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Rail Settlement Expected: Peaceful settlement of the railway dispute over the number of paid holidays demanded by 17 railway employees unions is expected to be announced this week, according to union officials who said Wednesday that a joint statement on the result of conferences held here between the union and transportation system officials would be made public, possibly Thursday.

The fact that officials of Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company - the two main transportation systems involved in a strike proposed for November 3 if the 14-day annual vacation-with-pay condition is not met - had expressed willingness to resume negotiations Thursday was interpreted by union leaders as a "definite sign that the crisis has passed". (CP)

Mr. MacKinnon in Rome: Canadian want to be "fair traders and good neighbors in a peaceful and prosperous world," Canadian Trade Minister MacKinnon said in Rome Wednesday in a speech prepared for delivery to a group of Rome businessmen.

Heading a Canadian Trade Mission which has just completed a tour of South Africa, the Minister said that "Canada does not want to see the world divided into rigid trading groups, each with special trading privileges and selfish advantages.

"We want to see a world trading community formed and functioning on the widest possible scale. We want to see the greatest possible degree of freedom in the movement and exchange of goods across national boundaries and across the seven seas.

"Canadians are confident that when this is accomplished, the broad highway of the future will once again open up to the benefit and advancement of millions of people in every land."

He told his audience also about the International Trade Fair to be held in Toronto next June to which the manufacturers of every country have been invited. Its chief purpose was to stimulate the transaction of business between nations.

The Minister is due in Lisbon October 24 where the Canadian Trade Mission will break up. Most of its members will return to Canada but Mr. MacKinnon and two Canadian business men are flying to London from where the Minister probably will make a visit to the Continent. (CP)

Packers Strike Settled: The five-and-a-half-weeks-old packinghouse workers strike, involving a total of 14,000 employees across the country at one stage, ended officially Wednesday night, when Fred Dowling, national organizer of the United Packinghouse Workers of America (CIO) called on all locals to "contact their management offices to arrange for returning to work."

Mr. Dowling said a majority of the local unions of Canada Packers and Burns and Company had indicated their acceptance of the arbitration formula. Swift Canadian, other member of the big three, agreed with the union on strike settlement terms earlier this week.

Dowling's announcement followed the disclosure that Charles P. McTague, chairman of the Ontario Securities Commission, has been called upon to serve as arbitrator in the dispute between the union and the Canada Packers and Burns companies (CP)