LANDSLIDE CARRIES AWAY TWO HOUSES

Two houses were carried into a gaping hole during a landslide Sunday night at St. Joachim-de-Tourelle in the Gaspe peninsula. No one was hurt. Earlier a barn completely disappeared in the clay bottom of the hole. (CP Wirephoto)

Complaints West Ignored In Export Grain Shipment

VANCOUVER (CP) — West-coast grain shipments, pushed to record heights last year by wheat sales to Communist China, have slackened to the point where complaints are being made of discrimination in favor of eastern ports.

Figures for the nine months ending April 30 show exports from British Columbia ports of 132,000,000 bushels, compared with 155,000,000 in the same period in 1961-62.

While current output is well above that of some previous years, a spokesman for the Vancouver Grain Exchange said it's also "well below" the handling capacity of about 20,000,000 bushels a month.

Some of the decline is attributable to smaller purchases by Canada's two principal markets, China and Japan, and rumors of further drops in Chinese sales are persisting. It's generally agreed the only key to retaining the Chinese market will be better credit terms.

At the moment, however, the biggest drop is in exports to Europe. Movements to Europe normally decline with the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, but several factors have combined to make the drop more severe.

CROPS A FACTOR

One is the good crops in Europe last fall, when France became a seller rather than a buyer of wheat. But the others involve what west-coast grain dealers consider unfair discrimination against them by the federal government.

The Canadian Wheat Board, in an effort to even up grain shipments between the east and west coasts, has applied a premium of five cents a bushel on wheat shipped through the Lakehead.

The premium means Vancouver can compete in the European market only when ocean freight rates are low enough to absorb the differential.

The local grain trade also feels wheat shipments through the eastern ports are being indirectly subsidized by Ottawa because tolls aren't high enough to make the St. Lawrence Seaway self-sustaining.

Construction of a huge 5,500,000-bushel grain elevator by the government in Montreal is considered yet another form of indirect subsidy for the east-coast shipments.

The new elevators will be larger than any of the Vancouver storage units, most of which are privately or co-operatively owned.

Decision On Bridge Is Sought By Friday

OTTAWA (CP)—The Supreme Court of Canada reserved decision Wednesday in an appeal case in which a Roman Catholic bishop seeks to collect a $50,000 estate left by a priest to aid the cause of French Canadians in the diocese of Prince Albert, Sask.

The case dates back to April 14, 1960 when the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench ruled that the estate of Father Georges Emile Touchet, former parish priest at Duck Lake, Sask., should go to Bishop Leo Blais, bishop of Prince Albert until April, 1959.

Father Touchet's will bequeathed the $50,000 to Bishop Blais "for his charities which will aid the cause of the French Canadians in his diocese."

The Saskatchewan Supreme Court held that the will created a charitable trust compelling the bishop to use the money to aid the cause of French Canadians.

However, the Saskatchewan Appeal Court revised this judgment and awarded the $50,000 to Honore Touchet, father of the priest, and Lucien Touchet, a brother. It ruled that the will created no valid trust in favor of Bishop Blais, charitable or otherwise, and that the estate should go to the father and son under an earlier will.

Bishop Blais asked the Supreme Court of Canada to restore the judgment of the Saskatchewan Supreme Court.

Portable Pensions Aired In House

OTTAWA (CP)—Health Minister Judy La Marsh said Wednesday the federal government will consult all provinces about portable pension plans before placing legislation before Parliament.

Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre) asked if the government intends to consult Quebec on the provincial plan which Premier Lesage intends to introduce. Mr. Knowles noted that Ontario already has a plan on the provincial statute books.

Miss La Marsh said negotiations between Ottawa and the provinces were not consistent during the Conservative government's regime. Conservative MPs howled in protest at the remark.

However, Miss La Marsh added, consultation with the provinces will be undertaken on portable pensions. The legislation would follow "with all possible dispatch."

