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# The Guardian

Cloudy with snowflurries; extremely cold; southeast winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 13 below, 10 above.

"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

## PILOT KILLED IN ACCIDENT

### F-86 Sabre Jet Crashes On Ice Off P.E.I. Shore

An F-86 Sabre jet plane from Chatham, N.B. Air Force base crashed onto the ice off the west coast of Prince Edward Island Tuesday killing the pilot, Flying Officer Herbert W. Johnston, 23, of Sarnia, Ontario.

The accident took place about 2:30 in the afternoon, while the plane was on a routine flight. Details of the accident were scanty. However, it was believed the pilot had made an unsuccessful attempt to join out.

FO Johnston held the air force two years ago and had been stationed at Chatham about 20 months. His wife lives at Chatham. Chatham Air Force base reported the wreckage was spotted by an aircraft from the Summerside Station about 4 p.m. The same announcement said the pilot's body was not recovered.

The location of the crash site and of the dead airman were pinpointed within a few minutes after the crash as being on an ice flow, half way between Burton and Campbellton about two miles from shore. This was accomplished through the coordinated work of the Ground Observers Corps in the area between Summerside and Alberton.

Mr. Ivan Vaughan, regional director for the Summerside area said last night that a report on the crash landing had been called in to him within minutes, information which was immediately relayed by him to Moncton, Halifax and Chatham simultaneously.

The body of the airman was picked up shortly after by helicopter. Mr. Vaughan pointed out that this was a good example of the value of the Ground Observers Corps, which, he said, can be the means of helping and in many cases saving the lives of airman who are forced down.

He emphasized the necessity of quick action on the part of any person who sights a plane in trouble in phoning in as much information as quickly as possible to the nearest regional director, who

will then use his priority over all other long distance calls and pass along this information by long distance to the filter center from where it will be relayed to all R.C.A.F. Stations.

## Council Adopts Policy Re Snow Removal In The City

That a special meeting of the Council will be called immediately following any big storm of the future was decided as a matter of policy regarding snow removal in the City. This decision was reached at a special meeting of the Council held last night. The Mayor will decide when such meetings shall be called. Councillor P.C. McCormack, Chairman of the Street Committee was unable to be present due to illness.

Snow removal was the chief matter dealt with at last night's meeting. It was revealed that since January 8, \$2,000 has been spent in the City. An examination of the work being done showed that a good part of the equipment being used was on a rental basis which was running the cost to a high figure. Another reason found for the high cost involved was the fact that men were working outside the normal working hours and thus running up large overtime accounts.

### CITY EQUIPMENT ONLY

It was decided last night that as soon as all the streets were opened for normal traffic the remainder of the work would be carried on by city equipment during normal working hours.

Councillor Gaudet felt that the City was going beyond what was reasonably expected of it in the way of snow removal. He felt that it was only right that the snow should be removed from the up-town areas but at the same time expressed the opinion that too much work was being done in the residential areas. Several of the Councillors who entered into the

discussions concurred with Councillor Gaudet.

Councillor Foster made inquiries regarding the removal of snow from private driveways. A communication was read from Mr. Edward Smith of Meadow Bank who claimed \$75 damage to his car which was pulled out of a snow bank by a city plow. The mover contended that the car was moved without his consent.

Dr. J.H. Maloney of the staff of the Charlottetown Clinic was appointed a member of the School Board to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. H.F. MacPhee, Q.C.

## Deaths, Fires, Floods Accompany Cold In Quebec

MONTREAL (CP)—A record-breaking cold wave in Quebec Province has been accompanied by deaths, fires and floods.

The ice-packed St. Lawrence river Tuesday spilled over its south shore bank, opposite Montreal island, and flooded homes in Longueuil. Work had to be interrupted on some St. Lawrence Seaway projects.

A downriver ice jam caused the water level to rise two feet above the danger point in Montreal harbor.

A St. Lawrence Seaway engineer, Howard Roch, 28, was drowned in the fast-rising waters of the river. He was swept away from the top of his car when trapped on a dike at the seaway site.

A hailstorm, put into operation Monday while engineers work on the lifting of Montreal's Jacques Cartier bridge, was closed as a precautionary measure. Traffic was again routed over the main bridge to the south shore.

