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ABBOTT DISCLOSES NEW TAXATION AGREEMENTS

Tecumseh Park Is Towed Into Port

ST. GEORGE, Bermuda, Jan. 24.—(CP Cable)—The Canadian freighter Tecumseh Park, held together by stout wire hawsers and the prayers of the ship's company, reached a safe haven in this north Bermuda port tonight after 10 dangerous days at sea.

On arrival today Francis Anderson, master of the salvage tug, had praise for the skipper of the Tecumseh Park on his handling of the distressed ship.

"He's a mighty good seaman," Anderson said.

Coming Events

- Skate East Royalty this afternoon, 2 to 4.
- Dance in K. of C. Hall, Souris, Tuesday, January 28th. Clifford Orchestra.
- Crockinole Game, Mt. Albion Hall, Monday, 27th.
- Hampshire versus Milton at Milton rink tonight.
- Receiving Hogs at Crapaud for Canada Packers Ltd., every Tuesday until 11 A. M. R. N. Dawson.
- Loading Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd., Merlin Devine.
- Dance Credit Union Hall, Wednesday, the 28th. Good music and refreshments.
- Loading Hogs at Montague Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean, Phone.
- Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., Tuesday until further notice. Dingwell and Rossiter.
- Attention farmers of Eastern Kings! We want a quantity of live cattle. Eastern Packing Co., Souris.
- Arriving at Albany soon, car baled shavings for bedding, insulating, etc. Order early. J. George Mackay.
- Loading hogs at St. Peters for Canada Packers Ltd., each Tuesday for truck pickup service from farm to car. Phone Eddie Pratt.
- Hockey at New Glasgow rink tonight. South Rustico vs. Hope Brier. Game starts at 8:30. Skate after.
- Farmers Meeting, Central Lot 16, Monday, Jan. 27, 8 p.m. Speak on films. Subject, "Potato Diseases and Vegetable Insects."
- Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd., Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.
- Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at Winslow Tuesday afternoon, January 28th. Roland Beaton in charge.
- Tenders will be received until February 1st for fifty cords hardwood, sawed in three foot lengths and split. Quote price delivered. New Glasgow Dairying Company.
- Hogs coming to our pens Tuesday forenoon should be in by 11:30 to catch fast freight to Moncton. Slaughtered following morning. Livestock Marketing Board.
- Collecting hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers Ltd., for trucking service through Farmville, Cherry Valley, Vernon, Orwell and Newtown, phone Walter Crane 11-12.
- Since rationing in eating places ceased, all hogs arriving at Charlottetown are fed and watered before shipment to the mainland. Livestock Marketing Board.
- 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.
- Will be buying pigs Monday at Fredericton. Tuesday, 11 A. M. Charlottetown Market Square. Paying \$12.00 a pair for good pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will buy any size. Knud Jorgensen.
- Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs during week of January 27th as follows: Monday, Souris, St. Peters, Merrill, Montague, Canadian, Murray Harbour, Mayville, Digg, Alberton, O'Leary Port Hill, Wellington, Miscouche, Charlottetown; Tuesday, St. Thomas, Winslow, Williams, Hunter River, Broadbent, Kensington, Summerside, Albany; usual hours at all points. Trucking when and where possible, but consult local agent.

Coal Miners Headed For Strike Jan. 31

New Federal Proposals

Here, according to Finance Minister Abbott, are the new Federal proposals:

Instead of \$15 per capita on the basis of the 1941 or 1942 population the provinces could have:

1. \$12.75 per capita on the basis of the 1942 population, plus;
2. Fifty per cent of the provincial tax receipts from income and corporation taxes in 1940, as determined for purposes of the wartime taxation agreements, plus;
3. Statutory subsidies.

As an alternative they could take \$15 per capita plus the statutory subsidies provided for under the British North America Act.

