

**FIND LINCOLN
1850 LETTER**

HAMILTON (CP) — The writing is scrawled, sometimes illegible, and the content is insignificant, but the 116-year-old letter is priceless. The writer was Abraham Lincoln.

The letter, written in March, 1850, 11 years before Lincoln's inauguration as the 16th president of the United States, has turned up in the Hamilton home of Dr. R. D. Appleford.

Lincoln was a successful lawyer in Springfield, Ill., at the time and the letter involves a legal statement he had taken from a witness. There are only about 30 known letters written and signed by Lincoln during this period.

This particular letter was sent by Lincoln to Charles Ballance, Peoria, Ill. Mr. Ballance was the great-grandfather of Dr. Appleford's wife. It was in the possession of Mrs. Appleford's mother, Mrs. Amy Ballance Dowler, who died here last year.

**Reward Offered
For Boy's Killer**

TORONTO (CP)—A total of \$3,000 has been offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person who stabbed Michael Kent, 6, to death Friday night at Elmvale, Ont.

The attorney-general's department has offered \$2,000 and the Elmvale police \$1,000.

The boy's body was found outside an arena where he had gone to watch his brother play hockey. The boy lived at Port McNicoll, near Elmvale, about 30 miles northwest of Orillia.

Meanwhile, Police Inspector James S. McBride said Monday Kevin Flemming, 3, was beaten at the same arena two weeks ago.

The incident was witnessed and broken up by a third person, now being sought by police.

Kevin told police his attacker "was a big boy—he hit me with a hockey stick and he put his hands over my mouth."

**Sealing Rules
Delay Refused**

OTTAWA (CP) — Fisheries Minister Robichaud has refused to hold up implementation of new sealing regulations until shore-based fishermen have an opportunity to make representations to the government.

Mr. Robichaud told Robert Muir (PC—Cape Breton North and Victoria) he expects the regulations to be approved by the cabinet within 24 hours and no delay is possible so soon before the sealing season begins.

He said public meetings were held at Moncton, N.B., before the regulations were drawn up and any interested fishermen could have made representations then.

**De Gaulle Backs
Peace Efforts**

PARIS (AP) — President de Gaulle has told North Viet Nam he is ready to throw his weight behind a Viet Nam peace effort but he made it clear he does not think the time is ripe for negotiations.

Responding to a letter from President Ho Chi Minh of North Viet Nam, he said France does not approve of prolonging the fighting or extending it in an effort to win a military solution.

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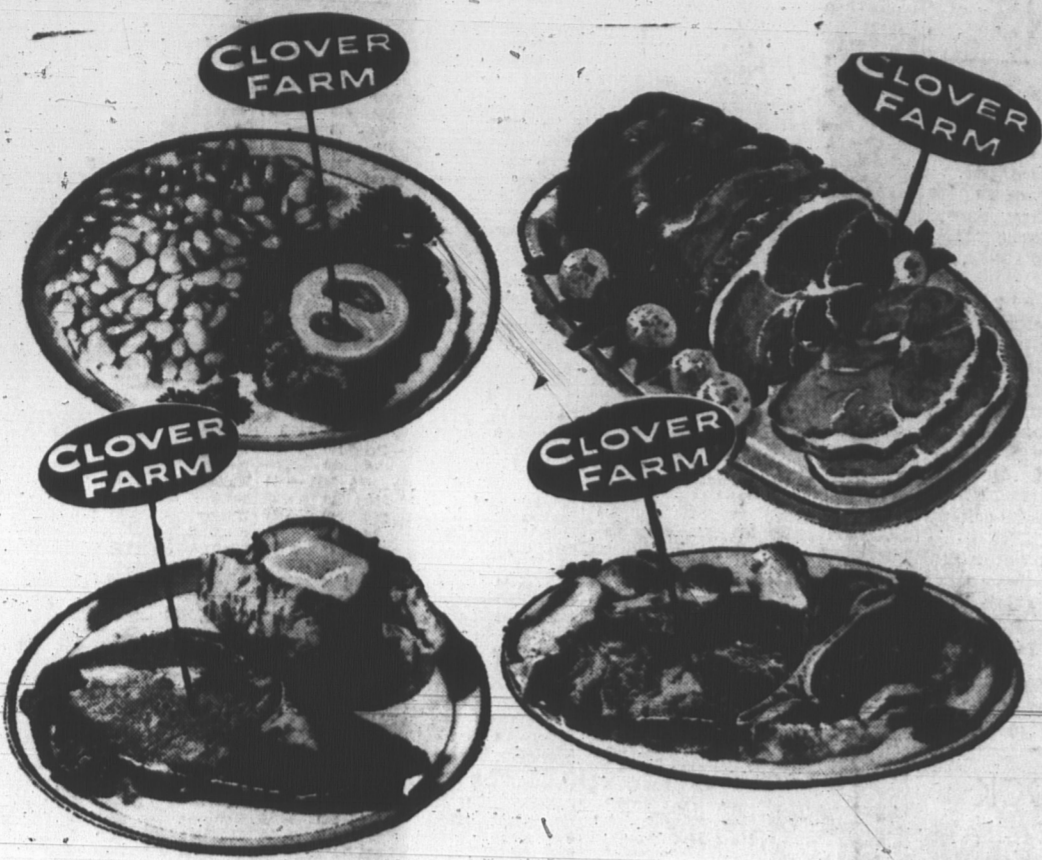
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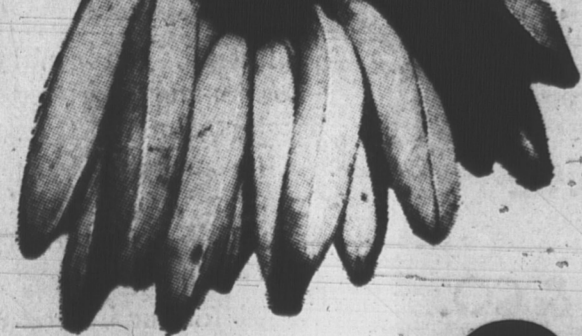
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