



APPENDING THEIR signatures to the first formal agreement concluded between Northumberland Ferries Limited and their unlicensed employees are L.K. Abbott, of Halifax, representing the certified bargaining agent, the Brotherhood of Railway Employees and Other Transport Workers, and Captain Claude R. Hunter, president of the Company. Looking on are (left) Alexander MacRae, chairman of the local union, who signed the agreement on behalf of the employees, and Arthur H. Peake, director and legal advisor to the Company. The agreement was signed yesterday in Mr. Peake's office.

### UNION, COMPANY SIGN Northumberland Ferries Workers Get Pay Boost

Pay hikes ranging from \$35 to \$63 per month are in store for 55 unlicensed personnel now in the employ of Northumberland Ferries Limited according to an agreement signed yesterday in Charlottetown by representatives of the company, the employees' organization, and the certified bargaining agent, the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees and Other Transport Workers. Employees affected include all those in the deck, engine-room, stewards, cafeteria, and purser departments of the Company's three vessels — the M.V. Lord Selkirk, the S.S. Charles A. Dunning, and the M.V. Prince Nova. In addition, shore personnel such as warfingers, watchmen, and waiting-room attendants are also covered by the agreement, which is effective October 1, 1958, for wages, and November 1, 1958, for rules, and will remain in effect until December 31, 1959, and thereafter, until revised or amended. The increase in basic pay given the ferry employees includes the \$15 per month bonus previously paid by the Company. SIGNATORIES The agreement was signed for the Company by the president and marine superintendent, Captain Claude R. Hunter, Atlantic Provinces representative, L.K. Abbott, Halifax, signed for the Brotherhood, and local chairman, Alexander MacRae for the union. Other highlights of the agreement signed yesterday are as follows: A reduction in the work week from more than six days to five days; overtime at straight time for the first two hours, and time and one-half thereafter for all work performed outside regular working schedules as laid down in the agreement; extra pay for seven statutory holidays, if worked; vacations with pay of one, two or three weeks per year, three-week period only applicable after 10 working seasons; meal allowance when sane not provided on ship; clothing allowances of \$200 for losses sustained by marine disaster, and hospital and life insurance coverage. On August 21, 1958, the Brotherhood was certified by the Canadian Labor Relations Board as bargaining agents for the employees concerned. Negotiations commenced on October 7 and were continued at intervals until the signing of the agreement yesterday. As a consequence, barter transactions had dwindled considerably in recent months. The strategic materials—such as which will be put in the national supplemental stockpile—include: suppleatives, antimony, asbestos, bauxite, beryl, bismuth, cadmium, chrome, columbite, cryolite, diamonds and boron, ferrochrome, fluorapatite, lead, manganese, mercury, mica, nickel, platinium, quartz crystals, ruthenium, selenium, silicon carbide, tantalite, tin and zinc. Farm surpluses eligible for barter were listed as cotton, tobacco, rice, wheat, corn, oats, barley, sorghum grain, butter, and non-fat dry milk.

### Yanks Expedite Barter Deals In Farm Products

WASHINGTON (AP)—The agriculture department Friday announced changes in its barter program designed to expedite exchange of surplus farm products for strategic materials abroad. At the same time, it made public a new list of materials approved by President Eisenhower for such exchange. The barter law directs that the program be administered in such a way as to safeguard U.S. usual marketings, to prevent disruption of world prices or replacement of cash sales of farm products for dollars. In a letter to Ezra Benson, agriculture secretary, Eisenhower said barter transactions must result in net gains in farm exports. "Unless there is a net gain to the United States from the exchange of surplus domestic agricultural commodities for these foreign materials, the national interest does not lie in the accumulation of additional amounts of commercially available materials on the attached list for which there is no current or prospective governmental need," the president said. Hereafter, the department itself will determine—under a classification system—acceptable barter outlets or countries. Officials said that under the old system, exporters often had difficulty securing statements from foreign governments that barter deals would not supplant normal commercial and dollar transactions. As a consequence, barter transactions had dwindled considerably in recent months. The strategic materials—such as which will be put in the national supplemental stockpile—include: suppleatives, antimony, asbestos, bauxite, beryl, bismuth, cadmium, chrome, columbite, cryolite, diamonds and boron, ferrochrome, fluorapatite, lead, manganese, mercury, mica, nickel, platinium, quartz crystals, ruthenium, selenium, silicon carbide, tantalite, tin and zinc. Farm surpluses eligible for barter were listed as cotton, tobacco, rice, wheat, corn, oats, barley, sorghum grain, butter, and non-fat dry milk.

