

## Opposition To Fluoridation Discussed At Health Probe

By JACK BERT  
OTTAWA (CP)—Opposition to water fluoridation in Canada is led by persons who make it a business to fight against public health measures, the royal commission on health services was told here.

The assertion was made by Dr. Don W. Gullett of Toronto, secretary of the 6,000-member Canadian Dental Association, which urged strong federal action to encourage fluoridation of communal water supplies to fight tooth decay.

Opponents of fluoridation have requested to "emotional, irrational and scientifically unfounded arguments" to in-

fluence the probe, the association told the commission in a brief.

Chief Justice Emmett Hall of Saskatchewan, commission chairman asked Dr. Gullett whether there is any evidence that opponents are benefiting financially from their campaign against fluoridation.

Dr. Gullett said he hesitated to make a statement for fear the commission might demand proof of his allegations. But he stated nevertheless that leaders of the campaign are "in the

business of opposing public health measures."

**TRACE HISTORY**  
In attempting to "trace down" the reputation of leading anti-fluoridationists, the dental association had found that they opposed preceding health measures also.

Literature put out by anti-fluoridationists is "said by the dental association to be in great quantities," said Dr. Gullett.

The dental association said it could not recommend a national dental insurance program at the present time. Dr. Gullett said the association favored a partial payment plan, especially for children.

The association's brief recommended "immediate planning" for additional dental schools at the universities of British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Laval, and an additional school in Ontario.

The dental faculty at Dalhousie University should be expanded, and facilities for training dental hygienists made

## MacLaren Power Reports Profit

BUCKINGHAM, Que. (CP)—MacLaren Power and Paper Company reported Wednesday net earnings in 1964 declined to \$2,811,848, or \$1.46 a share, from \$3,069,974, or \$1.50 a share, in 1963.

The company, which through subsidiaries operates newspaper and hydro - electric plants, a lumber business and a telephone system, said in its annual report newspaper production in 1964 was 103,702 tons, down from 106,735 tons in 1963.

Most primitive of all tongues is believed to be Aramaic, an Australian aborigine language without pronouns.

## Jobless Figures Given For Feb.

By ROBERT RICE  
OTTAWA (CP) — There were 128,000 jobless in Canada last month, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has reported.

Quebec 11.3 per cent (14.5); Ontario 8.8 per cent (8.6); Prairie 6.5 per cent (7.1); Pacific 9.1 per cent (13.9). The rate is a percentage of the labor force.

That's 38,000 higher than in January. But it's also 136,000 lower than February last year, when unemployment hit a post-war record of 719,000.

The February jobless total represents 9.1 per cent of the labor force, compared with 8.5 per cent a month earlier and 11.3 per cent a year earlier.

Two-thirds of the rise in unemployment occurred in Quebec. It was blamed on a seasonal decline in pulp-cutting operations that resulted in heavy layoffs.

The big question now is whether the February total is the peak of unemployment this winter.

In the last nine years, winter unemployment reached its highest point twice in January, twice in February and five times in March.

**SAMPLE LABOR FORCE**  
Thirteen interviewers will call at 35,000 households across the country next week to sample the labor force—finding out how many workers had jobs and how many had no work this week.

Tuesday's manpower report noted a 3.5-per cent jump in employment between February last year and last month, one of the biggest leaps in the last five years.

In contrast, the over-all size of the labor force expanded by only one per cent.

The report said the demand for manpower has "strengthened noticeably" over the year.

Most of the increase in jobs occurred in service and manufacturing industries.

Employment was "fairly well maintained" in all regions between January and February.

**SHOWS LARGEST RISE**  
Unemployment showed its largest numerical rise in Quebec, where 24,000 workers joined the ranks of the jobless for a total of 303,000 in February.

Unemployment in other regions showed a less dramatic comparison in brackets: Atlantic 10,000 (94,000); Ontario 101,000 (149,000); Prairies 72,000 (75,900) and Pacific 53,000 (58,000).

The sample's unemployment rate dropped on a year-to-year basis in all five regions.

Two regions—the Atlantic and Quebec—showed jobless rates higher than the national average, while two other regions—Ontario and the Prairies—were lower. The Pacific region corresponded exactly to the 9.1-per cent national average.

Unemployment rates by regions, with the year-earlier rate in brackets:

Atlantic 16.2 per cent (18.0);

South Africa  
Defence Bill  
Is Increased

CAPE TOWN (Reuters) — South Africa will spend 48,000,000 rands (about \$7,200,000) more on defence this year. Finance Minister Eben Dönges announced Wednesday presenting his budget to Parliament.

In a budget expected to balance exactly at 760,000,000 rands (about \$1,083,140,000), defence will account for 120,000,000 rands (about \$160,000,000).

