



RETIRING SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT HONORED

Retiring superintendent of schools, Harold Hynes, Montague, and Mrs. Hynes, are seen here receiving a gift from Principal John Hughes on behalf of the school board of the Montague Regional High School on Friday evening during the convocation. Mr. Hynes is being honored throughout the region after serving for 46 years as a superintendent of schools and six years as a teacher.

Tiny Village In Quebec Has Annexation Quarrel

ST. ACHILEE, Que. (CP)—There are 10 taxpaying residents in St. Achille, and they are fighting annexation as hard as any bungalow-dotted suburb. They have already lost the municipal part of the battle to the neighboring giant — relatively — of Chateau-Richer (population 3,063). But the St. Achilleans will not give up so easily on their Roman Catholic school board, even if there are fewer pupils — six — attending the small but modern school than permanent residents supporting it. The board barred the press from its meeting Wednesday night in the schoolhouse, but the press covered it anyway — by listening to the sturdy voice of its secretary, Mrs. Joseph Barrette, through a window. As well as the 10 taxpayers who live in St. Achille all year round there are some 60 summer cottagers, and the real annexation war is between the permanent and the temporary villagers. Two of the summer villagers were turned away from the schoolhouse door Wednesday along with reporters. FEAR HIGH TAXES From the meeting it emerged that the permanent residents fear higher taxes and long trips to school if their children come under the Chateau-Richer authority, 12 miles away. The problem in the village, 25 miles northeast of Quebec City, is an extreme case of one that Quebec's new education department faces all over the province — scattered villages which cannot support local schools but do not want to be absorbed into larger units. "It would mean the disappearance of habits we've built over a century," said the school board chairman, Edouard Barrette, who agreed to speak to reporters afterward at his home.

Engagement Expected Soon Of Dutch Princess Beatrix

THE HAGUE (Reuters)—Red carnations served as a clue to reports that Dutch Crown Princess Beatrix will be engaged to a handsome West German diplomat June 29—the 54th birthday of her father, Prince Bernhard. The prince, who wears a fresh carnation every day, founded the Carnation Cultural Fund, which has just called off a scheduled ceremony June 29. The ceremony was to mark the anniversary of the June day in 1940 when thousands of Dutch people spontaneously laid carnations on the steps of the Hague Royal Palace to protest against the German occupation in the Second World War. Observers said the ceremony was cancelled because it would cause embarrassment to Beatrix and her German friend, Klaus Von Amsberg, if they announced their engagement on the same day. Amsterdam's Liberal newspaper, *Algemeen Handelsblad*, comments: "The cancellation of

be announced by Queen Juliana June 29. Chief opposition to the Crown princess' choice comes from groups objecting to the fact that Amsberg served in the German army in the Second World War. At the age of 17, he was in action on the Italian front. The Protestant newspaper *Trouw*, defending Beatrix, says: "There have been good and bad Germans, just as there have been good and bad Dutchmen. We have every reason to believe that Amsberg has been a good German." Beatrix met a number of information specialists Wednesday night. Informed quarters said she sought their opinion on public reaction to her engagement to a German. The Crown princess spent most of the war as a child in Canada. She was two years old when her mother, Juliana, took her to Ottawa in 1940.

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Johnson's Advisers Want Repeat Of Economic Tonic

By STERLING F. GREEN WASHINGTON (AP)—President Johnson's economic advisers tried a new tonic called "expansionary fiscal policy." Most people called it "the income tax-cut of 1964." It worked so well the advisers want to try some thing similar again. The U.S. Congress is in consultation on it right now, and this time it will be known to most people as "repeat of the excise taxes."

other \$1,000,000,000 came to consumers from dividends, paid out of industry's higher after-tax profits. Total, \$1,000,000,000. As the council has foreseen, the consumer did not tuck away his windfall. He set about spending it, preserving the historic ratio of spending to income—about 93 per cent. EFFECT MULTIPLIED In short, the consumer is spending upwards of \$9,000,000,000 of his \$10,000,000,000 savings. The effect is multiplied because one consumer's spending becomes another's income, and is spent in turn. That generates extra employment, higher payrolls and more spending.

