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thrive on wealth, amain, while
virtue, valour, wisdom sit in want.

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turning and a longer record that
has no break.

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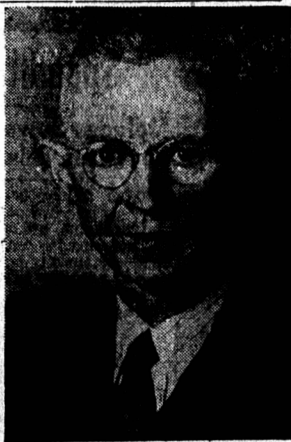
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ABBOTT PLANS TO DELIVER BUDGET SPEECH MARCH 28

Urges Control Of Foreign Oils For Margarine

Outspoken Criticism From Former Minister

"Cold, damp, inconvenient and costly" was the comment made last night in the Legislature by Mr. W. F. A. Stewart, former Minister of Agriculture, on the Government's new \$30,000 barn at Falconwood, which he declared had only one advantage — namely, to serve as an example for engineers to come and look at it and say — "Don't ever build another one like it!"



Mr. W. F. A. Stewart

Mr. Stewart launched his criticism of this and other Government activities while speaking in the Budget debate.

"You would think that when I was Minister I would have full say in the building of the Falconwood barn," he said. "I have been criticized for it, but I had nothing to do with it."

The old barn, he explained, was a structure 90 by 30 feet. The width was not suitable, but a better barn could have been built for \$4,000 or \$5,000, using the old stanchions and getting by on that.

"But the powers-that-be decided otherwise," he added. "Certainly I don't take any responsibility for it, it is 80 by 40 feet — not a good width for a barn. It is cold, it is damp, it is inconvenient and it is costly."

Motion Ruled Out Of Order

The Legislature yesterday voted 16-7 to uphold Mr. Speaker Phillips' ruling that an Opposition motion asking the House to disassociate itself from remarks made by Premier Jones to a Federation of Agriculture delegation last week was out of order.

The vote was on straight party lines except for a "no" vote from Mr. Keir Clark (Liberal, 3rd Kings) who stood up with the six Progressive Conservative members.

On those supporting the Speaker's ruling being asked to stand, three Liberal members remained in their seats along with the Opposition. They were Messrs. Keir Clark, Russell Clark and William Hughes. Four Liberal members were absent when the vote was called.

The motion, introduced by Mr. Phillip Matheson, (PC-2nd Queens) asked the House to say it "entirely dissociated itself from the unwarranted, discourteous and insulting language" used by the Premier to the farmers' delegation.

Mr. Matheson asked for the vote after the Speaker ruled the motion out of order because it was based on "incorrect assumptions."

The Speaker said there had been no petition to the Government from the Federation to present their grievances and the Legislature was not in session at the time as Mr. Matheson's motion claimed.

Attorney-General W. E. Darby rose to question Mr. Matheson's right to speak on the resolution after the Opposition member had put it. This objection was upheld by the Speaker, who went on to give his ruling on the motion.

KING GEORGE RECOVERS

LONDON, March 20 — (AP) — The King was back at his state duties today, recovered from a cold which kept him indoors during the week-end.

Dairy Council President Sees Situation Serious

SEIGNIORY CLUB, Que., March 20 — (CP) — J. H. Duplan today renewed the dairy industry's fight against margarine with the charge that the "inspired campaign" of some profit-making and subversive groups has resulted in Canada being "literally flooded with foreign oils."

The president of the National Dairy Council told its annual meeting that unless this "flood" of foreign oils — required to manufacture margarine — is controlled by tariffs and other means, the butter industry and the Canadian economy as a whole may face "economic chaos."

Some 200 delegates, representing more than 600 dairy plants and 23 dairy associations, gathered to hear Mr. Duplan's report and to attend the three-day conference that will try to forge some formidable weapon against the effects of margarine and of declining foreign markets for Canadian dairy products.

Mr. Duplan disclosed to the representatives of dairy manufacturers, processors and distributors that this weapon may be found in a high-powered \$500,000-a-year publicity campaign to spread the merits of Canada's dairy products before the Canadian public.