Glace Bay Lawyer Heads KC In N.S.

GLACE BAY, N.S. (CP) — Donald J. Gillis, 44, Glace Bay lawyer, was elected state deputy of the Knights of Columbus in Nova Scotia. He succeeds J. Fraser Mooney of Yarmouth, N.S.

Other officers elected at the K of C 43rd state convention here were William J. Gouthro of Glace Bay, secretary; Elnor Hoganson of Halifax, treasurer; W.J. Slattery of Halifax, advocate; and Victor Cleyle of Kentville, warden.

Nothing New On Sugar Probe Minister Says

OTTAWA (CP)—Justice Minister Lionel Chevrier told the Commons Wednesday he has nothing further to report on an investigation begun into recent increases in sugar prices.

He was replying to Barry Mather (NDP—New Westminster), who said high sugar prices would have an adverse effect on the canning and fruit industries.

The minister said last Friday that the research director in the combines investigation branch was carrying out an investigation. Preliminary information had indicated the price increase was due largely to crop shortages and a loss of crops in some countries which supply Canada, and that the price increase for refined sugar was in line with the rise in world raw sugar prices.

House Briefs

OTTAWA (CP) — Transport Minister George McIlraith said Wednesday in a Commons reply to Leon Balcer (PC—Trois-Rivieres) that it isn't possible to say when he can report to Parliament on the probable purchase by Trans-Canada Air Lines of medium-range jet airliners such as the French Caravelle.

Agriculture Minister Hays, replying to Marcel Lessard (SC—Lac-St. Jean), said government policy towards providing storage elevators for feed grain in Eastern Canada is under consideration.

H. Russell MacEwan (PC—Pictou) asked that an immediate order for railway cars be given to the Eastern Car Company at Trenton, N.S., where he said unemployment is serious and unemployment insurance benefits are running out. Transport Minister McIlraith promised an answer later.

Labor Minister Allan MacEachen said that few, if any, of the layoffs at the Saint John, N.B., shipyards are due to steel shortages and the company expects a June delivery on its steel orders. He was replying to a question asked Monday by Thomas M. Bell (PC — Saint John-Albert).

Robert Muir (PC—Cape Breton North and Victoria) asked whether the government is considering removal of the tariff on United States coal. There was no immediate reply.

Agriculture Minister Harry Hays told Louis-Joseph Pigeon (PC — Joliette - l'Assomption-Montcalm) that to his knowledge Quebec and New Brunswick have not applied to join the federal-provincial crop insurance plan.

Dragger Lost In Fire At Sea

DIGBY, N.S. (CP)—The fishing dragger Rush sank Wednesday off this western Nova Scotia port, with a loss estimated by her captain, Max Longmaire, at $30,000.

The vessel caught fire early in the day and burned to the water line but her three-man crew scrambled to safety aboard a lifeboat dispatched from the transport department coast guard station here. They stood by for sometime to see if the burned hulk could be towed in but the vessel sank about noon.

Rescued uninjured from the 62 - foot dragger were Capt. Longmaire, his brother Gerald, and Curtis Halliday, all of Hillsburn, N.S.

CHANGE LAND'S FACE

Some 40,000 workers are building India's Nagarjuna Sagar Dam—one of many projects that are changing the face of the ancient land.

Protection From Bureaucrats Is Given Airing In Commons

By JAMES NELSON

OTTAWA (CP)—The government suggested Wednesday that Parliament itself make the decision on whether to establish special machinery to protect the little man from bureaucrats.

Justice Minister Chevrier said in the Commons its rules committee might study suggestions of creating a parliamentary commissioner or ombudsman, such as they have in some Scandinavian and other countries.

The ombudsman is an official appointed by a legislature to investigate complaints from the public of cases of alleged high-handedness by government officials. Sweden has two of them, one dealing in civil and the other in military law.

