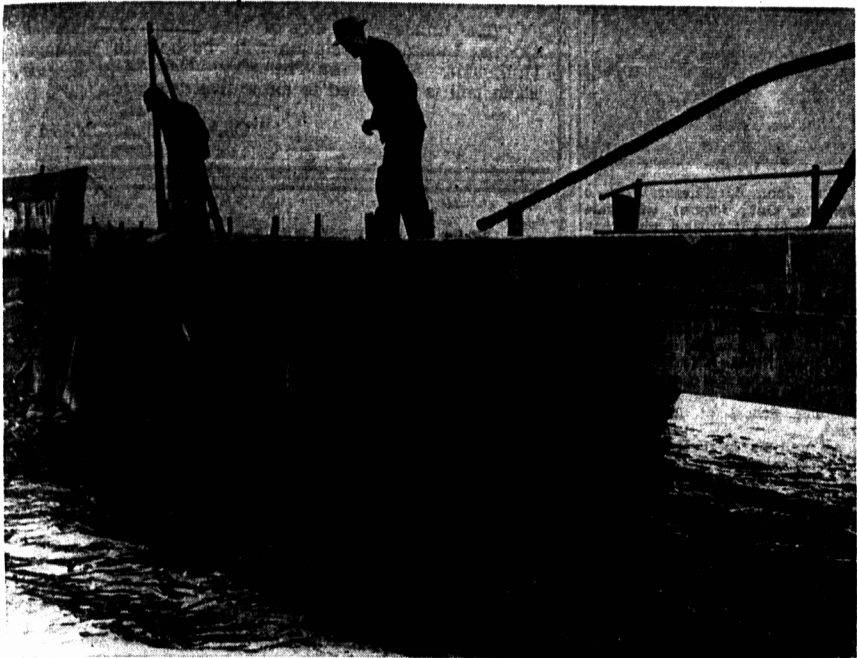


## Scene Of Sunday's Accident



Two men are seen peering into the Little Tignish River at a spot on the bridge from which a car late Sunday afternoon crashed through the steel railing and overturned into five or six feet of water below, resulting in the drowning of its four occupants, Howlie Gavin, Walter Gavin, Daniel Harper and Edmund Arsenault. Three of the four Tignish fishermen were married and in addition to their wives, are survived by a total of seventeen children. (Photo by Wotton).

# 4 Drowned When Car Goes Off Bridge Near Tignish

A tragic accident by drowning late Sunday afternoon claimed the lives of two brothers, their brother-in-law, and a fourth man, all of Tignish.

Dead are Howlie Gavin, 36; Walter Gavin 41; Daniel Harper, 35; and Edmund Arsenault, about 45. Three of the men are married and have a total of seventeen children. The tragedy occurred two miles southeast of Tignish about 5.30 Sunday afternoon as the four men were proceeding towards Alberton in the 1949 Ford coach owned by Daniel Harper.

In crossing a small bridge over the Little Tignish River just south of St. Felix School the car plunged through the steel railing on the right hand side and overturned on its hood in water about five or six feet deep, trapping all four occupants inside the two-door vehicle.

Ernest DesRoches, a young lad who lived nearby, happened to be in the vicinity and saw the crash over the bridge. Clarence Gillis, another nearby resident, heard the crash and on learning what had happened called a doctor, clergy, and R.C.M.P.

**CAR REMOVED**  
The car was towed from the shallow river by a tractor operated by Alfred Perry, but before rescue could be effected the men had been beneath the water so long that there could be no hope of their recovery by means of artificial respiration.

Stella, Elvina, Milda, Adrian, Regina, and Camille.

### INQUEST BEGINS

A coronor's jury was empanelled and an inquest will be conducted in Tignish Parish Hall at 7 p.m. on Monday, October 18th, by acting-coroner Howard Clark of Alberton.

Members of the jury are: Emmett A'Hearn, (foreman), Tignish; Joseph M. Arsenault, Alberton; Amle Chaisson, Alma; Frank Peters, St. Roch; William Gaudet, Tignish; Walter Christopher, Tignish.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed yesterday afternoon.

