

Sales Drive Expert Now In Search Of Job

By ALAN DONNELLY
OTTAWA (CP)—The man behind the man who sparked Canada's export sales drive is looking for a job.

He is Melville R. (Mel) Jack, 54, who as executive assistant to Trade Minister George Hees was generally considered one of the best behind-the-scenes men in the capital.

A change of government inevitably means a change of jobs for the executive assistants and private secretaries who act as right-hand men to cabinet ministers.

It's not likely Mel Jack will have to look for work very long. For 20 years he has been in and out of political and government offices in Ottawa as an idea man, political trouble-shooter and expediter.

Now he has his sights on getting out of Ottawa into private business. Although he hasn't yet started looking, a couple of companies have already turned up with offers. Even the incoming Liberal government is reported to be ready and anxious to have the Conservative Mr. Jack working for them.

A restless, quick-thinking,

to work." he told the women. The plan worked. WANTED BY BOTH How he came to be working for a Liberal government is a story in itself. He had been private secretary to Opposition Leader George Drew and managed George Hees' campaign to win the presidency of the National Conservative Association in 1954. Mr. Hees opposed the party's "old guard" and as a result Mr. Jack was fired by the party leader. He was hired immediately by the immigration department. And when the Conservative government came into office in 1957, Mr. Jack moved back with Mr. Hees when he became transport minister.

He stuck with Mr. Hees, despite an avianity by Prime Minister Diefenbaker to join his personal staff and despite some tempting outside offers including a \$35,000-a-year post in private industry. He might even have become a cabinet minister. One report is that Mr. Diefenbaker wanted him to run for Parliament with the promise of a cabinet post if he made it. But a politician's life wasn't for Mel Jack. "I like staying behind the scenes," he said once.

Franco Scorns Nikita's Plea

By HAROLD K. MILKS
MADRID, Spain (AP)—The Franco government, scoring a clemency appeal from Soviet Premier Khrushchev, executed a Spanish Communist leader at dawn Saturday. Communist outside Spain stormed and called it murder. Julian Grimau Garcia, 52, a balding, thin-faced member of the outlawed Spanish Communist party's ruling central committee, was the victim. He was



TAKES COURSE

Signalman Charles G. Kemp of Souris East, P.E.I., has successfully completed an eight-week junior non-commissioned officer course at Camp Wainwright, Alta. The course, which consisted of field tactics, instructional techniques, first aid, manual survival and general military subjects is designed to qualify soldiers for promotion to senior ranks. He is a member of Royal Canadian Corps of Signals stationed at Winnipeg, Man. (National Defence Photo)

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Photography Salon Plans Progressing

Further progress in planning for the P.E.I. photography salon and color competition was reported at last week's meeting of the Charlottetown Camera Club. The YMCA banquet room has been booked for May 28 to 29 for the event with the official opening to be May 27.

Deadlines for entries are: for the color competition, April 18; and for the black and white salon—May 23.

Roland Taylor related an interesting account of his observations at the Photokina in Cologne, Germany. Photographic products were exhibited by more than 500 firms from 19 different countries.

"P.E.I. Industry" is the color competition for the April 29 meeting which is the last regular meeting until next fall.

Young Adults Meet At Kinross

The regular meeting of the Valleyfield-Orwell Head Young Adults was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John MacKinnon, Kinross, last week with 21 members and two visitors present.

The devotional lesson "To be served or to serve" was under the leadership of Margie MacLeod and Betty MacLeod. Following the business meeting conducted by the vice-president, Donald Nicholson, Elva Nicholson conducted two contests won by Barbara MacKinnon and Elizabeth Gillis.

Lunch including pie and ice-cream was supplied and served by the committee, John MacKinnon, Gloria MacPherson, Velma Nicholson and Barbara MacKinnon assisted by the hostess.

Mrs. Velma Nicholson invited the group to her home on Tuesday, April 23, at 8 p.m. sharp, for the next meeting.

Assault Case Is Adjourned

Barry J. Gass, Charlottetown, charged with assault causing bodily harm on April 18 and remanded with no bail to April 24 by Magistrate A. J. Haslam in city police court. He pleaded not guilty to the charge. Allison Gillis is appearing for the accused.

