

The Week at OTTAWA

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OTTAWA (CP)—Last of the secrets of the Royal Commission which for five months has probed into the existence of a Russian ring in Canada now is public knowledge.

The report, presented by Mr. Justice Kellock and Mr. Justice Taschereau of the Supreme Court of Canada, was a 250,000 word tome of evidence and findings. It read in many places more like a detective thriller than an official report.

The Justice were outspoken in their description of the Russian espionage system and warned that not one, but several parallel secret Soviet organizations have been and in some cases still are at work in Canada, that the system started as early as 77 years ago, and that it was developed by the Russian Embassy in Ottawa and the Daniloff in Moscow.

The report said the Soviet agents had had "uncanny" success in finding Canadians willing to betray their country, and that the success stemmed in fact from the Communist party in Canada. The Labor Progressive party, it said, Fred Rose, Labor Progressive member of parliament, and Sam Carr, formerly national organizer of the Communist party were both schooled in Moscow as espionage agents. Rose had worked for the Russian secret police when only 17, the report added, intimating that Carr had probably been sent to Canada in 1924 as a professional Soviet agent and had acted continuously since that time.

Nine additional persons were named in the final report. At the weekend court action had been started against four. They were Dr. John Soboloff of Toronto, William M. Pappin of Ottawa, Henry Harris of Toronto and Sam Carr, who has been missing for several months.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced that the Russian officials mentioned in the report had already left Canada or were "immediately leaving."

The movements of the Justice department were cloaked in mystery. But Justice Minister St. Laurent said "the first announcement as to what we intend to do will not be of future intentions; we shall say 'we are acting'."

The 14 persons originally detained in the spy case included Dr. David Shugar, health department employee who last week was dismissed from government service because of statements in the final report, despite the fact he had been acquitted for lack of evidence on a previous spy charge.

The remaining persons included a Mrs. Emma Wolkun, external affairs clerk, and Miss Mary Kathleen Willsher, employee of the British high commissioner's office, sentenced respectively to 2½ and three years. There were also Fred Rose and Edward Macraill, sentenced to six and four years respectively, who both are appealing the sentences.

Dr. Raymond Boyer of Montreal will face a Montreal jury in the fall, and six others will appear in Ottawa courts, two of whom have been committed but not yet arraigned.

With upwards of 50,000 Canadian workers idle due to strikes, the Commons heard a request from Arthur Smith (PC Calgary West) that the latest Commons Industrial Disputes Committee be called into action to study the labor difficulties, especially the newly developed steel strike.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King seconded the motion in record time. The committee immediately began investigations into the steel strike — interviewing labor and management representatives in the plants which direct the Dominion's steel industry at Hamilton, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. and Sydney, N.S.

After lengthy criticism of the budget on the grounds it did not relieve the taxpayer sufficiently, Finance Minister Hiley arose in the Commons to defend the 1946-47 budget and say the tax exemptions could not have been made possible until next year.

Mr. Hiley said the 1945-46 budget had provided for an income tax of 16 per cent in 1946. That was one of the reasons the new cuts could not become effective until Jan. 1, 1947. Another reason was that the income tax system had been changed in 1913 to a pay-as-you-go basis at a cost of almost 90 per cent of the revenue from the income tax for that year. It would be impossible to bring the new system proposed in the present budget into force until the date specified.

As debate on the budget stretched out, it was learned that final action on the question of choosing a Canadian flag probably will be delayed until the next session because of the opposition of Quebec members to the design recommended by the joint parliamentary committee. Some members said the committee's final report presented last week and recommending a red ensign with a white-background golden maple leaf in the fly was out of order.

They said the committee had not carried out its terms of reference to choose a design, since its report did not specify the size of the Union Jack, the maple leaf or its background. With the house preparing to begin

morning sitting in a final clean-up drive to bring an end to the session, it seemed likely the contentious flag question would be tackled again next year.

CRAYFISH ANGLER'S BAIT

The crayfish or crawfish — freshwater kin of the lobster — is an important food of the small-mouth black bass in some areas constituting two-thirds of the diet of that fish. As fresh or preserved bait it is popular with the angler.

The crayfishes commonly seen, hide under stones in streams or lake margins. A large form has been taken in gill nets set in fifty feet of water by field parties of the Royal Ontario Museum. There are other species, usually overlooked, that spend most of the year in burrows in swamps, emerging in spring for breeding.

ONTARIO'S TRAILS RECKON

During the vacation months of July and August, many of us will be following woodland trails and canoeing on Ontario's lakes and rivers. Some trails have an origin centuries old, since before the earliest Europeans arrived in America, the Indians had made well-defined routes through the woods from one waterway to another, which they used for hunting trips and when on the war path.

These paths were noted and utilized by early French explorers and traders. The chain of lakes and rivers now known as The Trent System was the one used in 1615 when the Hurons led Champlain from Georgian Bay to Lake Ontario. Paul Kane's fine portraits in the Ontario gallery at the Royal Ontario Museum depict the appearance of the Indians of the various tribes which blazed the original trails.

CLEARING AUCTION SALE IN GUELPH TOWNSHIP

OF FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, TRACTOR EQUIPMENT

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 27th

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Former Airman Washes Diapers

Predicts Large Market For Delivery Service

MONTREAL (CP)—From the workshops of a heavy transport squadron to keeping babies supplied with diapers may seem a far cry but to 30-year-old Abe Steinberg, former member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, it's quite normal, if harrowing, process of rehabilitation.

