

Worst Years Believed Over For Canada's Coal Industry

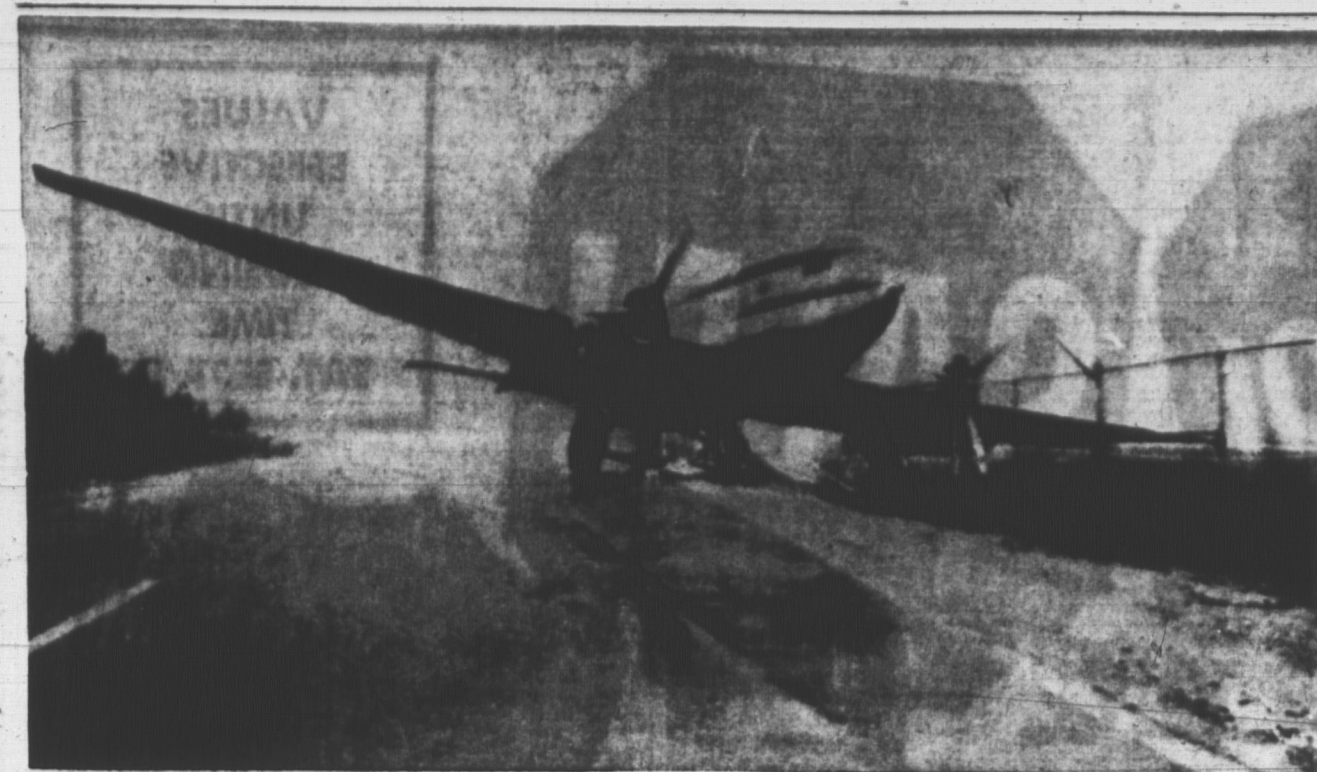
By VERN LACEY
VICTORIA (CP)—The worst years appear over for Canada's long-suffering coal industry. Modern factories and powerhouses are taking a second look at the old-fashioned black stuff. They like what they see, says C. L. O'Brien, Dominion Coal Board chairman. Mr. O'Brien came to the opening of the 17th Dominion provincial conference on coal here with a qualified optimism for the future of the industry. "Coal is making a comeback." But there remain serious problems of high-cost transportation and production, he says. Coal was clobbered in the early 1950s by its own high costs and the emerging petroleum industry.

