

1909 Flight To Be Marked At Montreal's Trade Fair

By ROBERT HART
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MONTREAL (CP) — The 50th anniversary of the first powered flight in the British Commonwealth will be marked this summer at the third Montreal international trade fair by a series of special events and exhibits depicting the development of Canadian aviation.

Fair officials have announced that among the events is a special celebration to honor Hon. J. A. D. McCurdy, pilot of the aircraft that made the first flight in the commonwealth at Baddeck, N.S., in 1909.

A replica of the Silver Dart, which Mr. McCurdy piloted, will be displayed along with exhibits from 30 countries, including Canada.

MARK SEAWAY OPENING

Besides the aviation exhibitions, a marine display has been added to the fair to celebrate the opening this spring of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

Officials say present indications are the number of exhibits at the fair, running from June 5 to June 15, will be roughly double last year's totals.

During the second international

fair a year ago there were 243 booths. About 9,500 buyers attended and public attendance was given as 33,534. Officials added that last year exhibitors reported \$2,000,000 worth of business was transacted on the floor.

Exhibitors from both sides of the Iron Curtain plan to show their goods this year. Russia has asked for 100 booths. If the Soviet Union follows through with exhibits, it will be the first time she has done so in North America.

PURPOSE THE SAME

The purpose of a trade fair hasn't changed much since merchants in Europe first gathered to compare their products more than 800 years ago. But a look at some of last year's exhibits gives an idea of how their goods have changed.

Everything from national foods to heavy machinery and space rockets were shown.

At last year's fair France showed steel products available for seaports, sheet piling for building construction and tin plates.

Morocco displayed wines and exotic foods along with fertilizers. In the Netherlands exhibit

were foods and drinks, modern pewter, clotheisaps and crystal. The CBC demonstrated the operation of its international service and broadcast news of the fair in 15 languages for short wave transmission or later broadcast in other countries.

VARIED PRODUCTS

The exhibits included such things as blouses from Germany, hors d'oeuvres from Italy, wines from France, drop presses from Czechoslovakia, cameras from Japan, giftware from Israel and communications systems made in Canada.

Czechoslovakia, making a big push for increased trade with Canada, had one of the biggest exhibits, including displays in every category. Czech displays took up 3,200 square feet of covered floor space and 400 square feet of open air space.

The force behind the Montreal fair is Karel Stopka, a Czech-born immigrant, who fought with the British forces during the Second World War.

He came to Canada in 1951, set up an import-export business and organized private backing for a trade fair. After the federal government withdrew its backing of the Toronto fair in 1955.

94TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Donald Nicholson (whose maiden name was Fannie Pearson), on Monday celebrated her 94th birthday. She was born in 1865, at Vernon River, P. E. I. Lived after her marriage in Upper Montague, P. E. I. Mrs. Nicholson has been a resident of The Salvation Army

Sunset Lodge since May 1958, and her happy disposition brings cheer and brightness to all around her. She enjoys good health, keen mind and interest in all activities inside the Lodge and other places. She is the mother of Mrs. W. M. Gates of White Plains, New York.

Defence Orders In Canada Reported Slowly Declining

By HAROLD MORRISON
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OTTAWA (CP) — Military orders placed in Canada are slowly declining in value and as a percentage of national production.

Just how the defence industry will fare this year will depend to some extent on government decisions on production of the Arrow jet interceptor and the replacement of planes for the Canadian air division in Europe.

So far the outlook is not too rosy, with the government heavily pressed for funds and searching for ways to economize in the wake of rising welfare and public debt charges.

One Canadian hope is that the United States will place increasing orders in Canada as part of joint defence policies. The U.S. is maintaining a fat defence budget while Canada's is slimming down.

Of an estimated \$77,000,000 U.S. budget for 1959 - 60, some \$41,000,000 will go for defence, roughly about 53 per cent. Budget for 1958-59 will drop to some \$1,685,000,000 down \$72,000,000 from 1958-59.

