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POTATO CONTRACT DETAILS REVEALED AT OTTAWA

N. B. Member Claims Growers Up In Arms Over Potato Policy

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 7.—(Special)—Taking sharp issue with the Ottawa Journal and its bi-weekly subsidiary, the Ottawa Farm Journal which reported that the Dominion Government was buying Maritimes potatoes under the agricultural price support plan, H.H. Hatfield, Progressive Conservative member for Victoria-Carleton, said here today that the Government was doing no such thing.

"Potato-growers in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island are up in arms over the situation," Mr. Hatfield said, shaking a sheaf of protesting telegrams from Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick sources before The Guardian's Ottawa correspondent.

"Growers were promised fair prices for their surplus potatoes under the Agricultural Prices Support Act. This was guaranteed on October 17 last year, but only five per cent of the potato-growers in either Prince Edward Island or New Brunswick have derived any benefit from the promised support."

To Inquire Re Ferry Rates

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Transport Minister Chevrier said today in the Commons he would inquire whether the Board of Transport Commissioners had issued a finding on freight rates on the Borden-Tormentine ferry between Prince Edward Island and the mainland.

He was replying to a question from Chester McAure (PO-Queens).

Parliament At A Glance

(By The Canadian Press)

Reconstruction Minister Howe announced new measures to spur building of homes for rental.

J.M. Macdonell (PC-Muskoka-Ontario) said the Government was using a "big stick" in Dominion-Provincial negotiations.

Several bills, including one to repeal the Chinese Immigration Act, were given first reading.

Five speakers participated in the Throne Speech debate.

The Commons will consider Government legislation. The Senate will not sit.

Coming Events

- *Ice races at Oyster Bed Monday, Feb. 10.
- *Look for the special sale at Bernard's Store, Bradalbane, February 8th-7th-8th.
- *Memorial Lodge, Pantry Sale this afternoon at Holmans.
- *Brackley vs. Milton, at Milton tonight.
- *Dance, Emerald Hall, Monday, 10th, C. W. L.
- *Dance in K. of C. Hall, Souris, Tuesday, February 11th, Clifford's Orchestra.
- *Loading Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd., Merlin Devine.
- *Loading Hogs at Montague Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean. Phone 100.
- *Warning: Trespassers crossing over land in mild weather will be prosecuted. Estate Austin MacNeill, Stanley Bridge.
- *Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd. Tuesday until further notice. Dingwall and Rosette.
- *Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.
- *Playoff game New Glasgow rink tonight, North Rustico vs. Hors River. Game starts 8:30. State after.
- *Horse races at Stanley Bridge Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 3 o'clock sharp.
- *Collecting hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers Ltd. for trucking service through Marsville Ferry Valley, Vernon, Orwell and Newtown, phone Walter Crane 11-18.
- *Loading hogs at St. Peter's for Canada Packers Ltd. each Tuesday for truck pickup service from farm to car Phone Roddie Pratt.
- *Loading Hogs every Tuesday, at Albany. Write or phone for Trucking Service, when road conditions permit. Prompt and courteous service. Highest market prices. J. George Mackay.
- *Buying Pigs Monday at Fredrickton, Tuesday, 11 A.M. Charlottetown, Wednesday, 1 P.M. York, 3 P.M. Stewart. Paying \$18.00 per pair for good pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will buy any size. Knud Jorgensen.

4 Million Britons To Be Unemployed

Car Ferry Laid Up For Repairs

A break in the main feed pipe of the circulating pump on the car ferry has forced the ship to remain at her dock in Borden since 11 o'clock Thursday night, when the accident occurred.

Mechanics had the feed pipe repaired at noon yesterday but the ferry was unable to leave her pier for Tormentine as it was necessary to encase the repaired pipe in cement which would require several hours to harden properly.

Railway officials said last night the ferry was expected to be able to leave for Tormentine about 3 o'clock this morning.

In the meantime the trains were running east and west to Emerald Junction as usual.

