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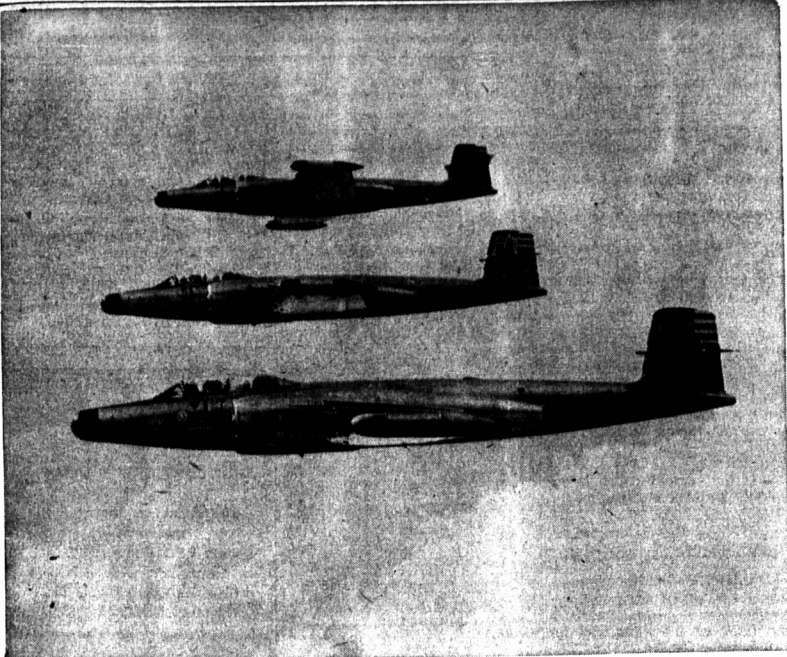
# The Guardian

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Island Like the Dew

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## Canadian Jets For Nato Air Arm

Canada's twin-jet, all-weather interceptors, the CF-100, will go into operational use with units of Allied Air Forces Central Europe before the end of the year. Air Chief Marshal Sir George H. Mills of NATO said in this photo by Avro Aircraft, Ltd., Toronto, which manufactures the plane.

## Expansion Program Reviewed By Minister Of Education

That there is a decided trend toward graded schools in the Province was noted by Hon. Keir Clark, Minister of Education when he spoke on the Draft address yesterday. "Fifty five per cent of all the classrooms are in the graded schools, compared to only 43 per cent ten years ago," he said. Mr. Clark said there was also a trend toward better school attendance. This he credited in some degree, to the payment of family allowances by the Federal Government. The Minister intimated that some form of legislation will be considered in regard to paying the indemnity of \$50,000 to school units. He said that a subsidy to offset increased taxation, would not be considered. He felt, for the Government to embark on such a policy, would be "dangerous procedure".

## City, Parkdale And Spring Park Discuss Problems

A heart to heart talk between members of the City Council and the Village Commissioners of Parkdale and Spring Park on Saturday, resulted in an agreement ratified by each of the interested organizations at individual special meetings held yesterday, designed to deal with common problems. It was agreed that the Provincial Government constitutes the parent authority for both the City and the Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park, and their problems. Of British proposals for enlarged truce teams and new border patrols, Hammarskjold said he is still considering the first question and that he sees no present need for the patrols.

### HON. KEIR CLARK

trend towards more graded schools of two or more rooms. There is a total of 449 schools; 353 of which are one room schools. The rest vary from 61 schools of two teaching departments to one large school of forty departments. There were 778 teachers employed during the last school year. This shows an increase of twelve teachers over the previous year and a decrease of 3 in the number of schools operating. "On a classroom basis 55 per cent of all classrooms are in graded schools compared with only 43 per cent of the classrooms of which the numbers in such schools ten years ago. Or if I may be permitted to state this fact another way there were 284 classrooms in graded schools ten years ago compared with 425 classrooms in such schools today. Progress in this direction is admittedly slow but the population trend toward urban areas, together with a growing realization of the educational advantages of the larger schools, is having its effect in the gradual diminution of the number of that famed, venerated, and historical institution, the Little Red Schoolhouse. "We can also note a long term trend toward increased attendance. The Government's policy at Ottawa in instituting family allowances which are conditional on the provincial department of education regulations concerning school attendance, plus the policies of the local Liberal administration in providing improved roads in winter, and paved roads in summer, has made it possible for many additional pupils to attend school regularly. "Last year the total enrollment in our schools, exclusive of the high school grades at Prince of Wales College, increased by 331 pupils over the previous year making a total of 20,264 as against 19,553 in 1954. The average daily attendance was nearly 86 per cent which is the highest in the history of our department. Compared with ten years ago the enrollment is 2,000 more pupils and an improvement of over 6 per cent in the average daily attendance. "The average attendance continues better in the graded schools, but our rural pupils have as high an average attendance as the pupils in Charlottetown and Summerdale schools ten years ago. Our department of course supervises all the schools, family allowances are promptly halted unless absence from school can be justified. A new system of reporting absences from school has been put in operation whereby cancellations are speeded up. "CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOLS "Tangible evidence of educational progress continues to be seen in the construction and improvement of schools throughout the province. During the past year the construction of high schools accounted for most of the activity. The high school at North Rustico and the high school at Souris were completed. New high schools (Continued on page 2 col. 3)

