

Further Handicap Against Maritime Potato Growers

OTTAWA (Special) — Potatoes grown in the state of Maine not only enter Canada duty-free at this time of year and receive the advantage of the dollar exchange rate but actually enjoy the benefits of the Maritime freight rates provisions when competing with Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick grown potatoes.

This curious situation was disclosed at this week's meetings of the Canadian Horticulture Council of which Walter Shaw of Charlottetown is president. Members of the potato committee examining the situation found that Maine grown potatoes are trucked across the New Brunswick border on refrigerators and can beat out the Maritime-grown potatoes in the profitable Montreal market. Other large shipments are delivered from Maine to Quebec by truck over the paved and winter-maintained highways of Quebec province.



Mr. W. R. Shaw, President, Canadian Horticultural Council

Many Ignored Smoke In Apartments Before Fire

MONTREAL (CP)—Fire Director Raymond Pare said Thursday television and personal comforts were partly to blame for Wednesday night's disastrous apartment house fire, which claimed 11 lives and sent 14 persons to hospital.

The fire might have been avoided if residents of the 22-apartment building had forgotten their television programs and personal comforts and investigated the pungent smoke odor which obviously seeped through the apartment block a quarter of an hour before the fire broke out, the director said.

THE DEAD

Theresa Masse, 26, a nurse, and her sister, Rachel, 25, both natives of Brunet, Que.; Rita Lavigne, 32, Vaspimil Vybihal, 27; Colette Mouton, 25; Simone Lapine, 51; Mrs. Alfred Desjardins, 27; Mrs. Gilbert Robert, 52, bank employee; and Marion Queltette, 46. Most have been residents of Montreal for some time.

THE INJURED

List of persons, all from Montreal, injured in Wednesday night's apartment house fire: Mrs. Denise Brouillard, 24. Mrs. Alfred Desjardins, 65. Jean Dupras, 26.

Coming Events

- Auction and Dance, Vernon Hall, February 21st.
- Dance Mt. Stewart Memorial Hall, Saturday, Burns Orchestra.
- Card Party in Stanley Bridge Friday, February 18th.
- Crokinole Party, Wheatley River tonight.
- Horse racing at Vernon Bridge, Saturday, Feb. 19, 2 p.m.
- Pantry sale at Simpsons Sears Saturday, Feb. 19, 2 o'clock, Cornwall school.
- Grand Bingo, St. Andrews Hall, Mt. Stewart, Monday, February 21st, 20 games, door prize.
- Don't forget Auction and Dance in Millinery Hall, Friday, February 18th, at 8 o'clock, Mill-view Women's Institute.
- Box Social and Dance, Kelly's Cross School, Friday, February 18th. If not, will be held Monday, February 21st.
- Carnival at North River Rink tonight. Judging starts at 9 o'clock sharp. No skating on ice till judging is completed.
- The Annual Meeting of Tryon Farmers Institute will be held in the North Tryon School at 4 p.m. February 21st. If stormy, February 22nd. Fred A. Leard, Secretary.
- Showing at Morell tonight, Friday only, a picture of the whole family are sure to love. It's M. G. M.'s "Small Town Girl". Starring Jane Powell, Farley Granger, Music and Merriment in Technicolor. Two shows 7 and 9 p.m.
- Ice sports at Crapaud Rink tonight at 7:30 sharp. Admission all children 15 cents, adults 25. Hockey after sports, Crapaud Rink, Saturday, Feb. 21st. Skating at Charlottetown Rink, Saturday, Feb. 21st. Skating at Charlottetown Rink, Saturday 2 to 4.

ONE PARATROOPER KILLED, FOUR INJURED IN PARADROP PRACTICE ON ALBERTA LAKE

Federal Planners At Work

Seek Long-Term Energy Policy

By JOHN LEBLANC
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—Federal planners are trying to work out a long-range program for integrating atomic power with other energy sources in Canada.

An overall fuel and energy policy covering all types of power is the eventual aim of an informal interdepartmental committee of top men in the federal power field.

less than in the U. K. "We feel that we should not attempt to develop power that will not be competitive in cost with power produced from coal."

The Commons Thursday night submitted his cabinet list to the president of the National Assembly. But his chances of winning assembly approval today and ending the government crisis now in its 13th day, appeared poor.

NO HOLD UP

Staley Knowles (CCF—Winnipeg North Centre) drew Mr. Howe's attention to steps being taken by the United Kingdom to set up atomic power plants and asked him to consider press reports suggesting that "squabbles" in the United States are delaying Canada's program.

Former Member of Parliament Dies

LONDON, Ont. (CP)—Robert J. Deachman, 76, former Liberal member of Parliament, died Wednesday night in hospital.

Raw Fur Prices Up 20 Per Cent

OTTAWA (CP)—Strong European demand has increased Canadian raw fur prices by about 20 per cent in the last few weeks and this likely will mean higher prices for fur coats next fall, W. M. Ritchie of the agriculture department said in an interview Thursday.

