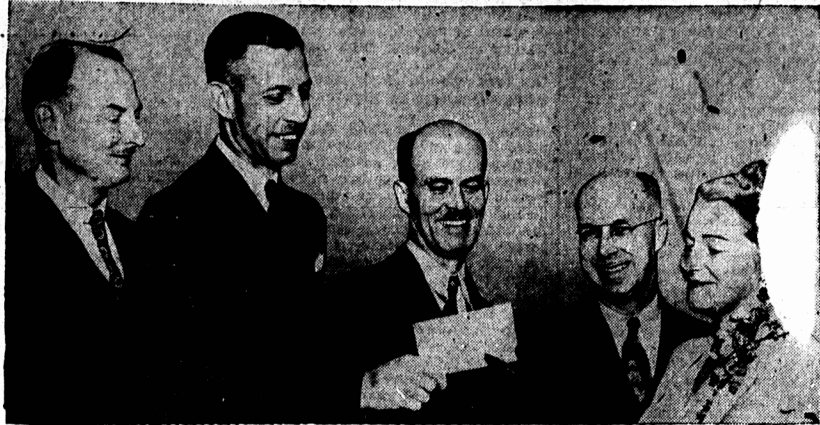


# NEWS of the WORLD in PICTURES



Y.W.C.A. members from many of the 65 countries in which the organization has branches gathered at an international dinner in Toronto recently. Margaret Ko was the Chinese representative.



Chairman of Greer Memorial Fund trustees, Manche Flumerfelt presents fund's 1950 award, valued at \$420, to research council members of Ontario Educational association. They are G. Mann, left, H. Dean, K. Chute, Toronto, and D. Bridge, Hamilton.



Seven children of naval officers were christened from ship's bell at H.M.C.S. Star, Hamilton, Ont. With Rev. Callum Thompson are Mrs. H. Tilbury, Mrs. C. Thomason, Mrs. J. Burman, Mrs. J. Parker, Mrs. D. Sheppard, Mrs. S. Ross, Mrs. R. Wilson.



**WALTER REUTHER**  
U.A.W. President

The first union-negotiated pension plan in Canada will go before Ford Motor Co. employees at Windsor, Ont., for approval. It provides for \$35 a month payable at age 65 after 25 years' service. The company offer follows a joint company-employee conference with Hon. Paul Martin, federal minister of health and welfare, in which the minister indicated his belief there will be a national old age pension of \$40 a month at age 70 with no means test within two years. This means that eventually a Ford worker will receive a pension of \$95 a month at 70. Ford executives also revealed a new bonus plan for production workers, with bonuses to be based on total profits of the company. Walter Reuther, U.A.W. president, sat in at last-ditch negotiations in Windsor to avert a Ford strike. The assembly line was closed down to give employees a chance to attend a mass meeting at which the company's offer will be presented.



**PAUL MARTIN**  
Minister of Health



Blonde school girl, Miss Winnipeg, is crowned before a crowd of 4,300 attending fifth annual jamboree staged by Greater Winnipeg's Associated Community clubs.



**HIDDEN MIKE**

Officials of the United Textile Workers in Trenton, Ont., say they uncovered two microphones leading from their union hall to a police station next door. They say, too, that the meeting was held in that room on "direction" of the police following a disturbance at the textile plant where the union workers are on strike. Next meeting, union men say, will be held out of town. Here, Reg Wanamaker and Mary Gray inspect the microphone discovered by accident before the scheduled meeting had begun.



