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WEATHER
Snow, changing to flurries by evening; winds increasing to northwest 20. Low-high 23 and 35.

PREMIER SPEAKS IN DEBATE

Centennial Year Called Tremendous For P.E.I.

By NEIL MATHESON

This Centennial year will be a "tremendous" one for Prince Edward Island which "is in a period of unusual expansion and development — if you doubt that, go out and use your own eyes" Premier Walter Shaw told the provincial legislature as he participated yesterday afternoon in the debate on the Draft Address.

Island people right across the province are doing a tremendous job of organizing the Centennial effort — they are preparing programs in many centres — never has there been such an upward surge of interest," the premier said.

It is in future years that the province will receive the full benefias of the events of this year, observed Mr. Shaw, who said the Island wants this year's visitors to come back again because of the courtesy, thoughtfulness and kindness with which they are treated during their visit.

There are 110 conventions slated, several large ones have been held already, and numerous visitors have already said they are coming back in the summer to see the province at its best, he told the house.

The Prime Minister of Canada and the premiers of the provinces will be here on Sept. 1, the 100th anniversary of the original confederation conference, and Her Majesty the Queen will be here later to officially open the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building complex, he stated.

NEW EDUCATION LEVEL

"We are lifting education to a new level in this province — there is a new spirit so far as the people are concerned," observed the leader of the government whose speech, like that of who preceded him was almost entirely free from political bias.

In addition to the new regional high schools, there is a tremendous vocational school development. "We shall have more than 4,000 students in a few years in those vocational schools," he predicted.

Some 1,800 youngsters were crowded into the Vocational School in Summerside at the time of the official opening several months ago, said the premier who sees "a wonderful demonstration of the desire of people to train themselves."

The resources program here was designed to show the people what they could do to help themselves and their own communities, and great things have been accomplished". There is a tremendous potentiality for development in your own communities" and a great deal of useful work has been done, he said. Thirteen large groups have been organized — and outstanding people in those communities are working together

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Harrington Man Named To Committee

By FARMER TISSINGTON
Capital Bureau, The Guardian

OTTAWA — Smith MacFarlane of Harrington, P.E.I. has been appointed one of five new members of the Farm Credit Corporation advisory committee, it was announced here Thursday by Agriculture Minister Harry Hays. Mr. MacFarlane is the president of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture.

Mr. Hays said that a system of appointments on a revolving basis was being introduced to permit a gradual introduction of new members while retaining the continuity and experience in committee membership. Besides the five new appointees, Mr. Hays also announced the re-appointment of five of the serving members.

To initiate the new system, four of the present appointees are for three years, three for two years and three for one year.

Mr. Hays said the principal function of the committee is to keep its finger on the pulse of agricultural credit in Canada and to make recommendations aimed at strengthening the operations of the corporation.

Sir Alec Stresses Policy For Increased Red Trade

SIR ALEC Douglas-Home, British Prime Minister, told reporters Thursday that "we in Britain have to trade," and added "we do not believe in boycotts." He made the statement at a news conference in discussing a point of disagreement with President Johnson over trade with Communist countries. He told newsmen the British "fully understand United States concern" with Cuba, and he said that the British point of view is understood in Washington. (AP Wirephoto)

Harmony Is Achieved On Other Problems

By HAROLD MORRISON

WASHINGTON (CP) — Prime Minister Douglas - Home said Thursday Britain hopes to expand trade with Communist countries and is prepared to offer long-term credit in anticipation of capturing a number of new contracts in the Soviet Union.

He said also that while he and President Johnson achieved harmony on a number of world questions, Britain does not agree with the U.S. on policy towards Cuba. Nor would Britain endorse any move to impose boycotts or other discrimination on non-strategic trade with the Communists.

Douglas-Home told a press conference that Britain and the U.S. agreed to work together in world tariff negotiations this year and to press ahead with hopes of achieving some disarmament agreements with Russia.

The prime minister emphasized that Britain fully endorses U.S. military action in South Viet Nam Johnson, in turn, endorsed the independence and freedom of Malaysia.

