



The Heat Treatment
Canadian airmen at Metz, France, have solved the problem of clearing ice off Sabre jets during the cold spell there. The ice-coated Sabre is slowly taxied between the tails of two other aircraft and the jet streams quickly melt the ice. (CP from National Defence).

Budget Highlights

OTTAWA (CP)—Highlights of a government white paper tabled in the Commons today in advance of Finance Minister Harris' Tuesday night budget:

Budget deficit for the year ending March 31 estimated at \$51,700,000 compared with \$151,900,000 in 1954-55 fiscal year.

Current year's revenues estimated at \$4,385,400,000 and expenditures at \$4,437,100,000.

Spending figure does not include \$366,000,000 for old age security payments, covered by non-budget taxes.

Defence spending, largest budget item, increases \$72,000,000 to \$1,760,400,000.

Federal government's net debt at March 31 estimated at \$11,315,000,000, increased from last

Takes Issue On Gaelic Comment

OTTAWA (CP)—William (Scotty) Bryce, born 67 years ago in Lanark, Scotland, took issue Monday with a newspaper editorial that said Gaelic is a foreign language in Canada.

Mr. Bryce (CCF—Selkirk) rose in the Commons and in his rolling Scottish burr said:

"As a Scotsman whose mother tongue is Gaelic, I resent any newspaper in this country making that kind of statement."

"The history of this country will show from Cape Breton island on the east coast to the far-flung coastline of British Columbia that Scotsmen pioneered in the settlement of this country."

This was the second protest in the Commons about the editorial, published by the French-language daily newspaper Montreal-Matin.

Charlie Gillis (CCF—Cape Breton South) brought the matter up Friday, reading parts of the editorial. At one point he quoted it as saying: "Gaelic is a foreign language in Canada, but French is not."

Special day March 8 when parents visited the school.

30 Per Cent Increase In Total Savings During Year

OTTAWA (CP)—A lot of Canadians earned more and spent more in 1955, yet savings in Canada increased by almost \$1,200,000,000. This estimated 30-per-cent rise in total savings in the calendar year 1955 of \$5,199,000,000 followed a 20-per-cent drop in 1954, the year of recession.

All three major sectors—business, persons and governments—contributed to the rise. Finance Minister Harris said in his 1955-56 economic white paper tabled today in the Commons.

But the main contribution came from persons and businesses in a year when the gross national product—value of all goods and services produced—climbed by roughly \$2,500,000,000 to a new high of \$26,624,000,000.

RISE IN INCOME

Total national income increased to \$20,900,000,000 from \$18,774,000,000 in 1954. Major spending rose to \$16,811,000,000 from \$15,776,000.

But despite the great post-war growth in the domestic market, "the level of exports remains a strategic factor in Canadian economic prosperity," Mr. Harris said.

Exports of goods and services exerted a "great stimulus" on the economy in 1955, rising by \$560,000,000 to \$5,696,000,000. But imports made even more rapid gains, increasing by \$785,000,000 to \$6,347,000,000.

Thus, in 1955 Canada's deficit in foreign trade of goods and services increased to \$651,000,000 from \$428,000,000 in 1954.

On the home front, the big rise of more than \$1,000,000,000 in consumer spending showed up in a "striking increase in purchases of passenger cars as well as substantial increases in expenditures on home appliances and furniture."

There also was major spending for housing, food and other goods.

SAVINGS INCREASE

But the country still managed to save. The three levels of government—federal, provincial and municipal—showed combined savings of \$269,000,000 in 1955 compared with \$18,000,000 in 1954, smallest of any post-war year.

Savings by persons increased by \$503,000,000 to \$1,474,000,000 from \$971,000,000. Gross savings by businesses, including undistributed corporation profits, rose by \$515,000,000 to \$3,588,000,000 from \$3,073,000,000.

Mr. Harris observed that in 1955 consumer prices were relatively unchanged from the previous year, but there was a two-per-cent increase in over-all wholesale prices increases in some of the components.

Prices for non-ferrous metals showed the biggest rise—almost 18 per cent. Prices for industrial raw materials increased by eight per cent and those for building materials rose between three and four per cent.

Handicraft Van At Cross Roads

A busy two weeks came to a close on March 2nd when the ladies of Cross Roads district completed the course given by the Handicraft Van sent out by the Dept. of Agriculture with the co-operation of the Women's Institute.

The teachers for this course were Mrs. Earl Larkin and Miss Bertha DeRoche. Weaving, leatherwork, glove-making and dress-making were the arts which were taught in Cross Roads. All who took advantage of the course found it most instructive and enjoyable.

The achievement day was on Friday afternoon when the dresses were modelled and the various other articles were shown to those present. Mrs. Charles Jones who attended as a representative of the executive of the Women's Institute, spoke briefly congratulating all on their various achievements.

Mrs. Lloyd Balderston on behalf of those taking the course expressed thanks to Mrs. Larkin and Miss DeRoche for their patience and counsel and each was presented with a gift by Mrs. Robert MacKinnon. Lunch was served by the ladies.

Russia Says Will "Consider" Anglo-French Peace Plan

LONDON (Reuters)—Russia said Monday she will "consider" a new Anglo-French plan for world disarmament.

However, the plan has run into United States opposition despite reported attempts by Norman Robertson, Canadian high commissioner to London, to mediate differences.

Britain and France put forward the proposal when the United Nations disarmament sub-committee opened a new series of negotiations here aimed at breaking the East-West deadlock on arms limitation.

Canada, Britain, France, the United States and Russia are members of the sub-committee. Details of the Anglo-French plan have not been published. But diplomatic sources said it provides for "freezing" atomic stockpiles at agreed levels, control of future nuclear weapon production and reductions of conventional armaments and manpower.

LAST-MINUTE EFFORT

A last-minute attempt to get western agreement on the plan failed when the U.S. contended it is too sweeping and would weaken the West's defenses. The effort to produce a common Western approach was made at a meeting of the Western delegates a few hours before they met with Russia's Andrei Gromyko.

After Jules Moch of France and Anthony Nutting of Britain introduced their plan, Gromyko said he would "consider it" but would like time to study it.

Harold Stassen, the United States delegate, formally submitted for discussion President Eisenhower's March 1 letter on disarmament to Russian Premier Nikolai Bulganin. In this, the president again urged adoption of his "open skies" plan for mutual aerial inspection to prevent surprise attacks, which, if successful, could be followed by controls on the future production of fissionable materials for weapons.

Welcoming delegates in a brief public speech before the negotiations began, Nutting called on them "to try to replace mutual terror by mutual trust and find a way to rid the world of fear."

OTTAWA (CP)—Fish stocks in cold storage Feb. 29 declined two per cent to 33,241,000 pounds from 33,854,000 on the corresponding date last year, the bureau of statistics reported Monday. Fish stocks with last year's figures in brackets: Haddock 4,930,000 (5,159,000); halibut 2,663,000 (2,776,000); salmon 2,068,000 (5,881,000); sea herring 1,574,000 (3,005,000); other sea fish 14,889,000 (13,537,000); inland fish 3,098,000 (3,482,000).

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KITCHENER, Ont. (CP)—Msr. Robert Stephen Dehler Monday was consecrated first Roman Catholic bishop of Bermuda at St. Mary's church. Bishop Dehler, 66, a former pastor of St. Mary's parish, also is a titular bishop of Clazomena and first vicar-apostolic of Bermuda. Elevation of Dehler followed the raising of Bermuda from an apostolic prefecture to a vicariate by Pope Pius XII.

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