

## SOME BLAME RUSSIANS

### N.Y. Fish Prices

### Hot Weather Catches

NEW YORK (CP)—Retail fish prices here are reaching record highs because of poor catches by U.S. fishermen on the Atlantic.

Government officials blame poor catches on a long hot summer, which resulted in the fish moving away from traditional fishing grounds in search of food.

Some fisheries spokesmen are blaming Russian fishing fleets, but government officials discount this.

For housewives the increased price of fish is added to peak prices for such staples as bread, milk, eggs and butter.

Scup—Sometimes called porgies—a favorite fish here, especially among the low-income families, sell for between 65 and 67 cents a pound, almost double last year's price.

Flounder filets are selling for \$1.10 a pound and cod filets at 85 cents. No mackerel is available.

"This is the roughest summer for production we have ever seen," said John Von Glahn, director of the Fishery Council—a group of more than 100 fish wholesalers.

"The hot weather did it. The fish moved to other areas. The stuff they feed on moved and they followed."

Asked about statements that large Russian fleets are operating on favorite fishing grounds of Americans off the New England, New York and New Jersey shores, he said:

"They have been out there for a long time—two or three years. The fellows at the Fulton fish market (where fishermen unload catches here) tell us they take everything but the rocks."

### CAN'T FIND FISH

Tom Risoli, head of the Market News Service of the U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, said American fishermen just can't find the fish.

"The scuttling on the market is that all the foreign vessels are to blame. But we have no proof."

John Skerry of the U.S. fisheries bureau said besides the Russians, fishermen from Poland, Romania, Canada and East and West Germany fish the grounds. Skerry is head of the bureau's office of resource management.

## City Resident Fatally Injured

Charles J. Wedge, 36, of Charlottetown was fatally injured Saturday night when a car he was driving left the highway near Portage and overturned. He was pinned under the Vauxhall station wagon.

The vehicle, proceeding west, went into a growth of alder bushes and was not seen from the highway. The accident occurred about 11 Saturday night and it was not until Sunday morning a passerby, William Wedge, 69, an uncle of the driver, managed to crawl to the road and summon help.

The injured man was taken first to the O'Leary Community Hospital and later moved to the Veterans Wing of the P.E.I. Hospital. He was said to be suffering from a fractured wrist and a fractured ankle. In addition he lost considerable blood.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police at Alberton, who investigated, said a coroner had announced there would be no inquest.

Mr. Wedge, a native of Miminogash, has been in Charlottetown for some 18 years. He had been an employee of Canada Packers, driving a truck in city delivery.

He was a son of Mrs. Charles Wedge and the late Mr. Wedge of Miminogash. Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, the former Myrtle Griffin of Bloomfield, a son, Michael and two daughters, Cheryl and Phyllis; four brothers, Irving and Edgar in Toronto; Merritt, Halifax; Alyre, Miminogash; and three sisters, Rosie, Mrs.

(Dr.) James O'Neill, Halifax; Leona, Mrs. Ephraim Malone, and Yelda, Mrs. Stanley Gallant, both of Charlottetown.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night.

## B.C. Vote Due Today

VICTORIA (CP)—Formal political speeches have ended as 178 candidates await the outcome of voting today in the general election in British Columbia—the second vote in three years.

The weatherman said there is a 50 per cent chance of rain during the polling hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Officials expect a heavy turnout of 600,000.

A total of 873,783 persons are registered to vote and advance polls that opened Thursday and continued until Saturday reported a heavy attendance.

In the last election in 1963, a total of 873,140 persons were eligible to vote and 606,674 turned out.

In his campaign for re-election in his 14-year-old Social Credit government, Premier W. A. C. Bennett didn't stray far from his theme of private enterprise against New Democratic Party socialism.

