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Give six hours to sleep, four  
hours to prayer, two to meals; what  
is over bestow on books.

## PRICE CEILINGS LIFTED ON MEATS, OATS AND BARLEY

### Packinghouse Back To Work Trend Gathers Speed Subsidies On Feed Grain Removed

#### Coming Events

- Movies — Canoe Cove, Wednesday, "Trail Dust."
- Movies — Morell, Thursday, "Trail Dust."
- Masquerade Dance, Canoe Cove October 30th.
- Movies — Eldon, Friday, "Trail Dust."
- Masquerade Dance, Baldwin's Road School, Friday, October 24th.
- Closing Dance at Burlington Wednesday, October 22nd. Good music.
- Dance tomorrow night at Happy Islanders Country Club, Travelers Rest.
- Reserve Oct. 24th, for Hampshire W. M. S. Pantry Sale at Rogers Hardware.
- Movies New Glasgow Oct. 22, Hunter River Oct. 23, "Dixie Jubilee."
- Barn dance at Wheatley's Warehouse Thursday, Oct. 23. Don Messer and his Islanders.
- Dance, Georgetown Hall, Wednesday, October 22nd. Webster's Orchestra.
- Buying live fowl and chicken until October 23rd. Paid by live weight. E. J. MacDougall.
- Dance Tracadie Hall Wednesday evening, October 22. MacKenzie's Orchestra.
- Talks, St. Peter's Bay, Thursday. Foreign Correspondent, Starring Joe McEneaney.
- Ice Cream and Dance, Kinross Hall, Friday night, October 24th. Good music.
- Masquerade Dance in Orwell Hall, October 27th. Sponsored by the Legion. MacLean's Orchestra.
- Regular Dance tonight, Sea Breeze Pavilion. Dancing from 9 till 11.
- Masquerade Dance, Thursday, October 23. Montague Curling Rink. O. K. Presby's Orchestra.
- Hot Chicken Supper at Blt. Williams, Kingston, Thursday, Oct. 23rd, in aid of Kingston W. I.
- High Tea, Bazaar, Bingo, etc., St. James Church, Town Hall, Georgetown, Wednesday, October 23rd. Dance after.
- Dance at Covehead Community Centre Thursday, Oct. 23. Rollo MacKenzie's Island Ramblers.
- Chicken Supper, Wheatley River Hall, Thursday, October 23. Starting at 5:30. In aid of Women's Institute.
- Buying Cranberries daily at St. Peter's Bay. Market prices. Write to phone P. A. MacDonald, Phone No. 1.
- We need further quantity of good feed oats or mixed grain. Bags supplied. Also trucking service if necessary. Call for prices, etc. P. E. I. Livestock Feed Agency.
- Don't forget to come to the annual Goose Supper at Bonshaw, Wednesday, Oct. 22, in aid of United Church. Supper starts at 8 o'clock. \$1.00 per plate.
- Livestock Marketing Board leading hogs at Charlottetown Thursday afternoon and Friday morning, and again Monday afternoon and Tuesday, October 27th and 28th.
- Livestock Marketing Board leading hogs at Hunter River, Kensington and Summerside, Friday, forenoon, October 24th. Trucking service provided. Consult our agent, Four Community.
- Will be leading hogs at the following points each Thursday: Borden Wigmores, Bradabane, until 11:30 a.m.; Borden Bagnall, Hunter River, until noon; Summerside, until 1:30 p.m.; and Kensington until 3 p.m. MacEwen and Oasley.
- A special meeting will be held in the Salvation Army Citadel, Great George Street, on Wednesday, October 22nd, at 8 P. M., at which Major and Mrs. Fred White will be the special speakers. Major and Mrs. White who are visiting Charlottetown, were in charge of the local Corps over twenty years ago. A welcome is extended to all.

