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With a winning score of 92 points in the Junior Farmers and 4-H Clubs Square Dances, the East-Prince Junior Farmers were accepted ovation for their splendid performance at P.W.C. last night. Members left to right are: Kathleen Dekker, Urban Laughlan, Eleanor Paugh, Adrian Dekker, Francis Muiridge, Warren Murgidge, Juanita Riley, George Riley. Guardian Photo

## British Cheese Needs Unchanged

OTTAWA (CP) — Britain has allocated \$4,200,000 in currency exchange for the purchase of cheddar cheese in Canada and the United States for 1956-57. It was learned Monday.

This is similar to the 1955-56 allocation most of which was spent by Britain's cheese importers in buying Canadian cheddar. Purchasers will continue to be on a competitive basis, but federal authorities believe most of the allocation will again be used for Canadian purchases.

In the 1955 calendar year, Canada exported some 12,500,000 pounds, worth \$3,500,000, to Britain.

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## Competition Keen As 11th Festival Of Music Opens

Competition was keen at the three sessions of the eleventh annual Festival of Music which opened yesterday morning at the Holy Redeemer Community Centre and following the afternoon session there continued in the auditorium of Prince of Wales College.

Largely due to the inclemency of the weather, the attendance at the Centre consisted largely of mothers of the very young contestants, totalling 80.

Major MacLeod in announcing his decisions following the presentations of the Sword Dance and Highland Fling said "The Scottish people are very slow to accept changes or innovations in their dancing. It is not desirable that deviations from the accepted rules creep in." He placed emphasis on timing and congratulated both students and teachers on the over-all results of their work.

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## Mother, Children Lost In Blaze

MONT LOUIS, Que. (CP) — A mother and eight of her children died Monday in their flaming home in Gaspé peninsula while the father fished for herring in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Tragedy struck at 7 a.m. when a naphtha-fueled boiler through a two-storey wooden home in a twinkling, trapping Mrs. Arthur Laflamme and eight children aged 15 to two years old.

Three other daughters working out as maids, survive, as well as a grandchild, with a paralyzed leg, who was awakened by one of the children and fled through a window.

The child dashed back into the inferno and died.

The dead children were identified as Juliette, 15, Pierrette, 14, Paul-Aime, 13, Marie-Paule, 11, Cecile, 10, Charles-Aime, 9, Muriel 7, a Jean-Marie, 2.

The Laflamme home lay outside this fishing town on the south shore of the St. Lawrence, about 300 air miles northeast of Quebec and almost due south of the iron ore shipping port of Sept-les on the north shore of the gulf.

Town authorities said the fire started after one of the children attempted to start a fire with naphtha. An explosion followed and the wooden frame building was engulfed in a matter of minutes, trapping the victims.

Mr. Laflamme heard of the tragedy when the fire was just about over. He had just come from the parish church where he had been attending morning mass after returning from his herring nets. Rev. Gerard Richard reported.

The bodies were burned beyond recognition. Most of the victims were in bed when disaster struck.

The surviving daughters were identified as Noella, 13, Yolande, 18 and Oviette, 16.

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## Sudden Death of U. S. Senator A. W. Barkley

LEXINGTON, Va. (AP) — Senator A. W. Barkley (Dem.-Ky.) collapsed and died Monday of a heart attack on the stage he loved best — the political platform.

The 78-year-old vice-president in the Truman administration fainted and fell as he neared the end of a 30-minute keynote speech at Washington and Lee University's mock Democratic convention before 1,000 students.

His last words were: "I am willing to be a junior. I am glad to sit in the back row, for I had rather be a servant in the house of the Lord than sit in the seats of the mighty."

He stepped back as though trying to continue and fell, brushing a microphone to the stage with him.

WIFE IN AUDIENCE

A hush fell over the stuffy gymnasium which moments before had been ringing to Barkley's quips.

His wife, Mrs. Barkley, who was seated in the audience, Virginia's Governor Thomas B. Stanley escorted her to the platform.

Stretcher bearers removed the body to a morgue pending plans for removal to Washington.

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## RAILWAYS WILL RESUME TALKS

# Prospects Bright Rail Dispute Will Be Settled

MONTREAL (CP) — Canada's big railways Monday offered to re-open wage talks with non-operating unions, brightening hopes that their dispute will be settled without a strike.

At Ottawa, Labor Minister Gregg declared "the outlook is very hopeful" in the light of the reaction of the unions and the railways to a conciliation board report.

