

Markets of Arms Dangers

By JOHN E. BIRD
MONTREAL (CP) Prime Minister Diefenbaker warned Monday of the dangers involved in the arms race and said that once a failure develops at Geneva could have grave consequences on the prospects for world disarmament.

He told the Canadian Club of Montreal that resumption of nuclear tests could create a negative atmosphere at the disarmament talks, and by raising tensions, prejudice progress towards the solution of other international problems.

Mr. Diefenbaker made no reference to growing indications of an early federal election. He flew to Montreal in the morning from Ottawa and returned to the capital in the late afternoon.

The prime minister said no substantial progress has been made in easing East-West tensions but that friction has diminished in some of the main areas of difference. The international situation was in a state that gave most people some degree of hope for the future.

CITIES BOASTS
However, no one should be unaware of the premier's darkening of the picture of the arms race. Diefenbaker had recently boasted of a global threat and sensational breakthroughs in the anti-missile field appeared to be a possibility.

These developments emphasized the challenge facing all governments. He said that the intensified competition in armaments before the world is in an uncontrolled wave of destruction.

Mr. Diefenbaker said he is confident of the future of Canada's foreign trade. If Canadians made a determined effort to find markets, Canadian goods they would be successful.

Hees Says Of Spud Sale 'K.'

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OTTAWA — It is strictly up to the British Government whether it will relax its present restrictions to permit the import of Canadian potatoes. This was made clear in the House of Commons yesterday by Trade Minister George Hees in reply to a question from Health Minister, MP for Quebec.

Mr. Hees pointed out that for the past several years the British government has prohibited the importation of table stock potatoes from North America for plant protection reasons.

"Throughout the present potato shortage in North West Europe including Britain, the officers of my department in both London and Ottawa have renewed discussions with trade and economic officials in Ottawa on the subject."

A trade department spokesman said the U.K. has had the most sympathetic consideration. Mr. Hees said he had the impression that the department has given the closest consideration to these representations.

Now Boats Traffic Power, Phones Get Brunt Of Storm

By PETER MEERBURG
Guardian Staff Writer
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N.S. Senator Dies In Halifax
HALIFAX (CP) — Senator John Alexander McDonald, a prominent Nova Scotia politician for more than 40 years, died in hospital here Monday night. He was 72.

Senator McDonald, Liberal senator for Kings since 1945 and a former Nova Scotia agriculture minister, died after a long illness.

U.S. Steel Probe Set To Continue
NEW YORK (AP) — A federal grand jury went ahead with its anti-trust investigation of the American steel industry Monday, despite action by leading steel companies resisting a \$6-a-ton steel price increase.

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INVASION PRISONER WELCOMED HOME

Cuban invasion prisoner Juan Figueroa Valdes who lost his right leg in the Bay of Pigs invasion stands on crutches as he sees his baby and wife (left) on arrival at Miami International airport. At right is his aunt, Caridad Valdes. (AP Wirephoto)

knocked down reports that the U.S. had offered to reduce its troop strength in Communist-occupied Cuba for an hour Monday to inaugurate a new round of United States-Soviet discussions on the Berlin issue.

Neither side reported any progress, except to say they would meet again soon. The Russian described the talks as fruitful but would not say in what way.

The first in a new series of discussions came a few hours after the state department had announced that the U.S. had agreed to reduce its troop strength in Communist-occupied Cuba for an hour Monday to inaugurate a new round of United States-Soviet discussions on the Berlin issue.

OTHER DISCUSSION
Neither the Soviet envoy nor the U.S. official disclosed what matters behind Berlin were discussed although both acknowledged there was some talk about other East-West matters.

No Trace Found Of Seal Hunters
ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Three seal hunters missing off the northeast coast of Newfoundland failed to turn up Monday despite a six-hour search of the area.

Three Die As Fires Strike Two Centres
By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Three persons died and three others were injured Monday as fire struck two Maritime centres during a cold spring storm.

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3 Segregation Leaders Communicated In U.S.
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