If the provinces accepted either one of the offers this is how the new subsidies would work out as compared with those offered in the budget:

Province	1947 (Estimated)	Guaranteed Minimum	Budget Offer Minimum
P. E. I.	\$ 2,285,000	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,000,000
N. B.	12,134,000	10,670,000	9,800,000
N. B.	9,443,000	8,773,000	7,000,000
Que.	63,011,000	56,383,000	50,900,000
Ont.	73,990,000	67,156,000	58,300,000
Man.	14,218,000	13,612,000	10,900,000
Sask.	15,684,000	15,284,000	13,400,000
Alta.	14,840,000	13,986,000	11,900,000
B. C.	21,383,000	18,120,000	18,100,000

In the original offers to the provinces in August, 1945, the minimum offers were:

Prince Edward Island \$1,140,000; Nova Scotia, \$3,500,000; New Brunswick, \$5,500,000; Quebec, \$40,000,000; Ontario, \$45,500,000; Manitoba, \$9,800,000; Saskatchewan \$10,800,000; Alberta, \$9,800,000; and British Columbia, \$9,800,000.

Mr. Abbott said the Dominion had not lost sight of its original offer to pay the greater share of national health insurance, public investment and social security programs.

However, the increased payments to the provinces would have to be taken into account before inauguration of the proposed programs.

"The increases in the direct payments offered to the provinces will require a corresponding adjustment in the division of costs originally proposed for the public investment and social security programs," said Mr. Abbott.

7 Injured In Plane Crash At Halifax

(By The Canadian Press) HALIFAX, Jan. 24.—Seven occupants of a United States naval Dakota aircraft which crashed and burned near Halifax were in the Canadian Naval Hospital here tonight but it could not be learned immediately how serious were their injuries.

An R. C. A. P. source confirmed that none was killed and another reliable source said that one woman was among the injured.

In the big plane en route from Floyd Bennett Field, New York, to a North Atlantic base, a crew of two and five passengers, including the woman.

The plane approached nearby Eastern Passage Airport for a landing and then disappeared. Bell Lake in a wooded district on the Cole Harbor Road, three miles north of the airport, the wreckage burst into flames. But all the occupants were moved to safety before the flames spread.

An Air Force spokesman said that he had learned that the plane had been on the ground some moments before it started to burn and that the landing gear had dragged the more seriously injured to safety.

Another version, however, said that the occupants were dragged to safety by the crash truck crew.

Drew Hopes For New Conference

TORONTO, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Premier Drew of Ontario tonight released copies of a letter to him from the Ontario Finance Minister and a reply to the Federal Finance Minister, in which Premier Drew said "what purport to be new proposals for tax agreements between Ontario and the Dominion and Provincial Governments" had been offered.

Premier Drew's reply, sent to Prime Minister Mackenzie King, said: "As no other explanation is offered for sending this information to me, I do hope I may take Mr. Abbott's letter as an indication that you now are prepared to reconvene the Dominion-Provincial conference which adjourned last May on the motion of the Dominion Government."

"I assure you that the Government of Ontario will be ready to attend such a conference in Ottawa at any time and there examine and consider all proposals on their merits. We are most anxious to arrive at a settlement which will be just and fair to the people of every part of Canada."

BRITISH ACTOR FOR HOLLYWOOD

LONDON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Warner Brothers announced today that Robert Douglas, outstanding British actor, would leave for Hollywood in May under a long-term contract.

Crown Seeks Appeal In Dick Murder Case

TORONTO, Jan. 24.—The Crown will ask for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada against the decision of the Ontario Court of Appeal which last week granted a new trial to Evelyn Dick of Hamilton, who had been convicted and sentenced to hang in the torso-slaying of John Dick, Hamilton street railway driver, whose dismembered body was found on Hamilton Mountain last March.

Ontario Attorney-General Leslie Blackwell announced the appeal would be taken to the Supreme Court as a result of a conference of law officers at Queen's Park today.

Two others accused of murder in the Dick slaying—Donald MacLean, father of Mrs. Dick, and William Bohouk, her one-time friend, are to go on trial at Hamilton Monday.

Negotiations At Ottawa Break Down

(By John LeBlanc) OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Government-mediated negotiations for settlement of the Maritime coal wage issue broke down today, leaving about half of Canada's coal production facilities faced with the threat of a general strike Jan. 31.

Three days of conferences here between the United Mine Workers of America (C.C.L.) and Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation ended in complete deadlock, and the sessions were broken off late today with no indication of a resumption before the strike deadline.

During the final meetings, it was disclosed, the Union scaled its demands to a \$1.40-a-day raise for day-paid workers plus a company contribution of five per cent of the payroll for a pension fund and an eight-cent-a-ton royalty to be paid by the company into a miners' welfare fund.

The company stood pat on its offer of a \$1-a-day raise, contingent on increased production and graduated into 10-cent raises as production-per-man increased.

