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"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"



HAPPY DAYS AHEAD
Marion Rogers (left) and Nancy MacFarlane of Summerside happily looked ahead to three glorious months touring Europe as they boarded a plane at Summerside airport yesterday. The girls were bound for Montreal where together with three other girls they are to sail on the SS Ivernia for La Havre, France. During the tour they will visit nearly every country in Europe. They are due to return to the island in mid September.

Vacationland Rejected For Service At Borden

Potato, Turnip Rates Are Reduced Sharply

Definite assurance that rail rates on Prince Edward Island potatoes and turnips shipped to the New England States will be sharply reduced in time for the fall shipping season was given yesterday afternoon by Howard A. Mann, executive manager of the Maritime Transportation Commission which concluded a one day annual meeting in Charlottetown yesterday.

Mr. Mann said all that remains to be arranged is to fix a date when the new rates will come into effect. He thought this would be some time around the first of August.

41 CENTS LESS
These rates will mean, in round figures, that 100 lbs of potatoes will be shipped from Charlottetown or Summerside to Boston for 41 cents less than under existing rates and similarly 100 lbs of turnips shipped from Vernon, P.E.I. to Vermont, USA will drop 39 cents. Shipments originating at other points will show comparative decreases.

Commenting on the freight rates reduction to the United States, Mr. Mann said he was pleased that the Commission was able to negotiate this agreement with US carriers and he thanked the Canadian National Railways for their co-operation in the matter.

At a luncheon held at the Charlottetown Hotel, Murray MacKay, chairman of the Commission said the Atlantic Provinces by their unflinching support of, and complete confidence in the Maritime Transportation Commission had made sure that the Atlantic Provinces spoke with one voice.

MUTUAL CONFIDENCE
In welcoming Premier A. W. Matheson to the luncheon, Mr. MacKay said the Commission was honored by the trust that the Premier and the people of Prince Edward Island had placed in the Commission.

Premier Matheson in turn reaffirmed the confidence of the Government of Prince Edward Island in the Commission and stressed the need of setting forth the transportation needs of the region in a concerted way.

Present for the luncheon were D.V. Gonder, vice-president and general manager of the CNR, Atlantic Region; Dr. Frank MacKinnon, president of APEC; Charles Moffatt and Keith MacKinnon representing Maritime Motor Transportation Association; C.R. Hunter, president of Northumberland Ferries Ltd.; A. Walthen Gaudet, deputy mayor of Charlottetown; G. R. Greenough, Superintendent of the Island Division, CNR; William Hayward, president of the Charlottetown Board of Trade; J.O. C. Campbell, Q.C., solicitor for PEI in the forthcoming Royal Commission on freight rates; L. G. DeBrisay of Moncton, president of the Maritime Provinces Board of Trade.

SEAWAY IMPACT
A study of the possible impact of the St. Lawrence Seaway on the economy of the Atlantic Provinces is well underway, according to the executive manager of the Maritime Transportation Commission, Howard A. Mann. He told the commission it has the authority of the premiers of (Continued on page 5 Col. 7)



THE EFFORT on behalf of retarded children received a tremendous boost when Maritime Central Airways kicked in with a cheque for \$5,000 to purchase a campsite for the children to whom sun and outdoor activities mean so very much. Arthur Clark, left, secretary-treasurer of the organization is seen handing over the big cheque to Wendall Cudmore, chairman of the association's camp committee.

MCA Gives Campsite For Retarded Children

Maritime Central Airways has donated the purchase price of a campsite for retarded children to the Prince Edward Island Association for Retarded Children. Arthur Clark, secretary-treasurer of M.C.A. presented a cheque for \$5,000 to Wendall Cudmore, chairman of the camp committee. The site at Oyster Bed Bridge had previously been purchased by the association.

Mr. Clark expressed appreciation of the fine work of the association and noted that this is the second such camp in Canada. The P.E.I. Association for Retarded Children yesterday began its campaign to raise \$15,000 to carry on its work in the Province.

