



ROBARTS GETS TORONTO REGION REPORT

Premier John Robarts is in a jovial mood after receiving a report on Metropolitan Toronto from H. Carl Goldenberg (right). Mr. Goldenberg handed over the report Tuesday at a semi-formal ceremony in the Ontario cabinet council room after spending two years studying municipal government in the Toronto region. The key recommendation in the report was for a borough system of municipal government. (CP Wirephoto)

French Residents In N.B. Seeking Improved Position

MONCTON (CP) — The royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism today receives a barrage of proposals to give New Brunswick's 225,000 French-speaking residents a bigger place in the sun. The proposals are contained in briefs from five Acadian organizations, scheduled to be submitted at the commission's one-day public hearing here. The Acadians argue that they are not enjoying equality of opportunity in education, government and business because of various gaps in the school system and because of discriminatory laws and policies. The five groups agree on the following recommendations: 1. Constitutional amendments to extend official recognition of French to all branches of the federal government and to all provinces. 2. French-language primary and high schools wherever there are enough French-speaking students to justify them. 3. Extension of French-language CBC television and radio services to all Acadian centres in the Maritimes. 4. Increased bilingualism in the federal and provincial public services and creation of a bilingual federal capital district in Ottawa-Hull. 5. Standards are too low in schools where some French in English-speaking counties, depriving the French-speaking population of at least three more elected representatives. 2. The Liberal government promised the establishment of a French-language teachers college at the University of Moncton in the past but no action has been taken. 3. There are no French-language schools in the province's largest city, Saint John, and in the capital, Fredericton, discouraging French-Canadians from careers in industry and the provincial civil service. 4. Per-pupil school grants to English-speaking counties are nearly double those to French-speaking counties. Royal commissions recommended equal grants in 1955 and 1964 but the provincial government has taken no action. 5. Standards are too low in schools where some French in English-speaking counties, depriving the French-speaking population of at least three more elected representatives. (Continued on page 3, col. 1)

Fighting Flares

SANTO DOMINGO (AP) — Violent fighting broke out in Santo Domingo Tuesday between U.S. paratroopers and rebels. The Americans advanced two blocks into insurgent territory.

U.S. sources in Washington blamed the rebels for the outbreak, one of the worst since U.S. forces landed here in April. The rebels claimed the Americans launched an attack on them.

At least four persons were killed and 26 wounded on the rebel side as the battle raged all along the perimeter around which the Americans and rebels faced each other. Three U.S. paratroopers and one Brazilian infantryman were wounded by rebel gunfire.

Sir Winston's Widow Takes Seat In Lords

LONDON (Reuters) — Sir Winston Churchill's widow, 80-year-old Lady Churchill, took her seat in the House of Lords Tuesday in a dignified, centuries-old ceremony tinged with sadness.

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Indian Fighter Dies At Age 103

WADSWORTH, Kan. (AP) — The oldest U.S. veteran of the Indian wars died in his sleep Monday. Simpson Mann, 103, who fought the Sioux Indians of Chief Sitting Bull in the Black Hills of Dakota, spent five years as a cavalryman.

REVIVES MEMORIES

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Newsmen Ride Jets On Bombing Missions

SAIGON (AP) — Warplanes hit Communist targets on both sides of the 17th parallel Tuesday and the U.S. Air Force permitted correspondents for the first time to ride jet planes on bombing missions within South Viet Nam.

F-100 Super-Sabres sprayed napalm fire bombs, high explosives and cannon shells into Viet Cong-held hamlets in South Viet Nam. The daylight attacks on guerrilla holdings followed up 230 such strikes in a 24-hour period.

More than 75 planes—American and South Vietnamese—pursued the campaign north of the 17th parallel which divides North and South Viet Nam, striking bridges, barracks and highway and river traffic.

In the ground war in South Viet Nam, U.S. military sources said three Viet Cong regiments—perhaps 5,000 men—were estimated to be still in the areas surrounding Dong Xoai, 60 miles north of Saigon.

