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WEATHER

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals; rain beginning in evening; light winds. Low-high 34 and 42.

MEMBERS OF THE Board of Transport Commissioners, conducting a hearing at Alberton yesterday on a Canadian National Railways application to discontinue daily passenger train service between Summerside and Tignish are seen here. Left to right are Commissioners W.R. Irwin, H.H. Griffin and A.S. Kirk. Mr. Griffin, who is assistant chief commissioner, presided yesterday. The hearing will continue today. (See also picture on page 2).

AT ALBERTON

## Evidence Heard In Move To Curtail Train Service

By FRANK WEEKS

A railway official, Eric P. Stephenson, said at Alberton yesterday "we are not unmindful of the public interest and consider our proposals (for a reduced train service) reasonable in that they will not affect the economy of Western Prince.

Mr. Stephenson, Maritime area manager for Canadian National Railways, Moncton, was giving evidence at a hearing here by the Board of Transport Commissioners.

He said a proposed tri-weekly mixed train will operate on a "relaxed schedule" one and a half hours longer than the present freight train schedule and will carry a coach for passengers.

The reduction in service is not unique as the police of the railroad is always under review. The business in the western part of the province is attractive "and we want to keep it."

The railway had made an application to discontinue a daily passenger train from Summerside to Tignish and return and to replace it with a tri- weekly mixed freight and passenger service, supplemented by extras when necessary and a daily, except Sunday, trucking service for lcl freight and extras.

The public hearing, in the Alberton Royal Canadian Legion Hall, opened yesterday and will continue today.

Regarding extra trains, Mr. Stephenson considered five cars would be a sufficient number to call for an extra freight train. In severe weather or during the spring breakup with highways closed to heavy traffic, the resources of the railway would be the disposal of provincial authorities.

Three CNR officials were heard yesterday. In addition to Mr. Stephenson they included E.J. Mclnerney, superintendent of transportation, Maritimes area, and George Cunningham, Maritimes area passenger sales manager.

**ADDITIONAL WITNESSES**

The CNR plans to call an additional witnesses today. The Alberton and West Prince Board Of Trade plans to call 11 witnesses.

Second witness called by the railway yesterday was R.J. Mclnerney.

The superintendent of transportation for the Maritimes area said he had 45 years service with the CNR in various positions in the Maritimes. The new highway service between Summerside and Tignish, operating with a 36-foot tractor trailor leaving Summerside at 9 a.m. and arriving in Tignish at 1 p.m. would be an improvement in express service. The witness explained statistics to show very few days when highway trips were cancelled by storms during the winter months.

Questioned regarding loss of employment, the superintendent said only one train crew of five men would displace those with less seniority and those displaced would eventually be re-employed. This statement was questioned by Mr. McQuaid in cross examination as he noted the CNR planned to save $150,000 a year with their new proposals, part of which was listed as wages.

The final witness was George Cunningham. The passenger sales manager explained passenger statistics which listed very

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## Government Wins Vote On Slow-Growth Issue

OTTAWA (CP)—The Liberal government, backed by the three smaller opposition parties, Wednesday turned down a Conservative motion designed to force federal - provincial - municipal consultation on designation of slow-growth areas.

The move was made by Opposition Leader Diefenbaker in the wake of what he described as a conversion of the government to more federal-provincial consultation. This was a reference to the Tuesday vote in which the government supported an NDP motion favoring greater consultation between the two levels of government.

Mr. Diefenbaker, saying the Liberals should put the principle into practice, moved that an income tax bill be sent back to committee to insert a clause requiring consultation with provincial and municipal governments on the designation of slow-growth areas that will be given tax incentives to lure new industries.

But his motion went down to defeat. Only the 66 Conservatives present and voting supported the amendment. Ranked against them were 87 Liberals, 10 New Democrats, nine Creditistes and six Social Crediters.

