



YOUNG SPORTSMAN

Teddy bears and toy trains are not for 10-month-old La Verne Hope of Keene, Ont., whose only playthings are a miniature curling rock and broom. La Verne who has been walking since he was seven months old, spends most of the time sliding his toy rock across the kitchen floor and

is a real treat for him when he is allowed to accompany his mother and grandmother, both ardent curlers, to the Keene curling rink where he is able to practice on the real thing. Above La Verne, with an assist from his mother, Mrs. Bettie Hope, takes up the correct stance as he prepares to hurl the rock down the ice.

(CP Photo)

Heredity Topic Of So-Ed Talk

Roy Crawford was the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Charlottetown So-Ed organization Wednesday night. He chose as his topic "Heredity and You."

Mr. Crawford, who is employed at the Dominion Experimental Farm in Charlottetown, received his B.S. degree at the University of Saskatchewan and later received his M.S. degree at Cornell University in New York.

There are three different kinds of heredity Mr. Crawford stated, financial, cultural and biological.

He went on to outline in detail the process of heredity by the multiplication of cells, which is known as genetics. He also pointed out how the study of genetics contributes to the prevention of and to the cures for hereditary diseases.

The guest speaker was introduced and thanked by Blair Kelly.

Next Wednesday the group will hear a talk on "Island Folklore" by Dr. Frank MacKinnon.

Iron Ore Sales Drop Sharply

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadian shipments of iron ore dropped off almost one-third in 1958 to 15,858,936 tons compared with 22,272,174 tons in 1957, the bureau of statistics said Wednesday.

However, December shipments jumped to 510,836 tons compared with 334,970 in December, 1957, for the first increase since March on a year-to-year comparison.

The 1958 export shipments decreased to 13,939,928 tons from 19,958,610 and domestic shipments decreased to 1,919,008 tons from 2,313,564. Total shipments fell 29 per cent on 1957.

Year-end stocks dropped five per cent in 1958 to 2,607,201 tons from 2,742,958 in 1957.

CIL Official Denies Firm Breaks Law On Ammunition

MONTREAL (CP) — S. J. Smart, general manager of the ammunition division of Canadian Industries Limited, in a statement Wednesday said he considers CIL's policies and practices fully justified and in the best interests of the public.

His statement followed a report by the restrictive trade practices commission in Ottawa that CIL has a restrictive hold on the wholesale distribution of ammunition in Canada.

The commission, advising the government to break the hold, said CIL has a special responsibility to see that all wholesalers

Sales Tax Cut On Building Materials Urged

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian Construction Association urged the government Tuesday to remove the 10-per-cent sales tax on a number of building materials and step up aid to encourage more low-cost housing projects.

Meeting with the cabinet, association spokesmen also called for overhaul of the government's tendering practices, development of a national highways organization, and a tightening-up of federal laws to restrain some union activities.

New construction in Canada totalled \$7,100,000,000 in 1958, the association said, and if Canada's recovery continues, the total may rise by another three-to-five per cent this year.

The association said it would like to see a ban on strikes in essential public services and prohibition of the closed shop. Federal laws on the illegal of picketing and strikes "in various forms" should be clarified and labor unions forced to obtain "civil status as a legality."

On the government's tendering practices, the association suggested competitive tenders on public projects should be called and opened in public and preference should not be given to local contracts tendering on public works.

Labrador Mine May Take 500

OTTAWA (CP) — Labor Minister Starr said Wednesday he understands there is a good possibility that a new iron ore development in Labrador will provide work for some of the 500 men being displaced from jobs in an iron mine at Belle Island, Nfld.

In the Commons, he promised J. W. Pickersgill (L—Bonaville-Twillingate) to make efforts to help the Belle Island men get preference in the new project.

The mine at Belle Island is being closed.

Mr. Starr said it was not planned to open an unemployment insurance office at Belle Island because of the layoffs, but a team of officers would be sent out from the mainland.

ABDICATION REPEATED

LONDON (AP)—The voice of King Edward VIII making his abdication speech was rebroadcast in Britain Wednesday night for the first time. A recording of the speech, made from Windsor Castle in 1936, was heard on the BBC's home service, a part of a program called Scrapbook for 1936.

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