



SAFETY TROPHY FOR ATLANTIC REGION

With an all-time low accident rate, Canadian National Railways' Atlantic Region has won the annual System Safety Award for the first time. The much coveted safety trophy was officially presented by S. F. Dingle, CNR's vice-president of operation. He is seen (centre) handing the shield to H. H. Hicks (right) general superintendent of motive power and car equipment at Montreal, who received it on behalf of R. W. G. Hayes, vice-president and general manager, Atlantic Region. At left is J. R. Bannerman, superintendent of safety at Montreal.

Dunton Declares Ottawa Does Not Control The CBC

MONTREAL (CP)—The federal government can turn down large financial commitments by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, but cannot and does not control its activities, Dunton said here Saturday. He told the 150th anniversary meeting of the Royal Montreal Curling Club there has been no intervention in broadcast programming by any federal cabinet minister "in the sense that something was done because it was he who suggested it." Mr. Dunton said the corporation reports to parliament through Revenue Minister McCann. It also deals with him on large financial commitments and proposals which the government wants to place before parliament when dealing with the financing of the system. "Of the comparatively few representations about programs from ministers I remember, I cannot think of any that were put into effect. They did not happen to get the judgment of the corporation."

EASTERN GUARDIAN

MONTAGUE Home and School monthly meeting Monday, April 8th at 8:00 p.m. Public invited. Guest speaker, Dr. M.N. Beck.

Ministers Met At The Trinity Manse

The March meeting of the Kings County Ministerial Association was held in Trinity Manse, Montague, where were present Revs. D.A. Campbell, A.M. Rogerson, F. MacKinnon, L.S. Woolfrey and J. M. Fraser. The proceedings included the devotional period, business meeting, and a discussion on vital issues of the day. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. J.M. Fraser, aided by Miss Ada MacLean and little Jane Campbell.

LORNE VALLEY

Mrs. Donald Shaw and daughter Eileen were visitors to Charlottetown on Wednesday, March 20. Her many friends are sorry to learn that Miss Roberta Shaw, second year student at Prince of Wales College, is confined to her home through illness requiring medical attention. All unite in wishing her an early recovery.

GEORGETOWN

Mr. Roderick M. Martin of Montague of the Veterans Land Act Department was a business visitor to Georgetown on Tuesday April 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Hansen spent several days in Charlottetown recently as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmonds. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Maillet of Moncton N.B. is visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Llewellyn. Mr. V. L. Henderson of Murray Harbour North was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday, Mr. H. P. "Sonny" George of Halifax N.S. was a recent guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. P. N.B. is visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Llewellyn. Mr. V. L. Henderson of Murray Harbour North was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday, Mr. H. P. "Sonny" George of Halifax N.S. was a recent guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. P.

New Veterans' Pensions Scale

OTTAWA (CP)—New scales of increased pensions for disabled war veterans were made public Friday in government supplementary estimates for 1957-58 tabled in the Commons. The pension increases were announced generally in Finance Minister Harris' March 14 budget. They will cost an estimated \$14,000,000 in the current fiscal year. For rankers and officers up to navy commanders, army lieutenant-colonels and air force wing commanders, the 100-per-cent disability pension will be \$1,800 a year. Previously, it was \$1,500 for those up to lieutenant-commander, major and squadron leader. Commanders, lieutenant-colonels and wing commanders had received \$1,500. The basic 100-per-cent pension for navy captains, colonels and group captains remains unchanged at \$1,800, and so does that for the top ranks at \$2,700. However, for all ranks the additional pension for married persons is increased to \$600 from \$540 a year in the full disability category. The maximum "helplessness allowance" — for veterans needing special care — is increased to \$1,500 a year from \$1,400.

Death Saturday Of Mrs. J. Collins

The death occurred at her home at Alliston on Saturday evening, April 6th, of Mrs. James Collins in her 90th year. Left to mourn are one son, Archie at Alliston, Mrs. Norman Moore, in U.S.A.; also two sisters, Katherine, Mrs. L.J. Acorn, Alliston, and Mrs. Margaret Mansfield, Haverhill, Mass. Her husband and two sons, George and Fred, and one daughter, Christine, predeceased her. The funeral will be held Tuesday, April 9th at 1:30 in the Caledonia Presbyterian Church. Interment will be in the Caledonia Church cemetery.