# Heavy Viet Nam Vote Seen Defeat For Reds

## Guerrillas Fail To Halt Turnout

From AP-Reuters  
SAIGON (CP)—Defiant or indifferent to Viet Cong terrorists, 70 per cent of the voting population turned out Sunday to cast ballots in war-torn South Viet Nam's election for a Constituent Assembly.

Officials termed the turnout—heavier in areas of the guerrilla-harassed Mekong Delta than in Saigon—a dramatic defeat for the Communists and a rebuff for a dissident Buddhist movement.

Voters went to polling places by ox cart and on foot in rural areas and on bicycles and trucks in the major cities, despite terrorist attacks on election day.

The military government said final voting figures will be announced today or Tuesday.

The voters picked 108 members of the Civilian Constituent Assembly, which is due to convene in two weeks to draft a constitution by next March.

Nine other seats, bringing the total to 117, will be filled by mountain tribes using their own selection procedures.

Premier Nguyen Cao Ky, who says his military government will step down once the civilian apparatus is set up in a year or so, has said a turnout of 60 per cent would please his government.

The government claimed Sunday night that of 5,288,512 eligible voters in areas controlled by it and the U.S. forces, 3,700,000 voted.

The guerrillas' pledge to wreck the elections failed, despite the killing of at least 20 government officials, troops and civilians and the wounding of 120 more in an 11th-hour wave of violence.

The Viet Cong shelled three district towns and military bases, sniped at voters and hurled grenades at polling booths and into crowds of voters.

About 2,500,000 South Vietnamese of voting age probably did not even register for the election, most of them living in areas controlled by the Viet Cong.

The high turnout also showed that the boycott call made by monk leaders of the country's Buddhists was largely ineffective.

The 568 candidates for assembly seats were mainly teachers, lawyers, military officers and journalists.

Preliminary counts indicated that the turnout in Saigon was

65 per cent, with the highest more than 90 per cent in the northern provinces of South Viet Nam.

It was in these provinces earlier this year that a three-month-long armed rebellion took place against the ruling generals in support of public demands for a return to civilian rule.

Despite a stepping-up of terrorist acts in the few hours before and after polling began, voters seemed unperturbed.

At one polling station on the outskirts of Saigon, where a terrorist grenade exploded an hour before the booths opened, one candidate told reporters:

"This does not bother the Vietnamese people. We have been suffering for seven years and we are not afraid of terror."

Lt-Gen. Nguyen van Thieu, the chief of state, told reporters the election was "a bitter and crushing defeat for the Communists... a victory for the entire free world... the greatest victory ever won by the free Vietnamese."

