

# MR. CHURCHILL WILL VISIT AMERICA

## Plans For World Trade Expansion MEETING NEXT YEAR

LONDON.—The Commonwealth Prime Ministers have agreed that Mr. Churchill should go to Washington early next year to tell the US about the sterling area's plans for expanding world trade and the convertibility of sterling.

Mr. Churchill will seek a meeting between March and May with the President-elect (Gen. Eisenhower) and the new Republican Administration.

The Foreign Secretary (Mr. Eden) and the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Mr. Butler) will go with Mr. Churchill, but the conference has agreed that Britain should represent its combined views, so no Commonwealth statesmen are likely to accompany the mission.

Leaders of the Dominion delegations attending the Commonwealth Conference met twice on Tuesday to prepare a communique on the results of their 10-day talks.

Mr. Menzies is playing an active part in drafting it. Not all the decisions taken by the conference will be set out in the communique, because the Prime Ministers desire some of their proposals, such as the wish for an increased gold price, to be represented directly to the US.

Mr. Menzies will broadcast a short statement to the Australian and British people simultaneously over the ABC and BBC shortly before he leaves on a time and date yet to be finally fixed.

The role of the development of primary production assigned by the British authorities to the Dominions is sharply underlined with the disclosure of a summary of the programme adopted by the conference.

While the Dominions, and particularly Australia, are standing firm on the necessity for a balanced de-

velopment of economic secondary industries, this phase is given little place in the plan.

The developmental section in the Commonwealth plan embodies the following main features:—

Britain will concentrate her industrial resources partly on increasing the output of capital goods required by the Dominions; partly on assisting in the mining drive; and partly on the production of consumer goods which can be sold on the dollar and other foreign markets.



Miss Marguerite Frankel

## Glenelg Girl Wins Quest Title

Vivacious, 19-year-old Miss Marguerite Frankel, a kindergarten teacher, of Ramsgate street, Glenelg, on Monday night was proclaimed Miss South Australia, 1952, at the Regent Theatre.

In a blaze of spotlights, she stepped through a screen to receive applause from the crowded theatre.

The second prize was awarded to slim, attractive Miss Duia Apostolidis, of Flinders street.

Sister Shirley Millar, of Adelaide Children's Hospital, was third.

Miss Frankel has won a month's holiday in New Zealand and a 100-guinea wardrobe.

The second and third prizes were £100 and £50. The announcement was made by the chairman of the Quest board (Mr. L. H. Lewin).

Behind him on the stage, the 41 girls who entered the Quest drew admiring exclamations from the audience as the curtain went up.

Mr. Lewin said that in four years the Quest had raised £65,000 for worthy causes throughout the State.

Miss Frankel was nominated by Glenelg Kitty Club and worked for the SA Spastic Paralysis Welfare Association. She is also a student of singing at the Conservatorium and still studies the piano, which she has been learning for 10 years.

The blue and gold sash, presented each year to Miss South Australia, was placed on Miss Frankel by last year's winner, Miss Patricia Rennie, also of Glenelg.

## EISENHOWER CONSIDERS ACTION IN FAR EAST

NEW YORK.—It is generally agreed that US President-elect Eisenhower's talks aboard the cruiser Helena with the Secretary of State-designate (Mr. John Foster Dulles) and other top-level advisers are largely concerned with the problem of how to take stronger action in the Far East without precipitating a world war.

The talks follow a three-day secret visit to the Korean front by Gen. Eisenhower, who is on his way back to America.

It has been officially announced from the Helena that Gen. Eisenhower wants to hear Gen. MacArthur's plan to end the Korean war and has been in communication with the former Far Eastern commander.

In Korea Gen. Eisenhower found the American commanders impatient for action.

The South Korean President (Dr. Syngman Rhee) was particularly pressing in his demands for an offensive which would drive the Chinese from Korea and bring the country under single control.

It is generally agreed that Gen. Eisenhower will not lightly adopt a bellicose policy.

Three questions are under discussion at the conference he is at present holding. They are:—

• Have UN forces power to

launch a successful offensive?