### Boy Denied Transfusion Dies; Gov't. Action Is Considered

ST. BONIFACE, Man. (CP)—The death Friday of a 14-year-old boy, denied blood transfusions because of the religious beliefs of his parents, appeared likely to bring Manitoba government action aimed at preventing a repetition of the case. Attorney-General Lyon said after the death of 14-year-old Donald Holland of Neepawa, Man., that "the whole matter is under consideration by the government." In a statement after the boy's death, his father, Louis Holland, said he and his wife "I him said 'by being faithful to God's command we have not taken the chance of losing Donald forever.'" The boy was wounded in the leg Nov. 4 when a 22-calibre rifle accidentally discharged at his farm home. A severed artery was tied in an operation but his parents, members of Jehovah's Witnesses, would not allow trans-

### B.C. Pair Sentenced To Prison

VANCOUVER (CP)—A former British Columbia cabinet minister and the men convicted of passing him bribes were each sentenced Friday to five years in prison. Robert E. Sommers, 47, who sat on the highest councils of the province as minister of lands and forests, will serve his term in nearby Oakalla Prison Farm. So will H. Wilson Gray, the 46-year-old timber executive and father of six. There was no immediate word about appeals. Starting sharply at the accused as they sat grim-faced in the prisoner's dock, Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson of the Supreme Court of B.C. told them: "I do not enjoy hitting men when they are down, as both of you men are... the jury, not I, has found you both scoundrels."

### BEFOUL ATMOSPHERE

The evidence on which that finding must be based reveals that both of you have befouled the political and moral atmosphere of this province for a period of many years, resorting to every sort and shape of device to conceal your iniquities. "The harm you, Sommers, have done to our traditional respect for government will, I hope, be slight, because, thank God, the sort of behavior of which you have been convicted is not just exceptional but unique in our political history."

### WHEAT EXPORTS LOWER

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada's wheat exports declined slightly in the first two months of the current crop year while those of the United States rose. Canadian exports dropped to 44,500,000 bushels in the August-September period from 51,600,000 in those two months last year and 57,100,000 in 1956, the bureau of statistics reported Friday. U.S. shipments increased to 70,300,000 bushels from 68,100,000 last year, though they were down from the 76,700,000 in 1956.

### B.C. Power Commission Head Fired After Blast

VICTORIA (CP) — H. Lee Briggs, who started British Columbia this week with an outspoken attack on the provincial government, was fired Friday from his post as general manager of the B.C. Power Commission. The dismissal came a few hours after Mr. Briggs' third public criticism of provincial authorities in as many days. The Manitoba-born power chief said he was called into the office of T. H. Crosby, chairman of the board of commissioners, and handed a letter of dismissal. "It was all done very nicely," he said.

### WEDNESDAY BOMBHELL

Briggs, 55, dropped his first bombshell Wednesday when he accused Premier Bennett and his Social Credit government of trying to juggle the commission's finances to fulfill a political promise to pay off British Columbia's direct debt by 1960. He followed up Thursday with a statement questioning the high offices held by Einar M. Gunderson, former minister of finance, and the source and handling of political funds. Earlier Friday he launched a tirade against the B.C. Electric Company, the province's chief power supplier, which he said is earning 12 1/2 per cent more than is allowed under public utilities commission regulations.

### POLITICAL PROPAGANDA

Premier Bennett, in his first reply to the charge Friday, called them a "planned buildup of political propaganda." He said Mr. Briggs' statements are "completely wrong" and that he will reply in detail Monday. The board's action in firing Mr. Briggs was not unexpected although it was the first positive move by the authorities since he began his criticism. Mr. Briggs vowed that if he were fired he would stump the platforms on a non-political tour of the province to tell the people the "rancid things" that go on in "electric power matters."