LONG SPEECH IS ASSAILED
GREENFORD, England (AP) An unknown Englishman Tuesday struck a firm blow for the worldwide corps of listeners who confess to boredom at after-dinner speeches.

He got up at a civic banquet, grabbed the mayor of this small town by his coat lapels and tried to sit him down.

Mayor R. E. Daly had been speaking for 15 minutes when it happened.

His flow of words was lost as the man grappled with him and shouted: "We've had about enough from you. 'You've gone on just long enough and that seems enough. 'You will realize, ladies and gentlemen, that this is just one of those things," said the mayor as he resumed his speech.

Authorities Consider New Ship

OTTAWA (CP) — The United States-owned vessel Vacationland will not be bought by the federal government as an additional ferry for the Prince Edward Island-New Brunswick run, it was learned Tuesday night.

The P.E.I. government has been seeking to have the federal government buy the Vacationland to supplement crowded Northumberland Strait service. The Vacationland has operated in Mackinac Straits between Lakes Michigan and Huron, now being spanned by a bridge.

Informants said Tuesday night that the government, after a thorough investigation of the vessel, has decided she would not be suitable for the Canadian ferry run.

Apart from the price — not known — it would cost about \$1,000,000 in repairs and renovations to get her ready for service.

Consideration is being given, it is understood, to the construction of a new vessel by the federal government.

A statement on the matter is expected from the government in the next day or so.

Purchase of the Michigan ferry was first advocated publicly in the report of the select standing committee on transportation tabled in the Island Legislature March 19 of this year.

In suggesting the immediate purchase of the Vacationland, the committee chairman, William Acoon (L-let Kings) said that the American lookbooks could carry a capacity load of 140 vehicles, and would thus relieve considerably the normal summer and fall traffic congestion at Borden and Tormentine. In winter it would serve as a useful stand-by unit.

Only minor alterations to the present piers would be required, Mr. Acoon asserted.

Soaring Market Seen For Spuds

The prospect of soaring prices for Prince Edward Island potatoes was seen by several leading Island dealers last night.

Charlottetown dealer Horace Willis saw "sharp increases in prices" looming because "our prices are well under the American Market."

Prices being paid in Charlottetown yesterday were \$2.25 per 75-pound bag to the farmer delivered at the car.

Insurance Amendments Disturb Mine Operators

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada's mine operators are "considerably disturbed" by the government's proposed unemployment insurance amendments.

The Canadian Metal and Mining Association, in a telegram to the Commons industrial relations committee, said Tuesday the proposed boosts in rate payments by employers and employees would amount to "substantial additions" to operating costs.

The association said also that while every effort should be made to alleviate unemployment, "present arrangements tend to encourage periodic voluntary withdrawal from work."

This tendency "might well be increased by extension of the benefits period from 26 to 32 weeks."

The committee, which is studying the government's proposed amendments, also heard from the Canadian Life Insurance Officers Association, representing 87 life insurance companies.

The association called for a return by the unemployment insurance scheme "to sound insurance principles." It claimed there was a gradual departure from such principles during the last two years when the insurance fund was sharply reduced.

One of these "departures" was caused by expansion of seasonal benefits which, the association claimed, were in effect welfare rather than unemployment insurance benefits.

"Paying benefits where abnormally heavy claims are certain to occur each year for specified classes of risks is as foreign to insurance principles as trying to insure houses which, it is known, will burn down during the period of the insurance."

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Mystery Writer Has Baffling End

By HAL R. COOPER
LONDON (AP)—Mystery writer Sax Rohmer, creator of the sinister Dr. Fu Manchu, died Monday night of an illness as baffling as one of his own thrillers.

The end came at a London hospital where he had been under treatment for weeks. He had been unconscious for four days.

Nobody knew how old Rohmer was — not even his widow, Elizabeth. Also a mystery was his birthplace, except that it was somewhere in the English Midlands. He was believed by friends to be around 72 or 73.

"No one seems to know what he died of," said his brother-in-law, Teddy Knox.

