

DISMISS APPLICATION FOR FREIGHT RATE INCREASE

Mighty Hurricane Slashes Across Cuba

Canadians May Be In Heavy Action On Little Gibraltar Hill

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WEST SECTOR, Korea, Oct. 24—
(CP)—Under enemy observation from three sides, United Nations troops tonight were dug in on Little Gibraltar awaiting another possible Communist thrust at their positions.

In command of the rocky spur for months, Allied forces were dislodged for about seven hours Thursday night but regained their outposts early Friday.

(A Reuters dispatch from Tokyo said the U.N. soldier, were from the 1st Commonwealth Division, which includes the 25th Canadian Division. The action around Little Gibraltar hill, about 15 miles east of the Panmunjom truce site, was described as the division's biggest battle this year.)

Break For U.N. Troops

The enemy held off on mortar and shell fire Friday. It was a break for U.N. troops who had taken steadily increased bombardments during the previous 20 days.

The commander of the U.N. soldiers, who predicted the Red attack and had ready-made plans for a counter-attack, said he wasn't sure of the Chinese intentions.

He didn't know whether the enemy intended to remain on the

Heads For The "Gold Coast" Of Florida

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 24—(AP)—A major hurricane packing 165-mile-an-hour winds slashed a broad path across Cuba today on a course which would take it near South Florida's fabulous "Gold Coast."

The storm thundered inland over Cuba with its centre near Cienfuegos on the south coast, heading a 60-mile-wide swath through rich sugar cane and ranch land.

Gales lashed outward 75 miles from the centre of the storm, described as one of the most violent to strike land in recent years.

Grady Norton, chief storm forecaster at the Miami Weather Bureau, said the tropical blob should swirl into the Florida Straits near Rancho de Veloz tonight.

Southeast storm warnings flew along the Florida coast from Vero Beach to Key West, including the millionaires' playground of Palm Beach and Miami.

"Hurricane force winds are unlikely on the Florida coast unless there is a change of course," said a special Weather Bureau bulletin.

Storm-wise, the Canadians weren't taking any chances, however. Some stores already were boarded up and hundreds of yachts moved up the Miami River for refuge.

The Weather Bureau reported this sixth hurricane of the season was moving about 19 miles an hour off the Cuban coast, heading north-northeastward course and said the centre should pass between the southeast Florida coast and Nassau, Bahamas, Saturday.

A weather observer at Cayo Guano Del Este, an island 40 miles off the Cuban coast, reported the 165-mile-an-hour winds and radioed that "The sea is colossal."

To Observe 60th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Maynard of Northam who will observe their 60th wedding anniversary at their home tomorrow with the members of their family present. Mr. and Mrs. Maynard were married in Summerside on October 26th, 1892, and have lived in Northam ever since.

They plan to observe their wedding anniversary on Sunday with a dinner which will be attended by the immediate members of the family. On Monday they will be at home to their friends from 3.00 to 5.00 and from 8.30 throughout the evening. Mrs. Maynard was the former Miss Sarah Jane MacArthur of Northam. Mr. Maynard, now 89 years of age, was born in

Small Increase Allowed On Western Grain

OTTAWA, Oct. 24—(CP)—The Board of Transport Commissioners today jolted the railways with its first outright rejection of an application for a general freight rate increase.

The Board gave provincial governments opposed to increases—all except Ontario and Quebec—their first clear-cut win in the post-war series of rate cases by refusing the carriers a general boost of eight per cent that would have grossed about \$40,000,000 a year.

It was the first time in Canadian history, Board informants said later, that a call for a general rate increase had been turned down completely.

In a simultaneous judgment, the Board allowed the companies some increases on the west's grain traffic but chopped down by at least half the proposed new revenue of about \$3,000,000 a year which the railways wanted on grain.

Unofficial estimates were that the railways would get about \$1,300,000 a year—from grain—as against the \$43,000,000 that would have been yielded had the Board granted fully the double-barrelled application they filed last July.

The eight-per-cent judgment—a separate case from the Western rates—marked the first time in the long post-war series of rate cases that the Board has thrown out a railway application outright. In three major cases, it has granted increases totalling 70 per cent.

