

official, within ten days after the mailing of the notice, can appeal to the Supreme Court if he deems himself aggrieved.

If a permanent public servant is thrown out of employment by reason of the abolition of his office, or for any reason other than dismissal for cause, his name must be placed by the Executive Council on a waiting list, entitling him, in order of priority, to the first vacancy arising in any position he is qualified to fill.

The Act also provides for "semi-permanent public servants" who are entitled, at the end of a certain period of years of public employment—not necessarily continuous—to become, automatically, permanent public servants.

After a quarter century of Liberal rule, it is obvious that most of our provincial civil servants have been Liberal appointees. Many of them may have replaced other "deserving democrats" of the Conservative persuasion, before the Public Service Act was passed. They are reaping a benefit which their predecessors did not enjoy, of protection by statute. The law, of course, can be changed; but we are quite sure that under the new dispensation—headed by a man who was himself a long-term official and a prime mover in bringing about civil service reform in this Province—there will be no injustice perpetrated.

It remains only to be said that our permanent officials have a serious responsibility, not only of conducting themselves discretely but of co-operating to the fullest extent with the ministers of their departments. That is where their loyalty lies, regardless of the party in power. The Government will require this, and the public will expect no less.

**The Ocean Floor**

The ridges and hollows of the deep ocean bed are not regions of peace and silence but are often the scene of dramatic underwater "avalanches" of sediment similar to the movements of snow drifts on mountainsides.

In a report published recently in the Geophysical Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society in London, Dr. Bruce C. Heezen of Columbia University's Lamont Geological Observatory, New York, describes how ocean currents sweep the sediment from submarine mountaintops just as winds striking mountains drive snow from the peaks. Submarine currents of ocean and mud shape the ocean floor by erosion, by solution and by friction, he says.

One of the problems at present exercising scientists is the thinness of the deep-sea sediments which have been determined by measuring earthquake waves. These deposits are less than three-tenths of a mile thick over most of the Pacific Ocean floor, and about the same in the Atlantic.

The explanation of this and more knowledge about the formation and age of the oceans may be found, Dr. Heezen states, in core samples obtained by drilling exploratory holes in the deep-sea floor to the point where the earth's crust ends.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

Nearly 1,000,000 acres of forests in Europe have been destroyed by fire during the past five years, according to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, which has just carried out an inquiry into the incidence and destructiveness of forest fires in European countries.

A new type of sheep show designed to supplement the traditional classes seen at most agricultural shows and to emphasize the commercial values of sheep production has been organized by Britain's National Sheep Breeders Association, the Yorkshire Agricultural Society, and The Farmers Weekly, a journal published in London. It will be held at Harrogate, Yorkshire, Oct. 8-9, and will be the first national sheep exhibition ever held in the British Isles.

It is hardly surprising that spectators at international tennis championships sometimes find it hard to keep their eyes on the ball. A speed of as much as 260 miles per hour has been recorded for a tennis ball in play. A good shot travels at between 70 and 80 miles an hour. This means that it takes only one-fifth of a second for the ball to travel from the racket of the server to the other side of the net. In really high-speed play, a mistake in time of the order of one-thousandth of a second would have considerable effects.



**NIKITA KOLUMBUS AT U.N. ASSEMBLY**

**Canada's Delegation**

By Heath Macquarrie

I had not expected to serve again on the Canadian Delegation to the General Assembly of the United Nations and was therefore somewhat surprised when early in September I received an invitation from the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Although there were other activities which I had wished to carry out, I was happy to serve on a delegation headed by that great public figure Hon. Howard Green and was pleased to be able to act once again on the Fourth Committee which deals with political and social problems of such great magnitude and importance in these troubled times.

The personnel of this year's delegation differs greatly from that of the two previous assembly sessions which I have had the privilege of attending. The beloved Dr. Sidney Smith, Chairman of the Delegation in 1957 and 1958 is sorely missed but Canada can rejoice in his able successor Hon. Howard Green who brings a lifetime of public service and an outstanding political career to his important new post.

**OTHER MEMBERS**  
 Back again as Vice-Chairman of the Delegation is Wallace Nesbitt, M.P. from Oxford, Ontario who served in the same capacity in 1957. Mr. Nesbitt is parliamentary secretary to Mr. Green and has been a member of the House of Commons since 1953. Another parliamentary member is Senator Gustave Monette a distinguished member of the legal profession in the Province of Quebec. Attending also is Dr. R.P. Vivian, member of the House of Commons who served on the Canadian Delegation to the Thirteenth General Assembly last year.

