

Snow beginning in morning changing to
flurries by evening;
winds increasing to
northeast 30. Low-high 20 and 27.

"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1963.

Items Submitted For Agenda Of Farm Conference

The department of agriculture has submitted two items to be included in the agenda for the federal-provincial agricultural ministers' conference which opens in Ottawa next week.

"Bank loans," he said, "are available for a 10-year period but in actual practice they extend over a three-year period. This is of little value to anyone borrowing for herd improvement as it takes at least three years before returns are available from offspring of the herd and longer term loans would be more beneficial."

The other matter this province will bring up concerns the workings of the agricultural rehabilitation and development program.

Sydney Man Dies In Fire

SYDNEY (CP)—Robert MacDonnell, 76, died Thursday in a fire that damaged four of 12 rooms in a rooming house here.

Mr. MacDonnell was retired mechanic and blacksmith. Was found in a smoke-filled room through a window.

There were no other injuries.

Blizzard Hits Sask.

REGINA (CP)—Thousands of school children remained home and mail delivery was disrupted as an Arctic blizzard raged through Saskatchewan Wednesday night and early Thursday.

One death was reported when a 61-year-old heart attack while attempting to free his light truck at Inhabrie in South-eastern Saskatchewan.

Transportation was snarled throughout the province as snow piled into drifts by winds up to 70 miles an hour.

Visibility was zero at many points.

The temperature was near zero as the storm eased up late Thursday.

Many schools in the Saskatchewan east and Saskatoon west rural districts were closed because of impassable roads.

Montreal Students Protest Attitude Of TCA President

MONTREAL (CP)—Students protested against a committee of the House of Commons to study the Trans-Canada Air Lines were repelled today by police late Thursday in attempts to push their way into the downtown Place Ville Marie skyscraper where the airline's offices are on the 38th floor.

No one was hurt and no arrests were made but the students hurled eggs at the plate-glass windows on the 14th and 15th floors.

Early placards bore such slogans as "a bus DC-9" and "with the DC-9" and "on 'veat la Caravelle" (we want the Caravelle).

After some 90 minutes of chanting and parading, the students were swept off the concrete in front of the building by police on foot and horseback.

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Production Cost of Green Frame Farming

Ont. Area Paralyzed By Snow, High Winds

TORONTO (CP)—A six-inch snowfall and raging winds paralyzed Southern Ontario Thursday and has been blamed for at least three deaths.

The storm came on the 19th anniversary—to the very day—of a similar storm that killed 13 persons.

Metropolitan Toronto was turned into a 240-square-mile traffic jam during the Thursday morning rush hour. Thousands were late for work. Hundreds did not report at all.

A Toronto Transit Commission official described conditions as "chaotic."

William Marie, a 245-foot vessel bound for Detroit, was drawing 15 feet of water and grounded in feet of water. It was freed by tugs about 2:30 p.m. Thursday.

The 400-foot carrier John J. Boland, which also went aground, was up and on the water by 10 a.m. Friday.

Peche Lake is just off the entrance of the Detroit River at the south end of Lake St. Clair.

Two Escape
In Jet Crash

MONTREAL (CP)—The pilot escaped with minor injuries and the navigator was unhurt Thursday when a CF-101 jet fighter crashed-landed.

An RCMP spokesman said the plane was heavily damaged when it landed in a field seven miles from the RCAF base at nearby St. Hubert and ran into a barn.

PHIL L. Frank Russell of the pilot, was taken to hospital with minor injuries. The co-pilot, H. E. Simkins of Toronto, the navigator, was not injured.

The jet was on a training flight, the RCAF said.

N.S. Milk Prices May Be Increased

TRURO (CP)—The Nova Scotia Milk and Cream Producers' Association Thursday decided to ask the provincial public utilities board for an increase of 77 cents per hundredweight in the price for milk paid to the producer.

The increase if granted would raise the retail price of milk in the Halifax area to 26 cents a quart, a 10-cent increase over the current price of 16 cents.

The Cape Breton Milk Board earlier approved an increase in the price of milk paid to producers.

Donald Porter of Masstown was elected president of the association.

McGregor they didn't like his attitude at recent hearings. The House of Commons transportation committee.

signs, one of which says "Gordon and I are two giants of stupidity." The students paraded to tell Mr.

TCA president Gordon R. McGregor. The marchers, mostly estimated to number from 800 to 2,000, carried

Students, chiefly from the University of Montreal, demonstrated Thursday night against

Parliament At A Glance

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Justice Minister Chevrier said there is no conflict between Prime Minister Pearson and Finance Minister Gordon on deficit financing.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker chided "secondary relations" of Mr. Pearson's remarks Wednesday at a meeting with labor leaders.

Transport Minister McRath said critics of the French Caravelle jet last week by TCA President Gordon McGregor were not inaccurate.

An opposition bid to make special pension benefits retroactive to Oct. 1 was defeated 117 to 100. Social Credit blocked the government.

