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## Korean Armistice Talks Critically Boggled

### Federal Gov't Eases Credit Restrictions; Action Is Welcomed

OTTAWA, Jan. 10 (CP)—The Federal Government today eased consumer-credit restrictions by extending the time-to-pay period 18 months from 12 and promised further cuts this year if inflation declines.

Some Canadian business men gave a warm greeting to the apparent attempt to pull the consumer-goods industry out of a sales slump. Others felt the changes did not go far enough. Down payments, they believe, should also have been reduced.

Modifications, first since the restrictions were imposed in October, 1950, go into effect Monday, Jan. 14.

They include:  
1. Pianos, organs, saxophones and other musical instruments purchased by the general public are freed from the regulations. The list, of course, does not include radios, television sets, record players or the like.

2. Customers may rent refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, washing machines and other consumer goods for as long as 12 months and they will not be liable to credit restrictions. Previously the limit was six months. After that the government considered the goods

as purchased and enforced credit regulations.  
3. However, regulations no longer will be applied to all goods—with the exception of automobiles and motorcycles—rented for use exclusively in a business, trade or profession. Taxicabs and trucks, considered vehicles for business, were not subject to the restrictions.

Some major blocks to large-scale consumer purchases are still continued. The down payment on new and used passenger cars is still one-half the purchase price; on other consumer items, one-third. The minimum time payments are \$10 a month or \$2.50 a week.

The modifications restore the time-to-pay part of the restrictions back to where they were last March.

Tougher Than In U S  
Current restrictions make the Canadian regulations tougher than those imposed in the United States. The time-to-pay is the same but the down payment in the U.S. is one-third the purchase price on cars and 15 per cent on other goods.

Finance Minister Abbott said (Continued on Page 8 Col. 4)

Red Broadcasts Emphasize Grave Crisis  
(By Don Huth)  
MUNSAN, Korea, Jan. 11 (Friday)—(AP)—Friction over the Korean truce talks hit a higher pitch today, as Communist propaganda broadcasts emphasized a "grave crisis" unless the Allies accept "final" Red terms on supervising an armistice.

The Allies rejected the Communist proposal Thursday because it failed to include safeguards against increasing Red Air power in Korea during an armistice.

The U. N. command lashed back with charges that the Reds are trying "to advocate slavery" by insisting on the forced repatriation of all Allied-held prisoners.

While nerves had reached the snapping point on both sides, another attempt to reach an armistice agreement was scheduled in Panmunjom for 11 a.m. today (9 p.m. EST Thursday).

Another warning was heard Thursday from South Korean President Syngman Rhee. He declared: "I patched up humiliating peace now will only result in a more disastrous war later."

Rhee's comment came during a visit aboard the battleship Wisconsin, flagship of the U. S. Seventh Fleet, off Northeast Korea.

The Communist Peiping radio labelled the Red plan for supervising a truce "a major and final effort to break the deadlock."

### Kickham Delegation Furnishes Food For Reflection At Ottawa

The upshot is, however, that mail for King's will be taken away from the trucks and loaded aboard the meandering milk train.

"It seems that people of King's, a fishing and agricultural area, don't want their mail at noon. They'd rather get it in the evenings, mull it over carefully and come to a decision on which they can act the next day. That is how their forefathers were in the horse-and-buggy days. Why should they change now?"

"The Turgeon Commission recommended that railways examine a speedup of service by the use of trucks as the CNR has been doing in King's for the past two or three months. But, it was pointed out, the Turgeon Commission doesn't happen to live in King's."

"A top Post Office Department official was braced by a Journal reporter on the King's County mail delivery problem. He admitted that the Post Office Department in this case was reverting to slow train delivery service and marching backward into the past.

"They seem to be peculiar people down there in King's," he mused.

"The House of Commons has a habit of giving nicknames to some of its members.

"Across the country, the Prime Minister is known as 'Uncle Louis', J. M. Macdonnell, Opposition Financial Critic is 'Long Jim', Jean Francois Pouliot is 'The Tiger of Temiscouata', and John Sinnott, Liberal M.P. for Springfield, enjoys the sobriquet of 'Two-Job John'."

"Mr. Kickham of King's is making a bid to join this select group. His new title obviously will be 'Slow-Train Tom'."

