

Thinking Day Banquet Is Held In Montague

MONTAGUE — A thinking day banquet, the first to be held in Montague, took place on Wednesday evening at the Legion hall when Girl Guides and Brownies, their leaders and mothers met to commemorate the birthday of Lady Baden Powell, the founder of the guide movement. Approximately 19 were in attendance.

The toast to the Queen was proposed by Commissioner Charlotte Gordon. Guider Sharon Steeves proposed a toast to Lady Baden Powell. A toast to the mothers was proposed by Brownie Faye Fraser and was responded to by Mrs. Lloyd Fraser who paid glowing tribute to the leaders who gave so generously of their time to further this worthwhile cause.

In the unavoidable absence of Mrs. John Rawek of Charlottetown, Tawny Owl Connie Ings read an interesting article on the life of Lord and Lady Baden Powell.

A rousing sing-song was thoroughly enjoyed.

The candles on two appropriately decorated birthday cakes were lit by Susan Nicholson representing the Guides and by Beth Clarkson representing the Brownies.

A turkey dinner was served by the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary and the table arrangements drew many complimentary remarks.

An expression of appreciation was extended to the Auxiliary by Lieutenant Freda Johnston who commended the ladies for their contribution to the success of the banquet.

Pleasing background music was supplied by Mrs. Calvin Hickey at the piano.

Doubts Japs Embittered On Textiles

OTTAWA (CP)—Acting Trade Minister Churchill said Friday he doubts a report that Japanese authorities are becoming embittered by Canadian efforts to prevent an expansion in Japanese textile shipments to Canada this year.

He was replying in the Commons to Opposition Leader Pearson, who referred to an Ottawa dispatch in Friday's Toronto Globe and Mail that Japanese authorities are becoming embittered by the Canadian attitude while Canadian exports to Japan increase.

The report referred to current negotiations on the level of quotas to be applied by Japan products including textiles, plywood, radio and television sets and tubes and rubber footwear.

Mr. Churchill, speaking in the absence of Trade Minister Hees, said he doubts that the report "is expressed in accurate terms" because the quotas are always arranged on a co-operative basis.

Income Tax Has Pitfalls In Transfers

MONTREAL (CP) — If you are a Canadian contemplating part or full-time residence in the United States, or if you are an American contemplating the same in regard to Canada, check your income tax situation before you make a move.

This was the advice given at the International Tax conference here Friday by Lancelot Smith, Toronto accounting executive.

Mr. Smith outlined the numerous ways in which you can lose a good part of your shirt by movements across the border.

Once you have made the move, he emphasized, it is probably too late to do anything to save yourself from the consequences of tax complications.

A Canadian going to the United States, for instance, might find himself subject to heavy taxes arising out of the sale of his Canadian home or other assets; and an American coming to Canada may find some of his past accumulations taxed as current income. Company stock purchase plans may lead to losses unless appropriate steps are taken beforehand.

Some current American proposals, Mr. Smith commented, almost seem designed to make an American give up his citizenship.

The problem is a widespread one because of transfers of personnel by Canadian and American firms.

MPs Trapped In Elevator

OTTAWA (CP) — The case of the MPs trapped in a parliamentary elevator came to light in the Commons Friday.

James R. Tucker (L-Trinity-Conception) said that 14 persons including two MPs were trapped in an elevator late Thursday for 25 minutes.

Works Minister Walker agreed to look into the problem.

Mr. Tucker said later that he and J. J. Martel (PC-Chapleau), together with a group of school children were caught when the elevator descended two feet below its last stop on the ground floor and couldn't rise again.

He said they couldn't open the doors and had to remain until workers from outside flipped a breaker switch in the elevator controls.

Seaway Opening Dates Revealed

OTTAWA (CP)—Seaway canals will open—weather and ice permitting—on varying dates between April 1 and 15, the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority announced Friday.

Will that be done now? he asked.

DOESN'T ANSWER

There was no immediate reply from Fisheries Minister Angus MacLean, filling in for Mr. Hamilton, who is ill.

