



AIRVIEW OF CANADIAN DISASTER—Rimouski, Quebec.—An airview of the Canadian industrial city, where the wind-whipped fire levelled buildings in the disaster that made more than 2,000 homeless and did damage estimated as high as \$20 million. A few cars make their way along the street in the foreground. The blaze started in a lumber yard and jumped across the Rimouski River to destroy two hotels and other structures before sweeping into the residential district. —AP Wirephoto.

## Navy Probes Drowning Of Girl, 10, at Patuxent Pool

By the Associated Press  
LEXINGTON PARK, Md., May 8.—A Naval Board of Inquiry yesterday investigated the drowning of a 10-year-old girl in a swimming pool at the Patuxent Naval Air Station here.  
Officials identified her as Catherine Ann Coyne, a guest of Comdr. C. L. Tetley, stationed at the base.  
She was a daughter of George F. Coyne, a civilian employee of the base, which is in St. Marys County, near the mouth of the Patuxent River.  
Officials said the child's body was recovered from the Welfare Department pool after she went for a swim Saturday afternoon with her older sister and members of the Tetley family. Details of the drowning, however, were not available, the Navy said.

PTA to Elect Officers  
The PTA of Madison School, Falls Church, will meet at 8 p.m. tomorrow to elect officers.

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## Around The World

News in Brief

### Austrian Elections Oust 10 Red-Appointed Mayors

VIENNA (AP).—Austrian voters swamped the Communists in municipal elections in the province of Lower Austria, occupied by the Russians, and threw out of office 10 of the 11 mayors appointed by the Soviet military authorities in 1945.

The bloc backed by the Communists won only 5 per cent of the vote.

The municipal elections held yesterday resulted in a heavy victory for the two government coalition parties. In 1,583 communities the right wing People's Party won 13,462 mandates (victories for mayoralties and council seats). The anti-Communist Socialists won 6,233 and the left bloc—Communists and Radical Socialists—only 397.

### Reich Controls Eased

BONN, Germany (AP).—The Western Allies relaxed controls on German industries today, reasonably confident that the Germans will not use their industrial strength again to rearm.  
Under a new anti-rearmament law published by the Allied High Commission in West Germany, some of the control functions were turned over to the Germans themselves.

"We are quite optimistic over the degree of German co-operation to be expected," said Maj.

Gen. James P. Hodges, American chairman of the Allied Security Board, set up to enforce Germany's disarmament.

The High Commission, in its official announcement, said the new law aims at giving the Allies a tight grip over German activities which might pose a genuine threat of rearmament.

Under the new law, allocation of the controlled steel allotment to individual firms would be made through German-issued licenses. The German steel industry is limited by Allied agreement to 11.1 million ingot tons production annually. The law does not alter this limitation.

### Pacific Held Assault-Proof

TOKYO (AP).—Gen. MacArthur says the Western Pacific is safe from direct military attack, but not from Communist infiltration. He told Australian newsmen recently that air power from present Allied bases could break up any attempt on the World War II pattern to assemble or launch an amphibious attack from Asia.

In his talk with the newsmen he stressed again that preoccupation of Western leaders with European problems has helped to create a dangerous situation in Asia.

### Reds Seize Reich Cargoes

BERLIN (AP).—West German border officials said today the Russians have confiscated cargoes of 35 German trucks carrying scrap metal and furniture from Berlin to West Germany at the highway checkpoint at Marienborn in the past 24 hours.

Similar seizures have occurred in the past month, with the Russians charging their occupation zone is being exploited to benefit the Western zones.

### Szakasits Successor Named

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP).—Hungary's Parliament today approved the appointment of Sander Ronai as President of the Hungarian People's Republic, replacing Arpad Szakasits, who resigned.

The House took notice of the resignation of Szakasits, who was not present, without any comment.

The Speaker announced changes among the Deputies. One of these—the removal of Deputy Paul Shiffer, son-in-law of Szakasits—caused much interest in political circles.

Szakasits, former head of Hungary's Social Democratic Party, resigned as president of the Presidential Council suddenly April 24 in a one-sentence letter to the Speaker of Parliament. He gave ill health as the reason.

### Hungry Chinese to Get Rice

TAIPEI, Formosa, (AP).—Ten Nationalist planes were loaded with 5,000 bags of rice today to be dropped on famine areas in China. The bags weighed 32 pounds each.

The planes were expected to take off during the night to minimize their chances of being intercepted by Chinese Communist fighters.

Leaflets inside the bags advise the hungry Chinese, said to aggregate 40 million that other bags will be dropped later.

## Kaltenborn Signs Truce With Airlines After Free Cab Ride

By the Associated Press  
COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 8.—A truce exists today between H. V. Kaltenborn, radio news commentator, and Trans World Airlines.

Mr. Kaltenborn staged an 8-minute "sitdown strike" on a TWA plane Saturday night at Zanesville, Ohio, about 50 miles East of here.

Mr. Kaltenborn claimed he was routed from New York to Columbus, where he addressed a radio institute meeting yesterday. But at Zanesville the TWA people said the plane was filled and he had no reservation to Columbus.

Mr. Kaltenborn completed the trip in a taxicab, paid for by TWA. Yesterday he said in Columbus: "I pay tribute to the TWA for paying \$22 to get me here on time by taxi, and they sent a man over to apologize this morning. I promised not to engage in a sit down strike on their planes any more, and they promised not to throw me off before my destination was reached. TWA did route me through, along with my baggage, to Columbus, and the error was made in New York."

Inadequate ferry service across the Arun, in Sussex, England, is attributed to lack of men who can row.

## Arms Ship Reaches France

CHERBOURG, France, May 8 (AP).—The American freighter American Clipper arrived last night with a shipment of arms from the United States. The dock area was heavily guarded to prevent sabotage. There were no incidents.

## Fire Aid Too Late

For a long time the Centralian Advocate of Alice Springs, Australia, pleaded without avail for a town fire brigade, but it's too late now for the Advocate's office has burned down with a loss of \$30,000.

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