#### Labor Government To Reduce House Of Lords' Powers

By James McCook  
LONDON, Oct. 21 (CP)—Peers in dark morning gowns and their ladies in gay hats and knee-length dresses today heard the Speech from the Throne, read by the King at the opening of a new parliamentary session, advise that the power of the House of Lords to curb legislation introduced by the Labor Government will be decreased.

His Majesty's speech said without elaboration that a bill will be introduced to amend the Parliament Act of 1911 and Prime Minister Attlee during debate on the Government's new program said purpose of the curbing legislation would be to cut from two years to one the period for which the conservative-Liberal majority in the Lords can hold up lower-house legislation.

Attlee called the plans for parliamentary change "a wise precautionary measure."

"Why wait until a bill is thrown out?" he asked.

The Speech from the Throne related the Government's plans to nationalize the gas industry, assist expanding production within the empire, introduce an early budget expected to impose taxation to curb inflation, implement reforms in treatment of criminals and establish a commonwealth national citizenship.

Princess Elizabeth made a youthful figure in a long pink crepe dress. The Queen, seated beside the King, wore a long-sleeved dress of turquoise blue.

Much of the glory of pre-war state openings was lacking. Austerity conditions did not permit cloth and fur for new velvet and emerald robes for the ladies and the ladies. After the 15-minute Speech from the Throne, which also called for "resolution and energy" in boosting production and gave notice of the Government's intention to grant independence to Burma and possibly Ceylon, political observers predicted that legislation curbing the Lords would be the top business.

A hint of storms to come was dropped when Attlee, describing the Government's plan to reduce

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#### Fewer Marriages In Canada In August

OTTAWA, Oct. 21 (CP)—Maybe it was the higher cost-of-living, but whatever the reason marriages dropped by more than 300 in Canada last August.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today that in cities, towns and villages with a population of more than 10,000 there were 6,488 marriages that month compared with 6,763 in August 1946.

#### Ontario Man Sentenced To Hang For Murder

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., Oct. 21 (CP)—An Ontario Supreme Court jury tonight found 19-year-old Edgar James Simons guilty of the rape slaying of 24-year-old Mrs. Catharine Rupert and Mr. Justice M.A. Lebel sentenced the northwoods guide to be hanged Jan. 21.

The verdict came after Mr. Justice Lebel said that attempts of the defence to show the accused mentally deficient should be disregarded.

Simons, accused also of the slaying of the two-year-old son of Mrs. Rupert and Fred Rupert, young war veteran and native of Altoona, Pa., was described by Mr. Justice Lebel, on the basis of Crown evidence, as "completely sane and stable."

The defence had held Simons innocent by reason of insanity at the time of the dual slayings.

Crown evidence was that Simons left a note confessing the twin killings in a north woods lodge. Rupert testified he had looked on Simons as a friend.

#### One Killed As Plane Crashes Into Forest

WINDSOR MILLS, Que., Oct. 21 (CP)—The pilot of a chartered amphibian plane was killed and three American passengers were seriously injured today when a single-engine aircraft crashed into dense woods 17 miles east of this Eastern Townships town.

Eugene Gagnon of Bromptville, Que., 26-year-old former R. C. A. pilot, died tonight as he was being brought out of the woods by a rescue party.

The passengers, Maurice Frank, 30, Cumberland, Me., Edwin Thresher, 26, Presport, Me., and Maurice Serube, Brunswick, Me., were taken to hospital at nearby Sherbrooke where their condition was reported serious.

The three Americans were on a poultry-buying expedition in Quebec Province.

First word of the crash came when Serube stumbled into a camp on the limits of the Canada Pulp and Paper Company property after wandering through the woods for several hours, and told workers of the crash and that three others still were trapped in the wreckage.

After a search plane spotted the wrecked plane, a rescue party of 30 men tramped through the bush to bring out the other three on stretchers. They reached Windsor Mills at 8:30 p.m. tonight after a three-hour hike back through the woods in which they had to move slowly because of the condition of the injured men.