Former Editor Of Family Herald Dies  
TORONTO, Jan. 10 (CP)—Watson Griffin, 91, former editor of the Family Herald and Weekly Star in Montreal and at one time chief editorial writer of the Montreal Star, died at his home today. He was news editor of the old Toronto News when only 19. He was also at one time in charge of the commercial intelligence section of the Trade and Commerce Department at Ottawa.

17 Persons Injured In Montreal Fire  
MONTREAL, Jan. 10 (CP)—Seventeen persons suffered burns and cuts today when fire roared through the upper floors of a three-storey industrial building in mid-town Montreal.

All were treated at hospitals and later released.

Thousands of persons spent their lunch hour at the busy St. Lawrence-St. Catharines intersection, watching the rescue work of firemen who scrambled up extension ladders and brought the injured to safety.

An unidentified young fireman prevented several terrified men and women from leaping from the third storey by shouting to them to remain at the windows until ladders could be run up.

No estimate of the damage was obtainable.

OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—The Labor Department has predicted that there will be a strong demand for university graduates and undergraduates this year. Within three weeks after a questionnaire was sent out to 8,000 Canadian employers last month, National Employment Service received 7,300 replies offering 1,400 jobs for graduates and 1,800 for undergraduates.

Claxton Has High Praise For Canadians In Korea  
OTTAWA, Jan. 10 (CP)—Defence Minister Claxton said today "it is difficult to imagine a better fighting force" than Canada's 25th Brigade in Korea.

In a prepared statement issued on his return from a visit to Korea, Mr. Claxton said members of the 25th Brigade "are the best fed, clothed, equipped and paid force Canada has ever had."

He added: "We have found additional ways to bridge the gap of more than 7,000 miles between our men and their homes. Everyone should do everything they can to give the things they most want to these men fighting for us and for the restoration and preservation of peace and that is more letters from home, and friends and more local news."

"The war in Korea has been a tough, challenging job and it isn't finished yet. Subject only to unforeseeable needs of the war, men in the brigade will continue to be rotated after 12 months' service."

"To meet our defence needs in Korea, in Europe and at home requires a big, sustained effort, but with the continued support of all we shall see it through."

Mr. Claxton said he wished every Canadian "could have seen the confident efficiency and high spirits of the men in our three services" in Korea.

He paid tribute to the R. C. A. F. which carried him on his 18,000-mile, 14-day visit to the troops. During his visit every facility was extended.

"Co-operation between the various United Nations forces is good," said Mr. Claxton.

The R. C. A. F.'s big OS aircraft, carrying the Minister and his party, touched down at nearby Rockcliffe Airport.

### 46 Men Left Sinking Ship Off B. C. Coast

VANCOUVER, Jan. 10 (CP)—Searching ships and plane tonight probed through snow flurries whipping across the storm-tossed North Pacific for some trace of 46 men who abandoned the American freighter Pennsylvania late yesterday.

They arrived today at the last reported position of the 7,800-ton vessel, some 465 miles northwest of the northern tip of Vancouver Island. They found only an empty, angry sea.

The Canadian weather ship Stonetown, which sped east from her lonely station 235 miles away, was first ship on the scene.

Her skipper, Capt. J. McMunhele, radioed: "There is no sign of the Pennsylvania or her boats and no word from Capt. George Plover since abandoning her."

This message apparently bore out the assumption of States Steamship Company of Portland, Ore., owners of the Pennsylvania, that Capt. Plover had gone over the side with his men.

In Four Boats  
The crew abandoned ship in four lifeboats after hurricane winds and vicious seas made short work of the Pennsylvania.

Capt. Plover sent a message early yesterday that a 14-foot-long crack had opened in the port hull of his ship. At noon the radio operator flashed an SOS and 4 1/2 hours later came the message "Leaving now." The sea was coming in so fast the emergency pumps were unable to stem the flood in the engine room and nos. 1 and 2 holds.

Capt. McMunhele of the Stonetown said in his message, picked up by the CBC here: "We reached the area at 9:30 this morning. Throughout the night there were moderate to fresh northwesterly gales. Heavy snow and rain."

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Strong Upward Swing In N. Y. Stock Market  
NEW YORK, Jan. 10 (AP)—A strong upward swing today in the stock market added an estimated \$1,000,000,000 to the quoted value of all listed securities.

The advance was general throughout the market and halted a three-day decline that capped the year-end advance.