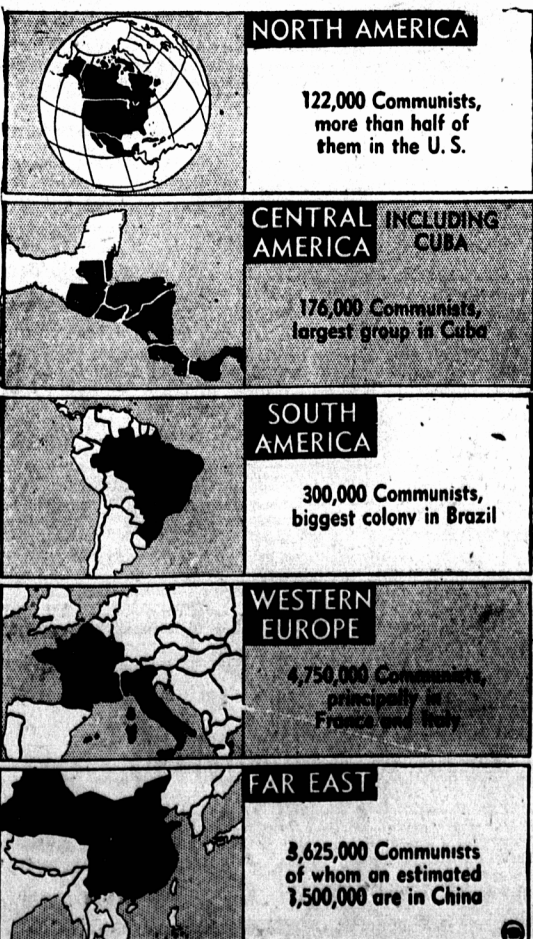
Werner Schueck, one of the directors of the famed Mozart girls' choir of Dresden, is shown with the choir, while giving a concert in the western sector of Berlin. Werner Nieblich, another director, reported that his wife was arrested by the Russians in Dresden last Sunday. Also, on the heels of the choir's arrival, 19 of the 21 singers in the group asked political sanctuary in the U. S. sector. Shortly thereafter, two of the girls disappeared and are believed to have been kidnapped by Soviet zone agents. The concert went on as scheduled, but under heavy police guard. In a dramatic pre-concert dressing-room meeting, the choir members signed a statement setting what they termed "persecution and oppression" by the Communists in eastern Germany, and giving thereby their reasons for fleeing into the U.S. sector.



**GOP ADVISER** — Former Sen. John Sherman Cooper, Kentucky Republican, was named by Secretary of State Dean Acheson as his adviser at the forthcoming Big Three Foreign Ministers Conference in London.



**BERLIN REDS GET READY FOR 'MAYTIME'** — Members of Berlin's Frei Deutsche Jugend, Communist youth organization, work on a stadium slated to seat 70,000 persons for a giant May parade and demonstration in the Soviet sector of the German capital. Hundreds of members of the Soviet youth group have been brought to Berlin to help get ready for the May demonstrations, during which Reds have threatened to "take over" Berlin's western sectors.



**STALIN'S FIFTH COLUMNS**—Newschart above shows the number of card-carrying Communists outside the Iron Curtain, according to well-informed U. S. military sources. The estimate of Chinese Communist strength is recent, but all others are based on October information. These indicate a "fifth column" of nearly 9,000,000 Communist party members, but military intelligence now says this is too conservative and has revised its estimate to 12,000,000.



Released from hospital after three weeks' illness, Mrs. James Foley of Toronto went for ride with sister. Borrowed car shows, apparently, three times ending up in a parking garage.



Kermit Kjorkman, 36, flying solo from Buffalo to Detroit, crashed into Lake Huron, near Port Huron, Mich. His body was found floating near the single-engine plane which was familiar to many Ontario airports. Living in Toronto, he conducted most of his business as consulting engineer by air.



"I can't remember what happened," Mrs. Foley said. "The car turned over and over like a revolving drum." Both Mrs. Foley and her sister, Theresa Pearce, were taken to the Wellesley hospital, just a few hours after Mrs. Foley had been released.



**TOP ORATOR**

Oratorical champion is Jim Southcott, 14-year-old student at Oil City, Ont., rural public school, shown with trophy and books he won in competition at the O.E.A. convention. Son of Rev. R. E. Southcott, he plans to enter United Church ministry. The grade VIII student of a rural school near Sarnia edged out six other finalists in the 26th provincial speaking finals sponsored by the Ontario Educational association. Adjudicating was by executive members of the Ontario Teachers' federation.