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## PRESIDENT TRUMAN WILL NOT OFFER FOR RE-ELECTION

### Week-End Fires Cause Damage In N.B., Nfld.

#### Sir Andrew Duncan Dies In Britain; Headed Royal Commission Here

LONDON, March 30—(AP)—Sir Andrew Duncan, 67, chairman of Britain's huge Iron and Steel Federation, died in his sleep early today. Duncan was Prime Minister Churchill's minister of supply from 1940 until the end of the Second World War. Prior to that, he was for 11 years the director of the Bank of England. He was a member of parliament from 1940 until the 1950 election when he did not fight to retain his seat. He had been seriously ill for the last two weeks. The nature of his illness was not announced.



Sir Andrew Duncan

Born in Ayrshire, Scotland, Duncan was trained as a lawyer but soon went into industry and reached top appointments in coal, iron and steel, chemicals, electricity and shipping. He bitterly fought the Labor Government's nationalization of Britain's steel industry after the war.

#### Police Abandon Search For Plane

DALHOUSIE, N. B., March 30—(CP)—The R. C. M. P. have officially called off their search for an aircraft, which three children said they found in a gully, five miles south of here, last Thursday. It was thought that it might have been the missing M. C. A. Dakota, which disappeared on a charter flight from Saint John, N. B., to Goose Bay, Labrador, with five persons aboard on March 22.

The R. C. A. P. abandoned its air and ground search at 4 P. M. Friday, Saturday the R. C. M. P. and Boy Scouts made a thorough scouring of the thickly-wooded terrain, but found nothing. Several residents plan to continue the hunt tomorrow.

Snow flurries over the bleak Bay of Chaleur area cancelled a scheduled aerial search. R. C. A. P. Search and Rescue officials said the search has not been "completely abandoned." A plane will resume tomorrow. "Length of the search will depend on the weather, an important factor when it comes to the men's survival chances," an official said.

#### Coming Events

- Seeds! Send for Free Catalog. Arthur Vesey, York.
- Shipment of Hammermill arriving first of week. Weeks Farm Equipment.
- Come to Rose Valley Hall tonight. Programme, Crokinole and Lunches.
- Rogerson's Beauty Shop, Craupaud, will open April 1st. Evenings by appointment.
- Shavings—Unloading car Saturday and Monday. Gil Henry, Purina Feed Store.
- Victoria rink Tuesday night, Kelly's Cross Red Wings vs. Green Road Meteors.
- Hockey at North River rink Monday, March 31st. Cornwall Meteors vs. Milton Hornets. Game time 8:45.
- For Snapshots that will not fade, mail your films and Negatives to Garnum Photo Studios, Charlottetown.
- We will have a shipment of timothy and clover seed in the near future. Book your order now. Our prices are right. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- Victoria rink tonight, Monday, first game in the finals for the Physical Fitness and Board of Trade Cups. Cape Traverse Rovers Sisters vs. Victoria Sea Gulls and Tryon vs. Cape Traverse. First game 8:15 sharp.
- Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., each Tuesday at Craupaud and Carleton. When roads are impassable farmers are asked to deliver hogs to our trucks at Craupaud, and Carleton, up until 11 A. M. each Tuesday, under the same arrangement as last year. R. N. Dawson, Phone No. 12-11 or 17.

#### Small Village Threatened; Other Outbreaks

BOISSETOWN, N.B., March 30—(CP)—Two general stores, one containing offices and a warehouse as well, were leveled by fire tonight and a nearby three-story residence badly damaged in this small village, just inside the border of Northumberland County and almost at the geographical centre of New Brunswick. Damage estimates run upwards from \$150,000. The fire was first noticed about 7:30 p. m. in the upstairs offices of the Miramichi Lumber Company, Ltd., over the general store and warehouse of P. J. Whalen, Ltd. It spread quickly and with the whole village threatened firemen and equipment were called in from Newcastle, 63 miles to the north-west, and the nearby communities of Donkown and McGivney. A forestry trucks from the area and army firefighters from the equipment depot at McGivney also assisted.

#### At Saint John

SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 30—(CP)—Damage estimated as high as \$125,000 was caused by a two-alarm fire here Saturday in the Maritime distributing warehouse of the Barrett Company, Ltd., of Montreal, suppliers of patent roofing and siding.

The two-storey wooden building was badly damaged and 18 cars and trucks, some of them new, stored on the second floor were also scorched and burned. The cars were owned by Lawson Motors Limited, owners of the building.

The fire started as an employee attempted to light an oil heater on the ground floor. A small explosion sent burning oil over the floor and one wall. The employee escaped unhurt.

#### At Corner Brook

CORNER BROOK, Nfld., March 30—(CP)—Five families were left homeless and two stores were destroyed in a fire which raged through a downtown block in Corner Brook West today.

