

PRIME MINISTER PEARSON (RIGHT) wears a smile as he watches Donald Sangster, acting prime minister of Jamaica, sign a new trade agreement between Canada and 13 Caribbean Commonwealth countries Friday in Ottawa.

The new trade agreements were worked out at a three-day conference in the capital (CP Wirephoto)

Police Chiefs' Head Opposes Death Penalties Commutation

MIDDLETON, N.S. (CP) — President James Mackey of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police said Friday if the federal cabinet's policy of commutation is continued it would mean a greater influx of criminals "who kill for pay."

Chief Mackey, head of Toronto's metropolitan police force, told the Maritime Association of Chiefs of Police meeting here that he was pleased with the recent vote to retain the death penalty "but it will be a hollow victory for law enforcement officials just as long as the policy of commutation is continued."

North Viet Nam Invasion Is Suggested From Saigon

SAIGON (AP) — While U.S. air power held the spotlight on South Viet Nam's chief of state advanced the idea Friday of a ground attack on North Viet Nam to help wind up the war.

Sterns Webster, president of the Maritime Association and chief of the Charlottetown police force, commended the federal government for retaining capital punishment.

Chief Mackey outlined a program which he said is necessary in a "stepped up offensive against crime across Canada," including amalgamation of small police forces, setting up of a central intelligence organization on a federal level and a permanent federal crime commission.

Senior Citizens Housing Expansion Is Announced

A program for the expansion of senior citizens housing in the province was announced following a meeting of a board of directors for Senior Citizens Housing Corporation held Wednesday of this week.

Available in various areas in the province and it is estimated the ultimate need will run to 500 units which will require a continued construction program for the winters of 1967 and 1968 for completion of these units.

Hon. Henry W. Wedge, chairman of the board, stated that for the 214 units almost nearing completion, there are now some 300 applications received and the units will be allocated according to the date of application.

Tenders will be called immediately for the construction of 50-bed units in Alberton and Moncton, and for a 200-bed unit in Charlottetown. This will take care of the demand for special care for senior citizens in 11 sections of the province for elderly people who require light nursing care.

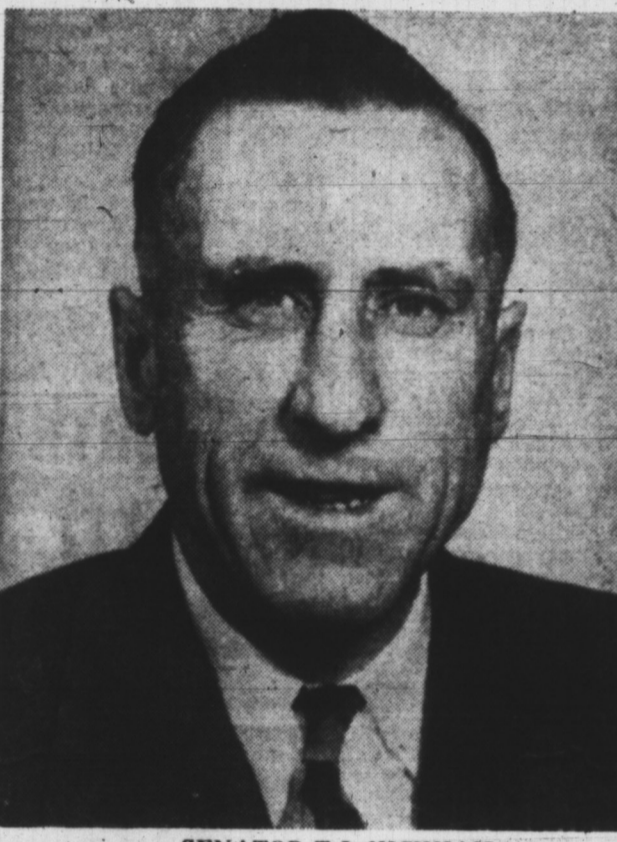
The overall program established by the present government, has been well received in all areas of the province, providing modern accommodations with a rental based on cost. This being the first province in Canada to provide housing for the elderly citizens. It is being watched very closely by other provinces who have sent delegations here to seek information on the operation of this successful program in this province," stated Mr. Wedge.

Mr. Wedge also announced that a committee of the executive council has been appointed to proceed with plans for the construction of family or low-rental housing in various areas in the province until a board of directors has been officially appointed by the government.

Better Trade Foreseen With Caribbean Area

FIVE OTHER MEN NAMED Former MP From Souris Is Appointed To Senate

OTTAWA (CP) — Alan Macnaughton, Montreal lawyer and former Commons Speaker, and five other men were appointed to the Senate Friday by Prime Minister Pearson.



