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THE NEWLY - ELECTED president of the Prince Edward Island Command of the Royal Canadian Legion, Mercier J. Mullin, Summerside, is shown above as he was congratulated by the Dominion Chairman Chester A. Merriam (right) of Tara, Ont. The annual convention was held in Tignish Saturday.

Legion Opposes New Sales Tax, Curtailment Of Rail Services

TIGNISH — Voicing strong opinions on such things as the new 11 per cent sales tax, curtailment of railway services on P.E.I., old age pensions, a flag for Canada and the Government's "position freeze" policy, the 32nd Annual Prince Edward Island Command Convention was held here Saturday.

Lieutenant - Governor W. J. MacDonald was escorted to the convention hall by a parade led by the Royal Canadian Air Force Band from Summerside. In the turnout were the Legion Color Party, veterans in berets and blazers, members of Air Cadet Squadron No. 641, Tignish, and Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

E. C. Perry, vice-president of the host branch welcomed delegates and guests. E. C. Gaudette, chairman of the village commissioners extended a welcome on behalf of the village.

Some 57 voting delegates attended the session which saw a large number of resolutions passed regarding recent government actions and asking for improvements in existing legislation. A new slate of officers was also elected.

Three resolutions were to be presented to the government. The first concerned the new 11 per cent tax on building materials and it was decided that a protest would be lodged against the tax and asking for its immediate removal.

It was agreed that a resolution would be forwarded to the federal government asking for protection for P.E.I. from any further curtailment of railway services by the CNR.

The Legionaires also renewed their recommendation for the adoption of the Red Ensign for Canada's national flag.

Other resolutions dealt with reviewing the government's "position freeze" policy which concerns the replacement of Civil Servants whose positions had been vacated permanently; urging War Veterans' old age pensions at 65 instead of 70; Veteran's allowance be not decreased but be in addition an old age pension: and asking for support of local Legion sport such as darts and curling.

Another resolution commended the present provincial government for its action in the cause of retarded children, particularly the provision of Sherwood Hospital, and promised Legion support for any further action to extend the training and placement of this class of citizen.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The slate of officers for the new year is as follows: president, Mercier J. Mullin, Summerside; 1st vice-president, F. Pius Smith, Charlottetown; 2nd vice-president, Lester MacRae, Pinette; provincial chairman,

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Judge Of Probate Dies At Age 80

SAINT JOHN, N. B. (CP) — Judge Henry O. McInerney, judge of probate for Saint John County for 47 years, died in hospital here Sunday. He was 80.

A native of Richibucto, N.B., Judge McInerney was admitted to the bar of New Brunswick in 1905 as an attorney and in 1906 as a barrister.

He first practiced law with L.P.D. Tilley who was premier of New Brunswick from 1933-1935. Judge McInerney received an honorary law degree from the University of New Brunswick in 1927. He was a graduate of St. Joseph's University and Kings College Law School.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and nine daughters.

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Barns Burn At Tracadie, Union Road

Fire of unknown origin at about 9 a.m. Saturday levelled a small barn on the property of Vincent Lacey at Tracadie.

Lost in the blaze were some 400 bales of hay, along with a one-half ton truck. Amount of the loss was estimated at $2,000 the greatest portion of which is covered by insurance.

Work of the Mt. Stewart fire department prevented the flames from spreading to the nearby farm house and a larger barn.

Smoking out a wasp's nest is believed to have caused a fire which destroyed a barn on the farm occupied by Roger Chandler, Union Road last night.

The Sherwood fire department managed to prevent the flames from spreading to a nearby house.

Mrs. Chandler had smoked out a wasp's nest in the barn about 7 p.m. and in doing so had caused a slight fire which she believed she extinguished. However two and half hours later she discovered the barn was ablaze and called the Sherwood fire department, about 9.35.

The firemen under the direction of Chief Keith Carmichael directed a stream of water on the house thus preventing it also falling a prey to the flames. They remained on the scene for more than two hours.

The small barn was used for storing equipment but only a lawn mower was in it at the time of the fire. The farm is owned by Hon. Andrew MacRae.

