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QUARREL OVER PRICE-FIXING AIRED IN COMMONS

4 Drowned When Car Plunges Into River Near St. John

Restoration Of Freight Rate Advantages Urged

(By John LeBlanc)

OTTAWA, Nov. 4—(CP)—Legislation should be passed to restore advantages in freight rates guaranteed the Maritimes by statute in 1927 but since wiped out, the Royal Commission on Transportation was told today.

Rand H. Matheson of Moncton, N. B., manager of the Maritime Transportation Commission, said that rate concessions given his area by the 22-year-old Maritime Freight Rates Act had been nullified by rate reductions put into effect by the railways in other Provinces.

While Mr. Matheson did not specify the type of legislation he considered necessary to readjust the Maritime position, he promised to provide the Commission with a memorandum of suggested amendments to the Federal Railway Act.

Grain Rates Flurry

Western Canada's special low grain rates produced a flurry during Mr. Matheson's period on the stand as Canadian Pacific Railway lawyers launched an indirect attack on the controversial rates.

Alberta counsel, J. J. Frawley, objected hotly to injection of the grain-rate issue by the C. P. R., which favors elimination of the special statute-fixed tolls on some grain movements in the west.

The short but sharp clash came when Ian Sinclair, C.P.R. counsel, tried to get from Mr. Matheson an opinion on whether the grain rates—set 50 years ago—accurately reflect conditions entering into modern rate-making.

Mr. Matheson eventually told the commission he believed the grain rates should be maintained, though the railways should be subsidized by the Government for them if they were found not to provide their fair share of railway revenues.

A brief submitted earlier by Mr. Matheson's commission had indicated its belief that the grain tolls are "non-compensatory" by some $33,000,000 a year.

Other developments at today's session:

1. The Canadian Food Processors' Association called for a complete revision of the railways' freight classification system, under which commodities are graded into 10 classes for rate-making purposes.

2. A Maritime industrialist told the commissioners freight-rate increases of the last two years had worsened his firm's position in relation to Central Canadian competitors.

For the Maritimes generally, Mr. Matheson declared conditions had so altered since 1927 that the assistance to the Maritimes then provided by statute was no longer adequate.

A. R. French of Sackville, N. B., told the commission that successive freight-rate increases of the last two years had caused his stove-making firm's competitive position to deteriorate in relation to competitors in Central Canada.

Mr. French is manager of the Enamel and Heating Products, Ltd., which has plants at Sackville and nearby Amherst, N. S.

He said that before the rate in-

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Three-Alarm Fire In Windsor, Ont.

WINDSOR, Ont., Nov. 4 —(CP) — A three-alarm fire was raging tonight through a block-long section of Windsor's industrial section on the city's east side.

The blaze, of undetermined origin, was reported under control in a group of industrial buildings operated by the Annen Automobile Services Limited and the Great Lakes Sporting Goods Company. Value of the property being razed was estimated at $30,000.

First reports listed no injuries.

