

VOLCANOES GIVEN BLAME FOR WEATHER PATTERN

RICHMOND, VA (AP) — You can blame this winter's unusually severe weather on some 600 active volcanoes around the world, says amateur weatherman Louis Rubin.

In particular, he says, you can put the finger on Tristan da Cunha in the South Atlantic. That volcano erupted for more than 90 days in the spring of 1961 and forced evacuation of the island.

Rubin says ash spewed up by volcanoes climbs high into the atmosphere where continent-sized clouds circle the earth absorbing solar radiation—thus cooling the air beneath it.

The more violent the eruption and the more prolonged the explosions, the colder the weather it will bring, he says.

The 60-year-old amateur seems to have some official backing.

Dr. J. Murray Mitchell Jr., federal climatologist, said volcanic dust could conceivably make the world a bit colder.

The U.S. weather bureau says, however, that you cannot make specific predictions on volcanoes.

His weather activity is not limited to volcanoes, Rubin is the creator of an international cloud chart used by the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard.

Montreal Gets Mexican Order For Locomotives

OTTAWA (CP) — Montreal Locomotive Works has wrapped up a 16,000,000 export order for diesel locomotives to the Mexican National Railways, and the company's sales chief tipped his hat to government co-operation for making it possible.

D. Landell, commercial vice-president, told reporters the sale was largely instigated by Canada's trade commissioner in Mexico City, Frank B. Clark.

He went out and dug up the prospect and we all jumped into the picture," he said.

parliament said Canadian general Electric Company will supply the major electrical components. Other sub-suppliers include Canadian Westinghouse Company, Hart Railway Company and Adance Supplies Limited.

RELEASE ARRESTED MEN
MONTREAL (CP) — Police said Thursday they have released three men arrested Wednesday on suspicion of conspiracy to rob a bank in suburban St. Laurent. They said they had found no evidence to support the story of an unidentified bank teller who told them the three men had approached him and asked for his co-operation.

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"We just out-thusted them in this instance," said Mr. Landell, who said the sale is probably the largest export order ever received by a Canadian Locomotive Company.

Eighty diesel electric locomotives are involved in the order.

Mexico is getting long-term credit to purchase the locomotives under the federal plan of export credits for capital goods.

The agreement was signed Wednesday in Trade Minister Hees' office by Ernesto Garcia Moreno, Mexican consul-general in Montreal; Henry Valle, president of Montreal Locomotive, and Hugh T. Aitken, president of Export Credits Insurance Corporation.

Mr. Hees told reporters enthusiastically: "Mr. Valle tells me there are 65,000 steam locomotives around the world that have to be replaced."

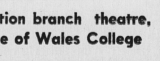
"We're out to get our share of the business," Mr. Valle said.

This is the third diesel locomotive export sale by the Montreal firm to be financed under the federal credits plan. The others were to Brazil and Argentina.

A statement by the trade de-

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