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ATTLEE ANNOUNCES NEW HARSHNESS PROGRAM

May Affect Food Imports From Canada

OTTAWA, Aug. 6—(CP)—Canadian Government officials said tonight they would have to await official word from the United Kingdom Government before being able to state definitely how the Dominion's trade would be affected by Britain's moves to meet her economic crisis.

Some of the officials were hopeful that long-term food contracts and the world shortage of food would save Canada from feeling the brunt of the British Government's decision to make a \$48,000,000 monthly slash in food imports from dollar countries.

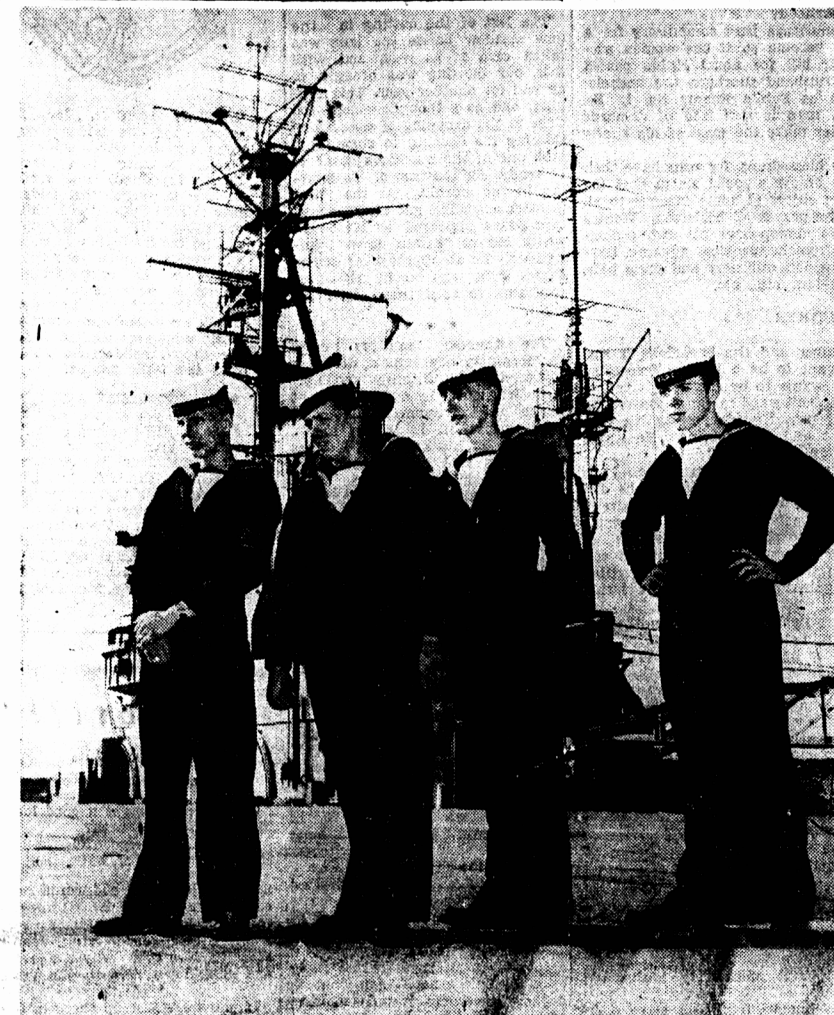
However, one source in close touch with the international trade situation said Britain's crisis was such that she might not be able to live up to the long-term agreements which cover wheat, bacon, eggs, cheese, wheat, beef and milk.

He said the crisis might lead Britain to re-open negotiations with Russia on a wheat contract which would permit the cutting down of wheat purchases in Canada.

All the long-term contracts are subject to renegotiation.

One official said that Britain (Continued on Page 5 Col. 2)

Heat Continues To Cut Into Western Grain Crop



Aboard H.M.C.S. "Warrior" as she steams for Scotland are 25 Royal Canadian Sea Cadets and their two officers. Lieut. Comdr. James M. Moffatt, R.C.S.C., Weston, Ont., in command, and Midshipman Graham Atkin, R.O.S.C., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., executive officer. Representing Canada from coast to coast, the cadets were proud to be included in the crew of the great aircraft carrier as it sailed from Halifax on August 2nd. The trip is sponsored by the Navy League of Canada and was made possible through the cooperation of Naval Service.