**JIBES AT LIBERALS**

Mr. Diefenbaker jibed at the Liberals for what he called their change of heart in favor of more consultation with provincial authorities. By their move, which he said he would not call trickery, the Liberals had avoided a test of strength on a non-confidence motion.

But he said his new motion shouldn't be regarded as one of non-confidence.

Pinance Minister Gordon, however, insisted the motion was one of non-confidence.

The Conservative proposal was saying, in effect, that provinces were responsible for the state of the nation's economy. That was a federal responsibility which couldn't be shirked.

In an obvious reference to the lengthy Conservative criticism of the income tax bill, Mr. Gordon added:

"It's time we stopped jockeying for position. It's time we stopped these endless votes of confidence—and this is a vote of confidence we've voting on. It's time we got down to work."

## Alberton Shed Job Awarded

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Treasury Board has given approval to the construction of a transfer shed at Alberton, Solicitor-General J. Watson MacNaught announced here Wednesday. He said that contract has been let to Ralph Ford of Northam in the amount of $32,819.92 for a wood frame building 100 by 30 feet in size. Completion date will be March 31, 1964.

The shed will be build on piles and there will be stone, sandstone and gravel fill behind it to create additional space. The shed will be used primarily for the assembly and inspection of farm products prior to their shipment.

The contract price was not the lowest tender received. This, for $24,900, was submitted by John Quinn of Charlottetown who subsequently asked to be relieved of the contract by reason of health and because he lost the services of his carpenter foreman.

## Trusteeship Appeal To UN Is Planned

By JIM PEACOCK

NEW YORK (CP) — Wheels were set in motion by the AFL-CIO's Maritime Trades Department Wednesday to attempt to bring before the United Nations a protest against the Canadian government's maritime union trusteeship.

A committee of executive officers of nine international unions was set up to determine how and when to proceed with this and several others—including possible economic sections and possible boycott of Canadian goods—approved by the MTD convention.

It was not clear from the statement of policy containing the recommendations just what economic actions were intended.

But one member of the committee indicated that the time being at least they would not include a resumption of picketing of Canadian vessels in U.S. lakes ports.

Excepted from this is Upper Lakes Shipping Limited of Toronto, against which the Seafarers' International Union in the U.S. — with voluntary support from other unions in the U.S.— intends to continue to act in whatever manner possible.

## Parliament At A Glance

BY THE CANADIAN PRESS

**WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13, 1963**

The Commons voted 112 to 66 against a Conservative motion to amend an income tax bill, described by the government as a confidence issue.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker sought to insert a provision that municipal and provincial governments must be consulted in naming depressed areas.

Finance Minister Gordon said it must be the federal government's decision alone and the Liberals would stand or fall on the issue.

After the vote, the Commons gave third and final reading to the bill that contains the budget's list of industrial tax incentives.

**THURSDAY, Nov. 14**

The Commons meets at 2:30 p.m. to debate a government resolution expanding the Technical and Vocational Training Act. The Senate stands adjourned until Nov. 19.

## Labor Clarifies Nuclear Position

LONDON (Reuters)—The opposition Labor party has warned it would review Britain's Polaris missile agreement with the United States if Labor came to power.

Deputy Labor Chief George Brown also told the House of Commons Wednesday a Labor regime would not destroy the present nuclear bomber force but would use it to negotiate a greater share of "command and control of other weapons, not our own alone."

Brown was answering a challenge by Prime Minister Sir Alec Douglas-Home that Labor clarify its nuclear policy.

**REVIEW BOMBER PLANS**

Brown said Labor also might review the proposed British TSR-2 supersonic jet bomber as well as the Polaris plan.

## Consumer's Ass'n Urges Uncovering Hidden Taxes

By STEWART MacLEOD

OTTAWA (CP)—The Consumers' Association of Canada Wednesday sought to have hidden taxation brought out in the open, coupled with more government revelations on how the tax dollar is distributed and spent.

