

The best apology against false
accusers is silence and sufficiency
and honest deeds set against dis-
honest words.

Though sweet are our friend-
ships, our hopes, our affection,
revenge on a tyrant is sweetest
of all.

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U. S. IS CONSIDERING ARMING ALLIES WITH ATOMIC BOMBS

Flood Crisis In Winnipeg Mounts By The Hour

Rail Strike Clamps Quick Squeeze On Industry In The U. S.

Coming Events

- CHICAGO, May 11 — (AP) — The biggest American rail strike in four years tonight clamped a quick squeeze on employment and industry.
- Unemployment grew swiftly on the railroads and in the coal mines, and many industrial concerns reported they would be hit in a matter of days.
- Only effect in Canada has been a reduction of service on the New York Central lines in Southwestern Ontario.
- There was violence and no peace moves in the strike which began yesterday.
- The dispute, over employment of an extra fireman on multiple-unit diesel engines, was deadlocked so completely that the National (railway) Mediation Board was simply standing by, available for consultation if either side wanted them.
- The Pennsylvania Railroad said it would lay off 80,000 of its 125,000 employees by tomorrow morning. The New York Central said 25,000 of its workers already are idle and that 15,000 more non-operating employees will be laid off by tomorrow or Monday.
- The Santa Fe ordered its shops closed, affecting several thousand workers. The southern railway system said most of its 38,000 employees will be idle by tomorrow night.
- The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers called a strike against these lines yesterday to support its demands for the extra firemen. About 18,000 firemen walked out.
- The strike by tonight had knocked out 12 per cent of Western Pennsylvania's coal output. Fourteen big mines and several small mines with an estimated combined daily output of 35,000 tons shut down because there were no empty cars to carry away the mined coal. The number of idle Pennsylvania miners may rise to 55,000 next week.

Bridges Now No. 1 Priority

(By Robert Clarke, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

WINNIPEG, May 11 — (CP) — The fight to bolster bridges had no. 1 priority in punch-drunk Winnipeg and nearby St. Boniface tonight as thousands of destitute and homeless fled the unchecked spread of Red River water.

Only one of 11 main bridges joining the two cities and their suburbs still was fully open. Four were open only to essential traffic.

Even trucks rushing men and supplies to the leaky, tottering dikes were forced to travel roundabout routes.

The greater Winnipeg area was in effect split into unconnected segments.

Refugees crowded into still-dry suburbs were finding it difficult, sometimes impossible, to reach trains and buses waiting to carry them outside the Red River valley, and the risk of further flooding.

At least one-eighth of the metropolitan area of about 70 square miles was already under water; yet the Red and its tributary Seine and Assiniboine continued their seemingly unending rise.

Already at the highest level since 1832, they climbed up almost half a foot in 24 hours to 6 P.M. A.D.T.

Potato Acreage Decline Reported From Ottawa

OTTAWA, May 11 — (CP) — Canadian farmers have indicated they intended to plant 27,202,400 acres to wheat this year, compared with 27,540,700 last year, the Bureau of Statistics reported today in a summary of 1950 acreage plans.

This total includes 26,342,400 acres of spring wheat, grown mainly on the Prairie Provinces, and 860,000 of winter wheat, largely produced in Ontario. Comparable 1949 totals for the two provinces were 26,735,700 and 805,000 acres, respectively.

Intended potato acreage for all Canada dropped to 486,700 from 510,300 last year, with declines anticipated in all provinces except Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

The sharpest declines were shown in the Maritimes, with New Brunswick reporting a planned potato acreage of 55,300, against 61,400, Prince Edward Island 43,500, against 49,400, and Nova Scotia 19,100, against 21,200.

During the winter of 1949-50 the following percentages of Maritimes hay and clover meadows are estimated to have been winter-killed, with corresponding figures for the previous winter in brackets: Canada, excluding Quebec, 17 (6); Prince Edward Island 20 (5); Nova Scotia 8 (5); New Brunswick 18 (8).

Conditions of Maritimes fall wheat, fall rye and clover meadows at the end of April, expressed in percentages of long-time average yields per acre is as follows, with condition at April 30, 1949, in brackets: Canada 83 (95); Hay and clover—Canada 88 (100); Prince Edward Island 88 (100); Nova Scotia 91 (98); New Brunswick 86 (96).

