

DENY CHURCHILL QUITTING

LONDON (Reuters) — Sir Winston Churchill, who will be 83 in November, will attend a garden party in his constituency of Woodford, Essex, July 8. Quarters close to Churchill denied newspaper speculation that this is likely to be the occasion for a major "swan song" speech or an announcement on the veteran statesman's retirement from politics.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, England (CP)—For the 25th year in a row, James Newman has been elected chairman of the rural district council in this Worcestershire area.

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Miners Give Evidence In Inquiry Into Explosion

SPRINGHILL, N.S. (CP)—Coal miners who were trapped for period up to four days in Springhill's No. 4 mine last November following an explosion and fire that took 39 lives Tuesday testified before the McInnes royal commission—the body charged with determining the cause of the blast.

Their evidence was at times conflicting. One of the heroes of the disaster, Conrad Embree said that he didn't consider the stone dusting in the back slope and haulage tunnel bad. He added gas conditions were very good.

Later, Herbert Spence, a miner of 35 years experience, testified the dust condition in the transfer tunnel was "terrible" at the time of the explosion and stone dusting in some areas was done "very poorly."

Charging carelessness on the part of mine inspectors, Mr. Spence, who lost a son in the explosion, said "in my opinion this was a gas explosion."

Mr. Embree recommended that a second door be placed at mine levels so that trapped men could form an air lock in which they could stay "almost indefinitely."

He suggested rolls of brattice, nails and copper hammers be placed throughout mines so that trapped men could build their own air locks if necessary.

Glen Embree, a miner with 20 years experience, told commission counsel T. A. Giles, that he had no training in rescue work or procedures to follow in times of disaster.

He said that the ventilating system in the mine had been reversed sometime prior to the explosion and that the dust condition appeared worse from then on. His views on ventilation were supported by Al Brown, William O'Farrell and Charles Hussar.

John K. McLeod, mining at the 6,100-foot level, testified that there was a gas explosion in the 5,700-foot west wall prior to the explosion.

Kenny Gilbert, in hospital for three months after the explosion, testified that gas conditions were bad before the explosion and that stone dusting could have been better.

Arthur Cox testified that he worked in the mine the day of the explosion and noticed nothing unusual. Several miners called to testify did not appear.

It is expected that the inquiry will finish today.

Tradition Was Ahead Of Science

MEXICO CITY (Reuters)—Tourists often shudder when they see Indians applying a mixture of mud and mould to a wound in villages in rural Mexico.

Yet a doctor in the city would prescribe something very similar, although it would come in a fancy package with an appropriate price tag.

It seems that the Indians of Mexico were aware of the curative powers of mould long before modern science discovered penicillin.

Long before Europeans came to the new world, too, Mexican Indians learned that the bark of the cinchona tree, carefully brewed, would reduce fever. Today, the bark of that same tree is used to make quinine.

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Generous Provision For Portfolio Holders

OTTAWA (CP)—Swearing in Friday of the new Progressive Conservative cabinet means big parliamentary pay boost for Prime Minister John Diefenbaker and his 14 portfolio holders.

Conversely, earlier resignation of the government of Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent means pay cuts—in nine cases to zero—for 2 liberals.

Mr. Diefenbaker's parliamentary pay jumps from \$27,000 a year to \$37,000. As opposition leader he drew \$15,000, plus \$10,000 as a Commons member and a \$2,000 car allowance. He now gets \$25,000 as prime minister, plus the \$10,000 as a Commons member and the \$2,000 automobile allowance.

The cabinet members assigned portfolios get pay boosts from \$10,000 as ordinary members to \$27,000 made up of an additional \$15,000 as minister plus a \$2,000

car allowance. But there were no raises for the two cabinet ministers without portfolio—J. M. Macdonell, Commons member for Toronto Greenwood, and William J. Browne, member for St. John's West. They will continue to draw the \$10,000 each member gets, made up of \$8,000 in salary and \$2,000 in tax-free expenses.

Pay for Mr. St. Laurent who becomes opposition leader, drops from \$37,000 to \$27,000. That of his cabinet members who kept their seats in the June 10 federal elections drops from \$27,000 to \$10,000. Parliamentary pay ends for the nine cabinet members defeated in the election.

The new cabinet members lost the tax exemption on their \$2,000 Commons expenses. However their \$2,000 car allowance, like those of the prime minister and opposition leader, is tax free.

