

# U.S. Trade Talks Seen Useful To Polish Gov't

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The fact that the U. S. government will negotiate with Communist Poland on trade credits gives Wladyslaw Gorka useful support in resisting Kremlin efforts to return Poland to satellite status.

The talks were announced in Washington Thursday. The Warsaw government hopes to get credits totalling about \$100,000,000.

Of greater importance, however is the fact Gorka, boss of the Polish Communist party, needs moral backing.

Gorka succeeded in the face of Russian opposition in establishing a type of regime known as "national communism"—in other words a Communist-type state like that of President Tito.

Indications are the Soviet leadership has not reconciled itself to the fact Gorka threw off the Kremlin's control.

The chances are the Kremlin will do everything it can to undermine Gorka.

**UNDETERMINED RED BOST**

National Communist Poland undermines the Russian position in East Germany because it lies adjacent Soviet military communication lines to that territory.

To the Kremlin, this is a dangerous example. Satellite governments can blackmail Moscow to some degree with the threat of imitating the Polish example. Finally, the very existence of a national Communist Poland undermines the Kremlin's claim to leadership of the world Communist movement.

Gorka has permitted most

collective farms to dissolve. He has permitted the Roman Catholic Church to give religious instruction. He has permitted Poland to have a press which is far more outspoken than the Soviet press. All these things are rank heresy.

The Kremlin would therefore be rid of Gorka and his national communism. But they are afraid so far to attack Poland directly because they know it would arouse the world. They are afraid to expel Communist Poland from Soviet good favor as Stalin did with Tito—because that would mean the loss of the possibility of maintaining outward friendliness while endeavoring to destroy Gorka's position by internal subversion and outside pressure.

# Pioneered Fur Farming Industry In The West

One of the pioneers in Manitoba's fur farming industry, Arthur Michael Doyle, died recently at his home in North Kildonan, Manitoba.

Mr. Doyle was a native of Prince Edward Island who emigrated to the West in 1905. He obtained his early education in the primary schools of this Province and at Prince of Wales College. Prior to going West he taught school for several years in the vicinity of Summerside.

Following his arrival in the Canadian West, the late Mr. Doyle entered the University of Manitoba to study law. After graduation he was admitted to the bar and established in Winnipeg the law firm of Donovan and Doyle, which later became Murray, Robertson, Donovan, and Doyle.

He set up his first fur farm at Lac du Bonnet, Man., about 1913. A second ranch, the All Star, was established in 1923 at North Kildonan. For many years he was president of the local Fur Breeders' Association, and was a past president of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeder's Association.



THE LATE MR. DOYLE  
He is survived by his widow, Lawrence Hyde of Montreal and a daughter, Patricia Marie; a son, Lee; and three grandchildren.

# Message To Community For White Cane Week

"Don't take your good vision for granted," declared Mr. George Haines, president of the Friendship Club of the Blind in a special White Cane Week message to this community.

"Doctors state that half the blindness in Canada could be prevented," he said, "if people would give a little attention to their vision." With almost 22,000 blind persons in Canada this means that ten thousand of them would have their sight today, if they had acted on this practical advice. He urged the adoption of the theme of this year's White Cane Week now underway: "Be wise, take care of your eyes."

Mr. Haines recommended examination every two years by an eye specialist particularly for those over forty, or if the person had ever worn glasses. He warned that some diseases like Glaucoma set in without pain or discomfort, and come to light only through proper examination. "Wear glasses if you need them," he said. "Modern designs make women more attractive, and give men a distinguished look. The old

idea that glasses spoil the appearance is a thing of the past."

**HELPFUL HINTS**

Mr. Haines gave a few helpful hints to help the wise "take care of their eyes." "Hold your book about fourteen inches from the face for reading. On windy days watch out for dust particles. If a piece of grit or dirt lodges in the eye and resists your efforts to remove it, have a doctor, nurse or druggist do the job for you."

Mr. Haines who is blind himself tapped his white cane significantly. "This is a symbol of blindness," he said. "It stands for the desire of the sightless to find a useful place in society. Through the cane and the help of our sighted neighbours we travel city streets to work, to the club, to Church, anywhere. The white cane is also a mute reminder that you who see, should never neglect your eyes. Take to heart this White Cane Week message: "Be wise, take care of your eyes."

**DEMONSTRATIONS IN SYRIA**  
VEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Unofficial reports reaching Beirut Friday said violent anti-Communist demonstrations erupted for four days at Aleppo in northern Syria. The reports said the Syrian army restored order after arresting 300 demonstrators, mostly members of the outlawed Syrian Popular Party.

**QUAKE IN AUSTRALIA**  
ADELAIDE, Australia (CP)—Earth tremors shook Adelaide for two minutes Saturday, rattling windows and rocking homes.

