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CLIMAX EXPECTED IN OMAHA'S FLOOD BATTLE TODAY

Nova Scotia Teachers Vote To Join Union

Claims U.S. Air Force 'Stay-Down' Exaggerated; Hazard Pay Blasted

WASHINGTON, April 17 — (AP) — Senator Paul Douglas (Dem.-Ill.) blasted the system of extra hazard pay for some military men today, saying it places a "price tag" on morale of fighting men and creates a "supercell."

He announced he is introducing legislation to equalize such pay. His bill would cut it to not more than \$50 a month, with rank no basis for paying it. He said he is in favor of abolishing it entirely.

He declared the air force system of paying \$50 to \$210 a month in hazard pay, and the marines' insistence on taking only volunteers, creates "snobishness" and is unfair to the infantryman, whom he called the "neglected man."

Douglas said that under present law those being shot at in front lines are considered to be facing no extra hazards but a flying officer on a routine flight from Washington to Chicago gets "anywhere from \$100 to \$210 a month extra."



Stay Of Execution

Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, chief of staff of the air force, and other high ranking officers have testified before a senate sub-committee that reducing extra hazard pay for fliers would seriously handicap the air force recruiting program.

The anxiety of the air force over the possibility of a serious shortage of fliers has been heightened by a wave of stay-down strikes by airmen who have refused to take up their planes.

However Vandenberg said at a press conference today the stay-down strike is a "tempest in a teapot." He said widespread publicity has exaggerated its seriousness, and that charges have been filed against only a relatively small number of pilots.

Vandenberg listed three causes for the present stay-down strikes. He said a rising death rate in military flights, insufficient hazard pay for airmen and the fact that reserve officers who were recalled to duty thought they were being

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Freight Rates Going Up On Canada-U.S. Traffic

OTTAWA, April 17 — (CP) — Freight charges are going up shortly on much of the two-way rail traffic between Canada and the United States. It was learned today.

The increases will be nine per cent in the west and six per cent in the east on the Canadian sections of the international traffic. These boosts correspond to regional increases awarded the U. S. railroads a few days ago by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Major exceptions to the Canadian increases include coal and coke, grain and grain products, some shipments of oil products from the U. S. to Western Canada and some miscellaneous articles in the west.

Coming Events

- See Kinkora Players in Vernon River Hall April 21st. Dance after
- Orders taken for Peeling Knives, MacDonald Bros., Bridge-town.
- Dance, St. Peter's Legion Hall every Saturday night from 9 P. M. to 12.
- Unloading today at Milton, car of mixed Quaker feeds, MacNeill & Moore.
- Crapsaud Theatre re-opening Friday and Saturday. See ad in this issue, page 15.
- Rummage Sale at Clover Club, Saturday, April 19th, 3 P. M. Central Royalty Women's Institute.
- Come in and talk over our Purina finance plan for feeding your chicks and hogs. Dillon & Spillet.
- For Snapshots that will not fade, mail your Films and Negatives to Garnham Photo Studios, Charlottetown.
- We still have a full line of high class merchandise selling at very reduced prices to clear. W. O. Myers, Stanley Bridge.
- Pantry Sale at Moore & MacLeod's, Saturday afternoon, April 26th, 2.30. Sponsored by the South Union Women's Institute.

Lake Ontario's High Water Damages Property

TORONTO, April 17 — (CP) — With Lake Ontario threatening to rise to a peak level this year, property owners along its shores who have already lost thousands of dollars in property to its surging waves are asking what can be done to prevent further loss.

The immediate answer apparently is: "Nothing this year."

The long-term solution, however, may lie with the completion of the St. Lawrence seaway and the measures it will bring to control Lake Ontario's level.

The picture this year is not reassuring. Lake Ontario's level is 1.4 inches below the record high of June, 1947, and has two months to go before the annual peak arrives. It is nearly two feet above the average of the last 10 years.

Toronto Docks Threatened

Two inches more and Toronto harbor docks will be flooded.

Two bad storms this year have caused heavy damage all along the shore from Toronto to Niagara-on-the-Lake—and farther along on the United States shore, raising an international problem for the Federal Government and the International Joint Commission which administers the Great Lakes.

Twenty-one houses were condemned at Long Beach, west of

Believe Action First of Kind In Canada

SYDNEY, N. S., April 17 — (CP) — The Nova Scotia Teachers' Union today voted to affiliate with "one of the labor organizations as soon as possible."

Believed to be the first such action in the history of Canada, the teachers voted in the second day of their annual convention, following discussion on widespread salary dispute throughout the province. Two strikes—in Antigonish and Cape Breton Counties—occurred earlier this year.

