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HALF-MILLION COMMUNISTS POISED FOR BIG OFFENSIVE

R.C.A.F. To Triple Striking Power In 1951

Dutch-Indonesian Talks On Future of Western New Guinea Break Down

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — Netherlands-Indonesian talks on the future of Western New Guinea...

Scores As Soloist



Miss Ferne Milford (above), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Milford of Liverpool, N.S., formerly of Victoria, P.E.I., who, for the second year in succession has won the cup as vocal soloist at Edgehill Ladies College, Windsor, N.S.

\$50,000 Fire At Shippegan, N.B.

SHIPPEGAN, N. B., Dec. 27 (CP) — Fire of unknown origin early today destroyed a large section of the Sealord Foods Corporation plant at this Northern New Brunswick village...

Cold Wave In Western U. S. A.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 (AP) — Bone-chilling cold swept across the mid-western and eastern United States today, but more moderate temperatures were on the way.

Jet Planes Guard New York City

MITCHEL FIELD, N.Y., Dec. 27 (AP) — The United States Air Force disclosed today that lightning-fast F-94 all-weather jet planes now are guarding New York City and the industrial east.

Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown. Show Morell Community Hall every Tuesday, Friday, Saturday. Show starts 8 o'clock.

Fighters And Anti-Sub Work To Be Expanded

By DOUGLAS HOW OTTAWA, Dec. 27 (CP) — The Air Force plans to triple its striking power in 1951 for the two air combat roles singled out for Canada's special attention under the Atlantic Pact.

Canadian Advance Party Ordered Home From Korea

OTTAWA, Dec. 27 (CP) — Most of the 345 soldiers in a Canadian advance party in Korea have been ordered home, indicating there now is little chance that the army's special force will go to that theatre.

King Greatly Distressed By Theft of Historic Stone

LONDON, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — The King is "greatly distressed" by the theft of the historic Stone of Scone on which he and his royal ancestors were crowned, the country heard in a broadcast tonight.

2.5 Degrees Above Zero Yesterday

The thermometer again dipped as low as 2.5 degrees yesterday morning about seven o'clock for the second day in succession it was learned from Mr. Warren Burns, Weather Observer at the Experimental Station.

Go-Signal For New U. S. Steel Mill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (AP) — The Government gave a go-signal to U.S. Steel Corporation today to erect a \$351,414,000 steel mill, believed to be the highest single steel expansion project in United States history.

Two Red Units Threatening Seoul Are Defeated

Evidence Mounts That Enemy Ready For Push Against Eighth Army. By ROBERT EUNSON TOKYO, Dec. 28 (Thursday) — Nearly 500,000 Chinese and Korean Reds massed along the 38th parallel today for a big blow that may fall at any hour.

13 Below Zero At Montreal

MONTREAL, Dec. 27 (CP) — Montreal today experienced its coldest Dec. 27 in 37 years when the temperature dropped to 13 below zero.

U.S. Target Areas Told To Prepare For Germs, Gas

By FRANK CAREY WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (CP) — The Government today advised "critical target areas" in the United States to begin at once preparing for the civil defence health services that would be needed if attacks with A-bombs, germs or nerve gases left tens of thousands of living casualties.

Two B.C. Girls Safe After 25 Hours On Snow-Clad Mountain

VANCOUVER, Dec. 27 (CP) — Two Vancouver schoolgirls missing for 25 hours on snow-clad, mist-shrouded Mount Seymour were found safe and unharmed today — about 12 miles from where searchers were looking for them.

Two Weeks Before Telephone Service Fully Restored

Telephone services will not be completely restored to normal in the province for at least two weeks, stated Mr. D. M. Gass, Manager of the Island Telephone Company last night as he referred to the damage caused by the whipping snow storm on Monday night, Dec. 18.

To Discuss Rates Boost On Jan. 5

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 27 (CP) — A special meeting of the Maritime Transportation Commission will be held Jan. 5 or earlier to discuss the railways' request for a five per cent freight rate hoist, Rand H. Matheson, commission manager, announced today.

Cabinet Today May Set Date For House Opening

OTTAWA, Dec. 27 (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent returns to the capital tonight for a Cabinet meeting tomorrow which may settle some defence questions and decide the date for the opening of the 1951 session of Parliament.



TORONTO, Dec. 27 (CP) — Minimum temperatures observed between 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. EST; maximum temperatures between 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.:

Table with columns for location (TORONTO, HALIFAX, BORDEN - CAPE TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE) and temperature ranges.