

## SUDDEN DEATH IN VIRGINIA OF WELL KNOWN CHARLOTTETOWN MAN

Mr. Allan B. Cosh, widely known retired chief assessor of the Income Tax Division here, died suddenly last night at Virginia Beach, Va., about an hour after his arrival there by car. Accompanied by Mrs. Cosh he left here September 7 and had expected to spend three days visiting his son, Lieut. Cmdr Allen Bartlett Cosh, R.C.N., who is presently attached to the U.S. Naval base at Norfolk, Va., as liaison officer.

The late Mr. Cosh was born in Strathgalloway, Fifehire, Scotland, in 1884, and was the son of the late Rev. Nathan Cosh, D.D., and Mrs. Cosh of Dalry, Scotland. He came to Canada in 1911 and joined the Crown Life Insurance Company, Toronto. Two years later he was transferred to this province as provincial manager.

In 1915 he enlisted with the 105th Battalion and served in France with the Canadian engineers. Before leaving for overseas he was married to Miss Mary Florence Bartlett, daughter of the late Major A. A. Bartlett and Mrs. Bartlett.

In 1919 Mr. Cosh joined the staff of the Department of National Revenue here when there were only four people on the staff. He represented the local office at the inaugural meeting of the Dominion Income Tax Staff Association at Montreal in 1943, and became the first regional vice president for the Maritimes.

His particular abilities enabled him to rise steadily in the department and on his retirement in August 1949 held the post of Chief Assessor. When he did leave office he was feted by the staff and former members at a dinner and dance at Sandy's and presented with a certificate for 30 years meritorious service on behalf of Hon. J. J. McCann, then Minister of National Revenue. The staff members also made a presentation.

The late Mr. Cosh maintained his interest in military matters after his return from overseas and was a past president of the United Services Officers Club. He was a

regular attendant at St. Peter's Cathedral, and a well known singer of Scottish songs reflecting his deep interest in things musical. Surviving are his wife and son, Lieut. Cmdr. Cosh.



The late Mr. A. B. Cosh

## Special Committee To Help The Aged

OTTAWA, (CP)—The Canadian Welfare Council has decided to establish a special committee to help the aged get a better deal.

Lawrence Freiman of Ottawa, president of the council, announced Friday that the decision to establish a committee on the needs of aged persons was made at a recent meeting of the council's board of governors.

The chairman of the committee will be Senator Muriel Ferguson, Liberal member of the Senate from Fredericton, N. B. Mr. Freiman said the aim of the committee will be to assist in coordinating activities by volunteer and government agencies, to act as a clearing house on problems of the aged, to provide consultation services to aid communities in their planning for older persons and to assist in interpreting the needs of the aged to the public.

Senator Ferguson said persons over 65 will nearly double in the 20 years between 1951 and 1971.

**KILLED BY WASPS**  
GALLICIANO, Italy (AP)—A swarm of wasps Thursday attacked and killed mule driver Giovanni Sterpetti, 30, near this central Apennine hamlet.

## Quebec Will Not Be Represented At Highway Transport Conference

WINNIPEG, (CP)—Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec has dealt a blow to plans for Monday's interprovincial highway transport conference in Winnipeg by unexpectedly announcing that Quebec would not be represented.

Premier D. L. Campbell announced Friday he had received a wire from the Quebec premier, turning down an invitation to the conference at which every other province but Newfoundland will be represented.

The aim of the conference is to seek an amendment to the British North America Act which would give the provinces exclusive control over interprovincial and international trucking—control now held by the federal government.

Officials here said they had believed provincial control would be maintained.

## CCCL Votes For Political Action

MONTREAL (CP)—Leaders of the 100,000-member Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor Friday approved a plan for political action but declined to affiliate the nation's third largest labor group with any party.

Delegates to the CCCL's 33rd annual convention voted 248 to 103 in favor of a committee report calling for activity in the local sphere aimed at electing candidates "interested in the common good."

"This political action excludes the creation of a workers' political party or the affiliation of the CCCL with any political party," the report said.

## Rain And Frost Continue Damage To Western Crops

WINNIPEG, Man., Sept. 24—Further heavy rain, and finally frost came to the Prairies this past week, causing further delay in harvesting and adding to the deterioration of an already devastated crop due to rust and far too much moisture during the past month.

Frost occurred north-westward from Central Manitoba to the Peace River, but varied in intensity. As a result, some late crops may be cut for feed, or even written off entirely. Swathed grains are sprouting in some areas, and commencing to rot in a few others. Crop yields and grades show further deterioration and the whole West needs week or more of dry warm weather before harvesting will be resumed generally, according to the weekly crop report of the Department of Agriculture of the Canadian National Railways.

In the Fort Frances territory, oats and barley already shipped are grading damp two or three feed. Half the barley and oats, one third of the flax and one-quarter rye and wheat have been threshed.

