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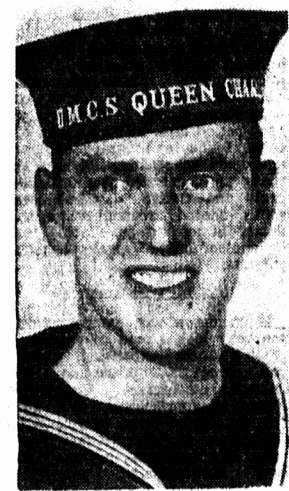
Six Island Airmen In RCAF Coronation Party

Rush Work On Freedom Camp At Munsan

Application Turned Down For Third Northumberland Ferry

Sails For Germany

To Attend Coronation



Dennis A. Saunders (above) of Ft. Lt. 'Sandy' Saunders D.F.C. and Mrs. Saunders, Marshfield, who has been selected to attend the Coronation ceremonies.

LISBON, (Reuters) — Ex-king Carol of Romania died near here early Saturday of a heart attack. He was 59.

Princess Helena was at his bedside when he died. Marshal Urdarianu, former minister at the Roman court who announced the death, said the ex-king felt well until just before midnight when he was suddenly taken ill. He died an hour later.

A doctor was called, but could not save the ex-king's life.

Carol had lived at Estoril, a fashionable seaside resort about 15 miles from Lisbon, since October, 1947.

Carol won fame as the monarch who gave up his throne for love. It was in 1924 that King Carol first met and fell in love with Mrs. Helena Lupescu, princess Helena the beautiful wife of one of his army officers.

For 23 years their romance continued without marriage. He twice lost his throne for her and his wife, Queen Helen, divorced him.

Love Affair Survives

The love affair survived all the shocks it gave to the courts and high social circles of Europe in the years between the wars, but it was not until 1947 that they were married — in Brazil when she was seriously ill and thought to be dying.

The validity of the dramatic five-minute ceremony in a room of the Copacabana Palace hotel, Rio de Janeiro, was questioned by the Brazilian authorities who wanted proof that the couple had been legally divorced from their previous marriages.

Mrs. Lupescu, who now became Princess Helena, rallied and made a complete recovery. Two years later the marriage was repeated in a Romanian Orthodox Church cathedral.

BIGGER FISH

OSLO, (CP) — Measurements of fish caught in the big Lofoten banks cod-fishing industry this year show the fish are getting larger. The average Lofoten cod now weighs between 9 and 16 pounds. A few years ago they ran between 4½ and 6½ pounds.

Prorogation Delayed Over Marketing Act Controversy

In a surprise move believed unprecedented in local parliamentary circles the Legislature Thursday afternoon adjourned instead of proroguing despite the attendance of the Lieutenant Governor, presence of the Guard of Honor and the firing of the salute to herald the end of the Session.

After holding private committee meetings in the morning the House formally opened to resume debate on an amendment to the Marketing Act. This touched off a long argument involving practically every member in the House and saw a request for suspension of Rule 51 to permit giving second and third readings in the same day defeated.

Mr. Frank Myers, First Queen's, said it was the ordinary farmers who were asking for the amendment and he thought there were only four of them in the House. He said the Act had done a great deal of good in the past four years regardless of what had been said in the Legislature about it.

He believed it was the fault of a few dealers and said the reason some growers had not paid their taxes was because they sold before the ruling came into effect. He thought the scheme should be in effect all over Canada and possibly in the United States as well. When asked by a member if he were going to take over the United States he replied he was prepared to go that far.

LONDON, (Reuters) — Soviet Premier Georgi Malenkov took a step unprecedented in the history of the Soviet regime Saturday. He released nine doctors accused of the gravest crimes against the Soviet state and cancelled an Order of Lenin to the woman doctor who denounced them.

Thus Malenkov apparently told the world that Russia does not intend to follow a policy of anti-Semitism. Of the nine doctors, whose arrest was announced in January, at least five were Jewish.

The charges against them were that they conspired to murder "medically" top Soviet military and political leaders and in fact did shorten the lives of two former members of Stalin's politburo — Andrei Zhdanov and Alexander Scherbakov.

The doctors were said at the time to have acted as agents of "Joint"—a Jewish international relief agency.

World Protests

The arrests gave rise to world protests by the medical profession and to alarm on the part of Jews everywhere that this heralded a new Kremlin-directed drive against the Jews.

In fact, though an anti-Semitic purge was reported from some of the satellite countries and seemed a well-established fact in Communist East Germany, no excesses were reported from Russia itself.

