

Security Reported Reason Spencer Case Not Aired

OTTAWA (CP)—Justice Minister Cardin disclosed Monday in the Commons the alleged espionage offences by George Victor Spencer of Vancouver began "well before 1960."

He said the chief offences occurred in 1961 and 1962 and that there was no contact between Russian Embassy officials and Spencer between 1963 and 1965. Mr. Cardin said Spencer was

paid between \$3,000 and \$4,000 in travelling and other expenses by the Russians. Opposition Leader Diefenbaker asked whether the two Soviet officials, who were ordered out of Canada last May in connection with the Spencer case, were in Canada in 1960. "Oh, don't look so shocked," Mr. Cardin snapped. "Don't put on an act, you don't impress anybody."

REJECTS INQUIRY
Mr. Cardin for the third time rejected a judicial inquiry into the case after Mr. Diefenbaker renewed his appeal for one.

Spencer, 57, was fired as a post office clerk and his pension rights cancelled. Mr. Cardin repeated that Spencer is being kept under surveillance although he can't be prosecuted because he couldn't be convicted and security procedures would be compromised. Mr. Diefenbaker said Spencer has been "scourged by despotism."

"The government won't place him in the dock—but will place him forever in a pillory. "He has been judged outside the law, convicted without evidence and punished without verdict. He carries a stigma as a traitor to his country."

MUST BE SECRET
Mr. Cardin said questions relating to security cannot be asked or answered in public. Security procedures must not be disclosed.

Without a basic confidence and trust in the abilities of the RCMP and law officers of the Crown and in the sense of responsibility of cabinet ministers, Parliament "will not and cannot work."

"This is a bona fide security case," Mr. Cardin said. It was demagoguery to ask questions about it knowing the answers could not be given in public. The opposition was acting as though it had never heard of security procedures and was insinuating the government had something to hide.

12 WERE INJURED
Twelve persons working in a McDonnell engineering office were injured. None was thought to be hurt seriously. Some were knocked from their chairs when the plane hit the roof directly above them. One man suffered a broken ankle.

It was not learned whether See, 38, or Bassett, 34, was piloting the two-seat plane. The cause of the crash was not learned.



U.S. ASTRONAUTS Charles A. Bassett II, LEFT, and Elliot M. See, Jr., died Monday in the crash of their T-38 jet trainer at the McDonnell Aircraft Corp. plant at St. Louis. Their plane hit the building where the Gemini spacecraft are built. They were from the Manned Spaceflight Center at Houston, Tex., and were to be the primary crew for the Gemini 9 space flight scheduled for next summer. (AP Wirephoto)

U.S. Astronauts Killed In Crash

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (AP)—U.S. astronauts Elliot See Jr. and Charles A. Bassett, the primary crew for the Gemini 9 space flight, were killed Monday when their jet plane crashed into the building housing their space capsule.

The backup crew for the flight scheduled this summer, air force Lt.-Col. Thomas P. Stafford and navy Lt.-Cmdr. Eugene A. Cernan, landed their T-38 single-engine jet trainer safely minutes later at the nearby St. Louis Municipal Airport.

All four were flying to the McDonnell Aircraft Corp. plant here for space training in a space simulator machine when the plane carrying See and Bassett crashed in a light fog. McDonnell builds the Gemini spacecraft and Phantom jet fighter planes. The bodies were thrown from

Queen Plants Tree At Nassau, Smiles At Boast By Husband

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP)—The Queen planted a tree Monday and smilingly listened to her husband boast about one he planted seven years ago.

Prince Philip pointed to his, a tabebuia now 18 feet tall, and said:

"It would have been bigger, but it got knocked down by a hurricane."

The Queen, her hands protected by elbow-length white gloves, gingerly shovelled dirt into a hole holding a small yellow cedar. The blossom of this tree is the national flower of the Bahamas.

CEREMONY IN HOSPITAL
The ceremony occurred on the lawn of Princess Margaret Hospital, which the royal couple

visited on the second day of their Bahamas call during a month-long Caribbean tour. The hospital was named on the occasion of Margaret's visit here 13 years ago.

The royal couple shook hands with youngsters in the children's ward, and chatted with nurses. The Queen wore a white silk dress with navy blue imprim, reaching just below the knees, shorter than the one she wore when she arrived here. She had a white straw hat, navy blue shoes, and a three-strand pearl necklace.