Touching on the Cyprus issue, Douglas-Home warned that the bloodshed there could spread into a war that could engulf all of the Mediterranean area. It was essential that efforts be concentrated on getting an international force into Cyprus to maintain the peace while mediation efforts continue.

FAVORS CHINA IN UN

As for American opposition to recognition of Red China, Sir Alec said Britain feels Red China should be allowed to become a member of the United Nations, though he declined to speculate when this might come about.

Douglas-Home said his two days of White House sessions dealing with issues around the world were harmonious except for the failure to agree on Cuban trade and the extending of long-term credit to finance sales to the Soviet bloc.

The United States opposes this as a form of aid but London disagrees. Douglas-Home outlined his views to reporters this way:

Britain is a crowded island which must trade to live. "We don't believe in boycotts and therefore do not discriminate between one country and another according to its political creed. . . .

COMFORT SOOTHS REDS

"We have always felt the more comfortable one (a Communist) is, the less likely he is to be a fanatical Communist."

The target of U.S. criticism are Britain's sales of hundreds of buses to Havana in face of U.S. embargo policy and British talks with the Soviet Union about selling chemical plants under credits of 10 to 15 years.

Douglas-Home noted British exports to Cuba had dwindled from $42,000,000 in 1959, the year Fidel Castro took over, to $5,300,000 in 1963. He said Britain understands U.S. concern about Castro's Communist subversion in the Americas.

As for the broad effort to ease cold-war disputes, the British leader listed possible disarmament agreements on exchanging observers against surprise attack and Johnson's proposal for a nuclear weapons freeze as offering the most promising prospects.

The communique noted the wide range of issues around the world in which the U.S. and Britain have common interests.

War-Crimes Defendant Is Suicide

FRANKFURT (AP)—A West German doctor hanged himself in prison Thursday and escaped trial on charges that he was the man who headed Adolf Hitler's program for killing 200,000 mental and physical defectives during the Second World War.

The suicide of Dr. Werner Heyde, scholarly, 61 - year-old professor of medicine was the fourth death of a Nazi war-crimes defendant this month. It followed by one day Friedrich Tillmann's fatal fall from an eighth-floor window in Cologne in what the state prosecutor, Dr. Fritz Bauer, said also was a suicide.

Heyde and Tillmann were to have gone on trial Tuesday at Limburg as the two top defendants accused of responsibility for the slaughter of 70,000 of the 200,000 defectives exterminated in Nazi death camps.

Heyde hanged himself with a belt from a heating pipe in his cell at Bruchsh Prison. Tillmann, 60, administrative expert in weeding defectives out of Hitler's "master race," fell from an office-building window.

Bauer, in describing Tillmann's death as a suicide, charged that a conspiracy to block a court trial at which names of more Nazi criminals might come to light.

Ruby Trial Seen Likely For Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — Chief defence counsel Melvin Belli said Thursday he thinks "the chances are pretty good" that the judge will tell lawyers to try to find a Dallas jury for Jack Ruby's murder trial.

District Judge Joe B. Brown said he will rule at 3 p.m. today on the defence effort to win a transfer of Ruby's trial from this Texas city.

"I'm sure we can't find a jury here," Belli said.

The trial of the man who killed President John F. Kennedy's accused assassin is scheduled to begin Monday unless Brown decides to move it to another Texas city.

Alberta Proposes Provinces Confer On Education

EDMONTON (CP) — The Alberta government called on Canada's other provinces Thursday to get together for a joint examination of this country's needs in university education and a means of financing those needs.

The proposal was advanced in the speech from the throne, read by Lieutenant - Governor J. Percy Page at the opening of the first session of the 15th Alberta legislature. The speech also forecast expansion of health and welfare programs in the province and expressed concern for the financing of education at all levels.

The Social Credit government said it "proposes to invite the governments of the other provinces to participate in a joint examination into present and future university requirements with a view to developing a realistic co - ordinated program to meet essential needs within the taxpayer's ability to pay."

