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VALUE OF BRITISH POUND IS CUT BY 30 PER CENT

Worst Great Lakes Fire In 100 Years Takes 200 Lives

Foreign Exchange Dealings Halted

Speculation Canadian Dollar May Be Devalued; Official Statement On Gov't Policy Tonight.

Plans For Bank Meeting Cancelled

OTTAWA, Sept. 18 (CP)—The Government tonight ordered suspension in foreign exchange dealings until Tuesday, Finance Minister Abbott announced.

The one-day halt in foreign exchange dealings arose out of the decision by the United Kingdom Government to devalue the pound sterling by 30 per cent, Mr. Abbott said.

He issued a brief statement following announcement in the U.K. Western Europe and Commonwealth countries cutting the value of their currency.

Mr. Abbott said he would make a statement on Government policy in the Commons tomorrow night.

He made no indication whether the Government will devalue or allow the Canadian dollar to remain on par with the United States dollar.

Text of statement follows:

"In view of the decision reached by the United Kingdom Government devaluing the pound sterling by 30 per cent and similar action which has already been taken by a number of other countries, the Government of Canada has instructed the chairman of the Foreign Exchange Committee to suspend its operations until further notice."

Coming Events

- **Mail your Films to Garnum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- **Dance in Dromore New School, Sept. 21st. Burke's orchestra.
- **Chicken Supper, Bingo and Dance, Kelly's Cross Hall tonight.
- **Due to arrive a car of Limestone at Suffolk, Borden Bowell.
- **Reserve October 19th for Bonshaw United Church annual supper.
- **Show Morell every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. Show starts 8:30 P.M.
- **Dance and Basket Social in Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Monday, 19th. Orchestra.
- **Bus leaving Elmira 10 A.M. Wednesday, 21st, to Dundas Ploughing Match.
- **Dance Long River Hall every Wednesday. Good music. Door prize.
- **Dance in St. Peter's Legion Hall every Tuesday night. O.H.P. Peters Orchestra.
- **Dance Mt. Stewart Legion Hall every Thursday night, music by Al Blanchard.
- **Regular Dance at the "Sea Breeze", Victoria, each Wednesday, dancing 9 till 1.
- **Come to Seven Mile Bay Chicken Supper Tuesday, Sept. 20. Games, etc. Supper 6 p.m.
- **Cardigan Hall, Annual Chicken Supper and Dance, Tuesday, Sept. 20th. Music by Wilberty.
- **Now buying limber seed. Registered, cleaned or uncleaned. McGuigan & Boyle.
- **Dance, Crapaud Hall, Monday, September 19th. McNeill's Orchestra. Crapaud W. I.
- **Dance, Johnston's River School, Thursday, September 22nd. Burke's Orchestra.
- **Chicken Supper, Rose Valley Hall, Wednesday, September 21st. Sponsored by the W. M. S. and Ladies' Aid.
- **The Recce Band will be in attendance at Provincial Plowing Match and Horse Show at Dundas, Sept. 21.
- **Will be hauling cream every Wednesday to Wilberty's Factory. Vendors must have cream stands. Wm. F. Scott.
- **We will be buying live fowl, thickens and capons, Tuesday, Sept. 20th. Get prices before selling. R. L. Dickenson, New Glasgow.
- **Old time Fiddlers Contest and Step Dancing in St. Peter's Legion Hall on September 21st. Send all entries to G. L. Sanderson, Secretary.
- **Dance in New Haven School, Wednesday, Sept. 21. Good music, raffle service. Dance starting at 8:30 p.m., sponsored by Canadian Legion.
- **Show at Cape Traverse to night. "Forty Thieves" featuring William Boyd as "Hopalong Cassidy". Show starts at 8:30. Don't miss it!
- **Come one, come all to Winalos North United Church Supper, Chicken, ham, salads, pies, cakes, Winalos Road Hall, September 21st. Supper served at 8:30.



Dr. Needler Hopeful Of Commercial Possibilities Of New PEI Scallop Bed

West Novas Hold Re-union

ALDERSHOT, N.S., Sept. 18 (CP)—The West Nova Scotia Regiment, first Canadian infantry outfit to embark on active overseas service during the Second World War, held a reunion here today.