Coming Events

**Mail your Films to Garnhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.

**Chicken Raffle K. of C. Hall, Souris, Tuesday, November 8th.

**Rummage sale, Market Building, Saturday, Nov. 5 at 3 p.m.

**Unloading Oil Cake Meal Friday and Saturday. McGuigan & Boyle.

**Show, "Blaze of Noon" at Bonshaw tonight at 8.30.

**Masquerade Dance in Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Monday, November 7th.

**Mt. Buchanan W. I. Chicken Supper. Aage Larkin's, Wednesday, November 9th.

**Hillsboro Junior Farmers' regular meeting at Earl Ings', Monday, November 7th.

**Masquerade Dance in St. Teresa's Hall, November 8th. Good music.

**Rollo Bay Hall, Bazaar, chicken supper, bingo, etc., Nov. 7, 8, Don't miss it.

**Come to the L.O.B.A. chicken supper in Hunter River Orange Hall, Wednesday, Nov. 9.

**Rummage Sale, Market Building, Wo-He-La Club, Saturday, November 5th, 6.30 P. M.

**Reserve November 23rd, North Tryon Presbyterian Chicken and Ham Supper in Tryon Baptist Hall.

**Now buying Timothy Seed, Cleaned or Uncleaned. McGuigan & Boyle.

**St. David's Bazaar—Town Hall, Georgetown, Thursday, November 10th.

**Come to the Dance in St. Ann's School, Monday night, November 7th. Good music.

**Card Party and Dance in Vernon River Hall, Wednesday, November 9th. Millview Orchestra. Auspices C. W. L.

**Reserve Wednesday, November 16th for Chicken Supper and Bingo, with a Dance afterwards in New Perth Hall.

**Stop at Blue Haven Restaurant Sunday, November 6th for duck dinner. 3 miles from Charlottetown on the Malpeque Road.

**See "Romance on High Seas" starring Jack Carson plus Short at MacDonald Bros. Theatre tonight. Show time 8 P. M.

**Provincial Older Boy's Conference Hunter River November 11th—13th. Registrar, Ross Matheson, Hunter River.

**Chicken Supper in Afton Hall, Tuesday, November 8th. Supper served from 6 to 9 P. M. Nine Mile W. I.

**Hear Ches and Loman in French River Hall, Nov. 8th. Also amateur talent contest. Send entries to Ches Cooper, CFCY.

**Doug McDonald will be trucking hogs through Cornwall and vicinity every Monday and Tuesday morning for Swift Canadian Co.

**The Kingston Branch of the Canadian Legion will hold its annual Memorial Service at Clyde River Monument Sunday, November 6th, at 2 P. M.

**Come to Highfield Women's Institute chicken and ham supper, with hot scallops, salad, etc., at Wallace Rodd's Wednesday, Nov.

**Old Time Step-Dancing, Fiddling and Singing Contest, Town Hall, Georgetown, Monday, November 7th, 8 P. M. Dance after, in aid of new Rink. Refreshments. Admission 50 cents. Entries can be taken at door.

**Come to the old time fiddlers contest with step-dancing, singing and so forth in Fort Augustus Hall on Friday, Nov. 11th. Please have entries in by Nov. 10th. Mail entries to Mr. Alfred Hughes, Johnston's River. If not fine, Nov. 15th or first fine night following.

**Family Party in the Public Hall, Murray River, November 8th, at 8 P. M. Motion pictures, Bagpipes and Violin music, singing with guitar. Sponsored by the International Harvester Co., Manufacturers of McCormick Deering Farm Implements through their Dealers (Dutney's) Murray River. Free to all.

U. S. Clamps New Strategic Controls

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 —(AP)— The Government today clamped new controls on strategic United States goods to keep them from slipping into Russia via Communist China—or by practically any other route.

To prevent reshipment to the Soviet bloc in Europe, already banned from getting direct shipments of strategic goods from the United States—the Government decreed:

A licence must be obtained from the Commerce Department to ship to anywhere in the world except Canada any of a long list of goods classed as "highly important to the national security."

AUTHOR DIES

LONDON, Nov. 4 —(AP) —Eric Muspratt, 49-year-old author of travel and adventure books, died today. Muspratt, a veteran of both world wars, travelled through the United States, Mexico, and Australia as a hobo, and wrote about it in his book, "Wild Oats."

General Approval Voiced Of Rigid Inspection Of Fish & Fishery Products

OTTAWA, Ont. Nov. 4 — (Special) — General approval of rigid inspection of fish and fishing equipment by Federal officers to maintain high quality standards in the industry was voiced by M.P.'s from all parts of Canada here today.

Occasion was discussion by the marine and fisheries committee of the House of Commons of Fisheries Minister Mayhew's new bill governing inspection of fish and marine plants.

J. Watson MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to the minister and Liberal member for Prince, P.E.I. piloted the measure through committee stages. Mr. MacNaught met objections of certain committee members and representatives of the industry with a government offer to amend the section which they found unacceptable.

Clive Planta, manager of the Canadian Council of Fisheries, said the industry felt the Government was going too far when it wanted to control the specifications of fishermen's boats and vehicles used in a fishing establishment.

"The department has no thought of telling the fishermen how he must build his boat," explained Mr. MacNaught. "That section is there simply to ensure that proper sanitary rules are followed".