In these cases, the commission-ers have either granted railway applications fully or in part, or deferred action on them.

Another Application

In the current case, it could have taken the deferred-action method. There now is a further railway application before the Board for the eight-nine-per-cent boost, due to be heard in early December.

A new application is expected also as soon as the railways settle the current wage dispute with non-operating employees, who are demanding \$150,000,000-a-year wage hoists—the equivalent of another 30 per cent in freight rates.

The nine-per-cent application, which would give the companies around \$45,000,000 a year, has been based on the idea that the Canadian Pacific Railway—the board's "yardstick" for rates—should have a five-per-cent return on its investment in railway property.

This concept of setting rates—different from what now is in effect—will be fought by the eight provincial governments at a hearing due to open before the Board Nov. 10.

In the eight-per-cent decision today, the Board made it clear it wants to see evidence of sharply increased operating costs before it grants rate increases.

The unanimous judgment of the five-man commission said that the five-man commission said that the wage costs of the two railways had gone up only about \$2,473,000 a year since it gave its last increase in January of this year, while the mid-year index of wholesale costs had gone down from 1951.

The Board also noted that the yardstick C.P.R. expected to have a surplus of \$9,000,000 this year—considerably better than its average of the last six years.

Fishermen's Meeting Opposes Suggested Change In Seasons

Appointed To Head Commission On War Claims

Retention of the present regulation permitting two seasons for lobster fishing in this Province was almost unanimously endorsed at a largely attended meeting of fishermen held yesterday at Summerside.

Dr. A.L. Prichard, Director of Conservation and Development Service for the Department of Fisheries, Ottawa, presided, at the meeting which was held in the Baptist Hall for the purpose of reviewing the regulations governing the lobster fishing industry. Over one hundred fishermen and packers from all parts of the Province were present.

The morning session opened shortly after ten o'clock and in opening the meeting Dr. Prichard outlined the purposes for which the meeting was being held, to discuss certain situations which have arisen in regard to the lobster fishing, not only in this province, but in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick as well.

Dr. Prichard said that restrictions were placed on the lobster fishing industry in order, not only to provide for the present but for future generations as well. "It is your bread and butter," he said, "and if not regulated properly you won't have this bread and butter long."

"There seems, he continued, "to be far too much concern among fishermen that the department wants to make it tough for the fishermen. That is not the idea, there simply must be regulations by which all must abide."

A memorandum submitted by the Department of Fisheries was submitted and discussion on the question of "seasons and areas" was opened by the chairman who said that it was recognized by the Department that the numerous seasons now in force have little value as far as conservation is concerned.

Much discussion centred on the enforcement of regulations and it was the decided opinion of many who spoke that the patrol boats do not accomplish what they are supposed to in view of the large amount of money expended for their support and maintenance. It was the opinion of these speakers that if this money was expended on a shore force of enforcement officers, a great deal of poaching and illegal pecking would be eliminated. Dr. Prichard admitted it was regrettable that so much money, a million and a quarter dollars, should have to be spent for the protection of the industry in order to control so few.

Mr. Lucas R. Allen, Summerside, said that in his opinion should this money be spent on an educational programme for the education of the fishermen in order to show them that it is in their interests to obey the fisheries regulations, a great deal would be accomplished.

Mr. Peter Pate of Alberton, who spoke as a representative of a number of fishermen in his area, said that he had attended a number of meetings held in that locality to



Chief Justice Campbell

OTTAWA, Oct. 24—(CP)—The job of judging claims for 1939-45 war losses by Canadians was assigned today to Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell of Prince Edward Island, a former Liberal premier of the Island Province.

Prime Minister St. Laurent announced that Chief Justice Campbell, 57, has been appointed Chief War Claims Commissioner "to inquire into and report upon claims made by Canadians generally arising out of World War II."

A \$10,000,000 fund that is still growing is available for payments and claims running well into the millions are already in, or are expected. The money comes from reparations and from enemy assets seized in Canada.

