

Trade Deficit With U.S. Slashed To Four-Year Low

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's huge trade deficit with the United States was slashed to a four-year low in 1958 as Canadian reduced their cross-border shopping while maintaining a hefty flow of exports.

The year's pattern of trade also shifted slightly, with Canada selling more and buying more from Britain and at the same time boosting the Canadian surplus in overseas trade.

Amid general world recession, the over-all value of Canadian trade—both imports and exports—dropped to \$10,124,600,000 from \$10,557,800,000 in 1957, the bureau of statistics reported Friday.

Most of the drop was in imports. Exports as a whole were just 3,900,000 below the all-time high of \$4,934,400,000 of 1957 while imports dropped by \$427,300,000 to \$5,155,100,000.

TRADE DEFICIT DOWN

In trade with all countries, the Canadian deficit—excess of imports over exports—dropped to \$276,600,000 from \$638,000,000 in 1957 and the lowest since 1955.

The most significant factor in this over-all decline was the sharp reduction in Canada's traditional deficit with the U.S. which dropped to a four-year low of \$663,100,000 from \$1,056,800,000 in 1957 and the record \$1,282,700,000 in 1955.

The recession hit some of Canada's exports, but on the whole heavy American demand for Canadian cattle and uranium pushed Canadian exports to the U.S. to \$2,914,800,000, just slightly below the record \$2,941,700,000 of 1957. Canadian imports from the U.S. dropped to \$3,577,900,000 from \$3,998,500,000.

Canadian exports to Britain, her second-largest customer, climbed to \$781,000,000 from \$742,700,000 while Britain's exports to Canada edged ahead to \$527,000,000 from \$522,000,000.

This gave Canada an increased surplus of \$254,000,000 in Anglo-Canadian trade, up from \$220,700,000 in 1957.



PLAQUE PRESENTED MESS

Last night at the annual smoker of the Garrison Senior N.C.O.'s mess, a decorative plaque was presented to the mess by the W-O's and NCO's of 5 Signal Regiment. The plaque is an enlarged replica of the hat badge, or "Jimmy" of the signal regt. and will be hung on the wall of the Sgt's Mess. RSM Col. F. S. Jenkins, commanding officer of 5 Signal Reg't looks on.

SYDNEY "HAMS" CONGRATULATED

"Ham" radio operators of Sydney, N.S., received congratulations on the official opening of their new radio station, last night from P. E. S. Lieutenant-Governor F. Walter Hyndman and Charlottetown's Mayor Edwin C. Johnstone. Mr. Hyndman, confined to his home through illness sent his congratulations via telephone through the amateur radio owned by Stewart Smith of Belvedere and Mr. Johnstone talked directly with Mayor Russell Urquhart of Sydney. The Sydney Amateur Radio Club has a membership of 40 that is constantly growing.

Presbytery Asks Enforcement Of P.E.I. Liquor Control Act

Prince Edward Island Presbytery of the United Church of Canada met on Tuesday morning in regular session in Heartz Hall, Charlottetown. In the absence of Rev. J.M. Fraser due to illness, Rev. John Sheen was appointed acting chairman. The meeting was opened with a devotional period conducted by Rev. R.S. Latimer.

Rev. Dr. E.A. Betts reported that a rural life conference had been held in Bedeque, and introduced the following resolutions which were supported by Presbytery:

"1. That the boundaries committee of Presbytery give serious consideration to rearranging the boundaries of our pastoral charges, with a view to strengthening them.

"2. That a more rigid enforcement of the Liquor Control Act of our province be sought, together with more adequate Temperance education in our schools.

"3. That the need of training local organists and choir members be considered by the Presbytery."

Mrs. K.G. Parker candidate secretary for the Women's Missionary Society addressed the court pointing out the extreme need of church workers with varying qualifications to fill existing vacancies. In the absence of Mrs. Winifred Cutcliffe, Mrs. Hazen Howard reported for the Prince Edward Island Presbytery. She mentioned that 91 auxiliaries were active with a total number of 1,691 members. The total monies raised in 1958 was \$20,600.

G.N. Avar, reporting for the Missionary and maintenance committee, reported that 1958 was the third consecutive year that the allocation had been exceeded. The total givings amounted to \$60,632 or \$632 over the allocation.

S.T. Green reported for the sector plan committee. He stated that two meetings had been held recently in Kensington and Montague where approximately 100 representatives of local congregations heard the sector plan explained in detail by Rev. K.M. Findlay of Saint John.

1,785 CHURCHES

Immediately following the noon recess Rev. W.B. MacPhail reported for the sector plan committee. He stated that two meetings had been held recently in Kensington and Montague where approximately 100 representatives of local congregations heard the sector plan explained in detail by Rev. K.M. Findlay of Saint John.