A bill along these lines was introduced last session by Art Smith, Conservative MP for Calgary South who did not seek re-election. The bill died when Parliament was dissolved for the April 8 federal election.

Douglas Fisher (NDP—Port Arthur) has proposed a resolution this session to create the office of parliamentary counsel, who would examine grievances of Canadian citizens "which arise in their relations with the administration of the federal state in Canada," and report on them to the Commons.

ASKED VIEWS

Lawyer Andrew Brewin (NDP — Toronto Greenwood), long active in civil liberties asked Mr. Chevrier for the new government's views on the subject.

"It seems to me that this is a matter for Parliament to determine, rather than the minister of justice," Mr. Chevrier said.

It might be referred to the committee on procedure which is to be set up this session under the chairmanship of Commons Speaker Alan Macnaughton.

"If that would be agreeable, that perhaps would be an excellent way of bringing the matter to the attention of the House," Mr. Chevrier added.

In addition to Mr. Fisher's resolution, Social Credit Leader Thompson has introduced a bill to create the office of parliamentary commissioner, almost a duplicate of Mr. Smith's bill last session.

John R. Matheson (L—Leeds) has proposed a bill "to provide for review of administrative powers and to relieve from their misapplication," which he says embodies principles advocated by the Canadian Bar Association.

Jack McIntosh (PC — Swift Current-Maple Creek) has introduced an amendment to the Civil Service Act under the heading of "bureaucratic oppression" and says it contains much of Mr. Smith's idea, with elaborations.

WELLINGTON

Mrs. Edmond L. Arsenault has recovered from her recent illness.

Wellington Sunshine Club members met at the home of Mrs. Howard Barlow, May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barlow visited Mr. and Mrs. Fidele Gallant and family, also Clayton Barlow and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Miller and family, Freeland, visited Clayton Barlow and family on Sunday.

George Bishop recently visited his mother Mrs. James Bishop who has been residing with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Darby, Summerside. Mrs. Bishop celebrated her birthday on Sunday and received greetings from many friends, former residents of this district.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pye were pleasantly surprised when they were invited to spend the evening with Mr. Pye's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Enman. Neighbours and friends gathered to welcome them to the community. Rev. W.B. McPhail explained the purpose of this happy occasion. Mrs. Bruce Conrad read a well worded address and many lovely gifts were presented by Mr. Verno Gallant. The couple received a big-armed kitchen rocking chair, and other useful gifts. Charles thanked every one for coming to welcome them to the community and for the lovely gifts. The rest of the evening was spent in playing Crokinole and Chinese checkers. A dainty lunch was served by Mrs. Enman, assisted by Mrs. Graham.

Miss Nellie MacLennan is a patient in the Prince County Hospital.

Master Preston Barlow visited Claude and Stewart Allen, Union Corner on Saturday.

Lloyd Ferguson has returned home from Prince County Hospital where he was a patient for past few weeks.

Miss Beverley Barlow spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. MacEachern, Mr. MacEachern and family of Summerside.

Paul Arsenault, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Archie Arsenault motored to Moncton, N.B. where they met Miss Velma Arsenault who has been attending college and will be home for the summer vacation.

Mrs. Ira Barlow recently received the news of the death of her youngest uncle. Arthur Westcott of Westerly, Rhode Island. He was in his 54th year. Deceased was stricken with a heart attack and died a short time later.

Master James Barlow of Charlottetown, is spending some time with his grandfather Clayton Barlow and aunts, Shirley and Eleanor Barlow.

Raymond and Wyman Mac Causland spent the weekend at their home here. For the past few weeks they have taken up employment in Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy White and young son of Charlottetown are being welcomed to the village. They have taken up residence in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Silliker.

Mrs. Alec Gallant has returned home after spending some time with her daughter Mrs. D.H. Gallant, Mr. Gallant and family, Miscouche.

Little David Caissie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Caissie had the misfortune to fall recently and cut his tongue, which required medical attention.

