

U.S. Cool To Canadian Aluminum

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government officials today postponed indefinitely a decision on whether to purchase Canadian aluminum for the United States stockpile. It is to be held up until a congressional committee can make a report on the aluminum supply situation.

Mainly Fleischmann, retiring head of the Defence Production Administration, offered to postpone a decision while testifying before the joint committee on defence production.

Senator J. William Fulbright (Dem.-Ark.) asked a committee study.

Purchases of Canadian aluminum for stockpiling have been recommended by Samuel W. Anderson, deputy to Fleischmann.

Anderson told the committee today that despite the expansion of aluminum capacity in the United States, he feels arrangements should be made to get further supplies.

He recommended that the government encourage additional U.S. expansion, preferably by new producers, to the extent of about 75,000 tons a year, and contract with the Aluminum Company of Canada for another 75,000 tons a year during the year 1954-58.

Fulbright said the government, during and since the Second World War, has provided financial aid to the extent of nearly \$500,000,000 to the Aluminum Company of Canada. He complained:

"Despite all of this financial aid given by the United States, the Aluminum Company of Canada failed us when we needed them most."

He said he would not be willing to make any agreement unless it gave the U.S. a call on specific amounts of Canadian aluminum during the contract period.

SPRITGLY DANCE
The Polish dance known as the Mazurka originated in the old district of Masovia no later than the 16th century.

Man Trapped By Juke Box

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Bill Bowen got trapped, of all places, in a juke box.

It took a rescue party to free him. Bowen, 36-year-old music firm employee, was changing records Saturday in one of the music boxes when he decided to play a few "free ones" for the patrons of the bar. While reaching inside the machine to trip the proper levers, the mechanism caught his wrist and held it tightly.

He was trapped for more than an hour while the bartender and customers offered advice and solace. A group of mechanics answering hurry-up calls, finally freed him after taking part of the coin machine apart.

Bowen's hand looked like the St. Louis Blues when it came out, but it was undamaged.

Kremlin Raked By President

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman raked the Kremlin today for "passing out lies" that United Nations have used germ warfare in Korea.

President told White House delegations:

"The Kremlin cries that we have used germ warfare. There isn't a word of truth in it. We have never broken the Geneva Convention in 974 operations in Korea."

"And they know that. They know it well. But they keep on passing out lies that have no foundation in fact whatever."

COAST ISLAND
Graham Island, largest and most northern of the Queen Charlotte Islands off British Columbia, has an area of 2,453 square miles.

Canadian Share Wealth In Irish Sweepstakes

TORONTO (AP) — Six Canadians have come into sudden wealth as the result of hospital sweepstake tickets on winning horses in yesterday's Epsom Derby.

Lone B.C. winner is Bill Johnson, owner of a small gift shop at Whalley, who won \$28,000 on the Irish sweep he held Fauborg

New Vote Plan No Cinch For Those Counting

VANCOUVER (AP) — A dummy run on British Columbia's June 12 general election was held at city hall here Tuesday. Returning officers held their heads.

Alternative voting will be used for the first time in B.C. in the approaching election. This enables electors to mark their preferences for all candidates instead of simply putting an "X" beside the name of a single candidate.

In the experimental vote, six candidates were entered on one ballot. It took three officials of the city clerk's office, long experienced in elections, four hours to complete the counting of 500 ballots.

On election night, only first-choice ballots will be counted. In ridings where a candidate does not receive a majority, a second—or third or fourth, as necessary—count will be made three weeks after the election date. In large ridings, there will be as many as 40,000 or 50,000 ballots to count.

"You can imagine how much aspirin we will need," said James O'Loane, returning officer for Vancouver-Point Grey.



PECTS CADETS—Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, chief of the staff, chats with cadets David Ross of Lakefield, Ont., left, John Mockridge of Toronto, after his inspection of naval school of Grove School at Lakefield, near Peterborough, Ont. Vice-Admiral Mainguy is chief petty officer George Lee, DSM, who has trained two generations of Grove cadets. CPO Lee was in the Royal Navy in 1896 and was on the pilot brig at Queen's diamond jubilee review. (CP PHOTO)

Highest Foreign Investment In Canadian Economics

By The Canadian Press
OTTAWA.—More than \$1,500,000,000 in foreign investment—the highest in history—flowed into Canada during the last two years to boost Canadian economic expansion, Graham Towers said here in a report.