"Our industry cannot afford to sit back and see its markets undermined," Mr. Duplan said, "and I suggest to you that sales promotion activities on our domestic market should represent the no. 1 project of every dairyman in Canada in the years ahead."

Huge Industry Threatened

The welfare of 17 per cent of the Canadian population, which directly and indirectly derived its livelihood from the \$600,000,000 dairy industry was at stake.

People who argued in favor of bringing margarine to Canadians "unwittingly played into the hands of those groups who were carrying on an inspired campaign for the introduction of substitutes."

"These groups comprised in part of those who stood to gain financially by the sale of a product manufactured from foreign oils, and, in part, by that small but extremely vocal section of our population who thrive on destructive agitation of any kind."

Introduction of the imitation butter product in the space of one year caused:

- 1. A reduction of \$50,000,000 in the purchasing power of Canadian farmers.
- 2. A 20,000,000-pound surplus of butter in the hands of the Government, reflecting an investment of \$10,000,000 of the taxpayer's money.
- 3. An expenditure of \$10,000,000 in "badly-needed United States funds" for foreign oils used in the manufacture of 98 per cent of the margarine consumed in Canada.

If present price differentials between butter and margarine prevail, Mr. Duplan said, "margarine will result in an even greater surplus of butter than last year and an even greater drop in farm purchasing power."

"A reduction in this purchasing power of \$10,000,000 can have but one result—reduced output of manufactured goods and services."

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Bill Imposes License Fee On Car Operators

Owners of registered motor vehicles in the Province, who formerly received their operator's license free of charge will pay one dollar for their operator's license, according to a bill to consolidate and amend the Highway Traffic Act which received part of its second reading in the House yesterday afternoon.

This new levy, it was estimated by Mr. R. R. Bell (PC-2nd Queens) would annually result in about \$100,000 additional taxes.

Hon. J. W. Arsenault, Provincial Secretary, who promoted the bill pointed out that no direct taxes are levied by the Province. The only taxes being raised are those on luxuries such as tobacco, liquor, gasoline and motor cars.

"Representations were made to me by the Treasury Department that this provision (free operator's license) is not made in the other provinces and that an extra dollar

for an operator's license would not be felt by a person registering a car," he stated.

All persons who apply for a chauffeur's or driver's license will be required to pay a fee of one dollar into the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund. In former years only the operator of the vehicle paid into this fund.

Application may be made to this fund for compensation by anyone who has suffered damage to their automobile through the fault of another and have been unable to receive payment for the damages. The damage in such cases must exceed one hundred dollars and not exceed one thousand dollars.

Major Change

A major change in the Act is one which aims to curb drunken driving. In future any person whose license or registration has

Potato Warehousing Loan Bill Discussed

N. B. Potato Growers Plan Co-operative

GRAND FALLS, N. B., March 20 — (CP) — Some 200 potato growers of this area tonight voted unanimously to form a potato marketing co-operative. It was the first move to place marketing of New Brunswick potatoes on a similar basis to wheat sales in Western Canada.

The action was designed to end speculative buying of potatoes and provide growers with a guaranteed price at planting time, with the Federal Government paying the difference between the guaranteed price and market price.

The decision followed a report by a grower, T. E. Duffie, in conferences in Ottawa early this month with Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, and J. G. Taggart, head of the Agricultural Prices Support Board.

Mr. Duffie quoted Mr. Gardiner as saying that he was promised a year ago that the potato growers would attempt co-operation under such a system and that he still based future aid to the growers on this assumption.

U. S. To Send Surplus Food To Western Europe

WASHINGTON, March 20 — (AP) — Overriding administration protests, the House foreign affairs committee voted today to hand \$1,000,000,000 worth of farm surpluses to Western Europe and cut that much cash out of the Marshall Plan.

The committee agreed behind closed doors to provide the surplus commodities in lieu of one-third the money the administration had asked for the Economic Co-Operation Administration for the year beginning July 1.