The word "construction" was deleted from the section applying to boats and replaced by "requirements for the equipment and sanitary operation of establishments, boats and vehicles used in connection with fishing or export of

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Strong Quake In California

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Nov. 4 — (AP) — A strong earthquake shook San Diego and rocked 10,000 square miles of Southern California at 12.43 p.m. P.S.T. (4:43 p.m. AST) today.

Sharpest quake here in eight years, it jarred buildings with a powerful upthrust motion followed by a north-south movement.

The tremor was felt lightly in Los Angeles, Long Beach, Riverside, Santa Ana and there was a clear shock in El Centro where heavy quakes have occurred before.

Found Conditions Ideal For Bovine Tests In PEI

"It was a real pleasure to work under the ideal conditions we found in Prince Edward Island. I have never worked in a district where our job ran so smoothly, due to the splendid co-operation of all concerned," stated Dr. Lister Moore, Dominion Veterinarian from Cornwall, Ontario, in charge of the veterinary personnel who are completing the current Island bovine tuberculin test under the restricted area plan.

This work has been conducted under the supervision of Dr. E. S. Notting, senior veterinarian in charge of the Health of Animals Division of the Dominion Department of Agriculture in Prince Edward Island.

Expressing his warm appreciation of the excellent co-operation of the stock-owners through the efforts of Dr. Notting and his staff, Dr. Moore said, "This was the deciding factor in permitting the work to be completed within six months."

Some six to twelve veterinarians from Ontario and Quebec, assisted by Dr. Rod MacDonald, Charlottetown and J. R. Cunningham, Summerside, will have completed next week the tuberculin testing of the 90,000 to 100,000 cattle "of all types including first-class dairy stock."

Few reactors have been found.

Island Hospitality

Dr. Moore said he was speaking for the visiting veterinarians as well as himself when he said that "no place in Canada compares to the Island in the hospitality of the farmers and getting along with the people." He mentioned the work of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, through arrangements between Dr. Notting and Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister, in publicising the test amongst the farmers and for its general assistance and advice during the sum-

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Canada-Wide Strike Urged

MONTREAL, Nov. 4 — (CP) — A one-day Canada-wide strike by the Canadian Congress of Labor was urged tonight by the Montreal Boot and Shoe Workers Union (C. I.O.) in protest against Government-announced rental increases.

Henri Larocque, business agent of local 500, said he has wired A. R. Mosher, C.C.L. president, asking that an "emergency conference of all fulltime officials" be called to consider the calling of a national labor strike.

Utter Nonsense

OTTAWA, Nov. 4—(CP)—A. R. Mosher, president of the Canadian Congress of Labor, tonight described as "utter nonsense" a suggestion that the Congress call a one-day Canada-wide strike in protest against Government-announced rental increases.

"I certainly do not intend to call an emergency conference as this union has asked and they know very well that their idea is not one we could carry out," said Mr. Mosher.

Earlier today Mr. Mosher strongly condemned the Government's action in boosting rents. He said the increase would mean a further "boost in the cost of living and a good many people are already paying rents above what they can afford."

Moncton View

MONCTON, N.B., Nov. 4—(CP) —Landlords in Moncton tonight anticipated a "slight" upward revision in rents as a result of new Federal rentals controls but did not anticipate anything as "drastic" as the increase allowed.

Meanwhile the Moncton Building Trades Council, comprised of locals of five international labor unions, met tonight and decided to send a strongly worded protest to Finance Minister Abbott and Prime Minister St. Laurent over the raising of the ceiling on domestic rents.

The council also passed a resolution to the effect that it would seek a "substantial" increase in pay if increased rents go into effect.

Were Justifiable

MONTREAL, Nov. 4 —(CP)— Finance Minister Abbott said today he felt the rent increases announced by the Government last night were "justifiable" but that not all landlords would take advantage of them.

"Had I not thought the increases were justifiable in light of present conditions I definitely would not have recommended them," he said. "Some landlords may take advantage of the 20 and 25 per cent increases but I cannot see them all doing it."

Asked if he thought the increases would result in demands by organized labor for higher wages, Mr. Abbott said: "I see no justification for any such wave of demands for higher wages and I am certain the increase will not affect the cost of living of the individual."