Very little was accomplished in Southern and Central Manitoba, with all grains badly soaked, requiring a week or more of fine weather to dry out. From 25 per cent to 50 per cent of the harvest remains to be done, greatest progress having been made in southern areas. Some districts are revising yield estimates downward by five to 10 bushels per acre, with grades falling generally.

Northern Manitoba had light frosts with some snow reported. Little swathing and no threshing was possible during this period and swaths are sprouting in some cases.

Southern Saskatchewan had almost steady rains. Alarm is expressed as to the possibility of salvaging remaining crops it is feared many acres will never be harvested.

Comparable conditions obtain across Central Saskatchewan, with least progress being made in northeastern areas. A lot of crop is down and badly twisted and (Continued on page 15, col. 1)

## Montreal Doctor Faces Charge

MONTREAL (CP)—Dr. Jean B. Lebel was charged with manslaughter Friday in connection with the death of a 24-year-old waitress after an alleged illegal operation.

The tall, distinguished-looking doctor was held criminally responsible for the girl's death by a coroner's jury Thursday. The girl died in hospital Sept. 17.

Dr. Lebel said the girl had visited him to demand she had asked for an abortion. He was released on bail of \$950 and ordered to appear for preliminary hearing Oct. 1.

## Two-Year Term

AMHERST, N. S. (CP)—Charles A. Letcher of Moncton was sentenced to two years in penitentiary Friday for defrauding insurance companies by claiming losses for fictitious car accidents.

Crown prosecutor J. W. Douglas described the 29-year-old insurance adjuster as "one of the most important ring leaders in the racket."

Letcher was the only one to plead guilty when he and nine other Nova Scotia and New Brunswick men appeared for preliminary hearing of charges of defrauding insurance companies.

## Pay Silver Dollars

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# Russians Get Into Act On Plans For Atomic Energy

## Report Serious Brush Fire In Los Angeles Co.

CHATHAM, Calif. (AP)—A rampaging brush fire, termed "one of the worst in the history of Los Angeles county" by a veteran fire chief, burned 21 homes and forced the evacuation of scores of residents Friday.

The report of the homes destroyed came from Capt. J. J. Gilman.

Wind-whipped flames roared over the steep hills of Santa Susana pass at the northwest corner of the San Fernando valley.

Los Angeles county fire chief Keith Klinger said a high wind was fanning the fire in all directions. "It's one of the worst fires in the history of the county," the chief radiophoned after viewing the blaze from a helicopter.

Gilman reported 20 residents involved in the Twin Lakes-Chatsworth lakes manor district. A ranch was reported in ruins, with loss estimated at more than \$40,000.

## Cool Production, Importation Down

OTTAWA, (CP)—Production and importation of coal in Canada declined in the first eight months of this year by comparison with 1953.

Production was 9,066,000 tons, down six per cent from 9,641,000 in the same period of 1953. Imports amounted to 11,275,931 tons, against 14,937,000.

Output was down in three mining areas. In Nova Scotia, it dropped to 3,746,000 from 3,818,000 tons. In Alberta it 2,868,000 from 3,356,000 and in British Columbia to 822,000 from 935,000.

However, in New Brunswick it rose to 508,000 from 491,000, and in Saskatchewan it rose to 1,120,000 from 1,022,000.

## New Drops In Car Production

DETROIT, (AP)—Another sharp drop this week in U. S. passenger car production, due to model changeovers was described by Ward's automotive reports Friday as the "most costly changeover in five years."

The statistical agency puts this week's U. S. output at 50,101 cars and 16,856 trucks, compared with 57,716 cars and 13,642 trucks last week. In the like 1953 period 109,178 cars and 23,151 trucks were built.

Commenting on the drop in car output, Ward's said: "Not since 1948, when the lowest five-day point in changeovers was 36,813 cars, has such a depth been reached."

Output of Canadian factories this week is placed at 1,990 cars and 770 trucks against 2,081 cars and 587 trucks last week. In the comparable 1953 week Canadian factories built 7,457 cars and 1,187 trucks.

Ward's noted that six car makes—Chevrolet, Pontiac, Plymouth, Dodge, DeSoto and Chrysler now are in model changeover. Five more General Motors and Ford divisions will go down in October, it added.

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(By Francis W. Carpenter)  
UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., (AP)—With Russia insisting on recording a unanimous vote, the UN steering committee recommended Friday full General Assembly consideration of the new United States proposals for peaceful use of atomic energy.

Soviet deputy foreign minister Andrei Vishinsky told the 15-member committee that—contrary to a statement by U. S. State Secretary Dulles—Moscow has not rejected the proposals originally laid down by President Eisenhower last Dec. 8. He read from a Soviet note dated Sept. 22 stating the Russians are ready to continue conversations.

