



### RARE SPECIMENS ACQUIRED

Jennifer Davis of the Royal Ontario Museum, in Toronto examines two newly-acquired specimens obtained in eight-year hunt. They are a great auk (left) and a Labrador duck. Both species have been extinct since mid-1800s. The auk is first stuffed specimen in Canada. (CP Wirephoto)

# AMA Is Urged To Endorse Abortion And Sterilization

By FRANK CAREY  
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The American Medical Association has been urged to endorse abortion and sterilization under certain conditions—and to call for uniform state laws regarding those two subjects and the allowance of contraceptive information.

A report asking that the AMA go on record as recommending amendments to state laws concerning contraception, abortion and sterilization, "so as to reflect medical conscience and public opinion," was submitted to the organization's policy-making house of delegates at the opening of the AMA's 10th clinical convention.

The report, prepared by the organization's committee on human reproduction, was formally submitted to the delegates by the AMA's board of trustees which endorsed it. The document was immediately referred to a reference committee which will make its

recommendation—either for endorsement or disapproval—to the house Wednesday.

**LAWS IGNORED**  
The report said the committee "recognizes that disparities exist between state laws and medical practices regarding contraception, abortion and sterilization."

The action was urged at a time when various health officials have said that more than 1,000,000 abortions are being performed illegally in the United States annually.

The report urged the AMA to go on record favoring the enactment of legislation regarding abortions which would provide that:

1. A licensed physician could terminate a pregnancy if he could reasonably establish that there is substantial risk that continuance of the pregnancy would gravely impair the physical or mental health of the mother, or there is substantial risk that the child will be born

with grave physical or mental defects, or the pregnancy resulted from legally-established statutory or forcible rape or incest.

2. Abortions shall be performed only in licensed hospitals.

3. An abortion shall not be performed unless two licensed physicians, neither of whom may be performing the abortion, shall have certified in writing the circumstances which justify the abortion.

**CITES CONDITIONS**

Regarding sterilization, the report urged the AMA to endorse enactment of legislation "which would make it lawful for a physician, acting in collaboration or

consultation with at least one, or more other physicians, to perform a sterilizing procedure upon either sex for therapeutic or non-therapeutic reasons, provided the following conditions are met:

"1. An adult requesting the procedure must request it within a reasonable time prior to the performance of the procedure;

"2. If married, his or her spouse must join in co-signing the written request;

"3. Prior to or at the time the written request is made, the physician must make a full and reasonable medical explanation to the patient and the spouse of the meaning and consequences of the procedure."

With respect to contraception, the AMA was urged to recommend that "appropriate legislation be enacted, wherever neces-

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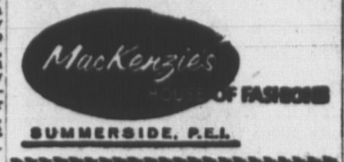
sary, so that all physicians may legally give contraceptive information to their patients."

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## Storm Blows Up On Cost Of Tour

LONDON (AP)—A storm has blown up over the cost of Princess Margaret's visit to the United States and how much British taxpayers will have to contribute.

Members of Parliament are critical of the lavish style in which the 35-year-old princess and her photographer husband, the Earl of Snowdon, travelled during their 30-day tour.

Two Labor MPs have presented questions in Parliament about the cost of the trip and several publications have criticized it.

MPs are demanding to be told how the tour, a whirl of high society dinners and receptions, fits the image of a Britain battling for higher productivity and greater export.

Labor MP William Hamilton has presented three questions in Parliament about the cost of the trip and its purpose.

"It is an outrage that the taxpayers should have to foot the bill for this trip," Hamilton said Saturday night. "Particularly at a time when workers are being urged to increase their production and curb their wage demands."

"My information is that the bill the British people will have to pay will be at least £50,000 (\$150,000), possibly even double that amount. I want to know

why it was given government approval."

Labor MP Hugh Delargy also has formulated a Parliamentary question about the cost and purpose of the visit.

The weekly new Statesman and The Sunday Telegraph both criticized the cost of Margaret's American tour.

Hamilton claimed the government consented to underwrite the visit when Margaret agreed to attend the annual dinner of the English Speaking Union and two shows organized by London fashion designers.

"What I want to know is who took the initiative. Was it the government or Princess Margaret?"

"I also want to discuss what was the purpose of the visit. If it was to boost exports, then I think we should have sent experienced exporters instead."