The case of Ernest James Smith, Parkdale, charged with driving without due care and attention, was adjourned in April 22. The accused was not present in court but was represented by Lester O'Donnell.

For operating a motor vehicle with defective brakes, a motorist was fined \$10 and costs or five days.

Car, Oil Truck Collide In Souris

SOURIS—A car driven by Thomas Hodder, and an oil truck driven by Roderick Christian, both of Souris collided Saturday on Breakwater Street here.

Total damage was estimated between \$150 and \$200. No one was injured.

IS ENCLAVE

Basutoland is an enclave in the Republic of South Africa and covers an area of 11,715 square miles.

EASTERN BRIEFS

ATTENDED FUNERAL Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacGillivray and Anna Albert returned to their home in Bedford, N.S., after attending the funeral of Mr. MacGillivray's mother, Mrs. Angus MacGillivray, Panmure Island.

78 Conventions Booked For 64

Prince Edward Island may see well over 8,000 delegates attending more than 78 different conventions and events next year, since Canada starts celebrating its centennial.

The Lions Club convention is expected to be the largest with over 1,000 members attending the May 31 to June 3 (1964) session. Next largest will probably be the Dominion Drama Festival to be held from May 17 to 23 with 800 entrants.

In addition to the many familiar events Islanders have seen in past years, a great number of special features have been planned.

Rolland Taylor birthplace of our country will welcome such new events as the Halifax Junior Began Lancers and the famed RCMP musical ride, the Stratford Players, the Don Costack Chorus, the Halifax Symphony Orchestra, the Canadian Bell Company, the Navy Sunset Ceremony, and the Army Military Tattoo.

William Hayward, chairman of the centennial committee has released a list of other new and exciting events too numerous to mention here.

With all these features in addition to the regular Island events such as horse racing, Airforce Day, the Highland Games, Summerside Lobster Carnival, Championship plowing Match, and the Provincial Flower Show, 1964 should be the Island's most interesting year to yet and one that will appeal to everyone.

No Kennedy Opposition Seen To Increases In Steel Prices

NEW YORK (AP)—Steel price increases and indications that President Kennedy is not going to oppose them as he did a year ago accompanied a rising market last week.

It was the market's sixth straight weekly rise but it was by no means a straight-line advance. The strength that put the market well ahead for the week was displayed on Monday and Friday.

In the three sessions in between, the market moved unevenly, consolidating its previous rise to new peaks. Except for Wednesday, when there were 65 more losers than gainers in the stock list, it was pretty much of a draw.

During most of Friday, this tendency continued. With volume slackening and not much expected in an apparently dull pre-weekend session. Late in the day, however, came Kennedy's remarks that indicated he would not oppose the price boosts.

RUSH TO STEELS This brought a renewed rush to buy the steel. U.S. Steel ended that day and the week as the outstanding volume leader on the New York Stock exchange with a net gain of 1 1/4.

The Dow Jones industrial average reached a peak for the year, making a moderate net gain of 3.23 to close the week at 117.69.

The Associated Press average

Tax Probe Completed At Ottawa

By STEWART MACLEOD
OTTAWA (CP)—The royal commission on taxation, winding up its four-day preliminary hearings in Ottawa here, heard a suggestion that a special group of top financial and legal experts be established to act, in effect, as a liaison between the public and the income Tax Act.