The initial \$9,000,000,000 of direct stimulus thus has become an extra \$18,000,000,000 worth of buying demand, or national output—"not just once but year in and year out," the council says. Soon, industry stepped up its investment in new plants, equipment, and inventories. It was impelled to do so because sales increased, productivity rose, profits climbed, and the prospective after-tax earnings

As passed in the House of Representatives, President Johnson's bill calls for close to \$5,000,000,000 of excise tax cuts, taking effect, for the most part, July 1 and next Jan. 1. The figures must be approximations, for the final version of the tax legislation still is a few weeks off. However, government economists predict privately that the roughly \$5,000,000,000 saving to customers, as it is spent and re-spent, should generate at least twice that amount of new national output. They attach one crucial "if" to the prediction: The full stimulative effect will be felt only if manufacturers and sellers pass the entire tax saving on to consumers.

That would mean retail price cuts. It would amount to a pay increase for every breadwinner. The new buying power would not be visible in every pay cheque, as was the 1964 income tax reduction. It would show up in lower price tags on new cars, feedstuffs, camera film, telephone services, washer-dryers, TV sets, matches and some 30 other groups of products. The excise tax reductions should serve the economy as did the 1964 personal income tax reductions, although on a smaller scale and with less dramatic impact. The President's Council of Economic Advisers says. Business concludes from the record of the last 51 months that war is not needed to sustain a boom. This time it was done primarily by unleashing the private economy by a partial lifting of the tax yoke. What happened when \$11,500,000,000 of tax burden was removed? These things: Consumers pay cheques were fattened by about \$9,000,000,000 of new, disposable income. An-

of new plants had become more favorable. Total impact: Some \$30,000,000,000 worth of gross national product. Despite the obviously splendid health of the private economy, the president's advisers believe the time is approaching to employ again the tonic of "expansionary fiscal policy." Some lift will come this fall from the seven per cent increase in old-age pensions projected under the pending social security bill. A lump-sum payment of benefits retroactive to Jan. 1 would add zip. But the excise tax cut is relied upon to provide the major stimulus. Its impact would be about one-third as great as that of the 1964 tax cut—a sufficient dose, the council believes, for the need foreseen. The Eskimo population of Greenland, 25,000 in 1955, is expected to reach 50,000 in 1975.

