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Cloudy with widely scattered showers, little change in temperature. Low and high at Charlottetown 45 and 65.

"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

32 Traffic Victims Over The Weekend

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Accidents claimed 59 lives during the Labor Day weekend as Canadians returned home for work and for school. Traffic claimed 32 victims, a Canadian Press survey from 6 p.m. local time Friday showed. There were 19 drownings and eight miscellaneous deaths. The Canadian Highway Safety Conference predicted 60 Canadians would die during the long weekend. Last year there were 48 traffic deaths and 31 other deaths.

Quebec counted 22 deaths, more than one third the country's total. Eight died in traffic, 13 were drowned and one person died in a miscellaneous accident. Ontario had eight highway deaths, one drowning and one miscellaneous death. Saskatchewan reported four dead in a highway crash, three drowned in a boating mishap and two miscellaneous deaths. There were two highway victims in New Brunswick and three in Nova Scotia. Newfoundland had one highway and one miscellaneous death. Alberta had four road deaths, British Columbia two highway, two drowning and three miscellaneous. There were no deaths in Manitoba or Prince Edward Island.

Newspaper Bldg. Gutted In Fire Over Week-end

Premier Matheson Invites Mr. Hees To Atlantic Meet

Long the bugbear of the Atlantic Provinces economy, transportation and its many companion problems will be the focal point when the Atlantic Premiers and the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council meet in Charlottetown for their annual conference September 23rd and 24th. Evidence of the importance that transportation will play in the discussions of the two groups was indicated today with the announcement of Premier Alex W. Matheson of Prince Edward Island that Federal Transport Minister George W. Hees would be one of the main speakers at a joint dinner of the Premiers and the Council.

Appropriately enough, Confederation Chamber, Canada's birth place, will be the site of an opening, joint-meeting of the Premiers and APEC officials. Address will be given by the four Premiers, R.J. Rackin, President of APEC and Murray Mackay, Chairman of the Maritime Transportation Commission. In the afternoon the two groups will meet separately with APEC activities scheduled for the Prince of Wales College auditorium.

The Premiers will give most of their attention to such important matters as transportation, electric power development and farm credit in the region. National adjustment grants and reports from committees on Capital Projects, Northern Lands and the proposal for a Canadian Atlantic Provinces Bureau for London, England. This latter matter is expected to win the approval of the Premiers with establishment expected within the next six months.

NORTHERN LANDS
A committee established by the Premiers in May has been studying the Northern Lands matter and is expected to come up with recommendations which the Premiers might use in proposed future discussions with the Federal Government as to how the Atlantic Provinces might share in the great wealth of Canada's North. At the APEC meetings, reports will be heard from the Council's Tourist, Agriculture, Power and Trade committees. It is expected that plans for an Atlantic Food Products Show will be formulated at the meeting. More than 100 of the Atlantic Provinces business and industrial leaders, including senior bank and insurance company officials, are expected to attend the joint sessions and the APEC meetings.

Heavy Loss In Premises Owned By Odd Fellows

Its publication halted temporarily by a \$250,000 fire that swept through the building early Sunday morning, the Charlottetown Patriot will resume publication on Wednesday. W.A. Gaudet, general manager, told the Guardian last night. The Patriot staff will use the building and the publishing facilities of the Guardian until some other arrangements can be made. The Guardian offered the facilities of its plant as soon as it learned of the disastrous fire. The Journal-Pioneer in Summerside also offered their facilities to Mr. Gaudet.

His quarters in the building on Richmond Street ruined by the fire that swept through most of the three-storey structure, Mr. Gaudet could not say last night just what the plans were for the immediate future. He hoped the Odd Fellows Hall Company, owners of the building, would rebuild so the plant would remain at the same place.

WILL HOLD MEETING

No announcement was forthcoming from the Hall Company as a meeting of the company would have to be held first. The company owning the building is separate from the Odd Fellows' Lodge. President J.D. Webster said last night a meeting would be called to discuss the situation as soon as possible. A.O.F. Gill, an officer of the company, said that the report would have to await the report of the Insurance Adjusters.

FIREMEN INJURED

Several firemen were injured during the course of Sunday's fire. Fred Banahan suffered an injured hand. "Lock" Levell and Bob Bevan each received cuts on their hands. The fire broke out shortly before 1 a.m. on Sunday. It is not known just how or where it started although it is thought that it started in the upper part of the building. Mr. Gaudet left the premises at 11 p.m. Saturday and everything was quiet at that time. A friend of his passed the building at 12.30 midnight and noticed nothing wrong. A telegraph messenger not long afterwards saw evidence of fire and he was responsible for sending in the alarm.