The claimants include people

Coming Events

- *Masquerade Dance, Orwell Hall, October 29th.
- *Rummage Sale, Zion Basement, Saturday, 25th, 3 o'clock.
- *Masquerade dance, Morell, Monday, Burns Orchestra.
- *Wiltshire Hall, October 29th, Women's Institute Supper.
- *Rummage Sale, Saturday, Oct. 25th, 2 P. M. Holy Name Hall, St. Charles Auxiliary.
- *Rummage Sale, Trinity Church Social Hall, Saturday, October 25th, 2 P. M.
- *Bazaar, other games, pantry sale in Morell Hall, Wednesday, October 29th.
- *Reserve October 30th, Chicken and Ham Supper, sponsored by St. John's Anglican Church, Milton.
- *Come to hot Turkey Dinner in Crapaud Hall, October 29th. Sponsored by Crapaud United Church.
- *Masquerade Dance, Vernon Hall, Wednesday, October 29th. Prizes for best costumes.
- *Postponement — Masquerade Dance and Cards in Vernon Hall has been postponed.
- *The Annual Meeting of Cornwall Hall will be held in Hall, Monday, October 27th.
- *Masquerade dance Thursday, Oct. 30th, Winsloe Station Hall, Charlottetown Orchestra. Canteen.
- *Buying pigs Monday until 10 a.m. at Fredericton, also a number of dark pullets wanted. Knud Jorgensen.
- *See Marciano Walcott Fight, round by round. Also "Bicycle Thief", North Rustico Saturday, 8.30 P. M. Admission 80 cents.
- *Buying live chickens, capons and fowl Tuesday 8 until 12. Light, thin chickens not wanted. Highest market prices. R. L. Dickleson, New Glasgow.
- *Annual Meeting of Summerside Credit Union will be held in Summerside Hall, Monday, Oct. 27th, 8 P. M. Special Speaker, Refreshments served. Everybody welcome.
- *See Kirk Douglas in "The Big Tree" at Mt. Stewart Theatre, Tuesday, October 28th. Technicolor. The red wood country in the West.
- *Chick time is coming soon! We would like to let our customers know that we will again be Hatching New Hampshire and White Leghorn Cross bred Chickens. Your orders now will guarantee delivery when desired. Raynor's Chick Hatchery, Mt. Herbert.
- *Notice.—An important meeting of the Conservative Voters of Johnston's River Poll, will be held at Frank Trainor's, Donagh, on Wednesday night, October 29th. All interested please attend. Meeting at 8 P. M. Signed Frank Trainor, Foll Chairman.

Death Of Former P. W. C. Professor

Mr. G. E. Ritchie received the news yesterday afternoon that his long-time friend, Professor J. E. McLarty, B.S.A., had passed away in the Royal Victoria Hospital, London, Ont., after a lengthy illness.

Professor McLarty on graduating from the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph was appointed director of Rural Science at Prince of Wales College in 1916, a position he occupied for several years with distinction. He was a pioneer in the development of the Rural Science Department and became well known throughout the Province as an authority in his field.

Mr. McLarty was a charter member of the Rotary Club of Charlottetown and during his stay in the city took part in many community activities.

On retiring from regular college work he took up a section near North Battleford, but continued to give lectures on agriculture at colleges in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Three years ago, due to ill health, he took up residence at Wardsville, Ont., continuing in a smaller way to develop his long dealing chiefly with the production and development of trees imported from Scotland.

Besides his sorrowing wife, are left to mourn his two daughters by a previous marriage, Isabel and Eleanor. A funeral service will be held at Wardsville on Sunday, followed by interment at Toronto.

Local Lady Is Re-Elected To Head Children's Work Bd.

HALIFAX, Oct. 24—(CP)—Mrs. J. Gordon MacDonald of Charlottetown was re-elected president of the Children's Work Board of the Maritime Religious Education Council at the annual meeting of the board here yesterday. Mrs. Irma Hicks, Moncton, was elected recording secretary.

Seventh Anniversary Of United Nations Observed

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 24—(CP)—The United Nations observed its seventh birthday today in a familiar atmosphere of hostility, plus praise for its aims at world peace.