Asked if he thought that making Dec. 15, the effective increase date —10 days before Christmas—might make him an unpopular Santa Claus, Mr. Abbott replied without a smile:

"Did you ever see a Minister of Finance who was a popular man—at any time?"

Trapped In Vehicle Under 20 Feet Of Water

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Nov. 4 — (CP)—Four persons met death by drowning tonight when trapped inside a car after it plunged into the Nerepis River 18 miles from Saint John.

The victims were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott, of Little River, near Saint John; their two-year-old son, and Claude Grant, Saint John.

The bodies, all inside the car when it was raised, were taken to a hospital morgue here.

Both Abbott and Grant were said to be natives of Prince Edward Island, but their birthplaces were not immediately known. Both were war veterans, and both had married British girls. Abbott's former home was said to be in the Malpeque district.

The car skidded on the wet road, crashed through a guard fence near the Woodman's Point and Westfield Bridge, and sank in 20 feet of river water.

Both men in the car were employees of city transit at Saint John. They were returning from Fredericton, where Grant went today to enlist in the army.

Mrs. Abbott, who had been a war bride, recently returned from a visit to her home in England.

The tragedy wiped out the Abbott family.

A group of men raised the car partly from the water and later it was towed to the road by a truck.

All the bodies were behind the front seat.

An all-day rain was continuing and made visibility poor when the accident occurred.

To Visit Province

Major-General Dan C. Spry, C.B.E., D.S.O., (above), chief executive Commissioner of the Canadian Boy Scout Association, Ottawa, will arrive in Charlottetown tomorrow on a three day visit to the Province.

The Chief Executive Commissioner is on a coast-to-coast tour of the Dominion having left Ottawa Oct. 10th. He expects to complete his tour by Nov. 19th.

While in the Province Major-General Spry will address the Monday meeting of Rotary in Charlottetown, and on Tuesday speak before the Summerside Rotarians. At Borden, Tuesday, he will be present at the opening of the new Scout hall.

He hopes to meet as many leaders as possible of the Scout and Cub movement while here and also attend rallies of scouts and cubs.

General Spry on his retirement from the Canadian Army as vice-chief of the General Staff to become Dominion Commissioner for the Boy Scouts of Canada was the youngest general in the Canadian Army.

A Boy Scout in his school days in Halifax, he was a permanent force captain with the Royal Canadian Regiment when war broke out in September, 1939.

In Britain he served for a time as personal assistant to Gen. McNaughton, Canadian overseas commander. He commanded the R.C.R.'s in Sicily in the 1943 campaign and in the same year commanded the 1st Infantry Brigade in Italy.

Later he served for eight months as commander of the 3rd Division and from there was sent to Britain as commander of Canadian reinforcements.

Investigator Charges Lack Of Gov't Action

(By Douglas How)

OTTAWA, Nov. 4—(CP)—Canada's anti-monopoly chief quit over differences with the Cabinet, it was disclosed today, and he did so with a statement that price-fixing activities by industry have increased "to an alarming degree" since the war.

This became known today when Justice Minister Garson tabled in the Commons copies of correspondence between himself and F. A. McGregor, 61, the resigning commissioner of the Combines Investigation Act. Mr. McGregor's resignation is effective Jan. 1.

The crux of the issue was a report Mr. McGregor made on alleged price-fixing by the flour milling industry. The Government's "withholding for so many months" of the report was Mr. McGregor's first specific instance of "certain tendencies" which caused him "deep concern."

He contended, in a letter and memo dated Oct. 29, that Government criticisms of the report were based on policy and not on its facts and he maintained that its facts "more than justify the investigation."

Cabinet Doubted Facts

Mr. Garson, replying today, said the Cabinet had "doubts" about facts in the report and that its objections had been "borne out"

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TORONTO, Nov. 4—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 43, 61; Edmonton 32, 66; Regina 25, 63; Winnipeg 29, 33; Toronto 34, 41; Ottawa 34, 40; Montreal 39, 39; Quebec 38, 38; Saint John 44, 45; Moncton 38, 45; Halifax 45, 56; Charlottetown 40, 45; Sydney 38, 54; Yarmouth 47, —; St. John's 36, 41.

