

# Lively Speculation Heard On Globe And Mail Bidders

TORONTO (CP)—The announcement that The Globe and Mail, Ontario's only morning newspaper, will be offered for sale Jan. 10 touched off speculation Tuesday concerning possible bidders.

It was announced Monday night that Canadian, British and United States interests will be invited to bid for Canada's largest morning newspaper, whose history dates from the founding of The Globe by Liberal politician George Brown in 1843.

Reports were current Tuesday that bids may come from various Canadian publishing groups: from British enterprises such as those of Canadian-born Lord Beaverbrook or the company that publishes the mass-circulation Daily Mirror; from a United States multi-millionaire; and from Progressive Conservative interests associated with George Drew, the party's national leader.

Mr. Drew, recuperating at Ste. Adele, Que., from a meningitis attack, said the report was "the silliest cock-and-bull story I've heard in a very long time."

None of the other reported likely to bid came up with confirmation through several expressed interest.

## THOMSON INTERESTED

Roy H. Thomson, president of the Thomson Company which publishes more than 20 newspapers in Canada, the United States and Britain, said: "I am seriously interested and am looking into the matter very carefully before making a decision."

Philip S. Fisher of Montreal, president of the Southam Company, said: "The Southam Company is interested in any good Canadian newspaper that comes on the market. We are interested in The Globe and Mail but there is no use saying we are going to bid until we know what the offering will be."

Jack Kent Cook, Toronto radio station operator and magazine publisher, said: "I am interested. I think it important that this great Canadian newspaper remain in the hands of Canadians."

Clinton Williams Murchison, 59-year-old Texas multi-millionaire whose Canadian Delhi Oil Ltd. will be half-owner of the proposed Trans Canada Pipe Lines Ltd., was rumored to be interested. He could not be reached at once in Mexico City.

E. P. Taylor, Toronto industrialist and financier, was said by the Toronto Star to be a possible bidder, but there was no comment from him.

## BIDS MUST SATISFY

H. G. Kimber, president and publisher of the paper since the death of George McCullagh in August, 1952, said there is no pressing urgency about the sale. He said no sale will be made if bids are not satisfactory.

One report was that a "satisfactory" bid would have to be more than \$7,000,000.

The paper reported a circulation of 244,000 last September. It came into being in its present form in November, 1936, when Mr. McCullagh merged the old Globe, bought five weeks earlier for \$1,550,000, with The Mail and Empire, which cost him \$2,020,000.

William H. Wright, multi-millionaire mining man backed Mr. McCullagh in the purchases. The paper's six-storey building was named for Mr. Wright who died Sept. 20, 1951.

The Chartered Trust Company, co-executor of the estates of Mr. McCullagh and of Mr. Wright, announced the decision to offer the newspaper for sale.

## Installing New Memorial Organ At Trinity Church

Installation of the new memorial organ at Trinity United Church began yesterday with M. Raymond Beauriant of Casavant, Freres, St. Hyacinth, P.Q., and Mr. J. L. Curran of Charlottetown, carrying out the work, which is expected to take from six to seven weeks to complete.

The 20-ton instrument, construction on which was started last spring, was fully assembled and played in the factory at St. Hyacinth before it was dis-assembled and shipped here. Two railway freight cars were required to carry the organ parts to Charlottetown.

The memorial organ is one of the largest in the Maritimes. Containing 48 stops and 2968 pipes, the three manual instrument will occupy a space 30 1/2 x 10 x 23 feet high. It will be blown by a 1-2-horsepower motor. Its action is operated by a rectifier transformer delivering 10 volts. Of the most modern design it will contain a tube and chimes as well as a pedal stop called a resultant, 32 feet.

During the installation of the organ, a redecorating contract will be carried out in the church auditorium along with some important changes in the lighting. Mr. George Thompson, P.R.C.O. (CHM), A.R.C.M., the present church organist, will preside at the console of the new organ.

## Sees Scarcity Of Great Preachers

The Charlottetown Ministerial Association welcomed the Rev. Frank Lawson of Halifax as their guest speaker at a special meeting held in the Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon.

