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CALIFORNIA LANDSLIDE TOPPLES HOMES

Three houses in the Pacific Palisades section, near Los Angeles, were wrecked or partially wrecked after a huge landslide dropped the ground away from under their backyards. House at center was demolished; houses at left and right partly damaged and in further danger. Earth is moving, with explanation, at about three feet an hour.

January Consumer Index Higher By Two-Fifths Point

OTTAWA (CP) — The consumer price index for January rose two-fifths of a point to a record 141.2, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Tuesday.

Higher prices for food, housing and tobacco pushed the index up from 140.8 in December. The index, based on 1949 consumer prices equalling 100, was 3.1 per cent higher than a year previous when it stood at 136.9. Economists say that, ideally, prices should not rise more than 1 1/2 to two per cent a year.

There was a drop in the index of clothing prices, to 127.7 from 123.8 in December, but the price increases for other goods and services were more than enough to outweigh this.

The increase in the total index, however, was somewhat more gradual than increases in November and December. The index moved up gradually last year through the first few months, jumped sharply in June and July, fell off gradually in August and September, then resumed its climb.

BEFF PRICES HIGHER

DBS has no directly comparable measure of family incomes. The latest available index of average industrial wages and salaries was 217.7 in November, compared with 218.1 in October and 204.7 in November, 1964. This index, also based on 1949 rates equaling 100, represents average wages and salaries paid by firms in a wide range of industries employing more than 15 persons.

DBS said the food index rose one full point to 140.6 in January from 139.6 in December because of higher prices for beef, pork, fish, chicken, most fruits and vegetables, tea, coffee, butter and shortening.

These more than offset price decreases for eggs, oranges, orange juice, tomatoes, celery, most bakery and cereal products, evaporated milk and turkey.

The housing index, which covers both shelter and household



LT.-GOV. PEARKE

B.C.'s Lt.-Gov. Makes Progress

VICTORIA (CP) — Lieutenant-Governor George Pearkes is making "fairly good progress" in battling an intestinal illness at a Vernon, B.C., hospital, an aide reported Tuesday.

Mr. Pearkes had spent a "pretty good" night, he said. The lieutenant-governor remains classified as an acutely ill patient following his admission to hospital Saturday. He had arrived in Vernon to take part in the Okanagan city's winter carnival.

Mrs. Pearkes has taken up residence in the hospital to be near her 77-year-old husband.

Trawler Officers Forecast As Qualified Technicians

By DAVE MACDONALD
MONTREAL (CP) — J. F. Minnee, a naval architect from Leiden, Holland, said Tuesday the future officer aboard a fishing trawler will have to be a highly qualified technician in specific fields.

He was speaking on the second day of a three-day Canadian Atlantic off-shore fishing vessel conference attended by about 400 delegates from Quebec and the Atlantic provinces.

Mr. Minnee said the key to the most efficient use of advanced vessel and equipment design is a skilled and efficient crew.

Basic requirements to achieve this were better education for all crew, higher crew comfort standards aboard ship and the achievement of social status for the fishermen.

"The development of ship-board facilities in the accommodation, vessel stability, labor saving devices associated with fishing-gear operation, processing and unloading the catch and every other avenue of research will never cease," he said.

But the education of fishing crews was a major consideration for "technological ad-

vances must be paralleled by higher standards of education."

SYSTEMS COMPLICATED
Officers must be qualified to operate the sophisticated control systems now being placed aboard modern fishing vessels. This would give them "the potential to earn an income comparable with specialists in other trades."

Mr. Minnee said it is important to give the fisherman social status. Recently in Holland, one trawler crew had been given official ranks with appropriate uniforms. He suggested this could help to give crews the desired social status.

If this were done it should be possible "to recruit young men to the industry from a much wider field than the local fishing community."

He stressed the importance of close co-operation between sci-

entific research and the industry for the achievement of technological advances in fishing.

PRAISES WOODEN SHIPS
Andrew Eisenhauer, president of the Atlantic Ship Building Co. Ltd. in Lunenburg, N.S., said there is still a definite place for the wooden-built fishing vessel although the spotlight is currently on steel construction.

He said wooden ships are designed by competent naval architects, techniques have been adapted to meet the demands of increased engine power, heavier winches, and deck-gear, and fish-holes are being lined with aluminum or glass-fibre materials backed by foam insulation to improve the quality of the fish landed.

A great attraction to individual or group owners was the lower capital investment required for wooden construction than for a steel trawler of similar size.

Statistics showed repair costs for wooden trawlers even 10 to 20 years old were lower than for comparable steel trawlers. Catches and cash return also compared favorably showing "net returns to capital cost greatly in favor of wooden construction in trawlers of the 90- to 125-foot category."