#### Union Yesterday Threatened Delay In Settlement

(By The Canadian Press)  
One of the last barriers to settlement of the Dominion-wide meat packing strike was removed last night as striking Canada Packers employees in Montreal voted to return to their jobs today, joining an estimated 3,000 members of the United Packinghouse Workers of America (C.I.O.) who returned to work pending votes on settlement proposals.

Meanwhile 400 workers at Canada Packers and Burns and Company plants in Vancouver and New Westminster voted to accept settlement proposals but awaited a back-to-work order from the Union's head office in Toronto.

Montreal, storm-centre of the strike since a court injunction against picketing resulted in the arrest of more than 200 union members, appeared calmer as some employees of the Swift Canadian plant reported to work on the night shift.

Only token pickets appeared at the other two strike-bound plants in Montreal. The plants—Modern Packers Ltd. and Wilsit Ltd.—were reported negotiating with the Union to re-open contracts talks within a day or two.

Earlier a hitch apparently had arisen in settlement negotiations as the Union accused Canada Packers officials of trying to undermine the settlement formula.

J. S. McLean, Canada Packers president denied the charge and said his company has respected the agreement "in letter and in spirit."

Operations also have been resumed at 11 independent packinghouses in Western Canada. Some 9,000 employees of Canada Packers and Burns are voting on the settlement formula.

#### Will Discuss Coal Supply Situation With Local Dealers

"We have lots of coal; the trouble is to get it to you," stated Mr. Charles E. Florin, Sydney, N.S., coal sales representative of the Dominion Steel and Coal Co. Ltd., who arrived in the City yesterday.

Mr. Florin will meet the local coal dealers today and discuss the supply situation with them.

One prominent coal dealer said last night that the coal-car shortage has only slightly improved within recent weeks and that the situation still remains serious.

He said consideration had been given to the possibility of bringing coal to the Province by an all-water route but that there was little prospect of this being done as the securing of suitable steamers was practically impossible. Moreover, he said, the cost of this method of transportation would be more expensive than the present one by rail.

A local railway official said last night that the coal-car problem was a regional one under the direction of Moncton regional headquarters and that the Island division of the Canadian National Railways could do little about it.

#### Railway, Union Talks To Continue

MONTREAL, Oct. 21 (CP)—A meeting between railway company officials and representatives of 17 unions to discuss a strike among approximately 126,000 railway employees called for Nov. 3 was adjourned late today until tomorrow.

Representatives of the Canadian National Railways, Canadian Pacific Railway and the Railway Brotherhoods, after an hour's session, adjourned with this announcement:

"The parties jointly met for a short time and have had a brief review of the matter and have adjourned to meet again tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 p.m."

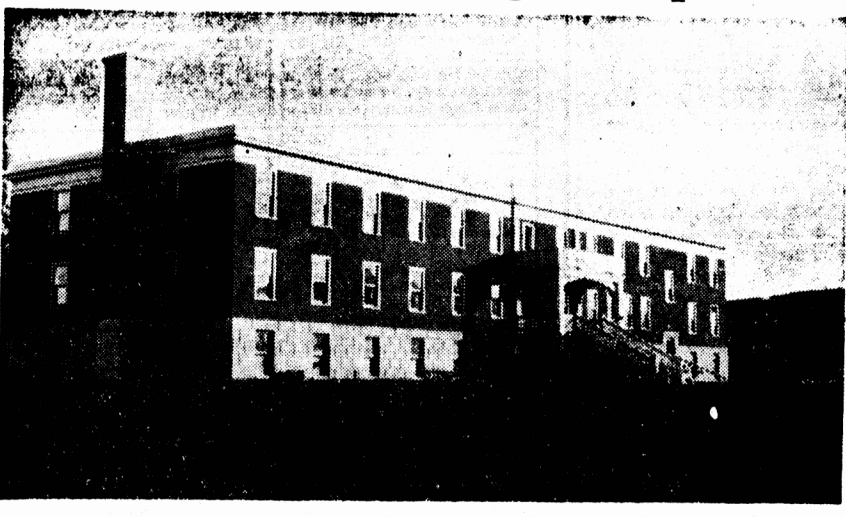
Neither side would say what progress had been made toward settling the dispute which arises from a Union demand for 14 days annual holidays with pay.