ASKS ADMISSION

Rev. A.F. MacLean reporting for the committee on colleges and students recommended that the application of Rev. E.F. Hall of Hunter River for admission into the ministry of the United Church be accepted.

Mr. MacLean also recommended that Garth Gaisley of Kelsey Grove be received as a candidate for the ministry. Both of these recommendations were accepted. Mr. MacLean referred to the dinner meeting held recently in Kensington for candidates and prospective candidates for full time Christian service.

Rev. Dr. A.S. Weir reporting for the pastoral relations committee recommended that Presbytery concur in the call of Rev. L.S. Woolfrey from Murray Harbour to an Ontario charge.

In reporting on behalf of the committee on pensions, Rev. T. R. Goudge recommended that the applications of Rev. M.K. Charman and Rev. R.A. Patterson for leave to retire be accepted.

Valentine Dance Mt. Stewart Memorial Hall Saturday, February 7th, 9 until 11:45 p.m. Burks Orchestra; Canteen, admission 50 cents. Sponsored by School Auxiliary.

Souris Lions Club Dance High School Auditorium Saturday, February 7th. Cliff Peters Orchestra. Canteen.

Carnival at Souris Rink, Wednesday, February 18th.

North River Rink Fancy Dress Carnival, Friday February 13th, judging starts at 8:15 p.m. Skate after. Prizes on display at Steads Pharmacy, Kent Street, Charlottetown.

Hockey at North River Rink tonight Intermediate B Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs vs. Georgetown, second game in home and home series game time 8:30 Admission 25 and 50 cents. Skate after.

Get your tickets for Highfield Church baked ham dinner on February 14th, from W.A. Members or phone 7461. No tickets at the door.

COMING EVENTS

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

Bingo every Monday night, St. Andrew's Hall, Mt. Stewart—Two jackpots of \$25 each.

Accepting chickens at our poultry plant—Mondays only—Large lots by appointment. Wadell Brothers, Crapaud.

Modern and old-time dancing Junior Farmers Recreation Centre every Saturday Night, 9 until 12. Doiron's Orchestra, Canteen.

York Resident Is Fined \$100 In City Court

A York resident facing a charge of operating a motor vehicle while his licence to do so was cancelled, received a stiff fine of \$100 and costs or 30 days when he appeared in Charlottetown Police Court before Magistrate K.M. Martin Friday morning.

It was the accused's second

LEGIION FUNERAL

for our late comrade W. H. Worth, M.S.M., from St. James' Church this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Install I.O.O.F. Officers Of St. Lawrence, Wildey Lodges

The officers of St. Lawrence and Wildey Lodges were duly installed into their respective offices by Warren Henderson, district deputy grand master for District No. 12 assisted by the following installing officers: F. E. Clow, grand marshal; Russell Matheson, deputy grand warden; A.O.F. Gill, deputy grand secretary; James Dewar, deputy grand treasurer; Peter Shama, deputy grand chaplain and Alfred Frizel, deputy grand guardian.

The officers installed were as follows: Wildey Lodge: noble grand, Arthur McLean; vice grand, Len McKeay; recording secretary, Frank Weatherby; financial secretary, Clark Innis; treasurer, Warren Henderson; warden, George Wilson; conductor, Douglas Moore; inside guardian, Alf Frizel; outside guardian, F.E. Clow; R.S. noble grand, Paul Hansen; L.S. noble grand, Preston Sentner; R.S. vice grand, Russell Matheson; R.S.S. Arthur Coffin; L.S.S. Robert Watson; chaplain, Nelson Henry; jr. past grand, Peter Shama.

St. Lawrence Lodge: noble grand, John Lohness; vice grand, A.M. Whitlock; recording secretary, Louis Simmons; financial secretary, Fred Smith; treasurer, L.A. Stewart; warden, Ernest Foster; conductor, Gordon Cudmore; inside guardian, Borden Myers; R.S. noble grand, D.F. Bethune; L.S. noble grand, George Gregory; R.S.S. Joseph Rodd; L.S.S. Wiston Smith; chaplain, Ralph Balderson; Jr. past grand, J.A. McLeod.

Yugoslav Boy's Great Dream Is To Visit Canada

SAINT JOHN.—A Yugoslav youth who says there isn't much hope of realizing a dream to visit Canada has asked Canadian National Railways for literature and pictures of this country.