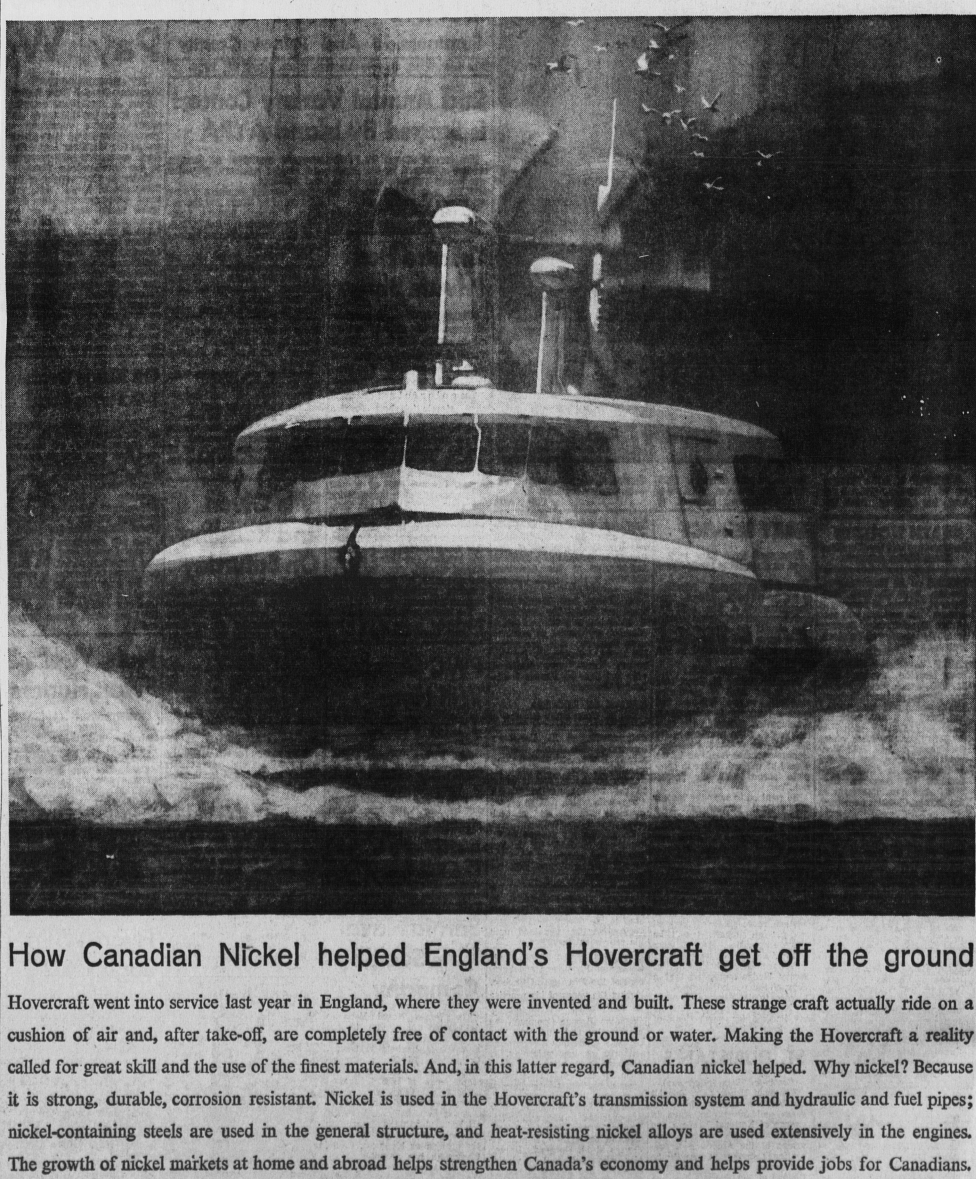
The purpose of this group, said the Canadian Bar Association, would be to keep the act under constant review and give the public a better understanding of the tax laws and their purposes.

This was the second such suggestion to be made to the commission, headed by chartered accountant Kenneth Carter of Toronto, since it opened hearings Tuesday. Earlier, the Canadian Tax Foundation, a private research group, said it would be a good idea if some committee could examine proposed tax changes.

The commission moves to Montreal Monday to begin hearing formal briefs on taxation issues. It moves to Toronto May 1, returning to Ottawa May 27. It will travel from Newfoundland to British Columbia in August.

MINISTER ARRESTED
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (Reuters)—Police Saturday arrested Rev. Arthur Blaxall, an Anglican minister and well-known social worker, on charges under the Suppression of Communism Act. He was alleged to have aided unlawful organizations. A magistrate remanded him until May 3 pending further investigations and his passport was impounded.

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