# Khrushchev Aims To Lick U.S. Economically By '70

## \$75,000 Winter Program Announced For P.E.I. Park

OTTAWA (Special)—A winter works program of more than \$75,000 will be undertaken at P.E.I. National Park by the northern affairs department, Health Macquarrie announced here Friday. The junior conservative MP for Ottawa to confer with officials of the northern affairs and transport departments in connection with constituency matters. Much-needed winter employment should result from the program he said. Fisheries Minister J. Angus MacLean, senior MP for Queens, meanwhile is in Newfoundland arranging a winter repair for 30 community landing is various outfits. Mr. Macquarrie said the national park program calls for: 1. A step-up of camp ground development at New London Bay. 2. Sanitation routine-removal of unnecessary bushes, trees shrubs, etc. 3. Forest nursery at New London camp ground, Dalvay and Cove Head. 4. Renovation of lavatories and replacement of plumbing fixtures in four bathhouses. 5. Repair to the Green Gables Golf Club house. 6. Cliff protection—proper piling of rock to prevent erosion, etc.

Mr. Macquarrie also conferred with transport department officials regarding ferry service to the Island. The Queens MP, who has been attending the UN General Assembly as a member of the Canadian delegation, spent several days in his riding before flying to Ottawa. While on the Island he took part in a Remembrance Day ceremony in Charlottetown.

### Lot 40 Mother Is Fatally Injured In Highway Accident

Mrs. Clarence Laybolt, 26, of Lot 40 was killed shortly before 6 p.m. Thursday evening in a highway accident. The driver of the car involved was Kenneth Squires of Britton. Mrs. Laybolt, who was six months pregnant, is believed to have been walking on the highway at the time of the accident. She is survived by her husband two small children, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Clory, Georgetown; two sisters, Marian, (Mrs. Charles Soper, Gravenhurst, Ontario) and Margaret, Hamilton, Ontario; and two brothers, Frances and Gilbert. Members of the jury, impaneled by Coroner, Dr. L.E. Prowse, include: Roy Milton Smallman, foreman; Leonard Cecil MacPhail, John Frederick Worth, Russell Charles Beaton, William Allison McQuaid, Malcolm John MacMillan and George Louis Murphy. The jury viewed the remains at the Hennessey Funera Home Friday morning and ordered a further inquest on November 26th.

### PEI Sheep Exhibitors Make Showing At Royal

TORONTO (CP)—Canada took the major honors Friday in the sheep section of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair livestock judging. S. C. Stewart and Son of Charlottetown, P.E.I., won the Leicester champion ram award, with John L. Fennell, R.R. 2, Bradford, Ont., named reserve. The Leicester champion ewe rosette went to Wilson Douglas and son, of R.R. 2, Caledonia, Ont., while the Stewarts took the reserve. The championship for a live barrow went to Alfred James Poole of Kenney, Man., and reserve to Hooker Brothers, Orms-ton, Que. BUTTER COMPETITION In butter, the champion rosette for the highest scoring exhibit went to Canada Packers Limited of Dauphin, Man., provincial awards were gained by Silverwood Dairies Limited, Caledonia, Ont.; Lac la Biche Creamery, Lac la Biche, Alta.; Societe Co-operative Agricole de Passenville, Plessisville, Que., and Harvey Creamery Limited, Harvey Station, N.B. In the north county sheep section the champion ram award was won by Winston Stewart of Charlottetown, and Almon Boswall, also of Charlottetown, took reserve. Stewart also took both ewe championship and reserve awards.



MR. BOSWALL A winning exhibitor

### Russians Plan Berlin Changes

LONDON (AP) — Soviet Premier Khrushchev Friday light announced intentions to make definite proposals for altering the status of divided Berlin. During the day a three-truck American army convoy was held 8 1/2 hours outside Berlin by Russian soldiers. This was the first such harassment since Khrushchev demanded Monday that Western troops pull out of West Berlin. Khrushchev said the Soviet Union does not intend to fight the West, and he would make his new Berlin proposal to the Western wartime Allies of the Soviet Union. A Moscow Radio broadcast quoted Khrushchev as saying the Soviet Union is preparing a document on the Berlin subject.

### Dartmouth Has Water Again

DARTMOUTH, N. S. (CP)—Water services were fully restored here Friday after an unexplained break in a key 24-inch main shut supplies off from nearly 5,000 of the town's more than 20,000 inhabitants. While workmen made repairs, residents drew water from tank trucks provided by the town during the 19-hour shortage. Some melted ice cubes while many drained hot water boilers for cooking purposes. Many families whose homes employ a hot water heating system turned to forepales and electric heaters to keep warm, including residents of 500 apartments in the lakefront project. Temperatures Thursday ranged to a high of 45 degrees but before midnight had dropped to the low 30s.

