



**RASPBERRIES PICKED IN OCTOBER**

Miss Dorothy Campbell picked raspberries and blueberries Oct. 5 near her home in Alliston. Each year someone from this area brings berries to The Guardian long after the season has passed. The earliest frost apparently does not hit

this farming area as early as some others. Someone remarked they should be growing to-tacos. The raspberries in the above photo are large and ripe, some cultivated and others of the wild variety.

**Application Of Sales Tax Suggested At Retail Level**

By STEWART MACLEOD  
OTTAWA (CP)—Three different organizations came before the royal commission on taxation Thursday and said the federal government's sales tax, now imposed at the manufacturers' level, should be changed to the retail level so consumers could see exactly what they pay.

A chamber of commerce request in widely differing briefs from the Canadian Automobile Chamber of Commerce, the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Business Equipment Manufacturers Association.

A chamber delegation, headed by T. W. Totten, director of Chrysler's accounting department and chairman of the chamber's special tax committee, proposed that a "national commodity tax" replace the existing 11-per-cent federal sales tax.

This, they said, would eliminate many of the administrative problems and it would allow the federal and provincial governments to organize one collection system for retail taxes. A seven-per-cent tax,

**Dead In Haiti Set At 5,000**

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti (Reuters)—A new and larger figure of 5,000 dead and missing in the wake of hurricane Flora has been issued here by a World Health Organization official.

Earlier the highest estimate of Haiti's dead and missing was 4,000.

**ARE WELL-INFORMED**

MONTREAL (CP)—Maria Rosa Stella, the only woman general reporter on Uruguay's largest newspaper, says Uruguayan women are well-informed about current events and the world outside. "They can tell you the latest books from Europe, and what the best plays are this season on Broadway," she said.

**CANCELS TRIP**

LONDON (AP)—Actress Vivien Leigh, who flew home to London two weeks ago suffering from nervous exhaustion, cancelled plans to return to New York Monday. Her agent, Laurence Evans, said she acted on advice of her doctors.

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**China's Leader Said Planning Purge Of Party**

By SPENCER MOOSA  
TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—Gen. Chiang Kai-shek says China's President Mao Tse-tung is planning a big purge of all party elements opposing his split with Soviet Premier Khrushchev.

The elder son of President Chiang Kai-shek declared in an interview here that the Peking-Moscow rift has spread confusion among Chinese Communists and has affected the morale of the armed forces.

Chiang, who recently returned from a visit to the United States, is minister without portfolio in the Chinese Nationalist cabinet and is deputy secretary-general of the national security council.

In these positions, the younger Chiang keeps in touch with intelligence reports from the mainland. On occasion, these reports have been shown to be accurate. For example, the Nationalists announced that Mao would step down as president of Red China before the decision was announced in Peking in December, 1958.

Chiang predicted the purge will not be one on the lines of a Stalinist liquidation (execution), but take the form of ousting from the party those who oppose Mao's break with Khrushchev.

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**"PROPOSE CHANGE"**

The business equipment association said that by moving the tax to the retail level, it would become a tax on sales "rather than what it so often is now—a cash levy on inventory." The brief said that if the taxpayer has huge sums of money tied up in the tax and can lose it when the product becomes obsolete or otherwise unsaleable.

Under the plan proposed by the chamber, essential goods such as food, fuel, water and communications, would be exempt from the tax.

The medical association said that since most Canadian retailers now collect provincial sales taxes, it would not be a great burden for them to collect a federal tax. And it would eliminate tax pyramiding—the increase that results from the tax being computed in the percent-age markups of wholesalers and retailers.

The association made its recommendation in connection with a request to remove the tax from prescribed drugs. Its brief said it was virtually impossible to define necessary drugs at the manufacturers' level because the material might never be sold for the intended purpose. The only way would be to move the tax to the final sales level.

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