**HIGH TABLE**  
Table Mountain at the Cape of Good Hope overlooking Capetown rises 3,540 feet to a flat top

# Englishwoman Describes Late Mackenzie King

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LONDON (CP)—A candid but affectionate portrait of the late W. L. Mackenzie King is contained in a book just published by the Englishwoman who was his friend for more than 40 years.

The author, 84-year-old Violet Markham, first met the Canadian statesman at Rideau Hall in Ottawa in 1905. The governor-general, Earl Grey, introduced her to a pleasant, medium-sized man, with a round face and abundant fair hair.

"You must meet Mackenzie King, he will be prime minister of Canada some day," Lord Grey said.

"CHARMING MAN"

Later, in her diary, Miss Markham noted: "A charming young man with all the right ideas. His friendship ripened, in Ottawa and London, until in Ottawa 14 years later, when Miss Markham was the guest of an ailing man, soon to die. In the interval Mackenzie King had been premier 21 years, longer than any other Commonwealth statesman to that time."

The author writes of that long friendship in *Friendship's Harvest*, (Reinhardt) a series of sketches of personalities encountered in a long life. The portrait of King is a sympathetic one, but Miss Markham recognizes that he was an unusual man.

Speaking of the statesman's devotion to his mother, she writes: "In the jargon of psychiatrists it is undeniable that the mother complex was a misfortune. . . . no man has a greater need for the healthy correctives of home life than the man called upon to bear the heavy responsibilities of the state."

"In this sense Mackenzie King, in his later years, never had a home. The mother-cult stood between him and the normal ties of wife and child, which can humanize and soften the often inhuman job of politics."

**LITTLE HUMOR**

A character naturally introspective was flung back more and more upon itself, and as time went on a man sufficiently gay and sociable in youth became increasingly a recluse. Some visitors to his library felt there was a touch of exaggeration in the portrait of the mother with its lamp and flowers and the hushed voice appropriate to a shrine."

She regrets that humor was not his strong suit, as it would have given him a "lighter touch" in handling men and affairs.

She quotes a letter King wrote her in 1916 showing his distress at the slaughter in the trenches, but urging that she should not allow her faith to be shaken nor her vision dimmed by the frightful conflict because "there is something in the law of sacrifice as the only path of progress. . . . which we have not yet understood."

**BUCHAN SKETCH**

The book also contains recollections of 10 other persons, including the late John Buchan, a former governor-general of Canada. Buchan, the first Lord Tweedsmuir, is pictured as a man of great charm and talent, to whom most things came easily.

Miss Markham was married in 1915 to James Carruthers, who died in 1936. Now in her 85th year, she says she has "little sympathy with the regrets of old age, and the attitude of melancholy to which it leads in some of my contemporaries."

# Zion Young Adult Fellowship Group

The newly formed Young Adult Fellowship at Zion Presbyterian Church held their first regular meeting on Sunday evening, February 10th, 1957, after the evening service.

The meeting began with prayer by Miss Margaret MacDougall followed by a half hour sing song of favorite hymns, led by Mr. Bruce Atkins.

The report of the nominating committee was given and the following are the new officers for the coming year: president, Mr. Garret Buell vice-president, Mr. Wallace Smith; secretary - treasurer, Miss Marlene Balderson.

It was decided that the meeting would be held on Sunday evenings, and later on the group would meet through the week to do project work.

A committee was appointed to look after new members for the group.

The program for the evening was on the theme "The Church Presbyterian." An excellent presentation of this subject was given by Mr. Arthur MacRae and Mrs. Russell Stewart, assisted by Mrs. Arthur MacRae and Miss Jane Hall, and was followed by a period of discussion.

The meeting closed by singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds," followed by prayer.

The group looks forward to a time of interesting study and activity in the month ahead.

**BIG HOP**

The Pacific, largest of the oceans, was the first to be spanned by commercial aircraft in 1925.

# New Stamps To Feature Canada As Vacation Land

The Honourable Hugues Lapointe, Postmaster General, today announced the details of a special set of postage stamps to emphasize the recreational activities that may be enjoyed in Canada. The stamps will be issued for sale to the Canadian public on the 7th March, 1957.

Four stamps will be issued in this set, all blue in colour, and of 5 cent denomination. One stamp will illustrate a skier, another fishermen, another a swimmer and a fourth a hunter. These four major vacation activities are being illustrated on postage stamps to further the knowledge that Canada, the "Land of Vacations Unlimited," offers a variety of recreational fare to those who travel for pleasure.

The designs are the work of Lawrence Hyde of Montreal and are being engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa.



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# Want Stiffer Taxation On Co-operative Groups

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian Retail Federation today asked the federal government for stiffer taxation of co-operative groups, increased sales tax exemptions and repeal of special wartime excise taxes.