The Union contends the companies have failed to accept an arbitration board recommendation for paid holidays.

#### Prominent Historian Was 84 Yesterday

SHELDIAO, N.B., Oct. 21 (CP)—Today marks the 84th birthday of one of Canada's most prominent historians, Dr. John Clarence Webster. A physician, surgeon and author, Dr. Webster was born at Sheldiao in 1863 and after retiring from the field of medicine interested himself actively in his hobby of history. He was a member of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada until he retired recently. Dr. Webster, with a wife, the former Alice Kessler Lusk of New York, resides in Sheldiao.

#### New Nurses' Home At P. E. I. Hospital Nearing Completion



The new Nurses' Home at the Prince Edward Island Hospital, which will accommodate some 65 student nurses, is nearing completion on only a small amount of interior work left to be done.

This modern brick building of two stories and basement, which is 43 feet six inches wide and 133 feet six and one half inches long, contains about 42 bedrooms, superintendent nurse's suite, house mother's suite, staff nurses' sitting room, student nurses' sitting room, library, demonstration room, laundry, diet kitchen, classroom, recreation room, storage rooms and numerous large bathrooms and private baths.

The top floor has been completed since the first of September, and the first floor is finished, with the exception of some painting, while the basement is well on its way to completion.

The interior of this building which is done in the most modern manner, has all concrete floors, covered with a heavy 1/2 inch, with the walls all done in pale blue. All ceilings are sound-proof, and the windows are double glazed and weather-stripped, while all stairways are of concrete and steel.

A large oil furnace, located in the basement, will supply the central heating system.

The basement, which is as modern as any part of the building, houses seven of the bedrooms, the library, demonstration room, laundry, diet kitchen, classroom, recreation room, and storage rooms.

The building is so designed that all rooms lead off a main corridor on each floor, which extends the full length of the building.

The constructing of the nurses' home was commenced in mid-summer 1946 under contract with M.F. Schurman and Company, and it is expected to be completed in about a month's time. Mr. J.E. Harris, City, is the architect.

#### Expect Rent Control To Remain Until 1949

OTTAWA, Oct. 21 (CP)—Rent control, vital peg in the Canadian economy, left untouched by the Government's latest decontrol order, is expected by informed quarters here to continue until March 1949.

The emergency powers, under which the Government administers controls still remaining, expire next March 31. But it is conceded here that the Government will ask the next session of Parliament for a year's extension of these powers so far as they concern rent controls and any other controls the administration may deem necessary to continue such as possibly those on sugar and scarce fats and oils.

#### Brazil And Chile Break With Russia

SANTIAGO, Chile, Oct. 21 (AP)—The Chilean Government announced tonight that it had broken diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia.

An official said the action was "intimately related with Communist infiltration" in Chile's southern coal zone recently the scene of labor unrest.

Chile's action with regard to Russia and Czechoslovakia came a few hours after an announcement in Rio De Janeiro that Brazil had severed diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union.

Brazil's decision was taken as a result of what was described as "extremely outrageous and even calumnious" articles in the Russian press attacking President Eurico Gaspar Dutra and the Brazilian Army.

#### Abbott Says "No" To Price Control Requests

OTTAWA, Oct. 21 (CP)—A polite but firm "no" to requests that subsidies be restored and price control reimposed was all a delegation of 12 representatives of the Ottawa Consumers League got out of Finance Minister Abbott in an interview today.

The delegation, headed by Mrs. Elizabeth Newman, including nine housewives, two clergymen and a labor representative met the Minister in his office and held an old-fashioned cracker barrel discussion.

Mr. Abbott said the Government "cannot and will not" reimpose rigid over-all price control, and also declined to have a session of Parliament called immediately to discuss the price situation.

He saw no place in the Canadian peacetime economy for either subsidies or price control.