Reliable sources said the government suffered about 650 military casualties and at least 200 civilians were killed or wounded in fighting there last week. Estimates of the guerrilla dead range from 200 to 1,000.

Two battalions of South Vietnamese troops moved north from Dong Xoai to look for the Viet Cong, but failed to establish contact.

Two South Vietnamese airborne soldiers showed up as survivors of the battle and said they had escaped after being captured by the Viet Cong. One told correspondents guerrillas shot all the wounded they could find and had lined up about 100 prisoners for execution when a high Viet Cong officer intervened. The soldier gave this account: "Don't kill them," the officer ordered. "Let the bombers kill them."

With that the prisoners were herded into the centre of three buildings that were a logical target for U.S. jet planes supporting the government forces and the Viet Cong posted machine-guns to keep them from running out.

As the officer expected, jets bombed and strafed the area. The Viet Cong vanished in the jungle. It was not determined whether any of those prisoners survived.

Stock Markets Make Recovery

NEW YORK (CP) — Trading skyrocketed Tuesday and the New York stock market made a turnaround to score a substantial advance. Volume spurted to 3,500,000 shares, highest since Nov. 26, 1963, when 9,230,000 shares changed hands on the first trading day after the assassination of President Kennedy.

A full blown sell-off developed in the first hour when, says the New York Stock Exchange, trading was the heaviest for the period in nearly 28 years. Prices went down.

Trading in the first hour totalled 2,060,000 shares, highest since Oct. 19, 1937, when 2,210,000 changed hands. The Toronto Stock market closed higher after recovering from a sharp drop in early trading. Trading remained light. The Montreal market closed higher, except for banks, in moderate trading. The New York Stock Exchange's high-speed ticker tape, capable of printing 900 characters a minute, fell behind floor transactions for the first time since it was put in operation last Dec. 1. At one stage it lagged by four minutes.

One broker said the avalanche of transactions was caused by "fright" selling. Investors have been jittery during the market's four-week slide over the outlook for the economy, the escalating war in South Viet Nam, the troubles of the British pound and the prospect of tight money at home.

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PRINCESS AND BABY

Princess Sophia of Greece poses with her new-born daughter, Princess Christina Federica Victoria at the Nuestra Senora De Loreto clinic in Madrid Tuesday. The baby was born Sunday. The Princess is married to Prince Juan Carlos De Bourbon, heir apparent to the Spanish Throne. (AP WIREPHOTO)

Deformed Babies Increase Noted

HALIFAX (CP) — There has been a sharp increase in the number of children born with deformities in the last two years, but doctors have been unable to establish a reason, Dr. Gustave Gingras of Montreal said Tuesday.

He told the Canadian Medical Association general council in Quebec last week there had been 1134 children born with various deformities in 1963. Of these, 34 had thalidomide-like characteristics, but the drug thalidomide was not involved in any of them.

Over a period of 10 years he had seen 70 such cases. In the last two years he had seen 94. Known cases were those born in hospital where a report was required. It was possible more mothers were having children in hospitals, but this still did not account for the sudden increase.

NEED CRASH PROGRAM "This is a terrible tragedy, particularly for the family into which such a child is born," he said. "There is immediate need for a crash program of rehabilitation for these cases."

The CMA passed a resolution urging the federal and provincial governments to give financial aid, rehabilitation and all other amenities made available to thalidomide disabled children to all children with limb deficiencies.

Work with the thalidomide disabled children had produced a great deal of knowledge and excellent results, said Dr. Gingras. But there were points of discrimination in aid given thalidomide and non-thalidomide affected children.

Costs of rehabilitating the disabled children was extremely high, he said. About 15 people were required to treat one child. Artificial limbs were being applied at ages as young as three years and the growth of the child demanded constant changes.

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Wilson Admits London Worried

LONDON (Reuters) — Prime Minister Wilson said Tuesday night a ceasefire "on all sides" would help a peace conference on the Viet Nam crisis.

Wilson made the statement in a recorded radio interview shortly after telling Parliament the government is "deeply disturbed" about current developments in Viet Nam.

He also told the House "certain consultations" are now going on about Viet Nam. But the British leader refused to disclose any details of the consultations or name the governments involved.

