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## HARBOUR BREAKWATER BADLY BATTERED AT RUSTICO

### Eighth Army Abandons Two Important Towns To Reds Homes Are Evacuated As Tide Floods Lower Floors

#### Will Forsake No Free Nation In Struggle Against Aggression

#### City Council Monthly Meeting Last Night

**By ROGER D. GREENE**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (AP)—President Truman declared today that "we will fight, if it must" to block the threat of world conquest by Russia.

In a rousing 3,500-word speech, heard by millions over radio and television networks, including the trans-Canada network of the CBC, Truman called for a vast United States mobilization effort capable of producing 50,000 planes and 35,000 tanks a year if needed.

Solemnly, he pledged that the United States will forsake neither Western Europe nor other free nations in the struggle against Red aggression.

"We are preparing for full wartime mobilization, if that should be necessary."

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#### Reds Continue Rapid Pursuit Of U. N. Forces

TOKYO, Jan. 8 (Tuesday)—(AP)—The retreating Eighth Army abandoned two important towns on east and west sides of the front in South Korea Monday while Allied warplanes took a heavy toll of the invading Chinese and Korean Communists.

In the west, Osan, almost 50 miles south of the 38th parallel and 28 miles below Seoul, was given up without a fight. It is on the old "heartbreak highway" down which Americans and South Koreans first retreated before the North Korean invaders last July.

In the east, United Nations troops quit the burning road and rail hub of Wonju after a valiant delaying action that brought time for preparation of defenses farther south.

More than 1,750 Reds were estimated killed, wounded or captured in ground actions and air strikes during Monday.

Pilots reported the roads south and southeast of Seoul and north of Wonju were jammed with Reds pursuing the Eighth Army southward.

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#### Desable Boy Drowned While Fishing Smelts Gives Views

A nine-year-old boy, James Bruce of DeSable, P.E.I., only child of Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce, was drowned yesterday afternoon when he fell from a raft into the DeSable river while fishing.

At the time of the accident James had been fishing for smelts with a dip net, accompanied by his father. They were on a small raft close to where the highway crosses the river, and it is understood that the tide changed and the raft was swamped.

Boats were washed into the water and his father dove in after him. Although he was able to reach his son once, Mr. Bruce was unable to hold on to him and the boy was swept under the ice. The body had not been recovered last evening.

#### Rebuilding Plans Prepared For S'side Marine Wharf

Plans have been prepared for rebuilding of the Summerside Marine Wharf and the erection of another frost proof warehouse. The wharf is a project which was approved by the Board of Trade asking that this be done.

The resolution stated that the wharf is now in an unfit condition and that if it were put in proper condition greatly increased shipping would result.

Mr. MacNaught said that the Federal Department of Public Works is fully aware of the necessity of the work and has agreed that it is a project which should be included in the estimates for 1951. Plans have been prepared and specifications are now in the course of preparation.

Mr. MacNaught explained, however, that estimates of this magnitude must of necessity go before the Treasury Board which will have the final say as to whether a project of this nature and one in which a large quantity of steel will be used should be proceeded with during the present world crisis.

It is proposed to use interlocking steel piles instead of wooden piles as at present.—S.

#### Canadians May Be Ready For Action In Korea

OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—Defence authorities said today it is not impossible that Canada's Korean battalion has been moved or assigned to a defensive position in the old Pusan perimeter on the supposition that fighting will reach there fairly soon.

But they said this is only guesswork on their part, based on apparent circumstances and past military conduct. No word has reached here through official channels to indicate anything other than that the 2nd Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry is containing its training at Miryang.

Miryang is some 20 to 25 miles within the perimeter's outer rim. It is halfway between Pusan, vital southern harbor, and Taegu, northern buttress of the defence line made famous by last summer's bitter but successful stand against the North Koreans.

A United Nations withdrawal into the perimeter, a rough semicircle of mountain river and other natural obstacles, loomed today.

A news dispatch from Tokyo said today the Patricia's are "astride" the perimeter and that they are expected to see action within a week. This was no confirmation here. At the present time the Communists are some 100 miles away.

MONREAL, Jan. 8 (CP)—Alexander Bercovitch, 56, widely-known Montreal artist, died Sunday. A native of Ocheron, Russia, he specialized in street scenes. He had been for some years an exhibitor at shows of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and at the exhibitions of the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts.

#### Prime Minister Discusses Peace Outlook In Speech At Canada Club In London

#### Murder Charge In Dartmouth Death

#### Coming Events

**By EDWIN S. JOHNSON**  
LONDON, Jan. 8 (CP)—The main struggle in the world today is between "the new Communist imperialism, directed from Moscow, and the forces of freedom and civilization both in the East and in the West," Prime Minister St. Laurent said tonight.