It was nearly 10 years ago at this sprawling camp on a cold, rainy winter night when the regiment was awakened. Grossly ill, he boarded a Halifax-bound train and headed overseas 30 hours later—Dec. 22, 1939.

The outfit had 375 men killed. Others still are missing. Most West Novas were Maritimers but its ranks contained men from Ontario and Manitoba.

The wartime padre, Rev. L.F. Wilmot of Winnipeg, said "This is a great moment in my life."

The men recalled the storming of Sicilian beaches, the fight through Campobasso, across the Mafra River, the Hitler and Gothic Lines. They talked of the inch-by-inch crawl through Ortona and later the Ijssel River crossing in Holland.

Today the men organized a regimental association and named Veterans Minister Gregg—a former commanding officer—honorary president.

A memorial service and parade were attended by several military and Government officials. They included Lt.-Col. A.W. Rogers of Charlottetown.

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OTTAWA, Sept. 18 (Special)—Dr. A. W. H. Needler, Assistant Deputy Minister of Fisheries, said over the week-end that he hoped commercial fishing operations would get under way soon at the newly-discovered scallop bed in Northumberland Strait off Wood Island, P.E.I.

Dr. Needler, who is a specialist in Atlantic fisheries, characterized the new find as "a promising commercial proposition" and said he was optimistic over further similar discoveries by vessels owned or chartered by the Government.

"We have found it advisable to lower the size limit for scallops in this and other beds" the Assistant Deputy Minister said. "This can be done without seriously impeding the continuity of the fishery and at times is the best course in view of the heavy mortality of scallops in the gulf."

Other P.E.I. Beds

Dr. Needler recalled that in past years there was commercial fishery of scallops on a small scale off Alberton and Georgetown in Prince Edward Island and that there may be new beds in other waters close to the province. Asked if scallops, like they say about gold, "are" where you find them? Dr. Needler said it wasn't as indefinite as that. "We have an idea where the best scallop beds in making surveys of the bottom," he said. "There's no use looking for them in mud and experience tells our crews the most likely places to look."

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Cruise Liner Noronic Now Pile Of Debris

Many Passengers Trapped In Cabins; All Crew Members Escaped

By R. J. ANDERSON
TORONTO, Sept. 18 (CP)—The cold, official figures: 118 bodies in the morgue, 87 persons unaccounted for, 479 known survivors; total passengers and crew 684.

But the statistics meant nothing. In the submerged hull of the fire-swept S. S. Noronic tonight were other bodies—perhaps 50 or 60, firemen said. No figure was final.

It was almost certain that the death toll of the worst ship fire on the Great Lakes in the century would reach 200. It was certain too that many of the dead never would be identified.

Today divers searched some parts of the burned hull and reported no bodies found. There were many of the ship still not searched and probably the number of bodies there would not be known until the hull is pumped dry in 10 days or so.

At the emergency morgue in the Canadian National Exhibition grounds relatives fingered burned jewelry and pieces of clothing, seeking to identify the broken, burned bodies. As the night wore on other names were added to the list of identified dead.

N. S. Woman Killed In Fall From Car

TRURO, N.S., Sept. 18 (CP)—Mrs. Charles Bezanon, 65, of Hammonds Plains, N.S., was killed at nearby Brookfield today when she fell from a moving car, after a door sprung open.

Five Other Countries Take Similar Action

LONDON, Sept. 18 (CP)—Great Britain tonight cut 30 per cent off the value of the pound sterling in a last-ditch bid to spur her exports and ease her dollar crisis. Five other countries devalued at the same rate.

Up to now it has taken \$4.03 to buy a pound at the official rate. Under the new rate it will take only \$2.80. This will require fewer dollars to buy a pound's worth of goods—and Britain expects that to start her export rolling into dollar-area countries at a new, fast pace.

Five other countries also cut the value of their money in terms of dollars. South Africa cut her pound from \$4.50 to \$2.80, like Britain. Australia dropped her pound from \$3.22 to \$2.24.

India, a third country in the sterling area, reduced the rupee from 30.25 cents to 21.

Denmark made the dollar worth 6.9714 kroner instead of 4.7901. Norway made the dollar worth 7.4286 kroner instead of 4.9227.

Sir Stafford Cripps announced the British decision in a broadcast at 9:15 P.M. (5:15 P.M. ADT).

