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## QUAKE CAUSES HEAVY DAMAGE IN CALIFORNIA TOWN

### Steel Plant Strike Threat Heard At Sydney

### Canadian Retail Sales Exceed 1951 Figures; May Top Month So Far

OTTAWA, Aug. 22 (CP)—Canadians tapered off their buying during June for the first time this year, but were still spending at a rate well above 1951.

During the first six months they spent \$28,000,000 more than in the same period last year for everything from furniture to clothing and radios to washing machines.

If they keep it up, Canadian buying will total more than \$10,000,000,000 by the end of the year.

The Bureau of Statistics reported today that retail sales in June totalled \$978,263,000, compared with \$940,218,000 in June a year ago. This brought the six-month total to a whopping \$5,265,871,000 compared with \$4,980,180,000 in the first six months of 1951.

The Bureau figures showed, however, that the \$978,263,000 June figure was down 7.1 per cent from \$1,055,498,000 in May. Retail sales increased every month this year up to May, the highest spending month so far.

### Coming Events

- Buying timothy seed daily. McGugin and Boyle.
- Reserve Sept. 1 for Chicken Supper at Tracadie Hall.
- Dance, Cardigan Hall, Monday night. Webster's Orchestra.
- Pantry Sale at Pennell and Chandler's, Saturday, 2:30 P. M.
- Show, Bonshaw, Saturday. "Billy the Kid."
- Ice Cream and Dance in Iona West School every Tuesday night.
- Remember the Pantry Sale at MacLean's Store, Wiltshire, today at 3 P. M.
- Ice Cream, Dance in Souris Line Road School, Tuesday, August 26th. Chaisson's Orchestra.
- Try our Purina Finance plan, for feeding your hogs and poultry. Dillon & Spillert.
- Sandy's Drive-In Theatre, shows Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 P. M.
- Dancing Stanley Bridge Rink Hall every Tuesday night. Music by Munroe's Orchestra, 9 to 1.
- Ice Cream Festival and Dance, Head of Hillsboro, on September 1st.
- Chicken, Supper and Dance, in Vernon River Hall, Wednesday, 7th. Beginning at 5 P. M.
- The Crapaud Barber Shop will be closed Monday and Tuesday of each week until further notice.
- Cleaning and buying Timothy Seed. Paying top price. Elmer MacDonald, Crapaud.
- Reserve Tuesday, August 26th, for Lot 8 Mission Picnic, at West Point.
- Farmers, ask about the Shu Gain Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- Seven Mile Bay Chicken Supper and Bazaar, Wednesday, August 27th, 4:30. Tickets 75c and 35c.
- St. Peter's Legion Hall, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 26th and 27th. Annual Supper and Bazaar.
- Regular weekly dance in St. Mary's Hall, Souris, every Wednesday. Chaisson's Orchestra Canteen service.
- Dance in Cliff Peters barn, Monday, August 25th, in aid of Souris Hospital. Round and Square Dancing. Canteen service.

### Prince Albert Liberal Will Not Run Again

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Aug. 22 (CP)—Frank H. Helme, Liberal member of Parliament for Prince Albert since 1940, said today he will not seek re-nomination as Liberal candidate in the next federal election for reasons of health.

The constituency was a Liberal stronghold from 1926 until 1945 during which time the late Prime Minister MacKenzie King held the seat. Mr. Helme won over E. L. Bowerman, C. C. F. member who had defeated Mr. King by a narrow margin in 1945, and Progressive Conservative George Whittier.

### Prizes Awarded To Notre Dame Students

Prizes have been donated for the students of Notre Dame Academy who have attained the highest class standing in the Grade XI Atlantic Board Examinations and in the Grade X Entrance Examinations. These prizes are awarded as follows:

- A five dollar prize donated by Rev. A. L. Herrall for the student attaining the highest class standing in the Entrance Examinations is awarded to Shirley Daley.
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- Lawn Party and Dance, New Argyle. Good music, refreshments, Monday night, August 25th. If not fine, Thursday, August 28th. In aid of school.
- Poultry Wanted. Buying live and dressed fowl daily, except Friday and Saturday of each week. Pick up service. Central Egg and Poultry, Charlottetown. Phone day 2526. Night 1368-2.
- Dancing, Islanders Country Club, Travellers Rest, every Saturday night. Music by Russell Warren and his Blue Haven Ramblers.
- To arrive shortly, car of Old Sydney Coal and bagged lime. Order now. Russell Driscoll, Mt. Herbert.
- Putting on a play? Need help? Here's your answer: Attend Community Drama Course, conducted by Mr. Michael Meiklejohn of Ottawa. When? Sept. 2nd to 6th. Where? St. Peter's Cathedral, Charlottetown. Fee? 50c. Classes open to all who have play problems. Attendance? Important—Register at once with P. E. I. Libraries for free admission and programme. Act immediately. Time is limited.