Production dropped from 18,500,000 tons in 1951 to 10,285,000 in 1962. Mines that did not close survived on transfusions of heavy federal transportation subsidies, the Japanese coking coal market and what they could sell to industry. However, the industrial hub of Ontario finds it cheaper to bring coal from nearby American fields. POSITION IS UNIQUE "We are in a unique position in Canada," says Mr. O'Brien. "Our coal deposits are on either side of the country, over 1,000 miles from our industrial centre." They (industries) buy Canadian coal whenever they can get down to American prices. As chief of the crown corporation charged with advising federal coal policy, it is Mr. O'Brien's mission to find lower prices. He says transportation costs would be reduced substantially by "unit trains"—fast trains carrying nothing but coal to avoid being sidetracked for days on regular freight trains. "We could cut our turn-around time from 24 to five or six days on a cross-country haul." Secondly, mines must automate to reduce production costs, says Mr. O'Brien. If these problems can be solved, Canada seems ready to increase coal consumption. Oil-rich Alberta has found coal more economical than gas for steam turbine power generation. Ontario has exhausted hydro sources within easy transportation distance of major cities, and now is building coal power plants. Saskatchewan, with its open-pit, lignite coal, has probably

Beagle Forehead Is New Ailment

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—A form of teenage mania is not the only ailment that may be attributed to the Beagles. The cheapest fuel for power generation in North America, he says. Every province except British Columbia—which is committed to hydro development—has coal in its plans for power, says Mr. O'Brien. Coking coal exports to Japan have tripled since 1959 to 845,000 tons. Mining production in 1964 was 11,288,000 tons, an increase of over 1,000,000 from the record-low 1963 year. Even with the increase in tonnage, Canadian coal production is still about equivalent to the volume produced in 1911. The fall of the early 1950s was a long one. And Mr. O'Brien says "the comeback is going to take a long, long time."

The fad the pop-singing Englishmen started of wearing the hair over the forehead is resulting in many cases of what a barber has termed "Beagle forehead." LeRoy Pulos, who trims adolescent heads at the "choo Shop," reports seeing many cases of aggravated acne on the hair mops that hang down to the eyebrows. "The term could be called 'Beagle skin'; the condition is seen also among girls who wear their hair down the side of their faces. A Salt Lake physician specializing in dermatology, Dr. Lewis Kirkham, said the observation was accurate, as doctors are seeing more cases of acne made worse by overhanging hair. He pointed out that hair becomes dirty easily, collecting bacteria and warming the skin to promote development of acne. Asked how he treats cases of acne, the physician replied: "First, I make them get the hair off their faces."



PLANE TOSSED INTO ROAD BY BETSY

This cargo plane at Miami International airport was picked up and thrown into the road by savage winds of hurricane Betsy early Wednesday. The plane landed astraddle the airport fence. Damage in the area was described as tremendous. (AP Wirephoto)

FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

Labor Day Observances Appear Contradictory

By J. LINCOLN DEWAR
A good dictionary defines labour as, "The services performed by skilled and unskilled workers in producing wealth, as distinguished from clerical or managerial services." If this is an acceptable definition of labour, then the observance of Labour Day appears to have some contradictory qualities. Clerical classes appear to observe it religiously while those who labour and farmers, wood workers, construction workers pay very little attention to it. This rather leads us to the conclusion that holidays are generally designed for the employed, the self-employed are generally more concerned with productive days than with holidays. No doubt it would be considered very unprogressive and unpopular, to suggest that holidays be eliminated or at least reduced in number. We would expect to hear some very high flown arguments upon the great therapeutic value of a day of rest. Of the 75 Canadians who died over the weekend, a portion could probably still be alive if society could resist its urge for mass idleness on a particular day.

THE STRIKE
Much of the progress made in the economy and many of the benefits including improved wages obtained by labour would never have come about unless the working man had been able to use the strike as a means of enforcing demands for improved conditions. Far too often the only benefits which receive publicity are increased wages, here we think Labour can do more to publicize the other advantages and they are impressive ones.

