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## LIQUOR STORE MOVES

### Bank Of Nova Scotia Plans New Building

A new Bank of Nova Scotia building with a banking area much larger and more modern than in the present structure will be constructed here on the site of the present branch, it was announced yesterday by Harry H. Bartlett, manager.

The new bank will take in not only the site of the present one, but also the area covered by the bank-owned building now housing Giggsey's Pharmacy and perhaps part of the land in back of the latter.

Work is expected to start in July with the buildings now occupying the sites to be demolished. The present branch is approximately 45 years old and it is felt no longer provides customers with the service they should have. It is possible the new building, believed to be one storey high, may have a mezzanine, but this could not be determined yesterday, as plans were not available for examination.

#### NEW LIQUOR STORE

It is expected to take about 18 months to complete with the staff moving in sometime in December 1967. In the meantime the bank will conduct its business in the Shaw Building on Great George Street which now houses the Liquor Commission retail store.

The lease held by the commission on this site has expired and new quarters are being constructed on the east side of Queen Street on a vacant lot adjacent to the old Monastery of the Precious Blood.

This new building, it is understood, is being erected by Allied Estates Inc. in the specifications of the Liquor Commission and will be used by the latter on a rental basis in a manner similar to that of the other new store in Royalty Mall.

Like the latter it will be modern in every respect with approximately 3,000 square feet of space for a sales area on the ground level and an equal amount of storage space in the basement. A push button conveyor system will take supplies from storage to the sales area as needed. All customer conveniences from adequate space to the most modern lighting and merchandise display are being incorporated in the building which is expected to be ready for occupancy sometime in July of this year.

## Braves Ordered To Milwaukee

By KEN HARTNETT  
MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) — Atlanta Braves must return to Milwaukee unless the National League agrees by May 16 to give the Wisconsin city a 1967 expansion franchise, a Wisconsin circuit judge ruled Wednesday night.

Judge Elmer W. Roller's order came in a decision in which he held the Braves and the National League violated Wisconsin's anti-trust laws by ripping Milwaukee of its major league team.

Roller said, "The refusal of the National League and the failure of the American League to issue a franchise to Milwaukee County... was a concerted refusal to deal in restraint of trade and commerce within the State of Wisconsin."

## S. Viet Nam Elections Planned

SAIGON (AP) — The South Vietnamese chief of state, Nguyen Van Thieu, today signed a decree providing for general elections for a civilian government in "three to five months."

The decree followed a 10-point communique issued at the final session of a political congress called by the hard-pressed central government to resolve the current political crisis.

The powerful Buddhist hierarchy boycotted the congress throughout.

## FIRST SESSION YESTERDAY

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## Europe Is Held In Winter Grip

LONDON (AP) — Snow and cold winds kept Europe in the grip of winter Wednesday.

In London, the 42-degree cold made it one of the coldest mid-April days in 25 years.

Snow hit Scotland and eastern England.

Blizzards brought chaos to road and rail traffic in many parts of Denmark.

In southern Sweden it was the coldest spring day on record since 1867.

Much of northern West Germany was covered with one to three inches of snow.

One of the few warm spots in Europe was Yugoslavia. Warm spring sunshine brought people out into the streets of Belgrade.

## Tankers Spark Guessing Game

By JAMES BROWN  
BEIRA, Mozambique (Reuters) — Two tankers which have caused an international furor by carrying off apparently destined for Britain's break-away African colony of Rhodesia, have kept up the guessing game about their next moves.

The Greek-registered Manuela, diverted from here by an armed boarding party from a Royal Navy frigate Sunday, pulled into harbor at the South African port of Durban Wednesday after lying offshore for 36 hours.

It was not known immediately whether she will discharge her 15,000 tons of crude oil there.

The Manuela's sister ship, Ioanna V, still is docked at Beira, so far making no move to discharge her oil cargo into the 183-mile pipeline which supplies land-locked Rhodesia.

## Von Luckner Dies At 84

MALMÖ, Sweden (AP) — Count Felix von Luckner, famous German Sea Devil of the First World War, died here Wednesday. He was 84.

Von Luckner commanded a speedy German commerce raider which, disguised as an old sailing vessel, took a heavy toll of Allied shipping but not a single life. The Sea Devil always made sure the crews—and even their pets—were safe before he scuttled their ships.

The German naval hero had lived in Sweden since he married Ingeborg Vönnegren, a wealthy owner of woolen mills, in 1924 except for a period during the second World War when he was in Germany.

Von Luckner, descendant of a noble German family, ran away to sea when he was 13.

## Communists' Main Supply Line Closed By Yank B-52 Bombers

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And there was a report Buddhists would drop their boycott of the preparatory congress on the government convened Tuesday to recommend steps for the orderly transfer of power to a civilian regime. Radio Saigon said Buddhists would take their seats in the Congress today.

"We Construction Workers Are Burying Our Old Wages," to lead the parade. Another 20 signs had been made and were pasted on cars which followed behind the hearse to all sites of construction in Charlottetown.

## Fire Damages Quebec Hotel

QUEBEC (CP) — A three-alarm fire that heavily damaged the Louis XIV Hotel here Wednesday was brought under control by about 100 firemen early in the evening.

All guests were reported to have escaped from the five-story, 50-room wood and stone building. The fire was said to have started on the third floor.

Narrow streets hindered the firemen who came from all sections of the city.

The Louis XIV is located on Place Royale, facing Notre Dame des Victories Church in the old quarter of the city.

Cause of the blaze was not immediately known.

## WEST PRINCE TRADE BOARD HOLDS DINNER

The Alberton and West Prince Board of Trade annual "chamber of Commerce Week" banquet was held in Alberton United Church hall last night with an attendance of about 75 visiting officials, board of trade members and guests.