Arabs Hear New Plan For Palestine

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The British Government delivered its compromise plan for Palestine to Arab leaders tonight and Emile Ghoury, a Palestine Arab representative, said that if the proposal resulted in the entry of one more Jew into Palestine "it will mean war."

The compromise plan apparently was not delivered to Jewish representatives here tonight.

Jamal Hussein, leader of the Palestine Arab delegation, said he and his colleagues had decided not to look at the proposal until tomorrow morning because "I'm sure it would run our night's sleep."

C.P.R. Main Line In Sask. Is Snowblocked

REGINA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Anxiety spread through blizzard-swept Southern Saskatchewan tonight, revived only in part by the forecast of abating snow-laden winds which paralyzed transportation and brought the three hundred and homes and empty lodgers.

Up to a late hour an unprecedented stage in Canadian history is being lived through as the railroads, trans-continental service remained unclear. Both east and west bound traffic was stopped late Thursday.

Trains caught in snow drifts between Regina and Moose Jaw, 50 miles west. Goings hoped to clear the tracks tonight.

The complete transportation blockade brought calls for all supplies from many communities without food. But pilots Keith Malcolm of the Government ambulance planes and Julian Audette, both ex-Royal Canadian Air Force men, struggled unsuccessfully to break through drifts on the road between Regina and the nearby airport.

Shortages of temperatures were forecast along with the end of the blizzard.

In Regina, where Mayor Hugh McMillivray described the coal shortage situation as "frantic," the temperature was expected to slip to 35 degrees below zero tonight. An emergency coal supply center was set up.

At Weyburn, about 120 miles east of here, all power was shut off and at Benough, 60 miles southwest, officials voiced the possibility of closing the hospital because of lack of coal.

Shortages of food throughout the region was pointed up by reports from Regina butchers that their meat supply could last only until Friday next week. Workers in packing houses were laid off until new supplies arrive.

Marshall Favors Strong U. S. Force

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—In his first major policy declaration as secretary of state, Gen. George C. Marshall today called for universal military training in the United States to back up American foreign policy with real power.

He said there can be no disarmament until effective international security is worked out through the United Nations based on "solutions acceptable to the great powers of the tremendous issues" involved.

15 Cents For Milk In New Glasgow Area

HALIFAX, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Beginning Feb. 15, milk consumers in the New Glasgow, N.S., area will pay 15 cents per quart for milk testing 45 per cent butter fat. It was decided at a meeting of producers of that area with commissioners of the Nova Scotia Board of Public Utilities here today.

Many Animals Die In Cold At Snag, Y. T.

(By The Canadian Press)

SNAG, Y.T., Feb. 7.—Thousands of animals died while record-breaking low temperatures hit this Yukon area 1,600 miles northwest of Edmonton during the last week, trapper Bill Blair said in an interview here today.

Blair, who has spent 25 years in Canada's Yukon, reported thousands of rabbits died and fox and wolves were killed off to a lesser extent during the cold highlighted by an all-time low official recording.

Fat animals survived and moose kept alive by moving steadily, said Blair. Two horses have been

Fuel Crisis Said Greatest In 20 Years

By JAMES MCCOOK

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Britain's fuel crisis—termed by Anthony Eden the "greatest in 20 years"—threatened today to affect every home and factory in the United Kingdom as the Government announced drastic new electricity cuts which are expected to throw 4,000,000 men and women out of work.

The figure mentioned was far above the peak unemployment of the depression years and represents one-third of the total industrial manpower of the United Kingdom.

As snow continued to fall in the north and battered coilers struggled through gale-force winds to coal-strewn ports, Fuel Minister Shinwell announced that electricity will be cut off Monday from industries in 17 counties of the London, Birmingham and Manchester areas and supplies to domestic users will be slashed five hours a day.

There were hints in the Conservative press that the Labor administration would be compelled to resort to a coalition government to solve the crisis but this was discounted by Labor sources as "wishful Tory thinking."