Jack Horner (PC-Acadia) said Agriculture Minister Fyles has been a miserable failure in his job.

Mr. Fyles said he hopes to produce a plan that will help farmers reduce their operating costs.

FRIDAY, Dec. 13

The Commons meets at 11 EST to debate northern affairs department estimates. The Senate stands adjourned until Monday night.

Miramichi River To Be Kept Open

SOUTH NELSON, N.B. (CP)—South Nelson Forest Products Limited have completed an agreement with the Maritime Limited to have the Miramichi River kept open throughout the winter on an experimental basis.

This is the first time an attempt has been made to winter the Miramichi River cleared for winter shipping.

The South Nelson Forest Products Ltd. do not expect to do any shipping this winter, the spokesman said, but the experiment would prove beneficial in proving whether or not future winter shipping would be feasible.

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4 DEAD, 52 HOMELESS Stricken Gaspé Village Fears Additional Slides

ST. JOACHIM DE TOURELLE, Que. (CP)—This Gaspé Coast community, stricken by sudden landslides that killed four men and toppled nine houses into mud and water, waited cautiously Thursday in fear of more slides.

Red Cross workers said 52 persons were homeless. Some had lost their homes and all along the houses were swallowed up in a huge pit of mud that had once been part of a hillside and had slid into Tourelle Creek, 1,000 feet from the St. Lawrence River.

Others left 10 houses that police ordered evacuated.

"Other slides could take place," said Constable Emile L'Heureux of the Quebec Provincial Police.

He estimated the loss — 20 houses, 22 cars and a truck — buried 300 feet of bridge that spanned the creek, the road approaches to the bridge — at \$150,000.

Some houses were left teetering on the edge of the pit. It was believed to be 150 deep in places.

The first slide came late Wednesday, destroying seven houses and burying a truck in which the four men were carried to their death. Their bodies were recovered Thursday.

The four were brothers — Johnny Therrien, 32, Raymond, 28, Benoit, 22 and Ouesine, 20. Three of the houses disappeared in the pit created by the slide. Four others were carried along Tourelle Creek to the St. Lawrence.

HAILED TO SAFETY

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvère Mainville escaped when their car was caught in the slide and they were hauled to safety by residents with a rope. Mr. Mainville was sent to hospital in nearby St. Anne des Monts for treatment of undetermined injury.

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U.S. Economy Area Falls On Rock of Military Bases

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. administration's economy axe fell on a flock of military bases Thursday, cutting off or paring down 26 in the United States and seven in three countries abroad.

Moreover, further reductions in the coming months should be expected, Defense Secretary McNamara told a press conference.

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He said it costs about \$4,250 to create a new job under the U.S. accelerated public works program in hard-hit unemployment areas. To create jobs in the

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TOP FLYER

Robert Gary Ambrose, 19, of Taber, Alberta, was awarded the Tudhope Memorial Trophy this week as Canada's top steeplechase pilot of 1963. He took a flying course as a cadet last Thursday.

Mr. Gary, controversial Alberta frequently under fire for being absent from the House of Commons, was greeted with prolonged applause from all sides as he introduced for debate the \$175,000 spending program of his department for the year ending next March 31.

He got more applause when he said he was happy to be present, then launched into a broad critique of the existing farm situation.

A study was being made of the possibility of farmers acquiring machinery — an increasingly burdensome capital resource through rental or pooling, he reported.

A cross-section of Canadian farmers was being interviewed to obtain views on whether existing credit facilities and insurance programs in the event of disasters were adequate.

Under the new eastern feed grain policy of weight and moisture assistance, supplies of western feed in the east at Nov. 27 were per cent higher than a year ago — bonding well for the over-winter period when shipping is slow.

Mr. Gary returned to requests for a change in the feed grain policy but said it is "clear that we could not control prices or dictate priorities for shipping and storage."

But the government does see some merit in an administrative agency responsible for feed grain policy and liaison, the minister said.

Underlying the whole Canadian farm picture was the fact that one section consisted of basically — efficient farm units while another segment faced serious under-employment, low living standards and marginal operations.

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CREATE LABORATORY

He said one step in the strengthening of the department's excellent research division will be creation of a laboratory at Laval University and the existing facilities at St. Jean, Que.

Livestock testing programs needed to be strengthened to compete with other countries. Internationally, the future of agriculture in world tariff talks remained unclear with the European Common Market and the United States key factors.

The determination to unload some of the chronic butter surplus at a loss had resulted — aside from one sale of butter to the U.S. — in a loss of \$600,000 pounds of the 30,000,000 pounds of the 30,000,000.

Mr. Gary also said that some of the surplus may be needed for the winter months with supply leveling off with 4.6 million cwt. Meanwhile, cheese demand was up as a result of shifted dairy support prices.

Ways were being explored to get more top quality mature cheese to meet demand.

Grain Exchange Defends Policy

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