If the House of Representatives and Senate go along, the action will mean that E.C.A. will get \$1,950,000,000 in new cash next year, plus \$1,000,000,000 in surplus now held by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Their value would be based on actual cost to the government, including handling, except that it could not be higher than current market prices.

HONG KONG DEFENCE

LONDON, March 20 — (Reuters) — War Minister John Strachey told the House of Commons today that Britain did not want to retain large forces permanently in Hong Kong — but the Far East situation made it impossible to forecast when any troops could be withdrawn. Introducing the budget estimates for the army in his first speech as War Minister, Strachey said the gravest problem in the Far East remained the campaign in Malaya against organized terrorism, economic sabotage and murder. Strachey said Britain intended to reduce her total Middle East garrison during the coming year.

People in the Province building potato warehouses with Government assistance will be required to pay sixty-two and one-half per cent of the total cost while the Provincial and Dominion Governments will pay the other 37.5 per cent plus administration costs between them, it was explained in the Legislature yesterday on the second reading of a bill respecting Potato Warehousing Loans.

The bill, promoted by Hon. Eugene Cullen, Minister of Industry and Natural Resources, is only a tentative agreement, it was stated, but will be accepted by the Dominion Government if it passes the Legislature.

The bill calls for the Provincial Government to advance 75 per cent of the building costs to the builders, who themselves provide the remaining 25 per cent. Upon construction of the warehouse the Dominion Government will grant 37.5 per cent of the cost to the Provincial Government.

The Island Government will assess the warehouse operators at the rate of one cent per bushel on all potatoes that pass through the individual warehouses until the 37.5 per cent, which has not been refunded to them, has been paid up. The title will then be turned over to the operators.

The Provincial Government will then turn half of the assessments or 18.75 per cent less administration costs over to the Dominion Government with the result that the Provincial Government has paid 18.75 per cent minus administration costs and the Dominion Government has paid 18.75 per cent plus administration costs.

Opposition Criticism

Mr. R. R. Bell and Mr. Phillip Matheson, Opposition members, stated that this was a far cry from the plan proposed by the Dominion Government whereby 37.5 per cent would be granted by the Dominion Government if matched by another 37.5 per cent by the

Employment Situation Is Improving

OTTAWA, March 20 — (CP) — The employment situation in Canada is continuing to improve, the Labor Department reported today. Number of persons seeking jobs through National Employment Service offices totalled 375,900 at March 2, a drop of 5,000 in three weeks.

Peak total of 380,900 was reached Feb. 9 and then began to taper. It dropped to 378,300 at Feb. 16 and to 374,500 at Feb. 23.

The latest total of 375,900 includes 3,000 new registrants provided through extension by Parliament of unemployment insurance benefits.

The Department reported that unemployment insurance payments made during February totalled \$13,600,000, including \$1,400,000 in the Atlantic region.

By regions, these were the totals of unemployed — including new registrants — at March 2, with Feb. 3 figures in brackets: Atlantic 59,800 (54,900); Quebec 112,900 (109,800); Ontario 89,500 (88,800); Prairies 84,500 (82,900); Pacific 80,800 (80,700).

No Major Tax Changes Are Anticipated

OTTAWA, March 20 — (CP) — Finance Minister Abbott will bring down his 1950-51 budget at 9 p.m. AST Tuesday, March 28, but few observers expect it to compare with the tax-slashing pre-election budget of 1949-50.

Mr. Abbott told the Commons today that barring developments which he does not anticipate, he will seek unanimous consent of the House so that he may start reading his budget speech after dinner adjournment.

The Minister has dropped no hints of what the budget will contain. However, the feeling in political circles is to the effect that any tax relief is likely to be slight.

Accelerated expenditures have been catching up to revenues which have been declining largely as a result of the \$375,000,000 cut in taxes provided in the last budget.

That budget, which covered the year ending March 31, first was introduced in the Commons March 22, 1949.

Personal income tax changes highlighted the 1949-50 budget, accounting for \$270,000,000 of the reductions announced by Mr. Abbott.

