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U. S. PRESIDENT URGES HEAVY BUYING IN CANADA

Coming Events

- *Grinding Grain daily. Bell Bros., St. Peter's Road, Parkdale.
- *York School Christmas Concert Monday, December 22nd, 8 P. M.
- *New Glasgow School Concert, Monday, December 22nd.
- *Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. David Pratt.
- *Come to concert New Haven School, Tuesday, Dec. 23rd.
- *St. Catherine's Christmas Concert, December 24th.
- *Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. Earl Jay.
- *Harrington School Concert, December 22nd.
- *Unloading at Carter's Warehouse, car of Ollivak Meal. Leslie MacDonald.
- *To arrive, ollivak meal, \$4.00 per cwt. Book. McCuegan and Boyle.
- *Christmas Concert, Tryon Baptist Hall, Monday, December 22nd at 8 P. M.
- *Collecting Hogs each Wednesday morning for Canada Packers Ltd. Robert Dawson, Crapaud.
- *Supper and Dance in Kelly's Cross Hall, Monday, December 22nd, Meas served from 6 to 9.
- *Christmas Concert at Hazelbrook School Monday December 22nd at 8 o'clock.
- *Collecting Hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers Ltd. Dingsley & Rossiter.
- *Meeting rate payers North Milton School, Tuesday night. By order of Trustees.
- *Christmas Concert in Springfield Hall, Monday evening, December 22nd.
- *Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Friday for Canada Packers Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.
- *Collecting Hogs each Friday for Canada Packers Ltd. Merlin Devine.
- *Loading hogs at Montague Station each Friday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean, Phone 234.
- *What? When? Where? It's Mt. Mellick Christmas Concert, December 22nd, Pownal Garage Hall.
- *Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday afternoon W. Crane.
- *Hunter River school concert Monday, Dec. 22nd, in Masonic Hall at 8 o'clock.
- *Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd. each Tuesday. McDonald's Transfer, Annandale.
- *Come to Harrington Christmas Concert Harrington Hall, Monday evening, December 22nd. Sale of candy.
- *Loading Hogs for Canada Packers on Tuesday, December 23rd, at Souris. Contact Roddie McIntyre.
- *Dance in League Hall at Borden, on Friday, December 19th. Modern and Old Time music. Lane Bolger's Orchestra. Admission 50c.
- *Come to East Royalty Christmas concert at Heart's Communion Hall Monday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. Sale of apples during intermission.
- *Collecting Hogs at Elmira every Monday until 3 o'clock. Trucking service where possible. Contact Norman Bruce for shipping information.
- *Collecting Hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers from Vernon River, Ugg, Elliotville, Summerville, Hermitage, Avondale and Glenoe. Call Ralph Lea, Vernon River.
- *Loading Hogs for Canada Packers on Tuesday, December 23rd until 2 o'clock at Bear River and at St. Peter's until 3. Contact Roddie Pruegh.
- *Will be loading hogs at the following points on Friday, Dec. 26, (note change of date): Elmer Wigmore, Bradalbane, until 11:30 a.m.; Borden, Egnall, Hunter River, until noon; Summerside until 1:30 p.m.; and Kensington until 3 p.m. MacEwen and Casley.
- *Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Friday from Tryon Albany, Charlton, Searletown, Central Bedouque Lower Bedouque, Kinkora, Newton, Cape Travers and Augustine Cove. Meas. L. D. McLeod and Sons, Phone ALB-31 or Victoria 44.

Scores Gov't Neglect To Provide Reefer Cars

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—(Special)—Charges the neglect of the Canadian Government to provide reefer cars for transport of Prince Edward Island seed potatoes to Florida and the southern States was causing cancellation of certified seed potato orders and depriving the Dominion of needed United States dollars were levelled in the House of Commons this afternoon by W. Chester S. McLure, Progressive Conservative member for Queen's.

On a question of privilege, Mr. McLure took exception to Transport Minister Chevier's suggestion early this week that he was too much preoccupied with other matters to know what the reefer car situation was.