Governor of the Bank of Canada made these statements in his 1951 annual report of the Exchange Control Board in the Commons:

There has been nothing to compare with the current capital investment boom in this country. The net inflow of investment—\$960,000,000 in 1951 and \$560,000,000 in 1952—only to be compared with the expansion period in the 1920s, but even so "the portion of total investment by domestic capital is, of course, much higher today." The rate of net capital inflow had dropped by \$400,000,000 in 1951, but the total of \$1,460,000,000 was larger than in any previous year before 1950, and more than 11 times as much as the total of \$49,000,000 in 1949.

Direct investment from the United States climbed during 1951 to a peak of \$259,000,000, with the biggest part of it going into western oil, iron and steel, pulp and paper. It did not include reinvested earnings of foreign branches and affiliated companies. Canada's official reserves in U.S. dollars climbed from \$70,000,000 on Dec. 31, 1951, to \$1,741,500,000 on Dec. 31, 1952. The increase, \$37,000,000, was sharply down from the \$24,000,000 climb in the previous year.

As a result of a climb in the Canadian dollar toward par, the government had to write off \$81,000,000 as a loss due to depreciation in value of the reserves, which in terms of American dollars, had been \$100,000,000.

Towers' report was in the form of a swan song for the exchange control board, established at the beginning of the Second World War. Foreign-exchange controls still exist on paper, but are not in practice.

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SEATTLE (AP)—A University of Washington graduate student has what he calls "the lazy man's dream"—a remote-controlled lawnmower.

Sterling Stewart sat in the comfortable shade of a porch to handle the controls in a demonstration of the electrically-operated device. The operator can swing it to either side or keep it operating in the same spot to chop at tall grass.

A 75-foot electric cord winds on a spool atop a four-wheeled machine.

Stewart says he built it from salvage materials for about \$7.

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This We Believe—

A Statement of Principles on the June 12 Liquor Plebiscite

The voters at the provincial election on June 12 will be asked to vote on this question in a province-wide plebiscite:

Are you in favor of the sale of spirituous liquors and wine by the glass in establishments licensed for such purpose?

YES ☒ NO ☐

We believe the answer from the citizenry should be a resounding "YES"—we believe our liquor laws in B.C. are antiquated and poor—we believe liquor by the glass should be approved; and these are our reasons:

OUR LIQUOR LAWS NEED TO BE MODERNIZED:

THEY ENCOURAGE LAW-BREAKING by forcing the average citizen who wishes a glass of wine or a cocktail or highball with dinner in a public place, to have them surreptitiously and in violation of the law.

THEY TEND TO CORRUPT YOUTH, because they expose young people to the example of adults winking at or actually taking part in violating the law.

THEY IMPOSE UNFAIRLY UPON PUBLIC OFFICIALS by requiring them to administer and enforce unpopular and unworkable laws.

THEY ADVERSELY AFFECT TOURIST TRAVEL by denying visitors the hospitality offered by other Canadian provinces and by the neighboring states of Washington, Idaho, and Montana.

THEY ARE DISCRIMINATORY because they (a) permit one class of persons—the members of private clubs—to purchase wines and liquor by the glass, but forbid others to do so; (b) similarly, they permit one very limited type of establishment—the private club—to sell wines and liquor by the glass, but forbid other eating establishments with which the clubs compete to do so.

LIQUOR BY THE GLASS SHOULD BE APPROVED:

IT PROMOTES TEMPERANCE by making it unnecessary to buy a whole bottle in order to have one drink.

IT REDUCES LAW-BREAKING by eliminating washroom drinking, reduces hotel-room drinking, and wipes out the bottle-under-the-table evil.

IT MAKES POSSIBLE SERVING LIQUOR AND FOOD TOGETHER, conceded by everyone to be one of the most temperate uses of spirits.

IT REMOVES THE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INCOME FOR THE BOOT-LEGGERS and other shady characters in the illegal traffic in liquor.

IT RAISES STILL FURTHER THE STANDARDS OF MEALS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, by providing eating establishments with an additional volume of business.

FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE REASONS, IT WILL RESULT IN BETTER COMMUNITIES in which to live and to rear families.

working out the details in the public interest.

We invite every citizen who is interested in community improvement, to join us in this effort toward a better, saner system for the sale of liquor. No obligation. Phone your name and add it to the growing list of active supporters.

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