Police estimated damage at \$100,000. Nobody was injured in the flames, brought under control tonight after firemen battled for five hours. Destroyed were a big grocery on downtown Broadway, owned by J.W. Moore, the two apartments above it and a two-family house, and a small bungalow.

#### Stop Man On Relief From Taking Trip

NEW YORK, March 30—(AP)—A man on relief was blocked from taking a tour of Scotland Saturday when police removed him from the liner Queen Mary. David Smith, 43, of Queens, was accused of defrauding the city by drawing relief cheques for 16 years—up to \$228 a month for himself, his wife and three children—while having other financial sources.

#### NEW YORK, March 30—(AP)—

A sure sign of spring—the circus—rolled into town today. The big show, Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey, moved into Madison Square Garden.

#### Reds Reject Protest Over Location Of Prison Camps

By William C. Barnard  
MUNSAN, Korea, March 31—(Monday)—(AP)—The Allies protested Sunday against the location of prisoner-of-war camps adjacent to Communist supply lines but the Reds tartly refused to move them. There was no progress in the armistice talks but staff officers agreed to meet again today at Panmunjom at 11 a. m. (9 p. m. EST Sunday). Col. Hubert Butler of the United States presented the United Nations command's protest on the prisoner camps after adjournment of the off-record session on exchange of prisoners. He said the Communists violated the Geneva convention and needlessly endangered Allied prisoners by situating prison camps near military targets. He added that seven of 11 camps were marked improperly. Chinese Col Wang Chian replied: "If your side is sincerely concerned about the security of prisoners you should not carry out a wanton bombing and should notify your air force so that the security of the prisoners will not be threatened."

#### Agreement Reached Re German Farm Workers For Island This Year

German farm laborers may make up a shortage of help on Island farms this year under an agreement reached between the Agricultural Department of the Provincial Government, and the Federal Department of Labor. Similar agreements have been arranged by Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and other provincial governments. The immigrants who are expected to be routed to the Island will come from the West German district of Schleswig-Holstein. All of them will be well-grounded in farming.

#### Blizzard In Britain, Heat Wave In Italy

LONDON, March 30—(Reuters)—Gusty winds and cold rain continued to belabor Europe today, but in Italy a freak heat wave sent temperatures up to 90 degrees in the shade.

Torrential rains and melting snow in Northern France and Germany set rivers rising toward flood levels. Scandinavia was dappled with patches of brilliant sunshine, while Moscow reported the Mercury hit 18 below zero during the week.

Britain's "three-day" snow blizzard eased up in the south today but elsewhere it went on furiously while snowbound families dug their way out. Roads were blocked, motorists found themselves stranded in country lanes, and trains stopped as the great snow blanket moved northwards.

In Eastern England many villages were isolated by seven-foot drifts. Farmers used their tractors to get milk churns to the main roads.

#### Sask. Considering Health Insurance

REGINA, March 30—(CP)—Premier Douglas said Saturday the Saskatchewan Government will endeavor to implement a health insurance program if the Federal Government does not introduce such a scheme at a reasonable early date. He was commenting on the provincial health survey report which recommended a comprehensive federal-provincial health insurance program for Saskatchewan. In an interview, the Premier said health insurance and other "expansion" questions had been under study for some time and the results of the study would be made public soon.

#### Two Ships Collide Off Halifax Harbor

HALIFAX, March 30—(CP)—A tanker and freighter collided in early-morning mist off Halifax harbor today and both ships were heavily damaged. There were no injuries. The American freighter Harold D. Whitehead, leaving the harbor, rammed the Canadian tanker Imperial Frederick amships.

#### Appointed Manager At Prestwick Airport



The appointment of R. W. Lockhart of Kensington, P. E. I. (above) to the position of Station Manager at the busy international airport of Prestwick, Scotland, has been announced from Montreal by Trans-Canada Air Lines. Formerly station manager at Goose Bay, Mr. Lockhart is well-known in aviation communications circles in the Maritimes and Bermuda, where he supervised the installation of a new radio-telephone station for the airline. A native of Kensington, and educated here and at Toronto, he qualified as a radio technician in the Queen City. Joining the airline in 1939 as a radio operator at Winnipeg, Mr. Lockhart later served as station manager at Sydney, N. S., and assistant manager at Prestwick, Scotland, until appointed to the senior operational post at Goose Bay.

#### Wilson Resigns In Steel Dispute

WASHINGTON, March 30—(AP)—Charles E. Wilson resigned today as director of defence mobilization as a result of the controversy over proposals for settling the steel labor dispute. President Truman accepted the resignation, which was drafted when Wilson called on him last Friday to express concern over government plans to avert a walkout threatened for April 8.

