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CANADA AGREES TO LIMIT EXPORT OF OATS TO U.S.

Promises To Consider B. C. Development Plan

Exhibition Ass'n Seeks Loan From City For New Building

A request for an interest-free loan of \$80,000 by the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association, was taken under advisement by the City Council at the regular monthly meeting held last night.

The request was made on the basis of a recent Provincial Order-in-Council making available to cities loans up to \$10 per head of population by the Provincial Government.

A considerable amount of discussion arose on the subject as several Councillors felt that the city would have to borrow on this basis from the Government to finance the new high school. Due to this they did not feel that they should endanger their borrowing position by making a loan of this size. However, it was emphasized that the city fully realized the value as a tourist attraction of Old Home Week and if the requested loan would not prejudice its position serious consideration would be given it.

The Exhibition Association intends to erect a new building for the general purpose of a display source for agriculture as well as for physical fitness and youth training. The completed building is estimated to cost approximately \$150,000 and the association offered repayment on the basis of 10 yearly installments of \$9,000 each. Their letter to the Council stated the Association had already entered into a contract with the Provincial and Federal Governments whereby it will receive \$10,000 yearly from each until the amount of \$70,000 has been paid. It was also stated that in addition to the company's guarantee to give the City Corporation security as against the indebtedness is paid in full. Storey told the Council that there was considerable dissatisfaction with the pay

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Destroyer Haida Sails For Korea

HALIFAX, (CP)—The destroyer Haida sailed for Korea Monday on the first leg of a cruise back to Korean waters for a second tour of duty.

The warship will spend Christmas in the Panama canal zone, where seamen will break out holiday fare, including turkey and 260 pounds of cakes and puddings baked by navy cooks in Halifax.

Heroic Mother Saves Children, Loses Own Life

HALIFAX, (CP)—A heroic mother burned to death Monday after saving her three children from flames that destroyed her home in nearby Lucasville.

Her four-room home ablaze, 29-year-old Mrs. Earl Hutt telephoned neighbors for help, then carried two children, aged 6 and 3, to safety.

She went back into the house for nine-month-old Barbara. Flames barred the door, so she dropped the infant from the kitchen window. Then she was overcome by smoke. Her body was recovered.

Cause of the fire is unknown.

The baby is in hospital with severe burns. The other two children are in the care of neighbors.

Mrs. Hutt's husband, a dockyard employee, was at work at the time.

Shipping From Lakehead Closes

FORT WILLIAM, (CP)—Shipping from the Lakehead ports for the 1953 season ended Monday as five grain-loaded ships steamed out of the harbor.

Several vessels still are due to arrive. They will stay here for the winter.

Western Farm Hand Sentenced

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Man. (CP)—A 23-year-old farm hand who said he shot at a woman because she "nickered" at him, and then set fire to the farm house and barn because the farmer had laughed at him was sentenced Monday to five years in penitentiary.

William Wiebe pleaded guilty in police court to charges of firing a .22 calibre rifle at another farm employee, Edna Hayward, 23, and setting fire to the buildings owned by R. H. Allan of South Norfolk municipality, 70 miles southwest of Winnipeg, Dec. 7. Five-year terms on each charge will be concurrent. The woman was unhurt. Fire damage totalled \$16,000.

RCMP said Wiebe and Miss Hayward were alone on the farm when Wiebe fired through a window. The shot struck her chair. Police said Wiebe poured gasoline around the woman's bedroom and set it on fire.

LONDON, (AP)—The death of Air Commodore Douglas Leslie Blackford, 58, air attaché at the British Embassy in Washington from 1943 to 1945, was announced Monday. Blackford was director of air intelligence at the British air ministry during the early years of the Second World War.

St. Laurent Hears Details From Premier Bennett

OTTAWA, (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent promised Monday to give "careful study" to British Columbia proposals for a multi-million-dollar joint federal-provincial economic attack on the Pacific coast's hinterland.

The proposals, as placed before the prime minister by Premier W. A. C. Bennett, would link up the province's north and south with an expanded rail and road system and protect B. C.'s forest wealth through a \$13,000,000 conservation and fire-protection program.

Mr. Bennett, who conferred with Mr. St. Laurent and his ministers, told a press conference he feels sure the federal government will co-operate on all three fronts—rail, road and forests.