In the Ukraine, however, the heat of the propaganda machine against "Jewish bourgeois nationalists," said to have been responsible for various crimes.

In Background

The "case of the doctors"—a legacy from the Stalin days—has been in the background ever since the new Malenkov administration took over three weeks ago. The Soviet press and radio have kept silent on the case.

But in the sweeping amnesty for prisoners announced by Malenkov's government last week there was no hint that this would apply to the accused doctors. Their alleged crimes were of such a grave nature that it was assumed generally that they would not be freed.

Other Speakers

Mr. Thomas Cullen, Second King's, agreed with Mr. Myers and said the farmers gained a lot of money last fall by having the Marketing Board. Mr. George Kitson asked what the Board's price today is. Mr. W. F. A. Stewart, First Queen's, said

Six Island airmen will be in the group of 213 R.C.A.F. officers, airmen and airwomen who will represent the Air Force at the Coronation, it was announced by Air Force Headquarters yesterday.

Prince Edward Island representatives will be: Leading Aircraftman F. V. Oatway, Air Force Headquarters, Borden, P. E. I.

Leading Aircraftman P. K. Costain, R. C. A. F. Station Greenwood, N. S., Summerside, P. E. I.

Corporal J. S. Waugh, R.C.A.F. Station Goose Bay, Labrador, Summerside, P. E. I.

Corporal M. R. Ward, R.C.A.F. Station Summerside, Summerside, P. E. I.

Leading Aircraftman V. C. Pinneau, R.C.A.F. Station Summerside, P. E. I.

P. E. I. Bloomfield, P. E. I. Leading Aircraftman W. C. Harris, 30 Air Material Base, O'Leary, P. E. I.

The list includes 116 R. C. A. F. personnel who will travel from Canada, and who will march in the Coronation parade, and 97 from R. C. A. F. bases overseas, most of whom will serve as street liners. Both Regular Force and Auxiliary personnel are included.

The R. C. A. F. marching party in the Coronation parade will be headed by Wing Commander J. C. Warris, DSO, DFC, a 32-year-old wartime navigator, from Hamilton, Ont. Second-in-command of the marching party will be Squadron Leader D. C. Cameron of Vancouver.

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Sees Advantage Of New Carapace Measurement If Properly Enforced

Grandma Gets 10-Year Term

LOS ANGELES, (AP) — "Grandma" was sentenced to 10 years in prison Friday.

She is Mrs. Ethel Arata, 53, a former heiress sought for months for California bank robberies.

Mrs. Arata, pleaded guilty to one count of bank robbery and one count of attempted bank robbery.

She was granted probation on the second count. Judge Ernest Tolin warned her if she violates her probation, which starts as soon as she finishes her 10-year term, he will impose the maximum sentence of another 20 years.

Nfld. Teachers Ask Increase In Salary

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Newfoundland's 2,500 teachers have asked the government for a 20 per cent salary boost in an effort to keep members of the profession from drifting to higher-paying jobs.

The St. John's branch of the Newfoundland Teachers' Association said "the low rate of remuneration being paid to teachers in contrast to that paid in other occupations and professions is probably the basic cause for the shortage of teachers . . ."

Injured In Car Crash

SACKVILLE, N. B. (CP) — Daniel Ilyard, a soldier from Sydney Mines, N. S., is in hospital here with undetermined injuries following the crash of a car into a telephone pole.

Three other in the car, driver William Graves of Toronto, Raymond Brown of Camp Borden, Ont., and Edwin Degle of Summerside, P. E. I., escaped injury.

Contacted yesterday regarding the effect of the new carapace measurement of lobster, Mr. Charles Richards, Secretary of the Prince Edward Island Fishermen's Association, forewarn no threat of disaster to the industry if the new regulation were effectively put into force.

He pointed out that the effect of the new measurement would be to raise the value of Island landings generally. It may be that this year's increase of one eighth, — i.e. 2½% to 2% — was a large step for one season; but research carried out prior to this recommendation did not indicate too severe a drop in canner catches.

He cautioned, therefore, against condemning the Fisheries Department's step before a careful consideration both of the purpose and of the effect of the proposed regulation. Contrary to opinions expressed, he could not see that the adoption of the proposed regulation would result in any general or continued decrease in landings.

It has been estimated that certain areas with a high proportion of canners might have a drop of as much as 15% the first year, after which increased landings could be expected.