Meanwhile, heavy property damage was caused by two major fires in Montreal in 24 hours. There was no loss of life. The fires occurred as Montreal experienced its coldest weather on record for mid-January. Temperatures toppled to 42 below, in the city the minimum was 21.5 below—a record for Jan. 15.

## Senate Moves To Declare Seat Vacant

OTTAWA (CP)—The Senate Tuesday night took the first step to declare vacant the Senate seat held by Senator Joseph James Duffus, 79, member of the Upper House since 1940.

The upper chamber referred to a committee a report by Senator clerk J. F. MacNeill stating that the last two sessions of Parliament.

Senator W. Ross Macdonald, government leader in the Upper House, said the Senate is therefore bound under the British North America Act to declare Senator Duffus' seat vacant.

## To Seek Larger C. N. R. Tax Rates

Mayor J.D. Stewart leaves this weekend to attend a meeting in Montreal on January 21 at which the Mayors of Halifax, Moncton, Saint John and Fredericton will confer with Canadian National Railway officials regarding taxation of C.N.R. properties within the boundaries of Maritime municipalities.

The five Maritime Mayors accompanied by legal representation will uphold the cases of all towns in the Maritimes in their quest for a larger percentage of taxation from the railway than that received under previous agreements. Mayor Stewart said yesterday that all the five year agreements which Maritime municipalities have had with the Canadian National Railways expired at the end of last December.

## City Block Burns In Syracuse, N.Y.

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP)—Fire Tuesday night wrecked a 50-year-old Methodist church, set another fire and engulfed an entire city block in downtown Syracuse.

The stone structure of First Methodist Church, seat of the Central New York Conference of the Methodist Church, was termed a complete loss, as was an adjoining building housing the conference offices.

Other buildings aflame in below-zero temperatures were a two-story brick structure housing two insurance companies, the Wesleyan Methodist Church, a mortar structure, a two-story brick building housing the county public works commission, and a two-story brick building housing the Methodist Publishing Company.

Two firemen were reported injured. The six buildings are in a triangular block in the east-central section of the city. Officials said it is one of the worst fires in Syracuse history.

## WRECKING CREWS BUSY

# Souris Train Derailment Blocks Main Eastern Line

Wrecking crews of the Canadian National Railway were making every effort throughout yesterday afternoon and last night to clear the Island Division's main Eastern line blocked as a result of a derailment of the Souris train which occurred near Douglas Station around 9:20 yesterday morning.

The train, in charge of Conductor William Doyle, was making its regular morning run to Charlottetown, and had reached a point about 1 mile West of this small way station, located three miles East of Mount Stewart Junction,

when the accident occurred. The cause of the mishap has not yet been determined.

At this point the train was made up of coach, baggage car, three refrigerator cars, engine and snow plow. Operating the engine was one of the Division's veteran engineers, St. Clair Paquet. In the crew were Trainmen Guy Glover and G.R. Whitlock. None of the crew, or the eight passengers aboard the coach sustained injury.

JOLTED FROM RAILS All units of the train were jolted

from the rails with the exception of the plow. The three refrigerator cars containing full loads of potatoes were turned over. The coach baggage car, and engine remained upright, although the baggage car was tilted to one side.

On orders from Divisional headquarters in Charlottetown, the Georgetown train was diverted at Mount Stewart to pick up the stranded passengers.

Early this afternoon a wrecking train was assembled and placed in charge of Conductor J.R. Doyle. This train arrived at the scene of

the accident at 1:30 p.m. George R. Greenough, Superintendent of the Island Division, accompanied the wrecking party to examine at first hand all details of the occurrence.

In addition to the auxiliary crew sent from Charlottetown, three section gangs, plus a number of persons recruited locally are engaged in the track clearing operation.

SEVERE FROST CONDITIONS In that particular section of the track, heavy snow does not present

a problem, but the workers are contending with the extremely low temperature prevailing in this area, which during the night stood at twelve degrees below zero.

It is not expected that the line will be fit for traffic before a late hour today. Besides the derailed cars which must be replaced on the rails or moved, over 100 yds. of torn up track must be repaired. The valuable cargo of potatoes involved in the wreck will suffer serious damage from frost unless it is still possible to apply heat to the cars.

## Mild Air From The North Will Ease Cold In Parts Of Canada

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Frost - crusted citizens take heart! Relief from the nerve-pinching cold may be on the way - from the Arctic.