Federal participation, he estimated, will cost Ottawa more than \$150,000,000 over the next five years. But the "investment" would pay off in increased revenue. The money by paying about \$5,000,000 a year in interest. The projects would boost federal revenue by about \$30,000,000 a year.

Rail Bridge

Mr. Bennett later flew to New York to talk with American industrialists about investment in B.C. The B. C. Social Credit government, he said, "is definitely in favor of private enterprise."

The B. C. proposals:

1. Extend the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from Squamish to Vancouver in the south, a distance of 40 miles, and to Dawson Creek from Prince George in the north, another 271 miles.
2. Build up a new network of roads and highways to tap northern resources and attract more tourists.
3. Reduce the threat of forest fires through a province-wide forest protection service.

Mr. Bennett suggested that lengthening the Pacific Great Eastern Railway will provide a rail "bridge" between the northern Peace River area and southern markets.

The Peace River area, said Mr. Bennett, is rich in agriculture, coal, timber, natural gas and potential oil fields. In fact the whole of northern B. C. was a "vast store-house of untouched resources" held back from development by an inadequate transportation system.

OIL DELAYED

SARNIA, Ont., (CP)—A leak in the new 1,743-mile pipeline from Edmonton to Sarnia will delay arrival of the first oil by two weeks, E. C. Irwin, local terminal superintendent, said Saturday. Originally scheduled to reach here Dec. 15, the oil will not arrive until about Dec. 28.

Uneasiness In India Over Possibility Of U.S. Arming Pakistan

NEW DELHI, (CP)—A possibility the United States will help arm neighboring Pakistan has caused uneasiness in India. Both the U.S. and Pakistan have denied such intentions.

Communists, however, are jubilant. They and worried Congress members are telling Americans that a Red victory in the February elections in India's Travancore-Chochin state is likely in view of the present climate of opinion.

"What are you waiting for?" laughed a Communist member of Parliament. "We would be so thankful if you would sign up with Pakistan quickly."

The Influential Times of India, which publishes in both new Delhi and Bombay, said editorially:

"If the United States persists in what appears to be its present course of working for a military alliance with Pakistan, the ultimate and disastrous consequences will be incalculable."

The normally pro-Western Hindu Times of New Delhi, edited by Devadas Gandhi, son of the late Mohandas K. Gandhi, said editorially:

"We cannot conceive of a more unfriendly act toward India than the conclusion of the proposed agreement by the United States. We cannot believe that the object of Washington is to alienate India from the United States and weaken the forces of democracy in Asia."

Prime Minister Nehru said Sunday in Calcutta that the subject is "uppermost in the minds of every thinking Indian" and that arming Pakistan by the U.S. would have "serious repercussions, not merely in India but in the whole of south-east Asia."

Indian official political circles cite a statement by Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan's foreign minister and head of its delegation to the UN General Assembly, on his departure from New York Dec. 10 that "there have been conversations with respect to military equipment for the Pakistan army."

Also cited is an interview which Pakistan's Prime Minister Mohammed Ali Jinnah gave in Karachi to correspondents accompanying touring U.S. Vice-President Richard Nixon. This interview also dealt with the proposed military aid, which the premier said could not possibly be aimed at India.

Appointed To Canonry At Oxford University

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 14—The Queen has approved the appointment of Rev. Gilbert Alkman Simpson, D.D. (Oxon), professor of Old Testament literature and interpretation at the General Theological Seminary of New York, to the Canonry of Christ Church and Regius Professorship of Hebrew at Oxford University.

The announcement was made yesterday from Prime Minister Churchill's official residence at 10 Downing Street.

Dr. Simpson was educated at St. Peter's Cathedral Day School in Charlottetown and King's College, Windsor, N.S. After serving in the Canadian Army from 1915-19 he went to Christ Church, Oxford, as a Rhodes Scholar, where he was ordained in 1921. He became Rector at St. Alban, Woodside, Nova Scotia in 1922 and left there to take post graduate work at Columbia University in 1928. He was awarded his Ph.D. there in 1927. In the same year he entered the General Theological Seminary of New York as instructor.