The president, Rev. J. H. Bishop, introduced the speaker who gave a most stimulating address on the work of preaching. Mr. Lawson said: "There is a scarcity of truly great preachers in the Old Country, in America and in Canada. This is in part due to the easy conditions of life today. Great preachers come from hard conditions, and many of the best minds today do not enter the ministry."

An interesting discussion followed the address, and appreciation of Mr. Lawson's presence in the meeting and in Charlottetown was expressed by Canon J. T. Tibbott. The meeting closed with the Benediction by Rev. E. C. Evans.

## Canada May Become Leading Uranium Source

By JOHN E. BIRD  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
OTTAWA (CP)—Canada is threatening the Belgian Congo's position as the leading producer of raw atomic fuel for the Free World.

Dr. John Convey, head of the mines branch of the department of mines and technical surveys, made the statement Tuesday in an interview in which he reported a sharp increase in Canadian production of uranium concentrates in 1954.

Figures on actual production are classified and there is no information available on production behind the Iron Curtain.

Dr. Convey said Canada displaced the United States about two years ago as the Free World's second biggest uranium producer. There had been a steady increase in Canadian output of concentrates since that time but the Belgian Congo still was far ahead in the field.

GREATER IN 1955  
"We advanced a lot in the production of uranium concentrates during the last 12 months," Dr. Convey said. "In 1955 the advance is expected to be even greater."

"We don't expect to overtake the Belgian Congo for some time. However, you could say we are in a threatening position."

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OXFORD JUNCTION, N.S. (CP)—Ferry Stions, 66-year-old retired railwayman, was killed Tuesday night when struck by a car while crossing the highway in front of his home.

## City and Central

COOK'S for perfect pictures. ROY'S TAXI Dial 6560-6568. "YOUR DOLLAR BUYS MORE— at the HUGHES DRUG STORE."

J. S. TAYLOR, Optometrist, will be in Alberton Office this Saturday, January 8th.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL Home and School Association meeting postponed till Thursday night, January 13th, due to Week of Prayer Services.

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EGG & POULTRY PRICES — The following prices have been quoted for eggs and poultry by the Department of Agriculture, poultry division at Charlottetown yesterday. Ungraded eggs, A large 30; A medium, 26; A small, 20. Graded pack, A large, 36; A medium, 32; A small, 24. Retailers in cartons, A large, 43; A medium, 39; A small, 31. To consumers, A large 45-50; A medium, 43-47; A small, 40. Chicken Grade A, over 5 lbs. 29; fowl grade A, over 5 lbs., 18.

Y. M. C. A. AUXILIARY — The annual meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. was held Tuesday afternoon with the President Mrs. E. V. Bell in the chair. Reports submitted showed a most successful year. The Y. M. C. A. clubs were served on their regular supper evenings and a number of outside organizations were also accommodated in this manner. A letter was read from the general secretary, Mr. Maxwell, extending the appreciation of the board of directors for the general assistance of the Auxiliary and in particular congratulating the ladies on redeeming their pledge of \$1,000 on the Maintenance Fund. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. V. Bell (re-elected); Vice-President, Mrs. Harvey MacPherson; Secretary, Mrs. Fred Osborne; Treasurer, Mrs. William Rix (re-elected); Executive, Mrs. S. D. Irvine (re-elected); Mrs. B. F. Tinney, Mrs. John Davis (re-elected).

## Boyer L. O. L. Annual Meeting

Boyer Lodge in Charlottetown held its annual meeting at the lodgerooms with W.M., J. V. Crabbe presiding. Business over the past year was reviewed and plans were laid for lodge work in the coming year. It was agreed that a Degree Team be set up within Boyer Lodge for the purpose of exemplifying the Orange Degree and to compete with other primary lodges in the city.

Following the business session the officers - elect were installed and took office for the new year. Provincial Grand Master P. G. MacEachern officiated as the installing officer.