It would seem that under such circumstances the chances of Canadian defence industries getting new orders would be more favorable in the U.S. than in Canada — provided of course that Canadian prices are competitive and the U.S. fully co-operates.

DEFENCE ORDERS DROP

As an indication of how Canadian defence orders are dropping, total procurement for the calendar year 1958 declined to a shade under \$700,000,000, just about two per cent of the gross national product — the value of all goods and services produced.

This procurement would cover all kinds of military merchandise, from planes and guns to defence housing.

In 1955, this procurement to

totalled about \$880,000,000, roughly about 3.3 per cent of a \$26,400,000,000 gross national product. In 1957 it dropped to \$800,000,000, about 2.6 per cent of a growing national product.

The U.S., of course, is already placing some orders in Canada, just as Canada is placing some in the U.S. The tendency in recent years is towards heavier American expenditures in Canada than Canadian spending in the U.S.

Throat Ailment Troubled Nasser

STOCKHOLM (AP) — President Nasser of the United Arab Republic was in danger of losing his voice a few months ago, says a Stockholm newspaper.

Prof. Nils Richtner, head of a large Stockholm hospital, said he flew to Cairo in November to treat Nasser for a throat ailment on getting a direct call from the presidential palace.

He said Nasser responded well to treatment and was "a good patient who showed a great deal of self control."

Dr. Richtner said he gave simple medical treatment and no operation was necessary.

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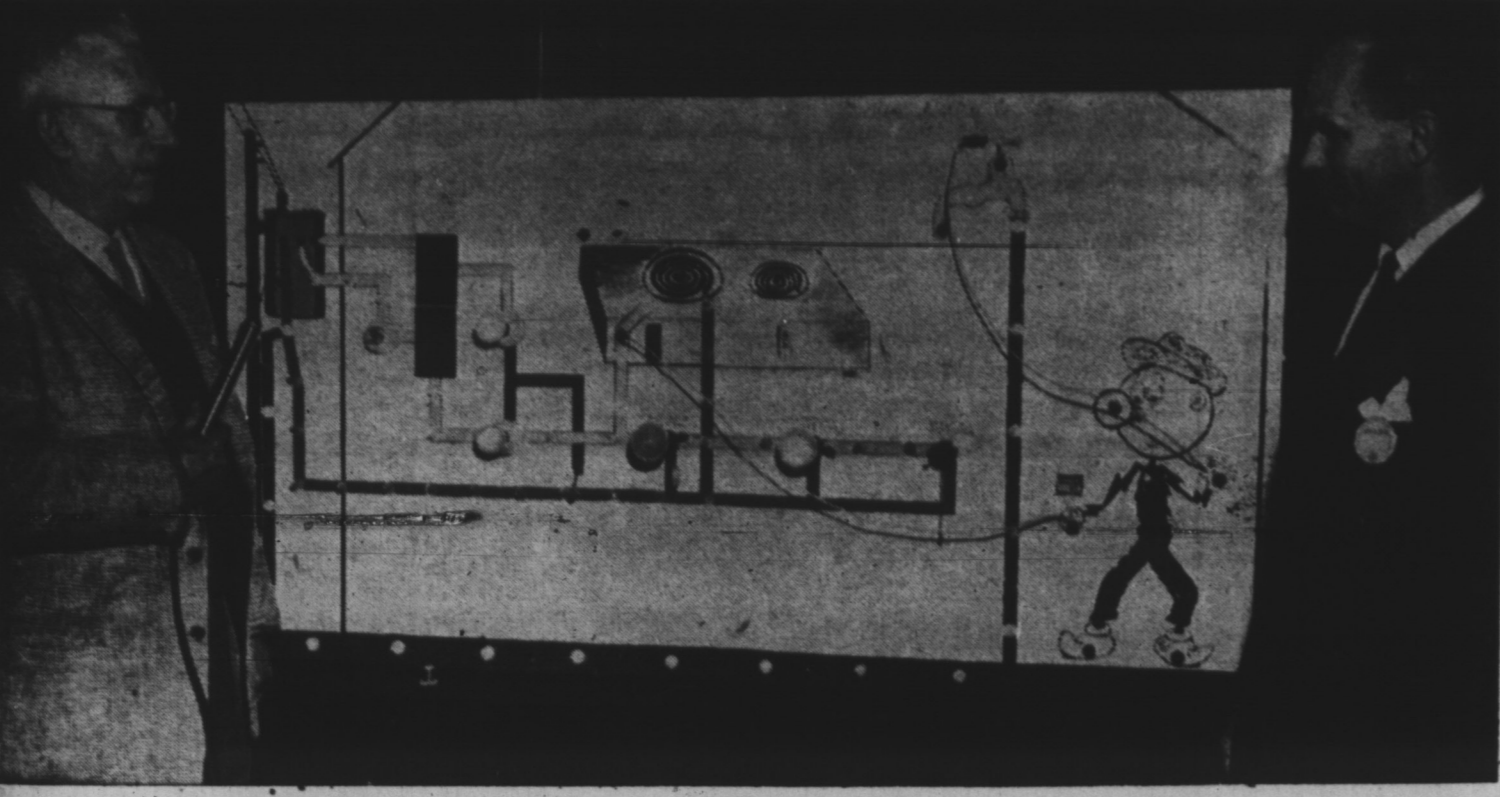
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land, your electrical industry has built and operates nearly 600 miles of rural line.

