

	Lib	PC	CCF	SC	Others	Total
Nfld. (7)	7	6	1	-	-	14
P.E.I. (4)	4	4	3	-	-	11
N.S. (12)	12	12	6	1	-	31
N.B. (10)	10	10	2	2	1	25
Que. (75)	75	69	22	5	45	216
Ont. (85)	84	85	60	40	10	279
Man. (14)	14	14	14	14	4	60
Sask. (17)	17	16	17	16	2	68
Alta. (17)	17	17	15	17	3	69
B.C. (22)	22	22	22	21	4	91
Yukon (1)	1	1	-	-	-	2
N.W.T. (1)	1	1	-	-	-	2
Totals	264	257	162	116	69	868

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HONORARY CONSUL-GENERAL: The Secretary of State for External Affairs has announced the appointment of Mr. Hallgrimur Frederick Hallgrimsson, C.B.E., a Canadian-born citizen of Iceland, as Honorary Consul-General of Canada in Iceland.

The status of the Canadian Minister to Iceland, who is also Canadian Ambassador to Norway, remains unchanged, but Mr. Hallgrimsson will take over responsibility for Canadian Consular interests in Iceland. As the Minister to Iceland normally is not able to visit Reykjavik very frequently, the presence of a resident representative will facilitate relations between the two countries as well as providing an additional point of contact between members of the Icelandic community in Canada and their country of origin.

The Canadian Commercial Counsellor in Oslo will retain responsibility for commercial relations between Canada and Iceland.

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CHEDDAR CHEESE CONTROLLED: Mr. C.D. Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce, announced on May 28 that imports of cheddar cheese are to be controlled for one year under the Export and Import Permits Act. This is to implement action taken under the Agricultural Products Co-operative Marketing Act, to support the price of cheese, by means of an agreement with the Ontario Cheese Producers Co-operative Limited.

The Ontario Cheese Producers have negotiated with cheese buyers and processors a price of .34 cents per pound f.o.b. factory. To maintain this price the Ontario Cheese Producers have received a price guarantee of .24 cents per pound from the Canadian Government, which is understood to be supplemented by a guarantee of .10 cents per pound from the Ontario Government.

Cheese stocks on May 1, 1957, at 28,600,000 pounds were 2,000,000 pounds greater than on the same date last year. Cheese production in 1957 to date is about 5 per cent greater than last year and is expected to continue on that level or higher for the balance of the year. In existing circumstances, imports would

seriously impede current marketing arrangements and no imports of cheddar cheese will be permitted for the present.

The Agricultural Products Board will be authorized to import cheese, if occasions arise under which it would be expedient to import cheese by bulk purchase.

It is expected that the steps now being implemented will be of material assistance to dairy producers.

An announcement was made earlier of trade discussions with respect to Canadian preferential duties on dairy products. It is expected that these discussions will be completed within the period for which the present temporary measures have been adopted.

Claims of special hardship or loss, arising from this action by the Government, will be investigated and appropriate recommendations will be considered.

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BISLEY MARKSMEN: Eight crack shots from Army Headquarters will represent the Canadian Army at Bisley, England, this summer in marksmanship competitions against teams from the Armies of the Commonwealth, it was announced recently.

Last year the Army Headquarters sharpshooters won the right to make the trip by winning the Army's unit championship in competition at the Connaught Ranges at Ottawa. The team will leave for England by sea June 13 and will return about August 1.

Standard Army rifles with service sights and without slings will be used in all events to decide the unit championship of the Commonwealth. In this regard the team has been equipped with service rifles of Canadian manufacture which have been adjusted to the best possible standard for this type of competition.

The Canadian group will compete in nine team events covering almost every phase of marksmanship. In addition they can enter individual Bisley competitions when they will be allowed to use rifles with target sights and slings.

Distinctive new shooting jackets and hats ribboned with scarlet cap bands have been presented to the team so it will be a well dressed outfit representing Canada when the events get under way early in July.

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BUILDING PERMITS: Total value of building permits issued by some 900 municipalities in Canada in 1956 amounted to \$1,827,470,000 as compared with \$1,804,606,000 in 1955 and \$1,521,185,000 in 1954, according to a memorandum released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. During 1956, permits were issued for 103,609 additional residential units valued at \$901,995,000, for residential repair construction to a total of \$71,367,000 and for non-residential construction of \$854,108,000.