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11 DEAD, 300 INJURED AFTER HURRICANE IN CUBA

More Than 2,000 Greet Miss Canada At Festival

Well over 2,000 people turned out last evening to greet Miss Canada, Betty Jean Ferguson of Halifax, who was the special guest at the opening of the Prince Edward Island Potato Festival held at the Charlottetown Forum.

As the opening feature of the program, Miss Ferguson was ushered up to the receiving platform on the arm of His Honor Lieutenant Governor J.A. Bernard, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. R. A. Ferguson and followed by a procession of her four Princes—Misses Jessie Morrison, Margaret Eustace, Irene Spence and Lila Treadwell and accompanying escorts, including two scarlet coated Mounties of the local R.C.M.P. detachment.

The two-day program is sponsored by the Prince Edward Island Innkeepers Association in co-operation with The Dominion Experimental Farm, The Dominion Science Service and prominent potato growers and shippers.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor officially opened the Festival with a fine address in which he congratulated the sponsoring groups for their splendid work in arranging this first P.E.I. hotel, restaurant, laundry workers and the like—where membership went up from 92,000 to 110,000.

Union Membership Reaches New High

OTTAWA, Oct. 5—(CP)—Trade union membership in Canada reached a record 912,124 at the start of this year, the Labor Department reported today.

The new figure is a jump of almost 10 per cent from the previous high of 831,697 recorded a year earlier.

The membership totals, based on reports from headquarters of unions, showed the metal industries as having the biggest group of unionized workers with 181,000. Next were railway workers with 138,000.

Unions advanced their membership in 1947, the report said, in all branches except food workers. Membership in this group declined from 41,000 to 39,000.

The largest numerical increase came in the "services" group—hotel, restaurant, laundry workers and the like—where membership went up from 92,000 to 110,000.

Coming Events

- Sea Breeze Victoria, each Wednesday, dancing 9-11.
- Big dance Coles' workshop, New London, Friday night.
- Hear Clyde River Play, Pownal, Wednesday, October 6th.
- Dance, Inkeram School, Friday night, October 8th.
- Dance Mount Stewart every Thursday, Eastern Rhythm Boys.
- Annual Chicken Supper in Wellington Parish Hall, Thanksgiving, October 11th.
- Dance every Wednesday evening in Stella Maris Hall, North Rustico.
- Dance Brightspot, Friday, October 8th, 9:30 till 1:00, Admission 50 cents.
- Hauling cream to Wiltshire factory, Mondays only, R. MacKenzie.
- Come to the Dance, Millview Hall, Friday, October 8th, Millview Orchestra, Luncheon.
- Our Stores will close Wednesday at 5:30 P. M. MacKay Bros., Grant McLeod, W. O. Myers.
- Remember dancing every Thursday night, Islanders Country Club, Travellers Rest.
- Reserve Wednesday night, Oct. 6 for Legion dance in Rustico Hall, Good music, Refreshments.
- Thanksgiving Dance, Morell Hall, October 11th, Eastern Rhythm Boys, Auspices C. Y. O.
- Come to Dance at Walter Gunkels, Kinkora, Friday, Oct. 8th, Modern and old time.
- Reserve Thursday, November 21st for Trinity United Church Tea and Bazaar.
- Don't miss the Christian Church Chicken Supper at New Glasgow Hall, Wednesday, October 6th, 8 till 10 o'clock.
- Don't forget the Chicken Supper in Misconche Hall, Wednesday evening, Oct. 6th. Meals served from five o'clock on.
- Unloading car Old Sydney screened coal at Mr. Herbert. Please order at once, J. Russell Driscoll.
- Don't miss the Christian Church Chicken Supper at New Glasgow Hall, Wednesday, October 6th. Everybody welcome. Serving from 8 till 10 o'clock.
- Big Concert, Cherry Valley Hall, Monday, October 11th. Brooklyn trio, Caledonia pipers and other entertainers. Come and enjoy yourself. Auspices Y. P. U.
- Old time fiddlers and dancing contest, Kelly's Cross Hall, Wednesday night, November 3rd. No entries accepted after October 20th. Good prizes. Dance after. Send entries to Mrs. Clarence Curley, Secretary, Kelly's Cross.
- Will be loading hogs at the following points each Thursday: Elmer Winslow, Bradshaw, until 11:30 a. m.; Borden Bagnall, Hunter River, until noon; Summerdale until 1:30 p. m.; and Kensington until 3 p. m. MacEwen and

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Crop Damage Is Placed At \$6,000,000

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 5—(AP)—A tropical hurricane roared over the Florida "gold coast" tonight, kicking up 90-mile an hour gusts and several tornadoes as its centre swept out to sea near Pompano.

The storm left 11 known dead in Cuba, 300 injured and crop damage on the island estimated at \$6,000,000.