1955 officers installed were: W. M., N. B. Carr; P. M., James Coles; Chaplain, G. A. Cudmore; Recording Secretary, N. Robinson; Financial Secretary, S. Purgeon; Moore; Treasurer, R. A. Ince; Lect., J. K. Lacey; Marshal, H. H. King; D. Lect., U. J. MacKinnon; 1st Com., H. C. Heartz; 2nd Com., J. Campbell; 3rd Com., Eric MacKinnon; Tyler, Walter Josey; Sentinel, Bert Docherty; Auditors, H. N. Robinson and H. B. Carr; Past Master, James V. Cabbe.

## Mendes-France And Adenauer Plan Conference

By GEORGE BOULWOOD  
BONN (AP)—The foreign office said Tuesday French Premier Pierre Mendes-France plans to meet West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer within the next two weeks. They probably will discuss again their accord on the Saar, which has proved unpopular among the Germans.

German sources said it is most likely Mendes-France will stop off in Baden-Baden—near the Black Forest resort where Adenauer will be staying—on his way back home from a three-day state visit to Italy ending Jan. 13.

While in Italy, Mendes-France is expected to discuss closer Franco-Italian economic ties and the technical aspects of carrying out the projected rearmament of West Germany within the Western European Union.

France insists on acceptance of the controversial French-German agreement to Europeanize the German-speaking Saar territory as a condition of the peace of treaties linking West Germany to the WEU and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Many German deputies of various factions object to the agreement as it stands.

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## Complaints Office Faces Busy Sessions In Montreal

MONTREAL (CP) — Advice to the loveless . . . missing cats . . . nasty dogs . . . and erring Englishmen.

Mayor Jean Drapeau is wanted for all these problems and many others. Hundreds of Montrealers have jumped with vigor at his idea for a civic complaints bureau.

The bureau hasn't even opened yet, but complaints are pouring in. Andre Tournais, 38-year-old chief of the bureau, reported Tuesday. Most were serious and useful, but many other were off-beat.

"You can say we have everything from soup to nuts, where complaints are concerned," said the jovial Tournais, undaunted by the goulash.

MARRIAGE TROUBLE  
One man wrote that his wife went gallivanting with another man to a party before Christmas and hasn't come home yet. He included her new address, asked the mayor to see her and tell her to go home.

A woman complained bitterly that her cat is missing and the police won't help. Two men with English accents were described as "a crawling disgracefully" on a crowded streetcar, shoudering their way through the straphangers.

Another woman was disturbed by a French-language television skit, in which one actor posed as a Toronto contractor with plans to build a subway in Montreal. The woman warned Mayor Drapeau not to award the contract to "that man"—she didn't like him.

STILL CLOSED  
The 38-year-old mayor announced plans for the bureau shortly after he was elected last Oct. 25. Some 300 complaints already have arrived although the bureau, attached to the mayor's office, cannot officially open until the April budget, when the city council will be asked to vote funds.

Some 75 complaints about snow removal were relayed "en bloc" to the roads department. Job-seekers are referred to the civil service commission. Those who telephone in complaints are asked to write.

Mayor Drapeau said the letters fall into three categories—enquiries, suggestions, complaints. Many of those who write offer suggestions for their complaints, and these have been found "really sound."

But one woman came up with a poser: "Those nasty hounds" annoy her pooch when she takes it for an airing on Mount Royal.

## Jackie Gleason Contract Rumors

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Post Tuesday said Jackie Gleason, round TV comedian, has signed a new CBS contract, supplementing his \$11,000,000 deal with Buick, that will add almost \$5,000,000 to his foreseeable income.

Columbia Broadcasting System officials had no comment, and a spokesman at Gleason's office said he is in California and will not return until next week.

The Post story, by columnist Earl Wilson in Hollywood, Calif., says the largest chunk of the \$5,000,000—\$1,500,000—will be paid to Jackie Gleason Enterprises, Inc., to produce a Saturday night show in 1955-56 starring Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey and the June Taylor dancers. Gleason would get another \$1,500,000 if the show is renewed for 1956-1957.

Gleason said there also is a guarantee to Gleason of \$100,000 a year for 15 years for pledging CBS his exclusive services between 1957 and 1972, and that he gets this whether he works or not.

