

Scientists Test Canadian Wheat For Strontium 90

SASKATOON (CP)—The University of Saskatchewan is conducting experiments to find out the amount of strontium 90 absorbed by the growing wheat and alfalfa plants. It hopes to determine the dangers of the radioactive element to human health.

Strontium 90 appears in fallout after nuclear explosions. It can be absorbed by the bones.

A person or animal with a high level of strontium 90 in his bone structure has a built-in radiation unit and receives a certain amount of radiation 24 hours a day, says Professor C. C. Lee of the university's chemistry department.

Prof. Lee said the experiments so far have been reassuring. But

added, the word "reassuring" should not be taken as too definite at this stage.

"He said when a quantity of strontium 90 was added to the soil of a pot in which a single wheat plant grew only 100th of one per cent of it was taken up by the plant.

ENTERED LEAVES

Only 10 per cent of that entered the kernel, the remaining 90 per cent going into the leaves and the straw.

Of the amount deposited in the kernel, only 10 per cent, or at most 20 per cent, went into the flour. The remainder found its way into the shorts and the bran, mainly into the bran.

Heavy Docket In Co. Court

A heavy docket of cases faced Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet in County Magistrate's Court Wednesday morning.

The case of a former Souris resident now residing in Charlottetown was adjourned until Wednesday, November 26th. The accused is charged with drunken driving. The accused and his wife gave evidence yesterday.

Two youths appeared for sentencing on charges of committing willful damage to country schoolhouses. A resident of Weymouth Street was fined a total of \$50 and costs or 60 days on counts of committing damage to Dunsfaffage and Ten-Mile House schools. It was noted by the crown that restitution was made in both cases.

A Queen Street resident was fined \$15 and costs or 10 days on each charge. Both of the youths had pleaded guilty to the charges Friday.

A third youth, a resident of Kent Street, reversed a plea of not guilty. His case was adjourned until November 21st.

Two assault cases against a New London man were adjourned to November 24th, after two witnesses were heard for the crown.

A Mount Stewart man was fined \$20 and costs or 30 days when he pleaded guilty to a charge of being intoxicated in a public place.

Fines of \$10 and costs or 10 days were levied two men when they pleaded guilty to charges arising out of violations of the Highway Traffic Act. A Brackley man pleaded guilty to operating a dump truck with a shifting load and a Charlottetown man pleaded guilty to a speeding charge.

A Savage Harbour truck driver was fined \$5 and costs or five days when he pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle on the highway with defective equipment.

Highway Crews Cut Bothersome Roadside Trees

Brush cutting crews, organized by the provincial department of highways, are now employed throughout the province in an effort to eliminate bothersome roadside trees.

Hon. J. George MacKay, minister of highways, explained that the program this year had been delayed until harvesting was completed and men were available to do the job. The task is a bit heavier this year because of favourable growth conditions which resulted in more and taller shrubs and trees.

When the trees are cut with circular saws, it is proposed to apply a brush killing poison to the stumps. This is expected to kill many of the trees or result in slowing their re-growth. This method will be checked later for results and, if it is satisfactory,

4 Directors Are Named

The Queens County Federation of Agriculture named four new directors at its annual meeting Tuesday night at Hunter River. Those elected for the year 1958 were: Orr Callant, Frederick; Elbert Orr, New Glasgow; W.W. MacEachern, Mermoid and Francis McIsaac, Uigg.

LAST VOYAGE

LE HAVRE, France (AP)—The Ile de France, a one-time queen of the North Atlantic, docked here Monday night after what may have been her final voyage. No one knows what is going to happen to the 32-year-old liner, too costly to keep running and too slow to keep up with the competition.

Canadian Pacific Airlines Offers To Switch Routes

By JOHN LEBLANC
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian Pacific Airlines, battling for a lucrative transcontinental franchise, Tuesday offered to switch its proposed route pattern to get the permit.

It made the offer before the Air Transport Board, hearing a CPA application opposed by Trans-Canada Air Lines, which has a monopoly on transcontinental routes.

As an alternative to its main proposal, Canadian Pacific put forward a major switch in routes that would give it about 23 per cent less revenue miles than contained in its original application to the board filed about a year ago.

The proposed new CPA routes: Vancouver - Winnipeg, Toronto - Montreal; Vancouver - Edmonton - Ottawa - Montreal; Vancouver - Calgary - Winnipeg - Ottawa - Montreal.

Grant McConachie, CPA president, said his company made the change because, since his company made its application to the

board, TCA has moved in on the Calgary - Saskatoon and Edmonton-Toronto legs of proposed CPA services.

ORIGINAL REQUEST

In the original application for a \$12,000,000 - a year franchise, CPA asked for these routes: Vancouver - Calgary - Saskatoon - Edmonton - Montreal; Vancouver - Winnipeg - Toronto - Montreal; Edmonton - Regina - Toronto; Winnipeg - Ottawa - Montreal.