## Coming Events

Junior farmers, New Glasgow School Wednesday, February 29, weather permitting, special speaker. Horse races on Vernon Speedway Wednesday, Feb. 29th. All horsemen interested be ready to start at 2 o'clock sharp. Community Bingo at Morell Wednesday. 20 cash prizes of \$1.00 each. Plus jackpot now worth \$55. Freezout \$3.00. The annual meeting of Mt. Stewart Strawberry Growers will be held on March 14th, at 8 p.m. if not fine March 16th. Orders for boxes and crates will be received until that date. Kenneth P. Jay, Secy. Double header at North River Rink tonight, Long Creek vs. Winslow 7.30, Cornwall vs. Hampshire 8.45. Skate after. Ice races New Glasgow Wednesday. Good ice. All horses welcome. Don't miss St. Dunstan University Debating team in Morell Hall Feb. 28 at 8 p.m. Reserve Frid., March 16th for Three Act comedy Peg of My Heart in B.I.S. Hall, Emerald. Bean Supper, Belfast Hall, Saturday, March 3rd. Sponsored by Belfast Y. P. S. Supper served 7 P. M. till 10 P. M. Murray Harbour North Concert to be presented in Little Sands Hall, Thursday, March 1st, at 8 P.M. if not fine, following night. All ratpayers of School Unit No. 1 in the Winslow area are requested to attend a special meeting in Winslow A.C. Hall at 8 p.m. Tuesday 28th. Accommodation problem within the Unit will be discussed.

## Tax Agreement Talks March 9

HALIFAX (CP)—Premier Henry Hicks announced in the legislature Monday that Prime Minister St. Laurent has set March 9 as the date for resuming federal-provincial fiscal talks at Ottawa. Mr. Hicks told the House of communication received earlier from the prime minister said the conference would resume "in committee." Premier Hicks and Provincial Treasurer Ronald M. Fielding will head the Nova Scotia delegation which is expected to offer new proposals before agreeing on federal-provincial tax agreements. March 9 was favored as a date for the conference by Premier Hicks, Premier Alex Matheson of Prince Edward Island and Premier Hugh John Flemming of New Brunswick.

## Says No Formal UN Action Needed

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold said Monday no formal UN action is needed on the situation in the Middle East. He suggested the UN need only be "quietly helpful" through talks with all concerned. He made these statements at his first press conference since returning Friday from a six-week trip around the world which took him through the Middle East. Hammarskjold said there were great tensions between Israel and its Arab neighbors but he did not see any reason for a panicky reaction. He explained he believed the pledges he got from government leaders that they would not break the UN Charter, which calls for settlement of quarrels by peaceful means. Of British proposals for enlarged truce teams and new border patrols, Hammarskjold said he is still considering the first question and that he sees no present need for the patrols.