New Chapter Added To Foreign Legion History

By EMERSON CHAPIN
LONDON (Reuters)—A plot hatched in London by two young British aristocrats has added an odd new chapter to the stranger-than-fiction chronicles of the French Foreign Legion.

Potato Poisoning Reports Investigated, House Told

OTTAWA (CP)—Reports of potato poisoning from consumption of potatoes harvested after last year's wet growing season are being investigated, Health Minister Martin said Thursday.

Adventure Missed

It was in search of adventure that the slender Michael joined the legion—a time when Indochina was still the centre of the world's attention.

Boost Guided Weapons Program

LONDON (Reuters)—Britain Thursday night announced her decision to make hydrogen bombs in order to help prepare against the "risk of a world war as so prevent it."

Pineau Submits Cabinet List

By Harold King
PARIS, (Reuters) — Socialist Christian Pineau, the third man to take on the job of trying to succeed Pierre Mendes-France as premier of France, Thursday night submitted his cabinet list to the president of the National Assembly.

Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Thursday
John Diefenbaker (PC—Prince Albert) charged the immigration department with arrogance, abuse of authority and despotism and high-handed methods.

Thunderous Applause For Drew On Return To House

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons Thursday welcomed back Opposition Leader George Drew, now completely recovered from a meningitis attack last fall.

Makes Strong Plea For Increased Hospital Aid

A strong plea for increased hospital assistance was made in the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan who pointed out that the present grant of \$100 per bed per day was the lowest of any received from a provincial government in Canada.

NEW FATHER KILLED

GRIMSBY, Ont. (CP)—A Smithville district man, 21-year-old Blake Lyburner, whose wife had given birth to their first child just a day before, was fatally injured in an automobile accident three-quarters of a mile west of Grimsby Wednesday night.

British Gov't To Back Expedition

LONDON (Reuters)—Prime Minister Churchill announced on Thursday the British government is willing to put up £100,000 towards the cost of a proposed British expedition across the uncharted wastes of Antarctica.

Plan 2 Chemical Plants For Western Provinces

TORONTO (CP)—The Financial Post says a \$40,000,000, two-plant chemical construction program for western Canada is in its final planning stages, with first construction scheduled to start in the spring.

Will Not Hesitate

The report indicated that Britain will not hesitate to use atomic weapons in case of war. "In the last resort," it said, "most of us must feel that the physical devastation—even on the immense scale which Britain is developing—a new type of bomb which is simpler and cheaper to produce than the Ameri-

Reduce Defence Spending

Officials Thursday night refrained from any comment on the program or on the rumors several months ago that Britain is developing a new type of bomb which is simpler and cheaper to produce than the Ameri-

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Record Quantity of Cigaretts Go On Sale

OTTAWA (CP)—A record quantity of cigarette went on sale in Canada last week.

16-year-old Girl Sentenced To Prison

NEW YORK (AP)—Sixteen-year-old Theresa Gresh was sentenced Thursday to 20 years to life for helping her boy friend kill her mother March 4, 1954.

CRIPPLED CHILDREN

"Can we get any help for our crippled children?" was a question posed by Dr. MacMillan who stated that at present there are 11 cases of hair lip and cleft pallet waiting to be operated on but there is no money to do it.

SETS RECORD FOR SERVICE; IS CREATED A VISCOUNT

LONDON (Reuters)—Sir Godfrey Huggins, prime minister of Southern Rhodesia since 1933, was created a viscount Thursday, on the eve of his breaking the record for length of service as a prime minister in the British Commonwealth.

EQUAL RIGHTS

Huggins, who was knighted in 1941, has governed the 6,710,000 Africans, 215,000 whites, 14,000 Asians and 10,000 persons of mixed blood in the vast plains and bush country under his authority on the policy of "equal rights for all civilized men."

HALIFAX (CP)—The Dominion weather office here says a disturbance near Cape Cod is expected to move eastward and snow, occasionally mixed with rain, expected to move across the southern regions.

Regional forecasts:
Lower St. John river valley; Clonville; continuing mild; winds 16. Low-high at Fredericton and Saint John 25 and 30.
Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties: Variable cloudiness with a few snowflurries; continuing mild; north winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 20 and 26, Moncton 25 and 30.
Upper St. John river valley, Bay of Chaleur: Snow, clearing Friday morning; little change in temperature; light winds. Low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton 20 and 25.
Bay of Fundy: North winds 20; cloudy; visibility 10 miles; mild.
High tide today at Charlottetown at 8.15 a.m. and 6.35 p.m. 1956 tide eight minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7.31 a.m. and sets at 5.44 p.m.

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TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	30b	12b
Vancouver	28	46
Victoria	34	46
Edmonton	11	31
Calgary	17	21
Regina	28	27
Winnipeg	28	31
Toronto	26	31
Ottawa	24	31
Montreal	27	31
Quebec	21	24
Fredericton	24	31
St. John	24	31
Moncton	24	34
Halifax	26	32
Charlottetown	20	35
Sydney	27	33
Yarmouth	20	32
St. John's	20	32