



WOMAN AMBASSADOR ARRIVES AT OTTAWA
Dora Alencar de Vasconcelos (RIGHT), newly appointed Brazilian ambassador to Canada, is greeted at railway station in Ottawa Thursday as she arrived to take up her new post. Mrs. Vasconcelos is the first woman ambassador to this country. Greeting her are Christopher Eberts, chief of protocol, and Mrs. Eberts. (CP Wirephoto)

Plans For Resignation Announced By Lesage

\$50,000 Award Offered To Outstanding Canadian

OTTAWA (CP) — An annual award of \$50,000 to a Canadian of outstanding achievement was announced Thursday as the centennial project of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Mr. McLaughlin stressed that in a close contest, the runner-up could always be chosen by the committee the following year.

Committee chairman is Dr. A. W. Trueman, Guelph, Ont., dean of University College, University of Western Ontario.

The other members are J. V. Clyne, Vancouver, board chairman and chief executive officer of McMillan Bloedel Ltd.; G. Maxwell Bell, chairman of FP Publications Ltd. and publisher of The Alberta, Calgary; Dr. O. M. Solandt, chancellor of the University of Toronto and vice-president of de Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd.; Dr. Roger Gaudry, rector of the University of Montreal; and Chief Justice J. L. Ilsey of Nova Scotia, a former federal finance minister.



ACTOR INJURED

Edward G. Robinson, was seriously injured Wednesday in Beverly Hills, Calif. when his car jumped a curb and struck a tree. The 72-year-old actor was placed in the intensive care unit of Mount Sinai Hospital. (AP Wirephoto)

Takeover Date Not Decided

QUEBEC (CP) — Jean Lesage announced Thursday he will resign as premier of Quebec and said he will meet with Daniel Johnson at the beginning of next week to fix a date for the Union Nationale to take over the government.

Mr. Lesage, whose Liberal party was defeated in the provincial election Sunday, said at a press conference it seems "essential" that administration of the government be taken over by the party with the most seats.

He said he telephoned Mr. Johnson to propose the meeting next week to discuss the date and other details of the change-over.

This procedure had been approved by the cabinet and the Liberal caucus.

Sunday's election left the Liberals, who had ruled the province since 1960, with 51 seats. The Union Nationale won 35 and one of two independents elected said he will back the Union Nationale.

Mr. Lesage said the Liberals' "dynamism" will be transferred to the role of opposition.

Thousands Flee Hurricane Tides As Alma Hits Texas Panhandle

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (AP) — Hurricane Alma smashed into the Florida panhandle Thursday with 100-mile-an-hour winds and flooding tides at the apparent end of a long trail of destruction.

Saving one of her strongest blows for last, the killer storm sent hurricane-force winds within 20 miles of the state capital at Tallahassee.

Low-lying Florida communities along the Gulf of Mexico reported streets awash in storm tides following Alma's wake. Thousands fled to higher ground.

The hurricane, which left at least 45 dead in three countries and vast crop damage in food-stuffed Cuba, made probably its last landfall as it moved over the fishing community of Alligator Point near Apalachicola at the crook of the panhandle and stalled.

Already weakened after raking the entire Gulf Coast of Florida, the hurricane still thrashed the thinly-populated panhandle towns with sustained winds of 90 miles an hour. Gusts of 100 miles an hour recorded at Crawfordville, just south of Tallahassee, were the highest yet clocked in Florida.

Forecasters said Alma, born in the Caribbean last Monday, would probably die as she thrashed across the Florida Panhandle and into Alabama.

After raking the length of Florida's Gulf Coast, doing the greatest damage in the St. Petersburg metropolitan area, Alma had threatened to move inland near Tallahassee, the state capital.

TURNED WEST

But a sudden westward turn took Tallahassee out of range and residents of the Panhandle found themselves in line to receive the hammer blows of Alma's 90-mile-an-hour winds and driving rains.

A mass evacuation led by Walter Murphy, a civil defence director, apparently succeeded in clearing most residents from the danger zone.

But some, Murphy said, "were sort of stubborn about leaving" their homes and he predicted that "they're going to get washed out" by towering tides expected to roll in off the Gulf of Mexico in the backwash of the hurricane.

Apalachicola lies seven feet above sea level and tides running seven to 11 feet above normal were forecast by the U.S. weather bureau following Alma's passage.

Maritime Board Meets At Sydney

SYDNEY (CP) — The 70th annual meeting of the Maritime Provinces Board of Trade opens here Sunday.

John Murphy of Truro, president of the board will give his annual report shortly after business sessions open at 9:15 a.m. Monday.

Joey Heads For Europe

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Premier Smallwood leaves for Europe today on the start of a 15,000-mile trip.

Mr. Smallwood will return here next week in time for a public meeting Wednesday at nearby Bell Island. He leaves Thursday for New York and California.

The premier declined to discuss the nature of his planned talks in Europe and the United States but they are believed to concern possible new industry for Bell Island.

The Island will lose its only major industry June 30 when Dominion Steel and Coal Corp. closes its iron-ore mine.

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British Urged To Cut Spending

LONDON (AP) — The Bank of England appealed to the government and people of Britain today to curb their spending in the interests of national economic survival.

