

REPORT OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE PARTLY ADOPTED BY LEGISLATURE

The report of the Education Committee with one of the original sections and the major part of three other sections deleted, was passed in committee in the Legislature yesterday afternoon. The Legislative members voted out the section recommending a revision of the salary contract between the Government and the Principal of Prince of Wales College. According to the contract the College Principal receives an automatic increase each year. The original committee report had asked that Government legislation on this matter be rescinded. The recommendation of the committee that the Principal of P.W.C. should not include extra-curricular activities outside the Province beyond the regular holidays of public servants was also deleted. Several factors which the committee considered were contributing to the high failure rate at P.W.C. were deleted. These factors were (1) The tendency to expect too much in the high school grades (Continued on Page 15 col. 2)

Legislature To Prorogue At Noon Today

The Legislature early this morning passed the Appropriation Bill after a lengthy discussion of the estimates in committee. The total appropriation bill was \$10,680,739. Second and third readings of the bill will be given this morning when the House meets at ten o'clock. The Legislature will prorogue at twelve o'clock. The House commenced consideration of the estimates shortly after five o'clock yesterday evening. Following the six o'clock recess the members resumed their discussions until a short break at eleven. The House adjourned shortly after one o'clock.

British Transport Ministry Orders All Comet Jet Airliners Grounded

NAPLES, Italy, (CP)—The British ministry of transport Friday night withdrew its certificate of airworthiness from all Comet jetliners pending "detailed investigations into the causes of recent disasters." The action, announced in London was taken as British warships recovered wreckage and at least six bodies from the Mediterranean 30 miles north of Stromboli where a Comet bound from Rome to Cairo crashed Thursday night, killing all 21 persons aboard. As Britain prepared for an intensive investigation, there was a new report to fit a strange pattern of similarity between this and two other Comet crashes of the last 10 months. A U.S. Navy pilot who flew over the crash scene Friday said the jet apparently exploded in the air as did a sister ship which crashed off the island of Elba three months ago with loss of 33 lives. In each of the three cases, the plane crashed about 30 minutes after

taking off and climbing about 1,000 feet a minute to an altitude of six miles. Remarking on the similarity, Sir Miles Thomas, chairman of British Overseas Airways Corporation which earlier ordered all its Comets grounded, said the three "inexplicable tragedies" of the last 10 months all followed a "certain pattern on reaching or approaching maximum altitude at full power." "Until the manufacturers can tell us that they have discovered and rectified the cause of these tragedies, we certainly cannot carry any passengers in Comets," he added. In announcing that it was withdrawing its certificate of airworthiness, the transport ministry said it had acted after consulting with the air safety board and Thomas. It added that the plane's manufacturer, de Havilland, concurred in the decision and said authorities in other countries were being notified.

Coming Events

- **Rummage Sale below Hearts Hall, today, 3:00 p.m.
- **King's daughters Pantry Sale at S. A. McDonald's, Saturday at 2:30.
- **Marshfield Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Cake Sale, today, 2 o'clock. Moore & McLeod.
- **Shur-Gain Cavalcade, which was to be held in Pownall Hall April 13th has been cancelled, due to road conditions.
- **Showing at Mt. Stewart Friday and Saturday—"Woman of the North County." Starring Ruth Hussey and Rod Cameron.
- **Booking your orders for carload of bagged lime to arrive latter part of May. G. H. Jones, Hazelbrook.
- **Auto and Farm Supplies, 203 Great George Street, Sales and Service. Complete line of De Laval Milkers, Separators, Water Pressure Systems, Automobile Parts, Oils, Greases, etc.
- **The Shur-Gain Amateur Cavalcade, Freetown Hall, Monday, April 12th at 8:00 p.m., sponsored by South Freetown Home and School. Please send entries to Mrs. Eldon Drummond, Freetown.
- **Farmers: Requiring financial help to raise Hogs, Chickens, Turkeys, do it the Shur-Gain way. Contact our dealers or P. L. Morris Shur-Gain Feed Mills, Kinkora, Summersdale, Charlottetown.
- **Buying pigs Monday at Freetown, Tuesday Brookfield 9 a.m.; Milton 10, York 1 p.m., Bedford 2, Tracadie 2:30, Mt. Stewart 3. Paying \$35 pair for good pigs over 35 lbs. each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen.
- **It's the talk of the country. What is it? 18% Shur-Gain Pig Booster. My sales have increased 100% in two months. Get some for your pigs today. Cheap at double the price. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- **We have told you that there is none better at any price. Every bag is the same. That is Shur-Gain 20% Chick Starter. Convince yourself by trying it for chicks this year. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- **Come and enjoy the second Family Rally, Sunday next, 7:15 p.m. Capitol Theatre. Community Hymn sing-song. The singing police-men, Band and Songsters. Plain preaching by Sr. Capt. L. Titcombe. Topic "A Crown Despoiled."
- **Arriving shortly a carload of No. 1 Barley Meal \$2.85 per bag. Carload No. 1 Barley and Oats \$2.50 per bag. Carload of cement. Complete stock Asphalt shingles, etc. on hand. Get our prices before buying. Phone or write R. L. Dickie-son, New Glasgow.