Potato Market Forecast Good

The immediate future of the potato market should be good, as most of the local spuds have been used up in other provinces, and N.B. and P.E.I. will have the domestic market pretty well to themselves, but potato producers here will have to get together and do something about this marketing setup in which nobody in the large consuming centres seems to have any confidence any more, Leo P. McIsaac, Mermaid said last night after returning from the annual meeting of the Horticultural Council of Canada.

After making a survey on behalf of the P.E.I. Potato Marketing Board, he suggests he will recommend to the board that a promotion campaign be launched just as soon as possible aimed at the housewives in the Toronto area.

Also attending the horticultural Council meeting were R.L. Burge, chairman of the Island board, and board member George Howatt, French River. Mr. Burge was named chairman of the council's potato committee and Island representative on the board of directors. Mr. Howatt represents the Island on the seed potato committee.

In British Columbia where organized marketing exists, the price for potatoes has never gone below $2.50 per hundred pounds to the producer, and it has been as high as $3.00, and the price for Kennebecs for chipping is running $3.00 to $3.50, Mr. McIsaac said. The B.C. people figure the price need never go below $2.50, Mr. McIsaac reports.

There are many hopeful indications American spokesmen Mr. McIsaac talked with insisted the holding situation in the United States is better despite official reports, and Florida early plantings have been heavily affected by wet weather, he was told.

Jesuits Call Charges Nonsense

MONTREAL (CP) — Sixteen Canadian Jesuit priests and brothers banished from Haiti flew into Montreal Thursday, a day after their expulsion from the little Caribbean republic.

Most looked tired and haggard. Some were unshaven.

Those who commented on their expulsion said they could only guess at the motives behind it.

"We were supposed to be involved in some political activities," said Rev. Gerard Goulet, 62, of Montreal, superior of the Canadian Jesuit mission in Haiti, "but that was false of course, complete nonsense."

The entire 18-man mission was expelled by the regime of President Francois Duvalier. Two of the priests went to the neighboring Dominican Republic, where they are awaiting passage home by ship.

Rev. Origene Grenier, 51, of Shawinigan, Que., who had been a curate in a parish administered by the Canadian Jesuits, said he still could not believe the mission had been expelled "for we were fully absorbed in our educational and spiritual work and did nothing outside those areas."

HELD IN PRISON

One priest, Rev. Paul Laramee, 31, of Montreal and Brother Francois - Xavier Ross, 43, of St. Luc de Lamothe, Que., were held in prison for the 13 days preceding their departure from Haiti Wednesday.

They had been arrested at the airport in Port-au-Prince, the Haitian capital, Jan. 31 immediately upon their return from a trip to Canada and told they were suspected of carrying papers that menaced the security of the country.

Father Goulet said those arrests were the first concrete indication of trouble for the mission.

Alcoholics Treatment Considered By Gov't

By DON MACLEOD

The government has under consideration setting up an alcoholic treatment and research foundation in the province, Dr. Hubert MacNeill, minister of health, said in the Legislature yesterday.

He was replying to a question by Dr. M.L. Bonnell (Lt-4th Kings) who asked whether or not the government has any plan or policy in mind to look after the "alcoholics in the province."

Dr. MacNeill said "we have something in mind but I can't say fully what it is as it has not been approved entirely by government."

The health minister said he would like to see different stages of treatment provided.

"One stage would be for drying out," he said, "and possibly there could be clinics in Charlottetown and Summerside. The next stage would be hos-

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Income On Farms Marks New High

OTTAWA (CP) — Farm cash income received by Canadian farmers from farming operations reached a record $3,335,000,000 in 1963—2.2 per cent above 1962's previous peak total of $3,154,240,000, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Thursday.

The total includes cash income from sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, net cash advances on farm-stored grain in western Canada and deficiency payments made under the provisions of the Agricultural Stabilization Act.