SENATOR T.J. KICKHAM

The others: C. W. Carter, MP for Burin riding in Newfoundland, a St. John's educationist; Paul Desruisseaux, a Sherbrooke lawyer; James Duggan, St. John's, a former railway telegraph operator; Thomas Kichham, Souris, P.E.I., a former Liberal MP; Leopold Langlais, Quebec City, another former Liberal.

Standing in the 102-seat Senate following Friday's appointments: Liberals 63; Conservatives 31; Independent 2; Independent-Liberal 1; vacant 5.

CHANGES STANDING — Mr. Carter's appointment changes House standings to: Liberals 130, Conservatives 96, NDP 21, Redistite 9, Social Credit 8, Independents 2, vacant 2.

Mr. Macnaughton, who will be 63 on July 30, was Liberal MP for Mount Royal from 1949 until he ended his term as Speaker of the House in 1965 and did not seek re-election.

After his Speakership, he was appointed a member of the Privy Council giving him the title of Honorable for life.

Mr. Carter, 64, now in Europe on a tour with the Commons veterans affairs committee, has been an MP since Newfoundland's union with Canada.

Mr. Desruisseaux, 61, retired senior member of a Sherbrooke law firm, is president of La Tribune Inc., publisher of Sherbrooke La Tribune and operator of CHLT, CHL-FM, and CKPS radio stations, and CHLT-TV, Sherbrooke. He is a director of the Canadian Press.

WORKED ON RAILWAY — Mr. Duggan, 63, started rail work as a telegraph operator at the age of 17 with the Reid Newfoundland Co., and since the age of 20 has been associated with the trade union movement in Newfoundland.

He has been general chairman of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers and, subsequently, the Transportation and Communication Employees Union since 1938. He was prominent in the Newfoundland Confederate Association.

legislature of Prince Edward Island before entering the Commons in 1947 as MP for King's, serving three terms.

Oil Plant Fire Is Spectacular

PERTH AMBOY, N.J. (AP) — Fire raged through a number of 55-gallon drums of solvent at the waterfront of an oil storage area here Friday, sending flaming solvent across a narrow channel to New York City's Staten Island and down towards Raritan Bay.

Explosion: drums rocketed across the narrow strait and others fell into the water. The U.S. Coast Guard closed the channel, known as the Arthur Kill, to navigation for a distance of five miles.

At least four persons were reported injured, one critically. Sparks from the fire apparently drifted across the narrow channel and touched off a brush fire on Staten Island.



BILLIONS of smoke and fire Hess Oil Co. at Perth Amboy or Kill in Staten Island in rise from tank storage area of Friday. View is across Arthur background. (AP Wirephoto)

Big Stampede Opens Monday

CALGARY (CP) — A 200,000 show designed to demonstrate there's more to Alberta than cows and chuckwagons is featured at the six-day Calgary Stampede, which throws its gates open Monday.

It's the first Canadian petroleum exposition, a tribute to the booming oil industry, where exhibits include a gateway formed by a 136-foot well derrick topped by a color-changing gas flare.

Packers Votes Being Counted

TORONTO (CP) — Strike votes of some 6,000 workers from Canada Packers Ltd. plants across the country are still being mailed in, says a union spokesman.

John Longiet, assistant director of the United Packinghouse Workers (U.P.W.), said the votes will be counted Monday.

The Montreal local voted Monday and Tuesday while Toronto and six other plants voted Thursday.

Pickersgill Promises Statement On TV Here

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Transport Minister J. W. Pickersgill has promised to make a statement on Monday or Tuesday concerning the television situation for Prince Edward Island.

On the Commons Friday he was questioned by Hon. J. Angus MacLean as to why Charlottetown has apparently been deleted from a list of communities where the CBC has reserved channels to establish their own stations.

Mr. MacLean pointed out that in the recent white paper on broadcasting four communities were mentioned as being reserved for the use of the CBC. He pointed out that in earlier statements and reports by the corporation, provision had been made for Prince Edward Island. The Queens MP said that now, under the newly announced policy, P.E.I. would be the only province in Canada which did not have at least one CBC transmitter.

The only television service in P.E.I. is provided by a privately owned station in Charlottetown which is affiliated with the CBC and carries network programs.

Mr. Pickersgill told Mr. MacLean that he doubted if the matter came under his jurisdiction but he promised to confer with Secretary of State Judy LaMarsh and with Prime Minister Pearson to see if some statement could not be made about the situation probably on Monday or Tuesday of next week.

Mr. MacLean asked Miss Lamarch to explain why there had been an apparent change in government policy because in the 1965-66 annual report of the CBC makes no mention of service to P.E.I. although such a provision had been mentioned in previous annual reports.

"I do not know, Mr. Speaker, I have only been responsible for the CBC for six months," Miss Lamarch replied.