Describing himself as a "Yugoslav boy" interested in Canada, Geolure Horis of Skofia Loka sent a card to W. H. Collins, the CNR's divisional freight agent at Saint John. "I would like to learn about the wonderful scenery, customs and geography of your country," he wrote. "By my regret, your country so far away from ours and we give up hope of visiting your country but I am still yearning nonetheless. I should be awfully happy if you can send me some guide books, with pictures and pamphlets."

Poll Accepts Inflation As Continuing Feature

The public has come to think of inflation as a continuing feature of the Canadian economy—at least for the next five years. So has the U.S. public.

When asked by the Gallup Poll to guess what is likely to happen to prices in the next five years the typical Canadian and American, sees them going up—from one fifth to one quarter higher than they are today.

Here, for example is what the average Canadian sees happening to prices:

Food—A basket of food that costs \$10 today will cost \$11.79 five years from now. That's an 18 per cent increase. In the U.S. the public guesses a 24 per cent rise.

Homes—A house that costs \$15,000 to build today will cost \$16,900 in 1963—an increase of 12 per cent. U.S. citizens guess the price will be \$18,000—a 20 per cent hoist.

Wages—A worker who gets \$2 an hour today will get \$2.32 for the same work, five years from now. That's an increase of 16 per cent. In the U.S., where general wage levels are higher than in Canada, the public estimated an increase to \$2.50—a 25 per cent, upping in hourly rates.

Women, commonly thought of as holders of the purse strings, are more convinced of the high price and wage levels to come than are men. Here is a comparison in the average national guess, as between men and women, to the question put by a corps of Gallup Poll reporters across the provinces:

"In the next few years prices can go up or down. Now, regardless of what you would like to happen, what's your best guess about the price of things? Each man or woman was asked in turn, what would happen to the price of a \$10 box of food; a \$15,000 house; the \$2 an hour wage rate, five years from now.

	Men	Women
\$10 Box of food	\$11.66	\$11.94
\$15,000 house	\$16,780	\$16,820
\$2 wage rate	\$2.28	\$2.38

Whether it's optimism or pessimism, the West picks the low.

Wets' Lose In Lethbridge Vote

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. (CP)—Lethbridge voters Thursday turned down a proposal for sale of liquor for consumption with meals under a dining lounge licence.

They also rejected a proposal for sale of liquor with or without meals under a lounge licence. This proposal was contingent upon the first one being approved.

"The 'wets' wife in the majority in both cases but failed to obtain the required 60-per-cent share of the total number voting in the local option referendum.

REGISTRATIONS 22 For Course

With registrations about closed yesterday the enrollment for the rural youth agricultural course now stands at 22. Edward MacPhail, registrar of the course stated there was a slight possibility that a couple more students would register before the beginning of the course on Monday.

REPORT HUNGARY FIGHT

VIENNA (AP.—Russian soldiers killed two Hungarian farmers and wounded 15 others in a fight recently near Debrecen, the Hungarian refugee newspaper Magyar Hirado, printed here, said Thursday.

AWARD FOR FUCHS

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower Wednesday presented the National Geographic Society's Hubbard Medal to Sir Vivian Fuchs, British explorer who made the first overland crossing of Antarctica.

was wearing a dark blue dress with large white buttons, a dark grey coat, black shoes with high heels and she was carrying a black handbag.

Miss "X" was born in Massachusetts and, according to the writer, has five sisters and six brothers. She went to Quebec City to seek work as a stenographer and was to stay with friends from Charlottetown who have been residing in the Quebec capital for two years.

Chief Seeks Aid In Finding Girl

Charlottetown Police Chief C. W. MacArthur is seeking help in his efforts to locate a young lady who left by train last Friday from Charlottetown bound for Quebec.

The city chief is trying to ascertain the name of the young lady for a Montreal resident who wants to communicate with her and not for any reason in his capacity as chief of the Charlottetown Police Department.

The Montreal resident reported in a letter yesterday that the young lady is about 21 years old, about 115 pounds and between five feet five and five feet seven inches in height. She is believed to be of Acadian descent.

When the writer saw her she

CANADIAN TRADE FAIR

The Federal Department of Trade and Commerce in Ottawa are finalizing plans for a Canadian Trade Fair to be held in the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., from April 19th-25th inclusive.

All goods in the show must be exhibited in the appropriate product classification. One particular classification (7) "Processed Foodstuffs" should be of interest to Island Producers.

Manufacturers and processors interested in exhibiting at this Trade Fair should contact this Department immediately for further information.

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FUNERAL NOTICE

All members of Alpha Rebekah Lodge No. 10 I.O.O.F. are requested to attend the funeral of our late sister, Miss Muriel Roper, at the MacLean Funeral Home, Saturday, February 7th at 3:30.

Recording Secretary Kathleen Cauty Noble Grand Edith Davis.

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