A survey taken by the association indicated a clear dislike for hidden taxes, the royal commission on taxation was told. "The commission is urged to propose to the government that it requires identification of the tax content of consumer purchases, covering all sales and excise taxes at least."

Dr. H. E. English, vice-president of the association, told the commission that the survey showed, in particular, a "clear distaste" for the 11-per-cent federal sales tax applied at the manufacturers' level.

The brief said that where consumer taxes now are brought out in the open—in the case of retail sales taxes—the identification "takes a most unfortunate form.

"Price is stated without tax, then when the consumer has made his decision to buy, the tax is added on."

**SHOULD KNOW USES**

It is remarkable, said the brief, that so little is known about the redistribution of the government's collected revenue. "If taxation is to serve consumers' interests more adequately, it would appear essential that the uses to which public revenues are put should be better known.

"A consumer would not be likely to go into a market and pay several hundred dollars for a basket of goods if he is only vaguely aware of the contents. But this is the effect of the methods by which public services are associated with tax and other revenues."

If the government undertook to make a regular reporting to the public on revenue distributing—relating public sectors to private sectors—"the task of political leadership might well be made easier.

When a government presents its annual budget, said the brief, it should be done in such a way that "its role in contributing to economic stabilization is clear both to policy makers and to the public." It would also be useful to have public investment expenditure separated in the budget.

On specific issues, the association hoped the commission would recommend a lower rate of sales tax for "more necessary goods," and exemption on such items as goods, drugs and children's clothing.

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# Rollo Bay Grower Wins International Spud Title

MAJOR REID

Major Reid of Rollo Bay, near Souris, said last night he was thrilled beyond words at the news his potatoes had won the international award for seed at the 35th Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Toronto.

He had not been officialy notified of his victory but news from Toronto said his entry was selected for the top placing as judges picked through some 150 samples from the United States and Canada. There were 12 classes in the competition, including four 4-H Club sections.

Reserve champion was Albert Hockley of Claremont, Ontario. Mr. Reid's sample was the Kennebec variety while Mr. Hockley submitted a Sebago variety.

The international award is made only to Canada and those countries able to export potatoes to Canada. Other potato growing nations were ineligible because of diseases that might exist in their varities.

In the Kennebec variety, Raymond Vessey of York was second.

Mr. Reid said himself, his wife and family plan to leave for Toronto within a few days.

This was the first time he had entered potatoes at the Royal, although he had been winning pcizes with his potatoes earlier.

He placed first in tablestock and third in seed at the Atlantic Winter Fair at Halifax last week and had the grand champion sample at the Charlottetown Harvest Exhibition.

He grew 63 acres of potatoes this year, 25 acres in Kennebecs and the remainder in Sebagoes.

Mr. Reid won third prize at the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes three years ago, collecting some $27,000.

**OTHER WINNERS**

Island growers collected a number of prizes at the Royal yesterday. In addition to the winnings of Mr. Reid and Mr. Vessey in the Kennebec variety, Island placings were:

Green Mountains—1. Levy L. Jay, Mount Stewart; 2. Raymond Vessey.

Irish Cobbler—2. Eric Laird, Milton; 3. Russell Mills, Annandale.

Sebago—2. Mrs. Alexandria Robertson, East Baltic; 3. Raymond Vessery; 4. Ian MacGreagor, East Baltic.

Canso, Chippewa, Katahdin—1. S.A. MacAulay, East Baltic; 2. Mrs. Russ Campbell, Souris; 4. Raymond Vessey; 5. Chester M. Birt, Peakes.

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## P.E.I. Legislature To Open Feb. 11

By DON MacLEOD

The 1964 session of the Legislature will open Tuesday, Feb. 11, it was announced by Premier Walter R. Shaw's office.

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The contract price was not the lowest tender received. This, for $24,900, was submitted by John Quinn of Charlottetown who subsequently asked to be relieved of the contract by reason of health and because he lost the services of his carpenter foreman.

