

## Election Platform Contains Plan To Develop Economy

Premier Walter R. Shaw said last evening he would establish a new division of government, to be known as the Rural Development Authority, to accelerate development in all phases of the island's economy.

Outlining the Conservative election platform, the premier said, the financing for the authority would come not only from your provincial government, but from ARDA and from the Area Development Agency. I believe we could attract financing from private industry for large-scale, continuing research and planning projects."



PREMIER SHAW

The program according to the premier would bring about a three-fold increase in the total product of the province in the next five years and have a five-fold increase as a long range objective.

"It will be one of the biggest projects ever undertaken anywhere in Canada," said the premier.

The premier said the Conservative platform was based on four major points: to expand basic resources, agriculture, fishing and tourism; to continue to build the industrial economy; better physical facilities, roads and education; to provide more assistance to people in health, welfare and housing.

### FOR THE FARMERS

For the farmers of the province the premier said his government will reduce the farmer's cost of the Farm Improvement Service to one-third. The government will help with the cost of capital equipment for groups of farmers.

The premier said, "we will rebate 50 percent of workmen's Compensation Act payments for farmers and farm laborers, pay increased freight assistance to farmers importing high quality livestock."

The premier also promised to broaden crop insurance, build

price stability for butter and cheese and to introduce a preferential rate for the registration of farm trucks.

For the inshore fishermen, Premier Shaw said the government would increase its share of loans for boats and equipment to 70 percent and increase the repayment period to eight years. The Conservatives will establish a permanent system of training schools for fishermen on the island and press forward with exploratory work in crab, shrimp, herring and scallops.

The premier said the government would establish two parks with national park standards and later in the evening he said they would be located in Prince County in Kings County.

### NOT WAITING

With regard to the parks the premier said, "the island is not going to hold its breath waiting for the present federal government to act."

Premier Shaw said, "the all-weather highway from Tignish to Elmira and Georgetown, via Kensington, Hunter River and Morrell will be completed," as well as the all-weather section of the Trans-Canada highway to Wood Islands.

This year the access roads to fishing centres and the roads to resources program will be completed.

In education the premier said that the capital grant per classroom will be increased to \$10,000 and that these grants would be extended to include Charlottetown, Summerside and elementary schools.

### BOOK SUBSIDY

He also said that the existing \$200,000 subsidy for school books would be increased.

Speaking of social assistance for the province Premier Shaw said, "we will make medical care universally available to

## Agricultural Potential Here Said Decreasing

### CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — There has been a shocking decrease in the agricultural potential of Prince Edward Island, Hon. J. Angus MacLean, MP for Queen's, said in the Commons this week during debate on amendments to the Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act.

He pointed out that the population of the Maritime area imports from other parts of Canada or abroad about half of its total meat requirements. In any shopping centre in the Maritimes it was possible to see food that could have been produced in the area but was brought in from all corners of North America.

In the last 50 years the Maritimes had changed from producing an important part of its flour requirements to a situation in which almost all flour was brought in from Western Canada.



MR. MACLEAN

He admitted that in a few commodities, such as potatoes, the trade was in the other direction and said that the P.E.I. Government had made efforts to develop a local frozen food industry.

### CITIES STATISTICS

Mr. MacLean cited some government statistics to show that between 1911 and 1956 some 16 per cent of the agricultural land of P.E.I. had been abandoned and the number of farms had decreased from 12,229 to 9,442 between 1941 and 1956.

Some of this was due to small farms being unable to make the transition to commercial operations but other causes included what he called rural blight. He said that when a rural area became depressed a cumulative effect set in and people became discouraged and left the area.

He said part of this was due to the fact that over the years government agricultural departments had been more concerned with the better types of farmers and those who would go to them for information.

### LOWER END

At the lower end of the scale there are the completely discouraged, poorly educated, depressed farmers who have given up hope almost entirely and who have failed," Mr. MacLean said. "Even in a province such as Prince Edward Island where agriculture is of such importance, there are places where in living memory there were perhaps 30 students going to one-room school and now there is not a single resident."

He urged the government to set up pilot operations in blighted areas to show that light can be made to pay.