We in Prince Edward Island can be justly proud of the degree of rural electrification which has been achieved. Over 75 per cent of the occupied farms on the Island enjoy the benefits of electric power, a proportion which surpasses many of the other provinces including some which are regarded as being much more densely populated and industrialized.

"We have in Charlottetown one of the most efficient thermal plants in the Maritimes. The fact that we have no great natural sources of energy as do nearly all the other provinces means that we must strive the harder to find cheaper and more efficient ways of producing electric energy. We take advantage of our location on tidewater to turn Bunker C. Fuel oil and in co-operation with Imperial Oil Limited are capable of taking the entire cargo of a large tanker direct from the great refineries of the Caribbean."

"Contrary to expectation we would not draw cheaper from the mainland, in the event of the construction of a causeway, because by the time it got here, it would be more expensive than that which we can supply ourselves," Mr. Cameron said.

Mr. Bugden, speaking briefly touched on facts about electric wiring for the home, particularly stressing the fire risk from antiquated and overloaded wires caused chiefly by the casual addition of new and modern appliances.

CANADIAN FIRST

One of the first generators on the North American Continent was installed by Edison for the Canadian Cotton Company's mill at Cornwall in 1833.

Other instances of Canadian priority in the field of electricity were the development of the first electric range, shown at the Ottawa exhibition, the first high tension transmission line in the British Commonwealth, built between St. Narcisse and Three Rivers Que. The first hydro electric power to be used in the mining industry was generated on the Spanish River, Ont.

Mr. Cameron, quoting from a letter received from Prime Minister Diefenbaker, said: "The electrical industry has become in only three-quarters of a century, one of the nation's largest sources of employment and revenue."

CAN BE PROUD

Dealing with rural electrification Mr. Cameron said: "In partnership with the Government of Prince Edward Is-

wiring on every electrical installation.

New Railroad Brings Boom To Area North Of Peace R.

FORT ST. JOHN, B.C. (CP) — A boom has come to farmers, lumbermen and the petrochemical industry in the country north of the Peace River in northeastern British Columbia.

The area's inhabitants are seeing a new world of markets opened as a result of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway bridging the Peace River last summer.

Carloadings on the provincially owned PGE set a record in 1958, but General Manager J. S. Broadbent and General Freight Agent Vaughan Paul say it is just a beginning for what is expected this year.