Largest contributor to the grain in total farm cash income between 1962 and 1963 were receipts from the sale of wheat, coarse grains, tobacco, dairy products and poultry products. Lesser gains were made by potatoes, fruits and vegetables.

Decreases in income were posted for cattle, hogs, flaxseed and Canadian Wheat Board payments on previous years' grain crops.

Cash income by provinces in 1963 with 1962 prices in brackets:

Prince Edward Island $25,531,000 ($25,010,000), Nova Scotia $45,354,000 ($46,123,000), New Brunswick $42,317,000 ($43,122,000), Quebec $475,196,000 ($462,966,000), Ontario $996,666,000 ($935,951,000), Manitoba $267,441,000 ($251,750,000), Saskatchewan $696,254,000 ($683,139,000), Alberta $520,230,000 ($554,491,000), British Columbia $150,146,000 ($151,688,000).

Income In Province Has Slight Increase

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OTTAWA — Farm cash income in P.E.I. in 1963 was up slightly from 1962 figures, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Thursday.

The advance preliminary estimates of the P.E.I. income are $25,531,000 compared to $25,010,000 in 1962 and $23,913,000 in 1961.

Total for all of Canada, excluding Newfoundland, is $3,222,335,000 in 1963 compared to $3,154,240,000 the year before. Higher receipts from the sale of grain, wheat, tobacco, dairy and poultry products were credited with the increase. Less important contributions were made by gains in returns from the sale of potatoes, fruits, vegetables and increased net cash advances on farm-stored grain in Western Canada.

Nova Scotia showed a drop in income while New Brunswick was slightly higher than in 1962.

The Island did not receive any supplementary farm payments in 1963. In 1961 Island farmers received $390,000 in supplementary payments to potato growers in connection with the losses they sustained as a result of fusarium rot in the 1960 potato crop.

Butter Surplus Is Unchanged

OTTAWA (CP)—The chronic butter surplus was 204,478,000 pounds as of Feb. 1 or about the same as a year ago, the bureau of statistics reports.

Creamery butter stocks of 124,827,000 pounds were higher than the 124,316,000 pounds a year ago but holdings in butter oil of 79,500,000 pounds were down somewhat due to exports at below-cost prices.

At the same time however, production has been trimmed over a year to 15,031,000 pounds in January against 15,422,000 pounds a year earlier.

Cyprus Flareup Leaves 11 Dead

NICOSIA (AP)—Vicious communal fighting at Limassol sputtered into an uneasy cease-fire late Thursday while talks to end just such violence in Cyprus continued without announced results at the president's palace in Nicosia.

The battles in the south coastal part of Limassol represented the worst flareup since the Christmas fighting which started over protests by the Turkish - Cypriot minority that proposed constitutional changes were aimed against them.

Reliable estimates of casualties in Thursday's fighting at Limassol put the Turkish-Cypriot dead at 10 with eight wounded, though unconfirmed reports spoke of as high a figure as 50 dead plus 15 wounded.

Greek - Cypriots said their losses were one dead and eight wounded.

ADB Reported Bankrupt Soon

AMHERST (CP)—Robert C. Coates, member of Parliament for Cumberland, said Thursday the Atlantic Development Board would be bankrupt by the end of 1964 if action was not taken during the coming session of Parliament to increase the present $100,000,000 fund.

Mr. Coates said in a statement issued here that the board had already made a grant of $30,000,000 toward the Mactaquac power project on the St. John River in New Brunswick.

"If similar grants are made to the remaining three Atlantic provinces it can readily be seen that little will remain in the fund for the various other projects. . . ."

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MOTHERS URGED NOT TO SMOKE

VANCOUVER (CP) — Expectant mothers who smoke during pregnancy increase their chances of having smaller - than - average babies, a leading United States child specialist said Thursday.

Dr. William A. Silverman, associate professor of pediatrics at New York's Columbia University, said studies in the U.S. and Britain have confirmed that the proportion of babies under 5½ pounds at birth is higher among smoking mothers.