## Auto Makers Eagerly Awaiting Sales Report

### BY CHARLES C. CAIN

DETROIT (AP) — The U.S. auto industry eagerly awaits sales reports for the first 10 days of May as a tipoff on whether the dip in auto buying is over.

Reports from dealers and zone offices poured into company headquarters in Detroit Wednesday with indications that all companies would release their latest sales figures today.

The 10-day figures are the first compiled since the auto industry turned over to a Senate committee last week a list of defects and shortcomings found in U.S.-built cars since 1960.

One of the most discussed questions among auto men was whether the industry report to Senator Abraham Ribicoff (Dem.-Conn.) would have an adverse effect on sales.

Ford President Arjay Miller said in discussing a dip in April sales below those of a year ago that one of the factors was "harassment" on the auto safety issue.

### NEGATIVE EFFECT

American Motors President Roy Abernethy expressed belief

the auto safety hearings had a negative effect on sales.

General Motors President James M. Roche conceded he was disappointed with April sales but did not blame the safety issue directly.

Roche said there were many factors, including Viet Nam and the draft, plus the higher bite on U.S. income tax deductions that went into effect in mid-April.

Most auto executives agreed the buying trends of the opening 10 days of May would be a pretty good barometer of business for the rest of the 1966 model year.

The big three—General Motors, Ford and Chrysler—have announced decreases in their production schedules, either this month or in June, because of the huge number of cars in dealer hands, American Motors has not cut back this month.

Ford's car output this month will come to 242,000 units, still the biggest May in Ford history, despite the production reduction. Chrysler's June program, despite production reductions, calls for 136,000 cars which would make it the biggest June in Chrysler history.

# CBRT Calls Strike Vote Over Conciliation Delay



### EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT DEMONSTRATED

The Cl-84, an experimental aircraft developed by Canada's L.D. of Montreal, Canada, demonstrated its unusual abilities before a large audience including Industry Minister Drury at Ottawa's Uplands Airport Wednesday, demonstrating its

straight up for vertical lift and then move them into regular position for normal flight.

(CP Wirephoto)

### SIGNAL BLABS AT LATE HOUR

HAWTHORNE, Calif. (AP)—Putting talking traffic signal at 135th Street and Yukon Avenue last winter was a good idea.

For the safety of small children at a nearby school, the signal was to play, during school hours only, this thoughtful taped message: "Look both ways before crossing the street. Make sure the light is green before stepping off the curb."

But the signal shot off its mouth at 11:30 p.m. Tuesday, waking up citizens for blocks around. For more than an hour, people sat in their pyjamas listening to the blabbing signal admonish them to look both ways and make sure the light was green.

Finally someone called police, who silenced the automatic chatter by hand.

### American Troops Turned The Tide

By HARRY KELLY  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara said Wednesday that if American troops had not been rushed in, the Communists would have overrun South Viet Nam, butchered thousands and brought turmoil to Southeast Asia.

McNamara told the Senate foreign relations committee the Viet Cong is losing what support it had from the population.

Also, he said, heavy pounding from ground and air has dented the enemy's morale and expectations of victory.

But still, the "dominant theme" of war and peace in Viet Nam is what he saw as a "firm decision" by the North Viet Namese to intensify the war.

### Police Report Recommends No Charges

TORONTO (CP) — A Metropolitan Toronto morality police report recommended Wednesday that no charges be placed in connection with the filming by a CBC crew of a 17-year-old girl in bed with two youths.

Excerpts of the film were to be used in a Seven Days Documentary series. The film, part of a documentary on youth, was never shown.

Toronto police questioned a 17-year-old Kamloops, B.C., girl, the two youths and CBC personnel who were present in the west Toronto apartment during the filming before presenting their findings to Chief James Mackey.

The RCMP is conducting its own investigation.

### Minister Of Fisheries Orders Storm Damage Assessment

OTTAWA (CP) — Fisheries Minister Robichaud has ordered his officials to make an assessment of weekend storm damage to the Newfoundland lobster fishing industry, but made no commitment of special aid.

Mr. Robichaud said in an interview he told Premier Joseph Smallwood by telephone Tuesday he can make no commitment about any federal aid until the assessment is completed.