Earlier in the day, the Queen, wearing dark glasses in bright sunlight, and her husband watched a children's ceremony on a soccer field in Clifford Park.

Consolidation Seen University Solution

A Conservative member of the Legislature suggested yesterday that consolidation might be the answer to the formation of a single university in the province.

In moving the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, Douglas McGowan (3rd Kings) said that the program of development and consolidation of regional high schools and elementary schools is being carried out in the province "among the people and they are ironing out their own problems."

He asked "when such unity is practised in the regional high school districts, why cannot consolidation be the answer to a university of Prince Edward Island?"

Mr. McGowan, referring to the Speech from the Throne, said he was glad to see that vocational training facilities will be expanded in the province. He said "this will enable people to take courses no matter where they live. A well-trained tradesman makes for a well-adjusted adult who is a benefit to his community."

The speaker called for a "better distribution of tourist facilities" in the western and eastern parts of the province. He said "too often tourists drive off one ferry and straight through to the other."

Mr. McGowan said he wanted to stress the importance of farmers having adequate crop insurance. He said that unless a farmer has a variety of crops, failure of his main crop could spell disaster. He also suggested that greater effort should be made so that farm help could qualify for unemployment insurance benefits.

Referring to the fishing industry, Mr. McGowan said the government should support lobster fishermen's requests for a trap limit. Reviewing such items in the Throne Speech as industrial development, all-weather roads, the causeway and the development of the fishing industry, Mr. McGowan said he is confident that the forward planning of the government will carry the province to a great future.

British Showdown Vote Scheduled On March 31

Provincial Building Ownership Questioned By 4th Kings MLA

The first bombshell tossed by the Opposition at the current session (of the Legislature) came when A.W. Matheson (4th Kings) charged yesterday that until the legislators have permission to hold their session in the Provincial Building, from the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Trust, "we have no right to be here and we lose all our ancient rights and privileges."

Mr. Matheson claimed that the Confederation Building Act, passed at the 1964 session, meant that "this building and land is now owned and vested in the trustees of the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building."

He asked Premier Walter R. Shaw whether or not the government had permission from the trustees to hold the current session in the building.

FOREGONE CONCLUSION?
Premier Shaw said he was not aware that it was necessary to ask, "I thought," he said, "it was a foregone conclusion that this chamber was to be used for sittings of the Legislature."

Mr. Matheson wondered whether or not the Legislature's powers, such as the right to "exclude strangers" and being protected of "immunity of speech," applied when the session was conducted in a building not owned by the government. "I don't think we have those rights," he said, "and unless we have some agreement with the trust, this House should adjourn until we get it."

Premier Shaw said "I think the trust has to report to a minister of the Crown and I don't think there is a question that we will be deprived of our liberties."

Opposition Leader Alex Campbell pointed out that when the Canadian Parliament Buildings were destroyed by fire in 1916, Parliament met in a number of buildings in the city of Ottawa. He said "at that time it is likely the ownership of the buildings was gone into. I agree with Mr. Matheson; the attorney general should look into this matter immediately and action taken to ensure that we are properly convened."

Mr. Matheson said "we are here by sufferance. If we pay a dollar a year, o.k., but until we (Continued on page 2, col. 2)

Campbell Sees Early Election

Alex B. Campbell, leader of the opposition, speaking in the Throne Speech debate late yesterday afternoon, termed the Speech "quite a document, it has all the earmarks of an election Throne Speech."

In fact mid-way through his address yesterday Mr. Campbell was interrupted by the former leader of the opposition Alex Matheson (4th Kings) who said, "they won't call an election, they're scared."

Premier Walter R. Shaw replied saying "when do you want it?"

READY NOW
Robert Campbell (1st Prince), said, "right now we're ready for you."

Alex Campbell said the Throne Speech was "prepared and presented by a government that was very strong on pronouncements, but weak on performance."

Mr. Campbell picking up a phrase used by the Premier in which Mr. Shaw said the programs forecast in the Throne

Speech are a "blossoming of the program of expansion started by this government several years ago."

Mr. Campbell then went through the Speech picking out a number of the proposed programs and asking "another provincial blossom?"

Then he said, "I suggest Mr. Speaker this government is quick to pluck the blossoms from the branch, a branch deeply rooted in the soil in Ottawa."