Railroads displayed the best strength. Gains at the outside among leaders ran to between \$1 and \$3 a share with some individual issues pushing far beyond that on their own.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks was up \$1 at \$69.70, only 10 cents under the 1952 peak and \$1.80 under last year's high which was the best in 21 years.

U. S. rubber was the day's most active issue up \$4.25 at \$93 as a result of a proposal by the company to split the stock three shares for one. American Can, under the influence of a four-for-one split proposal, gained \$3.25 at \$126.25.

### Alexander From Wrong Country For Pact Job; May Get Another Offer

Gen. Gruenther's name is probably the least known to Canadians but it is understood that he has made a highly-favorable impression on Canadians such as External Affairs Minister Pearson and Defence Minister Claxton.

Gen. Gruenther is said to have a personality similar to Gen. Eisenhower. He is intelligent, scholarly. He has a firm grasp of international problems. His big drawback is that he has never commanded a large military force. He has always been a staff officer.

However, the responsibilities of an Eisenhower are as much those of a diplomat as of a soldier.

Other Possibilities  
Meanwhile, although he is written off for the N.A.T.O. job, there are reports Viscount Alexander may get a bid from Prime Minister Churchill this week-end to go back into military harness in Malaya. His extended term here ends next fall.

There also have been reports that Mr. Churchill may ask him to go into the British cabinet as War Minister.

Sources close to Viscount Alexander say he doesn't know what Mr. Churchill may have in mind. Any public statements the Governor-General has made have indicated that it is his hope to retire in England when he leaves here.

News In Brief  
PARIS, Jan. 10 (Reuters)—Georges Bidault, Catholic Party leader, said today his attempts to form a coalition middle-of-the-road government are probably doomed to failure. Political observers expect it to be at least two weeks before a new government can be formed.

OTTAWA, Jan. 10 (CP)—External Affairs Minister Pearson said today the general opinion in high Atlantic-Pact circles is that the West is in a far better military position now than two years ago and that things will be even better this year.

HALIFAX, Jan. 10 (CP)—The air force tonight called off as a "hopeless task" its search for a missing Mustang fighter plane and its lone pilot, missing since Sunday on a test flight from the Chatham, N. B., base.

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 10 (AP)—Search for Mrs. Huguet Lemay, 21-year-old Canadian beauty who vanished in the Florida keys last Friday night has not diminished and, "if anything, has intensified," said the Monroe County Deputy Sheriff, James O. Barker, said tonight.

Flying Instructor And Student Killed  
GIMLI, Man., Jan. 10 (CP)—A flying instructor and a student were killed today when their Harvard training plane crashed near Fraserhood, 10 miles west of here, N. C. A. F. officials said tonight.

Names of the victims have been withheld pending notification of next-of-kin. No further details are available.

Gimli is about 60 miles north of Winnipeg on the west shore of Lake Winnipeg.

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Churchill Decides To Travel By Train  
NEW YORK, Jan. 10 (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill is cutting short his New York visit because bad weather may make flying risky.

His host and friend, financier Bernard Baruch, said today the British statesman will leave by train for Ottawa tonight (11:30 P.M. EST).

Originally, Churchill had planned to leave by plane tomorrow (at 2 P.M.).

Seed Shipped Via Halifax  
HALIFAX, Jan. 10 (CP)—Some 66,000 bags of Prince Edward Island potatoes were landed here today by 132 Canadian National Railway freight cars. The shipment, one of the largest to be handled through the port, will be loaded aboard the freighter Sparholm for South Carolina.

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In Halifax, there was little coal in dealers' bins and none banked at the pier, capable of holding 80,000 tons.

In Moncton, N. B., dealers said delivery from the coal companies were slow. The supply had been good until Christmas, they said, but then they slowed and dealers were unable to guarantee delivery.

Some reported they had long waiting lists and most customers had to wait three or four days. No coke has been available in Moncton since Christmas and none is in sight.

In Saint John, N. B., the shortage of soft coal, practically all of which comes from the Cape Breton pits, was described as "acute."

Some dealers blamed the consumers for not stocking up during the summer and fall and then putting in rush orders when the cold weather arrived.

Prince Edward Island reported a shortage throughout the Province. Soft coal supplies were "very low" and coal and coke were short.

In Glace Bay, an official of Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation, largest producer in Eastern Canada, said the weather was to blame.

Empty coal cars were late arriving back at the loading spots and even when they did arrive were packed with snow, which took time to remove.

