

Potato Holdings Said Reduced

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN OTTAWA — Smaller crops and lower storage holdings are expected to produce favorable prices for Canadian potatoes in 1968, the economics division of the Department of Agriculture estimates in its bi-monthly review of farm conditions. Known storage holdings of potatoes at March 1 this year were 10.1 million hundred-weight compared to 12.5 million a year earlier. Stocks in the Maritimes at 6.8 million cwt were 2.4 million below 1962 levels. The same situation exists in the United States where storage stocks of potatoes held by producers and dealers were four per cent below last year's figures. Only in Maine were potato stocks higher. Because of smaller production and holdings, prices for P.E.I. and New Brunswick potatoes on central Canada markets have been higher in mid-March. P.E.I. potatoes were selling in Toronto for 70 cents more per bag than a year earlier. However, because of the larger stocks in Maine, Canadian prices are not expected to improve further unless there is a corresponding price increase in Maine. In the past four years, prices of P.E.I. potatoes at Toronto have ranged from a low of \$1.46 in November 1961 to a high of \$2.35 in May 1960. Prices so far in the 1968 selling season have been as low as \$1.78 last November to \$2.35 in February.

Promotions Are Announced By CN Telecommunications

MONCTON. — New managers for Canadian National Telecommunications offices in Moncton and Sydney were announced yesterday by Henry Lyle, superintendent of CN's Maritime division. The appointments come into effect May 1. At Moncton, the new manager is Leslie Doyle, who was previously manager at Sydney. The promotion of Mr. Doyle to Moncton is being taken over by A. Colin Dean, a native of New Glasgow, who was hitherto operations inspector for the district. Mr. Doyle joined the Western Union Telegraph Company in his native Halifax 38 years ago. He became a CN employee when the company took over Western Union's local operations in 1927. During the Second World War, Mr. Doyle served with the Canadian Army. He rose through various posts with CN at Halifax, and in 1964 was appointed manager at Charlottetown. He was appointed manager at Sydney a year ago. Mr. Dean joined CN in New Glasgow as a messenger 24 years ago and was promoted through various clerical positions. He came to Moncton in 1967, and was appointed district equipment maintainer in 1961. He became equipment inspector at Moncton in 1965, and operations inspector in 1962. In Moncton, Mr. Dean was an active member of the Kinsmen Club, and is a past president of the K-60 Club. For the past two years he served on the board of the zoning appeal board. Mrs. Dean is the former Lillian Backman of Lunenburg. They have one son, Alex, who is a student at Moncton High School.

LONDON HILTON

Here is a woman's eye view of the London Hilton, London's luxury hotel, as it soars 328 feet above its Park Lane site. The hotel, opened this month as the biggest hotel in Europe since the war, contains 512 guest rooms to accommodate 858 visitors. There are 11 restaurants, five bars and cocktail lounges, seven private dining rooms and one of Europe's largest ballrooms. (CP Wirephoto)

Public Servants Ass'n Wants Commission

APPROXIMATELY 30 directors of the Prince Edward Island Civil Service Association held a dinner meeting at the Charlottetown Hotel last evening. Shown above left to right are: Harold Lochart, president of the New Brunswick Civil Service Association; Dr. James Higgins, president of the P.E.I. association; L. W. Coulson, president of the Saskatchewan association; Gordon Burnham, vice-president of the CPSEA (Canadian Federal Government Employees Organization) and Alice Buchanan, president of the Nova Scotia Association of Civil Servants. The annual meeting of the P.E.I. Civil Service Association will be held at Birchwood High School this evening.

YARD IS MUM Queen Frederika Is Chased In London

LONDON (AP)—An informant close to Greece's throne says Queen Frederika was manhandled and chased down a London street recently by a group of demonstrators critical of Greek justice. "She and her daughter Irene usually had to take to their heels and they finally took refuge in the home of a complete stranger," the informant said. The incident took place on April 20 as the queen and her daughter were leaving their hotel for several hours. They came to London to attend the wedding of Prince Alexander and Angus Ogilvy last Wednesday. The informant said the chase and other developments here may have endangered the projected state visit of King Paul and Queen Frederika to Britain in July. Scotland Yard, citing security reasons, refused comment.