"Every day we are getting inquiries for rates on new commodities and new quantities," Mr. Broadbent said.

Three Highway Cases On Docket

Three highway traffic cases were on the docket before Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet, Q.C., in Queen's County Magistrate's Court Monday morning.

A Grand Tracadie man convicted on a charge of operating a motor vehicle with defective equipment was fined \$5 and costs or five days and a similar fine was levied a Charlottetown man for failing to stop at a stop sign.

A Kinkora man charged with operating a motor vehicle without an operator's licence had his case adjourned for one week.

Polar Ship May Enter Search

COPENHAGEN (Reuters) — The polar ship Helga Dan, en route to Canada for an iceberging experiment, may be diverted to the scene of the Hans Hedtoft disaster, it was learned Tuesday night.

The 5,050-ton Danish ship, owned by polar ship experts Ivar and Knud Lauritzen, left Aalborg, Denmark, during the weekend and headed for the St. Lawrence River to try breaking up Quebec's winter barrier.

But a spokesman Tuesday night said the powerful ship may swing toward Greenland waters where another Danish vessel, the Hans Hedtoft, has been missing since Friday with 95 aboard after hitting an iceberg.

The spokesman said it is therefore uncertain when the Helga Dan will arrive at Quebec. The Lauritzen brothers believe their vessel will be able to crash through the ice barrier that locks Quebec Harbor every winter.

The captain believes, as strongly as the owners that it is possible to cut a way through the thick winter ice. If the attempt succeeds, it will be the first time the harbor has been unlocked in winter.

Normally the Canadian port is closed by ice between February and April.

NEW WYCLIFFE HEAD

TORONTO (CP) — Rev. Leslie Hunt has been elected principal of Wycliffe College, an Anglican institution affiliated with the University of Toronto. He is expected to assume his duties in September.

Welfare Spending Requires One-Quarter Of Estimates

OTTAWA (CP) — Spending for welfare, including the new charges for payments to the provinces with hospital insurance plans, will amount for about one-quarter of the federal spending estimates of \$6,175,400,000 in the 1959-60 fiscal year.

The estimates tabled Thursday in the Commons by Finance Minister Fleming call for welfare spending an old age pensions, veterans national health and welfare and the unemployment insurance fund of about \$1,724,400,000.

This is a rise of \$217,900,000 from spending estimates of \$1,506,500,000 for the 1958-59 fiscal year that ends March 31.

A considerable part of the increase is accounted for by expected payments of \$160,000,000 to the provinces under the program of federal and provincial governments sharing on an almost equal basis costs of standard ward hospital care and diagnostic services.

At present all provinces except Prince Edward Island and Quebec have entered the plan although New Brunswick's won't go into effect until June.

LARGER POPULATION
Among the health department increases is one of \$25,000,000 in family allowance payments due to the population rise. Family allowances in the 1958-59 fiscal year will require \$465,000,000 against \$470,000,000 in the current year.

Total spending on health and welfare by the health department is expected to rise to \$315,700,000 from \$181,600,000, an increase of \$197,100,000.

Old age pension payments of \$5 a month to all over age 70 will cost an estimated \$577,600,000, up \$22,600,000 from \$555,000,000.

The \$39,500,000 estimated for the unemployment insurance fund remains unchanged in the 1959-60 fiscal year but spending by the veterans affairs department is expected to slip \$1,800,000 to \$291,600,000 from \$293,400,000.

This apparent decline in veterans spending is due largely to the new hospital insurance plans. Veterans affairs department hospitals, like civilian hospitals, will be able to claim payments under the insurance plan for care of veterans now covered.

RISE IN EXPENDITURES

Gross expenditures by the veterans department actually are expected to rise by \$3,154,300 to \$303,674,000 from \$300,519,700 in the current fiscal year. The department expects to recover \$12,061,530 of this spending, an increase of \$4,931,600 over the \$7,149,900 recovered in the current year.

