

To be taken in colour for release over United States and Canadian TV networks some time next fall, the films will show a 90 per cent Canadian cast, seasoned with a few American experts, including Lloyd Bridges who appeared with Gary Cooper in High Noon.

Bridges will play the lead in the series as Inspector McGuinness. About 100 Canadian actors and actresses, including some who appeared in the Shakespearian Festival at Stratford have been lined up for possible roles, Stoloff said. The writing job has been assigned to four Hollywood script writers.

Floyd Crosby, colour movie expert, who won the academy award for his filming of High Noon, will do the film work on the Canadian stories.

The RCMP series is being sponsored by a new \$250,000 Canadian company S and S films Ltd.--headed by K. K. Sims, Kitchener lawyer. Other prominent Canadians are understood to be in the venture, but names have not yet been released.

The RCMP are prevented by regulations from giving the series official authorization, but officials said they are co-operating with the film producers as they would with any other legitimate group seeking background material on the RCMP.

Premier Sees Fast Growth For Ontario: Toronto, Jan. 18 (CP) -- Premier Frost predicted tonight that Ontario will have a population of about 6,000,000 in the next five or six years and said provision is being made to provide the schools, roads, housing and other facilities the people will need.

Ontario's population has just passed the 5,000,000-mark, the premier said in a radio address. The next five or six years would "see another million people in our province."

Last year more than half of all the new people coming to Canada settled in Ontario.

Instalment - Buying Rise: Ottawa, Jan. 18 (CP) -- Another boost in instalment-plan buying pushed Canada's consumer credit bill to a new high of \$1,772,000,000 on Sept. 30.

But there were signs the big on-the-cuff buying splurge that followed removal of credit controls in April, 1952, was nearing the saturation point.

The 1953 third-quarter rise between June 30 and Sept. 30 totalled only \$51,000,000, a Bank of Canada survey showed today. This compared with the \$175,000,000 jump in the second quarter and the \$143,000,000 increase in the third quarter of 1952.

Mr. George V. Ferguson On Canada-US Relations: Toronto, Jan. 19 - (Globe & Mail) --

An aggressive U.S. leadership has filled the vacuum created by withdrawal of Britain, and Canada today is reacting toward the influence of its big neighbour in much the same way it had once reacted to British influence, Mr. George V. Ferguson, Editor-in-Chief of the Montreal Star, said yesterday....

"If the reaction seems odd to our neighbours, it is they, rather than we, who should make the adjustment," he said. "If our neighbour is wise, he will realize that our storm signals are flying...."

"Whether we like it or not, we are better off with it than without it. We should always thank Providence that the United States no longer is isolationist."

Across Canada: Canadians were described yesterday as "the most tasteless people in the world, with an educational system that is archaic." Dr. Arthur Lismer, Educational Supervisor of the Museum of Fine Arts of Montreal, told members of the Canadian Club of Montreal that people in this country not only neglect their universities and schools of art, but its young people "have fewer national and provincial opportunities to study with adequate support than most of other countries," the Gazette reported.... All but eight of Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines' 1,800 employees have returned to work since the Dec. 28 settlement of a three-month strike, mine officials said yesterday.... Senator William Henry Dennis, publisher of the Halifax Chronicle-Herald and the Halifax Mail-Star, died suddenly in Halifax yesterday. He was 66.