The federation's recommendations were included in a brief presented to Finance Minister Harris by a delegation headed by B. H. Hyndman of Ottawa, chairman of the CRF's executive committee.

Text of the brief was released to the press before presentation.

The CRF asked that the Income Tax Act be amended to increase the rate at which co-operatives' capital is taxed, at present three per cent. It suggested a rate of 5 1/2 per cent "would not be inappropriate in view of today's interest rates."

It further proposed that co-operatives be allowed to claim patronage dividends—paid to shareholders—as deductions from taxable income—only if they are paid in cash or its equivalent within 12 months of the end of the fiscal year.

**WANT SECTION REPEALED**

The brief also asked for repeal of section 73 of the Income Tax Act which allows, under certain conditions, a three-year tax exemption for new co-operatives.

Dealing with the general manufacturers sales tax, the CRF asked for a progressive program of exemptions with the objective being a single-stage application of the tax.

Specifically requesting a gradual elimination of taxes on equipment and articles used in business, the brief said a true single-stage tax would apply only to consumer goods. It agreed that because of administration difficulties it is not immediately possible to exempt all producer goods.

The brief also requested easing of corporation income taxes to make available a larger portion of profits for capital investment in expansion and maintenance.

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# TIMELY NOTES ON FUR TOPICS

The report of the Hudson's Bay Company fur sales in New York last week is very encouraging. A total collection of 40,765 dressed Autumn Haze mink pelts was per cent sold at prices very firm compared to the December sale. A top bundle brought \$66. The females brought \$22. They were shipped by Northwood Fur Farm. It was the American buyers who were responsible for the good prices and good demand. They recognized that the consignments were of high quality and were prepared to pay the prices. It was the opinion of several observers that those people who had maintained a "wait and see" attitude toward prices were at last finding it necessary to get possession of merchandise. The sales room estimate of the turnover varied between 80 and 90 per cent.

**LARGE OFFERING**  
The New York Auction Company

**Coming Events**

Don't forget Shur-Gain Calva cede, Kingston Hall February 13.

Bingo Morell Parish Hall Tuesday this week only 8 p.m. Jackpot \$50. Freezeout \$5.

Dance Grand View Hall, Thurs day February 14th. Music by MacPherson and Singleton.

Valentine Dance South Rustico, Friday February 15th, Burns Orchestra.

Cards and Dance Millview Hall Friday February 15th. Millview Orchestra.

Cards and dance in Vernon River Hall Wednesday Feb. 13. Cards 8 - 9.30 Websters Orchestra.

Reserve Friday, March 15, for Variety concert in Mt. Stewart Memorial Hall. Sponsored by the United Church Mens Association.

Dance Cardigan Legion Hall every Thursday night, Websters Orchestra. P. A. System and Can teen service.

Shur-Gain Amateur Cavalcade in Harrington Hall, March 4th. Send entries to Mrs. A. Phillips, Harrington.

Intermediates B. Hockey at North River Rink Wednesday night. Milton Hornets vs Albany St. Pats. Skate after. Admission 25 and 50.

A ham and bean supper will be held in Murray Harbor North Hall on Wednesday, Feb. 13th, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Dance afterwards. Proceeds in aid of school.

Double Header Intermediates C Hockey at North River Rink to night. Canada Packers vs Cornwall. 7:30 sharp. Second Game Hampshire vs York. Skate after. Admission 25 and 35.

is offering a tremendously large sale of EMBA mink pelts February 11 to 15. There will be 110,000 Autumn Haze Mink, 13,500 Lutetia, 11,000 Argamine, 45,000 Corelean, 22,000 Argamine, 15,000 Diadem and 10,000 miscellaneous pelts. The total would be in the vicinity of 226,000 and if we average them at \$30, which they surely will realize, it would mean \$6,780,000, and remember this is only one of many sales that will be held in the United States.

We have only a vague notion what the whole mink industry represents in dollars for ranchers in the U.S.A. and Canada, but it would be an enormous sum of money and the entire industry has been built up to those proportions in less than twenty years. We well remember Fritz Weisler who was buying pelts at the McLure and MacKinnon Silver Fox Farms in 1940 advising us to buy some mink as it was bound to be a sure fire farming success. He offered to put us in touch with leading Quebec breeders, who were then getting the highest prices for ranch mink, but we could not see it. We had no idea that in ten years the "not wanted" sign would be showing up for silver fox.

**WILD RABBIT**

The catching of wild rabbits brings considerable money to youths in Great Britain. At Gooding and Co's, sale in London last week English wild rabbit skins were firm and hares were up about 5 per cent. There were 2-12 dozen raw English wild rabbit skins sold during the auction at satisfactory prices and a catalogue of 11,833 hares was 100 per cent sold at good prices. Some 7,945 tame rabbit skins brought somewhat lower prices. This was due to the uncertainty of the French tame rabbit skin market. The story of the Australian rabbit goes back to the time when the early settlers brought some out from the Old Country and they developed to such enormous quantities that means had to be taken to exterminate a large number of them.