Hunger Striker Dies In B.C. Camp

AGASSIZ, B.C. (CP)—An elderly Sons of Freedom Doukhobor woman, one of the sect's most militant hunger strikers, died Sunday at their protest encampment near Agassiz.

Death of Mrs. Malasha Popoff, 77, was reported by a Sons of Freedom spokesman and confirmed by RCMP.

St. John's Girl Gets Scholarship

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canada Council announced Sunday that Penelope Burridge of St. John's Nfld., has been awarded a scholarship to further music studies in London, England. The amount of the scholarship was not released.

FORMER PREMIER

Edwin Linkomies, 68, former Finnish premier who served a prison term as a war criminal, died in Helsinki Sunday of a heart attack. He headed a conservative government in 1943-44. He was accused and convicted after World War II of aiding the Nazis and sentenced to 5½ years imprisonment.

(AP Wirephoto)

Parliament Recall Possible On Explosive Lakes Issue

CLC Staff Seminar Begins In Province

Max Swerdlow, Ottawa director of education, Canadian Labor Congress, will speak today at the opening session of the Atlantic Region Staff Seminar of the CLC held at Dalvay-by-the-Sea. The topic of his address will be "Trends in Collective Bargaining."

Registration for the seminar, which concludes Friday, took place yesterday afternoon.

Speaking tomorrow on "Economic Planning" will be Joe Morris, Executive Vice-President of the Congress, and Dr. Frank MacKinnon, principal of Prince of Wales College.

On Wednesday, Kalmen Kaplansky, Director of International Affairs of the Congress, will discuss "Canadian Defense Policy."

"Trade" and "Foreign Investment" will be the topics of addresses Thursday by Russell Bell, Acting Director of Research of the Congress, and Rev. Vincent G. Murnaghan, Director Extension Department, Saint Dunstan's University.

Granny Becomes Mother Of Quints

MARACAIBO, Venezuela (AP)—A 34 - year - old grandmother gave birth Saturday to quintuplets—all boys.

The babies and the mother, Mrs. Ines Maria Cuervo de Preito, are in satisfactory health, "with the preserve that such conditions merit," said a statement issued Sunday by a special medical commission headed by Regulo Panchann Anez, chief of the department of university hospital pediatrics in Maracaibo Hospital.

He said the births began shortly after midnight Friday night and were completed in a 50 - minute period. The births came after seven months and four days of preganancy and were normal, he added.

Mrs. Cuervo de Prieto has five other children, including a 17-year-old daughter who recently gave birth to a child. These children are by a previous marriage.

Mrs. Prieto's husband, Ofen, 39, works as a foreman for the Creole Petroleum Company, a subsidiary of Standard Oil of New Jersey. He has two other children by a previous marriage.

MAY GET BENEFITS

President Romulo Betancourt was reported in telephone contact from Caracas with the Maracaibo Hospital. A government spokesman said Betancourt might arrange for the children's housing and education.

A hospital spokesman said the Venezuelan quintuplets are only the third on official record in the Western Hemisphere.

The first verified birth of quintuplets in the Western Hemisphere was that of the Dionne sisters in Callander, Ont. Annette, Cecile, Emile, Marie and Yvonne Dionne were born May 28, 1934. Emile died Aug. 6, 1954.

The Dilgenti quintuplets — Maria Fernanda, Maria Christinia, Maria Esther, Carlo and Franco—were born in Argentina on July 15, 1943. All five survive.

Pensions Conference Gets Underway Today

By ALAN DONNELLY

OTTAWA (CP)—The country may learn this week whether the federal government is shooting for an Oct. 1 increase of $10 in the old age pension.

A federal - provincial conference on pensions opens today to discuss the federal government's plan for a contributory Canada pension plan.

The original plan of the federal Liberal government had been to tie a $10 increase in the universal old age pension, now $65 a month, to the start of the contributory retirement pension plan. Target date was next Jan. 1.

On the eve of this week's conference, however, it appeared that the future of the $10 pension boost hinges on the attitude of Quebec and Ontario to the federal plan.