Despite cries of "order" from Government supporters and the intervention of speaker Dr. Caspard Pateux, the Queen's member insisted on the vital need for the cars in order that Prince Edward Island potato shippers and growers could meet their United States contracts.

Although denied the right to read a telegram from a leading shipping firm and others associated with it, Mr. McLure said for the record:

"Dealers who have booked certified seed orders in the summer and fall are not receiving sufficient cars to transport their seed to Florida and other Southern States, and consequently are losing out on their orders.

"When?" he asked Mr. Chevier, "will the Minister of Transport have these refrigerators cars ready for the shipment of these potatoes?"

Netted at Mr. McLure's charges, the Minister claimed that no question of reefer cars was being considered.

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Income Tax Department Re-organized

The Prince Edward Island Division of the Income Tax Department has been re-organized with the following promotions and other changes having been made on authority of the Dominion Government.

Mr. G. Elmer Ritchie, head of the Island Division, is now Director of Income Tax and Inspector of Succession Duties.

Other officers are Messrs. J. F. Smith, personnel and organization officer; A. B. Cooh, special adjutant; J. W. Dixon, chief assessor for corporations (associated with the Mr. Dixon is a staff of four headed by J.H. Leard); R. W. McLean, T. business and professional section (six investigators work with Mr. Leard); W. L. Shaw, farm section (with Mr. Shaw are seven investigators headed by F.S. Jenkins); J. P. Campbell, chief intelligence officer; D. J. MacCormack, succession duties; A. L. McKay, departmental accountant (with Mr. McKay in the accountancy section are ten assistants headed by Miss T. E. Teed); Miss R. M. MacIntyre, head of the cashiers' section; J. O'Hanley, principal clerk in collections; Miss L. A. Kays, head of stenographers' section; J. M. Bell, principal clerk of tax roll and filing section (assisted by H. M. Smith, supervising clerk of tax deductions section).

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MISSIONARY SAYS REDS GAINING IN CHINA

Belief that Chiang Kai-shek, leader of China's Nationalist government, is an honest man, but that his government is inefficient and corrupt, is expressed by Rev. W. H. Hudspeth, who has returned to Canada after 8 years in China. He says the Communists are gaining ground in China now, in spite of the superior power of Chiang's forces. Rev. Hudspeth has returned to Canada as general secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society for Canada.

Death Yesterday In 91st Year Of Mr. D. B. Stewart

One of Charlottetown's most esteemed citizens passed away last evening in the person of Mr. David Buchanan Stewart, who for over half a century had represented well-known British insurance companies in this city.

Mr. Stewart was in his 91st year, but was remarkably alert and vigorous for his age. Until quite recently he had taken an active part in the business and social life of the community.

A native of Charlottetown, he was the last surviving son of the late Robert Bruce Stewart and Helen Stewart Birnie, of Strathgarny, a descendant of Chief Justice Peter Stewart, his family connections on both sides extending to the earliest British settlement days. His wife, who predeceased him in 1901, was formerly Miss Dorothy Pope, daughter of the Hon. William H. Pope, at one time Colonial Secretary and Judge of the County Court in this Province.

Mr. Stewart was a lifelong adherent of the Church of England, and a member of St. Paul's Church and St. John's Lodge, A.F. and A.M. In his younger days he was a keen sportsman, and played well the games of tennis, curling and golf. He was also a literary enthusiast and lover of the arts. He rarely missed a fine musical or educational entertainment, and was exceptionally well versed in provincial and Canadian history.

Kindly and courteous in his demeanour, and a charming conversationalist, his figure was familiar to all classes of Charlottetown citizens, among whom he was held in the highest regard.

Mr. Stewart is survived by two sons, Mr. Kenneth Bruce Stewart, at home, and Capt. Hugh Ronald Stewart, of Ottawa. The latter arrived home yesterday before his father had passed away.

The funeral takes place from St. Paul's church tomorrow afternoon.