Sugar Deal Described Most Significant Item

By KEN CLARK

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada and 13 Caribbean Commonwealth countries Friday agreed on an arrangement that Prime Minister Pearson said "will lay the foundation for increased trade among the countries."

The new trade deal involved the amendment of the 1925 Canada-West Indies trade agreement and a Canadian offer to eliminate the import duty on Caribbean sugar.

The sugar deal, the most significant item, is subject to approval by other Commonwealth sugar suppliers to Canada and from countries covered under the General Agreement in Tariffs and Trade.

The new trading arrangements were worked out at a three-day conference which concluded Friday.

A protocol signed by all the participating countries aimed at a clause in the 1925 agreement that permitted Canadian tariff preferences only on goods shipped directly to Canada from the Caribbean.

Under the Canadian sugar offer, the tariff of 29 cents a hundredweight would be eliminated making the Caribbean the only countries in the world with free entry into the Canadian market. Other countries pay up to \$1.29 a hundredweight in the most favored-nation category.

The Commonwealth Caribbean countries would be allowed to export to Canada an amount equal to their average volume to Canada in the last five years.

The conference report outlining the proposal said the move was to allow the Caribbean countries to maintain their traditional sales to the Canadian market and enhance the return to their producers.

SHARE DECLINING — The Caribbean share of the Canada sugar market has been declining in recent years because of lower-cost competition from other Commonwealth producers.

It would be up to the Commonwealth Caribbean sugar suppliers to work out the allocation of amounts they would ship to Canada under the tariff free quota.

Under the trade protocol signed in a light-hearted mood in the main conference room in the 1925 agreement would be examined in detail for further changes following the current Kennedy round of tariff-cutting negotiations under GATT.

Mr. Pearson made his comment about improved trading possibilities during the signing ceremony, done with a single pen he had to retrieve from a pocket of the signer who began to walk away with it.

He said the trading arrangements are "not final or perfect" but considerable progress has been made.

"Some problems have been solved and some explored to lead to a solution," he said.

Canada Assistance Plan Gets Okay From Commons

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canada Assistance Plan was passed in the Commons Friday but the debate focused on old age pensions right up to the last minute.

The range welfare legislation is expected to get Senate approval and royal assent before Parliament starts a summer recess.

Debate on second reading began June 28 with the New Democratic Party charging that the government wasn't carrying out its promises to old-age pensioners.

The debate was adjourned Tuesday with Health Minister MacEachen promising a statement on pensions once the bill went through.

The bill got a thorough clause-by-clause study Friday, then the opposition again asked for the plan's statement on third reading.

With Mr. MacEachen's assurances that he will make an announcement before the summer recess, the bill was passed.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker asked Mr. MacEachen whether the government planned to use a capital gains tax to finance aid to pensioners whose annual income was less than \$1,260 a year. He understood the difference the \$75 old-age security pension provides \$900 a year would be made up by Ottawa.

Mr. MacEachen did not reply to this.

Earlier, the health minister added \$10,000,000 to his estimate of what the plan will mean in additional federal outlays on public welfare.

He said his original estimate of \$85,000,000 in the first year of the plan's operation was based on early and incomplete information about what the provinces are likely to do when Parliament passes a bill authorizing the federal treasury to pay 50 per cent of welfare costs.

Mr. MacEachen, answering a complaint in the Commons by P. R. Rynard (PC — Simons East) that the plan is only "an old barnacle," said latest indications are the federal government may pay out \$95,000,000 in the first year.

He told Dr. Rynard, a medical doctor, that the plan could make an important contribution to solving the problem of long-term dependency on welfare payments.

Dr. Rynard said the plan would make no real attack on poverty.

"This doesn't do anything for the kids and their parents in our slum areas. We've got to get those people out of their rut, educate them, and break the cycle of dependences and poverty which has founded their families for generations."

Mr. MacEachen said there is no upper limit on the amount Ottawa is willing to spend in matching provincial welfare programs. But the initiative has to be agreed with the provinces and "I am sure they are as alive to the need as we are."

After Mr. MacEachen's speech during committee stage discussion of the Canada Assistance Plan bill, Dr. Rynard said he was heartened.

Mr. MacEachen said originally it was estimated the plan would mean an additional flow of federal funds, amounting to \$85,000,000. This was based on these estimates: Mothers' allowances \$27,500,000; health care \$22,000,000; extra staff and welfare services \$14,000,000; additional child welfare \$16,000,000; new work activity \$500,000; and other program improvements \$15,000,000.

But he said the provinces' allowances payments may cost \$20,000,000 and the additional child welfare payments \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000. Altogether the plan might cost the treasury \$95,000,000.

"It depends on provincial utilization of the plan," Mr. MacEachen said.

OTTAWA PAYS HALF — Under the plan, Ottawa will pay half of provincial welfare payments, and half of any future increase in provincial welfare service costs, including salary costs.

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