Quebec's Premier Lesage has said his provincial government wants to set up its own pension plan in Quebec in the place of Ottawa's contributory system.

Ontario Premier Robarts, whose government has legislation on the books for a provincial plan in Ontario, has hinted he is willing to have this plan meshed in with the federal scheme.

INTERRUPTS CAMPAIGN

Premier Robarts will interrupt his campaigning for Ontario's Sept. 25 provincial election to present his government's position at the conference opening. Pensions have been a prime issue in the campaign.

Health Minister Judy LaMarsh, who will be conference chairman, declined on Friday to either confirm or deny reports that the $10 increase in the existing universal pension plan will be put into effect Oct. 1.

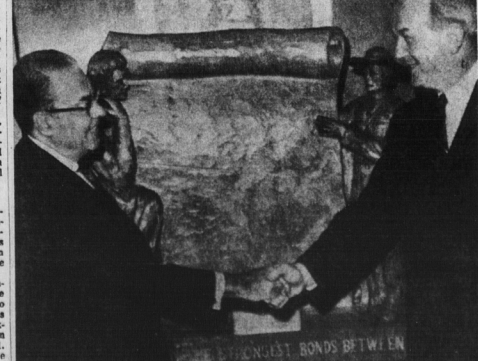
Informants indicated that she may announce just such a move at the federal - provincial conference.

The federal government has been under pressure by all three opposition parties in the Commons to put the increase through at once.

However, there may be financial pressures as well that could force Ottawa to abandon its original plan to have the increase await the starting date of its contributory plan.

The federal government had planned to finance the $10 increase out of contributions into the new Canada Pension Plan. If Quebec carries through its intention not to participate in the Canada Pension Plan, a large share of the funds expected to pay for the $10 increase will not materialize.

Such a situation could force Ottawa to finance the increase out of general tax revenues. And with the $10 increase thus separated from the contributory plan, the government might find it difficult to postpone the starting date of the increase.



MARKS 150 YEARS OF PEACE

Canadian External Affairs Minister, Paul Martin shakes hands with Secretary of State Dean Rusk, right, at the State Deparament in Washington Sunday. Behind them is a plaque, carved from walnut, which Rusk presented to Martin at a ceremony marking 150 years of peace between the United States and Canada.

AP Wirephoto

BAR PRESIDENT

Oscar F. Lundell, 61, of Vancouver, has been elected president of the Canadian Bar Association. Election was at the association's annual convention which ended this weekend at Banff, Alta. Mr. Lundell has been identified with the lumbering and pulp and paper industries in British Columbia for many years.

(CP Wirephoto)

Arkansas Girl Is Miss America

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) —Donna Axum, 21 - year - old brown - haired, brown - eyed beauty from Arkansas, was named Miss America of 1964 Saturday night.

Donna, who eats to keep her figure, won a preliminary swim suit contest after stoking up on fudge brownies.

She stands five feet, 6½ inches, weighs 124 pounds and measures 35-23-35.

A senior at the University of Arkansas, Donna says her weight problem is the opposite of most girls. "I can walk around town and lose two pounds," she said.

Fire Bombs Are Hurled In Birmingham

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (CP-AP) —Fire bombs hurled by mysterious marauders struck the home of a Negro millionaire early Sunday as trouble continued in Alabama's school situation.

Damage to the $150,000 home of A. G. Gaston, owner of funeral parlors and a downtown motel, was slight. No one was hurt. Gaston and his wife were alone in the main house of the palatial estate atop a wooded hill six miles north of the city.

Meanwhile, in Birmingham, the city schools superintendent announced late Sunday that Birmingham public schools will reopen today after being closed for two days because of racial disorder.

Steel Trawler Joins Co. Fleet

LOUISBURG, N.S. (CP)—The first steel trawler built in Canada arrived in this Nova Scotia fishing port Saturday to join the fleet of National Sea Products Limited.

The 125-foot Cape Race bucked choppy-seas, rain and fog on the voyage from her builders in Quebec.

Fishermen, company officials and Nova Scotia Trade and Industry Minister Manson were among those on hand for the arrival. Government subsidies helped meet construction costs.