DO IT NOW

N. Viet Nam President Makes Move For Peace

Humphrey Gets Asian Job After Honolulu Meeting

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
HONOLULU (AP) — President Johnson decided Tuesday to send Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey to Saigon to confer with restive South Vietnamese leaders on the problems of rebuilding South Viet Nam's economy.

Chief of State Nguyen Van

Thieu urged the United States to bomb the chief North Vietnamese port of Haiphong and other industrial targets. The United States so far has avoided this, on grounds it might escalate the war.

Then Thieu delivered another blow to U.S. policy. He said he would be unwilling under any conditions to sit at the peace conference with the National Liberation Front, political agency of the Viet Cong guerrillas.

The United States has said it would be willing for the Viet Cong to sit at the peace table under certain conditions. In rejecting Johnson's peace moves, North Viet Nam has insisted the front is the only representative of the South Vietnamese people.

Thieu spoke at a press conference along with Premier Nguyen Cao Ky, who said he had discussed here with Johnson an increase in the number of U.S. troops in South Viet Nam.

There are 201,000 U.S. troops there now and the number will be increased, but Ky said: "I can say the new troops arriving in South Viet Nam are not decided yet."

Ky showed irritation when pressed about peace negotiations, saying: "Why don't you go and ask the aggressors when they will stop their aggression, and then we'll have peace."

Thieu said any military targets in North Viet Nam, including Haiphong, should be bombed. U.S. policy is to hit bridges, railways, highways, ferries and supply areas while avoiding Haiphong or Hanoi, the capital.

Thieu also asserted Chinese Communist regulars are in North Viet Nam as military advisers "at all levels" and are "at the top level" with the Communists in South Viet Nam.

The White House press secretary, Bill D. Moyers said, Humphrey will accompany Thieu and Ky back to Saigon.

WILL VISIT OTHERS
Humphrey also will visit about five other Asian countries. These were unnamed.

The Americans at the conference here have laid emphasis on the need to build a better life for the people of South Viet Nam.

While the South Vietnamese agreed on this, the impression persisted that they were pushing for a bigger war against North Viet Nam and opposing any compromises with the Communists at a peace conference.



HO CHI MINH
North Viet Nam President

Lisa Parker Is Youngest With Pacer

TORONTO (CP) — Lisa Jane Parker, 10-month-old Georgetown, P.E.I., baby flown here Sunday for a check on a heart device, was reported resting comfortably in hospital Tuesday.

Lisa, youngest baby ever to have an electronic pacer control her heart, has been in and out of Hospital for Sick Children here since she was two weeks old.

She was flown here aboard an RCAF aircraft after doctors in Charlottetown noticed a drop in her heart beat.

Several weeks ago she made the trip for adjustments to the transistORIZED pacer, worn in a harness outside the chest, with wires passing through the electrodes of the heart muscle.

JOE GREENE KNOWS JOB

OTTAWA (CP) — Agriculture Minister Joe Greene reeled off the figures as though he'd been farming all his life when asked about milk subsidy payments in the Commons Tuesday.

Answering a question by Wallace Nesbitt (PC-Oxford) Mr. Greene said 125,370 cheques have been issued to tilling more than \$17,000,000.

The tall lawyer from Arranville, Ont., first eastern agriculture minister in half a century, gave the exact figure to the cent—but in such rapid fire reporters had a hard time catching it.

He said 3,800 more claims are being processed and cheques will be out by Feb. 14. Meanwhile, another 3,000 claims were being studied.

What was the cause for the delay, Mr. Nesbitt persisted. Mr. Greene said applications are still coming in at the rate of 250 a day and some aren't filled out correctly.

Kiddies Find Parents Dead

HALIFAX (CP) — Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boyd, both 31, the parents of five children, were found dead of gunshot wounds in their suburban Kearney Lake district home early Tuesday. RCMP said they were satisfied no third party was involved.

First news of the shooting came when the eldest child, 10-year-old Kirgy, ran to a neighbor's house shouting that his mother and father were dead.

The children told police they had heard their parents quarrelling followed by gunshots.

Mr. Boyd, dressed in T-shirt and work trousers, was found lying in a pool of blood. His wife was dressed in night clothes and lying nearby.

A .303-calibre rifle was found at the scene.

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Indian Gov't Studies Letter

NEW DELHI (AP) — The Indian government is studying what to do about a letter in which Ho Chi Minh is reported to have asked President Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan's good offices for peace in Viet Nam.

A spokesman for North Viet Nam's consulate-general said today such a letter was one of several Ho sent to various capitals Jan. 24.

The spokesman quoted Ho as saying India, as chairman of the three-country International Control Commission, bears a special responsibility for the restoration of peace.

Other members are Canada and Poland. The commission's watchdog powers derive from the Geneva conferences of 1954 and 1962.

STUDIED MATTER
The Indian cabinet has studied the matter. So has an emergency subcommittee of the cabinet. Sources indicated that, though 15 days have elapsed, no reply has been made.