Originally, the Union had sought \$2.50 a day for day-paid workers, a 15-per-cent increase for contract workers, a welfare fund contribution of 15 cents a ton and double time for holidays.

In its final submission, the Union waived the overtime provisions and the increases for contract workers and cut down its demands for day-paid men and for a welfare fund. It held to its original pension fund request.

The company adhered to the (Continued on Page 5 Col. 5)

40 Cents Apart

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., Jan. 24.—Sydney George Chambers, 34, father of a six-year-old daughter, will stand trial Feb. 24 charged with the "furnace" slaying of Marian Rusanak, nine, who disappeared from her St. Catharines home two days before Christmas.

At the preliminary hearing to-day Detective James Anderson testified that Chambers told him Jan. 3 that he strangled the child in the room of his dormitory at a cannery factory Dec. 23, the night the girl disappeared.

Anderson told the court Chambers returned the child to her home after spending four days in hospital. After constant questioning, Anderson said, Chambers broke down and confessed to the gruesome murder.

Anderson then related the story as told to him by Chambers.

Chambers said he met the girl late in the afternoon of Dec. 23 on a downtown street. He promised to give her a Christmas present for her little brother if she accompanied him to his room in the cannery factory. In the room the girl went to the window as if to make an outcry.

The officer quoted Chambers as saying he put one hand over the girl's mouth and the other hand around her throat. He held her in that position for about a minute. Then he released her and she fell to the floor. Chambers said he pumped her arms and tried artificial respiration but it was no use. The child was dead.

To Stand Trial For "Furnace" Slaying

Dominion Drama Festival In May

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Canada's first Dominion drama festival since 1939 will be held in London, Ont., the week of May 5, John Aylen, honorary director of the festival, said today.

Competitions held by amateur theatrical groups across Canada, to choose the plays to be included in the festival, begin next month and titles of the plays must be mailed to Mr. Aylen by March 15.

Name of the adjudicator at the festival will be announced early in March.

To Head Atomic Energy Research

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Reconstruction Minister Howe today announced the appointment of Dr. David A. Keays, Macdonald professor of physics at McGill University, to head the National Research Council in charge of the over-all atomic energy establishment at Chalk River, Ont.

The National Research Council is assuming complete responsibility for the operation of the Chalk River plant Feb. 1.

At present the National Research Council is responsible for the research division on atomic energy of which Dr. W. B. Lewis is director, but Defence Industries Limited has had charge of construction and operation of the industrial pilot plant and its village, known as Deep River, where all works connected with the plant live.

As vice-president, Dr. Keays who is 46, will be the senior resident officer in charge.

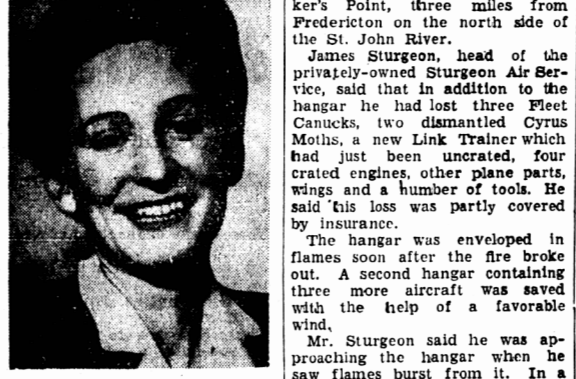
Douglas Opposes Compulsory Voting

REGINA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Premier Douglas of Saskatchewan said today he was opposed to any legislation compelling citizens to vote in provincial elections and that such a measure had never been considered by the C.C.F. Government.

Mr. Douglas was commenting on a report that the British Columbia Legislature would consider enacting compulsory voting legislation during its next session opening Feb. 11.

Hangar, Five Planes Lost In \$50,000 Fire

Receives Award



(By The Canadian Press) FREDERICTON, Jan. 24.—Fire, believed to have started from an office stove, caused loss estimated at \$50,000 tonight when it destroyed five planes, a hangar and other aircraft equipment at Barker's Point, three miles from Fredericton on the north side of the St. John River.

James Sturgeon, head of the privately-owned Sturgeon Air Service, said that in addition to the hangar he had lost three Fleet Canucks, two dismantled Cytus Moths, a new Link Trainer which had just been uncrated, four crated engines, other plane parts, wings and a number of tools. He said his loss was partly covered by insurance.

