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"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

Khrushchev Hands Out Invitation, Challenge

By A. I. GOLDBERG MOSCOW (AP)—Nikita Khrushchev Thursday urged President Eisenhower to visit the Soviet Union and challenged the United States to participate in making West Berlin a free city under United Nations responsibility.

Winding up the 10-day Communist party congress, the Soviet premier compared the Berlin crisis with a burning fuse in a powder keg.

"Why should we preserve such a situation?" he asked. "Would it not be better to put out the fuse? It would be difficult to find another solution that would be in the interests of the two German states and at the same time would not be offensive or do damage to other interested powers.

18 Rural Youths Will Take Course

Eighteen rural youths have now enrolled for the fourweek agricultural short course which opens Monday at the Provincial Vocational School.

Cancer Vaccine Aid Is Urged By Famous Toronto Surgeon

TORONTO (CP)—Dr. Gordon Murray, Toronto surgeon and researcher, says the federal and provincial public health departments should step in to support and develop research for a vaccine against cancer.

\$300,000 Is Tour Estimate

OTTAWA (CP)—The government is setting aside \$300,000 now for expenses of the Queen's summer visit.

The sum is included in spending estimates tabled Thursday in Parliament. It is intended to pay persons planning the tour and expenses arising from it.

U.S. Uses Tape-Recording As Evidence Against Reds

By GEORGE KITCHEN Canadian Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON (CP)—The United States Thursday accused the Soviet Union of deliberately shooting down an unarmed American military transport aircraft which strayed into Soviet territory near the Turkish frontier five months ago.

Six U.S. airmen are known to have been killed in the attack, which the state department said it regards with "extreme gravity."

The 11 other members of the 17-man crew still are missing and may also be dead.

The Soviet Union has denied that the aircraft was shot down, contending that it crashed near a mountain in Soviet Armenia. It also has denied knowledge of the whereabouts of the 11 men still missing.

DELIBERATE ATTACK Thursday, making public for the first time his charge of deliberate attack, the state department said it has evidence that five Soviet fighters intercepted the four-engine transport approximately 25 miles inside Soviet territory and shot it down without regard to the rules of civilized international practice.

Gov't Farmworks \$11,000,000 For Cap. Works On P.E.I.

Island Processed Products Will Be Displayed At Fair

It is anticipated that a number of island processed food products will be exhibited at the Canadian Trade Fair which will be held at the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel in Boston during the month of April.

Parkdale Ratepayers Praised By Minister

Dr. M. Lorne Bonnell, minister of health for Prince Edward Island, expressed congratulations yesterday to the ratepayers of the village of Parkdale for passing, without a dissenting vote, a resolution supporting fluoridation.

Macmillan Will Visit Russia

LONDON (Reuters)—Prime Minister Macmillan announced Thursday he will go to Moscow Feb. 21 to exchange views with Soviet leaders, but not to negotiate.

West Berlin's Mayor Arrives

OTTAWA (CP)—Willy Brandt, firm-nerved mayor of the western world bastion of West Berlin, arrived in Ottawa Thursday night for a concentrated program of high-level talks at the invitation of the Canadian government.

Breakdown Of Main Federal Estimates By Departments

OTTAWA (CP)—Breakdown of 1959-60 main federal spending estimates tabled in the Commons by Finance Minister Fleming, 1959-60 estimates in brackets: Agriculture \$106,096,852 (\$138,240,959); atomic energy \$32,092,300 (\$28,147,119); auditor-general \$895,010 (\$868,790); Board of Broadcast Governors \$200,000 (\$200,000); CBC \$69,641,975 (\$61,994,040); chief electoral officer \$117,920 (\$116,205); citizenship and immigration \$57,107,730 (\$55,294,142); civil service commission \$90,825,000 (\$76,159,733); finance \$1,261,434,605 (\$1,154,153,393); fisheries \$19,544,777 (\$19,814,331); gov. gen. - ll. gov. \$431,064 (\$428,186); insurance \$694,441 (\$632,198); Justice \$7,996,496 (\$7,691,288); pentecostial \$19,338,706 (\$16,815,479); labor \$15,930,240 (\$13,590,343); unemployment insurance \$74,754,000 (\$72,849,934); legislation \$7,638,074 (\$7,674,804); mines and technical surveys \$36,066,205 (\$29,742,151); Dominion coal



A REPRESENTATIVE group of island retailers gathered at the Charlottetown Hotel last night to hear an address by D. A. Gilbert (right), general manager of the Retail Merchants Association of Canada, Inc. Mr. Gilbert was introduced and thanked by the chairman, J. F. Jenkins, (left) of Summerside, one of two vice-presidents on the national executive of the group.