Vishinsky also said the Soviet Union favored sending the American item to the assembly. When the assembly president, Elco N. Van Kieffens of The Netherlands, said there was no opposition to that move, Vishinsky demanded that the record show a unanimous vote to prevent future misunderstandings. Van Kieffens said it would.

The first debate will be held later this fall in the assembly's political committee.

## DIPLOMATS SPECULATE

Diplomats familiar with Russian policy moves speculated that the Russians eventually might try to bring the American proposals within the scope of the United Nations. This would permit a voice in the operations of such a plan.

Some diplomats also professed to believe that the Russians eventually will find a way to join the scheme, especially since they have learned the United States and some of its friends are going ahead with developing the plan regardless of what the Soviet Union does.

Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., chief American delegate, told the steering committee at a brief session that the United States wanted to put before the assembly a new item:

"International co-operation in developing the peaceful uses of atomic energy: Report of the United States of America."

Lodge said that the refusal of the Soviet Union to join the plan could not be allowed to prevent the world from sharing its benefits.

## CONSTRUCTIVE BENEFITS

He said there probably is no single matter before the assembly which promises more constructive benefits for mankind. His item indicates, however, the U. S. will merely report to the UN and will carefully refrain from giving the UN a voice in creating an atomic agency.

Selwyn Lloyd, British minister of state, joined Lodge, saying Britain fully supports the American item and would take part in the plan.

Vishinsky then said the Soviet Union has not now and never has rejected the plan. Vishinsky asked why was it necessary to poison

## News Briefs From Home And Abroad

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The United States will begin another series of atomic tests at the Nevada proving ground early in 1955. The nuclear weapons and devices to be tested presumably will be standard fission explosives.

MONTREAL, (CP)—Sidney A. Sheppard, director of the Bank of Montreal's mortgage department, told members of the Quebec Home Builders Association Thursday night there is no reason to expect any permanent downturn in home construction for several years.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont. (CP)—Canada has become a "sitting duck" for world manufacturers because customs rules permit easy access to Canadian markets, K. V. Farmer, president of the Canadian Electrical Manufacturers Association, said Friday.

LONDON, (Reuters)—Communist Poland Friday demanded the return of seven seamen who mutinied, took over their ship, and sailed into a British port Thursday to seek political asylum.

WELLAND, Ont. (CP)—Bruce McLean, 23, acquitted last Friday on the charge of murdering his wife while canoeing in the Welland river a year ago, was sentenced to 12 months in the Ontario reformatory Tuesday after he pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretences.

consultations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek on Formosa and an inspection of Nationalist Quemoy and the Tachen islands. Quo said they are heavily garrisoned and "we are well prepared."

"We feel we should be able to deal with the situation without calling on our American friends," he said. "Our policy is not to involve the United States."

## Inquest Ordered Following Sudden Death of 2 Men At Alberton Friday

An inquest has been ordered by coroner Dr. W. A. Shea and autopsies are to be performed to determine the cause of death of two Alberton men who passed away suddenly yesterday. Peter Broderick, age 25, was taken ill Thursday night and died about 7:30 yesterday morning at the home of his brother-in-law, Stanley McArthur, Alberton. A jury was empanelled and after viewing the remains adjourned until Oct. 1.

Mr. Stephen Graves, who had been in company with Broderick on Thursday was found seriously ill at his home where he lived alone. He was immediately taken to the Western Hospital where he passed away about two o'clock in the afternoon. The jury was reconvened and after viewing the remains again adjourned to Oct. 1.

Peter Broderick and his family had been living on Lennox Island where his father is an employee of the Department of Indian Affairs. Last week he suffered fractures of both wrists in a fall from a barn loft while helping a resident of Lennox Island with the grain crop.

Following discharge from the Prince County Hospital where he casts had been put on both his arms, he came to Alberton to spend a few days with relatives. Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Thomas Broderick, Lennox Island, and his wife, the former Reta Doucette of Miscouche, he is survived by four small children, Harry 6, Barbara 5, Muriel 3, and Linda age 1. A brother William of Alberton and three sisters, Mrs. Rodney Spidle (Mary Ellen), Margetsville, N.S., Mrs. Louis McDonaid (Florence), Halifax, and Mrs. Stanley McArthur, Alberton, also survive.

The late Stephen Graves was 56 years of age. During World War II he served in Italy and Africa with the Canadian army. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James (Bud) Graves of Alberton. He is survived by a brother Walter in New York, and one sister, Mrs. George Craswell, Holden, Mass. A half sister, Mrs. Charles McLeod, lives in Saint John, N.B.

Members of the jury are: Charles Gordon, foreman, Perley Hardy, John Rochford, John C. Profit, Henry Clarke and Harvey Hutt, all of Alberton.