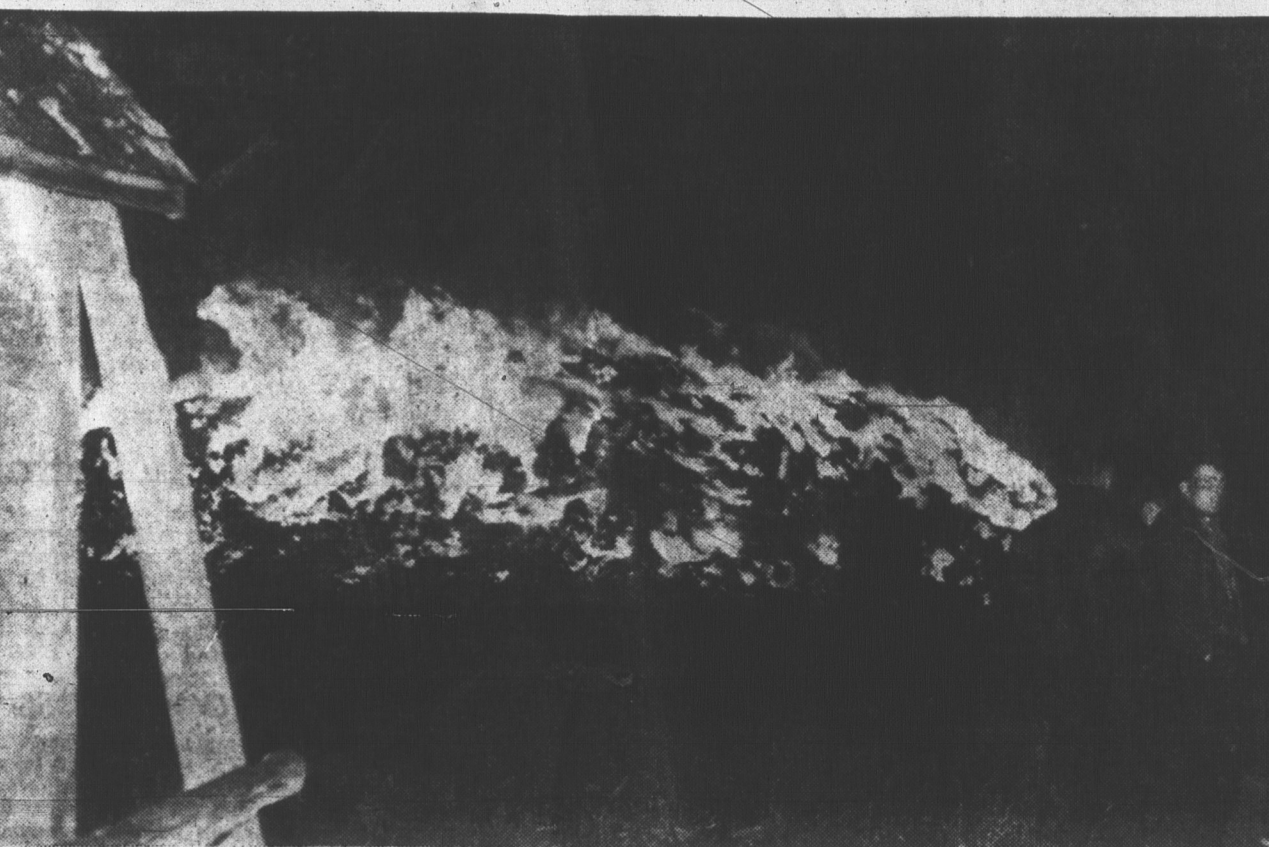
More than 90 terrorist incidents were reported throughout South Viet Nam.

## Legislatures May Meet This Fall

HALIFAX (CP)—A two-day special session of the Nova Scotia legislature ended Saturday after a bill was passed limiting the voting rights of shareholders of Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co. Ltd., but Finance Minister G. I. Smith said it appears the house will have to meet again before the end of the year.

The finance minister told the assembly minutes before it rose that a new federal-provincial tax-sharing agreement expected to go into effect next April 1 will have to receive the approval of the various provincial legislatures.

"I have been informed that it seems to be certain that not only will a budget have to be passed by the federal government but also by each of the provinces to allow the agreement to be completed," Mr. Smith said. "It appears the provincial legislation will have to be passed before Dec. 31, 1966."



## Forest Fire Extinguished

SINTRA, Portugal (AP)—A giant forest fire, which killed 25 soldiers and burned 30 square miles of dense Sintra woods between Lisbon and the Atlantic ocean, has been extinguished after a five-day fight by 4,000 men, an army spokesman said Saturday.

The fire had threatened the town of Sintra, two villages, and dozens of mountain houses.

## Plane Lost On Flight From Here

An air search will get underway today for a light plane missing on a flight from Charlottetown to a lake near Port aux Basques, Nfld.

A spokesman at Air-Sea Rescue headquarters in Halifax said an Albatross aircraft from CFB Greenwood will search for the plane which left Charlottetown Saturday night.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Charlottetown said they had little information. They said four seaplanes landed here to refuel but only three reached Newfoundland.

Names of the occupants on the missing craft are being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

## Large Barn Is Destroyed In Bedford Station Fire

A fire of unknown origin destroyed a large barn and another smaller building early last evening on the farm of Herrell Arbogast at Bedford Station.