French Want Free Hand At Geneva

PARIS, (Reuters)—Premier Joseph Laniel said Friday "France wants to go to the Geneva conference with a free hand." Political observers here interpreted this to mean Laniel was rejecting U. S. State Secretary Dulles' plea for a five-power warning to Communist China on the consequences of further intervention in the Indo-China war.

Ontario Liberals Select Leader

TORONTO, (CP)—Ontario Liberals Friday called back a veteran of political wars to lead their party. Farquhar Oliver, fifty-year-old retired Priceville farmer and the party's House leader in the Ontario legislature, was elected by a landslide vote at the close of the two-day Liberal convention. Mr. Oliver, who was party leader from 1947 to 1949, was elected on the first ballot, receiving 412 votes against 182 for Albert Wren, Liberal-Labor member of the legislature for Kenora, and 46 for William Temple, 28-year-old Belleville lawyer and alderman. Over the tumult of cheering and wild, bursting balloons and delegates, the exuberant Mr. Oliver pledged "from this day on until the next election to spend all my time expanding and promoting the Liberal gospel in this province."

Freight Traffic Across Strait

Carloads ferried from Borden to Cape Tormentine during March show an increase of 24 as compared with last year, according to a statement released by the office of Superintendent C. T. Montgomery here. Potato shipments were up 38 cars from 908 to 944 and the shipment of ten cars of oats as compared with nil last year is indicated. Livestock carloads were up from 80 to 91, eggs seven (3), fish five (1), meats 30 (26). Decreases last year in brackets: Household goods, nil (3), hay and straw nil, (2), lumber 1 (6), scrap iron 1, (22). From Tormentine to Borden there was a decrease of 131 cars from 1199 last year to 1068 this year. Shipments included, last year in brackets: autos 67, (77), coal 166, (84), flour and feed 113, (148), fertilizer 12, (18), gas and oils 180, (215), lime 5, (10), less carloads 268 (280), meats 16 (14), machinery 5 (33), vegetables 15 (4), building material 7, (18).

Calling Tenders June 1 For 3 1/2 Million Federal Building

Scenes At Site Of North Star Crash



A fireman inspects ruins of a Trans-Canada Airlines North Star and an R.C.A.F. Harvard trainer, which collided Thursday morning in mid-air over Moose Jaw, Sask., with 37 deaths. 35 of the victims were in the TCA craft, one in the training plane and the other a cleaning woman who was killed when the wreckage set fire to a dwelling. AP Wirephoto.



Twisted debris is scattered for blocks in Moose Jaw as a result of the mid-air collision. AP Wirephoto.