The meeting was closed to the press but it was learned unofficially the vote was 49-33. It was considered likely the teachers will decide tomorrow which labor organization they will join. They were addressed today by Henry Harm, official of the Canadian Congress of Labor. The union represents more than 3,000 teachers.

Oliver Gibson of Liverpool was elected president today to succeed Gerald Tingley of Amherst. Mr. Gibson was chairman of the educational research committee.

Frank Glasgow of Sydney, and Miss Jean Morrison, Halifax, were first and second vice-presidents respectively. Re-elected secretary-treasurer was Miss Mary Usher of Dominion. Elections to fill other posts will be held tomorrow.

Wings Parade Today At Summerside Air Station

Air Commodore F. S. Carpenter, A.F.C., C.D., chief of training from Air Force Headquarters in Ottawa, arrived in Summerside about 3:00 P.M. yesterday morning and will present wings this morning to a graduating class of Canadian and British airmen at the Summerside R.C.A.F. Air Navigation School. He was accompanied by S/L W. H. Muncey and S/L J. J. Thurmeier.

Upon arrival yesterday, Air Commodore Carpenter inspected the guard of honor under Flight Lt. Baxter after which he visited the Air Navigation School to discuss specialist navigation problems with Wing Commander Forbes. Later in the afternoon, at a press interview with a Guardian representative it was learned that Air Commodore Carpenter was pilot of the plane that brought the air force official to Prince Edward Island to select sites for air bases at Summerside and Charlottetown about 12 or 13 years ago.

Air Commodore Carpenter expressed complete satisfaction with the NATO training plan and said that the training is progressing according to plan. He said that from the beginning he had shared the opinion that it was important not to separate airmen by nationalities during their training but rather to mix these airmen from other coun-

News In Brief

VICTORIA, B. C., April 17 — (CP) — Agriculture Minister Harry Bowman said tonight British Columbia's restrictions on Prairie livestock imports may end in a day or two.

WASHINGTON, April 17 — (AP) — Commerce Secretary Charles Sawyer tonight summoned the private owners of the seized steel industry to his office tomorrow—presumably to tell them how much the government will increase worker wages.

WASHINGTON, April 17 — (AP) — Canada and Pakistan today formally notified the State Department they have ratified the Japanese peace treaty, clearing the way for bringing the pact into effect.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 17 — (CP) — Prime Minister St. Laurent of Canada, spending his Easter vacation here, is playing a lot of golf and has acquired a healthy tan. He plans to return to Canada Sunday.

EDMONTON, April 17 — (CP) — The number of oil wells in Alberta is fast approaching the 3,000 mark. The Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board reports that at April 7 there were 2,983 wells in the Province compared with 2,198 a year previous.

EASTERN, Sask., April 17 — (CP) — Flood waters from Frenchman Creek receded today. Early tonight most of the streets in Eastern's business section were almost free of water. Improvement also was seen throughout Southwestern Saskatchewan's flood area.

Byrnes In Blistering Attack On Truman

WASHINGTON, April 17 — (AP) — James F. Byrnes made a blistering attack on President Truman today, accusing him of writing history to suit himself and of playing into Russian hands with a "wrong statement" about the Polish-German boundary.

Byrnes, former secretary of state under Truman and now Governor of South Carolina, spoke out in a Colliers magazine article. The article was prompted by publication in the recent book "Mr. President" of a letter which the President said he had read to Byrnes, criticizing him after the Moscow conference of December, 1945.

"The evidence is impressive," Byrnes said, "that the document (the letter) was written by the President and formally signed by him to record himself favorably."

Byrnes noted that the book said Truman sometimes wrote letters he never sent and declared that the letter published as being addressed

Canada Slowly Becoming Country Of City Dwellers

OTTAWA, April 17 — (CP) — Canada, it seems, is slowly but steadily becoming a country of city dwellers.

The trend from country to city and town has been going on for 50 years and is still continuing. The Bureau of Statistics reported today.

Without attempting to analyze, the Bureau said its 1951 census figures disclose that 61.6 per cent of all Canadians now live in urban localities while 38.4 per cent reside in the country.

It wasn't always that way. Back in 1901 there were five rural to every three urban dwellers. In the 1941 census, 56.5 per cent of Canadians lived in cities and towns and 43.5 per cent in rural districts.

After a study of 1951 census figures, the bureau reported that both urban and rural population grew between 1941 and 1951. But the urban rise exceeded the rural.