NEWSPRINT STOCK

A carload of newsprint, some \$4,000 worth, was put into the basement Friday, Mr. Gaudet said last night he could not tell just how much damage was done to it, but he explained that there was no actual fire damage in the basement although there naturally would be a great deal of water. The press is covered by debris that fell on it when the ceiling collapsed, and it is hoped that it will be found not to be seriously damaged when the debris is removed.

Queen Mother Gov. - General?

LONDON (CP) — Lord Beaverbrook's newspapers are giving prominence to speculation that the Queen Mother may be Canada's next governor-general. The Canadian-born peer's weekend publication, The Sunday Express, says there is a growing belief in Canada that Prime Minister Diefenbaker will request her appointment to succeed Vincent Massey, who is due to retire in February.

Sees Situation In Syria Explosive

NEW DELHI (Reuters)—Prime Minister Nehru describes the situation in Syria as "dangerous and explosive" and says Russia and the Western powers should not try to play power politics in the Middle East. Nehru spoke Monday in the House of the People. He made two speeches in the lower house in the course of a one-day debate on foreign affairs. In his first speech he said the United States and Russia should leave the people of the Middle East and Asia to work out their own destiny. "The approaches made to countries in the Middle East and other parts of Asia do not facilitate a solution of any problem, but have progressively made the Parliament in opening a one-day debate on foreign affairs.

BLAMES BIG POWERS

After blaming the big powers for the "insecurity" now prevailing in the Middle East, Nehru said: "If they leave matters to take their own course without military interference, or any other type of interference, things will probably settle down." While there was no immediate crisis threatening war, "at the time it is true that no basic problems have been solved." Nehru also commented on the Soviet announcement last week that an intercontinental ballistic missile had been successfully tested. "What one country produces, the other will produce a few months later, if not sooner. We have reached the ultimate weapon, but there appears no limit to the ultimate folly of human beings."

DELICATE SPOT

Describing the Middle East as the most delicate and explosive part of the world, he said: "A very small conflict has the shadow of a big conflict behind it and a big conflict has the shadow of a world war behind it." "Obviously we do not know all that is happening behind the scenes. The main thing is that there is a dangerous and explosive situation in Syria—where a leftward swing and charges of American complicity in a plot to overthrow the West. Nehru warned the big powers against making any Middle East country a vehicle for their policies and added: "It is dangerous for policies to be pursued in which countries become pawns or checkeredboards for other policies to be played out." The major power groups "are each too powerful to be set upon by the other. If something is done by one, the other counters it and steps by step they may be drawn into a conflict."

Agr. Student Takes Crown Once Held By His Father

"Like Father Like Son"—The truth of this well worn adage was aptly proven yesterday at the Queens County Plowing Match when Carl Willis, 19 year old son of former champion Stanley Willis of Cornwall captured the championship of the match. His score of 88 out of a possible 100 was eight points above his nearest competitor.

His father, Stanley Willis who placed third in the Canadian Plowing Match last year was not in competition yesterday. He will leave September 11 for Peebles, Ohio where he will compete for the World Plowing Championship.

The new Queens County champion has been in plowing competition since 1954 when he won the junior title. After being out of the running for a year he came back in 1956 to become runner-up to his father for the championship. He is a third year student in plant pathology at Macdonald College, St. Anne De Bellevue, P.Q.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

The weather interfered somewhat in yesterday's meet which was held on the farm of Hazen Howard Cornwall. However each class was keenly contested and plowing judge, D.N. Gilchrist of the Department of Agriculture, Fredericton, N.B. had a long and difficult task in making his placings.

The plowing match was officially opened by Premier A.W. Matheson who spoke briefly congratulating the directors on their enterprise in holding this annual agricultural competition. Brief remarks were heard also from R.R. Bell, Q.C., Heath Macquarie, M.P., Harold Smith, M.L.A., George Kitson, M.L.A. and Arthur Gaudet.

Catholic Church Badly Damaged

DOMINION, N.S. (CP)—A short circuit was blamed by firemen for a blaze that badly damaged the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church here Sunday.

Two priests and several firemen were overcome by smoke. Rev. George J. McLean, the pastor, said no immediate damage estimate could be made.

