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MOTHER OF YEAR MEETS PM

Mrs. Mildred Gottfriedsen, 46, of Kamloops, B.C., named Canadian Mother of the Year by the Florist Telegraph Delivery Association, chats with Prime Minister Pearson in Ottawa Tuesday. Mrs. Gottfriedsen, an Indian, has 12 children of her own and one adopted child. At one time she was caring for 10 foster children. During her visit to the capital she enjoyed a shopping tour.

(CP Wirephoto)

Boy Found Brutally Murdered

HULL, Que. (CP) — An 11-year - old schoolboy, missing from his home here since Monday night, has been found brutally murdered in a popular play area in a city park.

The body of Rejean St. Denis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aldege St. Denis, was discovered by two of his classmates Tuesday afternoon. He had been stabbed in the back eight times.

Police now have intensified their search for 17 - year - old Uvon Lacoursier, a foster child taken into the St. Denis family about 12 months ago.

Lacoursier was reported missing along with the murder victim when they failed to return home Monday night.

Young St. Denis' body, blood still oozing from the knife wounds, was found on a foot path of Fairy Lake Park on the southern outskirts of the city by Arthur Beauchamp, 12, and Jean Pierre Latour, 14.

Russian Agency Reporter Ordered To Quit Canada

Winter Works Program To Conclude Tomorrow

Confirmation has been received by the provincial government that there will be no extension this year of the winter works program.

The program, under which the federal and provincial governments pay 90 per cent of payroll costs on approved projects will end April 30. In former years, the program was extended a month to May 31.

Welfare and Labor Minister Henry Wedge said yesterday he had requested the federal department of labor to extend the program to May 30 "I received a telegram from the minister of labor, Hon. Allan MacEachen," said Mr. Wedge, "and he advised me that the program will not be extended beyond April 30."

Mr. Wedge said that since there will be no program extension, his department is asking all communities who have participated in the program this year to complete their claim forms for project payroll costs as of April 30, and submit them to the department so they can be processed for payment. "After April 30," he said, "the federal government will not pay its 50 per cent share of payroll costs and my department will not be able to carry on paying its 30 per cent share."

Mr. Wedge said that the number of projects carried out under the winter works program in the province this season was the largest in history. He said "there were 81 approved projects costing $1,088,000, involving payroll costs of $466,000. The program provided 36,178 man-days of work for 1,440 men."

SIR MILTON

Sierra Leone's PM Dies At 68

FREETOWN (Reuters)— Prime Minister Sir Milton Margai of Sierra Leone died here Tuesday night.

The 68-year-old prime minister had been in ill health for several months.

He spent 22 years as a civil service medical officer before he entered politics.

During his medical career he served in every district of the then protectorate and colony, teaching midwifery to tribesmen's wives, raising standards of health and hygiene, and working to increase literacy.

He first entered politics at the local level because he felt local tribesmen of the protectorate were suffering an injustice.

He was born in the protectorate Dec. 7, 1895, the son of a trader and grandson of a Mende warrior chief. Educated in Freetown, he trained in medicine in England.

Secret Information Sought In Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP)—Izvestia correspondent Vasily Tarasov has been ordered out of Canada for activities "wholly incompatible within" his role as a Russian Journalist, External Affairs Minister MacEachen announced Tuesday night.

Mr. Martin told the Commons Tarasov, who came to Canada just over a year ago as a reporter for the Russian government newspaper, sought secret information about a Canadian industrial process from a government employee whose friendship he had cultivated for a year.

Tarasov's visa was cancelled and he was asked to leave the country immediately, Mr. Martin said.

Tarasov was taken into custody by the RCMP Monday evening and questioned. Later he was turned over to Russian Embassy authorities here.

The Russian reporter, who was previously an Izvestia correspondent in Australia, New Zealand and Pakistan, made his Canadian headquarters in Ottawa but travelled widely throughout Canada. He was 35 or 36 years of age, a colleague said.

VISA WAS CANCELLED

Authorities familiar with the case said there was no indication Tarasov was involved with other Russian agents in a Soviet spy ring. He was not charged with espionage but had his visa cancelled and was turned over to the Soviet Embassy as an undesirable.

Mr. Martin said Canadian interests were not harmed.

The civil servant had told the RCMP at once of the approaches made to him. This led to a confrontation with the RCMP after Tarasov was caught accepting documents.

Mr. Martin said Soviet Ambassador Ivan Shpedko was advised of the matter, since the Izvestia correspondent had been admitted to Canada only after strong representations by the Soviet government.

Earlier, when Opposition Leader Diefenbaker asked whether further arrests might be expected, Prime Minister Pearson replied "not to my knowledge."

Tarasov's non-immigrant visa

Tarasov is married and has one child, a girl of about 6. He is a quiet man of average build, wears eyeglasses, and has his blonde hair cropped short in brush-cut style.

