

Hudson Bay Route Is Given Unanimous Confidence Vote

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LONDON (CP)—An annual report of the Hudson Bay route Tuesday gave the northern grain artery a full vote of confidence, and waxed optimistic about its future.

"We feel justified in reiterating our view that the Hudson Bay route bears favorable comparison with the St. Lawrence sea route," said the 14th report on Hudson Bay marine insurance rates for 1955. It is prepared by the Commonwealth shipping committee.

It disclosed, as previously announced, favorable insurance rate revisions by the Institute of London Underwriters for the 1955 season starting next week.

MAY SHIP TIMBER

And it gave notice and studying the possibilities of channelling northern Manitoba and Saskatchewan timber through Port Churchill, Man.

London Insurance Underwriters, acting on the advice of the joint Hull committee, have agreed to grant insurance coverage at the minimum rates for a further five days. Thus, vessels may leave Port Churchill up to Oct. 15 this year without the owners paying a premium surcharge.

The 25-per-cent surcharge now applies to vessels leaving the port between Oct. 15 and 20.

The report gave notice that further insurance extensions may be pressed. It says "it appears from the evidence we have accumulated over a number of years that the navigational hazards of the route are generally much lighter at the end of season, and apparently for some time after the close of the season, than they are at the beginning."

ENJOYED RECORD USE

It added these other comments in attempting to outline pertinent factors for London insurance underwriters:

The route enjoyed record use in 1954, 36 ships calling at Churchill and 12,485,000 bushels of grain being shipped to northern ports. This exceeded 1953 figures of 30 vessels and 1,700,000 bushels.

Port Churchill around time: reduced to an average of 3 days, compared with 5.6 days a year earlier. Three vessels carried inbound cargo, and the port stood up well to all demands.

Referring to Churchill as a potential timber outlet, the report said:

"It has been suggested that with some encouragement and a reasonable chance to compete on an equal basis, lumber shipments through Churchill could be developed. We are interested in this suggestion and will investigate it with a view of reporting more fully in our next report."

Forecast Drop In Liquor Profits

OTTAWA (CP)—An overall decline of \$3,000,000 in liquor profits is forecast by Canada's 10 provinces for the 1955-56 fiscal year.

Total profits for all provinces were estimated at \$120,000,000 for 1954-55, compared with \$123,000,000 for 1953-54; and \$126,000,000 in 1952-53, the bureau of statistics reported Tuesday.

Six out of 10 provinces reported that revenues from liquor sales are estimated to decline this year. Only three—Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Alberta—forecast an increase. One province—New Brunswick—estimated revenues would remain unchanged.

Liquor revenues forecast for 1955-56 with 1954-55 receipts in brackets:

Quebec \$35,730,000 (\$35,780,000); Newfoundland \$3,093,000 (\$2,986,000); Prince Edward Island \$1,145,000 (\$1,150,000); Nova Scotia \$10,191,000 (\$9,821,000); New Brunswick \$6,170,000 (\$6,170,000).

Blame TV For Closing 216 Canadian Movie Theatres

TORONTO (CP)—During the last 1 1/2 years 216 movie theatres in Canada have closed and many more are expected to close before the end of the summer.

Officials of the Canadian film industry here Tuesday blamed television for the closings. They said attendance is "greatly" affected by TV.

Ben Halter, an editor of the Canadian Film Weekly, said five years ago the number of theatres closed in Canada was only about 20.

In the last 1 1/2 years, 126 theatres have been built, bringing the number in operation across Canada to 1,857.

MARGINAL BASIS

R.W. Volstead, vice-president of Famous Players Canada Corp. Ltd., said the theatres affected are those in smaller communities and neighborhood theatres in large centres.

Officials said those closed or being closed have been on a marginal basis for years and competition from TV has finally forced their closing. They said another five are expected to close within a week.

Ontario leads with the most theatres closed. Fifty-two have been shut, while Quebec follows closely with 47. The number in Saskatchewan is 34, Alberta 27, British Columbia 24 and Manitoba 14.

NOT AS SEVERE

The situation in the Maritimes is not as severe. New Brunswick leads with eight. Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island have a total of nine. Newfoundland is practically unaffected with one movie-house closed.

Mr. Halter explained the influence of television is complex, since it affects social and community life. He said a family man now may budget one night a week for taking his wife or family to see a film, where he used to budget at least two.

Then since this may be the only night he takes his wife out, she is not content to go to a neighborhood theatre.

As a result most large downtown theatres in the large cities are attracting just as big crowds now as they ever did.

Court Case In Montreal Over New Street

MONTREAL (CP)—Superior Court has ordered the City of Montreal to say why it hasn't yet opened a street to a \$1,500,000 apartment building erected in a field in the northwestern part of the city.

The court gave the order Monday after counsel for the real estate firm of Simpson-Hill Inc., said that the apartment had been built after assurances had been received from the city that a street would be opened for tenants.