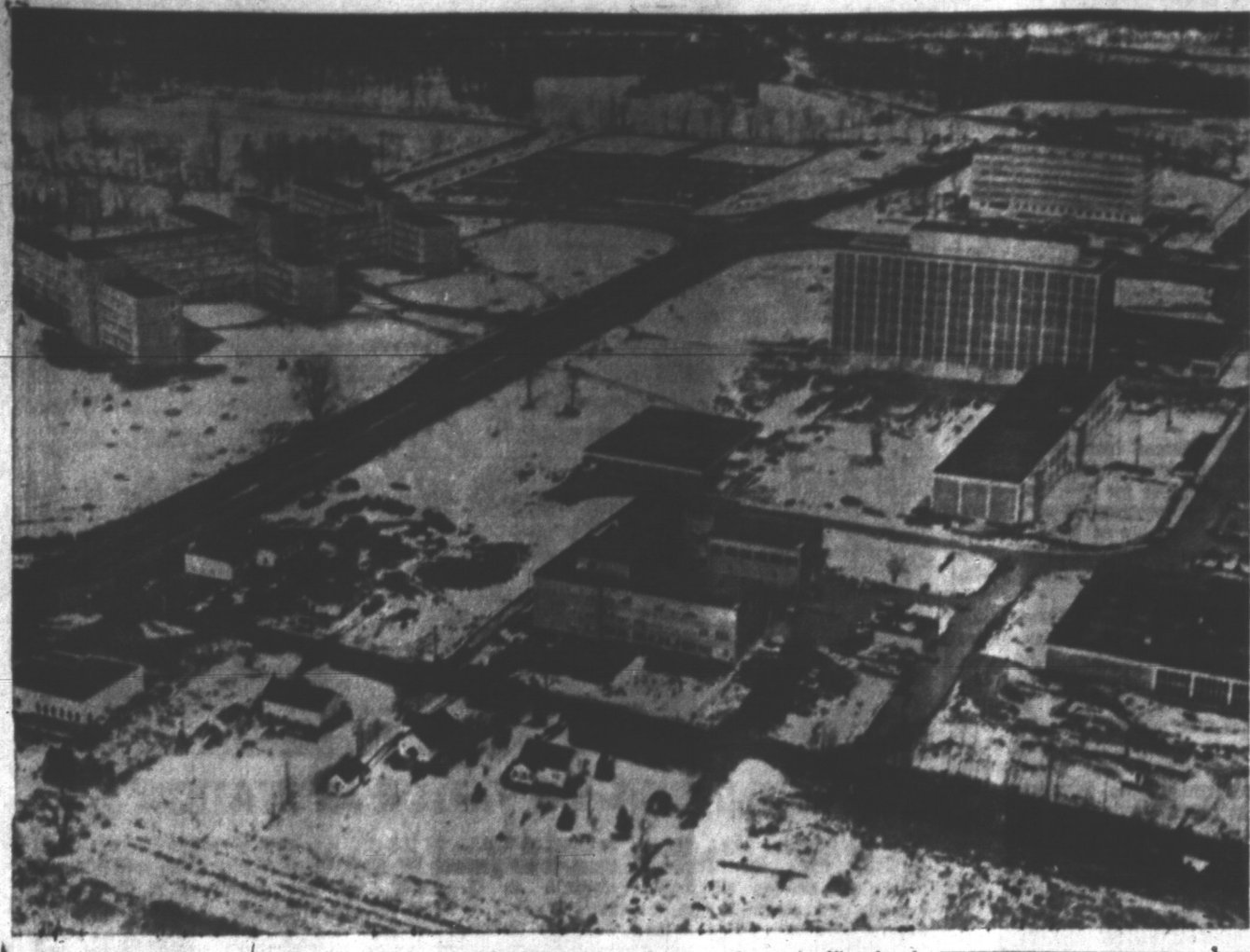
Theodore Ricard, parliamentary secretary to Prime Minister Diefenbaker, said Mr. Boulanger shouldn't try to raise eastern farmers and western farmers against each other.

When eastern farmers faced problems, the government helped them too. It had spent about \$500,000 to eliminate the recent outbreak of hog cholera.

Augustin Brassard (L-LaPointe) said he can understand and appreciate western members of Parliament arguing the case for their farm constituents but is amazed at the way some Progressive Conservative members from the east forget their farm supporters.