Funeral of Miss Wight Held On Saturday

The funeral of the late Rita Geraldine Wight was held on Saturday morning from the residence of her mother, Mrs. William D. Wight, Georgetown to St. James Church where Solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated by her brother, Sqr. Leader Rev. Howard Wight, senior R.C.A.F. Padre (R.C.) Greenwood, assisted by Rev. L. Landrigan, deacon and Rev. E. Roche, sub-deacon. The master of ceremonies was Rev. Preston Hamill. Rev. Dr. Bernard Gillis assisted in the choir. The following priests occupied seats in the Sanctuary: Rev. O. Kiggins, P.P., Rev. F. Mullaly, Rev. W. MacCardie, Rev. R. Phalen, Rev. D. Murnaghan, Rev. R. MacDonald, Rev. James Smith. The service at the grave was conducted by Rev. O. Kiggins and Rev. L. Landrigan. The pall bearers were Messrs. Earl Walsh, Bernard Keenan, Waldron Lavers, Raymond Lavandier, Temple MacDonald, Alan Mair. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Approves Ban On Salmon Angling

MONTREAL (CP) — President Vernon E. Johnson of the Atlantic Salmon Association in a statement Thursday endorsed decision by the federal and New Brunswick governments to ban Atlantic salmon angling from the headwaters of the Miramichi and Upsalquitch rivers. "To save the fresh-water nurseries of the salmon resource the sections of rivers most favorable for spawning must be set aside and rigidly safeguarded from interference," said Mr. Johnson. "The new regulation will probably inconvenience many anglers but, in my view, the principle involved is sound and the advantages to salmon propagation can be of major importance. For many years the Atlantic Salmon Association has sought to place the spawning areas of the salmon streams under full protection of the fishery department as a first step in conserving the resource."

Forecast Warmer For 300 Years

MONTREAL (CP) — A super long-range weather forecast was made recently in Montreal. It's going to get warmer and warmer — for about the next 300 years. This gradual rise in temperature, says Dr. Donald B. Lawrence, botany professor at the University of Minnesota, is caused by the recession of ice age glaciers. Dr. Lawrence, at McGill University recently, delivered a paper on southeast Alaska's glaciers and vegetation to the only Canadian chapter of the Sigma Xi Society, an international society for the encouragement of scientific research. Most of the world's glaciers are estimated to have reached their maximum expansion early in the 18th century — during the "little ice age." Since then the glaciers, except in some northern Pacific areas, have been receding. The retreat will continue until about 2250. Prof. Lawrence says a glacier can be considered a complicated type of meteorological instrument, combining the duties of a snow gauge, evaporimeter and solar radiation meter. "The processes involved in this magnificent outdoor laboratory are still inadequately explored," he says. Most of the present botanical-glacial research is being concentrated on glaciers in the Columbia River area of the Canadian Rockies, in Greenland and in Baffin Land.

Elliot Lake Is Epidemic Area

TORONTO (CP) — Dr. J. T. Phair, Ontario deputy minister of health, Thursday declared Elliot Lake an epidemic area. He said sanitation conditions in Elliot Lake were condemned following a report of five experts of the department of health. They were flown to the northern Ontario uranium mining area, 27 miles northeast of Blind River, to study conditions here. Dr. Phair said the report indicated an outbreak of infectious hepatitis, due mainly to poor hygiene and sanitation conditions. A week ago the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (I.M.M.S.W.) circulated a petition in Elliot Lake calling for government action in cleaning up what it calls unsanitary conditions in the area. Acting on the report of the health specialists the health department has ordered immediate installation of an adequate sanitation system.

Unit Mascots Are Colourful

By JACK BRAYLEY Canadian Press Staff Writer ABU SUWEIR, Egypt (CP)— Rabbits, guinea pigs, dogs, donkeys and a crowd of goats officially on strength in their units give the United Nations Emergency Force an even more cosmopolitan outlook than was envisaged by the creators of the multinational peace army. Most colorful of the mascots are the goats—the engineers' Sapper Stella (named after a brand of Egyptian beer) and Lt. Cpl. Billie Canuck of the Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers. LIKES CIGARETTES Sapper Stella won the affection of her unit by her marked preference for eating a popular brand of Canadian cigarette to the exclusion of all others. Under the tutelage of Sapper Stella Cummings of New Waterford, N.S., she is learning to parade with the engineers. Presented with a specially made blanket incorporating the regimental colors, Stella showed her appreciation by attempting to eat it forthwith. Billie Canuck, who carries his