The weatherman said Tuesday there are signs the same wilderness that sent a flood of cold air spilling over the continent with record-shattering effect may provide a warm air chaser.

A tentative surge of warmth in the far north Monday night gave Akavik—250 miles inside the Arctic Circle—a bewildering 40-degree reading at midnight. The forecaster says more of the same could bring higher temperatures for the whole country. But he can't say when.

The west was already promised relief. It was less severely raked by the cold blast which slid down across all Canada and well into the United States giving even Amarillo, Texas, a chilly 19-degree temperature. The weatherman said some mild air from the north will scale the mound of cold air over the Prairies and provide cloudiness and higher temperatures Wednesday.

For Central and Eastern Canada there was no such glowing promise. The eastern provinces, sprouting low-temperature records like frost crystals on a window pane bleakly surveyed prospects of more cold.

MARITIMES SHIVERS Fredericton, 28 below Monday night, expected 20 below overnight Wednesday. Montreal was promised 14 below Ottawa 18 below and Toronto and most other Southern Ontario centres zero.

And prospects were grimmer Tuesday night for Northern Ontario; Earlton, Sudbury and North Bay all 25 below; Kapuskasing, White River and Moosonee shivering together at 30 below.

The chill air produced Arctic sea smoke, a salt water phenomenon occurring when air temperatures drop below 10 degrees, on the east coast. The strange mist hampered search for seven occupants of a pilot boat which collided with a freighter near Saint John, N.B., harbor Monday.

Some Canadians, however remained immune. In North Bay, Ont., officials discussed Sport Shirt Week and in St. Catharines they laid plans for the Niagara blossom festival.

Record low temperatures were reported from Cornwall, Ont. (41 below); Montreal's Dorval Airport (35.9) below and Saint John (24) below.

Sudbury sombrely boasted a record low high. The Northern Ontario city had had many days colder than the 28-below registered Monday but never one in which it failed to get warmer than 20 below, the maximum for the day. The previous record low maximum of 19 below was registered in February, 1943.

## Hotel At Levis Destroyed By Fire

LEVIS, Que. (CP)—Eighteen guests at the Kennebec Hotel in this city across the St. Lawrence River from Quebec escaped safely when fire destroyed the four-story building early Tuesday.

Cause of the blaze has not been determined but it is believed to have started on the ground floor. Flames spread quickly through the building and a general alarm was sounded.

Some occupants, wearing night clothes or other hastily snatched garments, were trapped on upper floors by the flames. They climbed out windows in 30-below-zero temperature, were brought down firemen's ladders and rushed to hospital to be treated for exposure. No serious injuries were reported.

## Britain Experiences First Cold Snap

LONDON (Reuters)—Cold easterly winds swept the British Isles Tuesday, bringing snow and sleet to many parts of the country. Britain's first cold snap of the season is expected to continue at least until the weekend.

## Report Cardinal Is Recovering

TORONTO (CP)—James Cardinal McGuigan, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Toronto, who suffered minor injuries in a traffic accident in Toronto five days ago, was stated Tuesday to be "doing well."

The 62-year-old archbishop was struck by a truck while crossing a street near his home in suburban North York and was taken to St. Michael's Hospital.

Cardinal McGuigan suffered only minor abrasions and it is expected he will be released from hospital soon.

## Report 22 Below Zero At Alberton

The Radio Range in Charlottetown reported that the temperature shortly before midnight was 10 below and steady. Only light winds were prevalent and the sky was clear.

Alberton, however, reported the lowest reading there of the current cold wave. Before midnight the unofficial temperature recorded was 22 below. The extreme cold was accompanied by a frost fog. The low forecast for the night at Charlottetown was 15 below. Monday night it went to 14 below.

## Jan. Report Of Potatoes In Storage

The federal Department of Agriculture's report of potato storage holdings as at January 1, 1957, shows a minor increase in the Canadian total over last year's figure. Following are the January 1st holding estimates for the last 6 years: 1957—20,515,000 bus.; 1956—20,380,000 bus.; 1955—16,514,000 bus.; 1954—19,936,000 bus.; 1953—17,561,000 bus.; and 1952—11,813,000 bus.