(Rev. Dr. Simpson is a son of the late Canon James Simpson of St. Peter's Cathedral, Charlottetown, and Mrs. Simpson, and a brother of Mrs. H. L. Palmer and Mr. H. M. Simpson, both residing in Charlottetown. Dr. Simpson visited his relatives here last summer. His wife is the former Miss Jessie Kemp, who was born in Weymouth, N.S.)



Rev. C. A. Simpson, D.D.

Winter Weather Slashes Across Eastern Canada

Canadian Soldiers Land At Seattle

TORONTO, (CP)—Winter slashes across Eastern Canada from the Great Lakes to the Maritimes Monday night.

Rain and wet snow snarled traffic, caused countless minor accidents and gave rise to scattered communication troubles. Bus and plane schedules were disrupted.

One death was attributed to the storm. A woman driver, apparently unable to see properly due to the swirling snow, was killed in a head-on collision at Barrie, 50 miles north of Toronto.

Telephone operators reported a delay of three to six hours on calls from Toronto to Owen Sound. A telephone company spokesman said there was "quite a bit" of trouble in the region surrounding Toronto, with poles toppling under the weight of sleet on the lines. In a few cases, the poles were knocked down by skidding automobiles.

On the east coast, snow fell during the afternoon, then turned to rain in the evening. The forecast was for continuing snowy and rainy weather.

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Minister To Give Consideration To Special War Cases

OTTAWA, Dec. 14—(Special)—State Secretary Pickersgill today told J. Angus MacLean, Conservative member for Queen's, that he would give consideration to granting of special prisoner-of-war benefits to prisoners who had escaped but had been forced to spend long periods in enemy territory.

The State Secretary had spoken briefly of prisoner-of-war claims now being placed before the special commission of which P. E. I. Chief Justice Thane Campbell was chairman. Mr. MacLean asked:

"Has consideration been given to extending prisoner-of-war benefits to personnel of the services who escaped from prisoner-of-war camps and were in enemy territory for a long time? For instance, I have in mind an air force mate and a German prisoner-of-war camp, and fought with the underground in Poland for two years. As the situation stands now, he would not be eligible for benefits during that period."

"I really cannot say," replied Mr. Pickersgill, "whether or not consideration has been given to such cases. However if the honorable member would let us know of any, I would undertake to ask the chief commissioner to look at them."

Plan To Develop New Copper Mine

VICTORIA, (CP)—Newmont mining Corporation of New York, one of the largest mining and development companies in the world, has joined Granby Consolidated in plans to develop Granduc, a new copper mine in northern British Columbia.

Stanley Smith, B. C. superintendent of brokers, said Monday Newmont has put up \$250,000 and will take over about half the Granby commitments for a half interest.

The Granduc property is at the edge of Leduc glacier, 25 miles from Stewart, B. C., at the head of the Fortland canal.

Howe Says Gov't "Not Happy" Over Situation

OTTAWA, (CP)—Prodded by the United States government, Canada has reluctantly agreed, "as the lesser of evils," to restrict exports market.

The decision, announced Monday, both here and in Washington, is to limit shipments to 28,000,000 bushels in the period Dec. 11, 1953-Oct. 1, 1954. In that similar 1952-53 period, Canada exported about 50,000,000 bushels.

Trade Minister Howe said in the Commons that the Canadian government is not happy about the situation. The limitation is not desirable and is undertaken only as "the lesser of evils."

"It is not a limitation which should cause significant concern to the producers of oats during the short period it is in effect," he added. "Oats are not in over abundant supply in Canada."

Nevertheless, "our government is not at all happy about a situation of this kind which can only be resolved by measures which are contradictory of the principles on which trade has been developed between Canada and the U.S."

Long-Term Solutions

"It has been the hope of the Canadian government that the U.S. government would, in its own interest and in the interests of the free world, decide not to impose any further restrictions on imports."

"We may take encouragement from the announced intention of the U.S. government to review its agricultural policies in an attempt to find longer-term solutions of a constructive nature," Mr. Howe said.

The Canadian decision, first of its kind, followed a report by President Eisenhower by the U.S. tariff commission recommending that because of domestic surpluses and U.S. price-support programs, imports should be restricted.

An exchange of views and correspondence between Canadian and American officials followed.

