

will lodge against the eastern wall of Alesk Valley at Turnback Canyon, creating an ice dam 400 to 500 feet high.

The dam is expected to back up the river and form a lake north of the glacier. Lake size will depend upon the height and stability of the ice dam, and the length of time it blocks the river.

At the present glacier height of 500 feet, glaciologists estimate it could fill 20 miles of the valley to an altitude of 1,500 feet, if the dam stays in position five years. Although this would pose no threat to populated parts of British Columbia or the Yukon, damage could however, be caused when the ice dam gives way with massive flooding of the downstream area of Dry Bay in the Alaska Panhandle, where cabins and airstrips are located.

If the ice dam reaches a height of 2,000 feet, flooding would threaten Haines Junction, and at 2,500 feet the Alaska Highway further north would be threatened.

Agreements signed in Peking

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Consular affairs

In the consular field, extensive discussions have been held in a co-operative and friendly atmosphere on matters that are of mutual concern to the Chinese and Canadian Governments and will mean much to our peoples. These discussions have resulted in agreements in three areas. The broadest of these is an understanding on the formal establishment of consular relations which includes a provision for each side to set up a consulate-general in the other country. Another is an understanding on the simplification of visa procedures which will facilitate the movement of

persons between the two countries. Thirdly – and of perhaps the greatest humanitarian interest – is an understanding to facilitate the reunion of families. It will now be possible for the Canadian Government to process within China applications made by Canadian residents on behalf of their relatives in China.

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I...explained to Premier Chou that, with one great power to our south and another to our north, it was natural that Canada should exert special efforts to establish and maintain close and friendly relations in other parts of the world. To the east, we are concerned with safeguarding and improving our relations with the countries of Europe, but equally it was important for us also to look west to the countries of Asia and the Pacific for co-operation and understanding. I was at special pains to point out that our relations with the U.S.A. were good and must necessarily remain so, that the American relationship would obviously continue to form a vital part of our foreign policy. It was no reflection on any of our existing relationships that we were seeking to establish and improve our contacts in other parts of the world.

Premier Chou and I agreed that, although there were factors that prevented us from seeing the same events in precisely the same light, our respective points of view were at least understandable to each other and often very similar. Speaking for Canada, I was able to assure him that friendship for China was and would continue to be an important element in our foreign policy.

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Changes in drugs regulations

Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde has announced that regulations governing the prescription of designated drugs (amphetamines and other related stimulants) will be modified in light of the results the Health Protection Branch has obtained from them since they became effective last January.

Under the amendments physicians will no longer have to obtain the opinion of a medical consultant if designated drugs are prescribed for more than 30 days. Furthermore, it will no longer be necessary for a medical practitioner to notify the Health Protection Branch

when a designated drug has been prescribed.

Owing to the marked reduction in use of these drugs, it was felt controls could be relaxed. Since the regulations came into force, use of amphetamines has decreased by some 90 per cent, as indicated by importation and sales data.

Mr. Lalonde noted that while the changes will reduce the administrative load on physicians, the effective control of designated drugs will not be weakened. Prescriptions for designated drugs will be monitored by the Health Protection Branch in a manner similar to that used for other controlled drugs and narcotics.

Physicians will still be permitted to prescribe designated drugs only for conditions named in the Food and Drug Regulations. These conditions, which were decided upon by panels of medical consultants from outside the Federal Government, will be re-examined within a few months and at periodical intervals thereafter, to ensure they are in accord with good medical practice.

Canadian Football League standings at October 21

Eastern Conference

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Ottawa	8	5	0	259	234	16
Montreal	7	4	1	260	197	15
Toronto	6	5	2	247	228	14
Hamilton	6	6	0	254	246	12

October 21

Ottawa, 20; Toronto, 19

October 20

Montreal, 34; Winnipeg, 7

Western Conference

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Saskatchewan	9	5	0	310	240	18
Edmonton	8	4	2	291	254	18
Calgary	5	9	0	193	343	10
Winnipeg	4	9	1	237	275	9
B.C.	3	9	2	224	304	8

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Saskatchewan, 34; Calgary, 7

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B.C., 14; Edmonton, 14

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