

Railway Application Hearing Concluded Before Commission

Seven witnesses, three of them potato shippers or representatives of potato shippers, appeared before the Board of Transport Commissioners here yesterday as the two day hearing of the Transport Board was concluded.

Among those who appeared yesterday were Hon. Eugene Cullen, Minister of Agriculture, Messrs. B. Graham Rogers, Director of Transportation for P. E. I.; Earl Kennedy of the Department of Highways; Charles L. McCoy, Assistant General Freight Traffic Manager of the C.N.R., and potato dealers E. D. Reid, W. L. Thompson and E. W. Campbell, secretary-treasurer of the H. B. Willis Co. Ltd.

The Board concluded its hearing about three o'clock in the afternoon. The subject under consideration was an application from the C.N.R. to abolish most of its passenger train service in the Province during an eight months' period and maintain a tri-weekly freight service with additional trains when required.

With the exception of Mr. McCoy all witnesses yesterday were called in by Government counsel, Mr. J. O. C. Campbell, Q.C. Mr. McCoy was a railway witness.

A judgment on the merits of the C.N.R. application and the arguments against it will not be handed down until some future date.

HON. MR. CULLEN

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Coming Events

- Your Saturday night Jamboree - Forum.
- Remember the Orange Tea, Orpavaud, July 12th.
- Dance, Travellers Rest Country Club Thursday, Jackie Doyle.
- Regular Dance at Emerald Hall every Friday night.
- Lobster supper, Holy Name Hall, St. Peter's Bay, Wednesday June 29.
- Dance at Rustico Cross School June 23rd. Doiron's Orchestra.
- Speech meeting, Abegweit R.E.P. Kingston, Friday night, 8 o'clock with 4th degree.
- Dance in Gowan Brae School, Friday, June 24th. Lances. Chaisson's Music.
- Dance Mount Stewart Memorial Hall, Friday, Burns Orchestra.
- Dance in Gardross School, Monday, June 27th. Turner's Orchestra.
- Regular dance Friday night, Beaver's Club hall, Montague. At Blanchard's Orchestra.
- Lobster supper, Holy Name Hall, St. Peter's Bay, Wednesday June 29.
- See Cardigan Players in their 3-act comedy at Cardigan hall, Friday, June 24. Curtain 8:30. Dance.
- Stock-Car Dance, Covehead Raceway, Tuesday, June 28th. Everybody welcome. 80 cents per person.
- Regular Dance Monday night, Charlottetown Forum. Rolie MacKenzie's Orchestra. Dancing 8:30 to 12:30. Admission 60 cents.
- Opening dance Matthew and MacLean's warehouse, Souris, Wednesday, June 29th. Canteen. Sponsored by Junior Hospital Aid.
- Cornwall presents "The Irish Millionaire", Pownall Hall, Tuesday, June 28. Sponsored by Mt. Herbert Ladies Aid.
- Come to big opening dance at Morell Rear hall, Wednesday, June 29th. Good music. Trustees of Morell Hall.
- Weekly dance, Winsloe Station hall, Friday, June 24th. Rolie MacKenzie's Orchestra. Canteen. Dancing 9:30 to 12:30. Day-light Time.
- In stock, all kinds Potok Spray, Fly Spray, Cobalt Lick Salt, Herbat 2-4-D, Baler Twine and Strawberry Boxes. Dillon & Spillit.
- Cornwall Players present "The Irish Millionaire"—3 act amusing play in Bonshaw Hall, June 28th, 8:30 p. m. Sponsored by Bonshaw W. I.
- Regular Friday night dance starting June 24, Charlottetown Forum. Music latest dance records. Admission 50c. Dancing 8:30-12:30.
- Repairs completed. We are now Custom Grinding and Mixing daily at our Charlottetown Mill. P. L. Morris, Shur Gain Feed Service, 12 Lower Queen Street.
- West Royalty Home and School Association final meeting for season tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 Daylight Saving Time. Films on water safety and first aid. All urged to attend.
- District Convention of Cross Roads, Hazelbrook, Mt. Allison, Pownal, Alexandria, Johnson's River, Mermaid, Bunbury, Mt. Herbert, Southport Women's Institutes will be held on Monday, June 27th, at Mt. Herbert Orphanage at 2 p. m. Evening session at 8 p. m. Standard Times.

FIRST TRANS-ATLANTIC TELEPHONE CABLE SNAKES INTO OCEAN AFTER CEREMONIES



The numerous houses and out-buildings located nearby. The Summerside Light and Power Department. (Photo by Wotton)

S'ide Mother Rescues Kiddies From Burning Home

A mid-afternoon fire yesterday destroyed the two-story frame home of Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Walsh, 65 St. Lawrence Street in Summerside and all its contents, but fortunately two of their six small children who were asleep in the house at the time of the outbreak were rescued by their mother.