This year's report shows P.E.I. holdings at 6,126,000 bus. compared to 6,023,000 bus. on January 1, 1956. N.B. hold 9,016,000 bus. as compared to 10,059,000 bus. last year. It will be noted that the combined holdings of P.E.I. and N.B. account for about 75 per cent of the Canadian total.

This information was contained in a review of the potato situation released last night by Mr. E.W. Campbell, Chairman of the Potato Marketing Board.

## Belief Grows Macmillan Will Visit U. S. President Shortly

LONDON (Reuters)—Belief hardened among politicians here today that Prime Minister Macmillan soon will visit President Eisenhower in Washington for talks on the world situation.

This view followed an exchange of messages Tuesday between Eisenhower and Macmillan in which the president sent his "warm congratulations" to Macmillan on his appointment as prime minister.

Macmillan took over the premiership from Sir Anthony Eden, who announced his resignation last Wednesday because of ill health.

In his message, Eisenhower said Macmillan's "distinguished career is well known on the other side of the Atlantic and he has earned the widespread respect of Americans."

NO PLANS HERE YET Friends of Macmillan say no plans yet have been worked out for a Washington visit, but they do not rule out the likelihood of a meeting at a fairly early date after the new prime minister has settled in as government head.

State Secretary Dulles and Treasury Secretary George Humphrey also sent Macmillan their congratulations and good wishes, it was learned officially.

Macmillan said in his reply to the president, "I too have warm and vivid memories of the time when we worked together in North Africa and of our association since then."

The prime minister told Eisenhower he is looking forward to working with him again in the furtherance of British-American friendship.

It is widely expected here Macmillan will welcome an early chance to review with Eisenhower the whole field of international affairs, including the Middle East situation, where the recent British-French intervention in Egypt weakened the traditional Anglo-American alliance.

FIRST CABINET SESSION The new cabinet held its first meeting Tuesday.

The prime minister spent a considerable part of the day choosing more ministers for a total of about 20 senior and junior government posts that remained to be filled.

Authoritative quarters said there is a strong possibility the new appointments will be announced today.

The Conservative party will meet to appoint a leader to succeed Eden. It is generally accepted there will be no challenge to Macmillan's nomination, although some Conservatives would have preferred Richard Austen Butler, lord privy seal and home secretary, who was Macmillan's rival for the premiership.

Four cases were broken into and 32 pieces of gold-rich ore and five prized diamonds taken in the museum's first major theft.

## \$50,000 In Diamonds And Gold Stolen

TORONTO (CP)—Diamonds and gold specimens valued at \$50,000 were stolen from the Royal Ontario Museum Monday night by expert thieves who looted only the most valuable items.

The stolen items were all readily disposable, said Dr. V. B. Meen, head of the geology and mineralogy division.

Police were puzzling as to how the burglars made their way into the museum, which is patrolled by guards on a round the clock watch. Four were on duty Monday night, but none reported seeing or hearing anything unusual.

One theory is that the thieves entered the building in a crowd attending an evening lecture and hid in the museum, which is patrolled by guards on a round the clock watch. Four were on duty Monday night, but none reported seeing or hearing anything unusual.

The loot, weighing about 200 pounds, is thought to have been loaded in sacks. An attempt was made to force an emergency exit, but the burglars broke a window lock in a basement labora-

## 55 Below Zero In Upstate New York As Eastern U. S. Shivers

NEW YORK (AP)—Glaciers cold reached 55 degrees below zero in upstate New York Tuesday as polar air gripped most of the eastern half of the United States.

The minus-55 mark at Boonville set a record for New York state, shattering a 53-year mark of 53 below set at Stillwater Reservoir Feb. 9, 1934.

Local records fell by the hundreds as the Arctic siege went into its second day with no immediate relief sighted. At Massena, N. Y., the temperature reached 44 degrees below zero at 6:30 a.m. Other recordings were 27 below at Watertown, 25 below at Utica, 23 below at Elmira, 21 below at Syracuse and Glenn Falls, 19 below at Binghamton and Albany, and 12 below at Buffalo.

At Owls Head in New York's Adirondacks, an unofficial 57 below was reported — 10 degrees lower than Monday's minimum.

### NEW YORK CITY

New York City, favored by its coastal location, recorded there above zero in the early morning. La Guardia airport had three below.