### Details Found In 7-Year Plan

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY WASHINGTON (AP) — Nikita Khrushchev has taken the wraps off his economic timetable for licking the United States. The Soviet premier and Communist party chief, in presenting his thesis for the 21st Communist party congress in Moscow set 1970 as the year for Soviet eclipse of the United States as the world's No. 1 industrial power. And it follows, from the Soviet way of thinking, that on this basis the Soviet Union will have taken over world political leadership by then as well. The Khrushchev plans make up a document testifying the very real possibilities and potentialities of the Soviet Union in economic development. NEW SEVEN-YEAR PLAN They advance a new seven-year plan for Soviet economic development from 1959 through 1965 which would, if realized, put the U.S.S.R. within striking distance of overtaking the United States in economic might in five additional years. Experience since the end of the Second World War indicates that even if there are failures in some particular areas, the overall development plan announced

### Russian People Promised 'Better Life' In New Plan

MOSCOW (AP) — Premier Khrushchev has promised the Soviet people a better life in his seven-year drive to outstrip capitalism in industrial production. The Soviet citizens read Friday in Pravda, Izvestia and other newspapers about his program with its strong emphasis on heavy industry, on work and on expansion in every field of Communist endeavor. They heard about it on Radio Moscow. Teams of commentators explained how Khrushchev in the next seven years proposes to boost national income by up to 65 per cent, cut the work day to six hours, the work week to five days and still outproduce the United States in many areas of the economy. The Soviet program, which envisages an 80-per-cent boost in gross industrial output by 1965, will lean on a new labor force of millions of school-age youths. WORK WHILE LEARNING Linked to his seven-year plan, Khrushchev has developed a "work while learn" program that will cut deeply into the education period of Soviet children. It will give many of them more work in factories and on farms and less time in the classrooms. The resulting manhours of labor will contribute substantially to the Kremlin's seven-year industrial program. The premier promised the average man and woman of the Soviet Union that eventually theirs would be the highest standard of living in the world. He said major industrial programs still must come first and heavy industry will must form the keystone of Soviet endeavor. But eventually, Khrushchev

### Justice Dept. Establishes New Penal Reform Section

OTTAWA (CP) — Establishment of a new penal reform section in the justice department was announced Friday. Formation of the section grows out of the decision that the federal government take over responsibility for all convicts sentenced to terms of more than one year. At present, Ottawa has responsibility for those serving terms of two years or more. The decision, taken at a federal-provincial penal reform conference here last month, means the federal government will have to build new prisons and recruit new prison staffs. The new section, known as the correctional planning section, will develop a program for custody, treatment and training aimed at rehabilitation of prisoners. FURTHER PLANS It will also plan the design and construction of a system of institutions which will permit carrying out a program of reform and rehabilitation as well as providing for secure custody and control of prisoners. Justice Minister Fulton announced three appointments to the section and indicated more would follow. The three are: Col. F. R. (Big Jim) Stone, DSO, MC, of Salmon Arm, B.C., Army Provost Marshal; Allen J. MacLeod, QC, 40, of Revelstoke, B.C., and Sydney, N.S., director of the justice department's remission service; and James A. McLaughlin, 52, of Kamsack, Sask., and Ottawa, assistant commissioner of penitentiaries. Col. Stone, decorated four times for bravery in action, enlisted at a private with the Royal Edmonton Regiment in 1939 and rose to command the unit in Italy. Mr. MacLeod also served in the Italian campaign with the West Nova Scotia Regiment and joined the justice department in 1946. He was draftsman of the revised Criminal Code and was appointed director of the department's criminal law section and remission service in 1954. He was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1955.

### Springhill Doctor Accepts \$6,200 Cheque

A cheque for \$6,200 was presented last evening to Dr. Arnold Burden of Springhill, N. S., by Clive Gudmore, president of the Charlottetown Kiwanis Club, on behalf of the Charlottetown drive for the Springhill Relief Fund. The money was collected by a number of Charlottetown groups. Dr. Burden addressed the members of the officers club last evening on the Springhill disaster. Dr. Burden, second from left, expresses his gratitude to Mr. Gudmore, second from right. Looking on, Deputy Mayor A. Walthen Gaudet, left and F/L. Stan. MacLennan, president of the United Service Officers Club.