The weather, too, forced two pits to go idle for one day this week when the miners couldn't reach the pits. Three more pits were idle today because not enough coal cars had arrived to load the output.

"But we expected to be back on normal shipments soon," the official said.

## Committed On Murder Charge For Trial In Supreme Court

Joseph Gabriel MacDonald, Chepstow, yesterday was committed for trial before the Supreme Court at its next sitting in July by King's County Magistrate Joseph McDonald. The Magistrate had presided at the preliminary hearing on the charge of murder brought against the Chepstow youth as a result of the death of Mrs. John C. (Mary Ann) MacKinnon by shooting at her home in Little Harbor on the night of November 8, 1951.

In their final arguments defence counsel H. Frank McPhee, K.C., maintained there was insufficient evidence to justify the magistrate in committing MacDonald for trial. He said all the evidence was circumstantial and while such a type was perfectly

legal there must be an unbroken chain of it involving facts inconsistent with any reasonable hypothesis excepting the guilt of the accused.

He briefly reviewed the evidence given regarding foot and hoof prints in the area and other introduced and claimed they did not constitute the required unbroken chain of facts. He thereupon moved for the discharge of the accused.

Mr. J. O. C. Campbell, K.C., Deputy Attorney General, who presented the case for the Crown, in summing up pointed out that there had been a murder, whether the accused were guilty or not, and asked what kind of a murder it was. He said it was not a fight in the street between two men.

He maintained that in this case the woman was sitting, not in an atmosphere conducive to murder, but with her children around her and a rosary in her hands saying prayers for them.

He also briefly traced the evidence and spoke of the connection between the death bullet and the rifle found on the MacDonald premises. He mentioned the tracks found and of the possible connection with the boots of the accused, connected the prisoner and threats which he had allegedly made.

"I say there is enough evidence to convict him and enough evidence to hang him."

Magistrate McDonald gave the accused the accustomed statutory warning and then asked if he had anything to say. The prisoner replied, "I have nothing to say at the present." His attorney, Mr. McPhee, stated the defence would present no evidence at this time.

It was the third session of the preliminary hearing held in the old court room at Georgetown and was enlivened in mid-afternoon. (Continued on Page 11 Col. 4)

Coming Events  
\*North River Rink, Hampshire versus North River tonight at eight o'clock.  
\*Card Party and Dance, Millview Hall, Friday, January 11th. Millview Orchestra.  
\*Notice to public. Blacksmith shop open for business. Earl Robertson, Hunter River.  
\*Come in and talk over our Purina finance plan for feeding your hogs and poultry. Dillon & Spillet.  
\*Hockey tonight at Hunter River rink, Breadalban Rangers vs. Hunter River Shur-Gains. Skate after.  
\*Horse racing at Stanley Bridge Saturday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m. If not fine will be held Wednesday, Jan. 16.  
\*Hockey Wiltshire Rink to-night, Hampshire Juveniles vs. Wiltshire Juveniles. Skate after. Canteen service.  
\*Dancing every Friday night, South Ruston weather and roads permitting. Canteen. The Charlottetownians' Orchestra.  
\*For Snapshots that will not fade mail your Films and Negatives to Garnum Photo Studios Charlottetown.  
\*Reserve Saturday, January 19th for Rummage Sale at St. Peter's Sunday School Room at 7:00 P. M.  
\*Come to the Gard and Crokinole Party in Margate School, Friday night, January 11th. Proceeds for school. Playing begins at 8 o'clock sharp.  
\*Come to the hockey game Saturday night, Fredericton rink, Springfield Rangers vs. Fredericton Jets. Skate after.

\*Hear the interesting lecture on "Experiences in Korea" by Major Andrew MacRae of Winsloe, in Winsloe Station Hall, Tuesday, January 15th at 8 p.m.



Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Friday.

Synopsis:  
A storm centred south of Nova Scotia is moving northeastward. The area of snow moving along with it will reach Prince Edward Island and may touch Southern New Brunswick. Some rain can be expected along the south coast of Nova Scotia. Southern Quebec and most of New Brunswick are expected to be outside the influence of this storm. On Friday the weather will be windy and colder.

Regional Forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island: Snow, ending in morning. Cloudy with widely scattered snowflurries in afternoon and evening. Little change in temperature. Northwest winds 25. Low and high Friday at Charlottetown 20 and 22.

High tide today at 11:07 A.M. and 9:48 P.M.  
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