Strong Opposition In Congress Is Foreseen

BY MAX BOYD
WASHINGTON, May 11 — (AP) — A proposal to confront Russia with revolutionary new atomic defenses in Western Europe is being considered by United States military officials.

The core of the idea is to place atomic weapons within easy reach of European Allies, subject to some sort of American or Allied control, before Russia gets a substantial stockpile of atom bombs.

Coupled with this idea is a new concept of military force, in which fast jet planes equipped to carry atomic bombs would be relied upon to replace many conventional ground forces.

United States defense authorities are exploring the highly-controversial proposal, assembling military arguments for and against it. Their discussions are still in a preliminary stage and far from a recommendation on which President Truman might base a request for Congressional action.

Before atomic weapons could be made available to European members of the Atlantic Pact, Congress would have to amend the Atomic Energy Act.

Congressmen Opposed

Initial congressional reaction to the idea of sharing atomic weapons with European Allies indicated that it will have tough sledding if it reaches Capitol Hill. Without exception, members of the House of Representatives foreign affairs committee who discussed the idea with reporters today expressed opposition.

Representative Charles A. Eaton (Rep. N. J.), former chairman who is a native of Nova Scotia, said that giving A-bombs to other countries would "mean giving notice to Russia that everybody could use the bomb."

"That would be terrible," said Eaton, who expressed a "hope and prayer" that the bomb can be outlawed in all countries.

Some military officials share the opinion of these Congressmen that it would be unwise to make atomic weapons available to Britain, France and other members of the Atlantic alliance.

These officials fear that information about improved designs might leak to Russia. They are apprehensive also that the weapons might fall into Communist hands and be turned against the United States, either as the result of political upheavals or of Russia over-running Western Europe.

Commons Hears Appeal From The Dairy Industry

OTTAWA, May 11 — (CP) — The Commons quickly approved the first budgetary bill of the session today—tax giving effect to sales tax relations proposed in the budget—and heard an appeal on the necessity of protecting Canada's dairy industry.

The bill amends the Excise Tax Act and will release from the eight per cent sales tax such items as toilet soap, ice cream, prepared whipping cream and drinks prepared from fresh milk. It also provides for return of sales tax payments to certain defined charitable institutions on products which they buy for their own use.

Given third and final reading by the Commons, the bill now goes to the Senate. The repeal of sales tax on soap and dairy products is already effective and the section dealing with repeal of the tax for charitable institutions will become law July 1 as set out in the budget brought down by Finance Minister Abbott March 28.

Speaks For Dairymen

Joe Harris (PC—Danforth) made an impassioned appeal to the Government to protect Canadian dairymen from the inroads being made by synthetic products from abroad.

James Sinclair, parliamentary assistant to Finance Minister Abbott, indicated that the Government would consider widening the scope of sales tax exemption for charitable institutions if it was found some institutions were being discriminated against.

The House also gave third reading.

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Return To S'ide From Winnipeg Flood Area

A Dakota aircraft touched down at the R.C.A.F. Station, Summerside at 10:30 last night after four days of participating in the fight against the rampaging Red River. The crew were tired after many hours in the air but felt that they would have liked to remain at Winnipeg and continue to help in this desperate struggle being waged out there by the people to preserve their homes and properties.

P/O Bert Wilson, radio officer on the trip and assistant public relations officer at the station described scenes at the Winnipeg airport of feverish but well-organized activity. Planes are taking off and landing regularly.

A station with a regular personnel of 67 men now has over 2,000 Air Force, Navy, Army and R.C.M.P. as well as civilian volunteers, all carrying out various jobs in the great effort of flood fighting. Messes are open all through the twenty-four hours of the day.

Left on Monday

The aircraft left Summerside at 2 p.m. on Monday for Halifax where blankets and life jackets were given by the navy were taken.

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Swing To Right In U. K. Voting

LONDON, May 11 — (CP) — Municipal elections in England and Wales showed a sharp trend to the right tonight, with the Conservative Party showing gains in the first 249 of the 378 contests reported. Conservative candidates made a net gain of 120 local seats; the Labour Party lost 38, the Liberals 12 and Independents 70.