The centre of the small and speedy hurricane passed into the ocean near Pompano about 9:30 p. m. EST and an hour later was whirling northeastward about 12 miles an hour. At that time it was about 25 miles east southeast of Palm Beach.

Florida apparently escaped serious wind damage.

West Palm Beach had winds of 40 to 50 miles an hour but they were expected to go even higher as the storm's eye veered away from the mainland.

The worst of the tornadoes

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Margarine Case Opens In Supreme Court Of Canada

By George Kitchen
OTTAWA, Oct. 5—(CP)—The validity of the 62-year-old ban on margarine opened before the Supreme Court of Canada today, with the Dominion arguing that it is within the power of parliament to prohibit the butter substitute.

F. P. Varcoe, Deputy Minister of Justice, opened the Dominion's case of the reference to determine whether Parliament was within its constitutional rights in 1888 when it adopted a bill to ban the importation, manufacture and sale of margarine in Canada.

Should the court decide the legislation is invalid, margarine automatically will become available to Canadians. The hearing is expected to run two or three days, after which the court will reserve judgment. Its decision will be announced later.

Argument in today's sitting, held in the severe, walnut-walled Supreme Court chamber with only a few spectators present, revolved around a dull, constitutional discussion as to whether the Dominion

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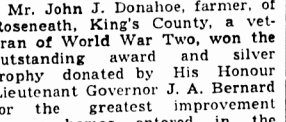
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Lt. Col. E. W. Johnstone

Satisfaction with the results of this year's competitions of the P. E. I. Rural Beautification Society was expressed last night by the president, Lieut. Col. E. W. Johnstone, of Long River, in announcing the list of prize winners appearing in today's Guardian.

Some work planned by the contestants was of necessity curtailed due to scarcity of labor and the lack of any leisure from farming operations during the past unusual season, he said; but on the whole considerable work was accomplished.

Competition, particularly for the leading position in each County, was extremely keen and the judges' task was difficult. The judges were Messrs. Walter L. Beer, Roseneath, secretary, Harry Brown, Kensington, for Queen's; and Ralph Monkley, Miscouche, for Prince. Mr. Gordon C. Warren, of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Charlottetown, named all the Provincial winners.

The school competitions were also contested, due mainly to the interest shown by Messrs. R. T. Holman, Ltd. in offering special trophies for the winners in each County. These beautiful trophies are now on display at the firm's stores at Summerside and Charlottetown, also at Clark's store, Montserrat (for King's County).

Members of the executive of the Society in addition to Colonel Johnstone, president, are Messrs. P. W. Turner, Charlottetown, vice-president, and F. D. Reid, Charlottetown, secretary.

In an interview last night Colonel Johnstone expressed the gratitude of his Society to all those who assisted by the provision of special prizes.

News In Brief

MONTREAL, Oct. 5—(CP)—Pastors and laymen of the Eastern Association of Baptist Churches today approved a Paris today for raising ministers' salaries to \$1,800, with furnished parsonage.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5—(AP)—President Truman said today the United States aid program designed to block Communist expansion in Greece and Turkey has been a "conspicuous success."

OTTAWA, Oct. 5—(CP)—Igor Gouzenko, the former Russian cipher clerk who tipped the Canadian Government off to a Soviet directed espionage ring in Canada, has become a Canadian citizen, it was disclosed today.

PARIS, Oct. 5—(CP)—To the sound of three cheers and a tiger, Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada left Paris today for London and the conference of Commonwealth prime ministers.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 5—(CP)—A woman and her two children were reported tonight to be missing and possibly dead in North-central Manitoba forest fires raging near Dallas, 120 miles north of Winnipeg. Their names were not known.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5—(AP)—The White House announced tonight that President Truman has called State Secretary Marshall home from the United Nations meeting in Paris to report on the international situation. Marshall will make his report Saturday.

MONTREAL, Oct. 5—(CP)—Police disclosed today that an investigation now is under way into a reported \$11,000 burglary at the B. & M. Engineering Co. on downtown Hadley Street Saturday night. Goods stolen was said to include more than 1,000 watches.

Closure Tonight Of Airport Rental Project

A midnight, to-night all water and electric power will be shut off from Maple Hills and the area, from the standpoint of a Government rental project, will have become a thing of the past.

Of the 100 families which were living there a few months ago only four who have yet to find other accommodations, remain. In all eleven families, are still at Maple Hills, but seven of those have purchased the quarters in which they live and will move them from their present site to other locations within the next few weeks.

Mr. J. F. Connolly, Deputy Minister of Reconstruction, who has managed the project since the Provincial Government took it over from the City of Charlottetown on June 1st, 1946, said the closing down of the area at midnight tonight will have been accomplished without any hardship or suffering to any of those who are compelled to remain at Maple Hills a while longer.

It is true, Mr. Connolly said, that the water power will be shut off to-night, but he has instructed that the water tank, whose capacity

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Second Hunting Fatality In N. B.

