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Danger Of New Hitler Denied By Chancellor

NEW YORK (AP) — Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger of West Germany said here there are no conditions in the German republic today such as those that led to the rise of Hitler.

The chancellor, speaking sometimes in English, appeared on a nationally-televised program recorded in Bonn.

Replying to questions on Face The Nation on the Columbia Broadcasting System, he said the National Democratic party could not obtain more than five-

per-cent of the vote in any election.

"Of course, I'm not a prophet, but there are no conditions today such as those which led to Hitler's rise."

He named unemployment among these conditions.

He also denied that any expansionist movement in Germany could lead to a return of neo-fascism and added that the German people, "after all they have been through," would "never allow that to happen again."

Nor would Germany's desire for reunification aid any return to neo-nationalism or neo-fascism.

December 27 Is Holiday Here

ALBERTON — Tuesday, Dec. 27 was declared a public holiday for the Town of Alberton at a special meeting of the Town Council last night.

The tender of Kenneth Pridham was accepted for clearing snow from the business section of main street and a part of Church Street.

It was decided to award prizes for the best decorated houses in the town and judges were appointed to select first, second and third place winners in the Christmas decoration contest.

Judges are Mrs. A.C. Green and two sisters from the staff of the Western Hospital.

Mayor Roy Leard presided and councillors Gordon, Hurray, McNeill, Weeks and McRae were present.

Speaking about Germany's Eastern frontier, the chancellor said the republic, which he described as "the only legitimate German government," is not able to agree with the Soviet concept that the frontier has been "set for all time."

But any revisions eventually made would have to be decided by a "united Germany and the other powers" and that this could only be through peaceful negotiations.

On his own association with the Nazi party, the chancellor said "this is a very long story" and one which he could not fully answer now except to say that he was cleared by trials after the war which noted he had "effectively resisted" the National Socialist movement at the risk of his life, freedom and property.

EMO OFFICERS ATTEND CONFERENCE

Civil emergency planning officers from across Canada attend a four-day Provincial Co-ordinators' Conference at the Canadian Emergency Measures College, Arrapric, Ontario. Such subjects as survival

operations, financial assistance, pestilence disaster planning and fallout shelter survey were discussed. Here, left to right from Prince Edward Island are, (SEATED, LEFT) Mr. O. R. Simons, Director,

P.E.I. SMO; Mrs. A. W. Rogers, Regional Director (P.E.I.) Canada EMO; Standing (LEFT) Mr. D. D. Ross, Planning Officer, P.E.I. Emergency Welfare Services; Mr. E. G. Kerr, Assistant to Director, P.E.I. EMO.

Rotarians Gladden Hearts Of Many In Sanatorium Visit

By RALPH CAMERON
"And may all your Christmases be white."

It was the closing line of their last song, but it was also the hope and prayer of the Rotarians, for all the patients at the Sanatorium and the Rehabilitation Centre whom they had visited last night.

Making what has become an annual pilgrimage, members of Charlottetown Rotary Club went out to the Sanatorium "at evening and travelled in a car to sing their carols and bring hope for the world and bring hope

to tiny children. For Santa Claus was with them and he brought a great array of gifts, something for everyone, individually selected and lovingly wrapped.

But Santa's pack was too heavy to carry everywhere so this time he did it in true hospital fashion and piled all his gifts on top of a stretcher table and wheeled it along the floor as he went from room to room.

The Christmas atmosphere was everywhere with gaily decorated school and room areas, and the true Christmas spirit was never more in evidence, than when the Rotarians led by Capt. Claude Hunter, and song leader, John Evans straddled down the long corridor singing "O Come All Ye Faithful". Their very presence proved the faithful had truly come.

Oddly enough the Rotarians never even saw the tremendous good they had done among the wee ones of the second floor.

and never forgot to stop by a pretty girl.

As the singers concluded their program, Dr. Found said their annual visit had become an institution and something looked forward to by the patients. He recalled when they had come to the San in 1955 there were 85 TB patients in residence; in 1960 the number was down to 50, and now it had been reduced to just 27. He said such progress indicated the success of the great fight against the dread tuberculosis disease.