Alexander Zhigulev, Tass reporter, said Tarasov spent much of his time outside Ottawa, where as Zhigulev concentrated his attention on the capital. Zhigulev said he had not seen Tarasov for several days and was unaware of the incident until late Tuesday.

9-Man Committee Named To Probe Tax Structure

By MIKE DUFFY

As a result of a meeting held last night, a nine-man committee has been formed to look into the tax assessment structure of this city.

The committee, nominated from the floor of the meeting, is composed of Prof. Frank Mac Millan, Paul Kays, John W. McKenzie, Lloyd Weeks, Vince Leonard, Arthur MacInnis, Frank Hansen, T.M. Brehaut and Birt Patterson.

The meeting was held at the Legion Home, was co-chaired by Fred Large, QC and Charles R. MacQuaid, QC. Both were nominated from the floor and stated that they had nothing to do with the organization of the meeting. Secretary for the meeting was Ian MacLeod.

Advertised as being for the business and professional people of the city, the meeting was attended by between 150 and 200 citizens. A large number of the people in attendance were home owners who felt that their property was unfairly assessed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The meeting was opened to discussion and Prof. Frank MacMillan, representing the Charlottetown Credit Union, stated that the per foot business occupancy tax on Credit Unions was

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New Airliner Set To Start

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain's biggest and newest airliner starts passenger service today with a 3,100-mile non-stop flight from here to Lusaka, Zambia. Britain's state British Overseas Airways to introduce more than one seat, 520-mile-an-hour made airlines, powered jet that is mounted jet engine an interes- routes later this year. people at r. Hyndman the new

Expedition Across Pole Moves Slowly

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadian officials said Tuesday it is doubtful a Norwegian expedition will complete the first of four stages in its attempt to cross the North Pole on foot.

The expedition, headed by Wally Herbert, is continuing to experience bad weather conditions, including rough ice and soft snow, and has fallen far behind schedule.

'229.9 Value'

Financial Tinkering Blasted By Dief In Commons Speech

OTTAWA (CP) — Opposition Leader Diefenbaker charged Tuesday Finance Minister Gordon's "economic nonsense and tinkering" has reduced outside investment in Canada to a trickle.

The government has become "restrictive and discriminatory," he said, as he mounted a major offensive against the country's economic and fiscal policies since the Liberal government assumed power a year ago.

Foreign investors "do not know what the next tinkering is the minister of finance will indulge himself in." Why was it that the medicine of 10 months ago had suddenly become poison?

Mr. Diefenbaker spoke as the Commons debated income tax amendments that would implement tax changes announced in the March 16 budget.

He dealt with a clause cancelling a scheduled increase of 20 per cent from 15 per cent in the withholding tax on dividends paid abroad from foreign - controlled subsidiaries which don't offer a 25-per-cent minority share ownership to Canadian investors.

This increase, scheduled for next Jan. 1, was one of the controversial features of Mr. Gordon's budget last year.

UN Commander Believes Cyprus Attack Planned

NICOSIA (AP) — A Greek-Cypriot offensive against the Turkish-held crusader castle of Saint Hilarion halted Tuesday at the same time it was criticized by the United Nations peace force commander on Cyprus.

Indian Lt.-Gen. Prem Singh Gyani said the assault by Greek forces last weekend which rolled up Turkish positions for four miles along the western crest of the Kyrenia Range had "serious implications" on the role of the UN on the island.

Gyani sent a full report to UN Secretary-General U Thant, he said.

The general of the peace force which has been operative one month and one day said in a statement:

"The scale of and manner in which the operations have been carried out by forces under the authority of the government of Cyprus . . . indicate these had been pre-planned."

MOVE WAS SURPRISE

He said they came as a complete surprise to the UN force here "particularly because I put forward proposals for a ceasefire on the eastern side of the pass."

Gyani pointed out the UN resolution setting up the peacekeeping force asked the government to take all measures to stop the violence and bloodshed on this eastern Mediterranean island.

While moving across the mountains to positions overlooking Kyrenia Pass, the Greek-Cypriots confined themselves to a brief flurry of shots and a few mortar shells Tuesday.

Standing like a thorn in the side of the Greek-Cypriot advance is St. Hilarion Castle, atop a 2,500-foot peak about a mile west of the pass. The Turkish-Cypriots were quick to mag the old castle used by crusaders when the ancient Turkish - Greek Cypriot communal rivalry led to an outbreak of fighting last December.

POSITIONS FORTIFIED

Greek - Cypriot troops fortified positions at the base of the peak below the castle. They contented themselves with hurling a few mortar shells at Turkish-Cypriot gun positions near the castle.

SPCA CRITICAL OF JOHNSON

NEW YORK (AP) — A spokesman for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said Tuesday the organization is "very much against" President Johnson, or anybody, picking up dogs by the ears.