Dr. Vivian gives particular emphasis to economic questions in the international field and last year was Vice-Chairman of the Second of Economic Committee of the Assembly.

A prominent member of the Delegation is Canada's Ambassador to the United Nations and Head of our Permanent Mission His Excellency C.S.A. Ritchie. Mr. Ritchie is a career diplomat with wide experience and great ability. He is a mariner and a member of a family long prominent in Canada's public life. His father was a law partner of Sir Robert Borden and his brother was recently appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada.

**DISTINGUISHED CAREER**  
 The lady member of our Delegation this year is Mrs. Alderman Alene Holt of Peterborough. Mrs. Holt has had a distinguished career in women's work and in civic politics. A lady of great charm and ability, she will serve with distinction on the Third Committee which deals with social and humanitarian problems of a broad range.

Professor Maxwell Cohen of McGill University, an outstanding expert in the field of international law, will serve on the Sixth or Legal Committee. Some years ago I had the pleasure of sitting in Professor Cohen's classes and I have long admired the clarity of his thoughts and the breadth of his knowledge of international problems.

Two career diplomats are also on the official delegation this year. They are Mr. S.M. Scott who has a long career in the Department and Mr. W. Arthur Irwin who has recently returned to Canada after serving with distinction as our Ambassador to Brazil.

**New Diagnostic Aid For Stroke**

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.  
 VIRTUALLY all strokes result from the same general trouble—interference with the blood supply to the brain.

However, there are various reasons for this interference. And determining the basic cause of the stroke is the problem that confronts the doctor.

**RECENT DEVELOPMENT**  
 A recent development which permits us to see the cause of the stroke, with relatively little risk to the patient, promises to provide accurate and precise information on the cause of brain strokes.

Doctors have been using an X-ray diagnostic technique, cerebral angiography, for some time. Now the procedure has been improved through the use of a new contrast agent.

**EXPLAINED USE**  
 Use of this new diagnostic aid was explained at a recent meeting of the American Neurological Association in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Injection of the contrast agent enables a doctor to see, on a series of X-ray films, the lesion causing the stroke.

The films reveal the entire circulation of the blood in the neck on the way to the brain.

**CAROTID ARTERY**  
 It is estimated that the plugging of the carotid artery in the neck accounts for possibly 25 per cent of all strokes. Because of increased use of cerebral angiography, this type of stroke now is being diagnosed more frequently and quickly.

Once we have diagnosed the real source of the trouble we can go about correcting it.

**SURGICAL TECHNIQUES**  
 There are a variety of surgical techniques for establishing unobstructed flow of blood to the brain. And it probably won't be long before we can repair or replace diseased arteries before irreparable brain damage occurs.

Yet, unless we are able to determine the exact reason for the strokes, the striking advances in medical and surgical therapy won't be as beneficial as they could be.

This method of actually seeing the villain on X-ray film has been perfected to the point where it is both highly effective and generally safe.

**QUESTION AND ANSWER**  
 E. L. P.: I have a dropped womb and have been told that I will have to have an operation. In this kind of surgery, do they remove the womb or just lift it?

Can you tell me how long I would have to be in the hospital for surgery of this kind?  
 Answer: Operation for a dropped womb usually consists in replacing the organ in position and supporting it there. In rare cases it is more satisfactory to remove the womb, especially in older women.

Usually these procedures require hospitalization for about a week.

**MAXIMS**

There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence and energy of her citizens cannot cure.

**TOURIST MECCA**  
 SCHROON LAKE, N.Y. (AP)—The new St. Lawrence Seaway is mostly responsible for producing the biggest tourist season in Montreal's history, says the managing director of the Montreal Tourist and Convention Bureau.

**ANNUAL INSPECTION**  
 OTTAWA (CP)—French city planner Jacques Greber, architect of the National Capital Plan, is expected here from Paris Sept. 30 on his annual visit to examine the progress made on implementation of his plan for the beautification of Ottawa and immediate vicinity.

**Watching Khrushchev's Tour**

By Alan Harvey  
 Canadian Press Staff Writer

As a country that feels it has a proprietary interest in the proceedings, Britain is keeping a distraught eye on Nikita Khrushchev's stormy progress through the United States.

While experts study the blow-by-blow account of the broad official reaction is mild solicitude for the U.S., coupled with hope that things will turn out all right in the end.