He sincerely thanked the Rotarians, for their great efforts of the past and for their visit last night, and smiled when the patients gave the singers rounds of applause to show their appreciation for everything that had been done.

DEATHS

DICKIESON — Suddenly at Riverview, as the result of an accident, December 17, George Dickieson, New Glasgow, aged 70 years. Resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home until noon today, Tuesday, then to New Glasgow Christian Church. Service commencing at 1:30, interment in New Glasgow cemetery.

WOODSIDE — At the Community Hospital, O'Leary, on Monday, December 19, 1966, Mrs. Chesley Woodside of Uniovaire in her 60th year. Resting at Jolley's Funeral Home. Funeral notice later. Please send flowers. Visiting hours, 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

GAMBLE — At Ladner, B.C., December 18, 1966, Victor Lyman Gamble, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Gamble, formerly of South West Lot 16, in his 61st year. Remains have been forwarded to the Compton Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held Wednesday, December 21, at 2:30 p.m. Interment in the People's cemetery, Summerside. Visiting hours today, 2-5, 7-10.

CAMPBELL — The death occurred on December 19 of John Nelson Campbell, son of the late Norman Campbell, formerly of 286 Fitzroy Street, age 86 years. Resting at the Hennessy Funeral Home from where the funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock to St. Dunstan's Basilica for Requiem High Mass at 9:15. Interment in the Catholic cemetery.

MAYME — At the Livingston MacArthur Nursing Home December 19, 1966, Mary Mayme, formerly of Margate in her 78th year. Remains resting at the Davison Funeral Home until Wednesday then to Margate United Church where funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Interment in the church cemetery. Visiting hours Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9.

ARSENIAULT — The death occurred suddenly at the Community Hospital, O'Leary Monday, Dec. 19, 1966, of William E. Arsenault, Cascompec, in his 78th year. Forwarded from the Rooney Funeral Home to his late residence from where the funeral will be held Wednesday, Dec. 21 leaving the home at 9 o'clock to St. Anthony's Church, Bloomfield, for Requiem High Mass at 9:30. Interment in the church cemetery.

FALL — At his late residence, Dunbury, Sunday, December 18, 1966, John Fall in his 53rd year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held Wednesday, December 21st with service commencing at 1:30 p.m. Interment in the Peoples cemetery. Visiting hours 2 to 4 and 7 to 10 p.m.

BOUDREAU — At her home in St. Charles on Monday, December 19, Mrs. Charlotte Boudreau, wife of the late Albert Boudreau in her 74th year. Her remains will be transferred from the Perry Funeral Home at 3 o'clock this afternoon to her late residence from where the funeral will be held on Wednesday morning leaving the home at 11:15 for Requiem High Mass at 11:30, at St. Charles Church, St. Charles. Interment in the church cemetery.

Sing Song At Sacred Heart

ALBERTON — The Sacred Heart Church at Alberton was filled almost to capacity Sunday evening for the third annual West Prince County Carol Sing. Rev. Gerald Steels, Parish Priest, extended a cordial welcome to all who had come and called upon Rev. Ronald Pocklington to lead in an invocation prayer. Henri Gaudet was organist and J. Aubin Gollant directed the singing.

Besides many of the familiar carols which everyone joined in singing, there were a number of special selections, which were much appreciated. Members of Alberton Boy Scout Troop sang "O Come, All Ye Faithful" and "Silent Night," the latter with guitar accompaniment by Keith Broderick.

TRIO CHOIR
Trio choir sang two French carols, "If Est Ne Le Divin Enfant" and "Ca Bergers" also two parts from the Latin Mass, "Kyrie" with three part harmony, and "The Sanctus." A duet, "Goodnight, Sweet Jesus," was sung by Mrs. John Greer and Cyril Leard.

