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FACT-FINDING DRIVE ON FREIGHT RATES LAUNCHED

Commission Will Organize Maritime Subcommittees

10 Delegates From P.E.I.

KENTVILLE, N.S., Sept. 16.—(Special) Of the 61 registered delegates to the Maritime Board of Trade annual meeting here, ten are from Prince Edward Island. They include: From Charlottetown, Frank Curtis, president of the Maritime Board of Trade, Walther Gaudet, secretary, Capt. Carl Burke, vice-president, Maritime Board, B. Graham Rogers, Maritime Transportation Commission, from Summerside Board—T. Earl Hickey, president and Lucas R. Allen; from the Victoria-Craft Board—Spurgeon Clark, president, Brent Wood, Lloyd Rogers, Robert Dawson.

An island-sponsored resolution asking for a floor price under potatoes is scheduled to come up Friday.

All island delegates are backing up efforts for improved transportation and revised freight rates. It is expected the next annual meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade and the Maritime Transportation Commission will be held at Charlottetown.

KNOWN IN 6,000 B.C.

STOCKHOLM — (CP) — Hunters and fishermen roamed the forests of central Sweden 6,000 years before Christ, Siem Firmin, young Swedish scientist said in a paper published here recently. The first traces of peasant culture appeared about 3,000 B.C., he said.

Coming Events

- *Dance in Toronto School Friday, Sept. 17th. Good music assured.
- *Dance at Walter Connick's, Kinkora, P. E. I., September 17th. Modern and Old Time.
- *Kinkora Chicken Supper, September 21st and 22nd. Supper served 1.00 5 o'clock.
- *Unloading car of Flour, Bran, Shorts at Colville, Friday afternoon and Saturday, Cecil Stewart.
- *Reserve October 6th for St. Andrew's United Church Chicken Supper in Orwell Hall.
- *Ice Cream Social, Dunstaffnage School, Friday, September 17th. Proceeds in aid of Mission Band.
- *Duck Dinner served at Blue Haven Restaurant, Malpeque Road, Sunday, September 19th from 12 to 2 and 5 to 9 P. M.
- *Dance to McNeill's Orchestra at Kelly's Cross School, Friday, September 17th. Refreshments served.
- *Big Dance, Coles Workshop, New London, Friday, September 17th. Good music, canteen service, door prize.
- *The Show you have all been waiting for. Bing Crosby in "Blue Sky" playing at MacDonald Bros. Theatre, Mt. Stewart tonight.
- *Hear the Montague Legion Band, in its first public performance, at the King's County plowing match Wednesday, Sept. 22.
- *Largest horse show and only plowing match in the Province at Dundas, Sept. 22. Albert Acorn, Secretary, Cardigan.
- *The annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Hospital Nurses Alumnae will be held at the Oundall Home Friday, Sept. 27, at 8:15 p.m.
- *Pictures at Morell every Tuesday and Saturday, Show 8:30 P. M. Coming Friday and Saturday, "The Sea of Grass" starring Spencer Tracy, Robert Walker, Katharine Hepburn, Melvyn Douglas.
- *Notice — Resists Southern Kings: The Newport and Lower Kings will operate late trips on Wednesday, Sept. 22, in connection with the King's County plowing match.

Expect Butter Imports Will Not Affect Prices

OTTAWA, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Government sources said today they did not believe the importation of butter from Denmark and New Zealand would affect the domestic price ceiling.

Trade Minister Howe disclosed today that Canada was purchasing 9,000,000 pounds of butter from the two countries to avert an expected shortage this winter and was negotiating with a third country for further importation.

While he did not indicate the prices involved, other officials said they thought transportation costs to this country would boost the lower-price supplies from Denmark and New Zealand to around the existing Canadian price. This would avoid any disturbance of the domestic price range, which runs from around 70 to 74 cents a pound across the country.

Butter sells on the domestic market in New Zealand for around 35 cents a pound under a price ceiling. This low price results partly from the fact New Zealand farmers are able to feed their cattle on pasture the year round and do not have the heavy winter costs that face Canadian farmers.

However, New Zealand exports her butter—most of its goes to Britain—for about 40 or 45 cents a pound and it is presumed that her sales to Canada will be around the same price. When transportation and other costs have been added to this figure, it will approach the Canadian price ceiling.

Domestic prices in Denmark were not available here. However, Danish sources said that the butter price there is under control and is at a "reasonable" level.

