



TAKE-OFF AT SEA

A major 1957 addition to Canada's fleet was the aircraft carrier Bonaventure, commissioned in September and embarked the 'Trac-

To Operate Six Icebreakers In St. Lawrence R.

MONTREAL (CP)—A fleet of six icebreakers is to operate on the St. Lawrence River this winter, a department of transport official said Wednesday.

Although the fleet has been increased by two—the Labrador and the new Montcalm—equipment is still insufficient to keep open the channel between Quebec City and Montreal, the official said.

The minimum requirements to maintain an open channel would be four vessels—two like the 10,800 horsepower D'Iberville and two like the new 4,000 horsepower Montcalm.

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WOOD BADGE

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Prince Home For Holidays

LONDON (Reuters)—Prince Charles, nine-year-old heir to the throne, came home to Buckingham Palace Wednesday for the Christmas holidays after his first term at Cheam School in Berkshire.

The Queen and Prince Philip kept the evening clear of official engagements so they could spend the time with their son. But they and his sister, Princess Anne, had to wait an hour extra for the young prince, whose chauffeur-driven car was delayed by heavy pre-holiday traffic jams.



CREDIT ACCOUNT CONTEST WINNERS

The Credit Account Contest Draw took place at R. T. Holman's on Saturday in both Charlottetown and Summerside. Each of the two lucky winners will receive \$75.00 credited to their account.

The winning ballot numbers are:

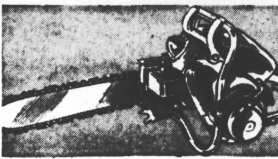
- Charlottetown — 14668
- Summerside — 8615

KILLED IN CRIB
ST. CATHARINES, Ont. (CP)—Gary Silverstein, eight-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Silverstein, was suffocated Friday when the drop side of his crib fell on his throat.

TAVERN HELPS
YOUNG BREAD, England (CP)—School meals will be served at a tavern in this Derbyshire mining village because of lack of space at the school.

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Farm Lands Threatened By Sprawling Growth Of Cities

By JONATHAN COLE
Canadian Press Staff Writer
VANCOUVER (CP)—The increasing problems of feeding a swiftly-growing population are giving headaches to British Columbia's economists and agricultural planners.

The province has never been able to take care of its food needs from domestic supplies with any particular comfort. Now, the experts say, a pincer movement threatens to close in on B.C.'s food-producing areas and make them more insignificant.

The most obvious side of the pincers is the population increase. Estimates of the B.C. research council are that the present population of 1,300,000 will double within 20 years. The province already imports most of its food requirements. Such a population increase would require the import of several foods in which the province now is self-sufficient.

CHANGED FROM FARMS
The second part of the pincers is reduction of agricultural land. B.C.'s farming acreage, a scant three per cent of the province's 224,000,000 acres, is being reduced through diversion of land to other uses.

Urgency of the problem was drawn to the attention of the Gordon commission on Canada's economic prospects by Prof. W. N. Drummond of the Ontario Agricultural College and Prof. William MacKenzie of the University of Alberta. Now, B.C.'s planners are trying to work out a solution.

Tom McDonald, secretary of the B.C. division of the Community Planning Association, blames the reduction of farming land on subdivision for urban development, mainly in the two richest areas in the province—the Fraser and Okanagan valleys.

The rich dairy lands of the Fraser now produces 47.8 per cent of B.C.'s total agricultural output. The Okanagan farmers for its fruits, produces about 17 per cent.

SUBDIVIDERS BUSY
Professor Drummond and MacKenzie estimated that some 14,000 acres have already been lost to farming in the Fraser valley. They indicated that another 8,000 acres of the valley's 430,000 acres of arable land might be transferred to other uses in the next 25 years.

"Farmers have no incentive to stay on the land," says Mr. McDonald. "High taxes put an unwarranted burden on them and they're ready to listen to attractive subdivision offers."

J. W. Wilson, executive director of the lower mainland regional planning board, says his group has tried to overcome this by encouraging subdividers to use unproductive land in the Fraser valley for urban development, but without success.

SUGGESTED REMEDIES
Mr. McDonald says these steps would help toward a solution:

1. A system of agricultural zoning to stabilize land uses and encourage investment in permanent improvements to farm land.

rain vegetables, and export some of its fruit.

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