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Rail Unions Preparing For Action

MONTREAL (CP) - Canada's major railway unions moved a step closer Wednesday to launching new contract talks with the CPR and CNR.

Top officials of 15 non-operating railway unions approved a new set of demands to be served within days on the railways.

They declined to disclose their demands, but informants said the unions plan to seek higher wages, severance pay, more vacations with pay as well as other fringe benefits.

The "non-op" unions represent 130,000 railway workers in Canada—almost all railway employees except those in the running trades.

The end of Cotroni's trial, which began Monday, came abruptly. It climaxed undercover sleuthing by U.S. treasury agents and the RCMP and Cotroni's arrest at the motel rendezvous of a narcotics payoff.

Following a lengthy noon-hour adjournment, defence counsel Antonio Lamer told Mr. Justice Wilfrid Lazure in Court of Queen's Bench that Cotroni would like to change his plea and admit the charge.

Maximum sentence for the offence is 14 years in penitentiary plus the lash.

Drop charges. Court sources said a charge of conspiracy in connection with narcotics charge will be withdrawn by the crown.

Banner Year Is Seen Likely For Island Potato Farmers

Drug Trafficking Admitted By Montreal Restaurateur

MONTREAL (CP) - Giuseppe (Pepi) Cotroni, plump, fat-jowelled Montreal restaurateur, suddenly switched his plea Wednesday and admitted trafficking in drugs on which the crown placed a black-market price tag of \$8,000,000.

Another resolution passed at the afternoon business session stated that "the committee investigating the possibilities of cost-plus buying plan for hardware and allied items be authorized to continue their current negotiations with a present potential supplier to bring this plan to a point of a concrete proposal for R.M.A. members."

CO-OP BUYING. At present co-operative buying by association members is confined mainly to grocery items but it was pointed out that one hardware supplier has indicated he is willing to do business after certain obstacles have been overcome.

At August, Ga., the White House said Wednesday Eisenhower favored a Western summit conference and is willing to attend one at any time.

SHOW OF STRENGTH. He requested as many members as possible to attend the (Continued on page 5 Col. 4)

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P.E.I. Merchants Oppose Sales Tax

SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN. A resolution opposing the imposition of a retail sales tax as a means of providing additional revenue for any purpose was passed unanimously at the annual meeting of the Retail Merchants Association of P.E.I. held yesterday afternoon.

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Montague Fire Loss Estimated At 50,000. MONTAGUE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN. A disastrous fire at Montague yesterday afternoon levelled Munroe's Farm Equipment building on Main Street and gutted the home of Mrs. G.A. Thompson.

HOUSE IS LOST. Due to the proximity of the farm equipment building to the Thompson home, the violently spreading flames ignited the residence almost immediately.

WHERE-TO-FIND-IT. Announcements, notices, Births, deaths, etc., Classified section, Finance, markets, Comics, features, Charlottetown news, Editorials, Island news, Sports, Women's page.

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GREAT SOLDIER IS HONORED. Military men stand guard as the body of Gen. George C. Marshall lies in repose in the Bethlehem Chapel of Washington National Cathedral.

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