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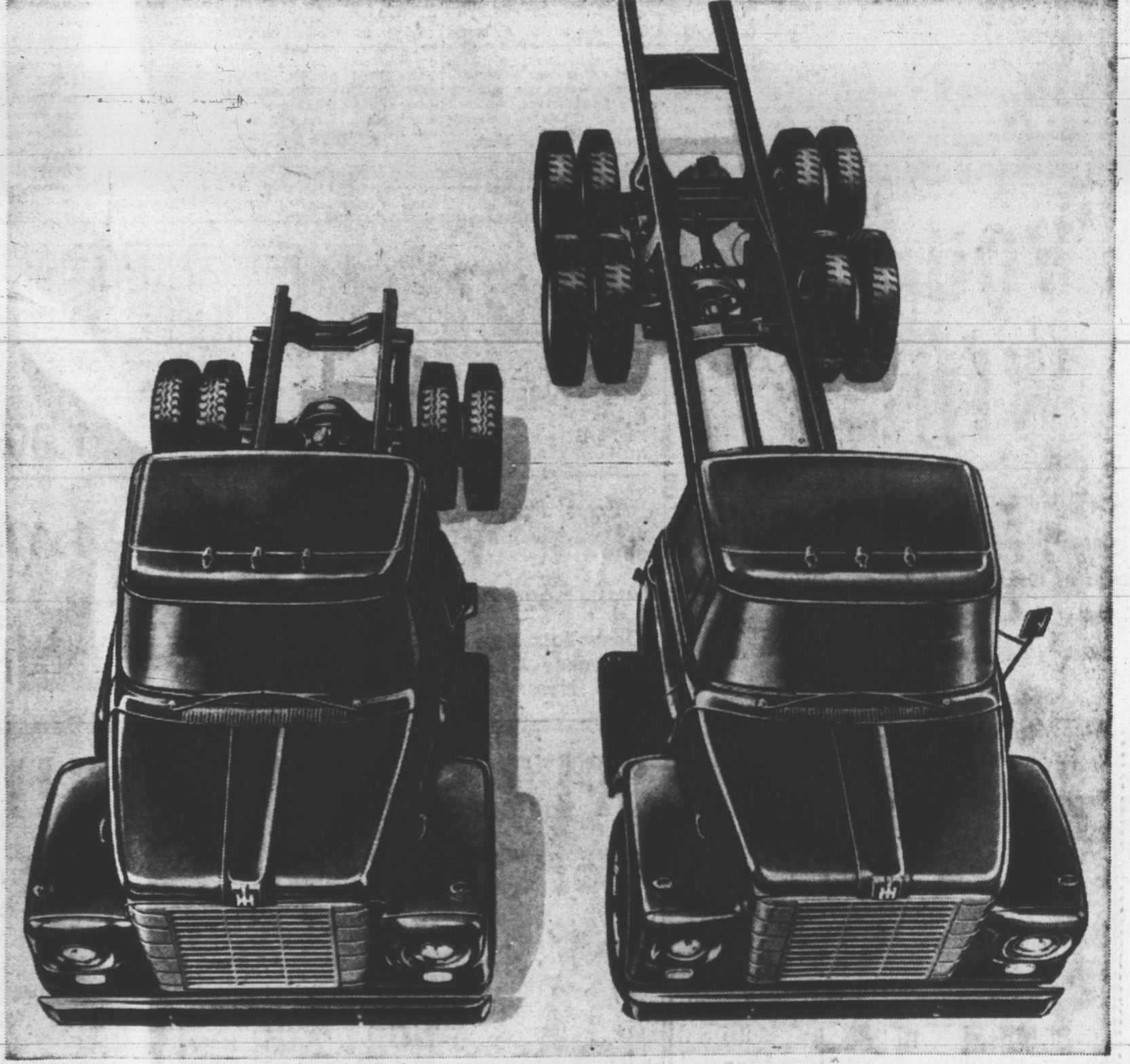
Oil Permits Issued For Area In Gulf

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government has issued oil and gas exploration permits covering 9,200,000 acres in the Gulf of St. Lawrence to Pan American Petroleum Corporation of Calgary, Resources Minister Laing has announced. It is the first time oil exploration permits have been issued for the gulf. The exploration area is 200 miles long southeast from the Gaspé Peninsula. It encloses the Magdalen Islands. "We welcome this as a promising new development in the exploration and exploitation of Canada's offshore mineral wealth," Mr. Laing said in a prepared statement. Pan American is already exploring more than 31,000,000 acres southeast of Newfoundland in a joint project with Imperial Oil. It also has exploration permits off the Queen Charlotte Islands on the West Coast. Mr. Laing said the tempo of oil and gas exploration off the Canadian coasts is increasing steadily and they appear to have a tremendous potential of oil and gas reserves. So far exploration permits covering 160,000,000 acres off both coasts have been issued with 20,000,000 on the east including the latest Pan American arrangement.

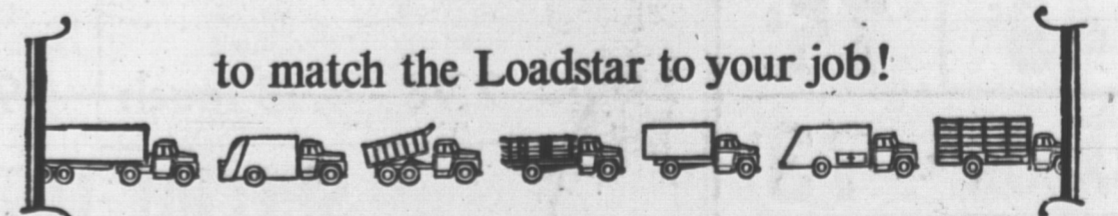
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