Probe of Air Crash Launched Widow Committed To Stand Trial

**CITY TAX AMENDMENT BILL PASSES
COMMITTEE READING IN HOUSE**
By Graham Trotter
Canadian Press Staff Writer
MOOSE JAW, Sask., (CP)—An official inquiry has opened into Canada's worst airline disaster, the mid-air collision of a Trans-Canada Air Lines North Star and an RCAF Harvard trainer plane which claimed 37 lives. The inquiry was conducted behind closed doors Friday in the city hall by C. T. Travers of Ottawa, superintendent of air regulations for the federal transport department, who flew in from the capital. It is understood normal procedure will be for Mr. Travers to submit a report to Ottawa on his findings, to be announced later by the controller of civil aviation. It is expected to be some time before cause of the crash, if determined, is made public. At the same time, an RCAF board of inquiry opened with interrogation of witnesses. The board is headed by Wing Cmdr. W. B. Hodgson, commanding officer of the RCAF station at Clarksburg, Alta. TCA also is conducting an investigation. Mayor L. H. Lewry convened a special council meeting late Friday. (Continued on page 15, col. 7)

BELLEVILLE, Ont., (CP)—A 48-year-old widow was committed Friday to stand trial for murder in the agony death last January of her husband. The Crown says she was poisoned with strychnine. Magistrate T. Y. Willis committed Mrs. Mary Bell for trial after the slim widow, her head bowed stood before the bench dressed in black and said in a low voice: "I am not guilty of this offense. Your Worship, and I have nothing to say at this time." Mrs. Bell probably will come up for trial at the next assizes here in October. MONTREAL, (CP)—S. F. Dingle, vice-president of operation for Canadian National Railways, said Friday that last Tuesday's fatal train wreck at Montmagny, Que., occurred because a "switch was opened deliberately by a person or persons unknown." In Quebec provincial police said a man may be questioned in connection with the wreck. They declined to comment further on reports that the accident was caused by a man described as "disgruntled."

PUBLIC WORKS MINISTER REVEALS PLANS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, Oct. 9.—(Special)—June the first is the target date for the calling for tenders on the new Federal Building in Charlottetown, Hon. Robert H. Winters, Minister of Public Works, said in the House of Commons here today. The announcement came as the result of a question asked on the floor of the House by Neil A. Matheson, the new member for Queens. Later Mr. Winters indicated that the tentative cost estimate of the new building is \$3,500,000. In reply to a query from Mr. J. Angus MacLean, the Minister said that provision was being made in the building to accommodate the departments of Postoffice, Customs, Income Tax, Agriculture, Public Works, Transport, and Veterans Affairs. The plans now do not include accommodation for the R.C.M.P. The original plans provided for an eight storey building. It is understood that the new plans are for a six or seven storey structure, with the top floor space considerably larger than was at first designed. The Liberal member from Queens got a warm assurance from the Minister that his department was proceeding with the plans with all possible speed, and that June first was the tender target date. Mr. Matheson also asked whether separate tenders would be called for the clearing of the site and the construction of the new building. To this Hon. Mr. Winters replied that it would depend on how speedy the department could get possession of all the buildings from the present tenants. "It will depend on our ability to get vacant possession of several properties on the site," he declared. The implication was that if all the time the plans are completed and ready for tenders to be called, separate tenders will be called for the clearing of the site. Otherwise the one tender would be called for both operations, it was indicated. Hon. Mr. Winters estimates were before the House throughout the afternoon and evening. J. Angus MacLean, Conservative member for Queens congratulated Mr. Winters on his appointment as minister of the department and expressed his satisfaction that plans are now underway to begin construction of the building this year. However, he criticized delays in starting the project. Speaking later during consideration of Works Department estimates, Mr. MacLean said Parliament has voted money for the Charlottetown building every year since 1947, an accumulated total of \$1,500,000. He said he welcomed the news that a start will be made this year, but added: "The Canadian people are sick and tired of paying real taxes for meaningless estimates proposed to build phantom buildings."

Rev. A. Bradley, Native of Kelly's Cross Dies In Ont.