Also he will be paid \$350,000 in the summer of 1955 to produce a vacation replacement of his current one-hour show.

## U. S. Gov't. Puts Brakes Gently On Stock Boom

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government applied the brakes gently to the stock market boom Tuesday night by increasing the required "down payment" on the purchase of stocks from 50 per cent to 60.

The action, taken by the federal reserve board, was designed to dampen speculative fervor before it reaches anything like the pitch which sometimes in the past has produced a boom-and-bust cycle.

But officials said only recently they saw little evidence of "alarming" speculation, though the use of credit has risen. And Tuesday night's action in increasing margin requirements—the percentage of cash a purchaser must put up—was comparatively mild considering the fact that back in 1948 the requirement was 100 per cent.

STOCK BOOM  
The present phase of the stock boom has been in progress for a number of weeks. Monday The Associated Press average of 60 stocks stood at \$156.40, a level topped only by the all-time high of \$157.70 registered Sept. 3, 1929. Tuesday the market encountered a burst of selling but buying support appeared quickly and most shares closed considerably above their lows of the day.

YOUTH CONFESSES  
SLAYING SISTER  
BICYRUS, Ohio (AP) — Sheriff Elwood F. Jacobs said Tuesday Frederick Speas, 17, had confessed the slaying of his 16-year-old sister, Patricia.

The high school girl's nude body was found last Saturday in a thicket off a country road two and a half miles north of her home in nearby Gallion. She had been missing from her home since Friday.

Sheriff Jacobs said Frederick told him he strangled his sister with a cord after a pillow fight in the bedroom of their frame home about 9:30 a.m. Friday.

He gave no reason for his act, sheriff Jacobs said.

## Will Revive Jap Pre-War Custom

TOKYO (Reuters)—Ichiro Hatoyama, Japan's new prime minister, will revive a pre-war custom today by visiting the Grand Shrine of Ise, to "report to the sun goddess" on his assumption of office, press reports say.

Opposition politicians accuse Hatoyama, who is a Christian, of taking this action to win the votes of Shintoists, followers of the former Japanese state religion. In general election due in February or March.

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## Aluminum Ltd. Offers New Shares

MONTREAL (CP)—A price of \$4 each in Canadian funds has been set by Aluminum, Limited, for \$21,923 additional shares which will be offered to shareholders at the rate of one new share for each 11 shares now held. It was announced Tuesday.

The price in United States funds will be \$47.60 a share. Subject to registration with the U.S. securities and exchange commission becoming effective, it is expected the rights will be offered and subscription warrants issued to shareholders of record Jan. 7. The warrants expire Jan. 31.

## Standard First Aid Class

Pictured above is a class in standard first aid instructed at the Red Cross House from Dec. 28-31, by Mr. Paul Cudmore.

They are: Left to right: Mrs. Hugh MacDonald, Monticello; Miss Alice MacKinnon, Howland; Miss Helen Cullen, Charlottetown; Miss Beryl Marion, Charlottetown; Miss Marina Coles, Suffolk; Miss Isabel MacDonald, Charlottetown; on the floor—Miss Alma MacKinnon, Charlottetown.

A third group of instructor-candidates will re-assemble at Red Cross Headquarters for further instruction on January 14-15, at which time they will be tested in both theory and first-aid. If successful, they will receive instructor's qualifications.

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BENTLEY — On January 4, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bentley, (nee Phyllis McLeod), Kingston, Ontario, a son, Wilfred Charles.

LONGWORTH — At the Clinic in San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America, on December 12th, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. Don Longworth (nee Jean Lewis) a son, John Coley.

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## Personals

Wendell Larkin was home from Cornwall, N.S., to spend Christmas with his parents in Charlottetown.

Friends of Ralph Miller, C. N. E. employee, will be sorry to learn of his illness in the Prince Edward Island Hospital. All wish him a speedy recovery.

Marilee MacNeill of North Wiltshire underwent an appendectomy in the P. E. Island Hospital yesterday. Her many young friends will wish her a speedy recovery.