Several capitals previously reported receiving letters from Ho, but it was not known whether the message in these was the same as the letter sent to India.

A Radio Hanoi broadcast Jan. 28 said he had sent letters to leaders of the socialist nations denouncing President Johnson's peace overtures and expressing hope of increased support and assistance for North Viet Nam.

Canada Pushes Efforts For Geneva Conference

OTTAWA (CP) — Informed sources said Tuesday night that a new Geneva conference is the only framework in which all the Viet Nam principals are likely to be prepared to negotiate.

This is one reason, they said, that External Affairs Minister Martin in recent weeks has had several discussions with representatives of India and Poland. Canada, India and Poland comprise the international truce supervisory commission in Viet Nam, established by the 1954 Geneva conference which ended the war between the French and the Communist Viet Minh in Indochina.

Prime Minister Pearson disclosed in the Commons Tuesday that Canada has been discussing with India and Poland for "some weeks" possible utilization of the international commission as a vehicle for negotiations on Viet Nam.

At the House opening, Mr. Diefenbaker asked the prime minister whether he was aware of a report from the Far East that President Ho Chi Minh of North Viet Nam has written to India concerning a possible peace conference.

India is chairman of the International Control Commission in Viet Nam. Canada and Poland are the other two members.

Mr. Pearson said he had heard only the radio report and had no other information.

He added that utilization of the commission had been discussed with India and Poland for "some weeks."

The North Viet Nam consulate-general in New Delhi announced that the letter to Indian

None of the recipients was named, but subsequent dispatches told of receipt of letters from Ho by such men as Prime Minister Pearson of Canada, President Osvaldo Dorticos of Cuba and President Houari Boumediene of Algeria.

Wilson Sees Grave Danger Of Major War

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Wilson said Tuesday the Viet Nam war is a statement and there is grave danger of it escalating into "a major land war in Asia and possibly something worse."

Wilson told the House of Commons, amid jeers from left-wing members of his own Labor party, that U.S. President Johnson "had no option but to resume bombing" North Viet Nam.

Wilson said the basic conflict in Asia is an economic war between China on one hand and the pro-Western or neutral countries such as India. The future not only of Asia but of the entire world depends on the outcome of this struggle in which he said "there can be no neutrals."

Ships Make Good Speed

MONTREAL (CP) — Two ships, the Helga Dan and the Lenna, are still making "good speed" in their attempt to reach open sea after being ice-bound in Montreal harbor for 10 days.

As of 4:30 p.m. EST Tuesday they sailed past Grandines, a point between Trois-Rivieres and Quebec City on the St. Lawrence River.

There are no ships upbound. One vessel, the Fort Lacombe, was anchored off Montreal harbor and was not expected to dock Tuesday night. Five other vessels are in harbor.

Taxi-Driver Found Guilty

MONTREAL (CP) — Twelve jurors deliberated only a few minutes Monday night before finding taxi driver Joseph Emile Durocher, 56, guilty of non-capital murder. He was sentenced to life imprisonment.

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Queen Is Calm In Bulb Blast

PORT OF SPAIN (Reuters) — Diplomats and parliamentarians assembled in the Trinidad and Tobago House of Representatives were startled Tuesday when an arc-light bulb above them burst with a loud explosion just as Queen Elizabeth was about to open the 1966 session of Parliament.

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U.S. General Claims Can't Quit Viet Nam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired Lt.-Gen. James M. Gavin advised senators investigating U.S. Asian policy Tuesday that "we can't afford to pull out."

"We must do the best we can with the forces we have in Viet Nam," says former U.S. Army deputy chief of staff. He was described by chairman J. W. Fulbright, (Dem. Ark.), of the Senate foreign relations committee as one of the leading strategists of the post-war nuclear age.

With all the U.S. economic and military power, Gavin said, "I can't conceive of us losing this."

Gavin cautioned, however, of the possibility of a confrontation with China if the United States retreat too many troops in South

Viet Nam and expressed belief the decisive battle would be fought not in Viet Nam, but in Thailand.

The thrust of Gavin's argument seemed to be against becoming over-committed and over-responding in Viet Nam.

FUNDS STARTLING
He said he was startled at the vast sums of money being budgeted for Viet Nam and asked: "Aren't we becoming mesmerized by this?"

Time and again the possibility of a war with China came up in the questioning by committee members who have been hammering at U.S. foreign policy.

Gavin expressed concern that if the U.S. stepped up its troop commitment, say on the order of 750,000 men, China would reopen the fighting in Korea.



WHICH WAY IS QUICKER?

Two-year-old Terry Copeland and nurse Julie Tolentino wait for an elevator which will start

Terry on his way home to Calgary. Terry swallowed some oven cleaner at his home last August, and after a brief stay

in a Calgary hospital, was transferred to Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children. (CP Wirephoto)