## Says U. S. Soldiers Running Wild

LONDON, (AP)—A Church of England vicar declares that United States military authorities are letting young American soldiers run wild in occupied Germany.

The charge by Rev. Bernard Croft appears in the weekly Church of England newspaper. The newspaper is not an official organ of the Church of England, but high dignitaries of the church frequently write for it.

Mr. Croft served in Germany as a wartime chaplain with the British armed forces. The vicar says the "little America" district near the Munich railroad station is reminiscent of such notorious fleshpots as Port Said, London's Piccadilly Circus and the Place Pigalle in Paris.

## August Federal Surplus Down To Ten Million

OTTAWA, (CP)—The government showed a budgetary surplus of \$10,284,000 in August, just about one-fifth of the \$52,846,000 surplus in August last year, as tax revenue declined and defence spending took a decided jump.

The August treasury shift brought the surplus for the first five months of the 1954-55 fiscal year to \$148,039,000, sharply below the \$283,253,000 surplus in the similar period a year ago, the finance department reported Friday.

The most significant increase in spending was in the defence department where, in previous months, expenditures had been running below the level of last year. The department's monthly bills rose to \$133,412,000 from \$105,695,000 a year ago.

However, defence spending for the first five months of the current fiscal year was still below last year's level, totalling \$561,538,000, compared to last year's \$612,004,000.

## Tiny Car Is Home For This Family

MONTREAL, (CP)—A tiny blue car parked on the riverbank in neighboring Lachine is serving as home for a young couple and their 19-month-old baby girl.

Tom Bond, 21-year-old carpenter unemployed for five months, moved his wife, Jeannine, also 21, and Dorine, the baby, into the English-style car 10 days ago after his landlord objected to the child.

The Bonds told reporters Friday they have been living on their \$21 weekly unemployment insurance.

## Armed Forces Getting Weapons For Atomic War

OTTAWA, (CP)—Canada's armed forces are getting a new panoply of weapons to fit themselves for the atomic age.

But even when new weapons are being delivered the search goes on for better ones. That, officials said Friday, is the price the democracies have to pay in the era described recently by External Affairs Minister Pearson as the "age of hydrogen and hate."

Authorities said Canadian defence policy, insofar as possible, is based on the supposition that Russia is gaining ground on the West in the field of nuclear weapons and jet aircraft. One official said Russia may even have passed the democracies in this regard.

CANADA NEEDS ALLIES  
Alone, Canada could not hope to meet the threat. But, with allies, this country can pick from among the best of their new weapons.

Nearly all Western developments in armaments are predicated on (Continued on page 15, col. 2)



TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min	Max
Dawson	31	54
Vancouver	55	67
Victoria	53	70
Edmonton	47	72
Calgary	53	74
Saskatoon	41	72
Regina	42	72
Winnipeg	46	66
Toronto	42	60
Ottawa	45	62
Montreal	41	60
Quebec City	46	57
Saint John	42	60
Moncton	45	61
Halifax	50	60
Fredericton	41	62
Charlottetown	47	60
Sydney	50	57
Yarmouth	48	56
St. Johns, Nfld.	50	60

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office here says fine weather is forecast for most of the Maritimes Saturday. However, an area of showery weather is moving eastward and will likely reach northern New Brunswick and eastern Quebec Saturday evening.

Cloudy weather is indicated for all regions Sunday.

Regional forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties, lower St. John river valley: Sunny and a little warmer Saturday; risk of frost about dawn; westerly winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 45 and 60, Moncton 40 and 65, Fredericton 35 and 65, Saint John 40 and 65.

Outlook for Sunday: Cloudy.  
High tide today at Charlottetown at 9:24 a. m. and 10:03 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

High tide today at the North Shore at 4:37 a. m. and 5:40 p. m. Sun rises today at 6:03 a. m. and sets at 6:05 p. m. (The time is Atlantic Standard.)

# Predicts Moves By Chinese Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chinese Nationalist Ambassador Wellington Koo said Friday Communist China probably will make a serious attempt this fall to seize 37 Nationalist-held islands close to the Red mainland for use as stepping stones to Formosa.

He said the test may come "at any time."

Commenting in an interview on Red Premier Chou En-lai's latest call Thursday for "liberation" of Formosa, Koo declared it should not be dismissed as mere propaganda. Chou's speech calling Formosa "a sacred territory" was broadcast by Peiping radio.

"It is something the Communists feel very strongly," Koo said. "Just as the Nationalists feel equally strongly that they must return to the mainland."

Whether the Communists start an all-out assault on Formosa and the Pescadores "will depend a great deal on how much supplies Russia will give them in arms, aircraft, guns and ships," the veteran diplomat said, adding:

"However, the Communists very likely will make a serious attempt to take the offshore islands. They serve as stepping stones to Formosa and the Pescadores."