

## Two Bank Holdups Net Vancouver Bandits \$50,000

By KEN METHERAL  
VANCOUVER (CP) — Holdup alarms jangled a wild refrain here Wednesday as smooth working bandits, striking in quick succession, looted two branches of the Bank of Montreal of \$51,500 in a new wave of crime.

Mayor Fred Hume immediately summoned the police commission into emergency session to discuss means of curbing the crime wave that has resulted in six bank robberies in as many weeks and more than 40 smaller holdups.

### THIRD LARGEST HOLDUP

Their \$50,000 loot was the largest obtained in a bank robbery here in 12 years and the third largest in the history of the Greater Vancouver area.

Less than two hours later a lone nattily-dressed bandit entered the bank's main Granville street branch and showed a note at a teller reading: "Hand over your cash or I'll blow your brains out."

He walked out of the bank with \$300 under the nose of a policeman standing in the doorway and disappeared into streets crowded with Christmas shoppers.

Twice more during the afternoon the hurried police force was galvanized into action as jittery bank employees touched off alarm bells. Both were false alarms.

While Mayor Hume, chairman of the police commission, was meeting behind closed doors with other commission members, police officers scoured Vancouver's underworld

seeking leads on the two latest holdups that raised to some \$68,000 the amount of money taken in bank robberies here this year.

Dozens of men known to police by their records were checked in their homes, on the streets and in underworld haunts. Several were taken to police headquarters for questioning.

"CLEANED OUT"  
"They cleaned us out," said an official of the West Point Grey branch in describing the first holdup of Wednesday's action-filled morning.

The bandit foursome worked so rapidly they had made their getaway before police could arrive on the scene. An alert citizen tipped police off as the gunmen drove up to the bank in a stolen green car, their faces hidden behind black paper-bag masks.

"There was quite a commotion outside before they burst in the door," said Mrs. Ida M. Randle, liability clerk at the branch. "It must have taken the three of them to force the lock."

In less than three minutes the men were fleeing from the bank in their stolen vehicle, which was found abandoned a few minutes later about three miles from the bank.

The holdup, exceeded only by a fabulous \$320,000 safebreaking of a New Westminster bank in 1911 and a 1942 holdup here that netted bandits \$56,500 — by coincidence, both also branches of the Bank of Montreal — took place at 9:27 a.m. PST, almost 40 minutes before the normal bank opening hour.

Two hours later, at 11:30 a.m., the bank's main branch on downtown Granville street was robbed.

So quietly was the second holdup carried out by the briefcase-carrying bandit that other tellers and some 20 customers were unaware of what was going on.

# U.S. Pledges Formosa Security In New Pact With Nationalists

## Heads CMHC



OTTAWA, (CP) — Stewart Bates (above), deputy fisheries minister, today was appointed president of the government's Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The 47-year-old deputy succeeds D. B. Mansur to the \$22,500-a-year post. Mr. Mansur recently resigned to become president of a Toronto Investment Corporation.

Mr. Bates is a native of Greenock, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1936. His first Canadian job was secretary to Nova Scotia's economic council.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — The United States and Nationalist China announced completion of a mutual security treaty Wednesday pledging U. S. protection of Formosa.

A joint statement, released simultaneously in Washington and Taipei, said the treaty follows the general pattern of other U. S. security pacts in the western Pacific.

State Secretary Dulles made the announcement at a press conference. He said the agreement will "forge another link in the system of collective security... between the United States and other countries in the Pacific area."

While Dulles did not disclose any details, it is understood the treaty provides for peaceful measures as the prime reliance for settling disputes.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was understood to have pledged that his Chinese Nationalists on the Island of Formosa will refrain from any use of force except in defence and avoid any provocative acts against the Communist-held China mainland.

In saying the treaty will follow the general pattern of other Pacific security pacts, Dulles apparently meant there would be reaction to any attack on Formosa "in accordance with constitutional processes." This is the provision in the recently concluded Manila pact, covering Southeast Asia, and the mutual defence agreement with South Korea.