The hospital grants program is expected to cost about \$2,000,000 less at \$46,000,000.

However, the federal share of old age assistance payments to the needy aged between 65 and 69 is expected to rise by \$2,700,000 to \$32,500,000 from \$29,800,000. The federal and provincial governments share equally the costs of this program.

Famous Violet Markham Was Friend Of MacKenzie King

By C. R. BLACKBURN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP) — Violet Markham, famous English woman who died in London Monday at 86, was the close friend and confidante of former prime minister Mackenzie King from 1906 until his death in 1950.

She was also his financial backer during the days of his early struggles and throughout his life.

The R. MacGregor Dawson biography of Mackenzie King is liberally sprinkled with extracts from the correspondence that passed between the bachelor statesman and the woman friend of his youth.

To her he poured out his dreams and ambitions, his frustrations and his confusions and she was always a sympathetic counsellor and sturdy supporter.

MET IN 1905
They met in 1905 when Miss Markham (later Mrs. James Caruthers) was visiting at Government House during the term of Earl Grey as governor-general. While there was never any indication of a romance, their friendship was close and enduring.

Miss Markham, one of the most prominent women in English public life, was appointed by Mr. King in 1923 to represent Canada on the governing body of the international labor office.

Enforcement Of Boat Law Sought

OTTAWA (CP) — The federal government is giving provincial and municipal police a monetary incentive to see that water safety laws are adhered to by small boat operators.

The step is proposed in an amendment to the Canada Shipping Act approved Thursday by the Senate transport committee.

The change will mean that money collected in fines for violations of small boat regulations goes to the level of government whose police enforced them.

At present all fines—no matter who caught offenders in the act—go into the federal pocket.

Capt. F. S. Slocombe, chief of the transport department's nautical division, said the amendment is designed to enlist the co-operation of local police forces

Ample Newsprint Publishers Told

NEW YORK (CP) — Robert M. Fowler of Montreal, president of the Newsprint Association of Canada, said Tuesday "the publishers of this continent can put aside, once and for all, their fears of recurring and serious shortages of newsprint."

Fowler spoke at a meeting of the New York State Publishers association.

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try and municipal affairs. Knowing of the relative poverty of the King family, Miss Markham, a rich woman in her own right, began to aid the budding statesman with money gifts during his first ventures into politics.

GAVE HIM INCOME
In 1911 she settled upon him an income of 300 pounds a year so that he might pursue his ambition without the handicap of financial embarrassments.

She wrote him that she was doing this "for Canada sake as fully as your own, and added: "There is nothing in such a gift which may not be offered by me and accepted by you in most perfect simplicity.

"Any obligation to one of your fellow countrymen might tie your hands in some way. With me the word obligation could never arise—there is no obligation between us save that of a deep and enduring affection.

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to do nothing.

Mr. Martin said the present provincial tax share is based on a 13-9-50 formula—13 per cent of federal personal income tax collections, nine per cent of corporation income and 50 per cent of federal inheritance taxes.

"Mr. Frost's formula is 15-15-50," he said, and Manitoba's Premier Roblin is supporting that. The formula of Quebec Premier Duplessis was 30-50-50.

"What would happen if Premier Duplessis' request was rejected at a conference? "Would there not be an increasing estrangement between the present government and the government of Quebec?"

In two election campaigns Mr. Diefenbaker had promised to redevelop once and for all the fiscal problems of the provinces.

"If he wants the people of Canada to continue to have faith in his assurances, he cannot renege on this question any longer."

SUGGESTS OTHER ISSUES
Mr. Martin said a federal-provincial deal should also deal with unemployment, constitutional amendment, and the proposed bill of rights.

It was an "undesirable situation" that Canada had to go to the United Kingdom Parliament to secure its constitution on matters of federal-provincial concern. The former Liberal government's attempt to remedy this in 1950 failed because of "certain provincial leaders" now friendly to the present government — he mentioned Premier Duplessis.