Board of Trade spokesmen followed Shinwell's statement in the House of Commons with predictions that millions of Britons would become idle as factories closed. Already more than 100,000 are unemployed.

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Will Provide Rest Rooms For Ferry Service

(Special to The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 7.—Assurance that the Department of Transport will provide adequate rest-rooms for the travelling public at Borden and Tormentine is given in a letter from Transport Minister Chevrier, received this afternoon by J. Watson MacNaught, Liberal member for Prince.

Answering a letter of inquiry from the member for Prince, Mr. Chevrier said provision was made for stone foundations for rest-rooms and a bus terminal. Stone masonry for the buildings will be placed early this summer and construction of the rooms will begin immediately afterwards. These facilities, Mr. Chevrier points out, will be near the new terminal and not at the present one.

At Borden, rest-rooms for both men and women travellers will be built on an enlargement of the present jetty. Tenders will be called shortly and the work should be completed early this summer, the Minister revealed.

He added that both points, for new facilities will be modern and up-to-date in every way. It is likely the Canadian National Railways will grant a concession at the terminals where sandwiches and soft drinks will be sold.

Criticizes Ottawa's Attitude Towards Smaller Provinces

(By The Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—J. M. Macdonell, (PC-Muskoka, Ontario) charged today in the Commons that the Federal Government is putting the Provinces, particularly the smaller ones, in an "impossible position" by asking for practically exclusive rights in the smaller provinces either to accept new taxation agreements with the Dominion or to go back to a system of double taxation which no taxpayer would want to support, said Mr. Macdonell during continued Throne Speech debate.

Mr. Macdonell said that conclusion of taxation agreements with the Provinces on the basis now being advanced by the Dominion would mean that the smaller Provinces would be "in danger of becoming economic vassals."

"Let us face the fact that if the present intentions of the Dominion Government are carried out whereby they get complete control of enormously large direct taxes through the income tax and where they still stay in the other taxation fields, we are going to reduce the taxing capacity of the Provinces to so small an area that the Dominion Government in the future can in effect determine what the Provinces are going to spend."

In 1930 Prime Minister King had advocated that it was all right for the Federal treasury to tap the resources of the Provinces but not to usurp their taxing fields.

"Either the Prime Minister was wrong in 1930 or he is wrong today," said Mr. Macdonell.

New Glasgow Has Blind Councillor

(By The Canadian Press)

NEW GLASGOW, N.S., Feb. 7.—Colin F. MacDonald, a totally blind, was sworn in as a town councillor here today.

Mr. MacDonald, who carries out personal supervision duties in the town, is one of the most active town business figures. A native of Antigonish, he is well-known in Cape Breton where he has relatives.

New Plans To Spur Building Of Homes

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—New measures to spur the building of homes for rental this year were announced in the Commons today by Reconstruction Minister Howe.

The Minister, continuing the Throne Speech debate, said these steps would be undertaken to encourage builders:

1. Owners of new housing units will be allowed accelerated depreciation at twice the present rate in connection with income tax payments.
2. A longer period of amortization will be allowed on loans under the National Housing Act.
3. Priorities on materials will be "extended."

"On slum-clearance, the Government's policy was being modified. Where it formerly refused to aid municipalities to demolish and rebuild slum areas because of the acute housing shortage, it now would do so where slum sections were occupied by only a very few families."

Mr. Howe did not disclose the extent of aid that would be given by the Dominion, but he did say it would help in finding new homes for families displaced by slum clear-

Britain To Purchase Three Million Bushels At Guaranteed Price

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner today announced conclusion of a contract under which the United Kingdom will purchase 3,000,000 bushels of potatoes at a price which is expected to guarantee producers at least \$1. for a 75 pound bag.

Mr. Gardiner said that actually the United Kingdom was to pay \$1.55 a 100 pounds delivered at landing ports. Because of differences in freight and handling it was not possible to express this price in exact terms at country delivery points.