News was received in Charlottetown yesterday of the death in Kingston, Ontario of Rev. Austin Bradley, S.J. His funeral will be held in Kingston Monday morning. Father Bradley, 71, was a native of Kelly's Cross, a son of the late Frank Bradley and his wife, nee Eliza Donnelly. He graduated from St. Dunstan's University before continuing his studies in the Jesuit Order. Surviving are a brother and a sister, Winfred Bradley of California and Sister Mary Austin of St. Joseph's Convent, Charlottetown. A niece and a nephew, Miss Mary E. Bradley and Mr. Robert Bradley, both of Charlottetown, are leaving today to attend the funeral.

Child Smothers In Shallow Mud-Puddle

HILLSBURGH, Ont., (CP)—Two-year-old Ruby Coughill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Coughill, smothered to death near her home Thursday when she fell face-down in three inches of mud and water. Her four-year-old brother, Wayne, tried to lift her out of the mudhole, lost his grip, stumbled backwards and became stuck in a sitting position. The father, helping a neighbor fix a barn door, was torn to the pulvis by an excited collie dog. Hillsburg is 35 miles west of Toronto.

McCarthy Labeled As Headline-hunter

CHICAGO, (AP)—A Roman Catholic Bishop Friday denounced Senator Joseph McCarthy, a fellow Catholic, as a headline-hunter, and the Bishop gave his description of a true anti-Communist. A true anti-Communist, Bishop Bernard J. Sheil said, would be interested first in seeing that people have enough to eat and have decent homes. The Bishop did not mention McCarthy by name in his address but referred to "the junior Senator from Wisconsin" and a "city slicker from Appleton," the Senator's home town.



TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	15	18
Vancouver	38	52
Victoria	37	47
Edmonton	31	36
Calgary	29	30
Regina	32	53
Winnipeg	31	55
Toronto	29	45
Ottawa	29	43
Montreal	23	38
Quebec	13	20
Saint John	27	36
Moncton	26	37
Halifax	26	43
Charlottetown	26	34
Sydney	24	34
Yarmouth	23	34
St. John's	42	48

HALIFAX, (CP)—The weather office here says an area of high pressure over New England will cross the Maritimes late Saturday. Until then there will be little change in the weather. Increasing cloudiness and rising temperatures will follow with Sunday forecast to be a dull, mild day. Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island, eastern N.B. counties: Sunny and milder; light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown 15 and 40, Moncton 15 and 45. Outlook for Sunday: Overcast and mild. St. John river valleys, Bay of Chaleur: Sunny and milder, clouding over in the evening; light winds becoming south 15 by afternoon. Low-high at Fredericton 15 and 45, Saint John 18 and 43, Edmundston 15 and 45. Outlook for Sunday: Overcast and mild. High tide today at Charlottetown at 4:26 a.m. and 3:24 p.m. Summerside tide 18 minutes later. Sun rises today at 5:38 a.m. and sets at 6:51 p.m.

Rebels move like moles on Fortress

(By Larry Allen)
HANOI, Indo-China, (AP)—Thousands of Communist-led Vietnamese rebels dug like little moles nearer to the heart of Dien Bien Phu as rebel artillery roared Friday in prelude to a new massive assault on the French union fortress. Some army officers believe the attack will come in four or five days. French army headquarters reported Vietnamese 108- and 75-

millimetre guns hammered key defence strongpoints furiously. Heavy rebel anti-aircraft batteries blasted at squadrons of French fighters and bombers hitting rebel troop concentrations and ammunition depots. The French, firing 105-millimetre guns, put up a terrific counter-barrage, trying to knock out the rebels' firing positions. While the artillery duels raged, Vietnamese soldiers by the thousands burrowed feverishly into foxholes and tunnels all around the dustbowl. By burrowing these passages just big enough for one Vietnamese to slip through at a time, the rebels hoped to bring themselves up just inside or near the French barbed wire mazes and destroy these with plastic containers of high explosives. The way then would be cleared for massive infantry charges. In attempts to smash the barbwire the Vietnamese usually have

left a thousand or more dead, mown down by French fire. To bolster their "mole men," the Vietnamese held ready picked suicide squads of "volunteers of death." These are usually half-drunk on a native rice drink called "choum," and are sent into action to blow up defence barriers and then finish off themselves with another plastic container of explosive rather than die by French guns.