Premature Ripening Will Reduce Yields

OTTAWA, Aug. 6—(CP)—Intensive heat caused "further deterioration" in crop prospects in the Prairie Provinces during the last week, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today in the seventh of a series of telegraph reports on crop conditions in Canada.

Premature ripening will reduce yields, especially coarse grains, in most districts.

Heat has hastened maturity of all grains in Manitoba and has caused deterioration especially in coarse grain crops which are maturing too rapidly. Rains since Saturday have brought some relief to the wheat crop but the main crop is promising especially in the Red River valley and Swan River regions. Oats and flaxseed crops are average while barley prospects are below average.

Other crops are mostly good especially the hay crop which has been gathered under excellent conditions.

Continued dry weather with high temperatures is forcing premature ripening of all grains in Saskatchewan. Harvesting of fall grain is general and cutting of coarse grains will start this week.

Timely rains in Central and Northern Alberta brought some improvement in crop prospects for the Province as a whole. (Continued on Page 5 Col. 3)

Heavy Forest Fire Damage In Nova Scotia

CHETICAMP, N.S., Aug. 6—(CP)—Beleaguered residents on nearby Cheticamp Island and from this town on the northwestern shore of Cape Breton Island tonight continued their fight against a forest fire which has been burning steadily since early Tuesday. Thousands of dollars worth of spruce already have been destroyed.

Threatened in his wooden light-house, Peter Cormier moved his family and belongings to safety today as the flames sprinted across the thickly wooded northern section of the island.

Firefighting crews of fishermen and farmers, led by R.C.M.P. constables, battled the fast-moving conflagration. Pumps and other apparatus were being rushed to the scene.

Cheticamp Island is one mile wide and four miles long and is occupied by 15 families which farm and fish for a livelihood. There was no immediate danger to their homes with the fire still concentrated in the upper section of the island.

Two small fires on a mountain top at Pleasant Bay, 20 miles from here, were brought under control today by national park fire crews.

The forests of Cape Breton have been under fire for more than two weeks as temperatures continue in the high 80's with no sign of rain.

Near Port Hood, 40 miles south of here, a fire that has burned over 10 square miles of forest growth still was alive but under control. There was danger, however, that a rising wind would sweep it into new stands of timber.

Cuts Food, Luxury Goods, Gas, Movies

(By John Dauphinee)

LONDON, Aug. 6—(CP)—Prime Minister Attlee today announced the Labor Government's defence policy for what he termed the economic "Battle of Britain"—a policy which takes food from household larders, gasoline from family cars and commercial vehicles, luxury goods from shops and some American movies from British theatres.

The drastic import cuts embodied in the plan to counter a serious dollar shortage will affect supplies from Canada, including food and timber, but the full effect of the restrictions on Canadian export business was not immediately apparent.

Attlee's battle plan, outlined in dramatic circumstances before a packed nightly listening House of Commons, is based on this double theme: More output, less consumption.

The tactics will include longer hours for miners and other industrial workers; a sharp boost in home agricultural output to reduce the need for imports; more emphasis on the export trade despite "hardship on many people, especially on housewives," and curtailment of overseas commitments by withdrawing military strength.

There will be "some measure of control" over employment, including a possible limitation of employment in less essential work.

The housing program, one of Labor's first objectives, will be seriously affected by a \$10,000,000 (\$40,000,000) annual cut in timber imports.

Coming Events

- **Show and Dance, Bradabane, Thursday.
- **Salads, pies, cakes, soft drinks, Thursday at Harrington dance.
- **Festival and dance at Darlington school Thursday, Aug. 7.
- **Ice cream social and dance Kirkora Hall Friday, Aug. 8th.
- **Ice cream social North River cancelled until future date.
- **Talkies St. Peter's Thursday.
- **Blazing Frontier.
- **Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday, Earl Jay.
- **Ice cream and dance Emyvale School Thursday, Aug. 7th.
- **Free Movies at South Rustico Hall Thursday at 8:30.
- **Dance at Bonshaw Hall Friday, Aug. 8. Music by McNeillis.
- **Ice cream and dance Lake Verde School, Friday, Aug. 8.
- **Come to ice cream festival and entertainment, Wheatley River Hall, Friday, Aug. 8th.
- **Ice cream at Southport school Thursday night. Women's Institute.
- **Ice Cream and Dance, Glenlinn Sch. W. Thursday, Aug. 7. Good music.
- **Ice Cream and Dance in Kelly's Cross Hall, Friday, August 8th.
- **Dance Thursday, August 7th. Campbell Bros. Building, Sea View.
- **Picking up Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd., Merlin Devine.
- **Dance at Morell Hall Friday, Aug. 8th. Music by Rolfe MacKenzie and his Island Ramblers.
- **Meadowbank Institute ice cream social. Carnival Hall Aug. 20. Reserve date.
- **Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. Signed David Pratt.
- **Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday afternoon. W. Crane.
- **Ice Cream Festival, Rose Valley Church grounds, Friday, Aug. 8. Proceeds for church repairs.
- **Dance and refreshments Long Creek Hall, Thursday, Aug. 7th. In U.S. of Kirk.
- **Dance Cardigan Head School, Friday, Aug. 8th. Webster's Orchestra.
- **Loading hogs at Montague Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean. Phone 444.
- **Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.

