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HIGHWAY AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED WITH SIX PROVINCES

35,000 Rail Employees To Take Strike Vote

Details Lacking On Highway Route Here

OTTAWA, April 24 — (Special) — Sole representative of the Maritime Provinces to sign the Trans-Canada Highway agreement, Premier Walter Jones today added his name to the representatives of Ontario and the Western Provinces as a signatory to the highway pact.

Unlike Highway Ministers from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, Mr. Jones did not indulge in round-table bargaining with Resources and Development Minister Winters.

After affixing his signature to the agreement Mr. Jones voiced support of the new Atlantic to Pacific road. He thanked Mr. Winters for his lucid explanation of points in dispute and said that as far as his Province is concerned he feels the new highway will add to the prosperity and progress of Canada.

Last Minute Changes

There were a few last minute changes in the Trans-Canada route through Prince Edward Island. The official description of the route as signed by the Premier reads as follows:

"Commencing at Wood Islands ferry, the terminal of the Prince Edward Island - Nova Scotia ferry, thence through Millville to the east boundary of Charlottetown; again from the north boundary of the City of Charlottetown through the villages of Cornwall, Bonshaw, Tryon to the town of Bordier, the Prince Edward Island terminal of the ferry system to Cape Tormentine, New Brunswick."

Reason for Mr. Jones' decision to sign the highway agreement, it is understood here, is the co-operation offered by the Federal authorities

Coming Events

- *Mail your Plans to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- *Pownal-Junior farmers debate, April 25 postponed.
- *Dance Long River Hall, Wednesday, April 26th.
- *Card Party in Credit Union Hall, Summersfield, tonight.
- *Call 1906-J Evenings for Dry Wood Slabs.
- *Play Tracadie Hall, Wednesday, May 3rd. Dance after.
- *Garden Seeds. Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vessey, York, P. E. I.
- *Dance, St. Peter's Legion Hall every Tuesday night, 9:30 to 1:00. Cliff Peters Orchestra.
- *Loading hours April 27 at Fredericton until 11 a.m. and Colville until 11:30 a.m. Phone 37-121. D. L. MacDowell.
- *Don't miss George Raft in "Intrigue" plus Serial at MacDonald Bros. Theatre, tonight.
- *Bradalbane tonight at 8:30. See the East Side Kids in "Spooks Run Wild". Enjoy a good laugh!
- *Buying pigs Wednesday at Fredericton. Paying \$18 each for good pigs over 30 lbs. cash. Knud Jorgensen.
- *The Path Across the Hill, presented by the Spring Valley Players, in Spring Valley Hall, Thursday night, April 27th.
- *A meeting of the property holders of East Royalty School, will be held in Heartz Community Hall, East Royalty on Tuesday, April 25th, to discuss school matters.
- *We offer minimum or larger assorted cars of whole and/or ground grains for immediate shipment. It costs nothing to get our prices. The Atlas Grain Company Board of Trade Building, Montreal.
- *Just arrived carload of cement. Brandford asphalt shingles and siding. Your choice in weight and colours. Full stock Pioneer Feed. Oilcake \$4.35 per bag. Fair stock Steel Brigs cloverseed. Light and heavy barb wire. R. L. Dickleson, New Glasgow.
- *By popular request the Hunter River Women's Institute present a repeat performance in the Masonic Hall on April 25 of their two one act plays and concert specialties including Leith Sweeney, Sale of cakes. Ladies with cakes free. In aid of Hunter River Memorial Library.

on contribution of bridges. It is expected that the Federal construction for bridges along the highway will be much higher than the 50 percent on the highway itself. This would go far to solve the problem of the Hillsborough Bridge over which the Premier admitted he is deeply concerned.

After the highway conference Mr. Jones spent some time in the Parliament buildings visiting friends on both the Senate and House of Commons side of the buildings.

Board Named To Revalue City Properties

An assessment board of four Charlottetown men was appointed to revalue the property in the City in preparation for the levying of taxes in 1951 at a special meeting of the City Council held last night in the City Hall with His Worship Mayor B. Earle MacDonald presiding.

Messrs. Albert E. Baker, William J. Hennessey, Walter S. Grant and A. B. Belcher will comprise the board. They will assume the duties and functions of the City assessor in attempting an equitable re-assessment of City property. This work will be done in the leisure time the board members have at their disposal during the next few months.