Today's elections were held in all the smaller cities and towns of the country.

40,000 Flood Victims

Estimating the part of greater Winnipeg's 350,000 population forced from their suburban homes was almost hopeless. The army's Prairie commander, Brig. R.E.A. Morton, in over-all command of all Red River flood relief, said he would not even guess.

The Winnipeg Tribune estimated the total at 40,000, including more than 5,000 from 10 submerged and deserted towns between here and the international border where the Red comes in from North Dakota.

That was higher than previous estimates but Canadian Press editors in Winnipeg, watching the quick spread of flood water through river-bordering suburbs, thought it might well be accurate.

Dr. Lantz Heads P.E.I. Exhibition Association

Dr. J. P. Lantz, Charlottetown, was elected President of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association at a meeting of the directors following the annual meeting on Wednesday night.

Formerly vice president, Dr. Lantz succeeds Mr. H. J. Kennedy as president, Mr. Kennedy, whose activities during the year included travelling 7,400 miles in gathering information and making arrangements for the \$156,000 five-year building programme now under way as a joint enterprise of the Association and the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture, takes over the offices of Vice President and Manager.

Commander G. H. Buntain was re-elected Secretary, the other directors being Messrs. R. R. Bell, C. C. George A. Callbeck, Robert Chappell, G. Gordon Hughes, William H. Kelly, E. Frank Acorn, F. K. McLaure, Dr. H. H. Pierce, R. A. Proffitt and Cecil J. Stewart.

In a comprehensive report of the Association activities during the past year, retiring President, Kennedy reviewed the improvements in night racing, vaudeville, handicraft exhibits, and other features, and spoke optimistically of the prospects for the coming season.

"It is my sincere wish," he said, "that the Association will continue to grow in importance and achievement and that it will ever stimulate the breeding of better pure bred livestock in our Province and provide for our citizens, both at home and abroad, a week of valuable education and social entertainment of which we shall be justly proud."



Dr. J. P. Lantz

Mr. H. J. Kennedy

Senate Votes For Tax On Margarine

OTTAWA, May 11 — (CP) — The Senate, in the first formal division of the session, today defeated a vote of 38 to 14 a motion which sought approval of the elimination of the eight-per-cent sales tax on margarine.

The vote brought to an end a protracted debate on the butter substitute, initiated by Senator W. D. Euler (Ontario), the Waterloo, Ont., business man, who crusaded for the introduction of the manufacture and sale of margarine in Canada two years ago.

Senator Euler terminated the debate with a final appeal to the Upper Chamber to record their approval of the sales-tax elimination, which, he said, would mean a reduction of three cents a pound in the cost of the butter substitute.

Area Under Water

Almost all of far-south St. Vital municipality was under water, from the north-running Seine to the Red River. Most of Fort Garry, across the Red, was inundated as far as the Canadian National Railway line to the United States (washed out at several places between Winnipeg and the border). The Riverview residential area, next to the north, was flooded almost to the same line.

The Assiniboine, which meets the Red at Winnipeg opposite St. Boniface, was spreading southward over part of River Heights and Crescentwood, which adjoin Winnipeg proper.

The business areas of Winnipeg and St. Boniface were mostly free of water, except for basement flooding.

Chenard Triplets Safe After Confusion In Fire

RIMOUSKI, Que., May 11 — (CP) — The Chenard triplets are safe and everybody is happy over the ending of what became a remarkable aftermath of Rimouski's disastrous fire.

Aime Chenard placed his triplets in St. Joseph Hospital because their mother was ill and looking after the three 10-month-old girls and carrying on with the regular housework was too much for her.

Then the fire struck last Saturday night. Before it attacked the hospital, all patients were evacuated.

When the fire subsided and there was some easing of the general confusion, Monday, Chenard wandered about the streets calling on relatives and friends to see if they had the triplets. No, they didn't.

41 Lives Lost In Belgian Mine Disaster

CHARLEROI, Belgium, May 11 — (Reuters) — Belgium's worst mine disaster in 20 years today claimed an officially-estimated 41 lives and plunged tiny villages near here into deep mourning.