Mr. Walsh was at work and Mrs. Walsh was visiting next door, with her mother, Mrs. Leonard Clow, when the fire was first noticed. Mrs. Walsh rushed home and realizing the blaze had gained considerable headway, ran upstairs to get her youngest child who was sleeping in a bedroom. Then she awakened the other child who was asleep on a cot downstairs and carried them to safety. Two neighborhood children, who had been playing in the kitchen, were also led to safety by Mrs. Walsh.

By this time the fire had spread throughout much of the downstairs part of the dwelling and prevented attempts at saving at least some of the contents. The fire, which spread very rapidly, originated in a clothes closet behind the kitchen stove about 2:30 p. m. It isn't known, however, if the stove or whether the children were playing with matches and accidentally touched off the blaze.

Although the flames spread quickly, firemen had the blaze under control shortly after arriving on the scene, thus preventing it from spreading to any of the numerous houses and out-buildings located nearby. The Summerside Light and Power Department.

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Girl Killed By Lightning

HUNTSVILLE, Ont. (CP)—A high school student sitting in the boss' chair on the second day of her summer job was struck dead by a lightning bolt Tuesday. The bolt travelled down a chimney and along a telephone to shatter the phone she was holding.

"Fellow employees snatched Beverly, 17, from the burning chair and carried her out of the wrecked, smoke-filled wood products office in her home village of Kearney.

Cecil Smith, 67, firm manager, whose left arm and shoulder were badly burned, said he got up to sandpaper a new desk being made for Beverly while she sat in her place when the bolt split a tree outside and crashed into the room.

"Beverly was wearing blue jeans and they just burst into flames. We beat out the flames and tried to revive her, but there was no hope. She was very badly burned."

HOLDS 1,050 PASSENGERS

The new Empress of Britain has accommodation for 1,050 passengers.

Its predecessor, the famous 42,500-ton liner launched in 1930 by the Duke of Windsor, then Prince of Wales, was lost through enemy action in 1940.

After the launching the Queen Anne's Duke left by train across the neck of Scotland to Rosyth on the east coast to board the royal yacht Britannia for Oslo, where they begin an official state visit to Norway.

New Canadian Pig Is Named Lacombe

OTTAWA (CP)—The agriculture department has decided to name Canada's new pig "Lacombe," after the Alberta experimental station where it was developed.

Production of the new Canadian bacon hog, a shapely white animal with floppy ears and rounded hams, was announced by the department last April.

P. E. I. Airman Killed In Crash

MONTREAL (CP)—Two men were fatally injured Wednesday when a CF-100 jet fighter from the RCAF base at nearby St. Hubert made a crash landing on an emergency field at La Tuque, Que., 120 air miles northeast of Montreal.

F/O J. A. Arsenault was born at Richmond, R. R. (St. Hubert) P.E.I. and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Arsenault of that place. He is survived by one sister, Louise, at home and five brothers, Alyre, Chelsea, Mass., Ernest at home; Raymond, Edmund and Alcide in the armed services.

He was to have been married this month to Miss Terry Gallant, daughter of Mrs. Alvina Gallant, of Montreal, formerly of Duvar, P.E.I.

Canadian Freight Ass'n Meeting In Charlottetown

Robert Watson, chairman of the Canadian Freight Association, now in annual session at the Charlottetown Hotel was presented with the Key to the City by His Worship, Mayor J. D. Stewart at a reception last evening.

Approximately 40 members of the organization, accompanied by their wives were in attendance along with local invited guests, among whom were His Honour Lieut. Governor T. W. L. Prowse and Mrs. Prowse and Mayor J. D. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart.

At the afternoon session of the Association, Mr. Watson occupied the chair and gave leadership in discussions dealing with various freight rate matters. The organization meets monthly in various parts of Canada and frequently in the U. S. A. Once a year during the summer a series of meetings is held such as are now being held here to which the members bring their wives.

In addition to chairman Watson many branches of the freight services were represented by officials in attendance including: George Douglas, General Freight Agent, C.N.R., Montreal; R. J. Macdougall, Assistant General Freight Agent, Toronto; R. Pirrie, General Freight Agent, Montreal; C. L. McCoy, Assistant General Freight, Traffic Manager, Montreal; W. Jamieson, Freight Traffic Manager, C.P.R., Montreal; E. W. Drewe, General Freight Agent, C.N.R., Charlottetown.