"The alternative route pattern would provide fewer transcontinental frequencies and less competition to TCA than the service proposed in the application," president McConachie said.

This was in reply to contentions by the government-owned TCA that competition could run it into red ink.

The CPA chief suggested the board order TCA to get out of the Calgary - Saskatoon and Edmonton - Toronto business. Alternatively, CPA should be allowed the suggested new routes.

Impaired Charge Brings Stiff Fine

A Goodwill Avenue man was fined \$150 and costs or 30 days when he pleaded guilty to a charge of impaired driving in Charlottetown Police Court Wednesday morning.

The accused appeared on a drunk driving charge but pleaded guilty to the lesser charge entered by his defence counsel.

An Upper Queen Street man was handed a fine of \$10 and costs or five days when he pleaded guilty to a drunk and incapable charge.

The case of a Grafton Street resident, charged under the Public Health Act with unlawfully keeping pigs on his property, was adjourned until this morning.

Huron To Be In Drydock Month

HALIFAX (CP)—The navy said Tuesday that the Canadian destroyer escort Huron will remain in drydock at Toulon, France, for about a month while repairs are made to damage caused by a collision with a French vessel.

The tribul class destroyer collided with the French frigate Maille-Breze while on NATO exercises off the south coast of France Saturday. The French vessel was more extensively damaged. No one was injured on either ship.

Navy spokesmen said the exact location of the Huron's damage is still unknown here.

Beneficial Fin. Celebrates 25th Anniversary

TORONTO — The Beneficial Finance Company of Canada is celebrating its 25th Anniversary of service to consumers through its 159 offices. Until December, 1958, the company was known as Personal when its name was changed to tie in with the Beneficial Finance System which operates more than 1,100 offices in Canada, the United States, Hawaii and Alaska.

Specializing in personal loans up to \$2,500, Beneficial opened its first Canadian office on November 14, 1933 at 140 Wellington Street in Ottawa. This office is still in operation today under the direction of Howard W. Best.

The second office opened at 347 Bay Street, Toronto on November 16, 1933 with John N. Ferguson as the Manager. Today he is Field Supervisor for Beneficial's London Division.

Beneficial offers its customers many special services, such as its Beneficial International Cash-Credit Card, Bill Clean-Up Service, Family Budgeting Service and Loans-By-Mail Service.

Beneficial has also pioneered in the development of many time-payment plans such as the famous Pan American World Airways Pay Later Plan and American Airlines Time Payment Plan. In addition, plans were developed for D.I.I. Howden and Co. Ltd., hardware supplies, Mercury Outboard Motors, American Express Tours, Winchester Firearms and many other fine international products.

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THE PRINCE AND THE MISS AS SPECTATORS

Here are Japanese Crown Prince Akihito, left, and Miss Michiko Shoda, as they watched a tennis match last August at Karuzawa, Japan, a resort city about 100 miles from Tokyo. In the center is young serious-looking spectator who doesn't reflect the enjoyable moods of the Prince and the girl he may marry. In Tokyo Friday the Prince was reported to have won his fight to marry the commoner. Miss Shoda, 24, is a daughter of a millionaire businessman. The Prince will be 25 next month. (A. P. Wirephoto).

Supermarkets Take Hard Knocks Before Commission

By ALAN HARVEY
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's 2,000 supermarkets look hard knocks Tuesday before the Stewart prices commission, Union and consumer groups said the big stores raise the danger of monopoly control of food retailing.

District 8 of the United Packinghouse Workers of America (U.P.W.A.), with headquarters in Toronto, told the seven-member commission that correct understanding of current price spreads calls for a close look at the "leverage" possessed by chain stores and supermarkets.

The 15,000 - word union brief, jointly read by UPW research director Lyle Cooper of Chicago and John Lenglet of Toronto, assistant director of District 8, used the word "oligopoly" to describe the monopoly they said is enjoyed by the foodchain oligarchy. The Canadian Association of Consumers, with 16,300 individual members and about 10,000 group members, said the supermarkets have revolutionized post-war food marketing, raising possible dangers of "monopolistic control."

It admitted, however, that women demand the services supplied by supermarkets.

The CAC brief, read by association president Isabel Atkinson, of Saskatoon, foresaw danger from excessively rapid expansion of supermarkets, leading to excess capacity and ultimate monopoly through amalgamation.

Commission member Howard MacKichan of Halifax questioned whether Miss Atkinson wanted to say that consumers "demand" extra packaging and processing services provided by supermarkets. Would it not be better to say that consumers had "accepted" these services?

Miss Atkinson agreed that other pot shots would be more accurate words. The association also look some

WELLINGTON

His many friends will regret to learn Mr. Dan MacLeod of Victoria West is a patient at Tyne Valley Hospital.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Mary Gallant of Urbanville, also other members of the family, in the passing of Mr. Martin Gallant. Though of failing health his sudden death came as a surprise to family and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Laffin Landry accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Landry, Montreal, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Augustin J. Arsenault.

