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## Another Bomb Is Dropped Near British Freighter

By Associated Press

LONDON, June 22. - Foreign Secretary Bevin has protested personally to Chinese Ambassador Cheng Tien-Hst over the "unwarranted attack" on the British motor ship Anchises at Communistheld Shanghai.

By FRED HAMPSON

SHANGHAI, June 22. (AP)-A Nationalist plane today dropped a bomb on the lower Whangpoo River district, but no damage was reported.

The bomb fell not far from where the damaged British freighter Anchises is grounded. The ship was hit yesterday and beached. Divers today were trying to repair the hole in her bulkhead. It seemed doubtful she would be able to leave the Whangpoo before the Nationalist blockade deadline of June 26.

(Reports from Hong Kong said the+ Anchises was machine-gunned from the air today. The message said there were no casualties. The plane was not identified.)

#### SHIPPING CURTAILED

Whether the blockade will be recognized by foreign shipping interests here was not known. But shipping already had been curtailed sharply by raids by three planes yesterday and the day before.

One British source in Hong Kong suggested that the attacks on the Anchises are not necessarily part of the Nationalist blockade program. He said it is possible to confuse the blockade with the ordinary operations of the civil war.

In their raids on Shanghai the Nationalists were hitting "everything in sight." The Anchises was in the Shanghai area.

### U.S. SHIP DIVERTED

The American President Lines re- President Pierce was diverted today to Ibbetson Honored

There was some doubt about the future of foreign-owned independent newspapers in Shanghai. There the were demands from Communist-conec. trolled newspapers that the British North China Daily News be suspended for three days for publishing stories about the recent mine scare on the Yangtze.

> In Nanking the Communists gave assurance to private schools, including mission schools; that they not only could continue but could expand.

## Trucks Reach Here To Service Jets For Week-End Show

Plans for the exhibition here next Saturday and Sunday of a squadron of Vampire Jets sponsored by the Thunder Bay Flying Club neared completion with the arrival in Fort

## McIntosh Leading In Canadian Open

By The Canadian Press

ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB, Toronto, June 22.-Gordon McIntosh, from the Toronto Golf Haven School, took over the early lead-today in the Canadian open golf championship with an 18-hole score of 73.

At that time the big-name players from the United States were still on the course or preparing to set out.

Bill Thompson of Toronto Weston started out with a sizzling two-under-par 33 that just about matched the weather. But he took 42 on the second nine, against a par of 37. for a 73.

# By Odd Fellows

By The Canadian Press

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., June 22. -Mrs. Donald Anderson of North Bay, yesterday was elected warden of the Rebekaly Assembly at the Independent Order of Odd Fellows con-

A presentation was made to P. V. Ibbetson, Crown Atorney in Port Arthur, retiring grand patriarch,

Officers for the grand encampment elected were W. Lyle Wilson, Cobourg, Ont., Grand Patriarch: W. G. Francis, Prescott, Ont., Senior Warden; W. H. Roe. Napanee. Ont., high priest: Lloyd C. Jones, Hamilton. grand scribe; and George H. oElson, Toronto, grand treasurer.

Kenneth Zeller of Guelph, Ont., was elected junior warden and Earl Fox, Stirling, Ont., grand marshal. Mrs. Sandercock was shaken up.

## Stenographer Back At Desk; Is "Shaky"

An inquest- is expected to be held into the double slaying and suicide which occurred in the Juvenile and Family Court in the McGolrick Block, 242 Arthur Street, yesterday, Port Arthur District Coroner Dr. Charles Powell said today.

Dr. Powell conferred with Police+ Chief George Taylor this morning. Following the conference, Dr. Powell High Tribute Paid said he expected an inquest would be held into the deaths of Judge B. J. McKitrick, 45, judge of the juvenile and family court, Mrs. William Gray, 41, and her estranged husband, William Gray, 50, who committed suicide after shooting the judge and his wife at point blank range.

#### SAW SHOOTINGS

three others when the shooting oc- the juvenile and family court for curred, was back at her job in the Thunder Bay District. juvenile and family court office this Judge McKitrick died in hospital war bride, was eye-witness to the shooting and watched events from underneath a table. William Creighton, probation officer, was also back at work this morning. Mr. Creighton was present in the room during the shooting.