Agade Arsenault, employed in Kensington spent a few days in St. Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gallant are being welcomed to St. Gilbert, having moved from Richmond. They are occupying the home owned by Mr. and Mrs. Abdou Gaudet.

Mrs. Charles M. Arsenault has returned home after spending the winter months in Charlottetow where she underwent medical care.

Peter Coyle left recently for Saint John, N.B. where he will be employed for the summer months.

Mrs. Ralph Arsenault has been relieving the regular teacher at Urbainville School for the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Gallant have returned from a visit to Montreal and other Canadian points. The main object of the visit was to attend a religious ceremony where their third daughter, Alice, was donning the habit of a missionary sister. Two older daughters joined the missionary sisters two years ago. They were accompanied by their two youngest children.

Edgar Ellis of Tyne Valley was a recent visitor at the home of William H. Barlow.

Samuel MacAusland is a patient in Prince County Hospital.

BRISTOL

Mr. and Mrs. Connor O'Donahue, who arrived here from New York to spend a vacation with Mrs. O'Donahue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P.R. Sinnott, left Saturday on return home.

Mrs. James A. O'Brien, who suffered a heart attack some time ago is reported as much improved at this time. Mrs. O'Brien is past the eighty mark.

C.L. Sinnott of the Department of Health, and his sister Miss Rachel Sinnott, RT, of the Charlottetown Hospital staff, left here Saturday by car for New York City to spend a vacation. They will pick up their sister Phyllis, Mrs. Herbert McLellan, in Hamilton, Ont., on their way home, as she and her two children will be coming to Bristol for a three weeks vacation at her old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Brien, plan to visit the deep South this summer, when their daughter Theresa makes her entrance into the Sisterhood of the Order of the Benedictine Sisters, in Louisiana, and takes her vow at the St. Scolistica Convent in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. William MacDonald, who celebrated their Golden Wedding on Saturday, attended Mass in the Church of St. Lawrence in Morell Rear, where they were married fifty years ago. Rev. William Simpson celebrated the Mass.

Terrorism Probe Responsibility Of Province

OTTAWA (CP)—Justice Minister Lionel Chevrier indicated in the Commons Wednesday that the investigation into acts of terrorism in Quebec is primarily the responsibility of provincial and municipal authorities.

He added, however, that Premier Jean Lesage of Quebec has asked for more assistance from the RCMP and that the federal force was providing all the co-operation possible.

He was replying to Douglas Fisher, New Democratic Party deputy House leader, who asked if Mr. Chevrier was reviewing the capabilities of the security and intelligence branch of the RCMP "in view of their apparent failure" to catch the terrorists.

Decision On Priest's Will Is Reserved

A Nova Scotia businessman wants to take an option on the unused Hillsboro Bridge and has given the provincial department of public works until Friday to either accept or reject the offer.

Sidney J. Simon, president of the Trans World Slag and Metals Company said yesterday he had met with Works Minister Philip Matheson without coming to any agreement.

If given a six-month option on the bridge, he said he would try to sell it as a unit rather than for junk.

While the bridge is old, he said there are many places in the world where it could be still useful as a unit, if it were not necessary for it to bear heavy vehicular traffic and sustain the pressure of tidal waters.

Mr. Simons said that the works minister did not feel the bridge could be sold as a unit.

The works department has twice called tenders for either the demolition or purchase of the bridge, which has been standing unused since the opening of the new bridge many months ago.

BOWLING CHAMPION

A banquet, climaxing a successful season for the 6-team Rollaway City Bowling League, was held at the Clover Club Tuesday night. Team and individual trophies were presented with the Rollaway Club trophy, emblematic of league supremacy, going to the team captained by Louis Smith (above).

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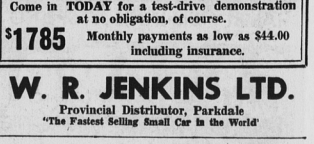

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