Contract Awarded For N. S. Causeway

HALIFAX, Aug. 5—(CP)—An Ontario firm (Armstrong Brothers Construction Co. Brampton) has been awarded the contract to build the new Barrington Passage causeway, Merrill D. Rawling, Nova Scotia Minister of Highways and Public Works, announced tonight. The causeway, which will connect Cape Sable Island on the southern tip of the Province with the mainland, is expected to be completed within a year.

Engineers estimated that about 30,000 cubic yards of rock will have to be quarried on the mainland for the 3,100-foot fill.

Press Is Critical Of New Attlee Program

(By The Canadian Press)

LONDON, Aug. 7—(Thursday)—A strong unrecognition of criticism and division of opinion in today's British press accompanied the announcement of the Government's plan to overcome its present economic difficulties.

This criticism, in the main, seemed to be levelled against what was considered to be the insufficiency of the measures proposed by Prime Minister Attlee in the House of Commons yesterday.

Although the influential Times, usually pro-Government, said that Attlee's speech set out the headings of the program but did not set out the program itself, it stressed that his policy could nevertheless be made into a "real program."

The widely-read independent Daily Express, however, in calling for the development of the Empire, suggested that there would be no hope of recovery until the social philosophy and the Anglo-American loan were scrapped.

Some newspapers like the Conservative Daily Telegraph and the Conservative Daily Mail were more (Continued on Page 7 Col. 4)

Details Of Bennett Will Be Made Public

(By The Canadian Press)

LONDON, Aug. 6—(AP)—R. V. Bennett of Sackville, N.B., brother of Viscount Bennett who died June 27 in his Surrey County home to which he retired, receives the major share of the former Canadian Prime Minister's gross estate of \$278,796 (\$2,515,180), it was disclosed today in his will submitted to probate.

R. V. Bennett was willed 50 per cent of the income from the estate after deduction of \$268,055 death duties and minor bequests.

Lord Bennett's nephews, R. B. Coates, 31, of Montreal, and W. R. B. Herdridge, 15, of Ottawa, each receive 33 per cent of the balance invested as part of a trust estate.

The terms of the will specified that in the event of the death of R. V. Bennett the nephews each will receive 25 per cent of the annual income, but that after Coates reaches the age of 40 he is entitled to 40 per cent of the estate.

Herdridge will receive 75 per cent of the balance when he is 25 with the remaining 30 per cent going to the Province of New Brunswick where Lord Bennett was born. (Continued on Page 5 Col. 2)

More Automobile Firms Boost Prices

DETROIT, Aug. 6—(AP)—Two more United States automobile manufacturers, feeling the pinch of mounting production costs, increased their retail prices again today and their quarters generally believe similar advances are in the making throughout the industry.

Packard, which so far this year has failed to make a profit on its operations, increased prices on its various models from \$999 to \$1,000; Kaiser-Frazer, which has just emerged from the "red," announced an increase of \$99, on its Fraser standard model.

A week ago General Motors increased retail car prices from \$871 to \$1,010.

Contract Let For Montague Wharf

OTTAWA, Aug. 6—(CP)—The Public Works Department reported tonight that a contract for \$318,000 for construction of an extension to the out-patient building at Sunnyside Hospital, Toronto, was let by the Department during June of this year.

The contract let included: Montague, P.E.I.—Reconstruction of the wharf. Contractors: Nova Baynes, Bagdale and Noye of Ellerslie and Summerville, P.E.I. at about \$87,410.00.

100-degree Heat Sears U. S. Mid-West

CHICAGO, Aug. 6—(AP)—One hundred and one degrees Fahrenheit in the midwest for the fourth successive day today and boosted the toll of heat deaths in the United States to at least 48—but relief was on the way.