A Foreign Office spokesman said not all of the royal couple's tour expenses would come out of the taxpayers' pockets. He refused to say how much the government's part of the bill would be.

Margaret wealthy in her own right, gets an annual allowance of £15,000 (\$45,000) from the state. Her husband has been reported earning £7,500 (\$22,500) a year from his work as a photographer.

## China's Diplomacy Is Blamed For Loss Of African Friend

TUNIS (AP)—China's heavy-handed diplomacy has lost her another influential friend in Africa and helped defeat the latest move to bring Peking into the United Nations.

A serious crisis in China's relations with Tunisia has brought the two countries to the verge of a diplomatic break and has cost China's Communist regime the prestige victory of recognition by a simple majority of the UN General Assembly.

Tunisia's outspokenly pro-Western president, Habib Bourguiba, for years demanded Peking's admission to the world body. In 1963, Chinese Premier Chou En-lai visited Tunis and obtained Bourguiba's agreement to establish diplomatic relations.

But as the Chinese sought to exploit the newly-found friendship, Bourguiba became increasingly alarmed by their penetration attempts in Africa and their blustering efforts to dominate all the Afro-Asian world.

After long taking a position of non-alignment, Bourguiba abruptly changed course and came out in favor of the American position in Viet Nam. Al-

most alone among African leaders, he blamed the Viet Nam war on Chinese Communist ambitions.

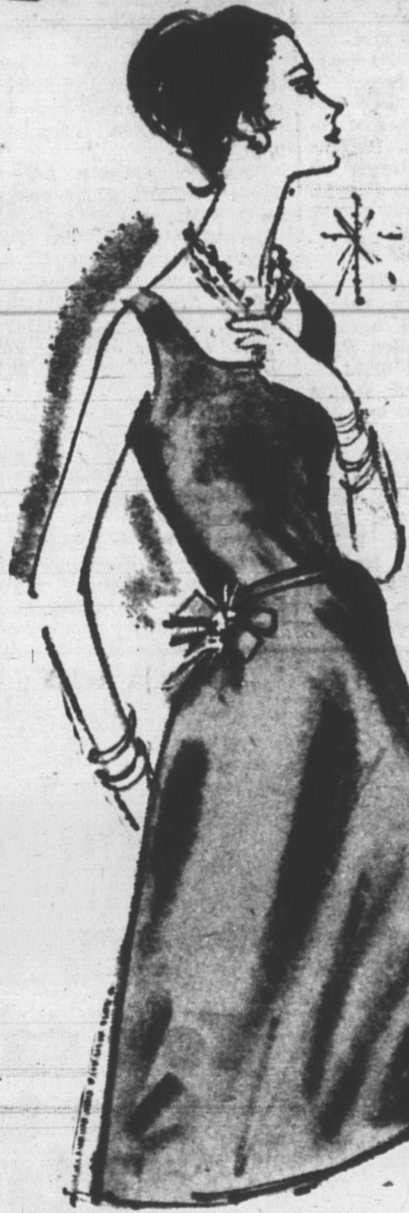
In an interview with the French magazine Realites earlier this month, Bourguiba denounced Chinese leaders as madmen resembling Hitler who were leading the countries into a third world war.

"Any concessions to them would only raise their unlimited ambitions still further," the Tunisian leader declared.

On the day of the vote in the UN assembly on China's admission, Chinese Ambassador Yao Mien delivered a bitter note of protest against Bourguiba's interview to the Tunisian foreign ministry. The note accused Tunisia of taking an anti-Chinese stand to please its "neo-colonialist masters" and demanded a disavowal of the Realites interview.

Three days later, the Tunisian government declared Yao's note unacceptable and sent it back to the Chinese embassy, saying it was phrased in unacceptable terms "reminiscent of the tone employed by colonialist countries seeking to spread their domination over others."

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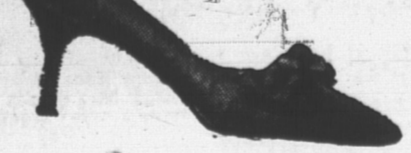
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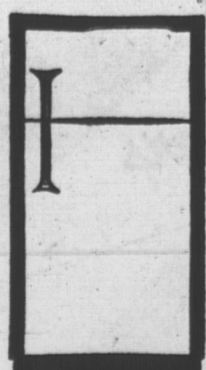
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