However, it was estimated that it will return to growers at least the equivalent of the guaranteed price of \$1.00 a 75 pound bag as announced by the Agriculture Prices Support Board to come into effect next spring.

The potato shipments will begin in March and continue through April and May. Shipping space is made available by the British Government.

"It is expected by the Board that fulfillment of this contract will remove the present surplus of potatoes from the Canadian market and thereby permit all potato growers to sell their remaining supplies," said Mr. Gardiner.

"Negotiation of the contract was somewhat delayed because of the fears of the British Ministry of Agriculture that the importation of potatoes might introduce insect and disease which would be dangerous to British potato growers.

"However, this situation is to be met by the Ministry of Agriculture sending a representative to Canada to act with Canadian officials in supervising shipments for insect and disease control."

P. E. I. To Get Lion's Share Of Contract

Terms of the potato contract with the United Kingdom as announced at Ottawa yesterday by Agriculture Minister Gardiner were confirmed locally last night by Mr. J.W. Boulter, manager of the P.E.I. Potato Growers Association and president of the Canadian Horticultural Council. Mr. Boulter stated he received the information by phone yesterday from Hon. J.G. Tassart, Ottawa, chairman of the Agricultural Prices Support Board.

The deal, Mr. Boulter stated, was in progress for two months. Negotiations being delayed until it was proved to the satisfaction of the British authorities that there was no danger from the Colorado beetle so far as Prince Edward Island potatoes were concerned, and that the Province could furnish all the potatoes required from areas entirely free of ring rot.

The actual amount of potatoes to be shipped from the Province has not been determined, but it will be well over two million bushels. The price announced by Mr. Gardiner is in accord with the information previously published in The Guardian on Mr. Boulter's authority.

British Food Minister To Visit Canada, U. S.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Food Minister Strachey announced today he will make a three-week visit to Canada and the United States from the month to discuss food problems of interest to the three countries "with the appropriate authorities."

Strachey will sail from Britain Feb. 13.

It is understood that wheat movement will be among the subjects discussed in Ottawa as the United Kingdom is to obtain a major flow of Canadian wheat in the spring and early summer.

Aquitania Arrives

HALIFAX, Feb. 7.—Carrying nearly 1,700 passengers, including the largest number of civilians she has carried since before she went into war service in 1939, the S.S. Aquitania docked here late tonight.

To take the 1,228 civilians to various sections of the Dominion and to the United States, four Canadian National Railways boat specialists will be used. They will take 64 persons to points in the Maritime Provinces, 97 to Quebec cities, 303 to Ontario, 265 to Western Canada and 499 to the United States.

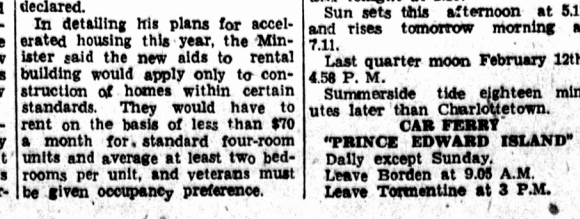
(Service personnel was believed to include Clifford Heald enroute to Charlottetown to join his wife, the former Roberta Morrison.)

Need Not Waste Tears

He said that Mr. King, when re-

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You Can't Lionize A Candidate Who Makes An Ass Of Himself!



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Weather synopsis and official forecast issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at 11:15 p.m. Friday.

Synopsis: Intermittent snow is falling over much of the Maritimes tonight. In southwestern Nova Scotia temperatures are slightly above freezing and the snow has changed to drizzle and rain there. Not much change is expected on Saturday, and snow flurries are being forecast for all regions on Sunday.

Forecast valid until Sunday midnight:

Prince Edward Island: Intermittent snow or rain. Not much change in temperature. Light winds. High at Charlottetown, 35.

High tide this afternoon at 1:14 and tonight at 1:10.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5:11 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:11.

Last quarter moon February 12th 4:58 P. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY

"PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND" Daily except Sunday. Leave Borden at 9:05 A.M. Leave Tormentine at 3 P.M.