Seen here LEFT TO RIGHT, are Bennet Wisner, vice-president Maritime Provinces Board of Trade and a director of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, who was guest speaker; C. R. Leard, secretary Alberton West Prince Board of Trade and vice president for P.E.I. on the Maritime board; Harold Phillips, president of the West Prince board and A. T. Parks, managing secretary of the Maritime Provinces Board of Trade. (See story on page 3.)

## Hasty Dikes In Manitoba Pass Cresting Flood Test

WINNIPEG (CP) — Hastily constructed dikes passed the endurance test of cresting flood water in southern Manitoba Wednesday and forecasters predicted the swollen Red River will lose more of its wallop before it reaches Winnipeg Saturday.

The downward revision of the anticipated Winnipeg crest—now expected Saturday at 26.5 feet above average winter ice level—was the second in three days and chopped another foot from the forecast maximum. Dikes have been raised to 30 feet around Greater Winnipeg and only the flood-prone Elm Park area in suburban St. Vital has cause for concern.

Agriculture Minister George Hutton told a flood briefing: "We are sure the precautionary measures we have taken (in Winnipeg) are adequate. The chief problem will be maintaining the Elm Park dike. The water will not top it but we have to watch for seepage and the like."

Seepage is also the main concern at Emerson, 60 miles south of Winnipeg where the river crested Tuesday, and at St. Jean Baptiste and Morris, between Winnipeg and Emerson, where a peak is expected by today.

Local problems have been quickly pinpointed and defensive action taken at both Emerson and Morris, where dikes are well above the maximum river level expected, but it is an uphill fight at St. Jean.

## IMPRESSED BY EFFORTS

Mr. Hutton said he is impressed by the efforts at the tiny community 500 where dikes hold back up to 15 feet of water.

"I'd have to say the job they've done was 20 per cent material and 80 per cent pure guts—that's the only term that can describe the effort that has gone on there."

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He told delegates at the Ontario Educational Association conference Tuesday that a national survey of how Canadian history is taught indicated there is nationalism and bellicose patriotism in texts and classes.

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## NATO Withdrawal Debate Is Opened

PARIS (Reuters) — Premier Georges Pompidou said Wednesday France decided to withdraw from NATO's integrated military system because the system helped perpetuate the cold war.

Pompidou added that the day will come when the U.S. will understand the French move, which, he emphasized, "in no way changes our sentiments toward the American people."

The French premier, opening a three-day debate in the National Assembly on the government's policies on NATO and other issues, said France intends Western Europe to be the partner—not the adversary—of Eastern Europe.

FEARS INVOLVEMENT  
He also reiterated French statements that NATO's teagrad military organization could drag France into a war not its own.

The future of Europe and world peace depends on rapprochement between East and West Europe and France "feels that she is contributing to the dissipation of the cold war climate which has weighed incessantly on Europe for 20 years."

France hopes the economic, social and political evolution of Eastern Europe would daily bring it closer to France "in eliminating divergencies and multiplying points of contact."

Pompidou denied France is changing sides in withdrawing from NATO.

President de Gaulle's visit to Russia in June "does not represent some kind of change of alliances or some kind of threat against our European or American Allies."

PART OF POLICY  
"It is part of our general policy of developing relations with all countries, whatever their wishes."

## READY TO DEBATE MOVE

The premier said France was ready to debate with its Atlantic Allies, particularly the United States and West Germany, on the ways of keeping French troops in West Germany, transferring NATO headquarters from France or evacuation of U.S. and Canadian bases.

Pompidou said the questions raised by the presence of French troops in West Germany—France has decided to withdraw them from NATO control by July—"can and will be resolved if Germany so wishes."

## 16 Divorces Granted In Province In 1965

OTTAWA (CP) — A record 8,941 divorces were granted during 1965 by the provincial and territorial divorce courts and the Parliament of Canada, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Wednesday.

The figure for 1964 was 8,623. There were increases in the Maritime provinces, Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia.

Divorces granted in Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta accounted for four out of five of the total in 1965.

The bureau also reported the divorce rate has been climbing steadily since 1960. The rate—the number of divorces for each 100,000 population—was 36 in 1961, 44.8 in 1964, and 45.7 last year, the highest since 1948 when it was 54.4.

Divorces by province: (1964 figures in parentheses)  
Newfoundland 3 (7); Prince Edward Island 16 (5); Nova Scotia 323 (315); New Brunswick 237 (210); Quebec 226 (834); Ontario 4,054 (3,506); Manitoba 443 (418); Saskatchewan 312 (315); Alberta 1,548 (1,389); British Columbia 1,361 (1,596); Yukon 12 (24); Northwest Territories 6 (2).

The high 1964 totals reflect the breaking of a 1962 parliamentary bottleneck, when the Commons passed no bills of divorce for Newfoundland and Quebec.

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Mr. MacInnis said that the protestors had to admit that there were some good men on the other side of the table and without employers there would be no employees. In order to receive an honest wage, he said, it was very necessary to do an honest day's work.

"We are important to contractors and they are important to us," Mat White told the meeting.

He said that the greatest workmen ever known in North America have come from the Island and that Islanders are known everywhere for their work and fairness. He said the workers must stick together and work for their fair wage in this province.

A representative from a Summerside company said that he felt it was the duty of the workers to stick together and fight for a higher wage, "we owe it to our families," he said.

Finally Mr. Charlebois returned with the word that the signs were made and that he had obtained a 1928 hearse carrying a

## PENNY PICKERS ARE HONEST

It was like pennies from heaven at this downtown Toronto intersection when a motorcycle messenger hit a bump and spilled \$60 worth of pennies — 6,000 in all — which he was delivering to a coin collector. Most of the coins were returned by the helpful

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