"It is almost as big a mystery as some of his plots," Rohmer, who in recent years had lived in New York, came to England with his wife several months ago for a vacation. He was ill upon arrival, and his condition steadily worsened.

IRISH PARENTS
The creator of the most noted villain in modern thriller annals was born Arthur Sarsfield Ward. The only clue he ever gave to his origin was that his parents were Irish and that he was born "somewhere near Birmingham."

His self-written 31-line sketch in Who's Who consisted entirely of a listing of his book and play titles and the address of his publisher.

Sweepstakes Idea Rejected

NORTH BAY (CP)—The Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities on a close vote Tuesday turned down a proposal to support hospital sweepstakes.

A resolution submitted by the community of Langley, B.C., was defeated on a vote of 83 to 54 after a lengthy discussion on the floor of Memorial Arena here where the federation is in the third day of its four-day annual convention.

The resolution said that "whereas the royal commission on Canada's economic prospects has forecast a needed expenditure of \$3,000,000,000 for new hospital construction in the next 20 years and Canadians now purchase sweepstakes tickets for hospital and other purposes."

"Therefore be it resolved that the federation request the federal government to legalize the use of sweepstakes for approved hospital purposes."

CCF LINKS WITH TORIES

OTTAWA (CP)—Liberals failed Tuesday to have a one-year limit on the export of electricity written into the government's national Energy Board legislation.

Led by British Columbia members, the Progressive Conservatives and the CCF linked up to defeat a Liberal amendment on the contention it could scuttle B.C.'s huge Columbia River project, which involves a power deal with the United States.

The vote was 46 to 14 in a thinly-attended sitting of the Commons in committee of the whole.

The division came on a Liberal proposal that the board's powers to license export of natural gas and electricity for 25 years be cut down to one year for power only.

Traffic Jump Spectacular

Spectacular increases in all three traffic classifications were shown in the Northumberland Ferries May report released yesterday.

In the month just ended the two company ferries Charles A. Dunning and Lord Selkirk carried a total of 11,113 passengers, 3,648 autos and 3,010 trucks across the eastern end of Northumberland Strait.

Compared with totals for May, 1958—118, 2,505 and 778—this year's statistics indicated increases of 2,995, 1,143 and 232 in each of the three departments respectively.

The route of the Northumberland Ferries lies between Wood Islands, P.E.I. and Caribou, N.S. The service was inaugurated in 1941.

Premier Flemming Talks in French

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Rumor Links Green With External Office

OTTAWA (CP) — Speculation now is centring on Works Minister Howard Green as Canada's next external affairs minister.

The Ottawa Journal, Ottawa Citizen, Winnipeg Free Press and Montreal Star all said Tuesday that the 64-year-old member of the Commons for Vancouver Quadra is ticketed for the post, made vacant by the death March 17 of Sidney Smith. The Toronto Telegram and other newspapers have predicted the same thing recently.

Some of the speculation about Mr. Green, a Commons member since 1935 and works minister since June 21, 1957, also has said the external affairs appointment would be part of a general cabinet shuffle.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Diefenbaker, who decides the makeup of the cabinet, was giving no hints except to say in reply to repeated Commons inquiries about the external affairs post that he was making progress towards a decision there.

Civil Defence Job Is Divided

OTTAWA (CP)—New Arrangements in federal government departmental responsibilities for civil defence came into effect Sept. 1 under a May 28 cabinet order tabled Tuesday in the Commons.

The order revokes a 1951 order-in-council that made civil defence the responsibility of the national health and welfare department.

Now it is to fall under four areas of authority: National defence, health and welfare, justice and the prime minister's office. The defence department will exercise the following duties:

- 1. Provision of technical facilities and operation of a warning system to warn the public of impending attack.
- 2. Determining location of any nuclear explosion and warning the public of fall-out dangers.
- 3. Assessment of damage and casualties, control of re-entry to damaged or fall-out contaminated areas, direction of police and fire maintenance and repair services including law and order and emergency communications.

Guns Salute Her Majesty

LONDON (Reuters)—Guns fired in salute, flags were flown and the following duties:

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