The company said it had been assured by the city that Summerhill avenue—which ends in a blind street just before reaching the apartment—would be extended through to the next cross street.

The city had supplied information on what level the street would be built so that construction of the 11-storey building would not be delayed.

The company asked that the city now extend the street or pay \$693,000 damages.

Hearing of the case probably will be in September.

Prime Minister Discusses Gas Pipeline Project

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent suggested Tuesday Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd. will be called on to complete its \$35,000,000 west-to-east natural gas line when eastern markets have been developed to an adequate economic level.

He said in the Commons "it is probable that, instead of it being an undertaking with a limit fixed in months or years, it would be an undertaking that would mature when markets had developed to a certain percentage."

The prime minister was commenting on reports that Trans-Canada—whose plans for immediate construction of an all-Canadian line from Alberta to Ontario and Quebec have been stalled by financing difficulties—has been discussing a temporary alternative plan with the government.

The Canadian Press said Friday Trans-Canada has given the government an understanding that the all-Canadian line will be built five years after it gets a go-ahead for a temporary plan. The CP said this has not yet been considered by the cabinet.

GREATER CAPACITY

Mr. St. Laurent said negotiations are proceeding on the size of the west-to-east pipeline. It might be that it would have to have a greater capacity than the eastern market could absorb at first.

The question was to see what could be done with the original surplus without making commitments that would not leave enough gas available for expanded eastern Canadian markets later.

The company itself is understood prepared to sell Alberta gas to the U.S. midwest at the Manitoba border and draw its interline eastern requirements from the U.S. at the Ontario border pending buildup of the Ontario-Quebec market.

ORIGINAL NAME

First known as Esquimaux inlet, the largest inlet on the Labrador coast was re-named Hamilton Inlet in 1821.

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ENGAGEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. George C. MacLean, North Wiltshire, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Pauline Burdett to A/3C Jerry Widdiefield, U.S.A.F. of Calby, Kansas, U. S. A. Marriage to take place at Goose Bay, Labrador, August 13th.
NOTICE.—Lawn Sprinklers and Hose. Any person found operating a Lawn Sprinkler, or leaving a Hand Hose unattended, or Wasting water in any way may be dealt with according to the law. This also includes consumers outside the City of Charlottetown. Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply, Charlottetown.

In Memoriam

MR. HENRY D. MACKENZIE
There passed away in Charlottetown on June 18, Henry D. MacKenzie, of St. Peter's Bay, in his 79th year. He had not been in the best of health for some time. All his life was spent at St. Peter's Bay with the exception of a short residence in British Columbia and Charlottetown.

By his sterling qualities of mind and spirit, his kind and genial manner, he endeared himself to all who knew him, and a host of friends mourn the passing of a kind and loving neighbour.

Funeral services were held from St. Peter's Bay United Church, and conducted by the pastor, Rev. Russell MacLeod, who spoke words of comfort and hope to the bereaved family. The large congregation testified to the esteem in which he was held. Hymns sung were: "All the Way My Saviour Lead Me"; "Breathe On Me Breath of God"; "There is a Green Hill Far Away" rendered by Prestor MacEwen Leslie MacLaren and Mrs. Harry Ratray.

Left to mourn his passing are two daughters and three sons: Bertha (Mrs. Simeon MacNeil) Charlottetown; Jean (Mrs. Robert Sutherland), Greenwich; and R. D. of Haverhill, Mass.; Roy, Toronto; and James, St. Peter's Bay; also two brothers, Addison of Nova Scotia, and James of British Columbia; and one sister, Bertha (Mrs. James Gunn) of West St. Peter's, as well as 10 grandchildren.

Floral tributes were: Pillow: Robert, Jean and family; Spray: Simeon, Bertha and Dianna; Spray: James, Edith and Donna; Spray: Roy, Mary, Sylvia; Spray: R. D., Wanda and family; Wreath: Addison, Dell and Carol.

Wreath: Bertha, James and Jean Gunn.

Active pall bearers were: R. D. MacKinnon, Leith Sanderson, Sextus Lewis, Harry Ratray, Leslie MacLaren, and Effie MacPhee. Honorary bearers were: W. C. Lewis, Amby Ratray, Freeman Leslie, and Alexander O'Hanley. Interment took place in Midgell cemetery.

Card of Thanks

The Brothers and Sisters of the late Sadie F. MacLeod wish to express their thanks to all friends near and far who have been so kind and thoughtful of her during her recent illness. They would especially wish to thank Officers and helpers of Canadian Airways for their very great kindness and courtesy when their sister was so very ill coming home from Boston by Plane.

NOT DUTCH
The Manitoba village of Holland, southwest of Winnipeg, was named after a former postmaster.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of a dear Wife and Mother, Mrs. Hooper Essery, who passed away July 14th, 1952.