Wilson's statement in the radio interview echoed views expressed earlier Tuesday by the Canadian and Indian leaders on their arrival for the British Commonwealth prime ministers' conference, opening Thursday.

SUGGEST CEASEFIRE Indian Prime Minister Shastri said he had suggested to Canada's Prime Minister Pearson that a Viet Nam ceasefire would be desirable to create a conducive atmosphere for peace talks.

Pearson later said the sooner a ceasefire is brought about the better, but it "should be a ceasefire on both sides." Diplomatic sources said it now appears that a major effort to get Viet Nam peace talks started, possibly with a ceasefire, may emerge from the Commonwealth conference.

Compulsory Medicare Rejected By Doctors

HALIFAX (CP) — In a unanimously approved policy statement Tuesday the Canadian Medical Association rejected a compulsory, universal tax-supported medical care plan for Canadians.

While the Hall royal commission on health services was not mentioned by name in the statement, it was clear the 300 delegates in the CMA's general council had the commission and its recommendation for such a universal plan in mind.

It reiterated previous policy statements by the CMA that a tax-supported comprehensive program, compulsory for all, was neither necessary nor desirable. The federal government should have no direct hand in the matter.

NOT FEDERAL JOB "The development of medical services insurance is the responsibility of the provinces, and financial contributions by the federal government should not interfere with the self-determination of the provinces," the statement said.

Creation of a universal system paying the total cost of health services dependent on a single "and therefore potentially limited source of funds" could result in restrictions on coverage of people or services or be in continual conflict with providers of service over working conditions and remuneration.

RETAIN FREE CHOICE Both doctors and patients should remain free to choose different carriers and different plans. "It would be most unfortunate if a well-meaning decision today deprived the Canadian people of choice and progress in the future."

The CMA said it believed the responsibility of the provincial governments was to ensure adequate insurance coverage were available to all residents. A total repayment plan might put a strain on the already short supply of physicians and endanger the quality of care.

The statement was issued by Dr. Victor Goldbloom of Montreal, chairman of the economics committee. Some 1,500 doctors attending the five-day convention move into the third day today when the sessions of the general council are expected to end. The remainder of the week will be taken up with scientific sessions.

Meantime, Chief Justice Frederic Durocher, Quebec Superior Court is putting the final touches to a report on a lengthy inquiry stemming from Rivard's arrest June 19, 1964, and his efforts to fight extradition to the United States.

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BRITISH PM UNMOVED

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"It's those luddy-duddied we don't like," said Beatle George Harrison, with drummer Ringo Starr backing him up. "I don't care if Mr. Dupuis eats his medal," Ringo said. "For once young people get an award. What's wrong with that?"

Siding with Dupuis was Paul Pearson, a former RAF squadron leader who received his award for war services. He wrapped up his MBE and mailed it back to the Queen "because it has become debased."

Former policeman C. V. Bearn returned a British Empire medal he had won in 1944 for dealing with armed bandits. "I like to think at least I earned it honorably," he said, adding: "But there is nothing brave in yapping at a howling mob of teen-agers, with £1,000,000 in the bank."

Honors list experts said that the mere returning of the insignia did not imply withdrawal from the order. Removal from it could only be caused by misbehavior. Over the years a number of awards have been returned. The medals are kept at 10 Downing Street, the prime minister's official residence, in the event the owners change their mind.

Lucien Rivard Marks 50th Birthday Today

MONTRÉAL (CP) — Lucien Rivard marks his 50th birthday today the 106th day after he and a companion scammed over the walls of Bourdeau Jail in what has become one of Canada's best known prison breaks.

The companion, Andre Durocher, a virtual unknown in the underworld, has since been captured. Rivard, however, remains at large despite a world-wide search by police who would like to see him brought to trial in the United States in connection with a vast mafia-connected dope ring case.

"We won't wish him a happy birthday, but we'd like to see him when he celebrates it—now, or five years from now," said a spokesman for Quebec Provincial Police. Police confess they haven't a clue as to his whereabouts.

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