Old Soldier Dies At 104

DURBAN, South Africa (Reuters)—The oldest surviving member of Scotland's Gordon Highlanders Regiment died Monday at 104.

Hugh Fraser Ross sat up in his bed last week and called for champagne to celebrate his "recovery" after weeks of falling health. "Dead?" he bristled then. "Of course not. Old soldiers never die."

Hospital authorities turned down his request for champagne, chewing tobacco and three pints of beer a day—his recipe for good health and long life. Ross went to sea in a windjammer at 14, joined the Gordon Highlanders five years later and sailed with the regiment for South Africa in 1878. He saw service in various South African campaigns and fought in the Boer War.

Douglas Sheidow of Millview took top honours. He also had the best furrow in his class. Willard MacPhail, Cornwall; Marlene Kitson, Hampshire; Blair Beer, Cornwall; 4. Barry Wilson, Cornwall; 5. Blair Frizell, Cornwall. Best crown went to MacPhail; who plowed the furrow was plowed by Merrill Scott, Cornwall.

MINERAL DISCOVERER

Scheelite, a tungsten-bearing mineral, was named for Sweden's K. W. Scheele, who first isolated tungsten in 1771.

MAYOR KILLED

ST. BARNABE NORTH, Que. (CP)—Mayor Gerard Gelin, 49, of this village near Trois Rivières, Que., was killed Saturday night when his car overturned.

Sees Atomic Rocket Next

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — The newspaper Die Welt says the United States is working on an atomic-powered rocket that would make the intercontinental ballistic missile claimed by Russia obsolete.

Military editor Adalbert Baerwolf wrote Sunday that "such a rocket can probably be built fairly soon."

A report of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, hinted at such a project and now it has been confirmed," Baerwolf said. He did not say how or from where confirmation was obtained. Baerwolf said the North American Aviation Company is building the rocket. Unhindered by fuel problems of ordinary rockets, it would "open completely new perspectives."

The article also said German-born Hans R. Friedrich is the chief scientist of the U.S. intercontinental missile project. Friedrich once worked at Hitler's Peenemunde rocket centre.

Report Queen May Visit India

LONDON (Reuters) — Queen Elizabeth may visit India late next year or early in 1959, says a report from Calcutta in the Woman's Sunday Mirror.

"But before the invitation can go to Buckingham Palace, some touchy little problems of etiquette must be settled," the paper says. "In secret talks in New Delhi, British and Indian officials have been trying to find the answer to these two questions: "Would Queen Elizabeth be hurt if she was received in India as a former queen? This is how she has been regarded since the country was granted independence and she became, for Indians, head of the Commonwealth in name only.

"Should India first ask the Queen to New Delhi or should she first invite India's president to visit London? "These are questions which must be settled before she can make this exciting trip."



A Sunday morning shot of the Patriot Office building and the other offices above shows the extent of the damage. The windows are gaping and the daylight seen through the third floor windows indicates that the roof has fallen as a result of the fire that started just after midnight.

176 Killed, 500 Injured In Jamaica Train Wreck

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP)—A special train carrying 1,500 holidaying Roman Catholic pilgrims broke apart on a hill late Sunday night and plunged 176 or more to death.

About 500 more were injured, officials said Monday night in the midst of a continuing count of bodies and maimed victims. It was one of the worst rail disasters in history.

The passengers had been on a combined pilgrimage and beach outing across the island. Most Rev. John J. Eleaney, Bishop of Jamaica, estimated in a broadcast over Kingston radio that the death toll would reach 200.

Roads were bulldozed to the scene and all the dead were removed to Mandeville, 14 miles from the scene of the accident, for identification by relatives. There will be a mass burial Tuesday.

TOO FAST

"We were coming around a curve a bit too fast when suddenly I felt the coach begin to lean and we saw other coaches leaving the line," he said. "I decided quickly to jump off and did so without being hurt. Then the coach plunged into the gully, killing all the passengers."

A frenzied crowd of 10,000, including weeping relatives, jammed Kingston's railroad station as a relief train brought survivors from Manchester—scene of Sunday night's wreck—about 75 miles from here.

The disaster happened when a jam-packed train, including two diesel locomotives and 12 cars, jumped the tracks as it was rounding a bend at Kendal depot, near Manchester.

Nine of the cars whiplashed off the rails, one of them crashing into a 20-foot ravine. Two coaches were splintered or burned. Bodies lay in heaps beside the line and beneath the wreckage.