The Russians boycotted a special General Assembly meeting honoring those who have died in support of U.N. principles. Others at the Soviet bloc did not show up until the assembly ended a minute of silence for the dead.

Assembly president L. B. Pearson told delegates they are duty-bound to use the world organization responsibly and unselfishly to avert a third world war.

Good work and not words will lighten the burden of fear, Canada's External Affairs Minister said.

Fifty countries formed the U.

Reports Record Movement In P.E.I. Potatoes To Date

The potato movement from this Province since the start of the present shipping season has undoubtedly set a record, and the price level is the best ever known for this season of the year, according to information from Mr. Donald A. MacDonald, manager of the P.E.I. Potato Marketing Board.

Already the equivalent of 800 carloads have been moved by rail, water and truck with the movement being particularly heavy during this past week.

The prices received ranged from \$4.00 per 75 pound bag around August 1. They gradually declined to a level of \$1.60 per bag during the latter part of September, but since that time have improved and prices paid at the present time should be about \$2.25 per bag.

The movement of seed should get underway in volume shortly. Present indications are that prices will be slightly higher than those established by the Marketing Board in September. Some fine days are needed to finish harvesting the crop. However, it is now evident very little damage has been caused by snow and frost. Refrigerator cars are in short supply just now, but everything possible is being done to try to remedy the situation.

TWO-YEAR SENTENCE

SHIPPEGAN, N.B., Oct. 24—(CP)—Gerard Mallett was sentenced to two years in penitentiary in court here when he was charged with theft of money from an injured automobile driver. R.C.M.P. said Mallett stole \$25 from the wallet of August Degra after he had been injured shortly after giving Mallett a lift.

3rd Reading Today For Civic Traffic By-Laws

Third reading will be given this morning to a City by-law prohibiting vehicle with wheels or tracks with hard flanges from travelling on paved streets here. It will be done at a special meeting of the City Council to be held in City Hall.

A recent meeting of the Council expressed the opinion that bulldozers and similarly treaded vehicles should not be permitted on the streets and contribute to the breaking up of the newly laid pavements.

Various changes in the parking laws will also receive third reading this morning. In future unless indicated no vehicle may be parked on a public square or any part of a public street other than the travelled portion. Nor will it be permitted to park on the travelled part of any street between the hours of 1 and 6 o'clock in the morning. No taxis may park in a metered space, other than a space especially rented to it, excepting to immediately pick up or set down a passenger.

At a meeting of the Street Committee yesterday afternoon, hope was expressed that the purchase of adequate snow removal equipment would be approved at today's Council meeting. The chairman, Col. F. J. Storey said "We are most anxious to keep the city streets clear of snow and open to traffic to the very fullest extent and we are looking forward to the full co-operation of all concerned."

One of the difficulties to overcome is that of parked cars on the streets overnight, which will be eliminated by the new by-law. "However," said Col. Storey, "please make it clear that cars will not be allowed to park overnight on the grass plots between the street and the sidewalk. We hope to have these well grassed next summer as an aid to keeping down the dust, and in a measure add to the beauty of the city."

"Too many people have had this area in front of their homes torn up by car owners who were totally indifferent to the time and patience spent by citizens who are endeavouring to improve their surroundings."

Practically every unpaved street in the city has been scarified, graded and rolled, and is in good condition. The Warren Paving and City equipment used for this purpose has been put away for the winter. Minor alterations, particularly where water is lodging on the new streets, will be made early next summer.

No further work is to be done on the sidewalks this season, it was stated.

Medical Society Meeting Held At Summerside

About 35 doctors from all parts of the Province attended a meeting of the P. E. I. Medical Society in Summerside yesterday.

At a clinical session at the hospital in the afternoon several interesting medical cases were presented and discussed. At 6.30 p.m. the members attended a dinner meeting in St. Mary's Hall where Dr. Edward S. Mills of Montreal was the guest speaker. Dr. Mills is a professor of medicine at McGill University and physician in chief of Montreal General Hospital. Dr. Mills was introduced by Dr. J. B. Downing, of Summerside. He spoke on the recent advances in the therapy of hypertension (high blood pressure).