Mr. Campbell claimed the Shaw government through the Throne Speech has added its blessing to the "Liberal policies of the federal government."

Parliament At A Glance

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The George Victor Spencer spy case took stage centre again as the Commons considered justice department spending.

Justice Minister Cardin again rejected opposition demands for a judicial inquiry into the case.

He disclosed the alleged offences of the dismissed postal clerk took place well before 1960.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker said Spencer was being punished without trial.

Northern Affairs Minister Laing announced a \$3,000,000 fund to back mineral exploration in the North.

TUESDAY, March 1
The Commons meets at 2:30 p.m. to continue debate on justice department spending. The Senate meets at 8 p.m.

Moon Landing By Russians Is Predicted

WASHINGTON (Reuters)—James Webb, head of the National Aeronautics and Space Agency, said Monday the Soviet Union may attempt to land men on the moon this year.

He told the Senate's aeronautical and space committee: "All signs indicate we will see more and larger Soviet operations in space this year."

Webb also said budget cuts have destroyed his agency's hopes of sending an American to the moon in 1967 or 1968.

But, barring some major setbacks, it was reasonable to expect a U.S. lunar landing by late 1969.

Herridge Urges 60 Retirement

OTTAWA (CP)—Veteran socialist H. W. Herridge marked his 71st birthday in the Commons Monday by arguing industrial workers should retire at 60 instead of 65.

The New Democrat MP said in an adjournment debate earlier retirements would alleviate problems caused by automation.

Student Mob Hits Subway

TORONTO (CP)—A mob of about 500 youths brought Toronto's new east-west subway to a halt for 14 minutes Monday—its first full business day of operation.

The youths, whom police identified as university students, tore up seats in the new cars, pulled an emergency power switch which backed up six trains and tossed firecrackers on the line.

Police chased them through the underground, broke up a parade and escorted students to the University of Toronto campus. No arrests were made.

The disruption marred what the Toronto Transit Commission had hoped would be a perfect day for the eight-mile route, interconnected with a previously-built four-mile north-south line.

One youth said the students planned the pranks as a joke to protest "a TTC takeover" of Toronto.

James Dow, assistant dean of the engineering department at University of Toronto, said: "The university will not tolerate students damaging public property in any way. If it can be established that students have misbehaved, the university will take disciplinary action."

'Copters Arrive For Seal Hunt

HALIFAX (CP)—Helicopters were arriving here Monday to join Halifax-based vessels preparing for the annual seal hunt opening March 7 in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Two helicopters were to be loaded aboard the sealer Brandon, newest ship in the Karlson Shipping Co. fleet.

Several Halifax-based ships have already left for the sealing grounds. The entire fleet, of about eight ships, will have left by the end of this week.

Destiny Of Nation May Be In Balance

LONDON (CP)—A showdown general election battle that may have a profound effect on Britain's destiny takes place March 31 when Prime Minister Wilson squares off against Edward Heath, a tough but still untried Conservative leader, in a Labor gamble for a powerful parliamentary majority.

Ending the suspense that swirled over Westminster for almost a fortnight, Wilson announced the first March election of this century in a brief, 62-word Downing Street statement Monday, fixing the dissolution of Parliament for March 10.

Heath, a bachelor whose leadership qualities are yet to be tested in a general election, said he will fight every inch of the way. But he maintained there is no justification for a March ballot.

Jo Grimond, whose tiny band of Liberals may be shattered by the fight, said he welcomes the election. He also said he can see no reason for an election now.

Wilson, making his decision on his 50th day as prime minister, said in a television interview an election is needed to end the frustration caused by a government majority of only three in the 630-seat House of Commons.

NOTIFIED QUEEN
He disclosed that he notified the Queen of his decision by a letter to her two weeks ago in the West Indies, where she has been and still is on tour.

The country, he said, cannot do what is needed with a majority of only three. He maintained his decision had nothing to do with the opinion polls that predicted a Labor landslide.

In the Oct. 15, 1964, election, Wilson ended 13 years of Tory rule by squeezing in with a majority of five seats. It was one of the smallest majorities in

modern times. Now he wants something bigger—"and the bigger the better."

Current House standing: Labor 314; Conservatives 302; Liberals nine; non-voting officers (speaker and his deputies); three; vacancies two.