By the time the meeting was

#### Subsidies On Feed Grain Removed

OTTAWA, Oct. 21 (CP)—Price ceilings on meat and meat products, on oats, barley and screenings in all forms will be lifted tomorrow and subsidies on grain used for livestock feeding will be discontinued at the same time, it was announced tonight.

The announcement, made on behalf of Finance Minister Abbott and Agriculture Minister Gardiner, said that the feed grain freight assistance policy will remain in effect until the end of the current crop year, July 31, 1948.

Prices Board officials said the announcement meant that as from tomorrow:

1. The price ceilings will no longer apply to barley, oats or screenings when used for any purpose. Wheat, flaxseed, rapeseed and sunflower seed remain under price control.
2. Price ceilings will no longer apply to meat and meat products, other than lard and tallow.
3. The order requiring defatting of beef carcasses will remain in effect.
4. All slaughter control regulations are revoked.
5. All processing or other service charges relating to any of the items removed from control are also suspended.
6. Used bags and used baling and baling material are also removed from price control.

#### No Export Of Barley, Oats

The announcement said that in order to ensure fulfillment of Canada's overseas commitments of livestock products, and in view of the shortage of feed grain in Canada, the Government reiterates its policy of allowing no exports of oats and barley during the current crop year.

This year's oats crop is estimated at 298,248,000 bushels against 400,069,000. The barley crop is estimated at 151,225,000 against 159,887,000.

Subsidies paid on grains for livestock feeding advanced to 25 cents a bushel on wheat and barley.

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#### GOOSE ROCKS BEACH, Me. 100 Homes, Cottages Burned In Maine Fire

GOOSE ROCKS BEACH, Me., Oct. 21 (AP)—A forest fire that burned to the ocean edge in this tiny resort region on uncontrolled tonight toward Kennebecport and a hurried fire fighter said "we need everything we can get if 'we're going to save' the village."

The blaze swept southward toward Kennebecport village, five miles away, after destroying nearly half of the 300 cottages and homes at Goose Rocks Beach and 17 in the village.

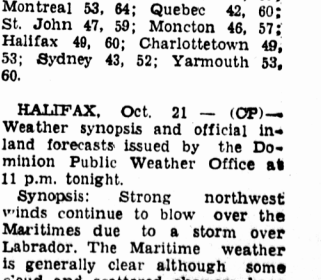
Back fires appeared to have halted the flames as they approached Kennebecport village, home of artists and authors.

a quarter of the permanent residences at the small fishing community of Cape Porpoise.

The summer homes of many artists and authors were in the path of the forest fire as it headed toward Kennebecport, a community of approximately 2,000 population.

As fire fighters battled the flames that leaped toward Kennebecport, Road Commissioner Clifford Mal-

#### BOY AND A PUP JUST SEEM TO SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE.



TORONTO, Oct. 21 (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures—Vancouver 33, 54; Victoria 34, 53; Edmonton 35, 47; Regina 38, 51; Winnipeg 39, 63; Toronto 41, 60; Ottawa 46, 63; Montreal 53, 64; Quebec 42, 60; St. John 47, 59; Moncton 46, 57; Halifax 49, 60; Charlottetown 49, 53; Sydney 43, 52; Yarmouth 53, 60.

HALIFAX, Oct. 21 (CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at 11 p.m. tonight.

Synopsis: Strong northwest winds continue to blow over the Maritimes due to a storm over Labrador. The Maritime weather is generally clear although some cold and scattered showers have been reported in Eastern Nova Scotia. The winds are forecast to decrease gradually in all regions tonight and Wednesday.

Forecasts, valid until Wednesday midnight.

Prince Edward Island: Clear, Cooler. Northwest winds 20, gusty, decreasing Wednesday evening to light winds. High Wednesday at Charlottetown 54.

High tide this afternoon at 5.04 and tonight at 2.30.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5.04 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.25.

Full moon October 29th, 3.01 P. M.

Summerside this eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.