There were two vocal solos, "O Holy Night" by Sister Malone and "Infant Holy" by Mrs. Greer; also an organ solo, Schubert's "Ave Maria" by Mr. Gaudet.

CONCLUDED
The evening concluded with the reading of the Christmas Story from the Gospel of Luke, by Rev. Clarence Piltre, while the choir hummed the music of "Silent Night," and the Benediction by Father Steels.

WESTERN BRIEFS

IN HOSPITAL
Roy Williams, Elmadaie, has been a patient in the Western Hospital.

WEEKEND WITH PARENTS
Nadine Crockett, Charlottetown, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Crockett, Montrose.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester O'Donnell and children, Catherine, Helen, Shirley and David, Souris River, left yesterday for Finch, Ont., where they will spend the holiday season with Mrs. O'Donnell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Curran.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET
The annual Christmas banquet for the Headquarters and 'A' Squadron of the P.E.I. Regiment was held Monday night at the Basilica Recreation Centre. Lt. Colonel E.G. MacLeod, M.C., was in attendance.

WINS TROPHY
Mrs. William Griffin and Alan Forsythe won the Charlottetown Duplicate Bridge Club mixed pairs' championship recently. Last night they were presented with a trophy by Roy Vessey, who donated it, while they attended a bridge party at the Charlottetown Hotel.

LITTER HIGHWAY
The Summerside detachment of the RCMP say that prosecution is anticipated following discovery of garbage thrown on the highway in the Miscouche area on the Western Road over the weekend.

ALBANY TRAFFIC

pool, the permit taken out by the local Kinmen's Club.

Mayor Key said that the provincial government has notified council of a number of proposed plans it has prepared for changing the traffic pattern at the Albany intersection. The diagrams of the proposed plans will be on display at the fire hall and a meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 29, at 2 p.m., for discussing the plans for a new intersection at the Albany turn-off. The mayor said he hoped that representatives from interested groups in the Prince County area, including the Summerside Town Council and Board of Trade, perhaps the Alberton Council and West Prince Board of Trade, and any other interested bodies, would come to the fire hall and see the different proposals and would attend the meeting on December 29.

A letter was read from Commodore Richard Wedge of the Summerside Yacht Club, thanking the mayor and council for their assistance in getting the club underway this year. Councillor Mollison and Ernest Morrison both complimented Mr. Wedge and the other Yacht Club members for their attainments in making boating facilities available here.

RESOLUTIONS
Other resolutions passed were: one appointing Charles Hogan as manager of the Summerside swimming pool, starting January 1; one changing the name of the "stadium and leader committee" to "stadium-tender and centennial swimming pool committee"; and second reading of a by-law amendment concerning livestock in the town.

Councillor Frances Perry said in the report of the finance committee that tax collections to the end of November amounted to \$580,485.29 or 94 per cent of the current tax roll, and that prosecutions were continuing for tax arrears.

SALES TAX

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mentary budget since 1960—he called it a mini-budget—focused his full attention on the old age security fund, set up in 1953 to pay for old age pensions.

The rates originally were two per cent of taxable income with a maximum of \$60 a year for individuals, two per cent of corporate incomes and a two-per-cent sales tax.

The fund, he noted, operated for many years at a deficit and had small surpluses only in 1960-61 and 1961-62 until the last three years when surpluses were amassed with higher rates.

BURDEN GROWS
But the guaranteed-income plan, which will pay an extra \$30 monthly supplement to pensioners who need it, will impose an additional \$200,000,000 burden on the fund. This will grow as the qualifying age for the pension drops year by year to reach 65 in 1970.

Mr. Sharp said that with the new taxes he is imposing, the fund should have a surplus through to the end of its 1970-71 fiscal year.

The increase to \$240 a year from \$120 in the maximum old age security fund payment by individuals will yield about \$135,000,000 a year at current income levels.

Payroll deductions will be adjusted after Jan. 1 to take the increase into account and it will be fully in effect when taxpayers make out their 1967 tax returns in the spring of 1968.