Mortgage Sale
There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Town Hall in Souris in King's County on the 9th day of October, A.D., 1965, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon. All and singular the lands following that is to say: All that tract, piece and parcel of land situate, lying and being at Souris on Lot or Township No. 45 in King's County in Prince Edward Island, bounded and described as follows, that is to say, COMMENCING on the Western side of Sutherland Street at the Northeast angle of land owned by Bernard R. MacDonald and running thence Westwardly ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVEN FEET until it reaches Chapel Street, thence along Chapel Street Northwardly for the distance of SEVENTY THREE FEET, thence Eastwardly along the Southern boundary line of land owned by William Fitzpatrick FORTY EIGHT FEET to land owned by Stephen A. MacDonald, thence running Southwardly along the Western boundary line of the said Stephen A. MacDonald's land SEVENTY EIGHT FEET to the Eastern boundary line of the said Stephen A. MacDonald's land EIGHTY SEVEN FEET or to Sutherland Street; thence Southwardly along the said Sutherland Street FORTY FIVE FEET to the place of commencement containing ONE THIRD OF AN ACRE of land, a little more or less. The above Sale will be made under by virtue of and pursuant to a Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the Eighth day of May, A.D., 1959 and made between Mary Fitzpatrick of the County of King's in Prince Edward Island, wife of William Fitzpatrick and the said William Fitzpatrick, of the first part, and Peter B. MacInnis of Souris Line Road in King's County in Prince Edward Island, Farmer, of the second part, and because of default having been made in the payment of the principal and interest thereby secured. For further particulars apply to Melvin J. McQuaid, Barrister, Souris.

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San Francisco Papers Merge For Production

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Merger of San Francisco's three daily newspapers into a single production operation with two newspapers was reported Wednesday. Details were disclosed Tuesday night at a meeting of publishers' representatives and unions involved. Publishers' spokesmen were not available for comment. Union leaders refused to talk. Specifics were contained in posted minutes of a meeting of San Francisco Chronicle printers. They said: The three newspapers—Hearst's Examiner and News Call Bulletin and the independent Chronicle—will form the San Francisco Printing Company which will act as a production agency. The Examiner, now a morning newspaper, will publish six days a week in the evening field. It may be known as the Examiner-News Call Bulletin. The Chronicle will publish six days a week in the morning field. A common Sunday edition will bear the masthead of both the Examiner and the Chronicle. All facilities of the three newspapers will be pooled except for the editorial departments. The first daily editions under the planned merger will be Monday. The first combined Sunday edition will be Sept. 19. The three newspapers will terminate their payrolls Saturday, with the new corporation taking over payrolls Sunday. The plan was approved by stockholders Tuesday. The new evening paper will be the outgrowth of a separate merger of the two Hearst newspapers, the Examiner and the afternoon News Call Bulletin, which itself is the result of a merger of the Hearst Call Bulletin with the Scripps-Howard News. The Chronicle's daily circulation is 351,489. The Examiner sells 301,356 and the News Call Bulletin 183,176.

VW Displays New Models

TORONTO (CP)—Volkswagen Canada Ltd. introduced two new models at a press preview of its 1966 cars Wednesday. It has added a sportier-looking fastback car to its larger 1500 series while one model in the familiar smaller series will be equipped with a 50-horsepower engine. The larger models will be equipped with disc brakes on the front wheels this year, retaining drum brakes on the back. The company said 23 improvements have been made to the smaller series cars.

GARDEN BEARS FARM

Market-garden crops are worth eight times as much, per acre, as other farm food crops. Modern cows are different and some 20 of them took off from Toronto by plane for a beauty show in France. At Toronto the flight was delayed for a day when one of the animals hooked the pilot who required 12 stitches in his forehead, the moral of this would appear to be that pilots should stay in the cockpit. Rough weather forced landings at Gander and at Shan non before arriving in France. The purpose of all this is to acquaint French farmers with the qualities of Canadian holsteins. The prospects for trade between France and Canada in dairy and beef cattle appear to be fairly good.

OFF-FARM INCOME

While statisticians have the means of measuring average farm income it has never been too easy to determine the amount of income which farmers have from sources other than farming. One study has been done for 1958, perhaps the information for that year is of little more than academic interest as the condition today has no doubt changed. However, this is what the study revealed. "Farmers on large as well as small holdings earned off-farm income. The average for Canada was \$334.00 in 1958. With a shortage of experienced farm workers, income from working on other farms would be expected to be substantial. However, only \$17.00 per farm operator was received from this source compared with an average of \$408.00 from non-farm work. Off-farm income in the Maritimes was very important, equaling more than half of the operators' net income from sales of farm products. Only in the Prairies did income to the operator and his unpaid family help from farming operations greatly exceed that from off-farm sources. For those on small holdings off-farm work provides the major part of their earnings."

PLOWING CHAMPIONSHIP

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