He emphasized, however, that the success of the regulation as a long run benefit to the lobster industry rested entirely upon its being effectively enforced. If this is not done, the competitive position of legitimate operators is correspondingly worsened as increases in measurement are adopted.

Mr. Richards suggested to fishermen that careful consideration be given this whole question before any action is taken. To this end area meetings of fishermen are being planned for the week of April 13th in at least the following areas — North and South Kings, Queens, and West Prince.

FOREST FIRE IN ITALY

VARESE, Italy (Reuters) — A raging forest fire on the Italian-Swiss border near here blazed for the third day Friday. Every available fire brigade in the area fought the wind-fanned blaze.

MUNSAN, Korea, (AP) — Engineers are rushing completion of a "freedom camp" and the 8th army mobilized helicopters for a big mercy airlift in the hope that a quick exchange of sick and wounded prisoners of the Korean War will be arranged Monday at Panmunjom.

This armistice base town was bustling with activity. The "freedom camp" of tents and prefabricated buildings, complete with a mobile surgical hospital, was rising rapidly just outside town.

Convoy loads with supplies needed to care for returned prisoners jammed the roads between Seoul and Munsan.

Red liaison officers handed a note to United Nations officers at Panmunjom last Saturday accepting an offer for the exchange of sick and wounded, touching off a series of Communist conciliatory moves.

The latest was the disclosure Friday by the French foreign office in Paris that 14 French internees, held in Korea since the war began, have been freed by the Reds and are on their way home by way of Moscow.

This bolstered hopes here that liaison officers at Panmunjom Monday would encounter no major Communist obstacles in speeding the exchange of sick and wounded, clearing the way for reopening long-recessed truce talks.

Timing Encouraging

At Annapolis, Md., Vice-Admiral C. Turner Joy, who was the chief UN truce negotiator for 11 months, said the timing of the latest Communist conciliatory moves was encouraging but he saw enough loopholes in the offers to occupy negotiators for many more wearying sessions.

Peiping radio devoted much time Friday to broadcasting what it said was favorable reaction both inside and outside the Iron Curtain to a proposal by Chinese Red Premier Chou En-lai Monday for settling the whole prisoner of war issue.

"The Chinese and North Korean proposal removes the last obstacle in the way towards peace in Korea," Peiping said.

Chou proposed that prisoners not insisting on immediate repatriation be turned over to a "neutral state" where they might be interviewed by the interested countries — but he left unspoken what would happen after that. The Allies hold more than 50,000 Red prisoners who don't want to go back.

Italian Election Likely In June

ROME, (Reuters) — Italy will hold its crucial national election June 7 or soon afterward, it was decided Friday.

The voters will pick a new Chamber of Deputies and probably a new Senate. The election had been expected this spring, but a registration order Friday showed the earliest possible date for balloting is June 7.

The cabinet will announce Saturday the exact date for the struggle in which Premier Alcide De Gasperi's Christian Democrats will bid for outright control of the government.

It will be the republic's first election to give one party a commanding majority in Parliament and end the years of uneasy coalitions. The struggle will be between the Communist and the strongly pro-Western Christian Democrats. All signs point to a Communist defeat.

Easter Anthem

Rejoice! Rejoice! Let Easter's radiance shine Within each heart, with all its quickening power, For Christ our Saviour rose upon this day — Broke all the chains of death within that hour!

Rejoice! Our Lord in wondrous glory reigns, Nor death, the grave, nor Hell could Him defeat. He came through love unending—souls to save! All earth shall know, and worship at His feet.

Rejoice! Rejoice! High let the anthem rise To mingle with the Angel's glad refrain; Light Of The World, He died that we may live, Through all the ages—man's eternal gain.

Rejoice! He spoke of mansions there On High Within His Father's House—long since prepared, For those who hear His gentle, pleading voice, For those who heed: to save each soul He dared.

Rejoice! Rejoice! He rose on Easter morn, Triumphant Holy Son, of God Most High, No other price for sin could e'er atone, For thee O man, for thee! I dared to die.

Rejoice! The blessed shadow of the Cross Still reaches out with all its saving grace, To touch each seeking heart and make it pure, And sins both great and small, through love efface.

Rejoice! Rejoice! O heart of man rejoice! The Son of God, Our Saviour speaks to thee! "O soul, I have redeemed thee with my blood, Believe, O man, and live Eternally."

—John Robert Lamont Campbell, John of "The Lilacs"

Good Friday Services Held Around The World

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Christian nations around the world commemorated the death of Christ in Good Friday services.