Sapphire and Silverbush mink were slightly down from December auction levels at the Oslo, Norway, sale in January. An offering of 8,000 Sapphire mink was 82 per cent sold and 12,000 Silverbush mink was 60 per cent sold. Skins went partly to the United States and partly to Europe. In the two days selling 68,000 pastels were offered and were 55 per cent sold at prices slightly down from December sale levels. During the two days 65,000 standard mink were offered and 75 per cent sold.

**OPEN DOOR**

The fur industry was wanted by Frank C. Ashbrook, United States Interior Department for official "Man of the Year in 1953," not to support any new move to restrict imports of fur from Scandinavian countries. Mr. Ashbrook

# P.M. Rejects N.B.'s Plan For Beechwood Project Financing

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent has rejected New Brunswick's proposal for Bank of Canada financing of the province's Beechwood hydro project, it was disclosed Monday night.

However, Mr. St. Laurent indicated in a letter to Premier Flemming of New Brunswick he would discuss with Finance Minister Harris and Resources Minister Lesage New Brunswick's request for some kind of federal assistance in developing the Beechwood and other St. John River Basin hydro projects.

The New Brunswick proposal was outlined in correspondence, tabled in the Commons, between Mr. Flemming and Mr. St. Laurent following a meeting in Ottawa Nov. 8.

Mr. Flemming asked in a letter dated in Fredericton Nov. 8 "that the Bank of Canada give consideration to advancing funds to the Province of New Brunswick sufficient to relieve our Beechwood financing problem."

Mr. Flemming said that up to that date the project on the St. John River had been financed through loans with four chartered banks but the federal credit restrictions "have now brought some difficulties in these short term banking arrangements."

**ASKED MORE AID**

He said that expenditures up to that date totalled \$14,000,000 none of which had been funded. The project, expected to be completed in December, 1957, would cost an estimated \$29,000,000.

The New Brunswick premier reiterated past demands for federal aid in the overall hydro development of the St. John River Basin. He also asked for some aid if recent mineral discoveries were to be completely developed in New Brunswick.

emphasized in an interview that the American fur industry cannot live off the skins produced by domestic mink farmers alone. He was disturbed about indications that some in the New York fur trade agree with American mink farmers that a need exists to restrict further fur imports.

Nat Morris, manager of the Fur Trade Association of Canada (Quebec) Inc., states that the Canadian Fur trade is on the road to recovery judging from the lessening number of failures. Presenting a yearly report at the 25th annual dinner meeting of the Association he stated that only 25 bankruptcies were recorded in 1956 and the total amount was \$414,180. In 1955, 30 bankruptcies were reported totalling \$717,173.

Lester Bennett and Sons, Victor N.Y., have published a list of 1,342 mink they consigned to the Hudson's Bay Company's sales. They were Pearls-Palomina Blue Beige - Colton Beige-Swedish Buff and carriers for . . . Aleutians-Sapphires-Iris-Pastel, mink, and they brought after the sales discounts were deducted \$39,501,47, a little less than \$30, average, which apparently was considered very satisfactory by the ranchers.

# Population Now 16,344,000

OTTAWA (CP)—A sharp rise in immigration in 1956 helped boost Canada's population at Jan. 1 to an estimated 16,344,000.

The bureau of statistics reported Monday that the population figure for the first of the year represents a gain of 526,000 over the corresponding date in 1956.

Immigration last year soared to 164,867, the biggest number of post-war arrivals since 1953 when 168,000 persons landed in this country as immigrants.

The Jan. 1 population figure was up 263,000 since last June 1, when a national census placed the population at 16,081,000.

Bureau officials said the firm census figure for last June will mean revision of the estimated total population of 15,818,000 at Jan. 1, 1956.

A bureau official said 1957's population increase likely will be as much or perhaps more than the estimated 526,000 rise last year. A similar increase in 1957 would place total population at about 16,870,000 by next Jan. 1.

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# Farm Price Index Said Unchanged

**PAGE 1 FARM PRICE**  
OTTAWA (CP)—The yardstick or measuring farm prices in Canada remained unchanged in December.

The index, based on 1935 - 39 prices equalling 100, stood at 225.8, unchanged from November, the bureau of statistics reported Monday.

Lower prices for poultry and eggs were offset by gains for potatoes. Prices for grains, livestock and dairy products remained fairly steady.

**PLENTY TURNED UP**  
TOKYO (Reuters)—Police searching for relatives of a beggar found dead in a ditch last Sunday had no luck until Wednesday when it was found he had left \$850 in his shack. A police spokesman said a line of "relatives" began filing into the police station to register claims.

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