"It is not a struggle between East and West, but between liberty and tyranny," the Canadian Prime Minister told a distinguished audience at a dinner given by the Canada Club. "It is as much a part of Communist aims to weaken and divide the independent nations of Asia as it is to weaken and divide the Western Powers."

**Common Peril**

"That is why all members of the Commonwealth, Western and Asian, share a common peril, and in meeting it rely upon ideals which are common to us all."

Among more than 500 guests were other Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London to confer on problems of Empire concern, members of the British Cabinet and other prominent personalities. Two former Canadian Governors-General—the Earl of Athlone and Lord Bessborough—were among the guests.

Freedom everywhere in the world seemed to be in jeopardy today but not or cold, not one country in the free world wanted any kind of war. St. Laurent said in his first public speech in Britain since he became Canadian Prime Minister in 1948.

"Certainly no nation in the Commonwealth of nations wants war. We have no aggressive designs"

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#### Australian Prime Minister Ill With Flu

#### Suggests How To Meet Defence Costs

#### Urges One More Attempt For Cease-Fire

LONDON, Jan. 8 (AP)—Prime Minister Robert G. Menzies of Australia became ill with influenza today. He was unable to attend the conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers now in session here.

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A live duck flung on the platform by angry students lurched under the feet of the assembled dignitaries, Donald MacMillan, president of the Student Council, opened his mouth to remonstrate with the crowd and was hit full in the face with a bag of flour.

When it was all over, Dr. MacCormick told reporters mildly: "One of the liveliest installations I've ever seen."

Dr. MacCormick, one of the best-hated and best-loved men in Scotland, was elected rector by a majority of the students in a lively campaign last month.

He is chairman of the Scottish Covenant Association, which demands a greater measure of home rule of the highlanders.

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GLASGOW, Scotland, Jan. 8 (AP)—Dr. John MacCormick took office as rector of Glasgow University today—in a shower of tomatoes, fire crackers and rotten eggs. Rattles, bells, shouts and piercing blasts of a trumpet drowned out the speech-making.

Mr. MacNaught was questioned on the matter as the result of a resolution passed at the last regular meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade asking that this be done.

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#### 250 Canadian: Still In China

#### Steal Truck With Valuable Cargo

#### Eisenhower Holds Talks With French

OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—Between 200 and 250 Canadian missionaries still are in China, the External Affairs Department said today.

The Department has no information on their plans, said an official in commenting on a report from Hong Kong that nearly all of approximately 2,000 Protestant missionaries in Communist China have decided to leave soon.

The Canadian missionaries represent miscellaneous denominations and are located in different parts of China.

TORONTO, Jan. 7 (CP)—Thieves today stole a truck containing \$10,000 worth of silk. Police said they believe it is the same truck who made off with a similar \$8,000 load six weeks ago. E. Everett, driver of the truck, told detectives he was making a delivery to a downtown firm at the time. The silk is owned by Canadian Celanese Company.

PARIS, Jan. 8 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower got down to brisk talks with the French today on just what they are going to do to help defend the West against American military sources said the answers he got help support the General's belief that the Atlantic community can build an international army to defend Western Europe. It was believed the French pledged immediate transfer of their three divisions now in Germany and Austria to the Eisenhower command.

Accompanied by his chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther and two French officer translators, the General held a 10-minute talk with Premier Rene Pleven and another one of 10 minutes with Foreign Minister Robert Schuman.

Then he drove to the Defence Ministry for lunch with Minister Jules Moch who called in his highest ranking officers. The French like to take at least up to three for such official luncheons, but within 40 minutes Eisenhower had them back in the conference room. Agence France-Presse described the luncheon as "without doubt the shortest ever seen in official circles."

After four hours at the Defence Ministry, Eisenhower refused to comment. An authorized source said "all the problems of defence Europe" were discussed.

The French National Assembly tonight reiterated its support for Premier Pleven's \$2,100,000 rearmament program for 1951 by a 333-to-181 vote of confidence.

#### Civil Defence Planning School Opens This Month

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OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—Canada's first civilian defence school opens Jan. 20, the forerunner in a series of steps to prepare the country's civilian population for any emergency.

Mr. J. G. Worthington, civil defence co-ordinator, said today the school will be opened in the Armouries at Hull, Que., across the Ottawa River from the capital. It will be in the form of a central staff college for training key civil defence planners from all parts of Canada.