• Can it be confined within Korea?

• If it proves successful, will it mean the end of war in the Far East?

It was stated here that the first question was answered affirmatively by the top commanders while the general was in Korea and that plans were given to him.

There was less agreement on whether the war could be kept within borders of Korea and there was none at all about what the results of an offensive would be.

Gen. Eisenhower has exchanged telegrams from the cruiser with Gen. MacArthur, who is stated to have offered to put before him a plan to resolve the Korean deadlock.

## Woman Found Murdered At Torrensville

Miss Zora Kusic, a 29-year-old Yugoslav, was found murdered in a room at the rear of a house in North parade, Torrensville, on Friday night.

She was found lying on her bed with her throat and side gashed.

The body had been mutilated.

There was no apparent sign of a struggle.

The dead woman was found by a Bulgarian friend, Ivan Nankinseff, about 6.30 p.m.

The room in which Miss Kusic lived was about 30 yards from the house which is occupied by 10 other New Australians.

The dead woman had been in Australia about four years and came to Adelaide from Kimba about four months ago.

Two beer bottles and a bottle cap found in the shack have been subjected by the police to scientific examination.

Police have traced the owner of a bloodstained knife which was found lying in water in the shack after the murder. Police were told that the owner had left the knife in the shack previously.

Police have learned that Miss Kusic habitually drank in hotel lounges.

Join Balaban, 28, metallurgical chemist, of Gover street, North Adelaide, a Rumanian, was arrested on Monday on a charge of murder.

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## London's Worst Fog Costs £2M. A Day

LONDON.—London's worst fog in memory cost the capital £2m. every 24 hours, according to the Smoke Abatement Society, which blames the inefficient disposal of industrial and domestic smoke for the paralysis of the city.

The fog lasted three days and lifted on Tuesday morning.

The society says the items which make up this mammoth bill include losses suffered by airlines because of grounded aircraft, loss of fares because transport was at a standstill, reduced patronage of cinemas, hotels, restaurants, and other places of entertainment, and smog-soiling of shop goods and fouling of household linen and clothes.

Press reports say Sunday night was the worst crime night since the war. Gunmen, thugs and petty thieves took advantage of the fog, which nearly blacked out large sections of the capital.

Ghostly figures loomed out of the murk to cosh women

and snatch their handbags. Bricks crashed into jeweller's windows and trays of gems vanished.

A 16-year-old girl shop assistant was stabbed with a stiletto, but her condition is not serious.

London's dockland police fear they will find bodies floating in the River Thames. Police have already rescued eight people who had missed their footing along the quayside and had fallen into the water.

Most of the city's millions who remained indoors gained no relief as the dense mist penetrated their homes.

Many of the road accidents were concertina smashes which, in one local area, involved 20 vehicles crashed together in a line 200 yards long.

## Mr. Hughes Leaves £70,885

SYDNEY.—The Judge-in-Probate (Mr. Justice Roper) on Monday admitted for probate the will and codicil of £70,885 estate of the late William Morris Hughes, former Australian Prime Minister.

Mr. Hughes's widow, Dame Mary Hughes, will receive the greater portion of the estate, and the remainder will go to his three daughters and his two sons, an adopted son and a niece, Edith Haynes.

The codicil gives directions for the maintenance and education of David Evan Hughes, who in 1938 was nine months old, under the guardianship of V. C. Duffy, of Australia House, London, and for the charges in respect of it to be a charge on his wife's estate.

## LABOR WILL HAVE OUTRIGHT MAJORITY IN VICTORIA

MELBOURNE.—The Labor Party in the Victorian Legislative Assembly is likely to have an outright majority of seven as a result of Saturday's election.

With a swing of 9.48 p.c., Labor's gains are likely to be 12 seats, 10 from the Liberal-Country Party and two from the Country Party.

Likely state of the new House compared with the old is:—

	New	Old
Labor	36	24
Ind. Lab.	1	1
LCP	9	21
Hollway Lib.	4	6
CP	12	13
Doubtful	3	—

The new Labor Ministry will be the first to govern in its own right for more than 25 years.