To Free Market Price

The cut, in effect, brought the pound down to the free-market rate—it has been selling for \$2.80 on the Swiss market, but only the official \$4.03 rate was recognized by Britain in international trade.

Sir Stafford disclosed that the decision to devalue had been made before he and Foreign Secretary Bevin left London August 31 to attend the British-American-Canadian monetary talks in Washington.

He said:

"We did not then announce it because we wanted to tell our American and Canadian friends first and to inform all the members of the Commonwealth, and also because it takes a little time to arrange these matters."

Banks and stock exchanges will be closed in Britain tomorrow as the new rates go into effect. The Treasury announced the domestic price of gold will be adjusted accordingly.

SUCCEEDS WAITT

—Maj. Gen. Anthony C. McLaughlin, who gained fame during World War II by replying "Nuts" to a German surrender demand at Bastogne, was nominated by President Truman to become chief of the Army Medical Corps. He would succeed Maj. Gen. Alden Waitt, former to retire as result of the "five per cent" probe.

CONVICTED OF MURDER

WELLAND, Ont., Sept. 18 (CP)—John William Christian, 27, was convicted Saturday of the murder of Jacob Koebel, 68-year-old bachelor farmer found hanged to death April 13 in a hen-house on his farm near here. He was sentenced to be hanged Dec. 7.

Production & Marketing Methods Discussed By Ontario Farm Visitors

Tanker Loses 500,000 Gals. Gas In Grounding

Hon. Thomas L. Kermody, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, left the Province on Saturday morning car on his return journey to Ontario. He was accompanied by Messrs. J. W. Drennan, Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Branch, and Frank Perken of the Ontario Marketing Board.

The party of three made a short tour of the Experimental Farm on Friday afternoon escorted by Mr. B. F. Timney, assistant to the superintendent in charge of poultry. The visitors, who were accompanied during the day by Premier J. Walter Jones, Minister of Agriculture, W. F. Alan Stewart and Illustration Station Supervisor W.N. Black, were particularly interested in the rotational potato experiments.

The group then visited Mr. S.G. Peppin, officer in charge of seed potato certification, in the Science Building. Production and marketing methods were thoroughly discussed and the visitors were very much impressed with the quality of Ontario potatoes. They said a premium of from 15 cents to 30 cents per bushel was being paid at present for Ontario potatoes over the others available on the Ontario market.

Photo Farms Visited

A tour of potato farms included a visit to Mr. Russell White's at Hunter River where they inspected and discussed the full line of potato machinery including sprayers, diggers, graders and plows. At Hunter River they also inspected a potato warehouse and examined the construction, insulation and ventilation methods used on the island.

Mr. Kermody was particularly interested in the fruit farm of Mr. Malcolm Reeves at Southport with some 30 acres of bearing orchard. A fruit farmer himself, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture said that this orchard was as good as anything he had seen in his life.

The three visitors spent Friday evening at the Bunsbury Farm of Premier Jones where they viewed the livestock and discussed departmental affairs.

Local Man On Ass'n. Executive

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Sept. 18 (CP)—W.L. McPhee, Saint John, was elected president at Saturday's annual meeting of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Customs and Excise Officers' Association. Next year's meeting will be held at St. Stephen, N.B.

Executive members include O.E. Sherrin, Charlottetown.

Big Seizure Of Bogus \$10 Bills In Ontario

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Sept. 18 (CP)—Seizure of \$43,000 in counterfeit \$10 bills was announced today by police here and in Guelph, Ont.

Brockville police said they arrested two women—Mrs. Frank Cipolla, 28, of Guelph and Edith May Lafrance, 24 (no fixed address)—and charged them with passing and passing counterfeit money. They said \$13,000 was seized.

Police in Guelph, notified of the arrest, shortly afterwards raided the woman's home there and said \$42,000 was discovered. The woman's husband, Frank Cipolla, was arrested and held.

Acting Chief George Runciman of Brockville said the bills were similar to ones passed recently in cities across Canada.

The women were arrested as they got off a ferry boat enroute from Morrisburg, N.Y., early today.

Police were tipped off to the money when Richard Hannah, baker, reported that two women gave him a counterfeit \$10 bill for a 40-cent purchase.