Mr. Richard (PC—St. Hyacinthe-Bagot) said the Liberals seek to divide east from west.

Chester W. Carter (L-Burin-Burgeo) urged a permanent disaster fund for fishermen, noting the \$50,000 set aside for a New Brunswick storm damage.



THE FEDERAL government is moving out of some of its cramped office space in downtown Ottawa to Confederation Heights, four miles south of Parliament Hill. This

aerial of Confederation Heights shows the Sir Charles Tupper public works and fisheries department headquarters (left), public works testing laboratory (right

foreground), post office headquarters (right centre) and National Research Council communications headquarters (right background). (CP Photo).

CENTENNIAL PREPARATIONS BEGIN

Lavish Beauty Treatment Is Underway At Ottawa

By RUSSELL ELMAN

OTTAWA (CP)—To the straggle of pneumatic drills, Canada's capital is getting a lavish beauty treatment for the 100th centennial of Confederation.

Sleepjacks on the skeletons of new buildings, landscapers designing elaborate new parks and road gangs carving new expressways have made Ottawa a sidewalk superintendent's dream and a motorist's horror.

In the next five years tens of millions will be invested in the most ambitious development program in the capital's history.

Planners hope to provide the city with, among other things, a new national museum, national library, railway station, downtown hotel-shopping centre, parkways, gardens, and many new government and private office and residential buildings.

Master planner is the National Capital Commission, a federal body with representatives from each province. By 1967 it hopes to own outright a 41,000-acre greenbelt ringing the inner city and to have completed a major portion of a scenic parkway system.

SPEND \$75,000,000

Federal authorities, who since the war have spent \$125,000,000 on new buildings in the capital, plan to spend upwards of \$75,000,000 on further expansion in the next few years.

Most spectacular projects is the Confederation Heights decentralization program, first planned scheme to take government offices out of the congested downtown area.

Located on a bluff overlooking the Rideau River four miles south of Parliament Hill, Confederation Heights is already the new working home of some 3,000 civil servants.

Completed buildings, named after Fathers of Confederation, include the \$7,150,000 Sir Charles Tupper public works and fisheries block, the \$5,500,000 Sir Alexander Campbell post office headquarters, a \$2,800,000 National Research Council communications laboratory, a \$1,400,000 public works testing laboratory and \$600,000 cafeteria.

Within three years Confederation Heights is to be finished with addition of a \$1,000,000 headquarters for radiation and nuclear fallout detection services, a \$6,000,000 northern affairs and forestry building and a \$11,000,000 16-storey tower for the transport department.

PLAN SKYSCRAPER

Meanwhile, at Tunney's Pasture in the west end, the go-ahead has been given for the city's first skyscraper—the 291-foot-high, 18-storey health and welfare department headquarters. When ready in 1963 it will house 19 branches now scattered around the city.

A 14-storey, \$7,000,000 agriculture headquarters building has been designed and a new seven-storey \$3,000,000 head office is planned for the CBC.

Things are happening downtown, too. Near the Parliament Buildings on Wellington Street temporary wooden buildings are earmarked for demolition this winter. In their place will rise the \$11,000,000 National Library, its green roof and granite exterior designed to harmonize with the neighboring Supreme Court building.

On Parliament Hill the old West Block is being renovated and a tunnel is being burrowed to link the office building with the Centre Block, home of the Commons and Senate, at a cost of \$6,000,000.

Sweeping improvements are

envisaged for the heart of the city around Confederation Square, site of the National War Memorial. By 1965 Union Station will have been replaced by an ultra-modern rail terminal in suburban Alta Vista, permitting new developments near the Rideau Canal, now an eyesore of railroad tracks.

PERMANENT MALL

Long-range plans suggest possible construction of a 4,000-seat convention hall on the present Union Station site and conversion of the nearby Sparks Street shopping area, closed to motor traffic experimentally the last two summers, into a permanent pedestrian mall. Another proposal is for a \$10,000,000 program to bury unsightly downtown hydro wires.

In the same general area near the canal, a new National Museum is expected to be built before the centennial. The present museum would be torn down to make way for an approach to the \$5,000,000 Queensway, a controlled-access expressway halving through the city, due for completion in 1965.