Miss Carmella LeClair employed with the Bell Telephone Co., Montreal, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael LeClair.

The Altar Society held their regular meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adrien Arsenault. Sale of articles and a few games of bingo playing netted a nice sum. Mass offering for month of November will be for the late Marin Gallant. Next meeting to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alyre Arsenault.

Mr. and Mrs. Robe. Barlow, Summerside, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Fidele C. Gallant, also Mr. Clayton Barlow, Wellington.

Friends of little Gary Gallant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fidele C. Gallant, will be glad to see him out again after having an attack of measles.

Mrs. Ted L. Arsenault who has been ill at her home is now able to resume her studies as teacher in New French School.

Mr. Keith MacDonald spent the week-end with his wife, also his mother, Mrs. Jeannine MacDonald who is ill at her home.

Mrs. Milton MacCarville is confined to her home with virus pneumonia. She was visited by her sister, Mrs. Hazel Stewart, of St. Eleanors, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wedge of Chelsea, Mass., recently visited a few weeks with relatives and friends here.

Mr. Elmer Arsenault of R.C.N. at Halifax, N.S., recently spent some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund C. Arsenault.

Mrs. Alec Gallant, Mrs. Ernest Gallant and Miss Helen Gallant attended the wedding of their granddaughter and niece, Miss Mona Gallant to Mr. Richard Rabell, at Miscouche.

Mrs. Ben Gaudet has taken up residence in Wellington at the village hotel.

The many friends will be glad to know Mrs. Ted. E. Arsenault is able to be up again following a lengthy illness.

Miss Diana Arsenault spent a week-end with her sister, Mrs. William McLure, Mr. McLure and family of Summerside.

Miss Shirley Arsenault of St. Chrysostem has entered the Oshapette Centre in Charlottetown for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ammond Arsenault and two children accompanied by Mrs. Palycarpe Arsenault recently spent a few days visiting relatives in Saint John, N.B. Rev. Charles Gallant of St. Charles Parish, paid a short visit to the district of St. Chrysostem recently.

Mr. Jean Marc Arsenault of R.C.A.F. in Winnipeg, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rany Arsenault before leaving for Germany where he will be stationed for three years.

Mr. Stanley Arsenault has returned home after a visit to Toronto and Montreal.

Mr. Albert Arsenault left for Toronto, Ontario, where he will be employed.

Mrs. Ira Barlow and children,

Deputy Grand Chief Pays Visit To Pythian Sisters

Members of Montgomery Temple No. 52, Pythian Sisters of Charlottetown, were honoured on Monday evening, in having an official visit from district deputy grand chief, Mrs. Evelyn Brown of Southampton, N.S. who is also an officer of the Grand Temple Pythian Sisters, Maritime Provinces.

The M.E.C. Mrs. Claretta Palmer presided at the meeting and Mrs. Florence Gillespie presented the district deputy, who was graciously welcomed by Mrs. Palmer. Mrs. Palmer also welcomed the other visiting ladies.

Brief States Price Spread In Livestock Only Moderate

In presenting Canada Packers' brief to the Royal Commission on Price Spreads of food products in Ottawa yesterday, W. F. McLean, president, stated that in products derived from cattle and hogs, which represent the major tonnage of the company's food business, the "spread" between prices paid to producers and prices received by the company for finished products had increased only moderately during the 10 years under review by the commission.

The brief dealt with the major livestock operations of the company - from the purchase at the packing plant of cattle and hogs from the producer, to the sale of marketable products to the retail or wholesale trade.

Mr. McLean referred in his brief to the graph supplied by the Royal Commission. This showed that, while from 1948 to 1951 there had been little change in the spread between prices paid to farmers and general retail food prices, since 1951 this spread had widened. In 1957 the spread had risen to approximately 28 points and in 1958 to 30 points.

CATTLE PRODUCTS

Turning to products derived from cattle, Mr. McLean noted that, as against the 28-point increase in spread between the price of one of the factors contributing to this increase, it was pointed out that over the past 10 years processing and packaging of pork products had increased moderately.

Canada Packers' figures showed a change in spread in 1957 of 6.7 points - a somewhat greater increase than in the case of beef operations. As an illustration of her former husband, said she last saw Power in May when they had lunch together in New York.

"He told me that he had just been given a physical exam and that the cardiogram had been satisfactory," she said.

Miss Christian said she told him to have another cardiogram taken and he replied: "I'd rather not know."

Two Canadians Wounded In Cuba

HAVANA (AP)—Two Canadians - a missionary and his young assistant—were wounded when their jeep was fired on by Cuban rebels. It was reported here Tuesday.

Taken to hospital in serious condition were Edward Ware, 33, and his assistant, Margaret Eryn, 16, of Vancouver.

Ware lost his right eye when their jeep was raked with fire near Santa Clara, the capital of Las Villas province, Sunday night.

"It is apparent from these two independent sets of statistics

being 0.64% of dollar sales or