#### Stalin Puts End To Rumors He's Ill

LONDON, March 30—(Reuters)—Premier Stalin Saturday attended a meeting of the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federated Republic, scotching rumors that he is ill. The rumors were sparked by his absence from a meeting of this body last Wednesday.

#### Dominion Drama Festival Competitors Announced

TORONTO, March 30—(CP)—Seven Little Theatre companies from six of Canada's 10 provinces will compete in the Dominion drama festival April 28-May 3 at Saint John, N.B., the festival executive announced today. Two others, Belleville (Ont.) Theatre Guild and La Jeune Scene of Montreal, have been asked to stage their regional festival productions at the final show. Invitations to this 13th national competition were issued on the basis of Pierre LeFevre's report to the executive. The regional adjudicator has just completed a two-month tour of area competitions.

#### Commons To Consider Legislation This Week

OTTAWA, March 30—(CP)—The Commons swings its attention to government business this week. Thus far in the four-week session, there has been little action in the way of passage of legislation. Only an emergency bill was adopted. That was the bill to recompense prairie farmers for the slaughter of animals affected by foot-and-mouth disease. The rest of the time was spent on the Throne-speech debate, a foreign-policy debate and private members' business. Beginning this week, private members lose one of the three days weekly set aside in the early stages of each session for their legislation. Then will come the budget April 8 and, when the House returns from its Easter recess April 21, government legislation probably will get priority. The chamber must pass supplementary estimates of government spending for the fiscal year ending tomorrow. Study of the estimates was not completed Friday night.

#### Announcement Made At Annual Dinner Of Party; Speculation On Candidate

WASHINGTON, March 30—(AP)—President Truman will not be a candidate for re-election. The historic pronouncement, before 5,000 Democratic politicians at an annual party dinner, came as an off-the-cuff interpolation in his prepared address, which had contained no intimation of his intentions. Millions heard the announcement by radio and television. A chorus of "noes" from the diners greeted Truman's statement that he will not accept a renomination. Truman's announcement touched off a free-for-all scramble today for the Democratic presidential nomination. Democrats predicted the party's July nominating convention will be wide open, although they looked for Truman to take no back seat role in the choice of a nominee. Came As Surprise The announcement caught off base even those who had been predicting he would bow out of the picture. The immediate effect was to step up the campaigns of Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee and Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia, previously avowed candidates for the nomination, and it brought Senator Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma formally into the race. Kerr previously had said he would be a candidate only if Truman stepped aside. The Oklahoman is matched against Kefauver in Tuesday's Nebraska presidential primary. Truman, however, has yet to give any kind of a public nod to Kerr, and he is reported to be cool to Kefauver's candidacy. Russell was persuaded to run by anti-Truman southerners whose primary objective was to keep Truman from being re-elected if he decided to run. Truman has neither denied nor confirmed published reports that his own choice for the nomination is Governor Adlai Stevenson of Illinois. Stevenson sat just six places removed from Truman at Saturday night's dinner, and was nearly mobbed by reporters and photographers who rushed to his side the moment Truman's announcement came. Obviously enjoying the hubbub, Stevenson reiterated that he is a candidate only for another term as governor and has "no other ambitions." But, when asked whether he would consider becoming a White House candidate, Stevenson replied: "I'll cross that bridge when I come to it."



President Truman

#### Moscow Reports Heavy Snowfall

MOSCOW, March 30—(AP)—A thousand workers turned out today to dig this capital out from under one of the heaviest snowstorms in years. Using their latest snow removal equipment, they first opened the main thoroughfares piling snow eight to 10 feet high along the sides of the streets.

SINGAPORE, March 30—(Reuters)—Work has started here on salvaging the wreck of the Canadian Pacific Liner Empress of Asia, sunk by Japanese bombers in January, 1942, while carrying British reinforcements to Singapore.



#### HALIFAX, March 30—(CP)—

Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Monday. Synopsis: Snowflurries and cloudiness were predominant in the Maritimes Sunday. An area of high pressure approaching the Maritimes will bring fine weather to most regions on Monday.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island—Clear with a few cloudy intervals. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low and high Monday at Charlottetown 18 and 37.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2:46 A. M. and 1:49 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 8:38 A. M. and 10:25 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 5:56 A. M. and sets at 6:39 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 and Halifax 4:35 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax. SUNDAY ONLY Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 11:20 A.M. Arrive Charlottetown from Moncton 5:55 P.M.

#### BORDEN—CAPE TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE Daily (Including Sunday)

Leave Borden Leave C. T. 9:10 A.M. 10:35 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 2:40 P.M. 4:50 P.M. 6:00 P.M. 7:30 P.M. 9:00 P.M.