Two dear bright eyes, a tender smile,
A loving heart that knew no guile,
Deep trust in God that all was right,
Her joy to make some other bright.

If sick or suffering one she knew,
Some gentle act of love she'd do,
No thought of self, but of "the other".
I knew He said "Well done dear Mother."

Ever Remembered by Husband and Family.

In Memoriam

In kind and loving memory of my dear son James McGaughey, who passed away July 14th, 1952.

Sweet memories will linger forever,
Time cannot change them, it's true:
Years that may come cannot sever
Our loving remembrance of you.

Sadly Missed and Always Remembered by Sister Doris, Brother-in-law Haviland, Nephews James, Lowell, Charles, Nieces Darlene

Blue Ridge Mountain country of North Carolina, a fire has been constantly burning in a cabin fireplace for 165 years. A pioneer, Thomas Dalton, set the fire with flint a few years after the end of the Revolution, and strange but true it has been kept going by Dalton's descendants ever since.

Of Mother, Mrs. Burgess Newson.
Years cannot darken nor shadows blur
The beautiful memories I have of her.
Always Remembered by Daughter Rhoda.

Report Whooping Crane Making Another Comeback

OTTAWA (CP)—The nearly extinct whooping crane is staging another comeback. Four young were hatched this spring to boost known numbers of the rare birds to at least 25.

World population of the big white cranes sank to an all-time low of 15 in 1941 but rose slowly to 24 in 1953.

W.W. Main, chief of the resource department's wildlife service, told a press conference Tuesday that two pairs of young whoopers were spotted by wildlife officials in Wood Buffalo Park.

He located the nest area of three pairs of cranes—hitherto one of nature's best-kept secrets—50 miles west of Fort Smith in the said he will ask the air transport board to ban low flying in the area to protect the cranes.

CREATE SANCTUARY

The heron-like birds with their seven-foot wingspread and bugle-like voices once numbered in the thousands. Hunters killed them indiscriminately until United States and Canadian wildlife officials began protecting them. They banned shooting whoopers and made a sanctuary of their wintering grounds at Arkansas on the Texas Gulf coast.

Only last year was it suspected some of the bird's wintered in Wood Buffalo Park. This year officials watched for the birds, located their nests by air and sent in a ground party to observe them.

Almost nothing is known of the birds' nesting habits.

Officials hope the scientists' findings will help protect the birds from whatever dangers they face during the nesting season.

Actress Marlene Dietrich Visits British Columbia

LONDON (Reuters)—Marlene Dietrich swept into Britain's ancient House of Commons Wednesday and members of Parliament took time off from law-making to gaze in open admiration.

The world's most glamorous grandmother looked better in white suit, hat, gloves and high-heeled shoes. Her only jewelry was a sparkling ruby and gold bracelet.

In vivid contrast to cool Marlene was her 25-year-old hostess, Mrs. Bessie Bradlock, who appeared like many other members of Parliament to be wilting from the heat.

Marlene lunched with Bessie and five other Socialist members before taking a seat in the distinguished visitors gallery. There she sat, an intriguing figure of concentration as MPs on the floor of the House tried to keep their eyes down and concentrate on business.

Bessie, who represents a tough industrial district of Liverpool, met the actress at a London nightclub last week after accepting the nightclub's offer to introduce her to the audience.

Card of Thanks

The family of the late Henry D. MacKenzie wish to express their sincere thanks to their neighbours and friends for their many acts of kindness and for flowers and messages of sympathy received in their recent bereavement.

Cairns Picnic

The annual Cairns picnic was held on July 1 at Chelton Beach with approximately 100 present.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. James W. Marshall of Fort William, Ont., who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 7.

A delicious supper was served by the ladies and a generous supply of ice cream served by the men.

A game of softball, swimming and other games were enjoyed by young and old.

It was decided to hold next year's picnic on July 1 at the same place and a committee consisting of the following was appointed to make all arrangements: William Montgomery, Vernon Miller and Earl Pearson.

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Motor Vehicle Registration

OTTAWA (CP)—The number of motor vehicles registered rose 6.2 per cent last year to 3,644,589 from 3,430,672 in 1953, the bureau of statistics reported Wednesday.

Passenger cars numbered 2,853,430 compared with 2,513,754, or one car for every 5.7 Canadians. There was one car for every 1.9 Canadians in 1953.


Provincial registrations with 199 figures in brackets: Prince Edward Island, 20,848 (20,286); Nova Scotia, 133,067 (129,564); New Brunswick, 99,058 (83,914); Newfoundland, 34,423 (29,576); Quebec, 674,114 (617,855).

The Historic Landmarks Association of Canada was established in 1907 to mark historic sites.

CENTENNIAL EXHIBIT

Of The PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS of HUBERT ROGERS CIVIC CENTRE JULY 11 to 23rd, 1955

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