He said he became suspicious when the women appeared nervous. Then he traced after the woman, who immediately apologized and handed him a good \$10 bill. Hannah said.

Well-Known Screen Character Dies

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 18 (AP)—Frank Morgan, 59, well-known screen character actor, was found dead in bed at his home today.

His wife and a housekeeper said they had been in his room early but thought the actor was sleeping late and did not disturb him.

Later Mrs. Morgan said she went back, found that he was not breathing, and called an inhalator squad. However efforts to revive him were unavailing.

Mother-in-Law Of Lt.-Governor In Car Accident

SUSSEX, N.B., Sept. 18 (CP)—Mrs. Mary Chaisson, Newburyport, Mass., and Miss Lillian Bolivar, both of Sussex, escaped serious injury Saturday afternoon when their car rolled 30 feet into a field.

They had been enroute to visit Hon. J.A. Bernard, Lieutenant-Governor of Prince Edward Island, and Mrs. Bernard.

The Lieutenant-Governor arrived at Sussex last night and took Mrs. Chaisson, his mother-in-law, from hospital here to Government House at Charlottetown.

Miss Bolivar and Miss Oliver, thrown clear of the car when it left the highway, remained in hospital. Their conditions were reported good although full extent of the injuries were unknown tonight.

The accident occurred near the Cogger Farm a half mile below Norton. The three victims were treated at the scene by Dr. A.L. Wilmot, Norton, and then sent to hospital.

Italian Airmen Missing Over Ocean

HALIFAX, Sept. 18 (CP)—The RAF Force said tonight no trace of a single-engine plane, missing on a flight from Azores to New York, has been found.

The aircraft left the Azores at 7:15 A.M. ADT Friday and was due in New York at 5:30 A.M. Saturday.

When last reported, it was 250 miles east of New York.

The aircraft is piloted by Italian fliers John M. Brendello and Carmo Barrioglio. Last week they abandoned an attempt to make a non-stop flight from Lisbon to New York when a fuel line clogged, forcing them to land in the Azores.

The R.C.A.F. said a Lancaster bomber from the Search and Rescue unit at Greenwood, N.S., and two United States planes from nearby Shearwater air base have covered an area 150 miles south of Halifax along the path the missing craft was following. This search has been supplemented by aircraft operating out of Argentina, Nfld., and points along the eastern U.S. seaboard.

The vanished low-wing monoplane is a four-place Bonanza modified to accommodate only pilot and co-pilot. Special fuel tanks give it a maximum flying range of 4,900 miles. It carries a radio but search officials at New York said the radio was "probably out."

The fliers were making the trip to help promote U.S. support for a proposed "boy town" in Italy.

Atlantic Pact Powers Reach Agreement On Defence Set-up

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
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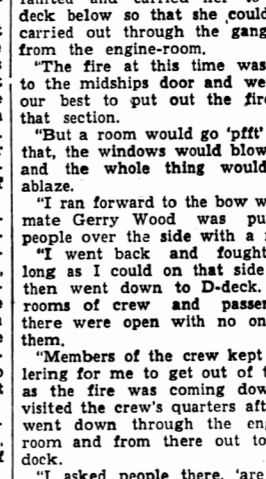
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IF THESE ARE THE DOGS DAYS THE DOGS CAN HAVE 'EM!



HALIFAX, Sept. 18 (CP)—Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Monday.

Synopsis:

Sunday evening rain was spreading across the Maritimes from the west. This rain was caused by a disturbance moving eastward through Quebec.

After the disturbance has passed the district it will bring drier air into the Maritimes. Clearing weather can be expected Monday evening.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island—Rain during the night ending Monday morning. Then cloudy, clearing in the afternoon. Little change in temperature. Wind west 15 on Monday. Low and high Monday at Charlottetown 53 and 65.

High tide today at 6:29 A.M. and 8:51 P.M.

Sun rises this morning at 5:58 and sets at 6:18.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

BODDEN - TORRENTINE FERRY WEEK DAYS

Lv. Borden	Lv. Cape Tormentine
9:10 A.M.	10:35 A.M.
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WOOD ISLANDS—CARIBOU DAILY FERRY

Leave Wood Islands	11 A.M.; 1 P.M.; 3 P.M.; 5 P.M.
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