Cooler air from Canada spread into the great plains states, Northwest Wisconsin, Upper Michigan, West and Central Iowa, and Southern Michigan by Thursday.

In Chicago, the worst heat wave in 36 years has caused 23 deaths.

Canada-Nfld. Open Discussion Of Terms

OTTAWA, Aug. 6—(CP)—Canada and Newfoundland began today joint discussions on terms under which the island colony might come into Confederation, but no statement was made after the meeting was concluded.

The discussions were carried on by two Canadian Cabinet Ministers and one Newfoundland representative—J. R. Smallwood, secretary of the seven-man delegation, Gordon Higgins and T.G.W. Ashbourne. Originally it was reported that a plenary meeting of the two delegations would be held.

Russia Refuses To Let Wives Leave Country

LONDON, Aug. 6—(Reuters)—Foreign Secretary Bevin told the House of Commons today he does not think there is any hope of getting out of Russia the 15 Soviet wives of British servicemen who have been forbidden to leave the country.

Abegweit Due At Borden Late Today

QUEBEC, Aug. 6—(CP)—The ferry-boat Abegweit left Borden at 11 A.M. today for her way to Borden, P.E.I., where she will be turned over to C.N.R. authorities, port authorities announced.

The 7,600-ton ferry, built at Sorel, Que., for service between Prince Edward Island and the mainland, left here at 11 A.M. and is due at Borden late tomorrow.

How To Sign Agreement With Eire

DUBLIN, Aug. 6—(Reuters)—Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, Canadian Minister for Reconstruction and Supply who is here as the guest of the Eire Government to sign new transatlantic air transport agreement with Eire Friday.

The agreement will enable the proposed transatlantic air service between Eire and New York to use Canadian bases.

Canada will use Shannon, Dublin airport for a portion of its air traffic, which in Scotland will also be used.

Housing Head Gives Outline Of Prospects

By Douglas How

OTTAWA, Aug. 6—(CP)—Canada's top housing official said today he thought the Federal Government was involved deeply enough in home construction and added that he knew of no consideration being given further state commitments to attack a situation which he admitted was "dangerous."

David B. Mansur, president of the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, said Ottawa, already was building or backing the building of more than 20,000 homes, had some 40,000 under its wing and had reached a point where its ability to guarantee priorities in materials had been about saturated.

In an interview, he said: "I do not believe a strike has developed but it is possible to see the beginnings. If the situation continues to develop within the next year as it has in the last 12 months, there would probably be a general halt to sales."

As "guess" he would estimate that roughly 88,000 units will be completed this year compared to the 50,000 yet to be completed. There was no great quantity of unsold new homes but the first signs of this were cropping up.

Marshall Agrees to Talks

Attlee announced that State Secretary Marshall of the United States has agreed to official talks on problems caused by the terms of the American loan, particularly the effect of the non-discrimination clause under which Britain is unable to buy in sterling or "soft currency" areas anything which she won't buy in the United States.

Britain also is anxious to discuss the clause under which she (Continued on Page 5 Col. 3)



ANYWAY IT'S GOOD FOR THE CROPS.

TORONTO, Aug. 6—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 52, 75; Edmonton 38, 68; Regina 57, 71; Winnipeg 59, 81; Toronto 66, 88; Ottawa 64, 90; Montreal 62, 85; Quebec 64, 88; Saint John 58, 77; Moncton 66, 90; Halifax 62, 80; Charlottetown 63, 84; Sydney 62, 90; Yarmouth 58, 73.

HALIFAX, Aug. 6—(CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at midnight tonight.

Synopsis: The weather continued clear and very warm over the Maritimes on Wednesday. Temperatures reached 90 in New Brunswick, and the mid 80's in Prince Edward Island. Even along the south coast of Nova Scotia there were few places where the thermometer failed to reach 70. However, in the Central States it was much hotter. Chicago reported a maximum temperature of 101. No important change is expected over the Maritimes Thursday but a disturbance in Quebec is likely to cause showers in the northern regions.

Forecasts, valid until midnight Thursday: Prince Edward Island: Clear. Little change in temperature. West winds 15. High Thursday at Charlottetown 82.

High tide this afternoon at 2:11, and tonight at 2:08. Sun sets this evening at 7:19 and rises this morning at 4:58. Summertime tide eleven minutes later than Charlottetown.