Such language avoids any commitment for automatic armed reaction in specified circumstances. The area of the Formosa treaty, Dulles said, includes Formosa itself and the nearby Pescadores, as well as the western Pacific islands under U. S. jurisdiction.

Dulles did not say in his prepared statement whether an attack on Formosa would be considered a "major attack" under the treaty.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — State Secretary Dulles said Wednesday the United States may consider a naval blockade of Communist China if peaceful means fail to protect the rights of American citizens.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — Slim hopes dimmed Wednesday night for the survival of seven persons missing more than 30 hours in a Northeast Airlines plane downed in sub-freezing temperatures in the rugged, snow-covered White mountains.

While ground and air searchers combed the hilly, wooded terrain along the aircraft's Logansport-Berlin route without success, an expert mountaineer termed the survival chances of the six men and a woman "very slim."

Searchers were called off at nightfall, but Northeast Airlines president George E. Gardner said that a plane will be flown over the area from time to time during the night to watch for a possibility any survivor might have a fire to keep from freezing.

With temperatures sliding toward zero in the high elevations, Joe Dodge, manager of the Appalachian Mountain Club's Pinkham Notch camp, said any survivors of the landing could not live another night without proper equipment and clothing.

The slim hope that spurred weary searchers was a faint and fading radio message, "presumably from the pilot," that said: "Emergency — down five miles northeast of field... hill, but..."

The message initiated a cross-air search by the U.S. military and about five miles northeast of Berlin airport in Milan. However, the search by helicopter, private plane and service aircraft failed to turn up the missing airplane.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — Red China's ambassador to Moscow said Wednesday his country's millions stand "shoulder to shoulder" with Russia and are "not afraid of a war directed against aggression." He asserted the Western powers will "suffer a fate worse than Hitler's" if they fight the Communist countries.

Chang Wen-Tien, who is also a member of the Chinese Communist party's central committee and politburo, addressed the Soviet-sponsored European security conference. He is an observer at the conference, which the Western powers declined to attend. Delegates are present from the Soviet Union and seven Communist-governed European countries.

Western observers interpreted Chang's speech as a Chinese offer to come to the defence of Russia in the event of war in Europe. He stressed China's "600,000,000 people." Russia has about 220,000,000.

HEADED BY SOVIET  
Chang acknowledged frankly that Communist bloc states are "headed by the Soviet Union."

He denounced the Paris agreement to rearm West Germany, calling it "a serious provocation on the part of the United States and their supporters in England and France."

"At the present time the aggressive circles of the United States and their British and French supporters pin their hopes on the rearmament of West Germany. They do not see that the Germany of today is not the Germany of World War II. They do not realize that today there exists a peace-loving (East German) democratic republic which has become a stronghold of the forces of peace and democracy."

He asserted Russia has "become still more powerful than in the past" and added: "Shoulder to shoulder with it stands the Chinese People's republic... a mighty and united camp has therefore been brought into existence headed by the Soviet Union."

## Visits Canada



Prime Minister of Ceylon, Sir John Kotelawala, will make a five-day visit to Canada starting Dec. 2. Sir John, also Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Defence for Ceylon, will visit Ottawa, Toronto, Niagara Falls and Montreal.

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada wants Ceylon to remain as a strong link in Commonwealth unity.

Prime Minister St. Laurent said Wednesday there will be no special problems to discuss when Sir John Kotelawala, Ceylon's prime minister, arrives here today to begin a five-day Canadian visit.

But, he added, there will be concern to make Sir John continue to feel that Canada values his country's presence in the Commonwealth.

"We want to make him feel that there are advantages to ourselves and to his country in this personal relationship," Mr. St. Laurent told reporters.

Sir John's trip will mark the first visit to Canada of a prime minister of Ceylon. It has been billed as a courtesy trip returning Mr. St. Laurent's visit to Ceylon during his world tour earlier this year.

However, it is understood the two leaders will discuss the Commonwealth prime minister conference to be held in London at the end of January.