Stormy Outburst In House Of Commons Opposition Urges Larger Income Increases For Civil Servants, Pensioners And Servicemen.

By ROSS MYNRO
OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—(CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King today announced in the Commons income increases affecting nearly 500,000 civil servants, pensioners, veterans and servicemen, but the Government immediately came under heavy fire from the Opposition for not going further. The increases are retroactive to last Oct. 1.

Mr. King had scarcely uttered the last word of his announcement when Maj. Gen. G.R. Peakes, V.C. (PC—Trancho) jumped to his feet to denounce the government.

He angrily declared that "as far as the veterans are concerned the Prime Minister's statement is a tragic and terrible letdown."

He said that the pension increases "are totally inadequate" and went on to mention allowances when his voice was drowned in an uproar, with Opposition members banging their desks in approval and shouts of disapproval from Government benches.

It was the stormiest outburst in many days.

As the hub-bub died down, the persistent General asked Mr. King:

"Are the pension increases, which are approximately 11 per cent, based on increased cost of living, which the Government has announced as being approximately 43 per cent?"

Mr. King replied that he thought that in the statement he had made General Peakes would find the answer.

Other questions were hurled from the Opposition and Liberal benches, but the Government's storm finally subsided.

Mr. King said in his announcement: (Continued on Page 15 Col. 2)

Two New K. C.'s Appointed Yesterday

Three appointments, subject to the approval today of the Lieutenant Governor, were made yesterday by the Executive Council.

Stipendiary - Magistrate R. S. Hinton, Summerside, was made a King's Counsel as was also J. O. C. Campbell, attorney-at-law, Charlottetown.

Mr. Norman McLeod, Summerside, was appointed a commissioner for the acknowledgment of deeds.

Rioting Breaks Out Anew In India

NEW DELHI, Dec. 19.—(CP)—New Hindu-Muslim rioting has broken out in India with 63 persons killed in the city of Ajmer and three killed and more than 15 injured in the old city of Delhi, it was announced today.

The disorders shattered the relative peace that had prevailed in India since the bloody riots of last September were quelled.

The disorders in Delhi were touched off Thursday when a bomb was thrown into a Moslem restaurant, slightly injuring four persons. Delhi had been the scene of bitter communal fighting since Britain handed over authority to the new Dominion of India Aug. 15.

Decision May Nullify Section Of Criminal Code

(By The Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Dec. 19.—Possibility that the "whole section of the Criminal Code dealing with drunk driving" may be nullified was seen today by Crown counsel in Toronto.

Magistrate T. E. Elmore dismissing charges against a 42-year-old Toronto man. Magistrate Elmore ruled yesterday that the unnamed man was under the influence of "Sound, a hypnotic or 'sleeping' drug rather than alcohol."

Trip For Christmas Tree Has Tragic End

HEPWORTH, Ont., Dec. 19.—(CP)—Bodies of two young brothers who went into the Bruce Peninsula bush to cut a Christmas tree were found early today, victims of exposure. Searching parties discovered the bodies of Robert Cohen, 13, and his seven-year-old brother Donald.

The two lads left their home in this town this morning at 10 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, armed with an axe, to cut a Christmas tree. Search parties were organized Thursday, but it was not until shortly after one o'clock this morning that the boys were found, dead.

Their bodies were discovered in a marsh huddled together in a vain attempt to keep warm while Mr. Cohen, plunged below the zero mark, coldest night this winter.

The boys had started out to get a Christmas tree for their school-teacher, Miss Nina Gordon.

Gardiner Defends Agricultural Policy

By D'Arcy O'Donnell
OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—(CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner said today in the Commons that he was sure the Canadian people would not want the Government to charge "starving" countries any price it could get for Canadian wheat.

In a lengthy review of the difference between prices charged by Canada, United States, Australia and Argentina for wheat, Mr. Gardiner said that actually Canadian farmers were in a better long-term position than their counterparts in other countries.

