

Trade Talks With Moscow Likely To Resume In Fall

By DON HANRIGHT
OTTAWA (CP)—Negotiations on a new trade pact between Russia and Canada are expected to resume this fall, indications are that the Pearson government will seek different terms. Talks had opened in Moscow last November and continued here in March, but were called off after the April 8 federal general election and the ensuing change of government.

Meanwhile, the three-year agreement signed by the Conservative government in 1960 has expired. For the last four months Canada has carried on with its only obligation under that deal—getting Russia most-favored-nation tariff treatment.

The 1960 agreement, called for Russia to buy \$2 worth of Canadian goods for every \$1 worth she sold to this country. Half the Russian purchases were to be Canadian wheat.

In dollar terms, the Soviet Union agreed to buy \$25,000,000 worth of Canadian goods each year. If Canada bought not less than \$12,500,000 worth from Russia.

It's still not known exactly how this worked out.

SUSPECT DROP
In the first two years of the agreement, Russia took about \$17,000,000 worth of Canadian goods each year and Canada imported roughly \$6,000,000 from the Soviet Union. Though figures on the third year are not yet available, officials say there was a substantial gap.

The Conservative government, it was understood at the time, was seeking a renewal of the 1960 arrangement.

But Prime Minister Pearson is known to have a different attitude.

When the Commons ratified the 1960 treaty, Mr. Pearson as opposition leader called it "a bad bargain... an undesirable principle... instead of expanding, it is more likely to limit trade."

Mr. Pearson said that in effect Canada limited itself under

the 1960 formula in the amount it could export to Russia.

As external affairs minister in the St. Laurent government, Mr. Pearson had helped to negotiate the terms of the first agreement with the Soviet Union in 1956.

"He has said that in those negotiations, the same mathematical formula was sought by the Soviet team."

"We would have no part of it," Mr. Pearson said.

Officials say no site or firm date has yet been set for resumption of the latest negotiations.

YORK

Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders, Calgary, are spending their holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Proud, York. They attended the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Proud who were married Saturday, August 3 in Charlottetown.

Mrs. Howard Watts and three children, York are visiting with Mrs. Watts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson, Flat River.

Mrs. A. Whiteway and family, Charlottetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Watts on Aug. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Watts and son Lane, Dartmouth, N. S. are holidaying in York at the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

A motor party of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watts, Miss Mabel White and Miss Lavina McDonald, of Charlottetown, were visitors in York on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Crockett.

Howard Watts and daughter, Carla left Saturday for a holiday in Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis, Stanhope spent the weekend at their home here.

Mrs. Fenton Court, Bedford, was the guest of Mrs. Gordon Crockett on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Ross and daughter, York, are spending a few days in Glen Valley at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dickenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tucker,

ROLLO BAY

Leonard MacDonald and son Michael, B.C. are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. J. Peters, Rollo Bay.

Mrs. Penelope Campbell and son William Campbell, Cardigan Rd. were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. MacDonald and family, Hamilton, Ont., are visiting relatives in this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Burke and daughter are visiting relatives at Rollo Bay and St. Peter's Bay.

Miss Mary Cahill, Montreal, was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Mooney.

Miss Margie Burke has returned to her home in Rollo Bay after spending some time with relatives in Hamilton, Ont.

Mrs. Somerset MacDonald and sons Daryl and Allan, have returned to their home in Montreal, after a pleasant vacation with relatives here.

Mrs. Mary Cameron, Natick, Mass. is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Peters, Souris West.

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