In the meantime, renovations are to be made to the interior of the Province Building and a drive will be made to have the renovations completed before the House opens.

The 1964 session will open at least a month earlier than the 1963 session which opened March 14 and prorogued April 23.

One reason given by a government source for the earlier opening is that 1964 is going to be a "very busy year in the province" and it is hoped that the earlier opening will provide opportunity to get legislation through before the major concentration of Centennial events.

**EASTER CLOSING**

Opposition Leader A. W. Matheson, who was informed of the date yesterday, said he was happy that the session will begin earlier. "It will give us a chance to get business over before Eastern. The session last time began too late in the year."

The Speech from the Throne, opening the second session of the 50th General Assembly of Prince Edward Island, by Lieutenant-Governor W. J. MacDonald will be his first since assuming office.

Already there have been indications of the type of legislation the government plans to introduce at the forthcoming session. Provincial Secretary J. David Stewart said work is underway in revising the Highway Traffic Act and a Municipal Affairs Act is under preparation. Agriculture Minister Andrew MacRae said he will introduce legislation prohibiting the use of poisonous potato top killers

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## Body Found; Ends Hunt For Child

CALEDON, Ont. (CP)—A 15-month search for 10-year-old Thomasina Baker ended Wednesday when police found remains of her body in swampland with the help of a man held for questioning.

Insp. James Harris of the Ontario Provincial Police, who has persisted with investigations since the child disappeared from her farm home Aug. 19, 1962, found the remains along with the bathing suit and cap Thomasina was wearing when she was apparently lured away by a stranger in a car.

Police said John McDonald, 46, of Newmarket, Ont., sentenced last week in Hamilton to 10 years in prison for shooting a policeman, accompanied them on the latest search after being released from jail on a court order.

Following discovery of the remains, McDonald was taken to Peel County jail in nearby Brampton for questioning.

Medico-legal experts from the attorney general's department were examining the remains but police said they had no doubt the search for Thomasina Baker was ended.

BRIEF PRESENTED

## PM Says Provinces Control Education

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson told a delegation from the Canadian Teachers' Federation Wednesday that the provinces would have to take the initiative in any co-ordinated study of school finances.

The federation, representing 135,000 teachers in all provinces, urged the federal government to call a national conference to seek solutions to the inequalities between provincial school systems.

The teachers said in their annual brief that there is a "severe imbalance" in the quality of educational opportunity, because some provinces are far less developed than others economically.

The prime minister told the 20-member delegation that he agrees there should be a nation-wide study of this problem. But since education was a provincial field, the provinces would have to take the initiative.

Mr. Pearson told reporters after the meeting that the brief showed "a very startling correlation" between personal income levels and educational standards in the various provinces.

The federation said it does not favor federal control over education in any way, but education was in a state of "national emergency" and a country-wide approach was needed to find the proper reforms.

The group specifically recommended a meeting of education authorities from the federal and provincial governments as well as representatives of the "most vitally concerned" national voluntary organizations. The government was asked to propose such a meeting at the federal - provincial fiscal conference opening here Nov. 25.

The teachers said increased spending on education would raise economic standards more effectively than grants and subsidies to specific industries.

The federation brief cited statistical data to support the contention that the standards of primary and secondary schools depend on the province where the schools are located. The imbalance was due primarily to the degree to which the provinces were financially capable of financing education.

For instance, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island had the lowest personal incomes per capita and spent the least amounts of education per pupil and had the highest student dropout rates.

## Fox Judging Is Completed At Annual Provincial Show

By GAIL REDDEN

Fox judging was completed yesterday afternoon at the annual P.E.I. Fur Breeders Association show held at the Provincial Exhibition Grounds in Charlottetown.

Judge of the 110 fox entries was Parvin Cass, Summerside. Judges for the mink competition taking place today are Paul Fournier of Hudson Bay Company, Montreal, and Charles Wright, Truro, N.S.