Commonwealth P.M.'s Will Meet On Wednesday

By KEN METHERAL  
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LONDON (CP)—Attention will be focused on the Commonwealth's oldest and newest members—Canada and Ghana—at the conference of prime ministers opening here Wednesday.

The policies and ideas of the Canadian delegation, which have always commanded attention and respect at previous conferences, have heightened interest this year because of the surprise result of the general election which sends to the meeting the new prime minister, John Diefenbaker.

A near-record turnout of British, Commonwealth and foreign press and radio representatives is expected next Monday to interview the Canadian prime minister on his arrival at London airport.

Another new face at the conference table will be that of Dr. Nkrumah of Ghana. He, too, will hold a special place and not the least interest will centre on the attitude of the Commonwealth's first all-Negro dominion on differences of viewpoint between the Western and Asian members of the family of nations. And Nkrumah can be expected to hold strong views on South Africa's controversial apartheid policy.

THREE PREMIERS ABSENT  
Prime Minister Strijdom of South Africa is one of three Commonwealth leaders who will be absent from the meetings open at Lancaster House June 26. He will be represented by his minister of external affairs, Eric Louw.

Prime Minister Holland of New Zealand has been kept at home by ill health and Prime Minister Bandaranaike of Ceylon has remained

at home to deal with a dispute over the official language.

Although Diefenbaker is largely regarded as favoring closer political and trade ties with the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth—two factors that could have considerable influence on conference discussions.

In recent years Canada has succeeded in winning the trust and confidence of Afro-Asian countries as possibly no other Western power has been able to do. Some British observers believe that this position might be weakened if Canada adopted a policy of outright loyalty to the United Kingdom.

Canadian pressure for closer trade links with the U.K.—long advocated by Diefenbaker's Progressive Conservative Party—could, conceivably, affect British moves towards joining other European countries in the creation of a free trade area on the continent.

Junior Board Promotes Tennis

The Charlottetown Junior Board of Trade met Thursday, June 20 at the Charlottetown Hotel. A full report on the Summer's program regarding Junior Tennis was presented by Chairman, Wilmer Blanchard.

The Junior Board is going to go all out, with the co-operation of the local tennis club, to make this a year an outstanding success as regards junior participation in the game.

The meeting was presided over by President Walt Wheeler. Reports were presented by: Lloyd Patricque on the recent softball game; Rob Burgess on plans for a car-washing project; Gord Rogers on a donation to the board from a local firm; Elmer Blanchard in the recent election and from Al MacRae on plans for summer activities.

Reports were heard from the

three team captains regarding attendance with Captain Henry MacWilliam maintaining his good record and leading the competition. Elmer Blanchard reported details the forthcoming National Jaycee Convention at Ottawa and it was disclosed that President Walt plans to attend.

During the business session, Elmer Blanchard continued his course on Leadership Training, this phase dealing with Parliamentary Procedure. This lecture provoked considerable discussion.

A complete history of the very effective "Elmer Safety Campaign" was given by Chairman Jack Morris and he was congratulated on a difficult job well done. Lloyd Patricque, vice-chairman of the Traffic Safety Committee reported on Safe Driving Week which was held to have been successful if the objectives, thanks also being due to both local newspapers and CF. C.Y.

Don Beardsley reported on the JayCee dance. The Jaycee tourist publication, "This week on P.E.I." was dealt with by Henry Swift.

The "Get Out The Vote" Campaign conducted by the Junior Board prior to the recent election was dealt with by Chairman, Henry MacWilliam.

A film on the Jaycee Regional Convention at Fredericton and the Traffic Safety Film "Chain Reaction" were shown. This meeting closed with the dinner meetings until September although the many projects on tap insure a busy and useful summer for all Jaycees.

Immigration Figures Soar

OTTAWA (CP)—Immigration to Canada since the end of the Second World War has soared past the 1,500,000 mark.

Latest estimates available in Ottawa show that arrivals from Jan. 1, 1946, to May 31, 1957, likely will total about 1,532,000, equivalent to the population of Canada's two largest cities.

The population of Metropolitan Toronto at the time of the 1956 census was 1,385,028 and Metropolitan Montreal was somewhat larger at 1,620,758.

In terms of provinces, the post-war immigration figure exceeds by more than 100,000 the combined populations of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The population of British Columbia, which includes Vancouver, Canada's third largest city, is more than 50,000 below the number.

The immigration department says that even after allowing for deaths and departures of some of the newcomers at least one out of every 15 persons in Canada today is a post-war immigrant.