The Labor leader (Mr. Cain) will meet the House as Premier on December 23. Parliament will sit two days to pass essential legislation, including supply, and then adjourn for some months.

Hollway Liberals will bring the overall Liberal tally higher than that of the

Country Party, but unless differences are resolved quickly, the Country Party will sit in official opposition.

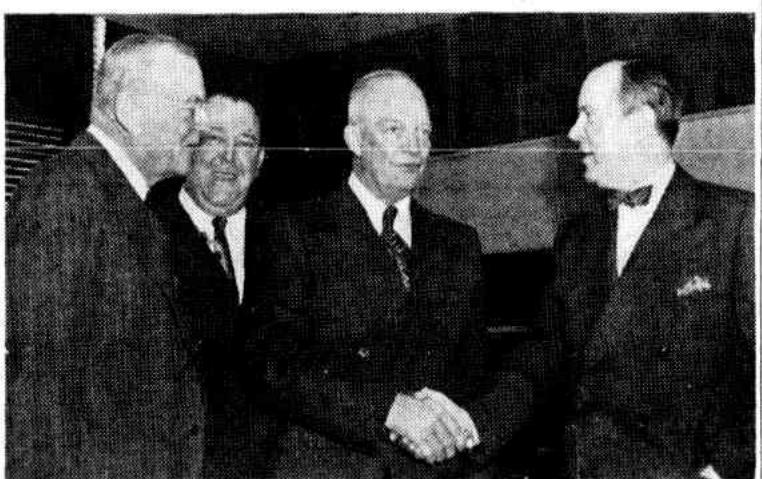
In Glen Iris Mr. Hollway had a sensational run-away victory over the LCP leader (Mr. Norman).

The Premier (Mr. McDonald) retained Shepparton fairly comfortably.

The Speaker (Sir Archie Michaelis) suffered a crushing defeat by Labor in St. Kilda, which he had held for 20 years. The new member is Mr. J. P. Bourke.

The big votes for Labor and Mr. Hollway in Glen Iris are regarded as a strong mandate for electoral reform, which was the only real State issue in the campaign.

## U.N. PRESIDENT GREET'S EISENHOWER



President-elect Gen. Eisenhower shakes hands with Mr. Lester B. Pearson (right), of Canada, president of the United Nations General Assembly, as they meet in the office of secretary-general Trygve Lie (second from left) during Gen. Eisenhower's visit to the UN. At left is Mr. John Foster Dulles, who will be Secretary of State in the new US Cabinet.

## Dominions Development Plan

The programme of capital equipment for the Dominions development plan carries two conspicuous features:—

• Curtailment of the British defence programme is specifically designed to release the resources of capital goods production, and it will be used particularly to speed up delivery times.

• Britain will increase and, where necessary, initiate the production of capital goods now available only in the dollar area. It is estimated that the total Australian food programme will increase the value of exports by £100m. at the end of five years, and save Britain £6m. and \$7m. at present in extra sterling area purchases.

In addition to this contribution, the expansion of mining industries—particularly lead, zinc and copper—will further improve balances.

## Egypt To Be Republic

CAIRO.—General Naguib announced yesterday that Egypt's constitution had been abolished as a preliminary to converting the country from a kingdom into a republic. A committee will draw up a new constitution.

## UK Stand On Anzus

LONDON.—The Anzus Pact was the chief topic at informal week-end talks between Mr. Churchill and the Dominion Prime Ministers at Chequers, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Mr. Churchill is understood to have again emphasised that Britain should be associated with the pact, as she would be involved in any crisis arising in the Pacific.

After the Anzus Pact the talks were then widened to cover strategic questions concerning the Far East and the Middle East.

The political correspondent of the "Daily Graphic" says that as a result of the Chequers discussions, Australia and NZ have now supported Britain in her claim to membership of the Anzus Council.

However, no fresh moves will be made until the new American Administration takes office in the New Year, the "Daily Graphic" adds.