

A man surprised is half beaten.

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ALTERNATIVE TO MARKETING SCHEME PROPOSED BY DEALERS

An alternative to the present potato marketing scheme was proposed last night by the Potato Dealers Association at a meeting held in Summerside.

The proposed alternative was outlined by Mr. R. L. Burge, president of the P.E.I. Potato Dealers Association, speaking to an audience of upwards of 100 persons at a meeting in Summerside.

In his remarks to the meeting Mr. Burge said: "We need to reorganize the present set up with the idea in mind of getting confidence and good will."

Referring to the memorandum, he said it contained the ideas of the shippers which they intended to organize and put into force after November 10th.

Following the memorandum read by Mr. Burge, the suggestion of Mr. D. A. MacDonald that the farmers should vote out the Marketing Board if they do not approve of a compulsory one-desk-selling of the potato dealers association was the following:

"Following the Provincial Government's suggestions, the dealers are preparing to become an incorporated body, as such, they are quite prepared to work with a further suggestion that a Provincial-wide organization of potato growers be set up, and from the revenues of both bodies, with the larger number coming from the growers association, a potato board for the Province be set up."

"To purchase and sell potatoes in quantity in P.E.I. To discipline wherever necessary those engaged in the marketing of potatoes who do not abide by the regulations set forth by the potato board."

"To raise funds for the purpose of the industry on the basis of volume, rather than by taxing the farmer on an acreage basis."

"To issue a daily market report, as now practised elsewhere for the guidance of all concerned."

"To arrange publicity for P.E.I. potatoes."

"To carry forward all necessary measures required to protect the potato industry from diseases which are common in other places."

"(g) To watch out and arrange for freight and tariff negotiations to the best interest of the industry."

"(h) To prepare and present the views of the industry to the various governmental bodies as required."

"This potato board would employ a full-time secretary, within the Department of Agriculture."

"It will be remembered that for many years the late J. Wilfred (Continued on Page 15 col. 6)"

Naval Head



Adm. Earl Mountbatten was named chief of the British Navy. He will be Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty, First Sea Lord and Chief of Navy Staff succeeding Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roderick McGrigor.

Baby Improved After Transfusion

CHATHAM, N. B. (CP) — A two-year-old baby was reported considerably improved in hospital Wednesday after receiving a complete change of blood flow here by an RCAF jet from Saint John.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Trevors was born Monday morning with a rare blood condition calling for a complete change of his blood content.

A T-33 jet trainer from the RCAF base here made the trip to Saint John and back for the blood in 43 minutes.

Island Sheep Breeders In Fine Showing At Amherst

AMHERST, N.S. (Special) — Island sheep breeders were top winners in Oxford Downs, Leicester and Cheviots at the Maritime Winter Fair today as H. Lyle Boswall of Marshfield had the grand champion female and reserve and the reserve grand champion male in Oxford Downs. He cleaned up all the top places in the females and along with one winner, top winner in the males was W. B. Balgarny of New Glasgow.

In the North Country Cheviots Almon Boswall took the male grand championship ribbon and the female grand champion reserve. The female grand championship went to Winston Stewart of Dunstaffnage with a yearling ewe he purchased last year from John B. MacNair. Stewart took only one animal to the show and won the grand with her.

The reserve champion male was shown by Mr. MacNair in the North Country Cheviots. His rams topped most of their classes. Mr. Boswall topped all of the female classes except the one won by Mr. Stewart. In several classes three Boswall sheep stood at the head of their classes.

STRONG COMPETITION The Stewart's run into terrifically strong competition in Shropshires when they were opposed by F. H. Vahlsing from Easton, Maine. The American breeder took all top placings all the championships and some of the immediate runner up spots as well. The Stewart's took good placings in every class but could not break into the red ribbon spots. The American Shrops were beautiful animals and they took the eye of every sheep fancier on the grounds. They go to Royal and later to Chicago. This is the eleventh show they have competed in this year. The Stewart's from Marshfield

Tax Conference May Be Held At Ottawa Before End Of The Year

Island Cattle Breeders Continue Winnings At Fair

AMHERST, N.S. (Special) — Cattle shown by A. MacRae and Son of Central Royalty dominated the show in the Ayrshire ring in the Bailey Arena here Wednesday at the Maritime Winter Fair. Their Fairview, Fashion Duchess won the senior and grand female championship for the island cattlemen. This gives the MacRae's a clean sweep of the senior and grand championships in Ayrshires here this year. Tuesday they took the senior and grand male championship with Fairview Fashion Clansman.

Wednesday they showed Clansman, Duchess and one other cow Blackadder Miss Fashion. To win the senior get of sire almost automatically. The judge took one look at the two grand champions of the show and the other a prize cow in the class for cows five years or over dry and moved the entry to the head of the class.

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Tuesday afternoon the MacRae's took the reserve junior female championship and Col. F. L. Andrew took the reserve junior male championship with his last son of old Fashion. It added up to an impressive performance in championship victories for Island Ayrshire breeders. Late Wednesday evening the Boswells from Victoria had scored one of the most interesting wins of the show with their 15-year old cow Lealand's Royal Victoria.

Although the Oland herd dominated the top place winners Tuesday the MacRae herd topped the red ribbon winners most of the day Wednesday.

Pilot Killed In Harvard Crash SEAFORTH, Ont. (CP) — A Harvard training aircraft crashed into a field on the nearby farm of Mac Chesney Wednesday. The pilot was killed in the wreckage.

The airman's name was withheld pending notification of next of kin. The plane was reported flying from RCAF station Centralia, 25 miles north of London.

10 Injured When Bus Skids On Ice ST. AGATHE, Que. (CP) — Ten persons were treated in hospital for minor injuries Wednesday after the bus in which they were riding skidded on a stretch of icy road and toppled into the North river near here. St. Agathe is 60 miles north of Montreal.

Police said the bus plunged through a guard rail and rolled over three times before dropping into the river. About one quarter of the bus remained above water. The driver, identified as J. Beloin, broke open an emergency door and helped the 30 passengers to safety.

The 10 brought to hospital here were treated for cuts, bruises and shock. The others continued their journey to Montreal on another bus.

Record Vote For Off-year In U. S. WASHINGTON (AP) — Tabulations show the vote in Tuesday's elections set a record for off-year voting. With many votes still to be counted, an Associated Press survey Wednesday showed 44,682,128 ballots had been cast.

The previous off-year record vote came four years ago in 1950 when 40,357,922 votes were cast. The AP survey included returns from all 48 states, most of them incomplete. In California, for instance, only 55 per cent of the total vote had been counted.

A vote of 45,000,000 had been forecast for this year's election. It was certain that figure would be passed by a sizable margin. In all likelihood, final returns in the 1954 off-year election will show more voters cast ballots this year than in the 1948 presidential election, when 48,668,289 votes were cast.

When President Eisenhower defeated Adlai Stevenson two years ago, an all-time record of 61,347,861 votes were counted.

Atlantic Air Becoming Congested

MONTREAL (CP) — Lindbergh had the sky to himself over the North Atlantic in 1927, but things have changed since then. The International Civil Aviation Organization estimated Wednesday that more than 60,000 flights will be made over the North Atlantic this year. That figure is expected to be increased by 50 per cent in the next five years.

OTTAWA, (CP) — A federal-provincial tax conference may be held before the end of the year to offer the terms of a proposed federal tax agreement with Quebec to the other nine provinces.

Prime Minister St. Laurent said Wednesday after a cabinet meeting that Premier Duplessis' new proposals for solving the Ottawa-Quebec income tax dispute will be studied by federal tax officials.

However, he said, the terms of any tax settlement with Quebec first will be referred to the premiers of the other nine provinces.

He hoped to have something to present to the premiers before the end of the year and indicated that a federal-provincial conference likely will be held for that purpose.

TO WORK OUT EFFECT Mr. St. Laurent said Wednesday that federal tax experts will work out what effect Mr. Duplessis' proposals would have on tax revenues. The experts would draft an alternative to the current tax-rental agreements for Quebec.

However, the alternative would be offered to the other provinces if they wished to change their present tax agreements on an interim basis for the remainder of their five-year period.

Mr. St. Laurent noted that both the current tax agreements and the Quebec income tax law expire at the end of 1956.

TO STUDY AGREEMENT He said he does not want to have an agreement with Quebec presented to the other provinces as a "fait accompli" without giving them an opportunity to study it.

Such a conference likely would end with an adjournment pending a later full-dress conference on federal-provincial fiscal relations before the present tax agreements with the nine provinces—all but Quebec—expire at the end of 1956.

Mr. Duplessis' proposals, received by letter Tuesday and studied by the cabinet, stemmed from the Oct. 5 meeting in Montreal between himself and Mr. St. Laurent to discuss their governments' tax dispute.

THE MAIN issue centred on Quebec's provincial income tax, imposed last spring, of about 15 per cent of federal collections in the province.

The federal government rejected Quebec's bid that provincial taxpayers should be permitted to deduct the full amount of the provincial tax from their federal tax payments. Federal law permits a maximum of five per cent of federal payments to be deducted in respect of provincial taxes.

The other nine provinces have signed tax-rental agreements with the federal government under which they yielded to Ottawa their right to collect personal and corporation income taxes — and in most cases succession duties — in return for annual federal payments. Quebec has refused to sign on.

Rush To Buy Uraniums, Mines TORONTO (CP) — A rush to buy uraniums and low-priced mines hit the Toronto stock market on Wednesday. Many issues climbed one-third of their price and one more than doubled it.

Traders jammed the exchange-floor posts and pushed volume levels to the highest of the year. After the first two hours 3,430,000 shares were exchanged, the greatest since 3,486,000 were traded March 2, 1953.

Heaviest dealings were in Meta Uranium, Newnorth, Lorado Uranium, Pitch-Ore Uranium and Norpex Oils and Mines.

Lesser gains went to a large number of other low-priced mines.

Fruit And Vegetable Jobbers Ass'n SYDNEY (CP) — Harold MacDonald of Saint John, N. B., Wednesday succeeded Harold Johnson of New Glasgow as president of the Maritime Fruit and Vegetable Jobbers Association which held its annual meeting here for the first time.

Other officers are Jack MacEachern, Charlottetown, vice-president; and J. R. Willett, Saint John secretary treasurer.

Directors are B. R. L. Doodday, Halifax; E. A. Healey, Moncton; Guy Hawkins, Fredericton; and C. Roy Mason, Sydney.

Single U.S. Senate Seat In Oregon Remains In Doubt

By C. R. BLACKBURN Canadian Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON (CP) — A single Senate seat in Oregon, where late returns still were being counted, carried Democratic hopes Wednesday night in their bid to complete their sweep of congressional control.

Tuesday's off-year general election already had won them the House of Representatives by a comfortable margin of 29 seats. And they had picked up eight state governorships previously held by Republicans.

But mastery of the powerful Senate still hung in the balance. The Republican-held New Jersey seat, where Democratic candidate Charles Howell had led Republican Clifford Case in early returns, slipped from the grasp of the Democrats as final returns trickled in.

Case, who had battled the right wing of his own party almost as much as his Democratic opponents during a hectic campaign, was a bare 2,000 votes ahead when all the votes were counted. Pending the results of a recount, his seat was safe in the Republican column. In Oregon it was a different story. Democrat Richard Neuberger, an author whose articles on northwestern Canada have been published widely throughout the United States, finished strongly and took a narrow lead of barely 1,000 votes with only a few precincts left to report.

If Neuberger's lead holds up, the Democrats will rule the Senate by a one-vote margin. If he loses, it may be weeks before recounts in Oregon or New Jersey determine the final result.

Three Accidental Deaths In N. B. SAINT JOHN, N. B. (CP) — Three persons met accidental death in New Brunswick Wednesday.

At Dalhousie, firemen found the body of three-year-old Albert Arsenault in an upstairs bedroom of his gutted home after fire broke out during his mother's five-minute absence.

Dostie Daigle, 45, died under the treads of a coal-cleaning machine operated near Minto by his brother-in-law, Walter McNeill. It was believed Daigle slipped on wet ground.

William Henry Irish, about 50, of Lockerby, Ont., was killed in a collision on the Bayside road near St. Andrews. His passenger, Roger Elliott of Beaver Harbor, N. B., remained unconscious. The occupants of the other car, Mr. and Mrs. Altheaus Towle of Oak Bay, N. B., also were in hospital suffering severe shock.

SET HAZEL DAMAGE TORONTO (CP) — The extent of damage done by hurricane Hazel in its swath through Ontario Oct. 15-16 was set at \$24,643,580 in a royal commission report Wednesday.

Ground Observer Exercise Postponed HALIFAX (CP) — Bad flying weather has forced a week's postponement of a huge ground observer corps exercise slated to begin Wednesday, the RCAF has announced.

Sqdn. Ldr. S. R. Miller, commanding officer of the No. 7 observer unit, said the exercise "Jack Frost" will start next Wednesday.

About 15,000 civilian volunteers in 750 observation posts throughout the Maritimes and the Gaspé will take part.

Queen Mother Guest At New York Civic Luncheon; Calls Visit Stimulating By JULIAN BATES

LONDON (Reuters) — Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, was the guest of New York City at lunch Wednesday, where she told Mayor Robert Wagner and 600 guests that "a visit to your city is certainly an inspiring and stimulating experience."

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Ship Loses Rudder Off Sable Island

HALIFAX, (CP) — Marine radio Wednesday night reported the 2,046-ton Norwegian freighter Otta drifting rudderless in storm-tossed seas about 25 miles off Sable Island on Nova Scotia's southernmost tip.

The terse message read "lost rudder; position 43.22 north 65.12 west; wind westerly six; require immediate assistance."

The reading "westerly six" is from a scale that rates hurricane force winds at 12. Turbulence it means winds of 30 to 35 knots, just below gale force.

Egyptian Delegate To The U. N. Dies

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (CP) — Dr. Mahmoud Azmi, leader of the Egyptian delegation to the United Nations, died Wednesday after collapsing at a meeting of the Security Council.

Dr. Azmi was addressing the council on an Israeli-Egyptian item when he collapsed.

Seek Car Involved In Fatal Accident

MONCTON, (CP) — Police pressed an intensive search Wednesday for the car that struck and killed 86-year-old Richard Somers Tuesday night and did not stop.

RCMP said highway marks indicated the victim, a resident of Middlesex, N. B., was thrown 35 feet by the impact of the vehicle.

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TORONTO (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min, Max. Includes Dawson, Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Fredericton, Saint John, Moncton, Halifax, Charlottetown, Sydney, Yarmouth, St. John's.

HALIFAX (CP) — The weather office here says colder and some what drier air will flow into the district from the southwest today but in most regions skies are likely to remain cloudy. In the northern regions a few showers may persist during the day.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties: Cloudy and a little colder; southwest winds 20. Low-high at Charlottetown and Moncton 40 and 45.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 3:08 a. m. and 4:54 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 6:55 a. m. and sets at 4:58 p. m.