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# Storm Toll Is Set At 35 Property Loss Is Great

## 13 Known Dead As Fears Grow

By DON ROYT  
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ESCOMINAC, N.B. (CP)—  
Thirty-five fishermen were listed officially as dead or missing Monday night in the Northumberland Strait fishing fleet disaster.

As the search for bodies continued and reports trickled in from isolated coves and hamlets the possibility remained that the final toll might be even higher.

RCMP said 11 bodies have been found. Two other men are listed as known dead on the basis of reports from survivors who saw them washed overboard from their tiny salmon fishing boats in a broiling sea early Saturday.

Twenty-two men are listed as missing and presumed drowned.

**FLEET CRIPPLED**

The most devastating gale to hit the New Brunswick coast in years also wiped out about one-third of the Miramichi area salmon fleet, a heavy blow to the district's economy.

Most of the 66 licensed boats in the Escuminac area were at sea when the gale struck. Twenty-two of them disappeared in the storm.

Four finally made port, battered and leaking. Police said

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## Alberton's Fishermen Are Hauling In Traps

ALBERTON — Many lobster fishermen at Alberton were hauling in their gear and calling it a season rather than try to replace heavy storm losses at this late date in the season, it was learned last night.

Storm losses of from fifty to sixty percent were reported as common among the fishermen in this vicinity.

Faced with the loss of large numbers of traps and the almost impossible task of repairing hundreds of others for only eight days of fishing many men were hauling gear yesterday following the most disappointing spring season for many years.

Fishermen operating close inshore were the hardest hit. Bill Butt reported recovering only 135 traps, many of those damaged, from a total gear of five hundred traps.

Reg Fraser, James Gallant,

Bill Gionet and Harold Skerres, Arnold and Devere Avery and several others had much the same story.

Four or five fishermen fishing well off shore south of Alberton found their gear almost intact although in a scuffed and battered condition.

Perhaps the heaviest individual loss was the \$4,000 trap lost at Herring Cove, near Fort Anne which was owned by the provincial department of fisheries.

The net was 360 feet in circumference and was set in deep. It had been operated by Lester Johnston.

**TANGLED MESS**

The job of sorting out the tangled masses of gear is far from completed. One group of men spent several hours untangling rope washed up on the shore near Alberton harbor entrance.

George McBeth, a veteran of sixty-six years at sea, lost fifteen of his eighteen mackerel nets valued at \$35.00 each. Mr. McBeth, who concentrates on mackerel and cod fishing each summer, had purchased all new nets and equipment for this year's fishing.

At Tignish fishermen with gear well off shore also fared fairly well but most traps set inshore were missing or destroyed. Estimate ran from 25 to 50 percent.

**BAIT SHORTAGE**

A serious shortage of bait in Tignish coupled with storm losses and damage has caused many fishermen to give up for the season.

The word from Eastern fishermen indicated that traps in deep water suffered little damage although the damage was extensive to inshore gear and equipment.

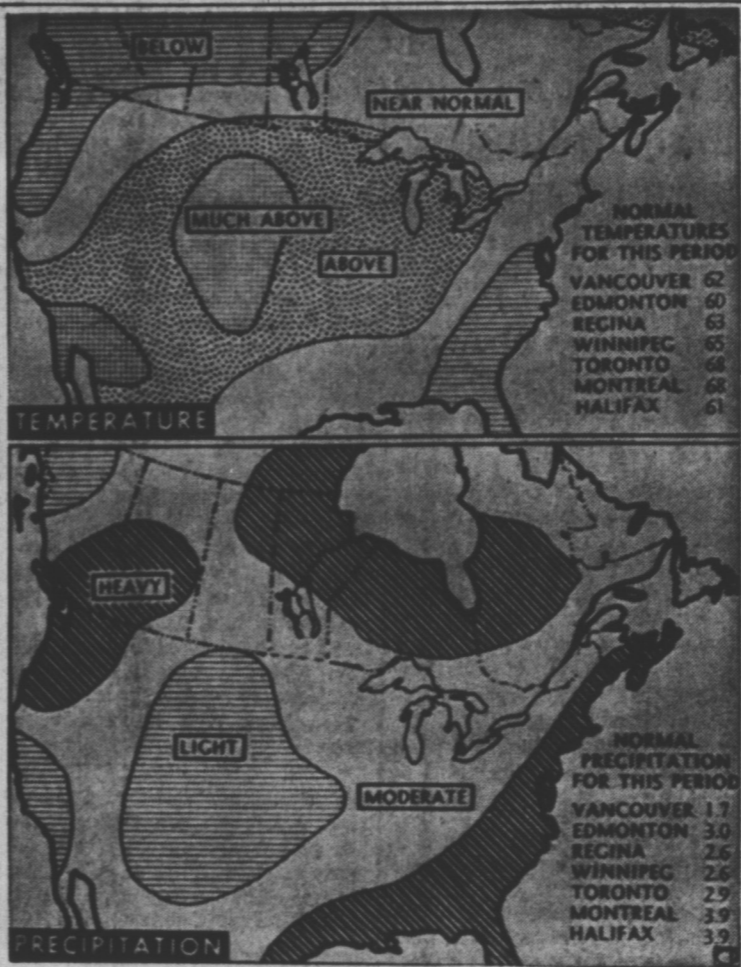
In the Sturgeon-Gaspereaux area many of the fishermen had moved their gear to deeper water due to the poor inshore fishing, consequently their losses were less severe. However areas such as Amundale and Launching where fishermen normally move to shallow waters this time of year, suffered heavy losses.