National Sea Products, largest east coast fishing company, has ordered five other steel trawlers from Canadian builders.

Ships Bombing Sparks Anger

OTTAWA (CP)—Labor Minister MacEachen said Sunday night that Parliament may be called into session earlier than the scheduled Sept. 30 to deal with legislation on the explosive Great Lakes labor situation.

"It's one of the possible steps that may be taken," he told reporters following an hour-long conference with Prime Minister Pearson at the prime minister's residence.

The meeting, also attended by External Affairs Minister Martin and Health Minister Judy LaMarsh, was called to discuss the dynamiting of the Canadian freighter Howard L. Shaw in Chicago. Miss LaMarsh had called at the residence on other business and sat in on the talks.

Mr. Martin had returned from Washington where the dynamiting incident was one of the subjects in a discussion Saturday with U.S. State Secretary Rusk.

The government plans to introduce legislation to place maritime unions in Canada under federal trusteeship to halt interunion violence on the Great Lakes.

Mr. MacEachen told reporters he was in touch Sunday with U.S. Labor Secretary Willard Wirtz.

Mr. MacEachen said he understood there had been conversations Sunday between the U.S. labor department and Averell Harriman of the state department who had been assigned to the problem. There would be further talks today between Mr. Wirtz and the state department.

Asked about the possibility of Parliament being recalled from its summer recess before Sept. 30 to deal with the maritime labor legislation, he said:

"This is one of the steps possible and it is still under consideration."

It would be studied at a cabinet meeting today starting at 9 a.m.

Mr. MacEachen said draft legislation for federal trusteeship over maritime unions is "in its final stages" but has not yet come before the cabinet for approval. The move was recommended by Mr. Justice T. G. Norris following his one-man inquiry into Great Lakes labor violence.

He said the meeting at the prime minister's residence had considered "what further steps we can take to deal with the situation."

The meeting followed a demand by President Claude Jodoin of the Canadian Labor Congress that Parliament be called into session immediately to consider action.

CHICAGO (AP)—A dynamite blast knocked a hole in a Canadian ship early Saturday and touched off action and demands for action in both Canada and the United States.

The explosion punctured the hull of the Howard L. Shaw, a Toronto freighter that has been empty and idle for 4½ months because of a dispute between two unions.

Detective Frank Kasky said the police bomb squad had determined that six sticks of dynamite had opened the hole at the water line on the port side of the 450-foot freighter.

Nobody was hurt and the ship was in no danger of sinking.

There has been violence, including dynamite blasts, at several Great Lakes ports during the bitter inter-union controversy.

In Washington, U.S. State Secretary Dean Rusk called the bombing "an unfortunate incident of violence."

ASK ACTION

President Claude Jodoin of the Canadian Labor Congress termed the situation "completely intolerable." He said the Canadian government "must demand action on the part of the U.S. government without delay."

Jodoin also demanded that Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson consider reconvening Parliament.

"This incident borders on an act of aggression and the government must act immediately to clear this whole problem up," he said in Ottawa.

The explosion occurred on the side of the Howard L. Shaw that was next to the dock in the Calumet River at 94th Street.

The freighter arrived in Chicago April 22 to take on a load of grain from the Continental Grain Company. It's still waiting for a cargo.

The two warring unions are the Canadian Maritime Union, whose members now man the vessel, and the Seafarers' International Union, which formerly supplied crews for ships operated by the owner, Upper Lakes Shipping Limited of Toronto.

FBI Moves Into Search For Chicago Dynamiters

WASHINGTON (CP) — The Federal Bureau of Investigation has moved into the search for dynamiters of the Canadian freighter Howard L. Shaw as the U.S. government pledged to do everything it can to end embarrassing harassment of Canadian shipping in U.S. waters on the Great Lakes.

A U.S. labor department spokesman said the FBI was called into the investigation of the dynamiting at Chicago Saturday shortly after External Affairs Minister Martin told U.S. State Secretary Rusk the incident would heighten Canadian resentment of the dangers to Canadian lives and ships while in American ports.