## Fears Destruction Of Canadian Potato Industry

By STEWART MACLEOD  
CANADIAN PRESS STAFF WRITER  
CHARLOTTETOWN (CP)—A Prince Edward Island expert said Monday that tariff-free United States imports threaten to destroy the Canadian potato industry. D. MacDonald, for five years head of the Provincial Potato Marketing Board, said the Canadian industry "will eventually be destroyed" unless it is protected against these imports. Mr. MacDonald said in an interview that it is unfair to allow United States dealers to market duty-free potatoes in Canada while Canadians must pay a minimum of 37 1/2 cents a hundredweight on potatoes exported to the United States on a quota basis. This system, he said, is "unfair to the Canadian industry" and will ultimately destroy it. He said that Maine growers closer to central Canadian markets than Maritime growers, can easily take their products to Ontario and Quebec and the only way we can keep them out is to undersell them. "USE MARITIME RATES" He said Maine growers, producing more than all Canadian growers combined, are shipping potatoes from New Brunswick points to central Canada at Maritime freight rates, and "these freight rates ironically enough were basically intended to aid surplus-producing Maritimes." Prince Edward Island, exporting between 8,000,000 and 9,000,000 bushels of potatoes a year sells between 15 and 25 per cent in the United States at a regular tariff rate of 37 1/2 cents a hundredweight. The rest is marketed mainly in the U.S. Mr. MacDonald said that during one twomonth period in 1954 when Maritime growers were desperately fighting for markets for surplus crops, U.S. growers sold 1,000,000 bushels in Canada. At that time, he said, P.E.I. potatoes were being shipped for prices as low as 25 cents for a 50-pound sack and Maine growers were even underselling that price. The value of the P.E.I. potato industry ranges between \$5,000,000 and \$12,000,000 annually depending on supply demand and competition. Mr. MacDonald doesn't think the Island's 8000 farmers will make much profit this year. He said production cost per acre now is estimated at more than \$200 and "we need tariff protection to strengthen prices." "TARIFF IN SUMMER" The only time United States potatoes are subject to a Canadian tariff is from June 15 to July 31 when the rate is the same as applied to Canadian exports 12 months of the year. Mr. MacDonald said this six-week Canadian tariff system also brings additional harm to Canadian growers. In order to market potatoes before the June 15 deadline, he says, U.S. growers sometimes flood the Canadian market. And because the U.S. restricts Canadian imports to 3,500,000 bushels—when tariffs jump to 75 cents—there is always a period of uncertainty when the quota is nearly filled.

## Canadian Delegation Present

# Atoms-For-Peace Meeting Underway In Washington

## Spinsters Fail In Big Leap Year Invasion

COPENHAGEN (Reuters)—Seventy spinsters returned home Monday night without husbands after their weekend Leap Year invasion of the Island of Fejoe, 70 miles south of here. But one of the Fejoe bachelors, Alex Joergensen, held out hope Monday. "You don't get yourself engaged the first time you meet a girl," he said. Moreover, two or three bachelors were said to be "interested." The spinsters travelled to the island last Friday by sleigh across the ice-covered sea and were entertained by the 70-member bachelors' association. Many availed themselves of an old Danish custom that allows women to propose marriage to men on Feb. 24 of Leap Year. If a proposal was refused, a bachelor had to pay a traditional fine of 12 pairs of gloves. "We told the girls," said Joergensen, "that we would send them any gloves later. I believe two or three members have done so." The bachelors of Fejoe (pop. 1,200) have trouble finding wives because so many girls prefer town life. But the bachelors were doubtful whether the Copenhagen invaders would make good farm wives. And they indignantly denied a report that 15 of the spinsters had not returned from their hunt for husbands.

## Zhukov Gains Prominence

# Reds Re-elect Praesidium With Khrushchev Leader

By RICHARD K. O'MALLEY  
MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Communist party's central committee kept the U. S. S. R.'s "collective leadership" intact Monday. It re-elected all 11 members of the committee's ruling praesidium and retained Nikita S. Khrushchev as the party's first secretary. The committee, however, expanded the number of alternate praesidium members from two to six, naming Defense Minister Georgi K. Zhukov to one of the four new places. Extension of this honor to the Second World War hero once again underscored the rise of the armed forces' influence since Stalin's death. (Moscow radio, broadcasting the names, listed the praesidium in alphabetical order, denoting equality of leadership, but when referring to the alternates, placed Zhukov's name first. This was deemed significant of his prominent position in the party's councils.) This praesidium—called the politburo in the Stalin era—rules the party and the nation in the name of the central committee of 133 members. The committee was chosen at the party's 20th congress last week. As first secretary, Khrushchev remains boss of the party's vast apparatus of more than seven million party members and candidate members. For the first time, a woman achieved the upper reaches of the party apparatus. Ekaterina Alexandrovna Furtseva became an alternate member of the praesidium. Chief of the Moscow city party apparatus for some time, she had been singled out by Khrushchev in recent months for notable honors. Another rising star was re-elected to alternate membership in the praesidium. He is Dmitri T. Shepilov, regarded by many as a logical successor to V. M. Molotov as foreign minister. Editor-in-chief of Pravda, the party's official organ, Shepilov has had such outstanding assignments recently as membership in the top government delegation sent to Yugoslavia to make peace with Marshal Tito and a journey to Egypt as a bearer of Soviet friendship offerings in the Middle East. The central committee also elected a secretariat of eight members, headed by Khrushchev. Both Mrs. Furtseva and Shepilov are members of this secretariat, which controls the far-flung party apparatus in the 16 Soviet republics.