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## Fearful State Farms In Canada Could Result From Legislation

OTTAWA (CP) — An Alberta farmer told the Commons Wednesday he fears a new piece of government legislation could mean state farms in Canada.

Jack Horner (PC—Acadia) said the purchase of uneconomic farm units is one of the purposes of proposed \$50,000,000 fund the government is establishing to fight rural poverty.

While he hoped the farms would be sold back—enlarged and improved—to farmers, some would be run by government agencies. He wondered what effect this would have on farming in general.

Mr. Horner spoke as the Commons continued debate on second reading—approval in principle of the government bill.

Forestry Minister Saue said the fund is needed to fight entrenched poverty in certain rural areas.

Mr. Horner said there can be no comparison between privately owned farms in Canada and state operated ones in Russia. The Canadian farms were run far more efficiently.

### SUGGESTS OTHER WAYS

The 38-year-old wheat farmer from Pollockville said there are other ways to help farmers rather than buying their uneconomic units. They could be educated or granted loans.

The fund was a development of the Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act program enacted by the former Conservative government.

Lawrence E. Kindt (PC—MacLeod) asked whether expropriation will be involved if some farmers balk after others in a district have sold.

He also stressed that ARDA should aim at development of resources rather than limiting the program to areas of poverty. Resource development would get rid of poverty naturally.

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straight up for vertical lift and then move them into regular position for normal flight.

(CP Wirephoto)

### GIVEN REASSURANCE

Hugh John Flemming (PC—Victoria—Carleton) said he felt Forestry Minister Saue had given reassurance that the program would not hurt the individual.

The former New Brunswick premier said the trend has been away from small farms. But he noted that many abandoned farms in isolated areas are being sought by food processors because of the purity of the soil.

A tree farmer himself, Mr. Flemming said it would not be

wise to turn good farmland to forest without a close soil analysis.

He suggested as well that people from the communities involved be on the commissions that were planned.

### Parliament At A Glance

#### By THE CANADIAN PRESS

WEDNESDAY, May 11, 1966  
Fisheries Minister Robichaud orders officials to assess weekend storm damage to Newfoundland lobster industry.

Railway strike voted called by Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers (CLC) among its 22,000 members.

Dave Fulton tells Commons he told Munsinger inquiry that then prime minister Diefenbaker's judgment to keep Pierre Sevigny in the cabinet had been "vindicated."

Creditist motion for an emergency debate on the method of selecting census officials in Quebec rejected by Speaker Lucien Lamoureux.

Gilles Gregoire (Creditist—Lapointe) says Dominion Bureau of Statistics, which names census commissioners is being used for patronage.

R. G. L. Fairweather (PC—Royal) asks Solicitor General Bennett how the RCMP gathered Munsinger evidence without using "illegal" wire taps: Mr. Pennell said it was not in the public interest to answer.

Jack Horner (PC—Acadia) told the Commons the government's proposed \$50,000,000 fund to fight rural poverty could mean state farms in Canada.

### Fishery Outlook 'Good And Bad'

HALIFAX (CP) — Future expansion of Canada's Atlantic fishery is both good and bad, Dr. Wilfred Templeman, a member of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada said Wednesday.

The St. John's, Nfld., scientist said the outlook for major expansion of the offshore fishery can be one of both pessimism or optimism, with the balance between these two attitudes dependent on Canadian ability to compete with high efficiency in the offshore fisheries.

He told the Fisheries Council of Canada the North American

## Mailed Ballot Count Ready By Mid-June

### By BEN WARD

OTTAWA (CP) — Charging "unreasonable delays in conciliation procedures" the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers has called a strike vote among its 22,000 non-operating railway members.

A joint statement Wednesday by President W. J. Smith and J. A. Pelletier, secretary of the union's joint protective board, said members will be asked to empower CBRT negotiators to call a walkout whenever they feel it necessary.

Mr. Smith said in an interview the CBRT has been waiting for two months for Labor Minister Nicholson to appoint a chairman for a federal conciliation board that will study the union's wage dispute with the railways.

Contract demands, featuring a 90-cent hourly wage increase, were served on the railways six months ago.