**NOTES BY THE WAY**

**In Scotland** President Eisenhower started off a round of golf by topping his first drive into the rough and is reported to have murmured, "My, my." That's the trouble with holding a high office—you can't say what you're thinking.—Ottawa Citizen

**It may be some consolation** to know that early Egyptian writings refer to mosquito nets and amulets. Cleopatra put castor oil on her skin as protection. And in 600 BC the people of India wondered whether their doctrine of non-violence should apply to the mosquito.—Fredericton Gleaner

**Officials estimate** that by the end of the year there will be fewer than six horses on Hamilton streets, against a workhorse population of about 1,850 30 years ago. Looks like progress in reverse; we'll soon be a one-horse town again.—Hamilton Spectator

**In Portsmouth, England**, recently, the newspapers believed they had something that was both spy and proper. They reported the marriage of Marie Pepper and Edward Salt. Friends had introduced the two as a joke. The result would have been saucier if they'd got themselves married in Worcester.—Montreal Gazette

**Stonehenge**, the great prehistoric circle on Salisbury Plain, Wiltshire, was erected some 3,670 years ago. This has been revealed by recent excavations carried out by a team headed by Prof. Stuart Piggott. The team discovered several large pieces of deer antlers, probably used as picks or levers, in an enormous ramp leading toward one of the biggest stones. They were sent to the British museum laboratories, where radio-carbon tests revealed their age.—British Travel News

**Ravens of the Tower of London** have been brought up to their full strength of seven, after losing one bird by death. And how, wonder is the regal strength of the Gibraltar apes?—Ottawa Journal

**OUR YESTERDAYS**  
 (From the Guardian, Files)

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO**  
 (Sept. 23, 1934)  
 The home of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Allen, Boston, Mass., was the scene of a delightful gathering when a surprise miscellaneous shower was given to Miss Pearl Howatt in honour of her engagement to Mr. George Irving. About thirty of Miss Howatt's office associates assembled for the occasion. The young couple will make their home at Cherry Valley, P.E.I.

**Miss Florence Lavers**, Matron of the Prince County Hospital, and her sister, Miss Mae Lavers, left on Saturday morning on a visit to Boston. While there they will spend some time with their brother, Mr. Norman Lavers of Everett, Mass.

**TEN YEARS AGO**  
 (Sept. 23, 1949)  
 Four junior officers of the 5th Signals Regiment have been awarded lieutenant qualification certificates. It was announced yesterday by Capt. A.R. Bowle of the Administration Staff. They are Lt. H.R. Hennessey, Lt. W.L. MacKinnon, Lt. R.H. Jewell and Lt. R.L.B. Champlain.

Mr. and Mrs. Fidele Perry, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on Tuesday evening. They were entertained at a family dinner at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Perry. Mr. Perry who was employed with Smallman's Limited for many years, recently resigned his position and has opened a grocery store.

**Joey's Mainland Mission**

The Montreal Star

For a man of Premier Joseph Smallwood's sense of mission, the forum provided by the Fredericton meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council must have been a dampening one. This wasn't the best time for him to harangue the delegates about Ottawa's iniquities over Article 29 of Newfoundland's confederation with Canada. He realized that fact, and acknowledged it with a sober frankness that must have produced some broad-grins. He wouldn't ask them to take a stand on Act 29 because obviously they wouldn't. Worse still, they might even take the wrong stand, and it would be a pity if he had to snub them all.

There they were, four premiers assembled on one platform and he the only Liberal in the lot. Even if Prince Edward Island had returned Liberal Premier Alex Matheson last month and made it two against two, the situation would hardly have been different. P. E. I., like other provincial governments, seeks as much federal aid as it can get to try to approach the level of development of western Canada. But the three southern Maritime provinces are not trying to get this aid at the point of a gun. They probably sympathize with Newfoundland's needlessly injured pride because of Ottawa's lack of finesse in stating its policy. But there is no indication that they will endorse Mr. Smallwood's cry of treason against the central government.

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**OF ALONENESS**  
 Let the day run through my fingers  
 Like sand, each hour warm on the palm.  
 Bright grains lifted from time's dune  
 To rain back golden into time again—  
 Lovely, monotonous, unreasoned fall  
 From relaxed fingers, I jump  
 Beyond the larger rise and fall  
 Of waves plummeting.  
 But here among the spear-sharp,  
 Wind-curved grasses  
 Of aloneness,  
 Let the minutes spill like sand;  
 Let the day run through my fingers.

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