## Zarubin Heads Delegation From Soviet Russia

By WARREN ROGERS JR.  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Twelve nations met here Monday to adopt a charter for a world atoms-for-peace agency and delegates from both sides of the Iron Curtain expressed hopes of success. James Wadsworth, head of the American delegation which is host for the closed door conference, welcomed the 11 other groups, saying: "The world is impatient to get on with peaceful development of nuclear power. We believe that the 12 states here have a responsibility to look beyond their own interests and find a common denominator, even though perhaps it will not be our ideal of co-operation for peaceful atomic development. Georgi N. Zarubin, Soviet ambassador to the United States and head of the Soviet delegation, surprised reporters by posing cheerfully for pictures and, contrary to custom, stopping long enough to reply to questions. Asked if he, too, was hopeful of success Zarubin said: "Always I hope we will reach agreement." Other countries represented by delegations generally headed by the U. S. were Canada, Britain, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, France, India, Portugal and South Africa. "LITTLE TOO EARLY" Pavel Winkler, head of Communist Czechoslovakia's group, told reporters, "I hope there are good chances for reaching agreement but it is a little too early to tell." The conference is expected to last about two weeks. Its purpose is to act on a proposed draft of a charter, which already has been approved by the United States and seven other participants. This conference's report will go to an 84-power meeting for final action. More than two years ago President Eisenhower called for the world to co-operate in developing an agency for the peaceful application of atomic energy.

## City Proposes That Welfare Bureaus Administer Relief

In an endeavour to simplify the matter of direct relief and to assure an equitable distribution of funds assigned for that purpose by the City Council and the Provincial Government, a resolution was passed at a special meeting of the City Council yesterday suggesting that in future the fund be administered by the Welfare Bureaus. The resolution stated: Whereas this City has always experienced great difficulty in the administration of direct relief fairly, and whereas, Charlottetown now has a welfare bureau which are qualified to administer direct relief more effectively, therefore, be it resolved: That the Provincial Government be asked to make a grant for the purpose of direct relief, which amount would be slightly in excess of the amount which they have been giving yearly to direct relief in the City, and the understanding that the said amount will be equally divided between the two Welfare Bureaus and supplemented by the City and that the City shall thus be relieved in the future of all direct relief. The meeting was presided over by A. W. Wainwright, Deputy Mayor, in the absence from the Province of His Worship Mayor J. D. Stewart. Councillors present were: P. E. McCormac, Frank G. O'Neill, G. R. Foster, E. C. Johnston, Arthur Gormley, A. J. Haslam.

## Caught Napping Motion Passed

When Hon. Keir Clark concluded his address in the Legislature yesterday the motion of approval to the Draft Address was passed by the Speaker of the House and when none of the members rose to his feet the motion carried, thus ending the debate. Mr. G. E. Daville, Fifth King, not realizing that the motion had carried arose to speak but was informed by the Speaker that the debate was over. Mr. R. R. Bell complained stating that he was of the opinion that more Government members were going to speak and was unprepared for the motion. Premier Matheson said, "The sooner you people realize what you are here for instead of being asleep, the better it will be for you." The Premier said that there was a technically overlooked however, in that the motion was not read to the House. He then requested the Speaker to read the motion. After which Dr. Dewar continued to debate until the House adjourned.