The Prince Edward Island

A special compilation of 1951 figures shows the urban population increased 32.7 per cent from 6,501,226 to 7,228,253 while the rural population rose only 7.5 per cent from 5,005,329 to 5,381,176. And while all provinces showed urban gains, the rural populations of four—Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Alberta and Prince Edward Island—declined.

The entry of Newfoundland into Confederation in 1949 accounted for 201,621 of the over-all rural gain and 154,796 of the over-all urban increase.

However, in five provinces and the two territories, the rural population still outnumbered the urban but in each case the proportion of country dwellers has decreased since 1941, while urbanites have increased.

In 1941, 78 per cent of all Prince Edward Islanders lived in rural districts but by last year the proportion was down to 75 per cent. In the decade, New Brunswick's rural proportion dropped from 81.7 to 56.3 per cent. Similar

Report Trade Balance Favorable 6th Month

OTTAWA, April 17 — (AP) — Aided by a spectacular 25 per cent increase in domestic exports and the rise of the Canadian dollar, Canada marked up a favorable foreign trade balance of \$31,400,000 in February, it was the sixth month in a row to show a favorable balance.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today that total imports in February had a value of \$282,000,000 compared with \$274,200,000 in February last year. Against this, domestic exports rose to \$309,700,000 from \$233,900,000 while foreign exports increased to \$37,000,000 from \$29,000,000.

The \$31,400,000 favorable balance compared with an import surplus of \$37,300,000 in February last year. The credit balance in January was \$21,000,000, bringing the total for the first two months of the year to \$52,400,000 as compared with a debit of \$75,700,000 in foreign trading a year earlier.

A 25 per cent expansion in domestic exports in February was a feature of the trade picture. Export prices advanced six per cent and the overall result was a rise of 32 per cent in the value of Canadian goods shipped abroad during the month.

In comparison, the volume of imports was about six per cent higher but prices were down almost four per cent with the total value increasing only about three per cent. The average price of the things Canada imports was less in February than in any month last year.

The Bureau said this change was influenced "by the appreciation in the Canadian dollar" which, since it was freed, has risen a premium of two per cent over an American currency.

Imports from the United States were up in value in February to \$211,800,000 from \$199,000,000 a year, while domestic exports increased to \$168,700,000 from \$152,400,000. Foreign exports to the

U.S. Parents Asked To Take Gamble On Polio

By Alton L. Blakeslee
Associated Press Service Reporter

NEW YORK, April 17 — (AP) — United States parents today were asked to take a gamble in hopes of finding a way to prevent polio.

The request came from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The gamble is this: To allow some children to get an injection that may prevent polio, but not to allow other children to have it.

It isn't known whether this injection will work in humans. It has worked in monkeys. Only by keeping it from some children will science learn whether the injection does any good for humans.

The injection is gamma globulin, a protein or blood fraction that comes from human blood.

In monkeys, injections of the gamma globulin have prevented polio, after the monkeys were fed

Water Laps At Top of Dikes; 39,000 Flee Homes

OMAHA, April 17 — (AP) — Suspense gripped the flood-threatened twin cities of Omaha and Council Bluffs, Ia., tonight as the Missouri River moved on stage for the climactic act in an elemental drama—man versus nature.

By dawn Friday, the dikes and flood walls protecting this popular metropolitan area will be taking the worst the rampaging Missouri has to offer.

Guarded Optimism

There is a feeling in Council Bluffs, from Mayor James F. Mulqueen down to the men working on the levees, that the battle might be won. The same guarded optimism prevailed in Omaha.

The unprecedented mass of water, constricted into a bottleneck formed by the cities, is pushing with terrifying force against the protective works.

Sandbags developed and brought pinpointed rushes of workers to choke them.

Water pushed against and spilled through the flashboard which tops the concrete flood wall along Omaha's industrial waterfront. Pumps lifted the overflow back into the channel.

Secondary and supplementary dikes have been erected and bolstered wherever necessary.

Some 34,000 of Council Bluffs' 45,000 residents and another 5,000 from across the river had abandoned their homes, leaving nearly three-fourths of Council Bluffs and the entire East Omaha and Carter Lake, Ia., areas ghostly vacant.

The river level late today passed 29.7 feet. A crest of 31.5 is expected during the night. Flood stage is 19 and the previous record high in 1881 is 24.6.

Naval Planes Collide During Exercises With Cruiser Quebec Off N.S.

HALIFAX, April 17 — (CP) — Two navy Avenger aircraft, carrying out a "strike" against the cruiser Quebec, crashed into the Atlantic tonight with seven men aboard.

Wreckage was found by the Quebec following a sweep of the area but there were no signs of survivors.