Loans To Small Business Seen As Employment Aid

Government-sponsored loan facilities for small business could lighten unemployment through capital expenditures of millions of dollars a year by private enterprise, it was claimed last night by David A. Gilbert, general manager of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada.

This Province Will Benefit Slightly Under Tax-Sharing

OTTAWA (CP)—Although no changes are planned in tax-sharing arrangements between federal and provincial governments, Finance Minister Fleming indicated Thursday that six provinces can expect a cut in the amount of their tax-share payments from the federal treasury.

MEET WELFARE COSTS

Major boosts in spending for the new year appeared to be to meet higher welfare costs, including increased federal charges under the national hospital insurance scheme, and higher debt charges arising out of increased interest rates and expansion of government borrowings.

DEFENCE OUTLAY DOWN

While over-all spending pointed to new peaks, defence outlays appeared to be taking a declining portion of the total government bill, with the 1959-60 program forecast at \$1,695,000,000, down about \$72,000,000.

STORM FUNERAL

LONDON (AP)—Crowds of celebrity hunters stormed a church Wednesday to see Diana Ross, platinum-haired British film actress, attend the funeral of her estranged husband, Dennis Hamilton. Miss Ross was jostled, along with 10 policemen sent along to maintain order.

Bulk Of Outlay Set For Ch'town

OTTAWA (Special)—The federal Government plans to spend a record \$11,000,000 on capital works in Prince Edward Island in 1959-60 to provide much-needed development and to stimulate employment.

This is shown in estimates for the coming fiscal year tabled in the Commons Thursday by Finance Minister Donald Fleming.

The spending program, compared with about \$3,000,000 in 1958-59, provides for construction or extension of public buildings, development of the Charlottetown airport, and harbor and breakwater improvements.

The bulk of the estimated expenditures has been allocated for Charlottetown. Defense: Improvements to army facilities Charlottetown \$20,000; and following projects for RCAF Station, Summerside, cantilever hanger, \$2,600,000; a readiness hanger, \$250,000; anti-corrosion hanger, \$350,000; taxi and apron improvements, \$600,000; central heating plant, \$400,000; capital assistance toward a school, \$40,000; addition of two classrooms to the service school, \$60,000; garages, \$10,000.

SOURIS BUILDING Public Works: to complete Souris public building, \$90,000; harbor improvements, Alberton, \$60,000; wharf repairs, Beach Point, \$52,000; replacement of west shed at Charlottetown, \$215,000; repairs Queen's wharf, Georgetown, \$50,000; landing at Howard's Cove, \$50,000; landing improvements, Jukes Point, \$42,000; improvements New London harbor, \$65,500; breakwater extension, North Lake, \$30,000; dredging North Lake, \$36,000.

Harbor improvements, Point Prim, \$43,000; landing at Sturgeon Bridge, \$30,500; wharf at Tracadie Harbor, \$28,000; breakwater extension, West Point, \$25,000; harbor improvements Wood Islands, \$400,000.

WHARF REPAIR Repair and upkeep of existing wharves, breakwaters, etc., \$150,000; maintenance of dredging done last year, \$266,658; acquisition of dredging equipment, \$345,000.

The government also pays steamship subsidies for coastal services, and the estimates reserve these amounts for the following routes: Pictou - Charlottetown - Magdalen Islands, \$174,000; PEI-Newfoundland, \$104,000; PEI-Nova Scotia, \$67,000.

Grants to rifle associations in P.E.I. will total \$1,200 in 1958-59. The United Services Officers Club of Charlottetown will receive \$200; hospital construction grants, \$205,226; other health grants, \$293,424.

The estimated deficit of the P.E.I. car ferry service is \$1,741,000.

Biggest Spending Program Is Planned By Government

Later, after examining the estimates in detail, Mr. Pearson said in a statement that Mr. Fleming's claim of a \$39,100,000 saving "is without foundation."

NOT INCLUDED

Not included in the new estimates was a payment of \$40,000,000 made to Prairie grain growers this year under the special \$1-an-acre subsidy. Mr. Pearson said he didn't believe the government would reduce aid to agriculture, and predicted that an amount equivalent to the \$40,000,000 or even more would be presented to Parliament later.

CFR House Leader Hazen Argue suggested the Canadian public would support even higher welfare payments than those proposed by the Conservative administration, but the CCF would not support the rise in public debt charges.

Expenditures attributable directly to the 1959-60 budget were estimated at \$5,395,848,557, a rise from the original 1958-59 estimate of \$5,179,343,555. This latter figure now has climbed to \$5,323,570,310 through added spending programs.

PENSIONS CLIMB

Old age pensions, a major outlay, were estimated to climb in the new year to \$377,600,000, up from \$355,000,000 in the current year. Money from them is paid from a special two-per-cent income and excise tax, kept apart from the government's budgetary transactions.