There was no such thing as a world price for wheat today because any country with wheat could obtain practically any price it demanded, said Mr. Gardiner during continued debate on a resolution extending provisions of the Agricultural Products Act from Dec. 31 to March 31. The act gives the Government statutory authority to requisition products needed to fill food contracts with Britain.

Mr. Gardiner did not disclose anything new with respect to the terms of the contracts which yesterday were reviewed, but he did refer to the agreement under which Australia sold Britain 80,000 bushels of wheat for \$2.75 a bushel. He said that actually out of that price the Australian farmer received only \$1.53 1/2 cents, or a half cent more than the Canadian farmer was guaranteed over a five year period. The same situation could be (Continued on Page 9 Col. 3)

Potato Growers Pass Resolution

KENTVILLE, N.S., Dec. 19.—(CP)—The North Mountain Certified Seed Potato Growers Association today passed a resolution asking "that the law of supply and demand... be allowed to control the price of potatoes when there may be a scarcity" of potatoes and that the Nova Scotia Farmers Assn. be petitioned "to vigorously protest against export restrictions and the imposition of a price ceiling."

Roy C. Layton, Federal potato inspector for Nova Scotia, estimated the 1947 seed potato crop at 235,000 bushels, a 10 per cent increase over 1946.

Would Ban U. S. Oil Shipments To Canada

By CLYDE BLACKBURN
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(CP)—Further restrictions on exports of fuel oil were recommended to the United States Government today in a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives and Commerce Committee at a closed session.

Canada was not specifically mentioned but chairman Charles Wolcott (Rep.-N.J.) has made it clear that the committee believes that restrictions should apply to Canada as well as all other countries.

The resolution was a climax to long hearings and studies in a number of Congressional committees and Government departments in response to urgent complaints, mainly from New England, over the growing shortages of fuel oil.

The committee and administration have been particularly pressed by Representative Edith Nourse Rogers (Rep.-Mass.) for curtailment of fuel oil exports to Canada which have increased 353 per cent in the first nine months of 1947 over the same period last year.

The committee was told that Canada has a stockpile of about 2,000,000 barrels but that was held by the Commerce Department to be not unreasonable.

The committee resolution suggested that it might be necessary to build up a stockpile sufficient to ensure that American homes will not be cold during the winter.

Shepherds and Kings

(Board Advocate)

Amid the joy and festivities of the holidays, there will be few indeed whose thoughts will not, at some time, turn to the dignified simplicity of The First Christmas, nearly 2,000 years ago.

It may be a Carol heard on the radio, perhaps words from a pulpit, or just the radiant face of a happy child that will strike the chord and start the echoes resounding in our hearts.

It is a wholesome thought, but is it enough? What have we done with that which was given us on the day that we commemorate? If we take thought on the present and the future, that question becomes even more mandatory.

And the answer? Surely our troubled social picture demands it? What place has the universal atmosphere of strife and uncertainty, in the Christian ideal and practice?

There are three significant points in the tale of The Nativity, in its application to our own times.

The Carpenter who became The King was born in Bethlehem: in obedience to civil ordinance.

Shepherds and kings met on common ground, kneeling at His feet.

The shepherds did not resent the kings, nor the kings the shepherds. And these were wise men.

But right thinking will not suffice. Let us remember that, be we shepherd or be we king, each of us has a duty of right doing. Therein lies the full answer.

When we say: "Merry Christmas!" and: "Happy New Year!" let us mean it, for every day of the coming year and the years beyond.

Four Saskatchewan Men Asphyxiated

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Dec. 19.—(CP)—Four Saskatchewan men were asphyxiated when fumes from an idling truck motor seeped into the cabin in which they were sleeping at Lac La Ronge resort early today.

The dead were: Henry Backie, Edward Martin and Robert Grief, all of St. Benedict, Sask., 46 miles south-east of here and C. C. Stanley, Prince Albert, pilot of the Saskatchewan Airways aircraft in which the four had flown north on a hunting trip.