The hangar was enveloped in flames soon after the fire broke out. A second hangar containing three more aircraft was saved with the help of a favorable wind.

Mr. Sturgeon said he was approaching the hangar when he saw flames burst from it. In a few minutes, the entire structure was a mass of flames.

With such a headstart it was impossible to check the blaze. Owing to disruption of telephone lines at the airport no call could be sent to the Fredericton Fire Department or its branch station house on the other side of the river. Lack of water facilities for fire fighting was another handicap.

Mr. Sturgeon and his nine employees assisted by residents who quickly gathered, fought the blaze as well as they could. They had to confine their efforts chiefly to removing flying equipment from the second hangar before the flames could reach it. The entire hangar soon lay level as the fire spread rapidly among tinder-dry airplane parts.

New Postmaster For Souris Named

Mr. Arthur Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Wright, Souris, has been appointed Postmaster of that city. The appointment was announced last night. The new Postmaster is well and favorably known in this city having attended high school and Trinity of Wales College. Mr. Wright, a war veteran enlisted with the Artillery at the outbreak of war and saw service in England and Northwest Europe. He returned home at the end of the war and continued his education until recently at Mount Allison University.

Cost Of Members' Meals Is Unchanged

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—A higher authority than the Prices Board rules Government officials who operate the House of Commons restaurant and cafeteria which opens business the day before Parliament meets Jan. 30.

While most restaurants in Canada have taken advantage of authorization to boost meals by 10 per cent, prices on restaurant bills remain unchanged—at least until the restaurant committee meets during the session and considers the situation.

Retired then senators, members of Parliament, Government officials and newspapermen will find a full-course meal with trimmings, complete with refreshments, will cost more than last session—60 cents. In the cafeteria the charge will be 35 cents.

Britain Is Seeking Wheat From Argentina

LONDON, Jan. 24.—(Reuters)—The Food Ministry today confirmed that Britain is negotiating to buy a substantial tonnage of wheat from Argentina for dispatch during this spring and early summer.

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Represents Huge Increase Over Minimum Terms Offered In The Last Budget Speech

New French Premier

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Finance Minister Abbott, disclosing publicly tonight for the first time the basis on which he has been seeking new taxation agreements with the Provinces, said the proposals would provide the Provinces with at least \$206,158,000 in annual revenue.

This represented an increase of \$25,000,000 over the minimum offers made to the Provinces in the budget last June, and an increase of close to \$70,000,000 over the offers originally made to the provinces in August, 1945.

Mr. Abbott, making his disclosure in a 2,000-word statement said the new proposals had been communicated to all Provinces and had already been accepted by New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and Manitoba as a satisfactory basis for new agreements.

The release was not scheduled for publication until tomorrow, but Mr. Abbott decided to issue it after Premier Drew of Ontario had issued in Toronto a letter from Mr. Abbott on the new proposals and asked if a new Dominion-Provincial conference would be called.

Mr. Abbott said the agreements sought would replace those reached in 1945 under those proposals. He represents the Provinces gave the Dominion exclusive use of the personal income and corporation tax fields in return for payments based on what they received from the taxes in 1945.

Text of Statement

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—(CP)—Text of statement by Finance Minister Abbott on Dominion-Provincial taxation agreements:

In view of the recent discussions which have been taking place with several provinces looking to the conclusion of taxation agreements, I think it important that I should now make a comprehensive statement outlining the present status of these negotiations.

It is desirable, in this connection, to recall the objectives underlying the original proposals in August, 1945, which were the objectives in the budget proposals, and which are the objectives today. It was the Dominion Government's hope to see a foundation laid for co-operation between Dominion and Provinces so that all Governments would be in a position to act effectively to prevent a repetition of the calamitous days of the thirties. The government's program was designed to achieve a high and stable level of employment, income and income tax, and integral part of this program was the objective of putting all provincial governments in a position to discharge their responsibilities.

Dr. E. V. Sullivan Of Saint John Dies

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 24.—(CP)—Dr. Edward V. Sullivan, 72, on the medical staff of the Provincial Hospital for the last five years, died in hospital today following an operation. He formerly practiced in his home town of St. Stephen, N. B., where the funeral will be held Monday morning. He is survived by his wife, four sons, one daughter, four brothers and three sisters.

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