HALIFAX, Nov. 4 —(CP) —Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax:

Synopsis:

More than an inch of rain fell Friday over Nova Scotia and Southern New Brunswick and nearly that amount fell in the rest of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. This resulted when a storm moved northward towards the Maritimes. Snow has spread over the northern regions and will continue until the storm passes across the Gulf of St. Lawrence and recedes across Labrador by Saturday evening.

In the wake of the storm cold air will flow into the Maritimes from the northwest. It will cause scattered rain showers as far southeast as Prince Edward Island and Western Nova Scotia. In Northern New Brunswick and other northern areas snow flurries will occur.

Regional forecasts, valid until midnight Saturday, with an outlook for Sunday

Prince Edward Island: Rain and drizzle ending soon after midnight Cloudy during the night and Saturday. Widely scattered showers Saturday afternoon. Becoming colder. Light winds becoming southwest 25 during the night and northwest 25 gusty Saturday afternoon. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 37 and 43.

Outlook for Sunday—Sunny.

High tide today at 11.26 A. M. and 10.50 P. M.

Sun rises this morning at 6.59 A. M. and sets at 4.57 P. M.

WOOD ISLANDS — CARIBOU DAILY FERRY

Leave Wood Islands
8 A.M., 11 A.M., 1 P.M., 8 P.M

Leave Caribou
8 A.M., 11 A.M., 1 P.M., 8 P.M

BORDEN - TORMENTINE FERRY

WEEK DAYS

Lv. Borden	Lv. Cape Tormentine
9.10 A.M.	10.35 A.M.
1.00 P.M.	2.40 P.M.
4.30 P.M.	7.30 P.M.

SUNDAYS

Lv. Borden	Lv. Cape Tormentine
9.10 A.M.	10.35 A.M.
6.45 P.M.	8.00 P.M.

Trade Unions, Veterans Protest Boost of Rent Ceilings By Federal Gov't

(By The Canadian Press)

Trade unions and veterans organizations raised a clamor of protest Friday against boosting of rent ceilings by the Federal Government.

A few spokesmen for property-owners organizations countered that landlords have had the increases coming to them for a long time.

The increases, ranging from 20 to 25 per cent on almost all types of self-contained dwellings, were announced in the Commons Thursday night by Finance Minister Abbott.

Mr. Abbott, in Montreal for the week-end, defended the increases as "justifiable" and said not all landlords would take advantage of them.

He was supported by A.D. Quentin, a Montreal city councillor and president of the Property Owners League of Montreal, who said the increase was "unavoidable and a slight compensation to the landlord whose operational costs have soared since 1939."

Two Provincial Premiers indicated their Governments have no intention of taking Mr. Abbott up on his offer to turn rent controls over to the Provincial Governments.

Premier Manning of Alberta said rent controls were a Federal responsibility and added "there is no justification for continuance of these controls under normal peacetime conditions."

Premier Campbell of Manitoba said he believed the Federal Government "should continue in the rental field if possible." But Welfare Minister Sturdy of Saskatchewan said the Province's C.C.F. Government will move into the field if the Federal Government moves out.

In Ottawa, leaders of the two big Labor Congreses condemned the move.

A.R. Mosher, president of the Canadian Congress of Labor, said the increase would mean "a further boost in the cost of living and a good many people are already paying rents above what they can afford."

For the Trades and Labor Congress, president Percy Bengough said: "This just means another increase in the cost of living. A lot of people with limited incomes are having enough trouble meeting the landlord and the grocer now."

They were joined by M.J. Coldwell, national leader of the C.C.F. He said the Government's move "shows an entire disregard for the interest and the welfare of the great mass of the Canadian people."

Sees Possibility Of War By 1952

FORT WORTH, Tex., Nov. 4 — (AP)—Larry Allen, Associated Press correspondent, said today "if there is to be a war with Russia, I think it will come by the end of 1952."