## Hazel Threatens Land Areas

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Winds increased over Haiti, eastern Jamaica, and extreme eastern Cuba late Monday as hurricane Hazel pushed north-northeastward in the Caribbean.

Winds would reach hurricane force over western Haiti and extreme eastern Cuba during the night, the Miami weather bureau said.

The eighth tropical storm of the season was about 200 miles west southwest of Port au Prince, Haiti, and about 700 miles south-southwest of Miami at 5 p.m. EST.

### STOLE HOUSE

BANGKOK, Thailand, (AP)—Vandalism was charged here today with stealing a neighbor's house. He is accused of dismantling board by board the home of Mrs. Yip Mui-thong during her absence. Police said they found the reassembled house on Vaa's property.

Daniel Harper, a son of Mr. and the late James Harper, is survived by his wife, the former Thelma Gavin, and by five children, ages 2 months to 6 years.

The two Gavin brothers were sons of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gavin of Sea Cow Pond. Howlie is survived by his wife, the former Dora Harper, sister of Daniel Harper, and by six children, ages 1 to 7 years.

Walter Gavin was unmarried and lived with his brother Gerald on the homestead at Sea Cow Pond.

Edmund Arsenault was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Arsenault. With his wife and family he resided at Tignish Run. His wife is the former Mary Peters, daughter of Mrs. and the late Joe Peters of Tignish Shore. Their six children range in age from about 15 to 23, and are

## Strike Continues

LONDON, (AP)—Chiefs of the 4,000-strong tugmen's union met Monday night with leaders of striking dockworkers to discuss the possibility of a sympathetic walkout which could choke off the flow of fuel to London's power stations.

More than 25,000 dock workers now are in the second week of a strike that has made idle 113 ships in the vast Thames docking area.

Newspapers speculated Monday night that the government may intervene with troops if the tugmen decide to join the strike. Coal for the city's power stations is largely waterborne and lightered ashore from barges.

## U. S. Defence Sec'y Causes Storm

DETROIT (AP)—Defence Secretary Wilson caused a storm here Monday when he said at a press conference that while he had "a lot of sympathy" for the jobless in surplus labor areas he always "liked bird dogs better than kennel-fed dogs."

CIO and United Auto Workers president Walter Reuther demanded in a telegram to President Eisenhower that Wilson "publicly retract" the statement and "be asked to retire from public life."

The labor leader's ire was aroused by Wilson's comment to reporters' questions about unemployment. The cabinet official said with a grin: "The bird dogs like to get out and hunt around for their food, but the kennel dogs just sit on their haunches and yelp."

## French Premier Appears Assured Of Vote of Confidence On London Pact

By HAROLD KING

PARIS (Reuters) — Overwhelming support from France's powerful Socialist party Monday virtually guaranteed that Premier Pierre Mendes-France will win a decision victory in the assembly today when he demands a free hand to close a West German rearmament deal.

A triumph in the scheduled vote of confidence will authorize the French leader to wind up nine-power negotiations on the rearmament plan in Paris Oct. 20.

It will also leave him free to make the agreement final without handcutting restrictions which might have forced nine-power negotiators to start all over again.

Socialist leaders, who decided to back Mendes-France Monday after a weekend of soul-searching, still were expected to urge the premier to ask for more guarantees against revived German militarism and for more European union provisions.

### MANY DISSATISFIED

Many Socialists are dissatisfied with these features of the plan reached at London early this month for bringing a rearmament, sovereign West Germany into the North Atlantic and Brussels Treaty Organizations.

They took the steam out of these requests, however, by deciding to support him in any case, thus giving in to Mendes-France's blunt take-it-or-leave-it ultimatum in the assembly last Friday.

Mendes-France has been expected to win the confidence vote even if the Socialists abstained. But he wanted more than a narrow margin of victory to back him in the renewed negotiations next week with Britain, Canada, the United States, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg. This conference will settle the final form of the rearmament agreement to be referred to national parliaments for approval.