Dr. Silverman, who heads the premature birth unit at New York Presbyterian Hospital, is attending a three-day convention of the North Pacific Pediatric Society here.

The New York specialist said it has not yet been ascertained how smoking affects unborn children.

"But one thing is clear, he said. "Expectant mothers should not smoke at all during pregnancy."

APPEAL ALLOWED

New Trial Ordered In Hotel Fire Case

Handing down judgment on an appeal relating to one of the several Clifton Hotel fire cases, the full bench of the P.E.I. Court of Appeal yesterday allowed the appeal and directed that a new trial be held.

The appeal, on which evidence had been heard several weeks ago, was brought by James Edward Dalton, Summerside, owner and operator of the hotel, against the judgment given by Mr. Justice R.R. Bell and a jury at the Supreme Court in Summerside on Jan. 21, 1963.

At that time, the court had awarded the plaintiff, Mamie Elinor Higgins of Dartmouth, N.S., damages amounting to $23,482, claimed following the death of her husband, Erle L. Higgins, in the fire which destroyed the hotel at Summerside on March 14, 1961. Two other persons also lost their lives.

The appellant, Dalton, contended that the trial judge improperly admitted certain evidence and also that he improperly directed the jury with regards to the effect of such evidence and other matters.

DIRECT NEW TRIAL

In allowing the appeal the bench, comprising Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell, Mr. Justice Mark McGuigan and Mr. Justice George J. Tweedy, directed that a new trial be held because of the improper admission of evidence at the trial and the misdirection of jury by the trial judge.

The bench ruled that these

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COMMISSION REQUESTED ON DIVORCE LAWS

Mrs. Saul Hayes (second from right) of Montreal, president of the National Council of Women, presents a brief to Prime Minister Pearson and members of his Cabinet in Ottawa Thursday. With Mrs. Hayes is Health Minister Judy LaMarsh. The council asked the government to set up a Royal Commission to study Canada's divorce laws.

Man Is Shot In Robbery

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—The president of a stevedoring firm was shot and his firm robbed of "a large amount of money" here Thursday by two men shortly before 5 p.m.

Hugh S. Gregory, president of H. S. Gregory and Sons Limited, was taken to hospital. His condition was not known immediately.

Police said roadblocks were set up at all city exits in the hunt for two men, one of whom stayed outside the building during the holdup.

Britain Plans Boost In Defence Spending

By ROD CURRIE

LONDON (CP)—The annual defence white paper Thursday announced a £160,000,000 ($480,000,000) increase in military spending and underlined the Conservative government's determination to keep Britain's independent nuclear deterrent.

The total defence bill for 1964-65 will be close to £2,000,000,000 ($6,000,000,000). This is about seven per cent of the Gross National Product — the yearly value of goods and services produced — as compared with about 3 per cent in Russia and nine per cent in the United States.

Less than 10 per cent will be devoted to nuclear defences although this proportion probably will increase gradually in subsequent budgets until Britain's first nuclear submarine is produced in 1968.

The paper's emphasis on the deterrent suggests again that Prime Minister Sir Alec Douglas-Home is anxious for an all-out battle on the question as a major issue in the general election which must be held this year.

CHALLENGE SEEN

Observers regard it as a direct challenge to the Labor opposition and the first clash will come when the defence debate opens in the Commons Feb. 26.

The white paper says 1964 will be the 19th year in which the overwhelming destructive power of nuclear weapons has kept the peace.

"In the present state of the world no other realistic policy is apparent," the report says.

Harold Wilson, opposition Labor leader who recently scoffed at what he termed the "so-called independent, so-called deterrent," has said he would "renegotiate or de - negotiate" the Nassau agreement under which Britain acquired the Polaris missile from the U.S.

The white paper states that the submarines to carry the Polaris will be built in Britain and that "although the delivery system is American, the nuclear warheads will be British and free from all control by any other power."

The government, so far cool to the idea of a mixed-manned, nuclear-armed fleet, announced it would take part in the experiment sponsored by the U.S. but emphasized its participation was "without commitment."