Mr. St. Laurent recalled that Sir John had given him a great reception during his world tour. It included was a "very brilliant function" at Sir John's home where stage performers showed off native dances and there were opportunities for guests to ride elephants.

Mr. St. Laurent said he declined the elephant ride.

Consider Taking Over Dockyard  
HAMILTON, Bermuda (CP) — The Canadian navy is considering taking over a former British naval dockyard here.

Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, flag officer commanding the Canadian Atlantic coast station, said the question of acquiring the Royal Navy dockyard at Ireland Island is being considered at government level.

Admiral Bidwell with four staff officers arrived here Monday to discuss "matters of mutual interest" with Vice-Admiral J. P. Stevens, commander-in-chief of the Royal Navy's America and West Indies station.

He said the Canadian navy uses Bermuda a good deal because of the winter. He was interested in the dockyard for this reason.

Churchill Apologizes For German Arms Speech He Made Last Week  
LONDON, (Reuters) — Prime Minister Churchill said Wednesday his controversial wartime telegram ordering that Nazi arms be stacked for possible German use against the Russians may never have been sent, but he vigorously defended the spirit and aim of the telegram, whether it was sent or not.

The prime minister told a startled House of Commons that he might have been mistaken when he told a political gathering last week of a message he had sent to Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery in the spring of 1945. He apologized for the possible error, then defended his reasons for considering using German troops against the Russians while the Second World War was still in progress.

He declared that all the accomplishments of the war might have gone for naught if much of Europe had fallen in 1945 to a "totalitarian regime from the East."

## Appointment Of Bishop Of Charlottetown Announced

OTTAWA, (CP) — Rev. Malcolm A. MacEachern, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in New Waterford, N.S., has been appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Charlottetown.

The successor of the late Bishop James Boyle, who died in London last June on his way to Rome, was announced yesterday by Most Rev. G. Panico, Apostolic Delegate to Canada.

Bishop-Elect MacEachern, born Oct. 5, 1901, at Broad Cove Chapel, Inverness County, Cape Breton, was ordained in the Diocese of Antigonish, N. S., in 1927. Following additional study, he spent 15 years teaching philosophy at St. Francis Xavier University. He was appointed to the New Waterford Church three years ago.

The new spiritual leader of Prince Edward Island's Diocese is the ninth bishop of the Diocese of Charlottetown. He is the second prelate bearing the name MacEachern.

Most Reverend Angus Bernard MacEachern was the Diocese's first bishop and died in 1835. Following Bishop MacEachern's death, Most Reverend Bernard Donald MacDonald was raised to the episcopacy. Succeeding bishops were Most Reverend Peter MacIntyre, Most Reverend James Charles MacDonald, Most Reverend Henry J. O'Leary, Most Reverend Louis J. O'Leary, Most Reverend J. A. O'Sullivan, and Most Reverend James Boyle.

Bishop-Elect MacEachern is the second Nova Scotian appointed to the Charlottetown See. The late Bishop Boyle was a native of Merland, Antigonish County, Nova Scotia.

No date of the consecration of the new bishop has been made public.

ILLUSTRIOUS CLASS  
NEW WATERFORD, N.S. (CP) — Dr. Malcolm Angus MacEachern, 53, named Wednesday as bishop of the Diocese of Charlottetown, is a six-foot, five-inch native of Broad Cove, Inverness, and the third member of the 1923 class of Quebec's Grand Seminary to be called to high office in the Roman Catholic Church in Canada. He is also the fifth Inverness County native to be named a bishop.

His Grand Seminary classmates at their ordination in the presbytery included Archbishop Gerald Berry of Halifax and Bishop William Smith of Pembroke, Ont.

Bishop-elect MacEachern was born at Broad Cove October 5, 1901. A son of the late Alexander MacEachern and Florence MacLellan, Dr. MacEachern is one of around 30 priests from the parish of Broad Cove, a short distance from Inverness town.

He attended school in Broad Cove and later studied at St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish. He entered Grand Seminary in 1923 and was ordained June 11, 1927.