Dr. Mills stressed the fact that of all the drugs which have come on the market recently for the treatment of hypertension none have been entirely adequate. Likewise operations designed to lower the blood pressure in patients have many disadvantages and the number of patients who will respond to such an operation is small.

Continuing study of the problem of high blood pressure is going on and more and more of the factors responsible for its development are being elucidated. However, the basic reason why some people develop high blood pressure and others do not is not as yet known.

Dr. Harold Shaw, provincial pathologist, Charlottetown, was chairman of the meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. Mills are returning to Montreal today.

News In Brief

- WASHINGTON, Oct. 23—(AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower pledged tonight that if he is elected president he will go to Korea in a personal effort to end the war.
- LONDON, Oct. 24—(AP)—Erasmus Shinwell, former defense minister, predicted at a Labor party rally tonight that the Conservatives will call for a general election just after the coronation next June 2.
- WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—(AP)—Industry and Pentagon sources said today the army has asked for a record-breaking \$200,000,000 for the purchase of some 4,000 helicopters during the 1953-1954 fiscal year.
- UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 24—(CP)—State Secretary Dean Acheson of the United States said today the United Nations must decide whether the Communists want an armistice in Korea and act on the decision.
- MANILA, Oct. 25—(Saturday)—(AP)—A new tropical storm, with winds up to 145-miles-an-hour, today changed course and posed a menace to the Philippines where Wednesday's typhoon took a toll of at least 443 dead. A new report today increased the missing from 217 to 327.

Last Lady Liner Sails On Final Voyage To Indies

MONTREAL, Oct. 24—(CP)—The last of the Lady liners ends a long association with the port of Montreal tomorrow when the Lady Rodney sails on her last voyage to the West Indies.

The 8,192-ton ship will make her run to Caribbean ports with passengers and cargo and later this fall will end a 23-year career at Halifax where she will await sale.

Her sister ship and flagship of the Canadian National's West Indies fleet, the Lady Nelson, sailed last month, with the same fate awaiting her. The Nelson holds the distinction of having been Canada's first hospital ship.

The company's West Indies trade run now will be carried out by a fleet of eight vessels, led by three 7,500-ton passenger-cargo motorships, the Canadian Crusier, the Canadian Challenger and the Canadian Constructor.

The Rodney was one of five Lady liners built for the Canadian National in England in 1928 and 1929. During the last war, she saw service as a troopship between Canada, Newfoundland and Labrador. After the war, she was active in repatriation of servicemen from the continent to the United Kingdom.

Report Jewel Thefts In Toronto Area

TORONTO, Oct. 24—(CP)—Jewel thieves operating in the swank residential section of Eastern North York township have stolen \$50,000 from the suburban mansions of Col. Eric Phillips and J. A. McLean police said today. The estates are less than five miles apart.

Jewels worth \$45,000 were taken from the residence of Col. Phillips, prominent Toronto industrialist and financier.

Police said the robbery at the residence of Mr. McLean, president of Canada Packers, followed the same lines although the value of jewelry stolen totalled considerably less, between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

Ottawa's Mayor To Seek Re-election

OTTAWA, Oct. 24—(CP)—Mayor Charlotte Whitton said today that she will be a candidate for re-election at the December civic elections.

Making the announcement, she said her campaign symbol will be a darning needle—"It was a needle last time but this time the job is bigger."

There Are No Vacations From The School Of Experience



HALIFAX, Oct. 24—(CP)—Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Saturday.

Synopsis:
Cool air is flowing into the district and the clouds are now breaking up. There will be frost in the northern regions during the night. On Saturday patches of cloud will develop and there may be a few snow flurries over the hills in the northern regions.

Generally cool, sunny weather is the prospect for Sunday.

Regional forecasts, with an outlook for Sunday:
Prince Edward Island—Variable cloudiness. Little change in temperature. West winds 15. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 35 and 45.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 1.40 A. M. and 3.49 P. M.
High tide on the North Shore at 10.47 A. M. and 9.55 P. M.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.
Sun rises today at 6.41 A. M. and sets at 5.12 P. M.