The flow of immigrants to Canada since Jan. 1, 1946, reached the 1,000,000 mark in June, 1954. Another 112,372 arrived from June to Dec. 13, 1954; 109,946 in 1955; 164,857 in 1956 and an estimated 145,000 from Jan. 1 of this year to last May 31.

Arrivals of post-war immigrants totalled 1,222,319 at the end of 1955 and rose to 1,387,176 at Dec. 31 of last year. The figure increased to 1,440,636 at the end of 1957, and to an estimated 1,532,000 at the end of May.

By July 1—the half-year mark



MARY RICHARD MARGARET DOLLIVER YORK WILSON IRMA DOIRON



Mrs. Wilkinson Dies At Sydney

Mrs. John Wilkinson, one of Sydney's best known and respected residents died in Sydney City Hospital late Wednesday, May 29, after a short illness.

Doris Edna Wilkinson, wife of J. A. Wilkinson, prominent business man, was born in Halifax, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John H. Willis. Her husband is from Alberton and lived in different places in P.E.I.

She resided in Halifax for several years and held various stenographic and clerical positions before her marriage. For a time she was secretary to the late Hon. Angus L. Macdonald and for a period was secretary-treasurer of the Wallace Advertising Company, Halifax.

Mrs. Wilkinson came to Sydney in 1939 and immediately took an active part in many community activities.

She was a member and Past Regent of the Kennington Chapter, I ODE, a member of the IODE Provincial Council, past president of the first United Church of Sydney, a member of the Cancer Society and directed two financial campaigns for the society and a member of the Langan Country Club where she was a captain for two years.

She took an active interest in the affairs of First United Church. Death came after an illness of about six weeks. Word of her passing was received throughout the district with widespread regret.

She was the last surviving member of her family. She is survived by her husband.

Large numbers assembled Saturday afternoon to pay their final respects to the memory of Mrs. Doris Wilkinson, widely known and highly esteemed Sydney woman. Funeral service was held at First United Church, Whitney Avenue, Rev. E. B. N. Miller, pastor, officiating there and at the committal service at the graveside in Hardwood Hill Cemetery.

Hymns sung by the choir and congregation were, "Lord Is My Shepherd" and "Forever With The Lord."

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Wolf Cub Leaders Attend Akela Course In Nova Scotia

Ten Wolf Cub Leaders from Slemmon Park, Souris, Southport, Central Royalty and Charlottetown left last Saturday for the Maritime Akela Course which is being held on Lone Cloud Island, Miller's Lake, Nova Scotia.

The course will run until Thursday, and will include all the practical part of the Wolf Cub training program. Mr. Donald Duncan of Provincial Headquarters, Nova Scotia will be the Leader of the course. He will be assisted by training team members from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

Following are the candidates from this Province: Mrs. Mary Richard, Central Royalty; Miss Irma Doiron and Mrs. York Wilson, 1st. Charlottetown; Mrs. Margaret Dolliver, 4th. Charlottetown; Mr. Brenton Partridge, 5th. Charlottetown; Mr. Frank Gaudet, Southport; F. Lieut. D.L. Quinn and Mr. William Gallant, 1st Slemmon Park; Mrs. Irene Kassner and Mrs. Lorraine Bouchard, 1st. Souris. Mr. Gordon Kerr, Provincial Executive Commissioner will accompany the candidates from this Province and will be a member of the Staff.

Benefit dance, Raftis, Souris Line Road, South School, Wednesday, June 26th. Good Music.

Dance St. George's Hall Monday, June 24th. Boudreaux and O'Connor Orchestra. Dancing 9.30 to 12.30. Canteen Service, door prizes.

District convention W.I. at the Protestant Orphanage, Mt. Herbert June 25th, 2:15 p.m. W.R. Shaw guest speaker.

The annual meeting of the Queens County Plowing Match Association will be held in Pownal Hall on Wednesday, June 26th at 8 p.m.

All taxes due Kelly's Cross School not paid by June 28th will be handed to clerk of court for collection. J.P. Carragher, Secretary.

Regular dance Emerald Hall Wednesday, June 26. Music by Russel Warren and his Blue Haven Ramblers. Dancing 9.30 to 1.00. door prize. Canteen. Admission 50 cents.

South Queens W.I. District Convention, Orwell, Uigg, Kinross Vernon, Alberry Plains, Vernon River, Millview, Lake Verde, Cherry Valley, Earncliffe, Mt. Mellick, Pownal Hall, Wednesday, June 26th, 8 p.m.

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