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### Seek Parity With Workers In Ontario

### Plans Finalized For Legion Convention Here

Mr. C. B. Lumsden, M.M., Dominion President of the Canadian Legion, will be one of the principal speakers at the 21st annual convention of the Prince Edward Island Command to be held in the Prince Edward Theatre on Labor Day, September 1.

Another speaker will be Mr. D. M. Thomson, Chief Service Officer of the Dominion Command, who is bringing a special message for all veterans, and the local Command is anxious that every Legion Branch in the Province be represented.

Arrangements have now been completed for the convention and it is anticipated that one of the biggest features will be the opening Memorial Service to be held at 10 o'clock on Labor Day morning. To this service the general public is heartily invited and it is hoped that all relatives of boys who served in the First and Second World Wars will attend. The solemn and impressive service will be under the direction of Major A. H. Peake, president of the Provincial Command, and will be attended by His Honor Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse accompanied by a Color Party.

All those intending to be present are requested to be seated before the arrival of the Lieutenant Governor in order that there may be no delay in the proceedings. Following the service there will be a Legion parade when a wreath will be laid at the monument at Grafton Street.

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Construction workers at the site, about a half mile from Auld's Cove, have made steady progress on preliminary work during the last two months.

Although balked by heavy rains and fog in early June, they now have cleared their camp site, built roads and erected workshops to house heavy machinery and equipment.

### Plan Mock Attack

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y., Aug. 22 (AP)—Bombers will soar over this heavily industrialized border city tomorrow to drop an imaginary atomic bomb that will set off the first joint civil defence test between Canada and the United States.

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By Herbert D. Wilhoit and Dick Bieser

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Aug. 22 (AP)—A jarring earthquake hit this city of 50,000 today, shattering downtown buildings, killing at least two persons and injuring 27 others. Police roped off a central area of 20 square blocks.

There were reports of four other deaths. Property damage appeared certain to run into millions of dollars.

Major streets were buried under bricks, mortar and shattered glass. A few thoroughfares buckled. Entire walls fell out, roofs crashed through to ground levels.

The quake hit at 3:42 p.m. PDT. A strong aftershock was felt at 5:50 p.m.; knocking more bricks into the streets but apparently causing no further casualties.

Red Cross and other emergency organizations converged on the city from all over Southern California. Severe damage appeared to be confined to the area blocked off by police. Little damage was reported in residential districts.

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### German Ship Refloated From Burnt Pt. Reef

The German freighter, Hendrik Fisser, grounded on Burnt Point reef off the entrance to Georgetown Harbor since Monday was refloated yesterday. The salvage tug Foundation tugs pulled the ship off at high tide in the morning. A swell rolling in from the Gulf of St. Lawrence was said to have assisted. The tug towed the grounded craft off stern first.

Later in the day the ship steamed into Georgetown and docked at the west side of the Railway Wharf. A diver examined her hull and reported there had been no damage from the grounding.

Last night the captain was awaiting orders whether to take on several hundred additional cords of pit props to complete the cargo started at Bathurst, N. B.

The Foundation Vera had made an unsuccessful attempt to free the freighter on Thursday and the assistance of another tug had been requested. However, yesterday conditions were more favorable and the Vera succeeded in doing the job alone.

There were 100-room Tegler Hotel; the Hopkins and Brower Buildings, largely occupied by doctors and lawyers' offices; the Western Auto Supply Co. and the Morris Motor Co.

"It was terrific," Capt. Jones said. "Of course, a lot of the damage came to buildings already loosened by the first quake. But this was a lot tougher here. There was no comparison."

The shock today was felt in Los Angeles, but its force seemed considerably less than the Tehachapi tremor. It was felt at Santa Barbara on the coast and north as far as Sacramento, the state capital more than 250 miles from here.

No fires were reported.

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