## Top Beautification Award



Pictured above is the home of J. W. Waugh and Son, New Annan, winner of top provincial award for Home Improvement in Rural Beautification Society's competition for 1954. Photo by Meyers Studios.

## N. B. Has First Hunting Fatality

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—A Thanksgiving Day hunting accident at Upper Golden Grove took the life of Joseph A. Hunt, 27, of Hickey Road. He was eating lunch in the woods with his father-in-law, Gerald A. Coyle, when shot in the head. RCMP said it was believed the bullet was fired by Ervin J. Morneau, 34, of Upper Golden Grove, who summoned police and medical aid. An inquest will be held.

## Rural Beautification Prize Winners Announced

Prize winners in the ninth annual competition of the Prince Edward Island Rural Beautification Society were announced yesterday by President Lieut. Col. E. W. Johnstone and the Board of Directors. A Prince County competitor again carried off the highest award for home improvement in the Province, the Hon. J. A. Bernard Trophy going to Mr. J. W. Waugh and Son of New Annan. The Waughs also win the Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell Silver Cup donated for top Prince County competitor and the R. T. Holman Ltd. award of \$125.00.

Other county winners are Mr. George C. MacLean, New Wiltshire, who receives the Lieut. Col. E. W. Johnstone Silver Cup for Queen's and the R. T. Holman Ltd. award of \$125, and Mr. Thomas Corcoran, Baldwin's Road, winner of the Senator J. A. Macdonald Silver Cup and R. T. Holman Ltd. award of \$125.00.

About 100 entries in the home improvement contest were judged, fairly evenly divided among the three counties. The quality of entries among the top winners was high and competition keen. The Waughs, father & son, of New Annan did an excellent job of improvement. House, barns and fences were completely repainted in attractive colours. An extensive layout of barns and outbuildings now presents a unified appearance. Road frontage is particularly neat and imposing. The winner for Queen's County, Mr. George MacLean, did a remarkable single-handed improvement to his home. House and buildings were pleasingly painted, new fences erected and painted, and roadside frontage amazingly improved by a new rock and flower garden, and well planned driveway and lawns. Mr. Thomas Corcoran, King's County winner, did an excellent job of remodeling his farmstead, removing some old buildings, grading and seeding the area, putting up new fences, repainting house and barns and effecting major repairs.

### DIFFICULT DECISION

The outstanding home competition presented some difficult decisions for the judges. In Queen's County the homes of Sen. J. F. McIntyre, Savage Harbour, Regina-aid Haslam, Springfield and Eldon Darrach, Clyde River were of outstanding excellence and left little room for choice. Sen. McIntyre's (Continued on Page 5 col. 4)

## INCREASE NOTED IN U. S. POTATO CROP ESTIMATE FOR SEPTEMBER

The U.S. Government report on potatoes was issued at noon yesterday estimating the crop at 345,939,000 bushels as of October 1st. This report is slightly higher than the one for September 1st, 345,515,000 bushels. This report would indicate no immediate improvement in the U.S. potato market.

## U. S. FEDERAL AGENCY PROBES PRICE BOOSTS

WASHINGTON (AP)—The federal trade commission charged Monday that "unlawful restraint of trade" by the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange "contributed to and promoted" a sharp boost in coffee prices early this year. The FTC made the charge in a complaint based on its study of the coffee trade following a rise in average retail coffee prices from 91 cents a pound in December, 1953 to \$1.18 a pound in April, 1954.

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which offset unfavorable weather in the State of Maine due to continued rain and the two hurricanes, Carol and Edna.

A fuller report covering the various States will be received and published for the growers benefit in the near future. Meanwhile Island producers are strongly advised to use all haste possible in the harvesting of their crop, commensurate with proper handling, to reduce unnecessary bruising and to get the tubers into safe, frost-proof storage.

Information on the latest U.S. potato crop estimate was also received yesterday from the Associated Shippers. Ltd. Officials of this organization state that the U.S. market for potatoes as of Friday (Continued on Page 2 col. 4)

## SOS May Be From Missing Plane

VANCOUVER (CP)—An SOS radio distress signal was picked up Monday by an aircraft criss-crossing the Vancouver island wilderness in the hunt for a missing RCAF Expeditor with four men aboard.