Father MacEachern was assistant at Immaculate Conception parish, Sydney Mines, from October, 1927, to July, 1930. Then he was appointed professor of philosophy at St. F. X. He merited a degree of Doctor of Theology in 1932 and then went to the University of Louvain, Belgium, where he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1935. He was professor of philosophy at the Antigonish University until 1951 when he was named parish priest of Mount Carmel parish, New Waterford. A brother, Father Douglad MacEachern, pastor at Mabou. Another brother, Dan, lives at the family homestead at Broad Cove. Sister Louise Florence, a member of the Sisters of Charity, teacher at New Waterford's St. Agnes School. Another sister is Mrs. John Alex MacLellan of Dunvegan, Inverness County.

Child Killed In Coasting Incident  
SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — Three-year-old Gail Henderson was killed Wednesday when a toboggan on which she was riding with a playmate slid under a car. Thomas McCann, 4, was injured.

New Ship Has Engine Trouble  
HALIFAX, (CP) — The master of the 12,700-ton freighter Sunrip reported late Wednesday he was inward bound for Halifax to make "adjustments" to his engines which had given him trouble since his departure from Quebec Saturday.

The Sunrip is on her maiden voyage from Quebec to Port Esquivel, Jamaica. She is the largest ocean-going merchantman ever built in Canada.

The Sunrip will be used to transport aluminum ore from Jamaica to Kitimat, B.C. where the Aluminum Company of Canada has a giant smelter.

OIL LINE BREAKS  
REGINA, (CP) — A geyser of oil spouted 70 feet high Tuesday from a break in the interprovincial pipeline near Craik, 50 miles northwest of Regina. Company officials said an estimated 15,000 to 20,000 barrels of crude oil escaped.

JAILED FOR METER THEFTS  
LONDON, Ont. (CP) — A London man and wife convicted of stealing coins from parking meters were sentenced Wednesday to a total of eight months in jail. Donald Ellis, 38, was given a six month jail term, while his wife, 23, received a two month sentence.

## U. S. SENATE CONDEMNS CONDUCT BY 67-20 VOTE Vote To Censure McCarthy

By ED CREECH  
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate has condemned by a vote of 67 to 20 the conduct of Senator Joseph McCarthy on the first of three censure charges against him and cleared the way for final action in two other counts today.

The action Wednesday amounted to a vote of guilty on the charge McCarthy obstructed the Senate and acted contrary to its traditions in failing to help a subcommittee which investigated him in 1951 and 1952, and in "abusing" the group's members.

McCarthy himself did not vote on the censure resolution but denounced it as "a foul job" and said the American people know "I am being censured because I dared to do the 'dishonorable' thing of exposing communists in government."

NEW INVESTIGATION  
The Wisconsin Republican also set a wholly new investigation started by charging that forgery and suppression of evidence have been used against him.

In an outgrowth of this charge, Senator William Knowland of California, the Republican majority leader, named a special committee to look into the alleged checking of senators' incoming mail by unauthorized persons.

All the Democrats present and 23 Republicans joined in voting to "condemn" McCarthy's behavior toward the Senate sub-committee which investigated his financial and other affairs in 1951 and 1952.

Knowland and 19 other Republicans backed McCarthy. The vote came after a series of attempts to spare the Wisconsin senator from censure were defeated by similar 60-30 margins.

Still to be disposed of are charges that McCarthy:

1. Abused Brig.-Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker when the general appeared as a witness before McCarthy's permanent investigations sub-committee. (Continued on Page 15 col. 2)

Potato Market Levels Slightly Weaker In Montreal & Toronto  
Potato movement from the Province during the past week has not been heavy for this season of the year and far less than a year ago. Mr. D. A. MacDonald, Chairman and Manager of the P. E. I. Potato Marketing Board said yesterday. However, in spite of the volume shipped, market price levels in both Montreal and Toronto are slightly weaker than they were the latter part of last week.