"Our members are becoming understandably restless and impatient with this long delay," Mr. Smith said.

### MUST MEET CONDITION

Under federal law, a union cannot legally strike until seven days after the conciliation board report has been received by the labor minister.

Asked whether the CBRT might strike before the legal deadline, Mr. Smith said: "If the delay in starting our conciliation procedure goes beyond all reasonable lengths, it could happen."

He added that it might be difficult to hold the membership back from strike action once the vote is completed. The vote

is by mailed ballot and will take until mid-June to count.

Most of the CBRT's members are CNR workers. Others are employed by the Ontario Northland and Northern Alberta railways and at joint CNR-CPR terminals.

The CBRT is one of three non-operating railway union groups now awaiting conciliation board procedures.

### OTHER BOARDS SET UP

Boards for the other two groups have already been established under the chairmanship of Mr. Justice F. Craig Munroe of Vancouver who will open hearings in Montreal later this month.

The CBRT, however, refused to join in an invitation to Mr. Justice Munroe to chair its conciliation board. The judge announced last week that he would not consider appointment to that board in light of the union's decision.

Mr. Smith said the move to call for a strike vote was taken at a meeting here of the CBRT's 16-member joint protective board, made up mostly of the general chairman from across Canada.

The chief complaint of the CBRT and the other non-op unions is that wage increases negotiated two years ago fell far behind the general advice of the economy.

During negotiations with the CNR earlier this year considerable progress was made on non-monetary items. However, the talks ended in deadlock over wage increases, shift differentials, job security, vacations and health and welfare benefits.

## Frost And Freeze Cause Crop Loss

### CHICAGO (AP) — Frost and freeze this week, including some of the lowest temperatures ever recorded in May, have taken a toll measurable in the scores of millions of dollars in fruit and vegetable crops destroyed in the northeastern quarter of the United States.

Losses as great as \$15,000,000 in Ohio and \$10,000,000 in Michigan have been authoritatively estimated. The figure for Wisconsin's Door County alone was at least \$1,000,000.

The damage had not yet been gauged in Virginia's famed Shenandoah Valley orchards, New York state's Hudson and Champlain valleys, the Maryland-Delaware and southern Illinois fruit regions. But at least Virginia was reported "pretty badly hurt."

While the Great Lakes, the Appalachians and eastern seaboard shivered in record low

May temperatures Wednesday—down to the low 20s in some Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland sectors—an expanding storm system in the Midwest dumped four to five inches of snow in parts of North and South Dakota, three inches in Iowa and nearly two on Chicago's northwestern environs.

The weather bureau has warned of storm peril to livestock in at least eight plains states where snow was mixed with cold rain and whipped by winds up to 35 miles an hour. Locally heavy snow was forecast for the mountains of Colorado, and temperatures were expected to drop into the 20s there and in Minnesota.

The warning area included Montana, Wyoming and Colorado east of the Continental Divide, the Dakotas, and parts of Minnesota, Nebraska and Kansas.

## Suggests Atomic Blast Carries Fallout Hazard

### TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese scientist reported Wednesday radioactive fallout from China's third atomic test was far heavier than previous ones and warned it might be hazardous to human beings.

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Professor Takao Kosaka of Niigata University said the dust radiactivity was slightly more than 33 times stronger than the second and largest of two previous Chinese tests in May of 1965.

Besides proving possibly harmful to people, the fallout could seriously contaminate vegetables in the Japanese countryside, he said.

Kosaka's findings bore out two Washington reports: That the third test would be the dirtiest of all, and that it was the largest in the series of three. The first test came in October, 1964.

### WEATHER A FACTOR

Kosaka's report did not mean, however, that the third blast was 33 times as large as the previous one. Rain and other weather factors affect the rate of fallout. And as Washington had predicted, this was no doubt the dirtiest Chinese bomb yet.

Generally, the findings in rainfall in other parts of Japan were less than or about equal to that of previous tests. An exception was Fukushima, 120 miles north of Tokyo.



PLEASANT MEETING

Prime Minister Lester Pearson of Canada and U. Thant, secretary-general of the United Nations, enjoy a laugh together as Pearson calls on U. Thant in New York.