The fire which broke out around 6:30 erupted in the barn and spread to the smaller building. A high wind caused a threat to the nearby dwelling

house and water was poured on the house for some time to keep the flames from spreading to it.

Thirty-five pigs, 12 calves, a milking machine and a large quantity of hay and straw along with barn equipment were lost in the blaze.

The loss was unofficially estimated to be somewhere about \$6,000. It was believed partially covered by insurance.

The call was answered by Mt. Stewart, Sherwood and North River Fire Departments along with an engine from the near by national park.

Firemen were to remain on the scene all night as the wind continued to fan the embers.

Bedford Station. The fire, which erupted around 6:30, gained headway quickly due to strong winds and for some time was a threat to the near-

## Tourist Directors Urge Ferries Be Taken From Railway Control

Strongly critical of the recent railway strike tying up the car ferries at Borden, directors of the P.E.I. Tourist Association Saturday passed a resolution calling on Hon. J.W. Pickers-gill, federal minister of transport, to take operation of the ferries out of the hands of the railway. The directors also instructed copies of the resolu-

tion be forwarded Premier Campbell and Hon. M.L. Bonnell, minister of tourist development.

It was also decided to call on the Canadian Tourist Association for support of the position taken.

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## ROONEY WEDS FOR SIXTH TIME

Pin-sized, nervous Mickey Rooney was married Saturday at Las Vegas to Margie Lane of Los Angeles, his friend for more than eight years. Mrs. Lane, a 33-year-old divorcee, stood six inches taller than the

five-foot-one actor as he kissed her twice, hugged her for several seconds—and then she cried. Fifteen minutes before the wedding Rooney was in the men's lounge of the desert Inn Hotel Casino, watching the Clay-Mildenberger

heavyweight boxing match on television. It was the sixth marriage for the 43-year-old actor and the second for her. (AP Wirephoto)

## Mourners Segregated At Verwoerd's Funeral

PRETORIA (Reuters)—Assassinated Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd of South Africa was buried here Saturday in a state funeral that kept strictly to his apartheid principles—with the non-white mourners carefully segregated from the whites.

In a vast, open-air amphitheatre converted into a church, the dignitaries of South Africa's non-white population watched the service from a separate block of seats.

But they were close to the area of prominent white mourners, perhaps in conformity with Verwoerd's theory that non-whites should be "separate but equal."

Verwoerd was stabbed in the neck in Parliament in Cape Town Tuesday. His assassin was a white parliamentary messenger, Dimitri Tsafendas,

whose vague history police are still investigating.

Saturday, day of the funeral, was an intensely hot, still day, relieved by a few rare gusts of wind, the muffled drumming of brass bands, and the dull boom of saluting guns fired at one-minute intervals.

Several women fainted during the service but Verwoerd's widow, Mrs. Betsie Verwoerd, sat composed and pale, in a simple black dress.

SMITH WAS PALE  
Also looking pale and drawn was an important mourner in the front row, Ian Smith, leader of the white-supremacist Rhodesian regime.

He flew in Saturday to attend as a private citizen, not as an official government leader, because of protocol problems. South Africa hasn't officially recognized his regime.

"We have lost the man but thank God we have not lost the message of his life," said the funeral orator, Rev. J. S. Gerrie, moderator of the largest of the three Dutch Reformed Churches in South Africa.

"No attack from outside... nor assassination can destroy the message of the testimony and actions of a man of God... It becomes the possessing of generation after generation."

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## Armored Bulldozer Used To Escape East Germany

BERLIN (AP)—Under a hail of machine-gun fire, two East German couples and a four-year-old boy crashed through barbed wire in an armored bulldozer Sunday in a successful flight to West Berlin.

One of the men and one of the women, grazed by East German police bullets, were treated for minor head wounds at a West Berlin hospital and released. The other woman was reported to be in an advanced state of pregnancy.