Later, federal schools for training instructors will be opened elsewhere. These men in turn will teach civil defence, from rescue work to how to deal with gas and atom bomb and other forms of attack, to civil defence workers in their home centres.

Defence Minister Claxton, in an amplifying statement on the Hull school, referred to it as "a series of civil defence staff forums." Each will last 12 days and there will be three courses with an interval of one week between each. Between 25 and 30 defence planners would attend each course from the Provinces and municipalities on a quota basis.

They will hear lectures from some of the eight Canadians who are returning Jan. 24 from a civil defence planning course in Britain. They may also hear from officials of this civil defence organization of the United States with whom Canada is co-relating her effort to a certain degree.

Object of the classes, said Mr. Claxton, are twofold.

1. They will ensure uniformity in organization and functional procedures throughout Canada.
2. They will permit study and discussions of the various problems concerning civil defence at each level of government and under varying local conditions.

The school will be under command of Col. A. Croteau of Ottawa and Hull, recently returned from a civil defence staff course in Britain.

OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—A secret portable, short-range army wireless set is expected to become the first exclusively Canadian contribution of military equipment to joint Western European defence.

It has been designed and developed in Canada and is under test now.

The set's details still are on the secret list but it is believed to avoid one famous weakness of its predecessors in front-line company and platoon use, a long, skinny aerial sprouting skywards as an invitation to enemy fire.

The set was developed by army signals experts and Ottawa has high hopes that it will be accepted as standard by the other nations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The British have developed a post-war portable set of their own, the so-called 88, but the Canadians think theirs is an advance beyond that. The Canadian set as yet has no numerical identification and still is on trial.

#### Briton Is Critical Of Canada's Defence Plans

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OTTAWA, Jan. 8 (CP)—John Morgan, one of Britain's wartime civil defence heads, has criticized Canada's civil defence planning for failing to consider the needs of the people in times of stress.

He said the welfare of people is a "complex field" calling for skills as great as those required for any military operation, but there is "no evidence that this crucial fact is recognized now in Canada."

Writing in this month's issue of the Canadian Welfare Council's official publication, Canadian Welfare, Mr. Morgan, a Briton now with the University of Toronto School of Social Work, said the outstanding lesson of Britain's civil defence program is that it concerns people "and their welfare under conditions of great stress."

Head of the Intelligence Department of the British National Council of Social Service during the war, he said he wondered whether any of the Provincial Health Departments have in progress studies of their duties and functions in civil defence.

He also wondered "if any attempt is being made to strike a true balance between the claims of the military and the needs of civilians."

The "inability" of civil government to deal swiftly with the problems of the Winnipeg floods last spring "points to the urgency of examining Canada's preparations to meet a potential emergency involving not half a Province but the whole of Canada."

Three of the most serious problems which could arise were evacuation of women and children from disaster and target areas, care of the homeless and provision of hospital services for the sick and wounded.

Civil defence called for the mobilization of the whole community, he said. Canada must realize that the front line in civil defence was the front street and the back-yard. The front line troops were the families of Canada.

It was as unreal to attempt to meet the threat of air attack without a trained, organized, supplied and serviced citizenry, as it was to fight a war without soldiers, pilots and seamen.

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TORONTO, Jan. 8 (CP)—Minimum temperatures observed between 7:30 p. m. and 7:30 a. m. EST; maximum temps between 7:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.: Victoria 40; Edmonton 22; Calgary 29; Regina 46; Winnipeg 6b 15; Toronto 10 25; Ottawa 4b 13; Montreal 9 16; Quebec 8 18; Saint John 14 26; Moncton 12 29; Halifax 23 47; Charlottetown 16 37; Sydney 21 42; Yarmouth 25 43; St. John's, Nfld. 13 51.

HALIFAX, Jan. 8 (CP)—Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until Tuesday midnight:

Synopsis: Skies have cleared in Northern New Brunswick, and by morning they will be clear in the rest of the Province. However, Prince Edward Island and most of Nova Scotia will continue to have cloudy skies and snowflurries as cold air flows over the district from the northwest.

The disturbance that caused the snow and rain in the Maritimes and Eastern Quebec today is now moving across Newfoundland, and in its wake cold air is flowing into the district. Temperatures will fall to below zero in the northern regions and to 20 or less in the remainder of the district tonight, and will remain low tomorrow.

Forecasts:

Prince Edward Island—Cloudy with snowflurries. Much colder. Northwest winds 26 diminishing to 16 Tuesday morning. Low early Tuesday morning at Charlottetown 10, high in the afternoon 16.

High tide today at 12:29 P. M. and 10:46 P. M.  
Sun rises at 7:51 A. M. and sets at 4:49 P. M.

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