The new firm, The Wee Folks Steiner Diaper Service, now has been organized and Abe and a partner figure they can swing the business.

They intend to supply each customer with seven dozen diapers at the start, charging \$1.50 a week for twelve a week pick up and delivery service. Abe spent a month in Chicago studying all the angles and he figures that this is a comfortable supply. He says there are some 15 diaper service companies in Chicago and all are doing well.

The partners had trouble at first finding a location and several places had to be given up as residents of certain neighborhoods objected to the idea of diapers being washed in such great quantities near their homes.

However, a satisfactory site was found, the necessary permit secured, vehicle and telephone service problems sorted out and now they are all set.

Records at the Department of Veterans' Affairs show that more than 1,600 veterans in this district now are engaged in their own business.

EDITOR INDISPOSED FRIENDS EDIT PAPER

QUENNEL, B. C. (CP) Community co-operation recently was exemplified in this interior British Columbia town when J. B. Hutchcraft, publisher of the Cariboo Weekly Observer became ill and his neighbors got out the paper.

Led by Louis Le Bourdais (Coalition M. L. A.—Cariboo) well-known newspaperman, a crew of men and women who volunteered their services got the edition out on time.

SOCIALISM IS GOOD FOR YOU

The great billboards of Britain proclaim, among other things, that "Guinness is Good for You" (Guinness, as many Canadians know, is a better, dark brown stout produced originally in Dublin, and the point is debatable. But, according to Sir William Darling, member of parliament for South Edinburgh, there is no debate about the fact that "socialism is good for you" — unless you want to go into what it costs both in money and personal freedom.

Sir William says that the taxpayer is being levied on in the most astounding fashion for the most ridiculous things. A large proportion of the travelling public eats, sleeps and rides unendingly at the expense of the government. The Scottish M. P. cites several examples. In international air transport, out of a hundred passengers, 7 fly at the expense of the socialist authorities. On the ground, 20 per cent of all gasoline in this country is used by government vehicles and airplanes. One out of every three trains running is wholly paid for by socialism and nine cars out of ten on the highways have their tires bought by the government.

And in every hotel in the land one guest in five has his bill charged to one ministry or the other. To these thousands of executives, commissioners and experts, eating, sleeping, flying and riding on the general taxpayer's pocketbook, socialism has been very good indeed.

In Canada, where socialism has made headway so far in but one province, the trend is the same. Saskatchewan's socialist government is flooded with experts and arrangers. They, too, sleep and ride at the expense of the farmers of the province who are the chief taxpayers. Now that the provincial government there has taken over the bus lines the number who ride free likely will be increased, because socialist friends of the socialist driver probably will be included.

For these privileges, socialists abandon their age-old rights to criticize. They cannot accept a free ticket or a "bill" and, at the same time, complain of the service. As socialism extends, criticism among its adherents decreases and for all of it, the taxpayer pays. —The Printed Word.

THIS SALESMAN TRAVELS BY AIR

HALIFAX (CP)—Have you heard the one about the travelling salesman... Well, this one about Jack Faulkes is different. For Faulkes claims to be the first travelling salesman in Canada to pilot his plane about the country calling on customers.

Faulkes, a member of the Winipeg Flying Club, took off from Dartmouth airport here on the first leg of a coast-to-coast business trip. He expected to call on all the customers of his Toronto firm and be in Vancouver in about two weeks.

A pilot for many years, Faulkes is enthusiastic about the possibilities of making business trips by plane. "No schedules to keep, I can come and go when I please," he said. "It's way ahead of the train or automobile and cheaper."

The traveller-pilot said he had made his first trip in his light, Canadian built plane from Toronto to Halifax at a cost of only \$22.

SOLICITOR DISCREET ON KNOTTY QUESTION

VANCOUVER (CP) — "Discretion" was the term used by City Solicitor A. E. Lord when the question arose at a meeting of the Official Traffic Commission of whether an ambulance speeding on an emergency call with its siren blaring, should pass through a busy intersection at 50 or 60 miles per hour.

The commission stated that it would be impossible to set a top speed for ambulances which would be applicable in all emergencies.

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Canadians will not soon forget the news that more than a thousand Canadian airmen were in the skies over Cologne the night Bomber Command in Britain launched its first thousand bomber raid.
But for every Canadian in the skies there were ten on the ground. There were the aero-engine mechanics, the air-frame mechanics, draughtsmen, clerks, engineers, and all the others whose duties made thousand bomber raids a possibility. They were skilled men, each doing a key job and each demonstrating initiative and the ability to accept responsibility—qualities Canadian industries need today.
Today
He offers THESE SKILLS to industry . . .
Thousands of Canada's airmen have been absorbed in the Dominion's industries and businesses, but many more are seeking places where their skills may be used to the best advantage. You will find these veterans of Canada's armed forces, men of loyalty and unflagging determination. They had qualities which made Canada's armed services the best in the world. Whether tradesmen or not, those qualities may be used to advantage in Canada's industrial life.
If you have openings or can make an opening, list your positions with the National Employment Service. Investigate also the training on-the-job provisions of Canada's rehabilitation programme under which the Dominion Government may add to the income which veterans receive while training. You can secure complete details through the nearest office of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the National Employment Service or Canadian Vocational Training.
Men and women for the services were carefully selected on enlistment. Service experience, training, discipline, the lessons of organization add much to their value. Whether tradesman or not, the veteran makes the ideal employee. Canada offers none better.
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