The majority of fishermen in these areas are not insured.

There were no reports of boat losses between Tracadie and Rustico but the damage to fishing gear appeared heavier closer to Rustico.

Covehead fishermen escaped the storm because some 40 percent of their traps were pulled out for the season early last week.

There had been heavy losses of gear in previous storms this spring and summer.



### COLDER WEATHER

Most of Western Canada can expect below-normal temperatures during the June 15-17 period while readings in Eastern Canada will be close to normal. This map, based on the 30-day outlook of the United States weather bureau, also shows that moderate rainfall is expected in most of the grain-growing areas of Western Canada. Precipitation will be heavy in southern Alberta and British Columbia. Tables show normal temperatures and precipitation for various centres during the period.

## Pallett Denies Charges Re Land 'Appraising'

OTTAWA (CP) — John Pallett, chief government Whip, Monday denied testimony given the Exchequer Court by his former political campaign organizer.

Entering debate for the first time since the case involving himself was raised in the Commons June 5, Mr. Pallett said he never at any time instructed land appraiser J.E.S. Clare to place a generous valuation on properties expropriated by the transport department near Malton, Ont., in his riding of Peel. Mr. Clare, of Port Credit, Ont., is a former campaign organizer for Mr. Pallett.

Mr. Justice J.T. Thorson of the Exchequer Court said in a written judgment June 4 that Mr. Clare "admitted that Mr. Pallett had instructed him to put as generous a valuation as possible on the properties."

Mr. Pallett also described as a "simple misunderstanding" an alleged agreement between himself and Transport Minister Hees that Mr. Clare's valuations would be accepted by both the property owners and the transport department.

Mr. Justice Thorson said Mr. Pallett had testified before the Exchequer Court that it had been indicated to him by Mr. Hees that "whatever valuations were made by (Mr. Clare) would be accepted by the department of transport."

Mr. Pallett said Monday he believes Mr. Hees told him the valuations would be submitted to treasury board—a cabinet committee—and that Mr. Hees was equally sure that the assurances given were that the valuations would be submitted to the treasury board staff, a group of civil servants.

The MP for Peel spoke after (Continued on Page 2 Col. 7)

## LIBERAL MOVE IS REJECTED

OTTAWA — CP — The Commons Monday night rejected a parliamentary inquiry into the conduct of chief government Whip John Pallett after the Opposition tabled a sworn statement in last-minute support of their case.

By a vote of 138 to 35, the Progressive Conservatives defeated a combination of Liberals and OCF on a non-confidence motion calling for an inquiry.

The final Liberal speaker, Paul Hellyer (L. Toronto Trinity) tabled an affidavit by Gilbert George White, one of those expropriated, who said under oath that Transport Minister Hees told him he signed agreements with Malton property owners in the Toronto area and passed them on to treasury board, a cabinet committee and considers all planned expenditures.

## Cabinet Quits In Argentine

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — President Arturo Frondizi's cabinet resigned Monday night as Frondizi yielded to a virtual ultimatum from Argentina's rebellious armed forces.

However, the president rejected the resignations of the ministers of war, the navy and the air force.

The military had bluntly told Frondizi either to change the course his government was following or face the threat of being ousted.

Frondizi had been struggling desperately against mushrooming defiance from military leaders which threatened to erupt into a coup d'etat.

## Ottawa Pledges 'All Possible Aid'

OTTAWA (CP) — Everything possible will be done to see that help is given New Brunswick fishermen to restore their gear and equipment lost during violent weekend storms, Veterans Minister Brooks said Monday.

Mr. Brooks, New Brunswick cabinet minister, spoke as all parties in the Commons expressed sympathy for the loss of life that occurred.

G. Roy McWilliam, Liberal in whose Northumberland - Miramichi constituency most of the loss of life and equipment occurred, appealed to Prime Minister Diefenbaker for assistance on behalf of surviving fishermen who lost their gear and equipment. He suggested something might be done under the Canadian Disaster Relief Fund.

Mr. Diefenbaker, noting that latest reports available to him placed the death toll at 13, (Continued on page 2 Col. 3)

## FATHER, 2 BROTHERS

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## MANNING GETS UNUSUAL GIFT

The wheel chair and crutches? Social Credit leaders said Premier Manning will remain in office until old age forces him to use them. The premier, 51, smiles at his party's sweeping victory in the Alberta election. (CP Wirephoto)



CHECKING ROUTES and timings before a training exercise are Capt. W. B. (Benny) Peters, MM, CD, Adjutant of the P. E. Island Regiment, left, and Lt. Col. John A. MacDonald, ED, Commanding Officer of the unit. The regiment is currently undergoing a week's annual summer training at Camp Gagetown (National Defence Photo)

## Island Officer Calls Soldiering 'Pleasant Change From Politics'

CAMP GAGETOWN—Soldiering is a pleasant change of pace from political life, according to Lt. Col. John A. MacDonald, ED, federal member of Parliament for Kings, P. E. Island, and Commanding Officer of the Prince Edward Island Regiment.

Col. MacDonald's unit joined hundreds of other Militia troops from Quebec and the three Maritime provinces, last week for annual summer training with units of the Regular Army over the 427 square-mile training area at Camp Gagetown.

Describing the integrated training, Col. MacDonald said that working with members of the Regular Army is a "great help" to Militiamen. He added that the Camp Gagetown training area is the "best of its kind" anywhere.

This was the opinion of all Militia commanders interviewed in the field. "The large and diversified training areas available and the good-will and able assistance shown by the Regular Army units has more than compensated for the cold, wet weather during the training", said Lt.-Col. J. H. D. Olands, MC, ED, Commanding Officer of the Halifax Rifles.

Said Major G. C. Catton, CD, "B" Squadron Commander, 1/8 Hussars, a Regular Army Officer, "I'm all for this type of training. It gives the Militia a chance to do things they are unable to do in their home areas." He spoke highly of the enthusiasm shown by the Militiamen in their training.

**FIRST IN FIELD**

For many, it is their first taste of training in the field. For others, as one Militia sergeant, a

## Island School Districts Will Be 'Consolidated'

The school districts of Waterville and Dromore are to be united with the consolidated school district of Port Augustus, effective July 1, 1959, according to an announcement made yesterday by Education Minister Keir Clark.

The announcement, Mr. Clark said, was made following a careful study of all the petitions submitted. These petitions indicated a considerable over all majority in favour of amalgamation in the districts concerned.

Port Augustus consolidated school district at first comprising the five school districts of Fort Augustus, Glenman, Taranant, Webster's Corner and Auburn were brought together in 1953 with a view to providing better educational opportunities for the school children of the area.

One year later Donagh school district joined the unit and in 1954 a new four-room school was built at Fort Augustus. The pupils within a certain distance were transported by two transportation systems.

"The consolidation of this area has been a successful one", said Mr. Clark, "not only in area but in the number and attendance of pupils."

The unit was enlarged in 1954 with the addition of Donagh school district and now with the addition of Waterville and Dromore, it is expected that the unit will enjoy even greater success, the Minister said.

Mr. Clark said Fort Augustus school unit has demonstrated beyond doubt that the larger unit can provide better facilities for school children and suggests that it may well be a good example for other districts to follow.

## Hydrogen Bomb Blasting Painted

WASHINGTON (AP) — What would be like if a hydrogen bomb packing the force of 10,000,000 tons of TNT exploded on the ground?

Dr. Frank Shelton, a Pentagon nuclear specialist, sketched this picture as a joint congressional atomic energy subcommittee opened hearings Monday on what an H-bomb attack would do to the United States.

A 10-megaton bomb would gouge a crater nearly half a mile across and 240 feet deep in dry soil.

Basements would be no protection against blast and radiation would kill anybody within slightly more than two miles of the explosion point.

**BUILDINGS LEVELLED**

Every brick building for seven miles would be levelled. Within a nine-mile radius all frame structures would collapse.

Fires would break out on all sides.

If you were standing 10 miles from the explosion, you would be enveloped by deadly radioactive fallout within half an hour.

At the end of an hour, you would absorb 3,000 roentgens (a roentgen is a unit of radiation). You could survive not more than 15 minutes of such intense exposure.

Within 25 miles of the blast, anybody standing in the open would suffer second-degree burns. Within that same radius, window curtains and similar light material would flame up.

## White Rapists Get Life Term

By HENDRIX CHANDLER  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP)—A southern judge Monday handed out life sentences to four white youths convicted of raping a Negro college girl. Sentencing came seven weeks after the crime.

Circuit Judge W. may Walker sternly told the four they had committed a horrible crime and were lucky to escape the electric chair. He recommended that they direct any appeal they might have to God.

The sentences, maximum possible under jury recommendations of mercy, were hailed by a Tallahassee Negro leader as a step toward equal justice for his race.

## Police Hunt Missing Reds

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — It was reported Monday night that police were searching for two crewmembers of the Russian trawler Neman, who apparently deserted when the vessel arrived here from the Grand Banks Sunday for provisions.

Victor Selianoff, second secretary of the Russian Embassy in Ottawa, arrived here Monday. He told reporters his visit was in connection with the disappearance of the two seamen.

The men were identified as Vilnis Butold and Adolph Tionis, both 21.

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