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SIX HOTELS DESTROYED

25 Persons Feared Dead In Atlantic City Baze

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — At least nine persons died and 25 more were missing and feared dead in a \$100,000 blaze Monday that raged from a frame hotel for elderly guests to a row of clock hotels near the Atlantic City Boardwalk.

(See picture on page 9.)

A woman victim died at Atlantic City Hospital. The others, none identified, were among 24 persons police listed as unaccounted for.

All had been guests at one hotel, the Surfside, where the fire started. Police and firemen picked their way through the Surfside's debris with a huge crane in search of other victims.

"Some of the people may have scampered out and not reported," said acting fire prevention chief Michael Bloomer. Bloomer, who gave the \$100,000 as a m.g.e. estimate, also said the cause of the fire was not known.

The FBI in Washington said it was sending a three-man identification team here at the request of police, to help identify fire victims through their fingerprints.

The fire spread from the Surfside to buildings on both sides, collapsing walls and roofs and showering flaming rubble to the street. Sparks touched off fires in other buildings. More than 200 persons fled to keep the fire from spreading.

Police said they were destroying and four other buildings damaged.

7 JUMP TO SAFETY

A family of seven, including the owners of the Surfside, jumped from a window about 15 feet from the raged-down woman, her hair sizzling, around four

hundred feet from the window into a porch roof to be rescued by firemen.

Two firemen used a ladder to pull covers to ward off sparks and climbed a ladder to rescue a screaming woman from her room.

Police said there were 40 persons in the Surfside.

Twenty-two persons, including eight policemen and firemen, were taken to hospital. Two of them, George Dwanan, 46, of Atlantic City, and one of the two, Anna Shafit, 68, of Morrisston, died of burns.

Other persons still in hospital, George Dwanan, 46, of Atlantic City, was in critical condition.

This summer resort has been marred by 31 other major fires in the last half-century, most of them occurring in the winter when hotels were closed.

Bluenose Trials Marred

LUNenburg, N.S. (CP) — Bluenose 11, replica of the famed Nova Scotia racing-fishing schooner, spread her sails before the wind Monday as veterans of her predecessor stood proudly on her deck — but all did not go well.

The float schooner dropped her moorings here and headed for the open sea to test and adjust sails. But when crew members went aloft to let go the top-sails, the mainsail caught on a bolt and tipped.

Out in the bay, in a medium swell, the bowsprit broke and the Bluenose 11 was immediately brought about and her bow pointed for home. The weather and the water were so rough that it could have been either as drizzle and rain fell from an overcast sky.

Despite these occurrences, Capt. Elsworth Coggin said he was pleased with the way his vessel sailed.

"We have very little by way of minerals. We do not have many oil wells, or Kilnblains or Ungavas, but we have developed a young industry to which I should like the minister to give his special attention and that is the peat moss industry in the county of agriculture in the department of Northern affairs, General," Mr. Macquarrie said.

He said he was recently impressed with the potential of this new industry and had informed that it did not come under the jurisdiction of the minister of agriculture in the department of Northern affairs, General," Mr. Macquarrie said.

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Macquarrie Appears Leading To Peat Moss Project

By FARMER TISSINGTON
OTTAWA — A plea for support of Prince Edward Island's peat moss industry has been made here by Health Macquarrie, MP for Queens.

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Questions Await Answers

By DON HAWRIGHT
OTTAWA (CP) — The government appears ready to signal a major departure from the old system of "cost sharing" with the provinces.

The big questions now: How far may it go? What long-term programs will be affected? And will this be the limit of Ottawa's concessions to the provinces?

Answers will emerge from a federal-provincial conference opening in Ottawa Monday for a week. But they could make it one of the most significant meetings since Confederation.

Quebec's Jean Lesage wants to do away with the joint program entirely. He wants the money that Ottawa puts into his province's health and other schemes, but without strings attached.

He has strong backing from another Liberal premier—Louis Robichaud of New Brunswick, who has predicted "modifications" in fiscal relations. Albert's E. C. Manning and others have other views on the joint schemes in the past.

STRINGS ATTACHED

Though seldom articulated publicly, the provincial complaint is this: More often than not, the political interests of Ottawa are served by federal programs that restrict the flow of federal money to the provinces. It is the asking—if they put it into certain programs that restrict the flow of federal money to the provinces.

The refusal could court political disaster for a provincial government that depends on federal money, action in some of these fields is financially impossible.

Once in a province is committed to an expenditure that may have an entirely different sense of social or economic priorities and years to put the same amount of money to different use.

Over the years, these joint schemes have become a point where this year a staggering \$800,000,000 is moving from Ottawa to the provinces in conditional grants and as the federal government's share of the costs of the fields of health, hospitals, highways, vocational training, and other areas.

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The province's biggest joint programs:

Hospital insurance — Ottawa's share of the current fiscal year ending next March 31, \$383,300,000.

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Quebec Participation In National Education Plan

OTTAWA (CP) — Douglas Fisher (NDP — Port Arthur) said Monday Canada never will have a national education program as long as Quebec refuses to participate in a national program.

The former U.S. school teacher made the statement as the common continental debate of a government bill to expand federal grants to the field of technical and vocational training under a multi-million-dollar program announced by the former Conservative government.

Quebec, like many other provinces, needs to "do something" desperately about its education.

It was not known that the bill would be passed.

Mr. Fisher said the proposed amendments will not provide Canada with the kind of teaching that is required for the training of the unemployed. He said the overwhelming proportion of new plans made in the past few years of the 1960 legislation has been within the secondary school framework.