Twenty-eight bodies had been brought up by tonight from the Mariemont-Baincourt mine, where a coal-gas explosion tore miners' bodies to pieces 1,600 feet below ground, and hurled huge lumps of coal along gloomy galleries.

One of the first on the scene was a young woman, carrying two babies, who said quietly: "My father, my husband and my brother-in-law are down there."

Fire Guts 3-Storey Saint John Building

SAINT JOHN, N. B., May 11 — (CP) — A two-alarm fire gutted a three-storey brick building on Ward Street at Market Slip early tonight and caused thousands of dollars damage. No further estimate of the damage could be obtained. The building was occupied by the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company of Canada, Ltd., and Emerson Bros. Ltd.

The fire started from unknown cause at the rear of the second floor and sent acrid smoke over a large part of the city. Two other premises suffered smoke or water damage.

Farmer Tells Story Of Robbery and Kidnapping

NORTH BAY, Ont., May 11 — (CP) — Fred Anscob, 32, feared dead after he mysteriously disappeared 16 days ago, came to police in this district today with a story of robbery and kidnapping.

He said two men who posed as tractor salesmen lured him into an automobile, chloroformed him and robbed him of \$225. They held him captive in a summer cottage and finally released him at nearby Callander—more than some 150 miles from his home near Shelburne 70 miles northwest of Toronto.

Anscob, overcome with joy, sobbed for more than 30 minutes when his wife, Miriam, arrived here late today. She made the trip from Shelburne by car with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Starr of Mono Centre, Ont.

Opl. Everett Hicks of the Ontario Provincial Police, who headed the Shelburne-district search after Anscob disappeared, drove here ahead of them.

The Anscob, Starrs and Opl. Hicks planned to return to Shelburne tonight.

Anscob was described, following his disappearance, as a man without an enemy, "a God-fearing man who neither drinks, smokes nor swears" and whose strongest oath was "by hedges."

The mild-mannered farmer, who fought with a tank regiment in Holland and Italy during the war, was red-eyed, haggard and un-nerved when he stumbled into Callander with his mystery-thriller-type story.

He said the men kept him prisoner in a cabin which he believes was near Huntsville in the Muskoka district about midway between Shelburne and North Bay.

Endless Opportunity For Canadian Youth Seen

VANCOUVER, May 11 — (CP) — Trade Minister, Howe today told University of British Columbia graduates that Canada has an "endless frontier" which will provide them with plenty of outlet for their ambitions during the next half-century.

With the pioneering spirit still vigorous in this country, the Minister said in a speech prepared for delivery, there was no reason to be pessimistic about the possibility that there may be no territorial frontiers to push back.

The "endless frontier," which was the vast "unexplored hinterland" of science would provide fitting opportunities for the pioneering ambitions of Canada's young men.

Mr. Howe, who spoke at the university's convocation and received an honorary degree of laws, said he was envious of the young man's lot.

Dr. Lea's Address

In his address to the graduating class, Dr. Gordon Lea offered the congratulations of the Medical Staff of the hospital. He stated that the present era will be long remembered as one of medical history's most glorious phases. Cures are being effected today which would have been almost impossible five or ten years ago. He said that even since the class had started its training three years ago, a drug had been discovered which promises to be of help to tuberculosis sufferers. "We can truly say to them that they are entering the fight against disease in a golden age."

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HALIFAX, May 11 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax.

Thursday was a fine day across the district. Although there was afternoon cloudiness in most sections, showers were few and far between. Daytime temperatures were mostly in the 50s.

Cooler air over Northern Ontario is moving southeastward and will reach Eastern Quebec by morning and Nova Scotia by evening. A band of cloudiness and a few showers extend along the forward edge of the cooler air.

Temperatures on Friday will not be quite so high in the northern regions. Farther south, however, where the cooler air is not expected until later in the day, temperatures will be about the same as on Thursday.

Regional forecasts valid until midnight Friday:

Prince Edward Island—Friday sunny, clouding over in the afternoon. Scattered showers in the late afternoon and early evening. Little change in temperature. Friday west 15 shifting during the afternoon to northeast. Low and high Friday at Charlottetown 34 and 53.

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