They will likely receive some advice and guidance from Mr. J. W. Rankin, Vice-President of Westmount Realtors Company, Montreal. The Council have asked Mr. Rankin to visit Charlottetown around May 1 to consult with the Board and the Council. They agreed last night to pay his stated charges and expenses of \$300.00. The Council has been corresponding with the Montreal Company about the re-assessment problem for the past couple of months.

Discuss Site For School

The Council decided to continue negotiations with the City School Board over the matter of purchasing land for the erection of a High School on the Dewar property

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Heavy Air Traffic Reported At Moncton

MONCTON, N. B., April 24 — (CP)—Hotel accommodations were taxed to the limit in Moncton during the week-end as the airport at nearby Lakeshore became the principal point for close to 2,000 trans-Atlantic air travellers.

Frost action on runways at Gander airport in Newfoundland resulted in the diversion of giant stratospheric airliners to Moncton, several of them for stop overs which made it necessary for passengers to seek hotel accommodations.

Hotels were able to accommodate many of the travellers but private homes were needed to take care of late arrivals.

Labor Hopeful It Will Survive Vote Wednesday

By ALAN HARVEY

LONDON, April 24 — (CP) — Winston Churchill made it clear today that the Conservatives will vote in full strength against the Government in Wednesday's House of Commons division on the budget, even if it means another general election.

"Not to do so," Churchill told the House of Commons, "would be abrogating the rights of Parliament out of fear of precipitating an appeal to the public."

The Opposition leader thus served notice that the Labor Government's life will be at stake in the vote on the resolutions in the new budget involving taxes on trucks and gasoline.

He knocked down previous reports that the Conservatives, fearing that the public might blame them for forcing a new election, might not treat the vote as a major occasion.

At issue in the key vote are an increase of nine pence (about 12 cents) in the gasoline tax and a new purchase tax of 33 1-3 percent on commercial road vehicles.

Despite the threat confronting Prime Minister Attlee's Government, which has held office since the Feb. 23 general election by a handful of seats, the Labor camp

Decision May Not Be Known For Three Weeks

MONTREAL, April 24 — (CP) — The joint negotiating committee of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees and other Transport Workers and the Brotherhood of Express Employees today announced decision to take a strike vote among its 35,000 members.

The strike vote decision was made known after an all-day meeting of the committee which earlier rejected the Wilson Board of Conciliation's recommendations as "entirely unacceptable."

The joint committee earlier announced that its decision to reject the board's recommendations had been made known to Federal Labor Minister Mitchell in a telegram. No date was set for the strike vote, but "it may take all of two or three weeks" until the strike ballots are ready, meeting secretary W. J. Smith said.

1,000 Evacuated From Flooded Manitoba Town; More Damage In N. B.

WINNIPEG, April 24 — (CP) — The rampaging Red River unleashed its knockout punch today against the border town of Emerson, Winnipeg, 80 miles farther north, was fighting a losing battle against advancing water.

In both places — and between them — the worst was yet to come. One life already has been taken by the flood.

More than 1,000 persons were being evacuated in the Emerson district as the Red, draining North Dakota and part of Minnesota, poured almost record quantities of water into Southern Manitoba.

Up to seven feet of water flowed through Emerson's main business streets. Two years ago the river reached a modern record height of 44.2 feet. Today it was only a couple of inches below that mark, and still rising.

The main flood crest will not strike Winnipeg until later in the week. But already many families have evacuated homes along the river. St. Vital and West Kildonan suburbs have been hardest hit.

At Winnipeg the Red today was two feet below the peak of 1948, when millions of dollars worth of damage was done through all of Southern Manitoba.

Workers rushed diking operations near the downtown business section. Sandbags were placed at the river end of Lombard Street, only a block or so from the Winnipeg Grain Exchange building. At that point the Red's bank is exceptionally low. Water was lapping at Canadian National Railways tracks.

Czech Spy-Probe Being Continued

PRAGUE, April 24 — (AP) — Czechoslovakia's spy-purge machinery stayed in high gear today, sending out sentences of death and long prison terms for accused enemies of the state.

After sentencing 47 alleged spies and saboteurs during the week-end, the state courts moved on with another batch of 18 Czechs accused of "espionage, illegal treason, attempted murder, illegal arrest, proposed murder and public assault."

(Apparently 54 of the 65 defendants in the four trials were accused of connections with alleged American spy rings.)