Montreal reports Island 75's being sold at mostly \$2.00 with consumer demands slow while the Toronto market which has been \$2.20 for the last week-end was offering \$2.15 for off track rollers on Monday and on the following day new shipments were offered at \$2.10 with 50 lb. papers at \$1.50 and 10's at 34 1/2 cents.

Those Montreal and Toronto prices should warrant our producers receiving \$1.35 to \$1.40 per 75 lbs. bulk tablestock at all Island shipping points," states Mr. MacDonald. U. S. Jumbos are being sold in Montreal at \$3.00 per 100 lbs, which would indicate that growers here should be receiving a very substantial premium for such stock when it is available.

Liberal Wins Hants East Seat In N. S. Legislature In Court Recount  
WINDSOR, N.S. (CP) — Storekeeper Alfred E. Reid won the Nova Scotia legislature seat of Hants East for the Liberals Wednesday in a court-supervised recount which gave him a one-vote edge over his Progressive Conservative rival.

Mr. Reid held 2,257 votes when the final tabulation was completed after two days of sifting through ballots cast in the Nov. 16 provincial by-election. Undertaker Ernest Ettinger finished with 2,256.

Hants county court Judge B. W. Rocco will sign today the certificate confirming the outcome. This is merely a formality.

Mr. Reid and Mr. Ettinger wound up on election night with 2,260 votes apiece. The Progressive Conservative administration 21 seats in the legislature. The Progressive Conservatives have 13 and the CPC, two.

The 37th seat, Pictou Centre, was left vacant last week by the sudden death of A. B. DeWolfe, minister without portfolio and chairman of the Nova Scotia Power Commission.

It was the second time that Mr. Ettinger and Mr. Reid had fought down to the wire for an electoral decision. A one-vote margin saw-sawed back and forth between them after the provincial general election in 1953 and the entire contest was subsequently voided by the provincial Supreme Court.

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Under the new benefits Britain's £2,000,000 old age pensions—men at 65, women at 60—will get these increases:

Single person: Seven shillings, six pence a week, bringing their pension to 40 shillings.

Married couple: 11 shillings weekly, giving them 65 shillings.

Peake announced that the same increases would be given to the unemployed and the blind who get the same rates as the aged.

Totally disabled war pensioners will get an increase of 12 shillings, six pence to 67 shillings, six pence.

The widow's rate, now 37 shillings, will be raised to 40 shillings.

War widows with children and widows over 40 will get 10 shillings and sixpence more to 52 shillings and sixpence, with appropriate increases for children.

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## INCREASES WILL COST £120,000,000 ANNUALLY

## British Boost Welfare Benefits

LONDON (Reuters) — The government Wednesday raised welfare benefits by £120,000,000 a year by increasing pensions to the aged, the war disabled and others.

Osbert Peake, minister of pensions and national insurance, made the announcement in the House of Commons following months of political controversy on the issue.

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19 MORE SHOPPING DAYS  
MANY A CHEAP SKATE TAKES HIS GIRL TO THE POND?

TORONTO (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	26b	7b
Vancouver	26	42
Victoria	35	42
Edmonton	22	24
Calgary	6	32
Regina	14	26
Winnipeg	14	18
Toronto	20	32
Ottawa	22	27
Montreal	22	26
Quebec	13	26
Fredericton	12	24
Saint John	17	23
Moncton	15	22
Halifax	26	28
Charlottetown	20	23
Sydney	24	28
Yarmouth	28	28
St. John's	24	25

HALIFAX (CP) — The weather office says a northwesterly flow of cold air will continue on Thursday with little change in the weather.

Regional forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick: Cloudy with snowfalls; cold; northwest winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 18 and 25. Moncton 14 and 22. Fredericton 17 and 22. Saint John 18 and 25. Edmundston and Campbellton 15 and 22.

Bay of Fundy: Northwest winds 15; snowfalls; visibility 15 miles; lowering in furies to four miles; continuing cold.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2:06 a. m. and 3:32 p. m. Sun rises today at 7:31 a. m. and sets at 4:33 p. m.