The Canadian government realized the "serious consequences" which would result of the U.S. had imposed her own import curbs on oats "extending far into the future." The decision was to agree to a "temporary arrangement" whereby Canada undertook to limit exports of oats to the U.S. to a reasonable quantity for a relatively short period.

Market In Canada

Unlike wheat, the big market for Canadian oats is in Canada itself. Of Canada's 465,000,000-bushel 1952 crop about 373,000,000 bushels were used in Canada.

This year Canada produced a smaller 405,500,000-bushel crop which together with a carryover of 136,500,000 bushels, brought her supplies on Aug. 1 to about 542,000,000 bushels.

In the period Aug. 1-Dec. 1, 1952, Canada exported about 30,000,000 bushels to the U.S., her only major market. Presuming she ships the 28,000,000 bushels allowed her before the crop year ends next July 31, total exports to the U.S. in the current crop year would amount to about 58,000,000 bushels. Canada shipped about 60,000,000 bushels to the U.S. in the 1952-53 crop year.

Queen's Member Discusses Problem Of Soil Erosion

OTTAWA, Dec. 14—(Special)—Although better known as a highly-skilled airman and pilot, J. Angus MacLean, Conservative member for Queen's, gave evidence today to the House of Commons of the problems of soil erosion and water conservation. The Queen's member was speaking on a resolution to call a Dominion-Provincial conference on conservation of Canada's natural resources.

Quoting Plat and Shelley as well as other modern technically-trained writers, Mr. MacLean contended that the decay of great civilizations of the past had been due in large measure to the failure of their peoples to conserve soil and forests. This was true of North Africa, he pointed out, and also true of countries of the Middle East.

"I think it is not only wise but essential," Mr. MacLean said, "that we continue to control our soil erosion. In the past, civilizations made the mistake of ignoring these forces of nature which were not spectacular, forces of nature which were dragging, insidious forces destroyed civilizations just as completely as if they had been overthrown by some outside forces, some conquering armies."

When North America was first settled along the eastern boundaries, it became over-populated in that area, and when the fertility of the soil began to be exhausted...

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U. K. Cabinet Seeks To Avert Rail Walkout

LONDON, (Reuters)—The government Monday night began a desperate race against time to avert a threatened country-wide Christmas rail strike.

With only six days to go before 400,000 key rail workers walk off their jobs, Sir Winston Churchill called an emergency cabinet meeting Monday night. No announcement was made of any decisions taken.

Korean Pays Warm Tribute To Canadians

VICTORIA, (CP)—Tribute to Canadians in Korea came Monday from Pak Kun, 26-year-old Seoul newspaper man who is in Canada for a post-graduate course at the University of British Columbia.

"The behavior of Canadian armed forces has been very good, even better than the British," he said. "The experience with Americans has not been so fortunate."

"There are so many U.S. troops, that may be part of the reason. But the Koreans don't have as much faith in the Americans now as before the truce."

Pak's trip is under the sponsorship of Reginald Bowering, director of the provincial government's division of public health engineering, and Bill Boss, Canadian Press correspondent, formerly in Korea and now in Moscow.

Pak will study political science at UBC. For what he has seen of Canada, so far, he has one word: "Wonderful!"

U. S. To Explain Suspension Of Peace Talks

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The United States called in ambassadors representing its 16 Korean special ambassadors to explain why it has suspended talks with the Communists at Panmunjom.

Deputy undersecretary Robert Murphy, it was learned, conducted the special briefing for the diplomats at the state department.

Murphy emphasized, officials who attended the meeting told a reporter, that Dean is suspending the talks—but not breaking them off entirely—until the Communists withdraw perfidy charges against the United States and show a genuine willingness to negotiate.

No agreement was reached, these informants said, as to what steps the United Nations should take next in an effort to arrange a final Korean peace conference.

Bogus \$20 Bill Reported Found

TORONTO, (CP)—A hard-to-detect counterfeit \$20 bill—first found for many years—was discovered Monday by a Toronto bank branch and turned over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Inspector John Cruikshank said the bill, brand new, is an excellent imitation of genuine olive-green ink issued by the Bank of Canada but the ink used is a little too dark.

The inspector said the paper is a "very good grade—much the same, if not the same, as the paper in genuine bills."

Inspector Cruikshank said the counterfeiters may try to get rid of a flood of their bills during the Christmas shopping rush.