The grand champion in the standard silver class, a Dalehurst, is owned by Foster Pickard, Charlottetown. The reserve champion was a Lockcroft owned by L.K. Lockerby, Hamilton.

In the standard silver class, medium, first place winner in the adult male group was a Royal, owned by W.R. Church, Gunningsville, N.B. Second prize was awarded to a Dalehurst owned by W.W. Brown, Charlottetown. In the adult female group top prize was taken by a Royal owned by Archie Neilson, Salisbury, N.B., with a Dalehurst owned by W. W. Brown, Charlottetown copping second place. Third place was taken by a Royal, owned by W.W. Brown.

In the male pup section, first prize winner was a Swanvale owned by Charles Swan, Charlottetown, with an Albertite belonging to W.R. Church, Gunningsville, N.B., taking second prize. Third prize was awarded to an Albertite, also belonging to Mr. Church.

There is only one entry in the female pup section, an Albertite belonging to Mr. Church.

**LIGHT SILVERS**

In the standard silver class, light, first place in the adult male section, was taken by a Royal belonging to L.K. Lockerby. An Oak belonging to W.W. Brown took second place with Foster Pickard's Pickardian placing third.

The adult female first prize was awarded to a Woodedge owned by Archie Neilson. L.K. Lockerby, took second prize with his Royal. Third place was copped by a Pickardian owned by Charles Swan.

In the male pup section L.K. Lockerby's Lockcroft was awarded first prize. Second and third places were filled by

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## Mme. Nhu Leaves U.S. For Rome

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu blamed the United States for "the (South) Vietnamese tragedy" but thanked the American people for sympathy, then left by plane for Rome Wednesday to join her three younger children.

In a 1,600 - word statement read to reporters, the widowed Mme. Nhu said she was grateful to thousands of Americans but dismayed by the conduct of their government.

## First Entry At Royal Brings Big Victory

Reid won third prize at the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes three years ago, collecting some $27,000.

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## Wheat Title

TORONTO (CP) — George Luco of Lethbridge, Alta., Wednesday was named world wheat champion at the 35th Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. It was the 12th time an Alberta farmer has won the since 1947.

Mr. Luco placed first in the spring wheat competition.

Reserve champion was Lawrence Gibson of Calgary, Alta.

Both farmers submitted a Chinook variety.

Harry N. Gorsline of Demorestville, Ont., finished first in the winter wheat competition,

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## Blast Shakes Texas Area

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP)—Nearly 13 tons of an explosive resembling TNT blew up at a U.S. Atomic Energy Commission Wednesday and probably scattered relatively harmless uranium through the air.

Authorities, fearing panic, stressed repeatedly it was not an atomic explosion. They said the uranium dust is harmless unless taken internally in large amounts.

The explosion occurred at the secret, $18,000,000 Medina base, about 10 miles southwest of downtown San Antonio, where about 600 persons work. It raised a billowing cloud of smoke that rose into a mushroom shape typical of any large blast. It broke windows 14 miles away. Three workmen at the base were slightly injured.

## Store Smashed By Truck Tire

SUSSEX, N.B. (CP) — A 250 pound tire from a passing truck smashed through a show window of Anthony Mills general store here Tuesday and reduced the interior of the premises to a shambles.

The tire from the duel-wheel truck shot across the front parking area of the store and through the window, flattening several display counters on the sales floor.

The wheel finally plowed to a halt near where Mr. Mills was using the store's telephone. He was alone at the time and uninjured. Damage to the store was estimated at $2,000. The truck stopped safely a short distance away.

THIS GROUP of exhibitors at the Provincial fox show were caught by a Guardian cameraman yesterday during judging proceedings. Left to right are W.W. Brown, Charlottetown; Lloyd Lockerby, Hamilton; William Church, Salisbury, N.B.; and Mrs. Archie Neilson, also of Salisbury. All won a number of placings.