Basic income tax reductions were boosted from \$750 to \$1,000 for single persons and from \$1,500 to \$2,000 for married persons. Exemptions were raised from \$100 to \$150 for each dependent child under 16 and \$300 to \$400 for other dependents.

The budget established two rates on corporate profits. The tax on profits under \$10,000 a year were dropped from 30 to 10 per cent, in a move aimed at easing the burden on taxation of small businesses.

The tax on profits of more than \$10,000 a year was increased from 30 to 33 per cent.

As a result of these and a few other changes in the tax structure, Mr. Abbott said he expected to end the current year with a surplus of about \$90,000,000. The Government has not released figures covering fiscal operations in January and February, but the December report showed revenues running ahead of expenditures at a rate of about \$300,000,000.

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Outlines Plans For Paved Roads



Hon. H. H. Cox

Anti-Leopold Strikes Continue

BRUSSELS, March 20 — (CP) — Premier Gaston Eyskens tonight struggled to form a new Catholic-Liberal coalition government in the face of growing "Stop Leopold" strikes.

The strikes brought out an estimated 10,000 Brussels workers and paralyzed Antwerp's docks. The pro-socialist General Labor Confederation — giving tacit but unofficial approval to the stoppages — was reported considering a "progressive strike" scheme.

Britain To Get Dried Eggs From The U.S.

WASHINGTON, March 20 — (AP) — Britain today received authority to buy \$3,000,000 worth of dried eggs from United States suppliers. The Economic Co-Operation Administration announced the Marshall Plan spending approval. E.C.A. officials said the \$3,000,000 allotted to Britain will finance the purchase of approximately 2,500 metric tons or about 5,600,000 pounds, of dried eggs.

Argument Leads To Double Murder, Suicide

RODNEY, Ont., March 20 — (CP) — Lewis Sumegi, disgruntled by his wife's refusal to give him money, calmly murdered her today in a neighbor's kitchen.

"Excuse me, Tony," he said, as he kissed the cheek of a friend who witnessed the shotgun slaying.

Sumegi, Hungarian-born, 50-year-old farmer, then went outside, murdered his stepson, drove into Rodney and parked outside the town hall.

As a policeman's white cruiser approached and as horrified townspeople watched, Sumegi committed suicide with a .22-caliber rifle.

Mary Sumegi, 46, and her 26-year-old son, Louis Nagy, had refused Sumegi's demand for \$300. He claimed it as his share of the proceeds from the tobacco grown last year on Mrs. Sumegi's farm.

An argument started at the breakfast table. It continued after Mrs. Sumegi's five other children by a previous marriage, left for school.

The neighbor, Tony Sabo, said Mrs. Sumegi ran terrified to his house, screaming, "He's going to shoot me!" She grabbed a broom as if to defend herself.

Seconds later, Sabo said Sumegi walked in. Again he demanded \$300. Again Mrs. Sumegi refused. Sumegi fired from point-blank range, hitting his wife in the face. She apparently died instantly.

A long-term plan under which a system of permanent roads, linking the proposed Trans-Canada Highway with the present paved roads of the Province and forming a network of dust-free roads to the principal centres, was announced in the Legislature last night by Hon. H. H. Cox, Minister of Public Works and Highways.

Speaking in the budget debate, Mr. Cox, said that a start on this program would be made this year, as follows:

- Pavement into Georgetown.
- Light pavement — Commercial Road.
- Preparation for Pavement: O'Leary Road, Day's Corner to Wellington; Bridgetown to Dingwell's Mills; and rebuilding parts of present pavement where it has broken up.

Mr. Cox said he was confident that 1950 will see the start of the Trans-Canada Highway and from the nature of the proposals it will be necessary that most of this highway will be built in Queen's County.

The long-term provincial program above mentioned will be undertaken for the purpose of compensating the other Counties.

Route Not Stated

The Minister said it was not possible for him to state the route of the Trans-Canada Highway program as agreement must still be reached with the Federal Government. He said, however, that the agreement is to extend over seven years and that bridges will be among the first considerations.