In the city welfare office which adjoins the juvenile and family court room, a bullet-shattered wooden filing cabinet was evidence of the wild shooting which went on in the 16-by-20-foot office and courtroom. One of the bullets fired by Gray went through a fibre board partition between the two offices and lodged in the filing cabinet. Ray Wainio, an employee of the welfare office, was in another section of the department when the shots were fired.

2 BULLETS LEFT

in the gun used by Gray after the arrival of police, Chief Taylor said. After shooting his wife, Judge Mc-Kitrick, one random shot and himself once, Gray reloaded the gun and shot himself again. In all, five shots render him was always appreciated. were fired from the gun, the Chief said.

### McKitrick Funeral Tomorrow At 3 p.m.

The funeral of Judge Bruce James McKitrick, 44, of 16 Prospect Avenue, who was fatally wounded by William Gray in the Juvenile and Family Court here yesterday, will be held tomorrow afternoon. The body will be taken from the chapel, 21 North Court Street, tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock to St. Paul's Church to lie in state until the funeral service at 3 o'clock. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Surviving besides his wife. Florence, are two sons, Ronald Bruce, 16, and Allan George, 12, and one the Family Court here, was fatally daughter, Lucille, 6. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. George McKitrick. live at Crystal City, Manitoba and there are two brothers and five sisters. Brothers are Harold, North Battleford, Sask., and Earl of Regina, Sask. Sisters are Mrs. W. Howatson. Winnipegosis: Miss Jennie McKitrick, Winnipeg, and Mrs. Norman Mutch. Mrs. George Custance and Mrs. R. A. Buckley all of Crystal City.

A cousin, Roy Arbuckle, is manager of the Royal Bank of Canada

#### M.L.A. is Injured

BELLEVILLE, Ont. June 22-Elmert Sandercock, Progressive Conservative member of the Legislature for Hastings South, was severely injured when his automobile and a truck collided near here yesterday.

## Judge McKitrick By Many In City

Expressions of tribute to Judge Bruce J. McKitrick, shot to death in his own courtroom yesterday, came Still "pretty shaky." Mrs. Frances today from civic officials and organ-Hodgson, court stenographer, who izations with whom the judge had was present in the courtroom with worked in his capacity as judge of

morning. Mrs. Hodgson, a Scottish after being shot by William Gray, 50. who also shot to death his wife, Irene, 41, and ended his own life in the same way by firing two bullets into his chest.

Wilfred Harrison, president of the Childrens' Aid Society, in a statement on behalf of the society said:

"In hearing of the terrible tragedy my thoughts immediately went out to the McKitrick family, who have suffered an irreplaceable loss.

"As president of the Children's Aid Society./I am sure I express the opinions of all our members and staff when I say that the untimely loss of our Judge is a major calamity. His past experience in Children's Aid work has been of great value to our society in that perplexing problems with which he was so often confronted were treated from a broad social base, at the same time satisfying the requirements of law.

"As school attendance officer for Two bullets were found to be still our city, I have, on occasion, found it necessary to go to Judge McKitrick for advice or assistance on matters relating to my work. He was always interested and helpful, and any small assistance I was able to

> "One cannot help but think of the adjustments which must be made in the lives of the six fatherless child-

"The work of a Juvenile Court Judge is not spectacular, but Judge McKitrick has been a devoted worker in his chosen field and has left his mark in our city.

"I feel that not only have we lost a sympathetic and kindly judge but also a real friend."

At a meeting of the Board of Education last night a resolution was passed in connection with the death of Judge McKitrick: the resolution:

"The Board of Education and the members thereof individually, in unison with citizens in all walks of-life in the City of Port Arthur and District, give expression to the profound sympathy felt for the members of the families bereaved by the tragic occurrence this morning in which Judge B. J. McKitrick, while presiding in shot along with Mrs. Gray who was

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### D. J. Scott Named To C.N. Post Here, Is Former Resident

Appointment of D. J. Scott. formerly C.N.R. freight traffic representative. Winnipeg, as district freight agent. Port Arthur, is announced today by Alistair Campbell, division freight agent at Winnipeg. Mr. Scott succeeds J. R. Brown, recently promoted to a post with the foreign freight department at Montreal.

It is a homecoming for Mr. Scott, who has already assumed his new duties. He was brought up here and started his railroad career as a night yard clerk in Port Arthur in Sepember, 1917. He rose steadile and

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