The president picked up his two beagle pups, Him and Her, by the ears on the White House lawn Monday. He said he did it "to make Him bark."

Johnson said, "if you've ever followed dogs you like to hear them yelp."

The spokesman for the SPCA in New York said picking up dogs by the ears hurts them as much as it would hurt people to pick them up by the ears. Asked whether yelping was good for dogs, he said his only comment was that "if somebody picked you up by the ears, you'd yelp too."

Missing Sealers Are Found Safe

ST. ANTHONY, Nfld (CP) — RCMP Tuesday located two seal hunters who had been reported missing several days after they left their nearby Roddickton home April 16.

Albert Brenton and Leander Hancock, both in their 30s, were found on the southern tip of Grey Island. The men had not been heard from since they left Roddickton in a 27-foot motor boat.

House To Probe Member Stealing

OTTAWA (CP) — All major parties agreed in the Commons Tuesday to a parliamentary inquiry into the allegations of an opposition MP that Keith Davey, national director of Liberal party, offered him inducements to join the government party.

Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre), moving a motion to refer the question to the privileges and elections committee for investigation and a report, said that the Commons had been insulted in one of two ways, and possibly both.

It was a reflection on the whole Commons that Gerard Girouard, MP for Labelle, alleged that Mr. Davey offered him campaign backing and preferment if Mr. Girouard would join the Liberal party instead of the Conservatives, Mr. Girouard moved from the Social Credit group to the Conservatives last week.

In relating his story in the Commons Monday, Mr. Girouard said that an unnamed Liberal MP had come to him after his talks with Mr. Davey to say the offer had been withdrawn at the request of Prime Minister Pearson. The reason given Mr. Girouard said, was that Mr. Pearson did not want to lose the support of the Social Credit group by having his party steal its members.

If this was true, Mr. Knowles said, it was an insult on the Commons by casting an aspersion on the prime minister in his relations with Parliament.

Mr. Pearson said that Mr. Davey had flatly denied the allegation that he had offered inducements to Mr. Girouard. Mr. Pearson also said he flatly denies a published report that he had been in contact with Social Credit Leader Robert Thompson about joining the Liberal party.

The prime minister supported the motion to send the whole matter to the committee "so that the facts can be obained."

U.S. Deplores French Move Leaving NATO Naval Force

PARIS (AP) — France ended all naval participation in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Tuesday, withdrawing its officers from the alliance's naval headquarters units.

While the move was deplored in Washington, French official sources declared the order ends France's withdrawal from the alliance, begun in 1959. At that time French warships in the Mediterranean were pulled from NATO command.

Nevertheless, the French decision was further concrete evidence of President de Gaulle's determination to make France independent of its allies.

A state department spokesman in Washington deplored the action, which was seen as further deterioration in the NATO organization.

A U.S. official in Paris said there had been no consultation with NATO on the new French order. Official French sources insisted the allies were advised well in advance and that it could have come as a surprise to none of them.

BRITAIN DISTURBED

British government sources declined official comment, but privately London was as disturbed as Washington by the French move.

Diplomatic circles saw the French action as yet another indication of the disarray in the North Atlantic alliance.

Only about 10 French officers are affected by the order. Official French sources said 75,000 ground troops and three air wings in Germany assigned to NATO would remain and it was unthinkable that they would be withdrawn.

"We regard this as a logical extension of earlier steps in which naval vessels earmarked for NATO command were withdrawn," one French source said. "It would be preposterous to participate in naval councils when we have no ships directly concerned with NATO."

De Gaulle's view is that French ships should be commanded by Frenchmen and directed by France. He long has been strongly opposed to any integrated command.

WITHDRAW OTHER UNITS

After the naval withdrawal of Mediterranean ships, Atlantic units and finally ships in the NATO channel command were removed from NATO control.

There is one area where France will continue to work closely with its allies. This concerns French submarines operating in the North Atlantic. Collaboration there seems to be largely one of assuring safety for French undersea boats in an area also prowled by other allied submarines.

French sources stoutly denied any contention that de Gaulle has further plans for pulling France farther away from the NATO alliance. On the other hand, France has made no secret that it has recommendations for revamping the NATO structure.

As far as appearances go, French naval officers attached to other activities in the Atlantic alliance will remain on duty. Only those assigned directly to NATO naval headquarters units are involved.

Dief's Queries On Cyprus Are Ruled Indiscretions

OTTAWA (CP) — Opposition Leader Diefenbaker suggested Tuesday that the UN peace keeping force in Cyprus are "mere vulnerable spectators" and asked whether the force has authority to disarm Greek- and Turkish-Cypriot fighters.

External Affairs Minister Martin said Mr. Diefenbaker's questions in the Commons were "indiscretions" which could add to the difficulties of the UN force.

Mr. Diefenbaker retorted that the minister was hiding behind a smokescreen and not giving Parliament the facts.