An air force official said the distress call could have been sent on a "Gibson girl" radio carried by the Expeditor, which vanished on a routine flight Sunday.

Seven aircraft, including two helicopters, took part in the search Monday in the Mount Arrowsmith area where the twin-engine craft is believed to have crashed.

A number of ground parties, including loggers from nearby camps, also pressed into the area.

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deal only with trading of Brazilian coffee.

The U. S. price increase was matched or surpassed by rises in Canada and presumably any action which would have the effect of lowering prices in the United States would eventually be reflected in Canada.

## In Car Collision

BATHURST, N.B. (CP) — Abel Boudreau, 22, of East Bathurst, died in hospital here Monday as a result of a two-car head-on collision near Jacquet river Sunday afternoon.

Clarence Robichaud, Dalhousie, and Arthur Simard, West Bathurst, suffered severe injuries. William Leblanc, Dalhousie, also was in hospital. Jack Power and Arthur Thibodeau of Bathurst escaped with scratches and shock. The cars were driven by Boudreau and Robichaud.

## DELUGE REPORTED WORST IN 69 YEARS

By WILLIAM J. CONWAY  
CHICAGO (AP)—Relentless rain beat down again Monday on Chicago—already staggered by its worst deluge in 69 years. A week-end downpour that measured more than half a foot caused damage estimated at \$10,000,000 in the city alone.

More than 700 persons, most of them in the suburbs, fled flooded homes, but only one death was reported.

Transportation was scrambled. Industrial plants curtailed or suspended operations, and 18,500 employees were idle.

The rain held off during the morning, and thousands joined in the tremendous mop-up task. But in the afternoon the rain resumed. The U.S. weather bureau, which failed to forecast the crippling rain of Saturday and Sunday, said there

would be showers and thunder-showers again this afternoon. Showers also are likely for Wednesday.

**RECORD RAINFALL**  
During the weekend the rain was measured at 6.24 inches on the official gauge at the Midway airport. At Blue Island, a suburb south of Chicago, it measured 9.75 inches.

It raised the October rainfall to 10 1/2 inches, a record for the month. And it already is the wettest month in Chicago since August, 1885, when 11.28 inches were recorded.

Flood waters knocked out two generating plants of the Commonwealth Edison Company. As a result of the electric power shortage 17 large industrial plants closed or reduced operations and 18,500 workers went home to pump out basements or drain their lawns.

## Chicago Has Heavy Loss In Flood

The utility company asked 250 large users of electric current in northern Illinois to cut down their use of power by 50 per cent. A spokesman for the firm said service may not be restored to full normal volume for two weeks.

**FLOODS NEWSPAPER**  
The overflow from the Chicago river flooded the basements of the Chicago post office and the Chicago Daily News building.

The Big Union station also was inundated. Four railroads operate out of the Union station—Pennsylvania, Burlington, Milwaukee, and Gulf, Mobile and Ohio. Trains were diverted to other terminals or loaded and discharged their passengers at outlying stations.

Eight firemen operating gasoline pumps at the union station were overcome by fumes. The one death reported was that

## U. S. Cancer Ass'n Votes To Advise Public To Stop Smoking Cigarets

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)—The U.S. Public Health Cancer Association voted Monday to advise the public to stop smoking cigarettes in order to reduce the incidence of lung cancer.

The resolution said there now is sufficient evidence of a relationship between smoking cigarettes and lung cancer.

It urged American youth to "ponder well the question of whether the risk involved in cigarette smoking is worth the pleasure gained."

The resolution, offered by Dr. Morton L. Levin, assistant New York state health commissioner, was passed by a 13-to-3 vote.

Dr. Levin said that, to his knowledge, the association is the first public cancer group to specifically advise the public against smoking cigarettes.

**PANEL DISCUSSION**  
The association is composed principally of public health officers and professional persons working to combat cancer.

The resolution followed a panel discussion by six physicians and statisticians, who said they thought cigarettes were a "major factor in causing lung cancer."

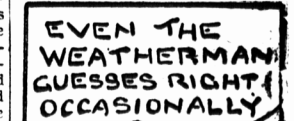
Their viewpoint goes a bit beyond previous studies and statements, which have mentioned only an association or relationship between smoking and lung cancer. Other medical and scientific researchers have said that they doubted cigarettes were to blame, or that the evidence was not conclusive.

Dr. Levin said that the evidence from many types of studies "leads undoubtedly to the conclusion that a major factor in lung cancer is cigarettes."

"Cigarette smoking is not the only cause," and development of lung cancer may require other causative factors as well, he said.

Dr. Levin said the risk of getting lung cancer was about 10 times greater for the person who smokes a pack of cigarettes or better daily than for the non-smoker.

The panel participants agreed that studies should continue about the possible roles of air pollution, occupations, or other factors in the development of lung cancer.



TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

| City          | Min. | Max. |
|---------------|------|------|
| Dawson        | 29   | 37   |
| Vancouver     | 51   | 56   |
| Victoria      | 48   | 55   |
| Edmonton      | 43   | 52   |
| Calgary       | 34   | 54   |
| Regina        | 31   | 61   |
| Winnipeg      | 47   | 63   |
| Toronto       | 45   | 73   |
| Ottawa        | 47   | 69   |
| Montreal      | 46   | 68   |
| Quebec        | 43   | 47   |
| Fredericton   | 44   | 51   |
| St. John      | 48   | 51   |
| Moncton       | 41   | 54   |
| Halifax       | 44   | 46   |
| Charlottetown | 41   | 54   |
| Sydney        | 44   | 49   |
| Yarmouth      | 41   | 58   |
| St. John's    | —    | 41   |

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office here says rain over most of the Maritimes will move out of the western regions by dawn today and out of the eastern regions by noon and be followed by warmer air and mostly cloudy weather. However, widely scattered showers are expected to develop during the day.

Regional forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island, lower St. John river valley, eastern New Brunswick counties: Cloudy with widely scattered showers; warmer; southwest winds 15; low-high at Moncton 50 and 65, Fredericton 52 and 65; Saint John 50 and 62, and Charlottetown 47 and 62.

## Coming Events

- \*Dance Fortune Hall, Tuesday, Oct. 12.
- \*Dance at Gordon Lodge every Friday night.
- \*Dance Vernon River hall, Tuesday, Oct. 12.
- \*Buying and cleaning timothy daily. McGuigan & Boyle.
- \*Regular Dance Crapaud Rink, Wednesday night.
- \*Dance South Rustico Hall every Thursday night, music Rolie MacKenzie's Orchestra.
- \*Oliver MacLeod will be hauling cream to Wiltshire factory on Mondays only.
- \*Anyone wishing to sell clover seed standing contact us for prices. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.
- \*Annual chicken supper and bazaar, St. Mary's Hall, Souris, Oct. 20 and 21st.
- \*Regular Dance, Stanley Bridge Rink Hall every Tuesday night. Music, Rolie MacKenzie's Orchestra.
- \*Jamboree in Cherry Valley Hall, Friday, October 15th. (Good Specialties). Lunches served. Sponsored by Earncliffe W. I.
- \*Hot chicken supper, bingo, etc. New Parish Hall, North Rustico, Wednesday, Oct. 20th. Suppers 5 p.m.
- \*Hot turkey dinner and bazaar where? New Glasgow hall Wednesday evening. Films will be shown.
- \*Reserve Oct. 18, Heartz Memorial Hall, English night with Miss Lena MacLure and other artists.

## Ship Damaged By Mine In North Sea

THE HAGUE (Reuters)—A fire which raged aboard the 3,099-ton Norwegian steamer Folga after she struck a mine in the North Sea Monday night with the help of the Russian ship Tartu.

The Folga's second officer was killed when the mine exploded but the captain and the rest of the crew are safe. The Dutch tugs Ebro and Goeres, with the survivors aboard, are expected to tow the Folga to the Hook of Holland at dawn today.