The early Saturday blast, which Chicago police said was set off by sticks of dynamite, blew a small hole in the freighter but no one was hurt. After another 24½ hours with Rusk on the shipping and other issues, Martin told a press conference Saturday that Rusk pledged to do everything possible to bring an early and satisfactory solution to the problem.

Canadian ships have experienced various harassment and damage as a result of a bitter battle between the Seafarers' International Union of Canada, which had been ejected from the Canadian Labor Congress, and the CLC-supported Canadian Maritime Union whose members now man the Howard L. Shaw, one of a fleet of the Upper Lakes Shipping Company of Toronto.

THIN AND CHAGRINED

Another Turncoat Yank Emerges From Red China

HONG KONG (AP) — American turncoat Scott L. Rush, thin and chagrined, emerged from Red China Saturday after living for a decade under its strict Communist system.

"I made a foolish mistake," he said, and added that he had been trying to get out for seven years.

He told U.S. officials here he now wants to return to the United States with his Chinese wife, Helen, and their year-old daughter.

He described life in Communist China during one two-year period as "hell" and added that his weight had dropped from 125 pounds when he was captured in the Korean war to 108 now.

The 31-year-old former sergeant from Marietta, Ohio, was captured by the Chinese in November 1950, while serving as a combat photographer for the United Nations command. He spent three years in a prisoner-of-war camp.

PUMPED BY REDS

"The Chinese communists tried to pump communism into me," he said at a press conference. But, he added, he decided to go to Red China out of curiosity.

"Only God knows why. I made a foolish mistake."

Now, he said, he wants to visit his mother in Tucson, Ariz., then settle down somewhere on the U.S. west coast where the weather is suitable for his 31-year-old wife and daughter, Betty Jean. Rush has a brother in Akron, Ohio.

He was the third of the 21 original turncoats to emerge in the last 30 days.

Rush said he received 180 yuan (about $70) a month in the textile factory where he worked. This was more than five times the salary of the ordinary Chinese worker.

During Peking's "great leap forward" campaign, he worked 16 hours a day. Many workers fainted in the course of a day. He learned from Chinese Communists that many workers died of over-exertion and were eulogized by the party leaders as heroes.

APPLIED IN 1956

Rush said he applied to leave China in 1956.

"But then I ran into debts and I could not go without first paying them."

On Christmas Day that same year, he married Helen after a six-month courtship. They had met at a dance.

Earlier this year, his wife gave birth to their second child but the infant died two days later "for want of adequate medical facilities in the factory."

Rush's exit left only five of the original 21 American turncoats living with communism. One died there.

Lowell D. Skinner of Akron, Ohio, and Belgian-born Albert Belhomme of Ashland, Pa., returned within the last 30 days. Belhomme, who plans to settle in Belgium, is stranded in Hong Kong because of a lack of money.

Mystery Ice Pondered Possible Space Origin

MOSCOW (AP) —Using modern scientific aids, Soviet experts are busily trying to solve the mystery of the chunk of ice that fell to the earth outside Moscow last month.

The most popular theory: It came from far out in space.

Tass reported Saturday that a "complicated isotope analysis" could provide the final clue to the origin of the ice. Scientists have rejected theories that the ice fell from a high-flying plane or was formed in the atmosphere.

They now are working on the assumption that it was part of a huge "ice meteorite" which survived entry into the earth's atmosphere.

FOUND IN ORCHARD

The ice, weighing 11 pounds, hit the ground near a peasant woman working in an orchard at Domodedovo, near Moscow, Aug. 27, according to Soviet reports. It shattered into fragments which were preserved by covering them with rags.

Tass said Saturday a team investigating the origin of the ice includes astronomers, glaciologists and geochemists.

"There are grounds to believe that the ice is of space origin," Tass said. "Science, it is true, does not know of any precedent.

"Theoretically, a meteor body of ice can exist in space. Latest studies confirm that there are frozen bodies in space.

"If we are to make an assumption about the space origins of the ice then it might have flown from the outskirts of the solar system and rapidly disintegrated as it approached the earth.

"Under this theory, this chunk of ice is only an insignificant fraction of the original mass."