"The normal construction program of standardization of highways which has been so popular during the past four years will have to be cut down in districts which receive the benefits of Trans-Canada or permanent roads programs," Mr. Cox said. "In other words we have drawn up a program in which we have, as far as possible, balanced expenditure district by district; and I ask the co-operation of all the members to help me carry it out."

1949 Activities

Reviewing last year's highway construction program, Mr. Cox said

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Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 39, 44; Calgary 11, 43; Regina 7, 35; Winnipeg 15, 32; Toronto 22, 35; Ottawa 7, 35; Montreal 19, 36; Quebec —, 38; Saint John 22, 40; Moncton 13, 40; Halifax 33, 39; Charlottetown 15, 35; Sydney 17, 27; Yarmouth 28, 35; St. John's 20, 25.

Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax.

Synopsis: Skies were clear throughout the Maritimes tonight. An area of high pressure is expected to move eastward across the district Tuesday and similar weather, with temperatures rising slightly above the melting point, is forecast for most regions. A disturbance moving along the United States coast will cause clouds to spread into the western regions Tuesday night.

Regional forecasts, valid until midnight Tuesday.

Prince Edward Island — Clear with little change in temperature. West winds 15. Low and high Tuesday at Charlottetown 14 and 40.

High tide today at 12:34 A. M. and at 12:36 P. M.
Sun rises at 6:16 A. M. and sets at 8:35 P. M.

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Coming Events

- "*All your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- "*Garden Seeds. Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vessey, York, P. E. I.
- "*St. Patrick's variety concert Crapaud Hall, Wednesday, March 22nd, Crapaud W. I.
- "*Summerfield Hall, Tuesday, March 21st. One act plays, "A Ghostly Evening", "Green Paint." Sponsored by Springfield W. I.
- "*Laugh, Laugh, Laugh. See "Don't Trust Your Husband" at MacDonald Bros. Theatre tonight. Plus Serial.
- "*Meeting of Clyde River Manse Committee in the Church, Wednesday night, March 22nd. If not fine, the first fine night.
- "*Millvale Driving Club will hold races Wednesday afternoon. If not fine, Thursday. Races start at 1:30. Silver Trophy will be given to the winning horses of the three fastest classes.
- "*See the Mr. and Mrs. Club of Summerside present their variety show at the Masonic Hall, Summerside, Wednesday, March 22. Sponsored by the Women's Institute. Admission 50 and 25 cents.

Murderer Greets Death Sentence With Laughter

NEW YORK, March 20 — (CP) — As the echoes of the grim words "May God have mercy on your soul" died away today in a New York courtroom, a peal of laughter rang out from the man who had just been condemned to die in the electric chair.

Lewis Wolfe, former Montreal contractor and convicted wife-slayer, heard his sentence from Judge Louis Goldstein—a sentence that was imposed after Wolfe was judged to be sane.

In 1944, Wolfe's wife, a former Viennese actress, was found beaten to death by a steel-tipped shoe. Wolfe was arrested and convicted of the murder, but was found subsequently to be insane.

His insanity was not an issue in the murder case—it came later. And under New York State law an insane man may not be put to death. So Wolfe was saved from the electric chair and sent to a state mental hospital at Matteawan.

There he helped seal his fate by insisting again and again that he was not insane. New York State law provides that a person saved from execution by insanity which has no bearing on a capital con-

viction may be sentenced to death whenever he is found sane again.

Last month Wolfe was declared cured—in other words, he could be brought before a court and sentenced for the 1944 crime.

Judge Goldstein at first declared the former Montrealer still insane. Two court-appointed psychiatrists differed. Wolfe himself still insisted: "No jury in the world would call me insane."

During his psychiatric hearings, while he insisted on his sanity, he kept referring to himself as a "messiah."

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Today in court, where he was brought after the judge had ruled on his sanity following the psychiatrist's findings, Wolfe readily admitted the slaying.

"I didn't kill her—I killed the devil in her."

During the trial it was contended that she had admitted infidelity.

The judge set the execution date for the week of April 28.