TEST RUNWAY BARRIERS

OTTAWA (CP)—The RCAF next month will deliberately crash a CF-100 jet fighter into a barrier at Uplands airfield here. The object, the air force said Wednesday, is to test runway barriers, an accident prevention device. The barriers are similar to those used on aircraft carriers to halt a plane if it misses the arresting cables on the flight deck when landing.

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CLARENVILLE, Nfld. (CP)—The first trans-Atlantic cable snaked out on ocean floor Wednesday, launched with the blessings of three countries amid colorful ceremonies.

As the cabling ship Monarch sliced into the stream on the first lap of the \$40,000,000 project, a series of speeches described the event as a historic milestone and another example of co-operative accomplishments of free nations.

Before the end of 1956, if all goes as planned, two cables with 36 voice circuits will span the Atlantic.

Under a scorching sun officials of Canadian Overseas Telecommunications, American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and the British post office, saw their joint project duly launched from the island that made similar history twice before.

OBSERVES FORMALITY

As a formality, D. F. Bowie, president of COTC, smashed over a bottle containing water from Clarenville's Content the spot where the first successful telegraph cable was landed in 1866.

Beside Mr. Bowie was C. P. Eddards, retired deputy minister of transport who charged Marconi's batteries for the receiving of the first trans-Atlantic wireless message in St. John's in 1901.

For the town of Clarenville this was the biggest day in its history. By civic proclamation it was declared a holiday so that 1,200 citizens could gather around the new white terminus building to see modern history made.

Flags of Canada, the United States and Great Britain fluttered in a light breeze as speakers lauded the enterprise and co-operation of the three companies and reviewed the historical significance of Newfoundland.

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MONTREAL (CP)—A United States scientist said Tuesday the atomic-powered locomotive is "still many years away."

W. H. Keller of Washington, executive vice-chairman and director of research for the American Association of Railroads, said economics is one of the many problems in the construction of an atomic-powered locomotive.

He told the ARR's annual meeting of mechanical and electrical divisions the cost of atomic fuel is not known and a low-cost fuel would be needed to balance the higher cost of present-day methods. Higher cost per horsepower would result because of complications involved in construction. Another drawback was the possible hazard in case of accident.

Mr. Keller said only the most elementary research has been done on an atomic-powered locomotive. K. H. Gordon of Philadelphia, vice-chairman of the association's electrical section, said "old king coal" will continue his reign as a fuel in industry for many years.

He said advances have been made in use of oil and gas in the field of electrical generation but coal will continue a basic fuel. Use of oil and gas in generating electricity will start to decline long before the use of coal reaches its peak.

The electrical utility industry doubles its growth every decade, said Mr. Gordon, and thus the prospect for growth and development of the coal industry seems "very good."

D. S. Neuhart of the Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, Neb., said he doesn't think other forms of transportation can do a better job at less cost than railroads.

He said standardization of equipment and procedure are necessary. Railroads must continue toward providing "better transportation at less cost."

Owen Clarke of the U.S. interstate commerce commission said high speed railroads must try to parallel highway transportation in speed, prompt delivery and dependability.

He said "railroad transportation" now is living in a ferociously competitive environment, in which other industries grow and prosper through conforming to the same.

Coalition Gov't Resigns Grave Political Crisis Faces Italy

Rome (Reuters)—Italy's long-shaky coalition government resigned Wednesday, plunging the nation into its gravest political crisis since the war.

The government, led by tough Premier Mario Scelba, toppled because his Christian Democrat party was split over Scelba's leadership.

Scelba agreed to carry on with his cabinet as a caretaker government, while President Giovanni Gronchi tackles the job of finding a successor.

month nearly precipitated the government's fall, started consultations Thursday with political leaders in a search for a government likely to command a parliamentary majority.

HATED BY COMMUNISTS

There was jubilation Wednesday night in the ranks of the Communists and neo-Fascists. They hate Scelba as the man who built up Italy's powerful post-war police force.

It is generally recognized here that the only proper solution to the present crisis would be to hold new elections.

But an election might break up the balance created by the voting in 1953, when the Christian Democrats, plus coalition partners, won less than half the nation's vote.

In any case, the Italian constitution obliges Gronchi to exhaust all possibilities before agreeing to new elections before the next general elections scheduled for 1958.

PRO-WESTERN COALITION

Observers feel the collapse of the government — which com-



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Dawson	45	60
Vancouver	55	69
Victoria	53	63
Edmonton	43	63
Calgary	49	61
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Winnipeg	48	76
Toronto	59	76
Ottawa	52	74
Montreal	62	81
Quebec	58	78