COMING EVENTS

A. A. meeting to-night Richmond Street group, 130 Richmond Street (upstairs).

Variety Concert, Pie Social and specialties Vernon Hall, Thursday, February 12th at 8.15. Sponsored by Vernon W.I.

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Cards and Dance Earncliffe School Tuesday, February 10th. Cards start at 7.30. Sponsored by Earncliffe W.I.

Pantry Sale—Friday, February 13th, 1 p.m., Holman's, Sponsored by Holy Redeemer Girl Guides and Brownies.

Knights of Columbus regular monthly meeting tonight 8.15.

Double header at North River Rink tonight. Glasgow Road vs. Milton 7.30. Hampshire vs. Dunstaffnage 8.45. Skate after.

Card party North Wiltshire Hall, tonight. Proceeds in aid of the Hall.

Dance, Bonshaw Womens Institute Hall Tuesday Feb. 10th. Admission 40 cents.

Mr. Martin said the government should seek a total declaration with the provinces on a bill of rights instead of limiting its proposed bill to matters of federal jurisdiction.

Mr. Diefenbaker interjected that the former Liberal government had consulted the provinces on that point "and several didn't even deign to reply."

Mr. Martin said that is no reason for not trying now. A new attempt at least would show "where the premiers stand."

BONSHAW SCHOOL

The following is a report of the mid-year exams.

SENIOR DEPT.
Grade X: 1. Harvey MacRae
Grade IX: 1. Donna MacPhee, 2. Douglas MacNevin, 3. Blair Ferguson and Claire Marie McManus (equal)

Grade VIII: 1. Sandra MacDonald, 2. Paulette Buchanan and Vicki MacNevin (equal) 3. Bonnie MacRae
Grade VII: 1. Gail Buchanan, 2. Joseph White, 3. Norman MacRae

Grade VI: 1. Larry Simpson, 2. Price Boyce, 3. Donald MacLeod
Highest average in senior dept. Sandra MacDonald 97 per cent.
Principal: Anna Inman.

PRIMARY DEPT.

Grade V: 1. Dawn MacDonald, 2. Shirley MacLeod, 3. Hazel MacRae
Grade IV: 1. Veda Beaton, 2. Norma MacQuarrie and Joan McManus

Grade III: 1. Gordon MacLeod, 2. Blois Ferguson and Wayne Crosby, 3. Alan MacPhee
Grade II: 1. Susanne MacLeod, 2. Kenny Crosby, 3. Janice MacNevin

Grade I: 1. Cery MacPhee
Highest average Gordon MacLeod, 97.2 per cent.
Assistant: Joyce Ferguson

STANHOPE SCHOOL

Half-yearly report of Stanhope School:

Grade 8: 1. Irene Ellis, 2. Barry Ross, 3. Doris Chappelle
Grade 7: 1. Donald Higgins, 2. Ronald Johnston
Grade 6: 1. Blair MacLaughlin, 2. Donald Ellis, 3. Carol Horgan

Grade 5: 1. Gordon Ellis, 2. Shirley Warren, 3. Heather Marshall
Grade 4: 1. Linda Douglas, 2. Dianne Robinson, 3. Allan MacLaughlin

Grade 3: 1. Jimmy Horgan, 2. Donna Marshall, 3. Rhodes Warren
Grade 2: 1. Robert MacLaughlin, 2. Wanda Warren, 3. Allison Ellis

Grade 1: 1. Brenda MacLaughlin, 2. Karen Ross, 3. William Hogan.
Jeanette M. Marshall, Teacher.

Gifts Pour In For Dependents

COPENHAGEN (Reuters) — Money poured in today for the national disaster fund opened Friday for dependents of the 95 persons who died when the cargo vessel Hans Hedtoft struck an iceberg and sank last week.

Gifts ranged from 10 kroner (about \$1.50) donations from old-age pensioners to contributions of 20,000 kroner (\$2,800) from big