HARTLAND, N.B., Oct. 5—(CP)—The second fatality since New Brunswick's hunting season opened last Friday occurred late today just before dark when Donald Irving, 36, of Hartland, was shot by cousin, Wesley Stewart, 14, at nearby Highgate.

Irving, a garage employee here, was hunting when the youth on the lookout for deer near an orchard, shot from a distance of 100 yards. The victim was shot between the eyes.

He was unmarried and a Second World War veteran, having spent two years in a German prison camp.

An inquest will be held tomorrow night.

Russia To Boycott Debate On Berlin

PARIS, Oct. 5—(AP)—Floyd Andre Vishinsky announced today that Russia will boycott the Berlin debate in the United Nations Security Council.

He disclosed the floor and disclosed his decision immediately after the Council voted 9 to 2 to hear full details of the east-west dispute over Berlin.

Vishinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, left up in the air the question of whether he would be present when the Council resumes its meetings tomorrow.

Blackwell Seeking To Be Drew's Successor

TORONTO, Oct. 5—Hon. Leslie Blackwell today announced his candidature for the Ontario leadership of the Progressive Conservative Party. He said he did so to help assure calling of a convention to name a successor to Premier Drew, elected Saturday as the party's national leader.

The 50-year-old native of Lindsay, Attorney-General of Ontario since 1943, made his announcement in the wake of speculation that Hon. T. L. Kennedy, 70-year-old Minister of Agriculture and senior member of the Ontario Cabinet, would be named either by Mr. Drew or the Cabinet to take over as Premier until a convention could be summoned.

In a statement announcing his candidature, Mr. Blackwell mentioned "considerable press indication" that there was a plan to have the retiring Premier appoint

a successor and added:—
"As publicity to further this design has developed, it has been made plain to me by members of the Government, its supporters in the Legislature and others in all walks of life who support the party, that they regard it as fatal to the future of the Party to have this matter settled in any other way than by the ballots of the delegates to a convention of the Party."

Mr. Blackwell, who lost a leg at the Battle of Cambrai in the First World War, recalled that after the June 7 Ontario election he had submitted his resignation as Attorney-General so he could return to a private practice. His resignation was announced July 16 by Premier Drew who said, however, that Mr. Blackwell would remain in his post for some time to come.

Nova Scotia Bride Killed In Boston

BOSTON, Oct. 5—Police said tonight that Mrs. Muriel Lawlor, 38-year-old Nova Scotia bride, was slain Sunday in her apartment here.

First reports said Mrs. Lawlor, married last May 28 in Halifax, was killed in a fall from a window of her fifth-floor apartment, but tonight Dr. Timothy Leary, medical examiner, notified police she had been throttled before the plunge.

Her husband, Charles Lawlor, 31, was arrested on a drunkenness charge and then released after his wife's death. Tonight, after Dr. Leary's report, he was taken to police headquarters for questioning.



Island Crustaceans On Pacific Coast Located

OTTAWA, Oct. 5—(Special)—While the experiment of transplanting Prince Edward Island lobsters to the Pacific Coast two years ago is now reported as more successful than prior attempts, it is now stated that the Atlantic lobster industry is in little danger of competition from British Columbia waters for many years to come.

The Fisheries Department and the British Columbia packers, experiment, have partly lifted the veil of secrecy which shrouded the whereabouts of the P. E. I. lobsters since the summer of 1946. It is now stated that the crustaceans are living in a lagoon on Lasqueti Island near Nanaimo, B. C. A paragraph of the joint fisheries-B. C. packers report reads:

"The original 2,000 'canner size' lobsters' only a few are now kept in a floating cage at Lasqueti in air manoeuvres."

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Russian Copies Of B-29's Seen Over Germany

BERLIN, Oct. 5—Russian copies of the American Superfortress were reported in Germany for the first time today.

Lieut. Martin Von Rosenberg of New York, a former bomber pilot, said he recognized Soviet versions of the giant four-engined plane flying high over Berlin's western air corridor. The planes were in formation with attack bombers which looked like American A-20's and presumably were participating in air manoeuvres.

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Prince Edward Island—Clear with local frost during the night Wednesday clear becoming overcast in the evening. Warmer Wednesday. Light winds. Low early Wednesday morning and high in the afternoon at Charlottetown 40 and 62.

High tide this afternoon at 1:31 and tonight at 1:10.

Sun sets this afternoon at 6:33 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:05.

First quarter moon October 9th, 6:10 P. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Daily Except Sunday

CAR FERRY "ABEGWEIT"

Standard Time	Standard Time
Leaves Borden, 9:10 a.m., 1 p.m., 4:30 p.m.	Leaves Tormentine 10:55 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
SUNDAY	
Leaves Borden 6:45 P. M.	Leaves Tormentine 8 P. M.
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