"The increase in sales tax can be expected to increase the prices of those goods subject to it, though just how much will depend on the market conditions in each commodity and in various distribution channels," Mr. Sharp said.

"Indeed in some cases the increase may not be passed on."

"Certainly it should increase the cost of living by much less than one per cent, taking into account that services and a wide range of goods are exempt."

"I should remind consumers that virtually all foodstuffs are exempt from the sales tax and, therefore, this increase in rate will have no effect upon this very important portion of their expenditures."

The minister reviewed the broad sweep of federal government budget revenues and expenditures.

Because of the mid-summer slump in business activity, he now expects total revenues to be \$8,265,000,000 instead of the \$8,300,000,000 forecast in last March's budget.

Budgetary expenditures on the other hand, because of a number of new government programs, will run to \$8,580,000,000 instead of the \$8,450,000,000 forecast in March.

DEFICIT INCREASES
This results in a budgetary deficit forecast for the fiscal year ending next March 31 of \$320,000,000, instead of the \$150,000,000 he forecast in his main budget speech in March.

Taking into account the activities of the federal government in non-budgetary fields, Mr. Sharp said the impact of his budget on the economy this year will have the effect of a surplus of \$140,000,000—close to a balanced economic budget.

Last March, he said, his budget creating a surplus of \$455,000,000 in the national economic accounts, a moderate amount of dampening to the over-heated economy.

It is still too early, he said, to get a clear picture of the Canadian economy in 1967. The government doesn't yet know what capital investment the provinces and private industry are planning, and Washington has still to make its main economic forecasts.

He said he will make a detailed review of the economy in his next regular budget, next spring.

But he told the Commons: "We must moderate the rate of increase in new public expenditures. Neither the capacity nor the willingness of Canadians to pay higher taxes should be taken for granted."

13 Feared Dead On Freighter

By REUTERS
Gales, blizzards and floods brought the worst weather of the winter to northern Europe during the weekend. In the Baltic all 13 crew members of a grounded Greek freighter were feared dead.

The freighter, the 910-ton Siergasia, went aground off Holmsund, northern Sweden, but gales felled rescuers until Monday when a rescue ship and a helicopter reached it and spotted a dead seaman aboard.

Two more bodies seen in the water and two more on the shore were thought to be from the Siergasia. It was believed the rest of the crew could not have survived long in the icy water.

Several other ships were in trouble in the gale-lashed Baltic.

Two Norwegian whaling vessels broke loose from the tug towing them Sunday but their crews were rescued.

On land, the Fins dug themselves out of snowdrifts until the year's worst storm blew the roofs off many homes Sunday night.

PRUDENTIAL

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Finance department has begun an assessment of the adequacy of federal controls on finance companies and he has sounded out Ontario about a conference in January to include finance companies and provincial officials aimed at plugging loopholes in regulations governing them.

The finance minister said Mr. Gruber, formerly employed with Morris Stein, the Prudential Finance auditor, "made it clear that he himself was contracting other federal government departments and the Ontario authorities with the intention of revealing the information he had refused to the superintendent of insurance."

In a statement Saturday, Mr. Gruber said he had not informed Ontario authorities, but federal officials had advised him this would be done.

PROTECTED UNDER ACT
After his visit to insurance officials, Mr. Gruber went to the revenue department and made certain statements under the protection of the Income Tax Act about Prudential Finance, Mr. Sharp said.

During this visit, which also occurred last January, Mr. Gruber was told the Income Tax Act prevented the revenue department from forwarding information to any other department or authority.

The revenue department properly refused to tell the insurance department anything on the same grounds when insurance officials inquired about Prudential.

However, the insurance department was told there was nothing in what Mr. Gruber said that was of concern to the department of insurance.

"Nor did his statements contain any evidence of tax evasion," said Mr. Sharp. "Department of national revenue officials also indicated that they had previous contacts with Mr. Gruber which led them to feel that he was a generally un-118 . . . informant."

Mr. Sharp rose in the House with a prepared statement on Mr. Gruber's role at the start of the sitting.

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