Dönges announced that gasoline and diesel oil will go up the equivalent of a cent a gallon. He also said that the former 1 per cent discount on personal income tax and three per cent discount on company tax — except for gold and diamond mining companies — would be abolished.

For the man in the street, wine will be slightly higher, a shot of whisky will cost about two cents more, and beer will be up a cent a pint. The price of cigarettes and tobacco will remain unchanged, but import duties on paperback books will be raised about seven cents.

**Public Ownership Of Public Utility Is Called Myth**

MONTREAL (CP) — J. A. Fuller, chairman of the Shawinigan Water and Power Co. Ltd., told the annual meeting Wednesday ownership by taxpayers "is, in the present sense, a myth."

He said if a government acquires a business, every taxpayer becomes a shareholder, whether he wants to be or not, and has no control or voice in the conduct of the company's affairs.

Referring to proposals of the Quebec government to nationalize electric utilities in the province, he said the competition the company gives to the provincially-owned Hydro-Quebec system protects the public interest by providing a yardstick of comparison and an incentive to the best possible service.

He suggested a permanent board made up of representatives of the investor-owned and government-owned power systems to ensure closer co-operation in the public interest between the two sectors.

Mr. Fuller's speech dealt entirely with the issue of provincial nationalization of investor-owned utilities. Shawinigan Water and Power is the largest investor-owned utility in Canada.

**VALUES at CLOVER FARM**

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DATES EFFECTIVE MARCH 22-23-24

MARVENS PLAIN OR SALTED SODAS	1 L.B.	33 <sup>c</sup>	HEINZ Piccalilli	12 oz. bottle	33 <sup>c</sup>
SNOW CLAM CHOWDER	15 OZ. TIN	35 <sup>c</sup>	HEINZ Prepared Mustard	16 oz. bottle	25 <sup>c</sup>
BLUE BREEZE	GIANT SIZE	79 <sup>c</sup>	HEINZ BAKED BEANS	20 OZ. TINS	45 <sup>c</sup>
DEL MONTE FRUIT COCKTAIL	20 OZ. TIN	35 <sup>c</sup>	HEINZ TOMATO JUICE	48 oz. Tin	37 <sup>c</sup>
BRIGHT YELLOW SUGAR	5 LBS.	49 <sup>c</sup>	NESTLES QUIK	1 L.B. TIN	83 <sup>c</sup>
QUAKER CORN-FLAKES	2 12 OZ. PKGS.	39 <sup>c</sup>	BROKEN O.P. TEA	1 L.B. PKG.	69 <sup>c</sup>
MARVENS ASSORTED COOKIES	3 L.B. BOX	89 <sup>c</sup>	QUAKER ROLLED OATS	5 L.B. BAG	63 <sup>c</sup>
BRYLCREEM	REG. SIZE LARGE	39 <sup>c</sup> 69 <sup>c</sup>			

INSTANT COFFEE NESCAFE 4 OZ. JAR 95<sup>c</sup>

SILVER LASSES MOLASSES QT. CONTAINER 29<sup>c</sup>

NESTLES QUIK 1 L.B. TIN 83<sup>c</sup>

BROKEN O.P. TEA 1 L.B. PKG. 69<sup>c</sup>

QUAKER ROLLED OATS 5 L.B. BAG 63<sup>c</sup>

FARM HOUSE Chocolate, Banana or Orange CAKE AND FRUIT PIE 79<sup>c</sup> BOTH FOR

BUTT END ROASTING PORK LOINS 55<sup>c</sup> L.B. REAL LEAN LOIN PORK CHOPS 59<sup>c</sup> L.B. FRESH DEVON PORK SAUSAGE 39<sup>c</sup> L.B. GRADE "A" BROILER CHICKEN 39<sup>c</sup> L.B. OVEN READY

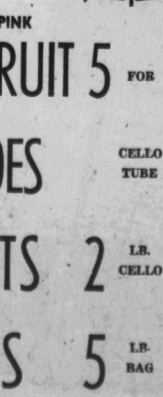
CHOICE HALIBUT STEAK 55<sup>c</sup> L.B. BEVON SLICED BACON 55<sup>c</sup> L.B.

LARGE WHITE OR PINK GRAPEFRUIT 5 FOR 43<sup>c</sup> RED RIPE TOMATOES 23<sup>c</sup> NO. 1 CORELESS CARROTS 2 L.B. CELLO 27<sup>c</sup> FANCY BALDWIN APPLES 5 L.B. BAG 49<sup>c</sup>

HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP 11 oz. bottle 25<sup>c</sup>

HEINZ COOKED SPAGHETTI 15 OZ. TINS 35<sup>c</sup>

HEINZ CONDENSED SOUP 2 Vegetable — 3 Tomato ALL FOR 55<sup>c</sup>



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