The appeal in the bank's quarterly bulletin appeared amid a rising tide of criticism of the government and the British way of life.

The call for economy bolstered appeals to the government from both right and left winners of the ruling Labor party to cut Britain's far-away defence commitments.

Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

THURSDAY, June 9, 1966

New Democrats announced they will present a bill in the Commons seeking government support to legislate an end to the Quebec ports dispute.

Party Leader T. C. Douglas said the bill would impose wage increases for longshoremen but sideline for the moment proposals to reduce work gangs—a key issue in the dispute.

Prime Minister Pearson told the Commons negotiations are continuing and there still is hope it can be settled by collective bargaining.

Labour Minister Nicholson told the House Senator Norman A. MacKenzie, 72, has been appointed mediator in the scheduled June 17 strike of St. Lawrence Seaway workers for higher wages.

Mr. Pearson said a draft white paper on broadcasting policy is before the cabinet for study.

The Royal Bank of Canada announced it will make an annual award of \$50,000 to a Canadian of outstanding achievement, starting in 1967, centennial year.

The bank's continued study of proposed income tax changes.

FRIDAY, June 10

The Commons meets at 11 a.m. to continue study of the arts centre bill. The Senate stands adjourned to June 13.

TOPEKA (AP) — A devastating tornado ripped a 15-mile path through this Kansas capital Wednesday night leaving at least 15 dead and an estimated \$100,000,000 in property damage.

The U.S. National Guards and other relief workers continued an intensive search after Mayor Charles W. Wright Jr., expressed fear more still might be buried in the debris of wrecked apartments and homes.

More than 450 persons were injured and 2,000 left homeless. At least 70 remained in hospital.

Mayor Wright made the \$100,000,000 estimate. This is more than five times the amount of the loss in a 1951 flood which inundated a large portion of the city and paralysed it for days.

The tornado first hit in the southwestern part of the city and cut diagonally across to the municipal airport at the northeast edge. In its path were luxury apartments, fine homes, Washburn University, the downtown business district, the state capitol and the industrial area, including the Santa Pe Hospital and the plant of the Topeka Daily Capital-State Journal.

Accumulate Awards

If no award is made in any one year, two can be made the next. An award has to be made every three years.

Cut-off date for nominations

Spelling Bee Won By Boy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Robert A. Wake, 13, from Houston, Tex., won the 39th annual national spelling bee Thursday, outclassing 70 other young champs from around the United States.

The runner-up was Beth Sherrill, 14, from Lucy, Tenn. In a tense wind-up, Beth succeeded to an Indian chief—a sachem. She spelled it "sachem."

Bob spelled it correctly and then rattled off "ratoon," which is the sprout from the crown of a perennial plant.

A winner has to spell the missed word, then handle another one.

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Statement Admitted At Trial

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — A statement made by Abel Joseph Cormier, charged with capital murder in the death of Unity Irene Gibbons, 28, on the day of the woman's death was admitted as evidence in court here Thursday.

The woman's body was found fully clothed in the bathtub of her apartment March 10.

In the statement, Cormier said he placed the unconscious form of the mother of four in the bathtub after she passed out when he grabbed her by the throat. He said he filled the tub with water, left the apartment and later surrendered to police.

"I must have cracked up," Cormier said in the statement.

Winters Will Talk Trade At Both London And Moscow

By JAMES NELSON

OTTAWA (CP) — Trade Minister Winters leaves Saturday for London and Moscow to discuss Anglo-Canadian and Commonwealth trade and to try to lay a broader base for commercial relations with Russia.

The detailed agenda for his talks is secret, but it appeared they would revolve around several main subjects:

—Whether and to what extent Commonwealth preferences in tariff treatment, the mainstay of Commonwealth trading relations since the 1930s, should be revised.

—The attitude and position of Commonwealth countries generally in the current Kennedy negotiations in Geneva.

—Britain's attitude towards membership in the European Common Market and what this might mean to Canada.

—Remaining thorns in Anglo-Canadian trade which the British say have not all been blunted on the Canadian side.

—How serious is Russia's recent diplomatic prickliness towards Canada and how the Russians can be reassured of Canada's commercial goodwill.

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W.S. Beman Dies In Maine

CUMBERLAND, Me. (AP) — Winfield S. Beman, 64, retired state editor of the Springfield (Mass.) Union, died in a nursing home Wednesday.

He joined the newspaper in 1928, retiring in 1960.

His wife, the former Jean S. Stewart of Charlottetown, P.E.I., was editor of the Union's social and women's pages for 35 years.

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The executive of the Prince Edward Island Branch of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, from the left, Mrs. Lloyd MacLeod, secretary-treasurer; Janet Rogers, president; and Mrs. Joost Roggeveen, vice-president, were elected at an organizational meeting of the P.E.I. Branch recently. The inaugural meeting of the branch was held last night. The P.E.I. Branch is the 24th province of the CPA and now all provinces in Canada have branches.

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END OF AN ERA
The emotion of the occasion was too much for Juliette as she taped her last regular television network show in Toronto this week. A regular fixture for years after the Saturday night hockey game on television, Juliette's show is being dropped by the CBC next season. (CP Wirephoto)