The war memorial itself would be supplemented as a site for ceremonial functions by a National Memorial Building on Nepean Point, a high brow over the Ottawa River adjacent to Parliament Hill. Work is scheduled to start this year on the building, which will house the Books of Remembrance and serve as a memorial to all those killed in wars involving Canada.

One of the most costly schemes is a long-term plan to build a 4,500-acre \$28,000,000 Satellite Farm in suburban Nepean Township to provide additional space for the Central Experimental Farm now surrounded by the city. Work may start next year on a \$2,000,000 agricultural research branch building, first of 87 structures contemplated.

LIMIT ON HEIGHT

Future development plans by the city, which opened an \$8,000,000 city hall in 1958 and a modern filtration plant last year, have not been announced pending publication of a building renewal study. Final removal of old streetcar tracks, new hospital expansion and perhaps some low-cost housing are seen as possible ventures in the next few years, in addition to seeking establishment of light secondary industry in the Ottawa area.

Meanwhile, the city is mushrooming upwards in the downtown section and outward in the suburbs. A score of new 10- and 11-storey offices and luxury apartments are under construction and more are expected to soar even higher if the city rescinds a bylaw limiting building height to 111 feet—a measure designed to preserve the lofty dominance of the 291-foot Peace Tower.

PLAN NEW HOTEL

One of the biggest privately financed schemes is the \$11,700,000 Royal Edinburgh project—a multi-tiered hotel, shopping and parking centre to rise on downtown Bank Street in 1963. Many new churches, schools, department stores and discount centres also are being built.

In the educational world imposing new modern buildings by 1965 will adorn the campuses of Carleton and Ottawa universities, which respectively have \$14,500,000 and \$10,350,000 building programs.

The entire development plan is laced by a new roadway network, including the Queensway and parkways. Other projects to be completed by Centennial Year are the six-lane MacDonell-Cartier Bridge across the Ottawa River to Hull, a 3½-mile driveway on the banks of the river west of Parliament Hill and a new highway to the green-glass Uplands international airport opened last year.

MILE OF HISTORY

Several historical projects are on the drawing boards. Along the ceremonial Sussex Drive from Parliament Hill to the Governor-General's residence, a "Mile of History" is planned with restoration of old buildings to their appearance in Confederation days. At Victoria Island and Richmond Landing on the Ottawa River, the district's first settlements, as they existed in 1818, are to be reconstructed.

Many of the new buildings will be set in parks and gardens. Landscapers already are developing a four-acre triangle at the western end of Sparks Street into a "Garden of the Provinces"—terraces and gardens featured by sculptured coats-of-arms of the 10 provinces.

OTTAWA (CP) — "This government has done wonderful in the water situation in the Cariboo."

That statement in the Commons Friday by W. C. Henderson about his British Columbia constituency just about summed up the views of Progressive Conservatives as the House debated proposals for increased government spending on western irrigation and water storage measures.

The tenor of opposition statements on the matter was reflected in a speech by Samuel Boulanger (L—Drummond-Arthabaska) who said the government program doesn't do anything to protect eastern farmers.

The Commons spent most of the day debating supplementary appropriations of \$3,668,700 for various agricultural programs, and probably the liveliest speech came from the white-haired, homespun Conservative member for the Cariboo—"Gus" Henderson to his friends.

STRAYS FROM ISSUES

Mr. Henderson, who'll be 71 next Wednesday, strayed from

East-West Farm Rift Seen As Liberal Aim

the issues under debate at times, and so did other members.

"Why any farmer would ever vote against this government is beyond me," he exclaimed at one point as he recounted federal aid towards water-storage dugouts on farms and deep-drilled wells for municipalities.

Mr. Henderson also alluded to Thursday's cutting criticism of Prime Minister Diefenbaker by Lucien Cardin (L-Richelieu-Vercheres).

"I got a little angry the other day when that speaker on the other side was lambasting Diefenbaker," he said. "I wouldn't lambaste one of them if I figured he was any good. It made my heart bleed."

He also painted the glories of the Cariboo country—"an empire" as large as Texas with gold, oil, silver and agriculture "the best in Canada."

Mr. Boulanger reminded the Commons of Agriculture Minister Aivin Hamilton's statement last year that he would like to see a Canada-wide application of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration — the Pra-



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