The crossfire developed during questioning, begun by NDP Leader Douglas, over the latest outbreak of fighting in the Kyrenia Pass area of Cyprus.

Mr. Martin said he had no final details of the affair, and had no confirmation of press reports that the Cypriot minister of the interior was leading an attacking force of Greek-Cypriot fighters.

He denied Mr. Douglas' suggestion that Canadian soldiers are being ignored by the Greek-Cypriots.

Replying to Mr. Diefenbaker's criticisms, Mr. Martin said Parliament knew when it decided to send troops that it would be "a very difficult assignment." present incidents merely confirmed that.

"That is no reason for putting questions that add to the difficulties of the United Nations force."

Mr. Diefenbaker said that on Monday Mr. Martin had said all was well. He suggested the minister was misleading the Commons.

Mr. Martin said he was surprised that Mr. Diefenbaker "should engage in this kind of crossfire." He said his monday statement was that weekend fighting had subsided. As a result of the presence of the UN force, the situation in Cyprus was much less serious than it would otherwise have been.

Mr. Diefenbaker said that a little less boasting and a little more action by Mr. Martin would be helpful.

Flood Danger Is Past In Russian Landslide

CP from Reuters-AP

MOSCOW—A trench 300 yards long and seven yards deep was blasted Tuesday in a landslide blocking the Zeravshan River in central Asia and threatening the city of Samarkand with flooding.

The Soviet news agency Tass reported the city now is no longer in danger of floods from the slide, about 93 miles upriver from Samarkand.

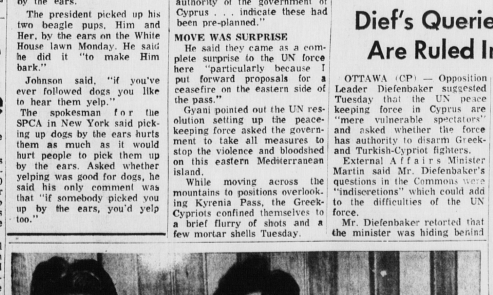
The slide had formed a natural dam and blocked the Zeravshan Friday and it was feared the 24-century-old city, with population of 200,000, would be heavily flooded if this dam broke.

Tass said Tuesday the blast shifted more than 30,000 cubic yards of rock and earth. Bulldozers were widening and lowelling the trench. Engineers planned to move another 30,000 cubic yards of soil.

Tass said senior technicians from Moscow were reported confident they would get the river flowing again by Friday.

A Tass correspondent who flew over the site said the big dam created by the landslide reached from the Zeravshan Range across the narrow valley to the Turkestan Range on the opposite side.

While the avalanche was described by officials as having resulted from excessive rains, the correspondent said: "The acalanche was not yet settled. Even a light breeze raises clouds of dust, and the new lake can be seen in the distance." A recent report said an earthquake of an earlier time had loosened the earth.



HAPPY WINNERS AT FESTIVAL

Three happy winners of the Piano Solo class for ages 15 and 16 years are pictured above after their performances at Birchwood High School last night during the second day of the 19th annual Prince Edward Island Music Festival. From the left are: Mary Lou MacLeod, Sherwood, first with 81 marks; Carole Hurry, Winsloe, second with 79 marks and Gloria Wood, Mt. Herbert, third with 78 points. Their adjudicator was Mrs. Mossie Hancock, Regina, Sask. (See stories on pages 3 and 5).

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Reds Take Quick Toll In U.S.-Backed Attack

SAIGON (AP) — U.S.-supported South Viet Nam government troops pressed attacks on two sectors 400 miles apart Tuesday against Communist Viet Cong units that took quick toll in casualties and aircraft.

Targets were a Red training and supply centre in the mountains near Do Xa, 200 miles north of Saigon, and guerrilla concentrations around Kien Long, a district centre on the Ca Mau Peninsula southwest of this city.

Guerrillas guarding the Do Xa centre downed two helicopters and hit 13 others of a U.S.-Vietnamese fleet of 40 that ferried troops into the attack in he north. They killed 11 Vietnamese soldiers while they were still airborne. Two Americans, a U.S. Army pilot and a gunner, were wounded.

The ground fire also felled a U.S. - built AD-6 Vietnamese fighter with a damaged engine. The pilot crash-landed near the army's command post.

DROP 5,000 BOMBS

But Vietnamese planes loosed more than 5,000 bombs on the Communists positions tearing up and burning large sections of their jungle screen, as the operation continued.

With U.S. Marine and Army helicopters joining in the effort, additional troops were ferried in with orders to encircle and engage the enemy.

The base has been reported used to train and organize Communist recruits moved in via Laos and to broadcast military orders and news to guerrillas in the southern part of the country.

Premier Maj. - Gen. Nguyen Khanh expressed belief the attack at least will destroy the supply system and paralyze its command system.