Technical institutes and trade schools were not being built to provide training for the thousands of unemployed workers. Canada still had no national program in this field.

Mr. Fisher threw his support behind a brief presented last week to the government by the Canadian Teachers' Federation urging the calling of a national conference to seek solutions to the inequalities between provincial school systems. He said:

"We desperately need an equality of education and we cannot do it as long as there is one part of the country that is not participating in the national program."

Mr. Fisher also said he insists that the other nine provinces, in terms of provinces, must accept the same basic attitude.

U.K. Rejects 5-Year Limit On Red Credit

By CP from Reuters-AP
LONDON (Reuters) — Britain rejected Monday the United States position that trade credit terms of longer than five years constitute economic aid and should be reserved for underdeveloped nations.

At a closed-door, ministerial-level special session of the NATO council, Britain turned down a U.S. request for a five-year credit limit on Western sales of goods to Communist nations. It was reported that only Norway and Denmark supported the British stand.

At the same session, External Affairs Minister Martin made clear that Canada favors wider trade in non-strategic materials with the Chinese-Soviet bloc.

Pro-Nasserite Group Seizes Power In Iraq

By ALEX EFTY
BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A pro-Nasserite group seized power in Baghdad Monday with the help of the army, forcing the resignation of the cabinet of anti-Nasserite Ba'ath Socialists, who are closely allied with the Ba'athist regime in neighboring Syria.

Syrian broadcasts denounced the coup as a tyrant and predicted his downfall. Cairo newspapers hailed the coup as heralding an end to Ba'athist supremacy in Iraq and Syria.

This raised the prospect of a struggle involving Iraq, Syria and Jordan, as the United Arab Republic, only last spring the United Arab Republic, was talking of an Arab union.

The Ba'athists studied the plan and brought Iraq and Syria to a standstill.

Bank Holdup Trial Opens

HALIFAX (CP) — The armed robbery trial of Eric Eugene Barrs, 26, of Halifax opened here Monday with testimony of two brothers employed by a North end branch of the Bank of Montreal that was robbed of \$10,000 in a holdup July 29.

Barrs pleaded not guilty to the armed robbery charge in the holdup at the bank's Goldington and Rector Street branches in this city.

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Sir Alec's Gov't Wins First Vote

LONDON (Reuters) — Sir Alec Douglas-Home's Conservative government won its first victory in the House of Commons Monday night, defeating a Labor opposition censure motion on housing by 200 votes to 224.

The Labor party charged the government had no plans to deal adequately with housing, homelessness, slums or profiteering in land prices.

Answers Given To Questions Asked By MPs From Queens

CAPITAL BUREAU
OTTAWA (CP) — Answers to questions asked by Members of Parliament from Queens, P.E.I., were given by the Minister of Northern Affairs, General Macquarrie, MP for Queens.

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Old Arctic Hand Suggests Eskimos Have Fewer Babies

OTTAWA (CP) — An Arctic hand suggested Monday that Eskimos have fewer babies than other peoples of the north.

Mr. Scotty Gall, a blunt Scot from the Yukon who spoke as the Northern Territories Council buckled down to an emergency session in Ottawa Monday.

"The answer is no," said Commissioner E.G. Sivert. "It's an alarming (birth) rate," said Mr. Gall, a manager of the Yukon Children's Company who came to the North in 1922. "I'm glad I won't be around in 50 years."

The exchange was part of the opening sitting of the nine-man committee on the Arctic region, which was set up to study the causes of the four elected members expire at midnight tonight. The session continues today.

Baby Killed By Watchdog

WOODSTOCK, Ill. (AP) — A four-month-old baby was attacked and chewed to death Monday by an 80-pound sled dog, purchased as a watchdog.

James Michael Henderson said the dog, named "Woodstock," was in the Woodstock Memorial Hospital, where it was kept for a few days after the attack.

Mr. Henderson said the dog was a gift from a friend and was kept in the back yard of the Henderson family.

Three Injured, Are Destroyed

ANTIGONISH, N.S. (CP) — Three persons were sent to hospital and one was injured when a fire broke out in a garage Monday night and destroyed three cars and a truck.

The fire broke out in a garage in Antigonish, N.S., where three cars and a truck were stored.

The fire was caused by a gas leak from one of the cars.

DAMAGE IS HEAVY

LONDON (Reuters) — A hurricane ripped the roofs off 20 houses in a southern English village Monday as gales swept coastal areas of Northern Europe.

One death and three injuries were reported in England when a tree crashed down on a car in Lincolnshire.

The hurricane hit village near Orford, a Suffolk seaside town.

"It's a miracle no one was hurt," said an Orford fire official.

Garages and outbuildings were wrecked and cars were buried under debris.

The gales sent ships adrift and brought down power lines. All pilot services along the Dutch coast were suspended as a result of the storm.

High seas cancelled ferry services in the English Channel, Irish Sea and elsewhere.

The hurricane hit Holland the night before. Ships went adrift in the Rotterdam area and two tugs had to go to the rescue.

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Declaration Jews Assailed In Council

VATICAN CITY (AP) — A Vatican council Monday assailed anti-Semitism in a declaration that called for a more liberal attitude toward the Jews.

The council, which was presided over by Pope John XXIII, declared that anti-Semitism was a "crime against God and man."

The council also called for a more liberal attitude toward the Jews and for a more liberal attitude toward the Jews.

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OWL KILLED WITH HOCKEY STICK

PH. ST. R.W. Bush of RCAF
Stetson, Clanton, Ont., and his wife show the four-foot six inch wingspan of this snowy owl he slew with a hockey stick.

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