## Agriculture Minister Says Production Never Higher

"In spite of a reduction in our farm population, we are still producing more and better products of the farm," said Hon. Eugene Cullen in resuming the Draft Address in the House yesterday. He said that the trend of leaving the farms had reduced the population by 9,000 in the last twenty years. A survey being currently conducted by the Department of Agriculture has been able to give no particular reason why this trend should take place. He suggested however that many of the smaller units had been taken over by the larger farmer, which could conceivably account for the reduction. The Minister noted that in 1951 the Province enjoyed an all time high production in eggs but said that during the last few years the Department was experiencing some trouble with the grades. He gave notice that during the present session he would introduce legislation that would tighten the grading regulations within the Province. It was intimated that some of the stations were not keeping their grades up to standard and notice was given that those who failed to come up to standard would in future have their licences revoked. Mr. Cullen noted the all-out effort being made by Nova Scotia poultry men to corner the egg market and warned that "Island producers did not make a similar effort they would lose some of their existing markets, particularly in Newfoundland." He made reference to the splendid achievement of Mr. Dingwall MacLeod of Vernon who has consistently been a winner with his dressed poultry entry at the Royal Winter Fair. HOGS Mr. Cullen said that the hog population on the Island was much larger than it was in former years. He noted that Prince Edward Island has more advanced registry than all the other Provinces of Canada combined. He felt that in order for farmers to raise hogs at a greater profit it would be wiser to grow more of their own feed. It was estimated by the Minister that the Province has a cattle population of about 120,000. Tribute was also paid to the late Ian Stewart by the West Prince member. He regretted the absence of Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan stating, "I can imagine that the members on the Government side of the House miss him just as much as we do." Dr. Dewar noted that although the Opposition was small in number, it represented the three counties of the Province. In its ranks there was representation of both religions. It also represented Labour, Medicine and mercantile business, he said. "Though short in numbers, we will try to make up for it in the number of electors we represent," he said. NO CABINET REPRESENTATION The O'Leary doctor complained of the lack of representation that the Premier had seen fit to give the Western part of the Island in the Cabinet. He pointed out that Kings County had more than its share, with two senators, the Premier, Minister of Education, Minister of Health as well as the Minister of Welfare and Labor. He said that in his opinion the best selection that could be made to fill the vacant portfolio of Welfare and Labor would be the former Speaker of the House, Mr. Forrest Phillips, senior member from Second Prince. After speaking briefly, Dr. Dewar adjourned the debate until 3.00 o'clock this afternoon.



DR. GEORGE DEWAR Speaks Today In Legislature

## Canada And Russia Draft Trade Agreement

OTTAWA (CP)—A draft Canada-Russia trade agreement has been concluded here and sent to the governments of the two countries for action. A trade department official said Monday the draft pact was put together late last week by Canadian and Russian negotiators after four weeks of meetings. Its terms may be made public in a few days. "The draft agreement has been sent to Moscow and to the government here," he said. A joint announcement on the signing of a trade treaty will be made following consideration of the draft by the two governments and the official signing. The Canadian announcement on details of the pact will be made in the Commons by Trade Minister Howe. "The date of the announcement mostly will depend on the length of time it takes Moscow to study the draft," the official said. "There may be an announcement in a day or two." The treaty is expected to be of the "most favored nation" type. This would put Russia on the same basis for trade, in goods covered by the pact, as the United States and other countries with similar agreements with Canada. This also is the basis on which Canada trades with Communist Poland, Czechoslovakia and China. There is no indication here what

Canada will take from Russia under the treaty. However, reports here say the treaty may involve the sale to Russia of millions of dollars worth of Canadian wheat. Russia would pay in dollars for any Canadian wheat thus opening a new market for surplus Canadian stocks. Informants here state that Canada has insisted that there be a market in Russia for a fixed quantity of wheat for a fixed period of years in return for lower tariffs on Russian goods.

PROSPECTS LIMITED Last fall Mr. Howe said trade prospects are limited since Russia produces the same things as Canada. In the first 10 months of last year Canada sold Russia \$2,672,000 worth of goods, mostly wood pulp and vegetable oils. It imported \$554,000 worth of Russian goods, mostly furs.

## South Africa Continues "White Supremacy" Plan

By ASTLEY HAWKINS  
CAPETOWN (Reuters)—South Africa's Nationalist party government Monday won a five-year parliamentary fight for a major plank in its "white supremacy" program: Removal of 45,000 voters of mixed blood from the common electoral pool. The third and final reading of the bill was approved jointly, 174 to 68, by the Lower House and Senate. Opposition United Party legislators, who have bitterly opposed the measure, sat grimly silent when

the vote was announced. Their leader, Jacobus Strauss, has challenged Prime Minister Johannes Strijdom to resign if the courts now should invalidate his action in enlarging the Senate to get the two-thirds majority needed for the constitutional amendment passed Monday. The bill also restricts the powers of the federal courts to test the validity of any acts of Parliament except minor legislation dealing with equal language rights for English and Afrikaans residents.

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## ONE-CROP COUNTRY

Coffee makes up about 87 per cent of the average annual value of exports from El Salvador in central America.

Table with weather forecasts for various locations including Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, Fredericton, Saint John, Moncton, Halifax, Charlottetown, Sydney, Yarmouth, and St. John's. Columns include Min., Max., and Night/Dew.



TORONTO (CP)—Temperatures issued by the Toronto public weather office: