

Canada to Build Ship To Explore Arctic Waters

OTTAWA, (CP)—The men who chart Canada's coastal waters will soon have a new ship specially designed to explore Arctic waters. The attention of both economic and defence planners to the little-known channels, reefs and inlets along Canada's northern coast and the Arctic archipelago.

The keel is expected to be laid this year for the dream ship of the Canadian hydrographic service, its first in 40 years.

Tenders are expected to be called shortly, says Dominion Hydrographer F. C. Goulding Smith. It will go well the ship should go into service by the summer of 1956.

STURDY CRAFT

The flagship of the hydrographic fleet will be a 285-foot, diesel vessel, designed to withstand the pressure of Arctic ice and with a draft of 15 feet to enable it to chart shallow waters.

It will have a flight deck and hangar admidships for two helicopters, and will be the mother ship for six diesel survey launches. The crew, plus survey workers, will number 102.

It will carry new electronic devices for fixing the ship's position, operating with two portable shore beacons with a range of 300 miles.

Mr. Smith says the vessel has been in the blueprint stage for several years. It will be the first designed and built for hydrographic service operations based on the east coast since the old Acadia was launched in England in 1913.

There have been other survey ships since then but none have been designed for the job.

Mr. Smith says the job of charting the Arctic seas will take 50 years to complete. But the more immediate aims will be to meet

the pressing needs of defence and industry. Defence planners want safe sea lanes in the Arctic that will enable them to reduce their reliance on air transport. And industrialists seeking to open up the mineral wealth of the North want good ports and safe sea lanes for the future.

NEED SAFE ROUTES

The importance of safe routes is seen in the cost of marine insurance. If safe routes can be found, such as the one to the Hudson bay port of Churchill, insurance rates will go down and, perhaps, further economic development of the North.

In the last few years the hydrographic service has been busy with special jobs—finding safe harbors for titanium at Havre St. Pierre on the St. Lawrence and for iron ore at Sept. Isles and along the Labrador coast.

While looking for harbor facilities in the southwest corner of Ungava bay last year, hydrographer D'Arcy Charles and his party found the highest tides in the world, a 54½-foot rise which beats the Bay of Fundy tides by some two feet.

On the Pacific coast, hydrographers have been charting safe routes for ships which will carry aluminum ore to the Kitimat project.

This year surveys will be made for a nickel ore port at Rankin inlet on the northwest shore of Hudson bay, below Chesterfield inlet.

The service took over one of its biggest jobs with the entry of Newfoundland into Confederation. Charts of the coast of Newfoundland's Labrador were largely obsolete, and Mr. Smith sees 25 years' work there for his ocean searchers.

Deficits Remain Despite Efforts Of U. S. Gov't

By HAROLD MORRISON Canadian Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON, (CP)—The Eisenhower administration is faced with anguished cries that a succession of budgetary deficits will lead the country to ruin. But try as policy-makers will to erase them, the deficits continue.

The excess of government spending over tax receipts has been estimated at \$3,300,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30 next, out officials say the actual red-ink balance may rise to \$4,000,000,000.

The rise will depend largely on American farmers. Under government price-support programs, they have borrowed about \$980,000,000 on last year's wheat. The government-guaranteed bank loans become due May 1 and farmers can either pay the loans and get back their wheat or let the government pay and take the wheat.

The budgetary experts feel that most farmers will take the latter course, causing another run on the federal treasury and a pile-up of more wheat in government storage.

"We're concerned with this deficit all right," said one authority, "but we don't think we are on the brink of disaster as some have suggested."

HERBERT HOOVER'S CRITIC Most outspoken critic has been former President Herbert Hoover who warned that the U. S. may be courting economic disaster unless it curbs spending and balances the budget.

"Do no believe that inflation has been stopped," he said recently. "It will continue as long as we have a deficit!"

Administration authorities, in reply, say the red-ink balance, even if it reaches \$4,000,000,000 this year, will be less than half last year's peacetime peak of \$9,300,000,000.

But it will boost the outstanding national debt to about \$74,000,000,000, dangerously close to the legal ceiling of \$75,000,000,000. The president already has asked Congress to lift the ceiling to \$290,000,000,000.

Canada's national debt, successively reduced by post-war budgetary surpluses, is about \$11,000,000,000. Since the U. S. has about 15 times the production of Canada, this would be equivalent to about \$165,000,000,000 in American terms.

The painful thing about the large American debt is that annual interest charges amount to about \$7,000,000,000, far greater than all the money the Canadian government spends in a year.

These charges, which must be taken out of current revenue, continue year after year. And as the debt increases, the charge rises.

BORROWING "POISON" "The borrowing medicine to cure the deficit is easiest of all for the taxpayers to take," said Hoover. "But it is the deadliest of poisons that can be poured into the nation's system of life."

Business Upturn May Have Arrived In United States

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The eagerly awaited United States business upturn may have arrived, Dr. Courtney S. Brown of Columbia University said today, but it may prove only a temporary rally in a longer period of "slack activity" lasting a year or two.

Brown, dean of Columbia's graduate school of business, said in remarks prepared for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce convention that there are encouraging signs that a revival "started a month or so ago."

And a member of the federal reserve board of governors, A. L. Mills Jr., said in a prepared talk that there is increasing evidence of "resurgent business activity" to which, he said, administration fiscal policies may give added vigor.

"Perhaps the turnaround has already begun," Brown said, but "there is no convincing evidence that the incipient revival will be more than an improvement of several months' duration. It could turn out to be merely a period of stability at present levels."

"It may be more realistic to regard the present prospect of improvement as a period of rally in a longer period of slack activity. If we are wrong, so much the better."

REVIIVAL MAY BE LIMITED Brown questioned whether the nine-month-old business lag had been caused so directly by the adjustment of overloaded business inventories as most administration officials have contended.

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Long Job On Criminal Code Faces Committee

OTTAWA, (CP)—A social Commons-Senate committee studying three controversial segments of Canada's criminal law plans enough work to keep members busy for months, perhaps years.

The committee of 10 senators and 17 commoners were appointed last February to determine whether the criminal code's sections in capital and corporal punishment and lotteries should be amended.

Don Brown (L—Essex West), co-chairman of the committee with Senator Salter Hayden (L—Ontario) figures it will be a long job to sift through the evidence the committee wants to gather.

Mr. Brown, chairman of a Commons committee which prepared the final draft of Canada's revised criminal code last year, says the committee probably will not complete work this session.

In that event, the committee would report progress and recommend re-establishment of the next session. The procedure could be repeated for another session.

INVITES OTHER GROUPS

When the committee started work it extended a standing invitation to the provincial attorneys-general and any group of individuals who might want to give their views.

Now, said Mr. Brown, it appears some witnesses who might give valuable assistance are reluctant to appear.

The committee has held 12 hearings in the last two months and heard eight witnesses. Now the committee has prepared a 28-page questionnaire and members hope experts will provide the answers.

The greatest public reaction—250 letters and more are coming in every day—comes from men and women who have set opinions about lotteries.

Those opposing lotteries have a 3-1 edge. The majority of letters come from ministers of the United Church of Canada backing the anti-lottery stand taken before the committee by the Canadian Council of Churches.

GORMAN IN FAVOR T. P. (Tommy) Gorman, Ottawa sportsman, is among those who support the principle of government-run lotteries, a stand put forward by the 580,000-member Trades and Labor Council.

The private opinion from letter-writers on capital and corporal punishment cuts through the middle.

Ontario administrators of justice have told the committee capital and corporal punishment is a deterrent and should be retained.

An opposition view is expected to come later this month from Thorsten Sellin, sociology professor at the University of Pennsylvania and a director of the American League for the Abolition of Capital Punishment. He testified before a United Kingdom royal commission which urged retention of capital punishment two years ago.

The committee also plans to extend an invitation to Justice Felix Frankfurter of the U. S. Supreme Court. Erie Stanley Gardner, the American mystery writer and lawyer, has written the committee, but he offered no opinion.

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Turpin Reported Trouble With Eyes

ROME, (AP)—Britain's Randy Turpin said he saw "a whole bunch of Mitri" Sunday night just before Italian middleweight Tiberio Mitri fanned Randy in 28 seconds.

Turpin's manager, George Middleton, said Monday that the first time Randy will do when he returns to London in three or four days will be to see a medical specialist.

He quoted Turpin as saying just as the bell rang for the brief encounter: "My eyes are queer—I can't see anything."

"I told him," said Middleton, "to make sure he saw Mitri and nothing else."

A moment later, after the knockout, Middleton said Turpin told him: "I could see five or six Mitris all in a line. I was all right if I looked at the floor."

Four Canadians Awarded Grants

NEW YORK, (CP)—Four Canadians have been awarded Rockefeller Foundation grants for the first quarter of 1948, Dean Rusk, president of the foundation announced Tuesday.

The largest grant, \$6,150, goes to Keith B. Callard, associate professor of political science at McGill University, Montreal. Callard will study the role of the executive in independent Pakistan, and India during the formative years of those states.

Dr. Abram Hoffer, of Regina, director of psychiatric research, department of health of Saskatchewan, receives \$2,700 to visit psychiatric centres in Britain, Scandinavia and other parts of Europe.

Prof. John W. Wevers of the University of Toronto was granted \$2,000 to enable him to visit the Near East and gain a direct acquaintance with contemporary Moslem thought and movements.

Miss Rae Chittick, director of McGill university's school for graduate nurses, got \$1,000 to visit university nursing schools in the United States.

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32 New Fellows To Royal Society

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Royal Society of Canada announced Wednesday the election of 32 new fellows, bringing its membership to 472.

Society President Jean Bruchés, under-secretary of Quebec province, said the new fellows will be officially welcomed at the society's annual meeting which will be held at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, May 31-June 2.

The new members include: French-language humanities—Jean-Charles Bonenfant, commissioner of the parliamentary library, Quebec; Benoit Brouillette, geographer, University of Montreal; Jean-Charles Palardeau, social sciences professor, Laval University; Jean Vallerand, secretary of the Quebec provincial conservatory, Montreal.

English-language humanities—Dr. G. I. Duthie, English professor, McGill University; George V. Ferguson, editor of the Montreal Star; Dr. R. S. Longley, dean of arts and science faculty, Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S.

Mathematical, chemical and physical science—Dr. Roger Gaudry, biochemistry professor, Laval University; Dr. Paul E. Giguere, chemistry professor, Laval; Dr. Joseph Risi, organic chemistry professor, Laval.

Biological sciences—Dr. M. J. Dunbar, zoology professor, McGill University; Marcel Raymond, botanist, Montreal botanical gardens.

Pound At Highest Level Since 1949 LONDON, (AP)—The pound sterling hit its highest point on the London money market Friday since the currency devaluation of 1949 and traders report the demand is still continuing.

Main reason behind the spurt is a rumor current in British banking circles that the government intends shortly to raise the present ceiling limit of \$2.82 to the pound.

This is the amount of money a British seller can ask from a foreign buyer needing sterling. Trading Friday touched the \$2.82 ceiling.

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Leafs Acquire Rights On Top Junior Player

TORONTO, (CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League announced Tuesday night they have acquired the rights to centre Brian Cullen, one of junior hockey's most sought-after and highest scoring players.

The Leafs said in a statement that they got Cullen, a member of St. Catharines Teepees of the Ontario Hockey Association Junior A League, in a straight player trade with Buffalo Bisons of the American Hockey League. The exchange sends Charles (Dusty) Blair, Jackie LeClair and Frank Sullivan to the Bisons.

Blair was the all-star centre with Ottawa Senators, Leaf farm club in the Quebec Hockey League. LeClair was voted the most valuable player in the QHL two years ago and Sullivan was a defenceman with Pittsburgh Hornets, Leaf farm club in the AHL.

Cullen set two OHA Junior A scoring records this season and captained Teepees to the OHA title and the eastern Canada Memorial Cup finals. He scored 161 points during the regular schedule and fired 68 goals.

Probes Treatment Of Newspaper Men At Fire

VANCOUVER, (CP)—Wing Commander Donald Macdonald, commanding officer of the RCAF Sea Island base here, opened a personal investigation Friday into alleged instances of manhandling of newspaper men by service police.

Two newspapers, the Vancouver Sun and The News-Herald, complained that their photographers were mistreated at Thursday night's \$2,000,000 fire which destroyed hangar No. 3 and six aircraft.

All newspaper men were halted at the gates to the station but a CBC television truck was ushered through.

Retailers Told Moderate Price Should Not Be Bar To Good Taste In Clothes

TORONTO, (CP)—Canadian women would like to see good taste in clothes combined with a moderate price tag, Madame H. E. Vautelet of Montreal told Canada's storekeepers Tuesday.

The average woman operating within a budget doesn't expect all the qualities in a low-priced garment which she would get in a more expensive one, she said. But she does want it to look attractive while it lasts.

Madame Vautelet, president of the Canadian Association of Consumers, made her comment in an address to the Canadian Retail Federation and added:

"I would like to see Canadian styles and textiles with more emphasis on smart line and appearance and less 'high fashion'—less lavish following of the United States. They might even impose themselves across the border."

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On the other hand, any price tag that is too high simply takes money which the customer could spend on something else. She termed price sale maintenance, a practice now banned in Canada under which manufacturers suggested the prices at which retailers should sell their goods, has been "visible and cynical exploitation."

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