Veteran Draegerman Looking For A Job In The Sunshine

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—Edward John Cassidy, a veteran Dominion Coal Company draegerman, is looking for a job in the sunshine. The 42-year-old miner, with 15 years service in a famed N.S. collieries behind him but unfortunately, vowed today never to return to the underground coal seams. He is living with his brother here, looking for a surface job and a home for his wife and five children still at Stellarton. During the Springhill disaster last November which claimed 39 lives and temporarily buried alive 88 other miners, Cassidy worked in the deeps as a masked draegerman, the member of a famed crew of mine rescue workers. Early this year, he returned to the No. 4 mine to help bring out the 26 bodies left entombed when

CPR Earnings At New High But Costs Are Keeping Pace

MONTREAL (CP) — President N. R. Crump of Canadian Pacific Railway said Thursday in the company's 76th annual report that revenue from rail operations in 1956 exceeded for the first time the \$500,000,000 mark but increased operating costs kept the return on railway net investment to "only 3.15 per cent." While a portion of the general freight increase of 15 per cent sought in 1956 was granted by the board of transport commissioners, "the total addition to railway revenue from freight-rate increases was \$12,000,000, an amount not sufficient to offset the impact of higher wage rates and material prices, which added \$16,200,000 to operating expenses." The board granted an interim increase of seven per cent, effective last July 3, and after later increases in the four per cent interim increase effective Jan. 1, 1957, postponing judgment on the remainder sought. Mr. Crump reviewed the previously issued financial statement which showed net income at \$55,617,988. After provision of dividends on preference stock, this was equal to \$3.76 a share of 13,949,169 shares of ordinary stock compared with \$3.28 on 13,878,173 shares the previous year. PASSENGER VOLUME DOWN Mr. Crump said passenger traffic volume was down slightly due to unfavorable summer weather in eastern Canada and decreased military traffic, but patronage of the transcontinental trains continued to show improvement. While ton-miles freight volume increased 18 per cent, average revenue on the same basis was lower because of a 31-per-cent increase in movement of low-rated grain. Higher maintenance charges accounted for almost half the increase in total railway expenses. Proportion of total transportation work by diesel power in the year averaged 48 per cent in freight service, 72 per cent in passenger service and 68 per cent in yard service. A total of 113 new

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5 Killed In Odd Chain Of Tragedies

MAHONOMEN, Minn. (AP)—Five young persons were killed early Thursday in a strange chain of tragedies touched off when a car sheared a pole carrying a 33,000-volt electric power line. Two of the dead rode in the car which left a highway and struck the pole. The other three were occupants of two cars who stopped to give aid and apparently came in contact with the power line. Six teenagers in the wrecked car managed to escape alive. Killed were: William E. Schultz, 28, driver of the car which struck the pole, and one of his passengers, Donald Haugen, 21, both of Winger, Minn. Marcin Duncan Jr., 18, and Orville Rolf, 18, both of Fosston, Minn., who leaped from the first car, passing by the scene. Henry Hoidal, 21, Winger, Minn. who came by in a second car and made another futile rescue attempt. A power plant operator at Mahonomen said the high line was not broken, but sagged near the car. Henry Sidney, the operator who visited the scene, said it is a complete mystery to him exactly how the people were electrocuted. He said the car might have been charged or that the would-be rescuers came in direct contact with the dropping high line. The six youngsters who survived were under sedatives for shock and minor injuries in hospitals at Crookston, Minn., and a clear picture of the bizarre tragedy was not available.

NS Liquor Agent Bill Draws Sharp Debate In House

HALIFAX (CP) — The legislature gave second reading Tuesday to a Progressive Conservative government bill to abolish registration of liquor manufacturers' agents. The measure was sent to the House law amendments committee after the hottest debate of the session. Liberal Opposition Leader Henry Hicks said "many people" think the government's aim is to permit its supporters to become agents for liquor manufacturers without making their names public. Provincial Secretary G. I. Smith responsible for liquor control, said "I have never heard such an unfair allegation." The law requiring distillers' and brewers' agents to register with the Nova Scotia liquor commission passed the House in 1955 under the previous Liberal administration. It followed prosecution of seven alleged agents on charges of attempting to promote sale of a particular brand. Mr. Smith said only 12 agents have registered with the commis-

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