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**International Nickel Co. Report**

TORONTO, Nov. 1 — (CP) — International Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd., and subsidiaries, report net profits of \$26,077,126 for the nine months ended Sept. 30. This is equivalent to \$1.08 a share on the common stock, and compares with net profits of \$20,873, or \$1.95 a share, in the corresponding period of last year. The figures are in terms of United States dollars. The nine-month decline of \$3-

843,746 was more than accounted for by a decline of \$4,592,159 in the three months ended Sept. 30. Net profits for that quarter were \$3,093,706, equal to 31 cents a share, compared with \$8,220,850, or 53 cents a share, in the preceding quarter, and \$9,686,867, or 65 cents a share, in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1948. The changes in September in official exchange rates by Canada, Britain and other countries had the effect of reducing the net current assets of the company, in terms of United States currency, by \$6,550,941. This decline has been charged against "contingent, exchange, insurance and other reserves."

**Montreal Tenants Plan Solid Attack On Rent Boosts**

MONTREAL, Nov. 13 — (CP) — In Montreal, where the biggest single group of the 4,000,000 Canadians affected by rent hoists live and pay rent, a membership drive is on tonight to support an organization which promises to make individual tenant complaints heard. The Montreal Tenants' Association announced it will open an office for the purpose of channeling to "proper authorities" the rent payers' complaints against the recently-announced rent upturns of 20 to 25 per cent.

Meanwhile some 300,000 citizens of the Montreal area gained representation in an organization formed for "solid attack" on rental upturns. It is a joint committee representing the Canadian Legion, American Federation of Labor Unions, Canadian Congress of Labor Affiliates, the Montreal National Syndicate, and the Montreal Tenants Association. Its formation was announced by Norman Gillespie, chairman of the Legion's Quebec Command Housing Committee.

The platform will be drawn up to join us in a common effort to combat the new rental regulations with a truly solid attack," he said. The Canadian Legion section of the committee met tonight to discuss rentals. Meetings of other committee segments will follow this week and committee members estimate the organizations involved represent well beyond 300,000 families.

One off note appeared in the otherwise seemingly-solid tenant objection to rent boosts announced last week by Finance Minister Abbott. It came from the Union of Electors which, in Quebec Province, is the counterpart of the Social Credit Party.

The Union, in a formal statement, held the raising of rent controls is in reality a raising of the rent ceilings which "will permit rentals to find their level, something they would have done long ago if rentals had followed the cost of living."

**Rare Etchings Presented To National Gallery**

OTTAWA, Nov. 13 — (CP) — A set of rare etchings, the work of the famed 18th-century etcher, Giovanni Battista Piranesi, has been donated to the National Gallery by H. S. Southam, publisher of the Ottawa Citizen.

The gift is a set of the 14 proofs of the first issue, first edition, of the series of Piranesi's etchings known as the "Carceri," or "prisons." The prints measure only 16 by 21 inches. But they leave an impression of vastness which Piranesi has created in bold, sweeping arches and infinitesimal human figures.

The vaulted rooms, corridors, and instruments of torture—which are just hinted at—all were a product of Piranesi's imagination. They are architectural fantasies, created between 1745 and 1750 when Piranesi was in his prime. Born in Venice in 1720, Piranesi was educated to be an architect. He later settled in Rome where he studied etching, becoming eventually one of the great architectural etchers of his time. Among his contemporaries were Canaletto and Tiepolo by whose work, experts say, he apparently was influenced.

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**Inquest Into Tragic Accident**

HAMPTON, N.B., Nov. 13 — (CP) — The four victims of a highway accident last Friday night met death by drowning after a car crashed through a guard fence at the approach to a bridge near Woodman's Point and plunged into the Nerepis River, a coroner's jury found early Saturday. The victims were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie K. Abbott, of Little River, near Saint John; their two-year-old son, Michael, and Claude W. Grant, Saint John. Both men were employed at Saint John. Abbott was born at Malpeque, P.E.I., and Grant at Ellerslie, P.E.I.

**Last Minute Grain Rush Underway At Montreal**

MONTREAL, Nov. 13 — (CP) — The port of Montreal is abuzz tonight, working under lights to move late-season grain cargoes as it hasn't worked in years. Port officials, estimating the grain movement for the season will top 150,000,000 bushels, cast back 19 years to find such a bustling, pre-freeze-up period. With the weather currently mild there appeared no danger of a sudden winter clamp-down. But Dec. 1 — when ice conditions in the St. Lawrence are usually tough — should find the port settling down for the winter.

**Says U. S. Hotheads Threaten To Change Course of Gulf Stream**

LONDON, Nov. 13 — (AP) — A Labor peer said today some hotheads in the United States are talking of diverting the Gulf Stream from the British Isles with atom bombs. Lord Strabolgi made the statement in a defence debate in the House of Lords. "There are hotheads in the United States who talk quite glibly—in the event of your going Communist," as they call it—of diverting the Gulf Stream by the use of immense atom power in the Atlantic," he said. Lord Strabolgi said present atom bombs are "10 times as powerful as those which devastated Nagasaki and Hiroshima." Using them on the Gulf Stream, he warned, would have "uncontrollable results." The British Isles owe their temperate climate to the warm waters of the Gulf Stream, which spread northeastward from the shores of North America.

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**THE UNKNOWN'S**

FRANKFURT, Germany, Nov. 13 — (AP) — Albert Einstein, Thomas Mann and physicist Max Planck all are German-born. But one town in Germany says it never has heard of them. The town fathers of Urach, near Stuttgart, have decided to change the names of three streets named after the world-famous figures. "Nobody knows these men," an official said.

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