At Newark, N.J., airport, a zero reading was noted for the first time since Jan. 25, 1945. Sub-zero marks were general throughout the northeast and southward into the Pennsylvania and Maryland mountains. The minimum in Maryland was 10 below at New Germany State Park where snow cover measured five to six inches.

New England extremes included 28 below zero at Burlington, Vt., and 12 below at Boston and Bradley Field near Hartford.

Many rural schools closed. All those in Plattsburgh and Syracuse cancelled classes for the day.

## HOUSING LOANS SEEN EASIER

# But Homes May Cost More

OTTAWA (CP)—Home builders may soon find mortgage money easier to get but buyers may discover it costs more to pay for a new house on the instalment plan.

The reason: The government is expected to increase the maximum interest rate on insured mortgages to six per cent from 5 1/2 per cent.

The current rate was stepped up from 5 1/2 in March last year. Authorities said Tuesday the announcement of the increase likely will be made in two weeks.

On a \$10,000 mortgage, the increase would mean possibly another \$4 a month or so in interest charges. The rise would be pinned only to new mortgages—not those already granted.

Work on the Commons that some action may soon be announced when he told Michael Starr (PC—Ontario) that he "anticipated" that mass home builders—those experiencing the greatest difficulty in getting mortgages in 1956—will be able to get loans this year.

## \$30,000 Fire At Hartland

HARTLAND, N.B. (CP)—A 2 1/2 storey building in the business district was destroyed by fire of unknown cause Tuesday. It contained a hardware and china store owned by Joseph J. Martin and a beauty shop operated by Mrs. Christine Young. They estimated damage at \$30,000.

Firemen of Hartland, Woodstock and East Florenceville worked in 20 below zero weather.

money supply, general interest rates rose as industries scrambled for available credit.

The NHA interest rate remained at 5 1/2 per cent while charges for non-insured conventional housing loans increased to 6 1/2 and seven per cent.

Interest charges on other types of loans also increased. However, it appears likely that

banks will be encouraged to swing back to more mortgage lending with the announcement of a more attractive rate.

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## Preliminary Inquiry Opens At Saint John Today In Sinking

SAINT JOHN N.B. (CP)—A preliminary inquiry into a collision between a missing pilot boat and the freighter Fort Avalon opens here today amid growing speculation that seven men, missing since Monday, have drowned in vapor-enclosed Bay of Fundy.

Captain J. A. MacKinnon superintendent of pilots said Tuesday the closed hearing will be conducted by Captain G. W. R. Graves of Ottawa, principal examiner of masters and mates for the transport department.

Earlier, the near-exhausted superintendent said survival chances of the three pilots and four crew members aboard the missing craft were "very, very slim" in this weather.

During the long hours since the pilot boat vanished about 7:30 a.m. AFT Monday, temperatures have never been above zero. The mercury dropped to 24 below zero Tuesday, coldest recorded temperature in the city's history.

"If they had to take to the lifeboats," the Second World War skipper said "their chances for survival are very, very slim."

The only chance is that the pilot boat is afloat and there is not a very great chance she is.

CALL OFF SEARCH Captain MacKinnon Tuesday called off the search, at least temporarily, when the transport department supply ship Walter E. Foster entered port after a morning of fruitless prowling.

Tuesday and brought to berths here. They were the Prins Willem and the freighter Fort Avalon.

Furness-Whitby Co. Ltd. said it was unlikely anyone would be allowed aboard the Fort Avalon until after the inquiry. The ship is owned by the Furness Red Cross Line.

District weatherman Art Gould said a 15-mile an hour wind forecast to blow across the bay this afternoon, driving the vapor from the search area. Temperatures are expected to remain near zero.

Possibility of collisions among anchored ships outside the harbor and poor visibility—all blamed on the vapor—brought the search to a halt.

SHIP TOP-HEAVY One of two fisheries department patrol boats reported ready to join the search was brought into port Monday night, lashed to the side of the tug Ocean Rockwell.

The Cumella's captain said icy spray had made his ship top-heavy and he was afraid she might sink. The second fisheries boat, the Aloha, was blocked by vapor from leaving St. Andrews, N.B., on the Fundy coast.

If the vapor clears, searchers will move into the bay again aboard seven radar-equipped vessels.

Captain MacKinnon directing the search personally with the remaining eight pilots attached to this east coast support said if the pilot boat was still afloat she would probably have been picked up on radar screens "before this."