Butter is rationed in both countries. New Zealanders getting six ounces per person per week while the Danes get a smaller ration made up of both butter and margarine.

Three P. E. Island Lumbermen Drowned

New External Affairs Minister



HON. L. B. PEARSON

Canada Opens Doors To French Immigrants

OTTAWA, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Canada opened its immigration doors today to French immigrants from the same countries as those of the United States and favored countries of the Empire.

This meant Canada now will admit any Frenchman who appears in good health and good character and is willing to work in the Dominion, without becoming a public charge.

Previously, Frenchmen were in the general immigration category in which the chances of their getting into Canada were considerably more restricted.

While Government spokesmen would give no official explanation for the new move, it was reported to be linked with complaints from French-speaking Quebec that Canada's existing balance of population was being thrown out of large-scale immigration from Central European countries.

The recent Liberal convention recognized this attitude by adopting a platform plank on immigration declaring there should be no "fundamental alteration in the character of our population."

However, price observers said, might go some distance in maintaining the balance between French-speaking Canada and the rest of the high Government officials would go no further than to say cautiously that the fact Canada has a large French-speaking population had something to do with the Cabinet's action.

"The French make up one of the biggest ethnic groups in Canada," said one official, "and now they are put on the same basis as others. It removes a discrimination. Officials said no large numbers of French immigrants were expected, at least in the near future."

News In Brief

TOKYO, Sept. 16 — (AP) — A typhoon brought up to 12 inches of rain to Tokyo and 10 Central Honshu prefectures tonight, overflowing rivers and creating a serious flood threat. Two Japanese were killed and 23 were missing.

OTTAWA, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Labor income in Canada, propelled by higher employment and earnings, jumped in June to \$583,000,000, up \$22,000,000 over May and \$7,000,000 over June, 1947, the Bureau of Statistics reported today.

TORONTO, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Leonard Bernard Smith, 25, tonight was convicted on a reduced charge of manslaughter in the silk-stocking slaying of red-haired Mrs. Lila Adams, 38, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

MONTREAL, Sept. 16 — (CP) — James McIlson, 43-year-old aviator trail blazer who intends to settle in Canada, arrived at night by Derval Airport from Britain today and took off almost immediately for Toronto.

PARIS, Sept. 16 — (AP) — The United Nations Security Council voted 8 to 0 today to take up Hyderabad's appeal to help the Indian invasion.

The Council recessed until Monday when Indian troops closed in on the military centre of Secunderabad, a major objective.

Lose Lives In Lake Near St. Andrews, N. B.

ST. ANDREWS, N.B., Sept. 16 — (CP) — Five lumbermen were drowned today when a small boat capsized in Gibson's Lake, 10 miles from St. Andrews in southwestern New Brunswick. There were three survivors.

The dead: Harold Murphy, 34, Coult's Hill, N.B.; Sandy Creelan, Upper Stewiacke, N.S.; Howard Gavin, Tignish, P.E.I.; Frank Brennan, Prince Edward Island; Louis Perry, Miscouche, P.E.I.

The survivors: Donald Laird, Jerusalem, N. B.; Arthur Cameron, Saint John, N.B.; James Pine, Saint John, N.B.

The eight members of a lumbering crew were rowing across the lake to eat their lunches when the boat overturned when a gust of wind overturned the boat.

They had been working for Harold Murphy, a cutting contractor and for Fred Cameron, Saint John lumber operator.

Four other lumbermen walked around the lake from their place of work. They were Ralph Murphy, brother of Harold; Roland Harper, brother of Donald; and Donat Gallant, Richibucto, N.B.

Bodies of all the victims were recovered.

The survivors, near exhaustion, managed to cling to the swamped boat until a rescue craft reached them. No other help was possible as watchers ashore saw the tragedy.

The lumbermen who escaped death by walking around the shore saw their comrades' bodies floating in the water and then disappeared one by one.

After hours of searching and rescuing the five bodies were recovered from the 20-foot depth.

Tells of Tragedy

While Father Kevin McCarthy, curate at St. Andrews prayed over the bodies lying under blankets on the lakeshore, youthful Arthur Cameron sketched the numbered survivors, he had been steering the boat.

"I took the boat across to get them for one hour, seven chap's not in... others walked around, we just..."

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U. S. Supporting Canada's Potato Price

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 — (AP) — Representative Republican, announced today the United States government is in effect supporting the price of Canadian potatoes.