\$10,000 FIRE

WINDSOR, N.S., Dec. 19.—(CP)—Damage was estimated at \$10,000 in a fire which destroyed the barn of Watson Benedict at nearby Belmont today. Eight cows, two horses, 31 tons of hay and farm equipment were lost.

ICE-BOUND

The temperature of the planet Saturn is estimated at 236 degrees below zero.

Purchases Would Be Made Under Marshall Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—President Truman today strongly urged Congress to give a new government agency wide powers to spend between \$6,788,000,000 and \$8,000,000,000 principally in Canada and Latin America as part of the Marshall Plan.

In a special message asking Congress for a total of \$17,000,000,000 for the aid-to-Europe program, Truman also called on other countries to do what they can to help Europe arise from the ravages of war.

In an accompanying document the administration figured Canada and Latin America would assist the 16 participating countries by furnishing \$1,760,000,000 in gifts, credits or sales of goods under regular market prices.

Gives Credit to Canada

The President, in a specific mention of Canada, said the Dominion proportionately is assisting Western European countries fully as much as the United States.

The document mentioned dollar shortages in Canada and Latin America which are causing those countries to curtail purchases from the United States.

Taking Canada as an example, the government said if Canada "gets help in meeting her deficit with the dollar area either in the form of loans or through the mechanism of other purchases, the difficulties of continuing to extend aid to the participating European countries will be considerably reduced." (Continued on Page 7 Col. 3)

Empress of Canada Sails For U. K. Today

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Dec. 19.—(CP)—About 350 passengers, sailing from here tomorrow for the United Kingdom aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Canada, will spend Christmas at sea.

A big New Brunswick Christmas tree has been placed in the main dining salon, and Santa Claus will distribute presents to the children on board.

The vessel will carry 2,704 tons of freight, mostly food for Britain.

Canadian Poet Duncan Campbell Scott Dies At 85

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—(CP)—Duncan Campbell Scott, noted Canadian poet whose work overlapped with love for the beautiful in nature and for the finer qualities in man, died today at his home. He was 85.

Dr. Scott was internationally known and many admirers especially in the United States and Britain.

A New York critic once described Dr. Scott's poetic ability: "Scott has taken our pline-grown, session of the cool, pline-grown, history-haunted Canadian country, and has sung of it in spare athletic verse... He rarely fails to give his reader that shock of surprise of strange and vivid beauty that is the final test of poetry."

But, although known primarily as a poet, Dr. Scott was noted also as a prose writer on both sides of the Atlantic. He was a prolific author and to the English language itself.

He was for many years deputy superintendent-general of the Department of Indian Affairs and that capacity did much for the welfare of Indians.

He entered the Department as an 18-year-old clerk in 1880, became chief accountant in 1884, superintendent of Indian education. (Continued on Page 15 Col. 6)

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—(CP)—

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 33, 41; Edmonton 6, 30; Regina 3, 31; Winnipeg 7, 17; Toronto 8, 19; Ottawa 8, 6; Quebec 2, 13; Saint John 11, —; Moncton 5, 19; Halifax 18, 20; Yarmouth 22, 28.

HALIFAX, Dec. 19.—(CP)—Official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid from 11 p.m. Friday until midnight Saturday, with an outlook for Sunday:

Synopsis: It was cold throughout the Maritimes Friday with the afternoon temperatures ranging from 5 to 26 degrees. A high pressure area moving slowly toward the district from the Great Lakes should cause light winds and low temperatures again Saturday morning. There were scattered snowflurries in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Friday, and similar weather can be expected on Saturday. For Sunday the expectation is increasing cloudiness as a new disturbance approaches from Manitoba.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island: Variable cloudiness with widely scattered snowflurries tonight and Saturday. Continuing cold. West-erly winds 15. Low early Saturday morning and high in the afternoon at Charlottetown eight and 20.

Outlook for Sunday—cloudy. High life this afternoon at 4.20 and tonight at 3.50.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4.21 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.38.

First quarter moon December 20th, 12.43 P. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