Domestic issues, such as rising prices and the continuing scarcity of houses and mortgage money, are considered by all three parties as major election material. But the outcome could also have a major impact on Britain's external policies.

WOULD NEGOTIATE
Wilson's government is trying to bring down the outlawed Ian Smith regime in Rhodesia. Heath said emphatically in a broadcast Monday he would negotiate with Smith to find common ground for a settlement.

Wilson has been talking about "bridge-building" with the European Common Market, while making no particular move to join the six-country partnership.

Heath, who was Britain's negotiator when it tried to join the market four years ago, has bluntly said his party would push for membership immediately.

The main campaign issue probably will be posed in terms identical to those of 1964: Which party can do the better job of modernizing Britain. By electing a Labor government 15 months ago with a tiny margin, British voters appeared to indicate they had not really made up their minds. Politicians on both sides of the fence hope this election will yield a clear-cut result.

Parliament will be dissolved March 10 and the new House of Commons will meet April 18. The Queen gave her approval by telegram and then by letter from the West Indies. She will return March 7 to complete the formalities.

CANCER VICTIM AGREES TO RARE EXPERIMENT

BUFFALO (AP)—Doctors at Roswell Park memorial institute said Monday they have located a cancer victim who has agreed to participate in a rare cancer transplant with a Tucson, Ariz., businessman.

The unidentified 65-year-old man from Philadelphia, and Robert F. Allen, 26, of Tucson, will come to Buffalo for the operation, perhaps this week, a spokesman said.

Allen, father of three, has osteogenic sarcoma, a rare type of bone cancer, and has been given two to six months to live by his doctors.

His life could be saved, the doctors said, if a person could be found with the same type of cancer and the matching blood-type, O-positive.

The treatment, which involves transplanting a portion of the tumor from each into the thigh of the other, also could save the life of the other man, doctors said.

Dr. Sigmund H. Nadler, associate chief cancer research surgeon at Roswell Park, New York state's cancer research and treatment centre, said he decided on the Philadelphia man Monday afternoon.

Nadler and Dr. George E. Moore, also of Roswell Park, have performed a successful tumor transplant operation. They said they have found that anti bodies can be generated to combat tumors by transplanting them from one patient to another.

SECONDS THRONE SPEECH

Summer Lobstering Suggested By MLA

A suggestion that lobster fishing be extended through July and August was made during yesterday's sitting of the Legislative Assembly by J. David Stewart (PC-Charlottetown).

Mr. Stewart speaking as second reader of the address in reply to the Throne Speech suggested a "limited number of lobster fishermen be permitted to fish during the months of July and August under strict federal supervision."

Mr. Stewart pointed out that during these months many tourists come to Prince Edward Island expecting to be able to buy and enjoy lobster. Under the present federal regulations there is no island season open during the peak of the tourist season.

He said attempts to keep supplies on hand through the establishment of lobster pounds had failed because the pounds were often sold out a few days after the season had closed.

Mr. Stewart suggested that to determine which fishermen are allowed to fish during July and

August could be decided by drawing the fishermen who could fish during these months wouldn't be permitted to fish during any of the other seasons.

HAS OBJECTION
Dr. M.L. Bonnell (Lib. 4th Kings) pointed out to Mr. Stewart that there were many lobstermen spawning during these months and he felt it would be better for the industry that they not be taken as it would result in the loss of thousands of potential lobsters for market.

Mr. Stewart objected saying that there were also many lobstermen who were not spawning and the fishermen could throw back the ones they caught which had eggs on them, just as they are required to do now.

Mr. Stewart speaking on the causeway said, "this will put Prince Edward Island in Canada's mainstream."

Pointing out the causeway will make many changes in the Island, there have been fears expressed (Continued on page 5, col. 5)



PEACE EFFORT PROVES FRUITLESS

Abraham Nathan, RIGHT, former Israeli fighter pilot and present restaurant man, talks with Port Said, Egypt, security chief Hassan Roshdy, LEFT, after being given per-

mission to land his 40-year-old, almost-out-of-fuel plane at Port Said Monday. Nathan, 38, claimed he was on an authorized peace mission to President Nasser with petitions calling for peace between Israel and Egypt. He did not see Nasser but will be given enough fuel to fly home to a cool reception by Israeli officials. (AP Wirephoto by radio from Port Said)

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