SNOW IN LONDON, PARIS

LONDON, April 24 — (AP) — The Air Ministry was loath to admit it snowed in London today. Its description of what fell on shivering Londoners was "frozen rain showers."

And April in Paris was interrupted tonight by a brief snow-storm.

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Estimate Highway Will Cost P. E. I. Five Million

OTTAWA, April 24 — (CP) — The six Provinces which signed agreements to co-operate with the Federal Government on construction of a Trans-Canada Highway estimated they will spend at least \$220,000,000 on the project.

The Ontario Government estimated expenditures at \$100,000,000; British Columbia \$60,000,000; Alberta, \$20,000,000; Saskatchewan, \$18,000,000; Manitoba, \$17,000,000; and Prince Edward Island \$5,000,000.

7 Inches Of Snow In Cape Breton

SYDNEY, N. S., April 24 — (CP) — Seven inches of snow fell in industrial Cape Breton today, disrupting highway traffic in many areas.

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The union's decision to continue to press its original demands came at a meeting last Wednesday when executive members reported to the membership on contract talk developments.

Five Hours From London To Cairo

CAIRO, April 24 — (AP) — A British four-engine jetliner flew from London to Cairo today in five hours, eight minutes, 46.67 seconds — a record for the distance, 2,210 statute miles. The plane, a De Havilland Comet, was piloted by Group Captain John Cunningham, De Havilland's chief test pilot, and carried 16 passengers, British Airways officials and technicians.

The jet flew at an average speed of about 430 miles an hour. The former record from London to Cairo was set Feb. 16 by a single-seater Hawker Fury, which covered the distance in six hours, 35 minutes, 40 seconds.

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He said the Government will spend \$49,500,000 this fiscal year on advertising and information, on travelling expenses and on sundry or miscellaneous items which constituted "a petty cash grab bag." All three groups could be slashed in two.

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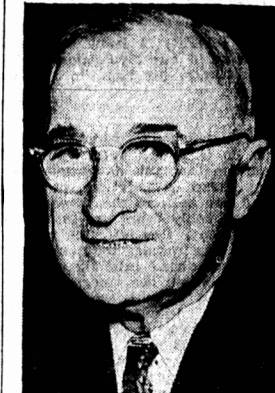
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Sounds Warning



WASHINGTON, April 24 — (AP) — President Truman (above) solemnly warned tonight that there is real danger that Communism will swallow up more free countries and strengthen Russia for an ultimate attack on the United States.

In the course of a vigorous reply to Senator Joseph McCarthy (Rep. Wis.) and other critics of the administration's program for weeding Communists out of Government, Truman said Communists in the United States are simply a "noisy but small and universally-despised group."

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SUNFLOWERS WANTED

WINKLER, Man., — (CP) — Farmers being asked to grow more sunflowers this year, J. J. Siemens, president of the Vegetable Oils Refining Company, said Manitoba sunflower farmers received \$250,000 for their 1949 crops which were insufficient to meet all needs.

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British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Prince Edward Island signed agreements at a Dominion-Provincial meeting. But Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland decided not to sign, at least for the time being.

Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland indicated it will be only a matter of a short time until they, too, sign. They wanted clarification on some points, or legislative authority to enter into a pact.

Hon. Antonio Talbot, Highways Minister for Quebec, said his Province could not accept the draft agreements so far submitted because they offered insufficient guarantees for Provincial constitutional rights. But he left the door open for agreement.

He said that before Quebec signs, the Federal Government should make clear the provincial highways that would be acceptable as Trans-Canada links in their present form.

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The territory added to the mountain-desert kingdom — doubling its size — was taken over by King Abdullah's Arab Legion during the attempt of Arab countries to prevent establishment of the state of Israel two years ago.

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result in a hard-surfaced road from east to west across Canada, thereby in substance achieving the aim of the (Trans-Canada Highway) Act, it is the opinion of the Government that the people of Canada generally would approve of having the project proceed in the six provinces with respect to which agreements have been signed.

"I am convinced, moreover, that it is only a matter of time until the remaining provinces will participate in the project."

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The Allied High Commission vetoed an income tax cut because it felt the slash might increase the need for foreign aid and swell West Germany's federal deficit. A law for reform of the civil service was disapproved because the commission felt it failed to carry out wishes that the traditionally authoritarian service should be made more democratic.

In regard to taxation the high commission said it was prepared to approve the law if the Germans would submit measures to make up for lost revenue, provide for incentives to channel savings into government bonds and set up improved tax collection.