The spectacular escape was staged at mid-morning into the British sector. The caterpillar-tread vehicle had been made into a makeshift armored car by adding steel plates around its sides.

West Berlin police said the East German guards, spotting the bulldozer from a watchtower, fired about 100 rounds from their sub-machine guns

as a 24-year-old man, his pregnant wife, 26, their four-year-old son, and the second couple, the man 29 and the woman 18.

The three Western occupation commanders in Berlin protested about the use of weapons by the East German guards, terming it a new example of the "totally irresponsible behavior" on the part of the border guards, involving also grave danger to lives in West Berlin.

Two armored personnel carriers drove to the East German side of the border at the site of the incident and about 90 minutes after the escape, one of them pulled the bulldozer, sitting practically on the border line, back into East Berlin.

The group was believed to be the largest to flee to West Berlin since 57 East Germans escaped through a secret tunnel under the Communist wall.

CONTINUE FIRING  
Two East German border guards who had fired from a nearby watchtower at the hurrying bulldozer ran towards the barbed wire fence with sub-machine guns blazing, police said.

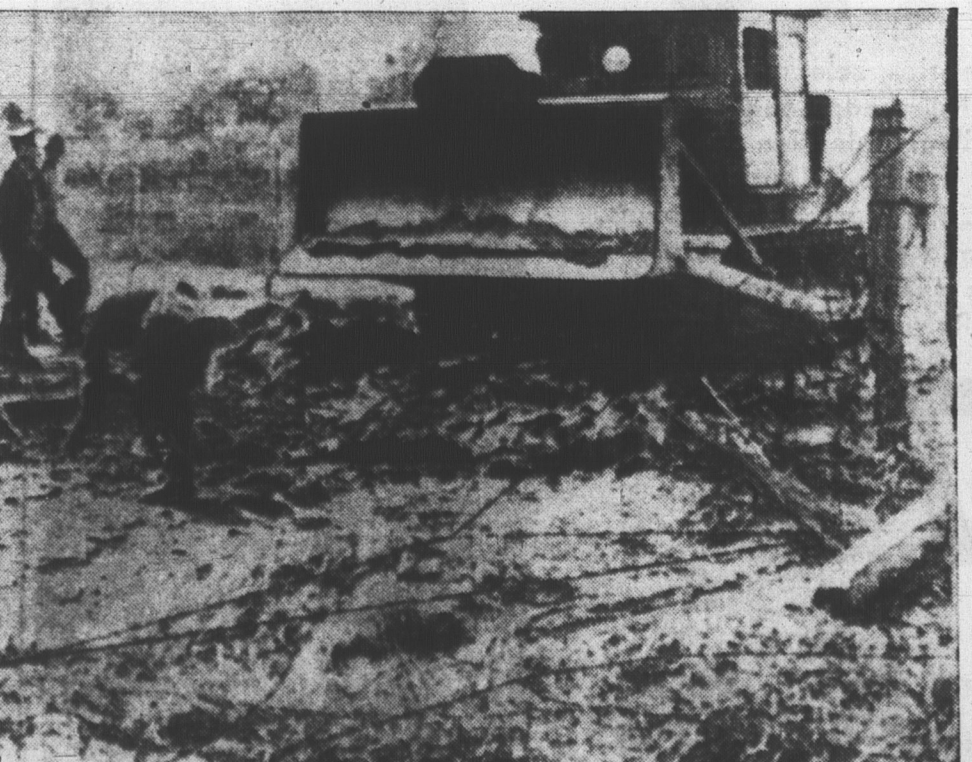
A witness said one of the refugees, carrying the child in his arms, repeatedly cried out: "Are we in the West? Are we in the West?"

Police described the refugees

reinforced with steel plates. They went through the barbed wire border in a hail of bullets to the British sector of Spandau. One man and one woman were injured slightly,

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(AP Wirephoto by cable from Berlin)



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