Allen, Pulitzer prize winner who has been stationed at Warsaw, added in an address before the 16th annual meeting of the Associated Press Managing Editors Association:

"I have three reasons for thinking this. By that time, Russia will have a supply of atomic bombs. Secondly, the Russians feel that Americans are disunited during any presidential-election year.

"Thirdly, the Russians believe that Marshal-Plan aid will run dry about that time. They think we can't keep on pumping money into Europe. When our financial aid to European countries is at an end, it will be much easier for them to step in and take over."

Section of Maine Has Snowstorm

PRESQUE ISLE, Me., Nov. 4 (AP)— Aroostook County's first snowstorm of the season tonight snarled traffic, hampered search for a lost hunter, and interrupted electric power.

About six inches of wet, slushy snow dropped at Presque Isle.

A search party of 100 persons returned from Chapman Woods where John McCart, 52-year-old Presque Isle hunter, has been missing since Wednesday night. The quest will be resumed tomorrow.

Presque Isle was darkened by a power failure due, electric utility men said, to snow weighting down the wires.

Slight Decline Reported In Cost-of-Living Index

OTTAWA, Nov. 4 —(CP) — Declines in foodstuffs sent the September cost-of-living index down one-tenth of a point to 162.2, the Bureau of Statistics reported today.

It was the second consecutive decline in living costs. The index dropped one-half point in August.

The September decline was registered despite increases in the cost of coal, coke and gasoline brought on by a 10-per-cent devaluation of the dollar Sept. 20.

The index is calculated on the basis that 1935-39 prices equal 100.

Lower prices were reported for beef, lamb, pork, eggs, oranges and canned and fresh vegetables.

Butter, lard, coffee and lemons went up in price, but not enough to prevent a drop of two points to 205.0 in the food sub-index. This also was the second consecutive drop.

Rises in fuel and gasoline costs due to devaluation shot the fuel and lighting sub-index to a new high of 134.1 points—a boost of four points over the previous month.

The clothing sub-index which had remained steady during July and August climbed six-tenths of a point to 184.1, due principally to increases in men's winter overcoats and rubbers.

Radio prices fell slightly in September, causing a two-point drop in the homefurnishings and service sub-index. The sub-index now stands at 167.2, the lowest since last February.

The rental sub-index was unchanged at 123.9. Surveys of rental changes are made only on a quarterly basis. The last one was made in August.

Reflecting increases in gasoline and Montreal street car fares, the miscellaneous sub-index moved three-tenths of a point upwards to 130.2.

Labor Wins Significant County Council Election

By Glenn A. Williams

LONDON, Nov. 4 —(AP) —The Labor Government won an election to the London County Council today and political observers pounced on it as a significant straw-in-the-wind for next year's general elections.

The voting—in a cross-section electoral district—gave the Labor candidate Jack Cooper, a clear majority over a Conservative and two other candidates.

Herbert Morrison, apparently well-pleased with the result, sent the district Labor committee a chipper telegram.

"A splendid victory; another beautiful morning; outlook fine," it read.

Bookie Picks Churchill

But if the Labor outlook seemed rosy to Morrison, it certainly was not echoed by one of London's biggest book-makers, Douglas (Duggie Always Pays) Stuart.

The prophetic bookie made Winston Churchill a 3 to 2 favorite to be Britain's next prime minister.

His second choice for the 1950 election was Prime Minister Clement Attlee, at 5 to 2.

Stuart said he was laying the odds on a purely professional basis and wasn't letting his personal politics enter into it.

One phase of the county election needed no clairvoyant to be apparent to everyone. That was the improvement in the Labor Party's political organization. It worked in high gear.

Labor In High Gear

The result appeared to be a sign that the Labor machine has been thoroughly overhauled since last spring, when it suffered surprisingly heavy losses both in the London County Council elections and other local balloting throughout the country.

The election was called because of the death of D.C. Griffiths, a Conservative, in the North Kensington district of West London, an area with voters from all classes.

The Conservatives won the seat in last spring's Council election.

Cooper today received 14,197 votes. Ian Percival, his Conservative opponent 13,100, John Eyre, Communist, 464, and Miss Chrystal Gates, of the left-wing Intellectual Commonwealth Party, 135.

The victory increased Labor's narrow control of the County Council.