He said no counterfeit \$20 bill has been found in Canada for many years. Most recent large-scale counterfeiting was of \$10 bills. Some \$750,000 worth were found in the Canadian market before that counterfeit ring was smashed three years ago. Some of the bogus \$10s still are being found in Canada.

Eisenhower Urges Civil Defence

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Eisenhower said Monday it is practically impossible to exaggerate the need for American cities to prepare themselves for a possible atomic attack.

Eisenhower told a White House conference of mayors there is time, however, to make such preparations sensibly and without hysteria.

"Organized haste will save you and panic will destroy you," he said.

The president addressed some 175 mayors of the country's largest cities at the beginning of a two-day closed conference on problems of national defence.

MORE SHOPPING DAYS

A DULL SCHOLAR OFTEN SHINES IN SOCIETY!

TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

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| Victoria | 42 48 |
| Edmonton | 24 39 |
| Calgary | 22 39 |
| Regina | 5 25 |
| Winnipeg | 3 10 |
| Ottawa | 26 35 |
| Toronto | 28 32 |
| Montreal | 26 32 |
| Quebec | 25 29 |
| Saint John | 28 34 |
| Moncton | 28 33 |
| Halifax | 25 39 |
| Charlottetown | 30 33 |
| Sydney | 29 33 |
| St. John's | 24 25 |

HALIFAX, (CP)—The weather office here says three to six inches of snow fell over most of the districts Monday. The snow changed to rain over most of the Maritimes. Skies will be cloudy and widely scattered showers and snowflurries are forecast for most regions Tuesday.

Regional forecasts:

Prince Edward Island: Snow changing to rain ending during morning, cloudy with widely scattered rain showers changing in evening to snowflurries; mild with east winds, 26 gusts to 40, and shifting during morning to southwest winds 25. Early morning and mid-afternoon temperature at Charlottetown 40.

Eastern N. B. counties, lower St. John River valley: Cloudy with widely scattered showers changing in afternoon to snowflurries; mild with southwest winds 25. High-low at Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John 40 and 35.

Upper St. John river valley, Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with snowflurries; mild with southwest winds 25. High-low at Edmundston and Campbellton 35 and 30.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 5:16 A. M. and 5:32 P. M. Sun rises today at 7:44 A. M. and sets at 4:31 P. M.

Coming Events

- *Dance Fortune Hall Tuesday, Dec. 15th. McWen's Orchestra.
- *Marshall Christmas Concert, Friday, December 18th.
- *Dance in Little Sands Hall, Tuesday, December 15th.
- *Dance tonight, Stanley Bridge Rink Hall.
- *Christmas Concert, Flat River Hall, Wednesday, December 23rd.
- *Christmas Concert, Springton School, December 23rd.
- *Thistle and Shamrock Christmas Concert, December 18th.
- *Card Party, Dunstaffnage School, Tuesday, December 15th.
- *Meadow Bank School Concert at Cornwall Hall, December 18th.
- *Crushing and Mixing every day, N. Aubrey Cutcliffe.
- *Christmas Concert and Dance, Lot 65 hall Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, 8 p.m.
- *Reserve Monday, 28th, for Variety Concert and Dance in Lot 65 Hall.
- *Boys' L. O. L. annual meeting (today) Dec. 15 8 p.m. All members please attend.
- *Come to St. Mary's School, Lot 22, Christmas Concert, December 17th.
- *Come to St. Ignatius School Concert in Mayfield Hall, December 16th, at 8:15.
- *Come to Cape Traverse School Concert in Cape Traverse Hall, Tuesday, December 22nd, 8:00 P. M.
- *Wheatley School Christmas concert in Wheatley River hall Wednesday, December 16.
- *Salvation Army Sunday School Concert and Christmas Tree, Friday, December 18th, 8 P. M. Silver collection.
- *Meeting of interest to turnip growers in Vernon and surrounding districts, Vernon Hall, Thursday, December 17th.
- *Help the Milton Hockey Club by attending their dance Friday night, Dec. 18 at Winsloe Station hall, Dolron Bros. Orchestra.
- *Shur-Gain Amateur Cavalcade North River Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 16. Sponsored by North River Hall Committee. Program time 8 o'clock.