"This comes from the report that 'while American taxpayers will be forced to pay up to \$100,000,000 in 1948 for the tremendous surplus of potatoes grown in this country,'"

Andersen, chairman of a special food investigating committee added: "So far this year about 3,500,000 bushels of Canadian potatoes have been shipped into this country under a reduced duty and an additional 3,500,000 bushels will be brought in during the next 90 days."

"Although President Truman has the authority to stop the import of potatoes from Canada, he has not taken such action."

"Unless Mr. Truman takes such action it will mean American taxpayers will be forced to provide more money to buy additional potatoes from Canada."

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Britain Begins Task Of Rebuilding Defences As World Skies Darken

LONDON, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Britain accepted today without a murmur the prospect of rebuilding her military defences in the face of a tense international situation.

In the midst of a desperate struggle to recover from the effects of the Second World War, the nation has been told during the last week:

1. It must be prepared to use all its resources to stamp out the Communist policy of inciting revolution.
2. Demobilization of conscripts must be slowed down to halt the loss of trained men.
3. R.A.F. air crew recruiting is to be stepped up.
4. A special law will be enacted shortly to enlist more part-time soldiers for the territorial army.
5. Civil defence services are being reorganized.

Another sign of the times was the announcement today that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, chief of the Imperial General Staff, is unable to present to leave London because of the urgency of completing the new defence plans. He cancelled two engagements in the Liverpool area this week.

Lord Montgomery and other service chiefs met Prime Minister Attlee today.

Conversations with high official sources indicate that while hopes for the best, the British Government is prepared for further deterioration in east-west relations. The possibility of some form of undeclared border warfare breaking out is not completely discounted.

HULL, Que., Sept. 16 — (CP) — Canada's war pensions bill will be beyond \$100,000,000 a year for the first time in 1949, Brig. J. L. Melville, chairman of the Pensions Commission, said today.

79 Rescued From Two Sinking Ships In Atlantic

HALIFAX, Sept. 16 — (CP) — Thirty-nine seamen were plucked from death today when their hurricane-mauled freighter listed sharply and started to capsize 500 miles southeast of here.

Six of their shipmates, however, lost their lives when a northbound twister struck the British ship Leicester Tuesday night.

Meanwhile, the United States Coast Guard cutter Bibb took 40 crew members off the sinking Portuguese trawler Gaspar 300 miles off Newfoundland. One man was lost.

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Will Not Deal With Railway Freight Rates

(By The Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Sept. 16 — A Royal Commission on some aspects of national transportation will be set up by the Federal Government, it was announced today.

The announcement by acting Prime Minister St. Laurent indicated the commission would not deal with railway freight rates, one of the chief subjects which the Governments of seven Provinces want examined this way.

Mr. St. Laurent said the commission will be set up "at a later date." It will be established under the Public Inquiries Act.

Purpose of the commission, his announcement said, would be to "examine and report upon questions of economic policy within the jurisdiction of Parliament involved in the operation and maintenance of national transportation."

Mr. St. Laurent noted that the Inquiries Act "excludes from its operation inquiries regulated by any special law."

"The scope of the Royal Commission," he added, "will not extend to questions or matters which, under the Railway Act, are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Board of Transport Commissioners."

While the Commission's dealings with freight rates would be limited, it could take up such other:

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POSSESSION IS THE FULL TEST POINTS TO A LAWYER!

New Strikes Add To Woes Of French Premier Queuille

(By The Canadian Press)
PARIS, Sept. 16 — Several hundred thousand Paris metal workers struck today, adding to the increasing woes of French Premier Henri Queuille.

The metal workers' strike was sharply to last only until tomorrow, Communist sources claimed, but it is impossible to confirm this.

The new Premier, meanwhile, presented the National Assembly a finance committee with his plan for gathering \$250,000,000 in new revenue. Assembly sources said Queuille gave a very cool reception.

Queuille, he made it clear he would probably resign unless his project is voted. He has declared his first task to ease France out of her troubles is to save the franc.

As France planes were still grounded by strikes at Orly and Le Bourget fields. However, compared with yesterday, when workers and police clashed in the streets of Paris, the labor front was calm. No new disorders were reported.

Harassing strikes continued to tie up large segments of French industry. Many of the strikers were protesting the high cost of living and government reluctance to grant general wage increases to compensate for higher living costs.

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