferry was scheduled to leave here again for Port aux Basques on Saturday. Meanwhile, the federal icebreaker Labrador brought into port the destroyer-recruit Swansea which is to undergo test at nearby Point Edward Naval Base. The icebreaker William Alexander was resorted attempting to free the CNR ship Cabot Strait, which left Port aux Basques March 22 for here.

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Greetings From Pope Seen Unprecedented

VATICAN CITY (AP)—In this Holy Week, Pope Paul VI has made what Vatican sources said today may have been an unprecedented gesture to non-Roman Catholic churches in the "Orthodox churches," to the "Anglican church" and to "all the other Christian communities" derived from the reform of the 16th century and who are separated from the Roman Catholic Church by the cause of Christian unity. The gesture was in the form of Easter greetings to non-Catholics in Holy Thursday services Thursday night in the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the Pope's cathedral as bishop of Rome. For possibly the first time in history, a Roman Catholic pontiff spoke in his own cathedral to non-Roman Catholic Christians and, in effect, recognized that they too had organized churches. Pope Paul VI carries an eight-foot wooden cross in a Good Friday procession up the hillside of Rome. 20,000 persons jammed the square.