APPEAL FOR DONORS

Jamaican Chief Minister Norman Manley rushed to the scene of the disaster, as authorities launched an island-wide appeal for blood donors. Manley issued a message of condolence for relatives of the victims.

The passengers represented a cross section of this British Caribbean colony's widely-mixed population, mostly Negroes. The 12-car train pulled by two diesel engines was wrecked about 11 p.m. as it neared the town of Kendal, 80 miles west of Kingston, on the way back from the outing at Montego Bay, on Jamaica's north coast.

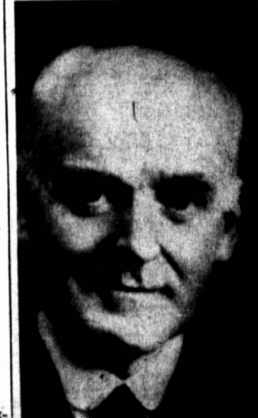
The leading engine became uncoupled half a mile from the Kendal station. Then the second engine and two coaches broke loose from the 10 coaches making up the rest of the train. Nine cars of the 10-car string were derailed. Rescue crews dug frantically for dead and injured among the twisted steel and splintered wood of the two coaches at the bottom of the embankment. They worked amid shrieks and moans of the injured. Two hundred injured passengers were brought to a relief hospital set up in Kingston. Others were taken to towns near the scene of the wreck. The excursionists were members of the Holy Name Society of Kingston and their wives and children. They had attended mass at Montego Bay Sunday morning and later went to the beach for their annual outing.

Paratroopers Are Exposed To Atomic Blast In U. S. Test

ATOMIC TEST SITE, Nev. A surprisingly potent and colorful atomic bomb was fired Monday as more than 100 United States paratroopers lay exposed on the desert in a test to determine their ability to fight efficiently during nuclear warfare. The soldiers sprawled face down with their feet toward the blast, which went off 4,800 yards away. They were warmed by heat from the fireball then given a mighty shove from the shock wave, but within seconds they were up and participating in the work.

A spokesman said their performance did not appear to suffer from blast exposure. Monday's shot, 16th of the summer series, was fired just before dawn from a 500-foot tower. Its force was given as that of 10,000 tons of TNT, or about half that of a so-called nominal bomb. However, observers at News

Nob eight miles away were hit by perhaps the severest shock wave of the series from a bomb of any size. There was a sharp crack and an unusually prolonged echoing and rumbling. From a glowing red fireball rose a mushroom cloud that soared to 37,000 feet, changing hue from purple to rose, orange and brown. The paratroopers, nearly 130 of them from the 82nd airborne division, had rehearsed for weeks for the test, designed to help find how a fighting man thinks and acts in the wake of a nuclear burst. A spokesman for the airborne division said that although some paratroopers had their helmets knocked off, none was injured in any way and all were calm. The 4,800-yard (2.7-mile) distance from the burst was not a record. Smaller groups have been closer.



THE LATE MR. KENNEDY
Wilfred Kennedy Dies In Johannesburg

A cable received by Mr. H.J. Kennedy and Mr. F. G. Kennedy conveyed the sad news of the death after a two years illness of their brother, Mr. Wilfred Kennedy of Johannesburg, South Africa on September 1st.

Mr. Kennedy was a Prince Edward Islander who achieved brilliant success in the land of his adoption. Among the honors he received was that of being elected President of the Johannesburg, South Africa, Chamber of Commerce, the first Canadian to fill this prominent position.

Mr. Kennedy was born at Cross Roads August 6th., 1884. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kennedy (the latter was Miss Elizabeth Guard of Kinloch Prince Edward Island.)

Mr. Kennedy came to South Africa in 1909. He founded the firm of Wilfred J. Kennedy Ltd. which always specialized in the sale of Canadian products, acting as sole representatives for the factories concerned. During the many years the Wilfred J. Kennedy Company was in existence, the firm was responsible for the sale of millions of dollars worth of Canadian goods in South Africa, which resulted in the continual employment of many thousands of Canadians from the 5

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YOUTHFUL PLOWMEN
Douglas Sheidow (left) and Wilfred Dumphy of Millview were among the youthful performers who took part in the Queens County Plowing Match held yesterday at Cornwall. Sheidow took top honours for boy, and Dumphy took second place. Both were seven years of age and had the distinction of being the youngest entrants in the match.