RELATES DETAILS The informant said a woman had been standing in the lobby of her majesty's hotel for several hours. When her majesty came down from her room the woman tried to talk to her. "The queen and her daughter did not stop, but left by the side entrance. It was on a side street that a woman grabbed the queen by her shoulders and spun her around. "The queen, with the help of a security guard, got away. Then a group of men who had been demonstrating in front of the hotel came after her. The security officer and the queen's chauffeur tangled with them. "While the scuffle was going on, the queen and the princess rushed into a nearby news, cut de sac, but they didn't know this. But after a few steps they saw they were trapped. "The queen then stepped to doorway and pushed two front door bells, the first ones she saw. The resident of one of these places, an American named Mrs. Stevens, a three admitted the queen and her daughter. She let them take refuge there until some time later they shipped out by car and went to the home of a Greek friend."

Seed Potatoes Are Exported To 10 Markets

Prince Edward Island shipped 1,151,320 hundredweight seed potatoes to 10 export markets and to other provinces of Canada, up to April 29 this crop year, it was learned yesterday from Glen Ramsay, district director in charge of seed potato certification. Of that amount 442,487 hundredweight went to the United States, 245,563 to Greece, 62,483 to Venezuela, 50,221 to Jamaica and 20,388 hundredweight to Puerto Rico. The 11,742 hundredweight to the Dominican Republic, 8,240 to Argentina, 7,422 to the Azores, 4,212 to South Africa and 1,427 hundredweight to Trinidad, Mr. Ramsay revealed. The remainder of the seed shipped went to other Canadian provinces, he added.

WEATHER

TORONTO (CP) — Observed temperatures: Min. Max. Dawson ..... 39 63 Vancouver ..... 47 60 Victoria ..... 49 60 Edmonton ..... 34 58 Calgary ..... 30 61 Regina ..... 30 61 Winnipeg ..... 33 45 Toronto ..... 43 63 Ottawa ..... 38 62 Montreal ..... 34 68 Quebec ..... 30 62 St. John's ..... 28 58 St. Louis ..... 33 53 Charlottetown ..... 28 57 St. John's ..... 35 49 St. John's ..... 31 35 HALIFAX (CP) — The weather office says showers will move in from the southwest to affect all regions by this evening. Regional forecasts: Halifax and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness with snow beginning early evening; cooler; light winds increasing to southwest 20 in the afternoon. Low-high at Halifax 32 and 46. South Shore, Annapolis Valley: Increasing cloudiness with showers beginning in early evening and changing to rain later in the evening. Little change in temperature; light winds increasing to southwest 25 late in the afternoon. Low-high at Yarmouth 35 and 50, Kentville 30 and 40. Eastern N.B. Counties: Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with showers beginning early in afternoon, changing to rain by evening. Little change in temperature; light winds increasing to southwest 25 by evening. Low-high at Moncton 35 and 60, Campbellton 33 and 60. Northern Nova Scotia, Eastern Shore, Cape Breton: Prince Edward Island: Sunny clouding over in the late afternoon. Showers in afternoon changing to rain by evening. Little change in temperature; light winds increasing to southwest 25 by evening. Low-high at St. John's 35 and 60, St. John's 35 and 60. Highest average in senior grades, Linda Smith. Average in junior grades, Joy Morrison. Average in primary grades, Catherine B. Corbett.

Restrictions Are Eased

Hon. J. Philip Matheson, minister of highways, has announced that weight restrictions on all Prince Edward Island paved highways were eased as of midnight Sunday. The revised regulations, which will be in effect until further notice, permit trucks to be operated on the highways provided their gross weight does not exceed 50 per cent of their registered weight. MGM SIGNS GOULET NEW YORK (CP) — Robert Goulet, former singing star of Canadian television, has been signed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to make his motion picture debut in the comedy film which was announced Monday. Goulet, 28-year-old native of Lunenburg, who was brought up in Edmonton and gained prominence in the Toronto television world, came to New York with the musical comedy Camelot.

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