Whether or not the coming Easter would be the landmark of another great rebirth of hope and peace, the abiding faith of Christians rested in the promise held forth in the Resurrection long ago in Jerusalem.

There, 5,000 pilgrims from many countries trod again the narrow, twisting, cobblestoned Via Dolorosa—Way of the Cross—from the square where Christ was condemned by Pilate to the Holy Sepulchre where he was buried the first Good Friday.

Thirty men carried two huge crosses in the entire distance, and prayers, sermons and chants were recited in different languages at each of the 14 stations on the way. Jerusalem's hotels were packed with tourists.

At Vatican City an estimated 500,000 persons visited St. Peter's Basilica where Federico Castellucci officiated at the solemn Mass of the Precosified Host.

Virtual refusal of permission by the Maritime Commission for the Northumberland Ferries to operate a third boat is contained in a wire received by Mr. R. E. Mutch from Captain J. A. Heenan, Director of Subsidized Steamship Services.

The use of the third boat was to provide an interim service pending its replacement by a boat which is to be built by the Federal Government.

The telegram suggested the company send a representative to Ottawa next week to negotiate a two-year contract in accord with Proposal C as outlined below.

Just a week ago a director's meeting of the company was held here and a resolution was drafted and sent to Captain Heenan. In it were three proposals:

(a) A five-year contract for the employment of the company's present equipment and a third boat to be converted at the company's expense at a subsidy to be negotiated, said contract to be subject to revision when the new boat is available.

(b) A three-year contract similar to the preceding proposal on a subsidy to be negotiated.

(c) In the event that the Commission will not agree at this time to consider either of the above two proposals the management is authorized to accept under protest the offer of the Canadian Maritime Commission of a contract for a two-year period for the employment of present equipment only.

It is this latter clause referred to in Capt Heenan's answer.

Made Many Requests

Recognizing the inadequacy of the present service the company has been endeavouring for years to get another boat and permission to use it. No agreement could be reached with the Commission.

Last Fall the company did obtain a freighter capable of conversion to a ferry. Built in the United States she is reported as strong and able to carry 1,000 tons.

The company asked the Commission to bear the cost of conversion now and again in three years' time when a Government boat was to be ready. The Commission turned the proposal down on the grounds that it could not permit operation in Canada of a ship under United States registry.

The company then suggested another boat which last year was in operation out of Vancouver. She is the "Alexandra" and the company would hold the "Baird" and the "Alexandra" available for a short time for the consideration of the Commission.

In an attempt to maintain a service the crews of the two present boats last year worked an average of 100 hours per week. The Commission at one stage suggested the hiring of extra crews and making more trips. This was not feasible as there is no accommodation for extra crews and they would have to be boarded at Picotou, some distance from the Cariboo terminal.

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TANKS TO SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, (CP) — Six British Centurion tanks will be delivered to the Swedish Army in April, part of an order of 30 units. Seven officers and NOO's of the Swedish Army's armored division are going to Britain to familiarize themselves with the tank, before shipments arrive here.

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Cpl. M.F. Bradley of Charlottetown, who sailed yesterday morning on the "Soythia" from Halifax, N.S., for duty with No. 3 Fighter Wing, Zwebrucken, Germany. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bradley, 123 King St.



Sharp Clashes On Central Korean Front

SEOUL, (AP) — Two hours of bloody, hand-to-hand fighting on the central front, some of it with clubs and knives, Friday added to signs that the Reds intend to keep up military pressure in Korea despite new truce proposals.

Patrols also clashed in the east and west, but bad weather virtually erased the air war.

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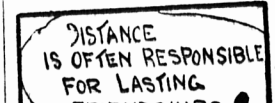
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TORONTO, (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures:

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HALIFAX, (CP) — Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Weather Office and valid until midnight Saturday:

Prince Edward Island: Cloudy; continuing very mild; light winds; low-high at Charlottetown 34 and 42. Outlook for Easter: Sunny.

Eastern N.B. counties, St. John river valley, Bay of Chaleur: Clear; continuing mild; light winds; low-high at Moncton 34 and 50, Fredericton 34 and 52, Saint John 36 and 52, Edmundston 30 and 50, Campbellton 32 and 48. Outlook for Easter: Sunny.

Bay of Fundy: Light northerly winds; sunny; visibility 10 miles; continuing mild.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 1:50 A. M. and 1:06 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 1:59 A. M. and 1:06 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Sun rises today at 5:40 A. M. and sets at 6:44 P. M.

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