Missing are:

Lieut. John S. Murphy, RR. No. 1, Wellington, Vancouver Island;

Lieut. John K. H. Mason, Toronto;

AB. William Hunter (8 Collier Ave.), Clarence Park, N. S.;

Lieut. William J. Hutchinson, (29 Hawthorne St.), Dartmouth, N. S.;

Lieut. John E. P. Anderson, (22 1/2 King St.), Dartmouth;

Sub-Lieut. J. A. Plotkins (2511 Fifth St. West), Calgary;

AB. Doug Moffatt (2154 Marcell St.), Montreal.

The navy said the accident occurred about 70 miles south of Shelburne, on Nova Scotia's south coast. The two aircraft—anti-submarine Avengers—had been carrying out a "search and strike" against the Quebec, heading for Halifax from the west coast.

The R.C.A.F., which sent a Lancaster bomber, equipped with droppable rescue apparatus, to the scene, said it was recalling the aircraft because "the weather is socking in."

The Quebec "swept" the area and did not report any luck. The frigate Iahaluioe and a high speed launch sped to the area to help in the search.

The submarine Aicde and the minesweeper Wallaceburg, earlier said to be assisting, are not in the search area, the navy said.

Avengers normally carry a crew of three but apparently one of the planes carried an extra man. The accident was first reported from the Quebec just before 10 P.M. A. S. T.

Red Cross Needs 10 Million In Flood Area

NEW YORK, April 17 — (AP) — The Red Cross said today it needs a minimum of \$10,000,000 as an initial fund for disaster work in the Missouri and Mississippi River flood areas.

Few Automobiles For British Buyers

LONDON, April 17 — (Reuters) — Only one in every 20 Britons who want a new car will get one this year. Some would-be motorists have waited since 1946 for a new car.

Only 60,000 cars will reach the home market—the lowest total for any peace time year since 1923. The rest of British production will be exported under government orders to earn foreign currency. Last year's exports were 368,737 cars.

The British Motor Trade Association and the Society of Motor Manufacturers, representing 29 makers also announced an additional plan to prevent post-war car owners cashing in on sky-high secondhand prices.

In future buyers will be asked whether they already own a post-war car. If the answer is yes—and the declaration will be made legally binding—they will not get a second one.

Car buyers already have to promise not to resell their cars within two years of purchase.

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Report Churchill Has Heavy Cold

LONDON, April 17 — (Reuters) — Prime Minister Churchill, 77, is suffering from a heavy cold, it was announced tonight.

A statement issued from his official London home, 10 Downing Street, said the cold "is taking a normal course but he has been advised to stay at home for the present."

Churchill is at his country home, Chartwell Manor, in Kent.

He was visited this evening by his doctor, Lord Moran. The Prime Minister developed a slight chest cold at the week-end and cancelled his plans to attend a Newmarket race-meeting in which one of his horses was entered.

He was yesterday reported practically fit again, and he put in a full day's work and presided over an evening meeting of the cabinet.

Sources close to the Prime Minister told Reuters tonight that Churchill, apart from his cold, is fit.

He last caught a cold just before the end of his United States visit in January. During the voyage home on the Queen Mary he ran a temperature but by the time the liner docked he was reported fully recovered.

LONDON, April 17 — (Reuters) — Underwater television which will help scientists to explore the oceans and may revolutionize submarine warfare was demonstrated publicly for the first time at Tolworth, Surrey, today.



REMEMBER A TELEPHONE POLE NEVER HIT ANYBODY!

HALIFAX, April 17 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Friday.

Synopsis: Cloudiness is variable over the Maritimes. A weak disturbance in Northern Quebec is moving south-eastward and will cross the district tomorrow. This will not cause much change in the weather, but temperatures are expected to be a little higher in most regions.

Forecast: Prince Edward Island — Variable cloudiness. A little milder. Light winds. Low and high Friday at Charlottetown 25 and 50.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 5.29 A. M. and 4.25 P. M.
High tide on the North Shore at 12.34 A. M. and 11.56 P. M.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.
Sun rises today at 5.24 A. M. and sets at 7.02 P. M.

MCA AIR SERVICE
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY
Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 5:30 A.M.; 11:20 A.M.; 4:50 P.M.
Ar. Charlottetown from Moncton 7:25 A.M.; 1:35 P.M.; 6:55 P.M.
Leave Charlottetown for New Glasgow — Halifax 7:40 A.M. New Glasgow 1:50 P.M. New Glasgow & Halifax Arrive Charlottetown from New Glasgow and Halifax 11:00 A.M. from New Glasgow 4:35 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY ONLY
9:10 A.M. Arrive Sydney from New Glasgow
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