The unions—representing 150,000 non-operating employees—earlier accepted the board's majority report, with reservations.

Monday, the railways told the federal labor department they "will be glad" to re-open talks with union negotiators in the hope of a "satisfactory basis of settlement."

Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways in a joint statement said there were "two fundamental grounds" why they could not agree with the majority report, but they added:

"However, the acceptance by the unions of the majority report based on a contract term in ex-

## Says More Advertising Would Help Boost Canadian Economy

TORONTO (CP) — President W. E. Williams of the Procter and Gamble Company of Canada, Ltd., asserted Monday that if Canadian firms would spend as much money on advertising as do American companies, the country's economy would benefit.

He was addressing the 41st annual conference of the Association of Canadian Advertisers, representing 167 companies.

An increase in advertising expenditures would improve the Canadian economy and boost opportunities to increase business volume in the United States, he declared.

Americans spent \$53 per capita for advertising while Canadians spent \$28—a difference of 50 cents a head a week.

From billboards to newspapers, Canadians had available every form of media known to advertising. "Despite the limitation of government-owned television and radio, we can still get good coverage with both."

In the 1953-54 recession, when sales dropped—advertising expenditure was increased—a precedent. A recession was averted because advertising gave business a needed impetus.

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## Big Effort Needed In Blood Donor Clinics Next Two Days

The R.C.A.F. Station at Summer side topped its quota by 5 when 155 blood donors were produced on an objective of 150, but the special clinic held for the Reserve Army at The Armouries last evening fell below by 111 when only 89 turned up on an objective of 200. Part of this deficit was due to the fact that many of the Reserve Army personnel were under 18 years of age and were not eligible as donors.

The Naval Reserve was represented by 14 donors at last night's clinics. This means that an extra effort will have to be made to increase the attendance at the regular Charlottetown clinics to be held at The Clover Club today, tomorrow and Thursday in order to guarantee a sufficient supply of blood to carry the service efficiently in this Province for the next couple of months.

At yesterday's clinics, excellent assistants for the mobile team were provided by the R.C.A.F. and Army personnel—as well as by members of the Charlottetown Business and Professional Women's Club and by the High School Red Cross of Spring Park School. Tonight's street parade which is being sponsored by the P. E. I. Automobile Dealers' Association promises to be of wide interest and should be a means of reminding citizens of the importance of attending one of the sessions of clinics being held each afternoon and evening of the next three days between 2 and 4 and 7 and 9 p.m. Students at St. Dunstan's University will be attending the clinic at two different sessions, one-half of them at 2 o'clock today and the other half early on Thursday afternoon.

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Premier Hicks of Nova Scotia said his decision would await the outcome of New Brunswick's June 18 election.

"If Mr. Fleming is still premier after June 18 we will be glad to listen to any invitation he has to make," he said.

"The government of Nova Scotia is always glad to co-operate in matters touching on conditions in the Atlantic provinces," Premier Matheson of Prince Edward Island declined comment until he studied the full text of the speech made by Mr. St. Laurent.

Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland was not immediately available for comment.

## FARM LABOR SCARCE

OTTAWA (CP) — The farm labor situation in Canada is "very tight," Director W. W. Dawson of the labor department's special services branch told the Commons estimates committee Monday.

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	Min	Night	Max
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Victoria	41	51	56
Edmonton	26	40	45
Calgary	7	28	38
Regina	22	38	45
Winnipeg	24	37	45
Ottawa	35	51	52
Montreal	37	54	57
Quebec	33	56	60
Fredricton	32	48	54
Saint John	36	48	54
Moncton	33	47	53
Halifax	36	54	60
Charlottetown	29	42	48
Sydney	40	46	52
St. John	28	34	40

## FLOOD THREAT OVER

WINNIPEG (CP) — Greater Winnipeg's flood-fighting force made a cautious withdrawal Monday as the provincial flood forecasting committee announced that the danger of flooding in the Red river valley appeared over.

## WILL CROWN KING

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — At 10:43 a.m. Wednesday an hour and day fixed after long study by royal astrologers and high priests — Nepal will crown a new king, Mahendra I.

## EXPECT RED MEMBERS

TORONTO (CP) — Canada's "Communist politburo" expects to draw thousands of Canadians into its ranks as a result of an escalation in East-West relations, a top official of the Mutual Co-Operation League said Sunday.