

To Lay Federal Building Cornerstone On June 15th

OTTAWA (Special) — The cornerstone of the new Federal building of Charlottetown will be laid by Public Works Minister Robert Winters on Wednesday June 15. Mr. Winters informed Neil A. Matheson, Liberal MP for Queens of his selection of the date Wednesday afternoon. Steelwork of the Charlottetown building is now complete and instructions have been given for the inscription of the new cornerstone. Inside the stone itself an aperture will be placed a copper box containing copies of daily newspapers, columns of the day and other articles pertaining to the building and its location. List of guests for the cornerstone laying is presently being compiled and will be headed by Mr. Winters, Premier Matheson, Mayor J. D. Stewart of Charlottetown and Mr. Matheson, MP.

Hindu Wives Wash Feet Of Husbands; Hot Protests

By Peter Jackson
NEW DELHI (Reuters)—A hundred Hindu wives Wednesday washed their husbands' feet, then drank the dirty water, to the indignation of feminist elements who decry the current five-day festival of husband-worship. The wives acclaimed their husbands as gods, in accordance with ancient rituals, at the festival which now is in its third day at Lucknow. The proceedings started in a closed, guarded tent on the banks of the holy River Gomti. But the occasion is drawing heated opposition from feminist leaders and rival groups who are against "collective husband worship." One newspaper quoted the principal of a women's college, who referred to last week's new law providing for payment of alimony by divorced wives as well as husbands. She said: "As if alimony from wives is not enough, they want us to wash their feet and drink the dirty water, too."

"PURIFICATION RITE"
The festival of homage is organized by Sheshaji Maharaj, a Hindu divine, who claims "this purification rite will end divorce." The idea is that each husband is the incarnation of the Hindu god Vishnu. And Maharaj's explanation is that the ceremony will instill in married people the spiritual import of union, so that pure love, rather than lust, should govern husband-wife relations. The opponents of husband-worship are distributing pamphlets which contend the husband-worship ceremony has no foundation in the Hindu scriptures. However, 31 priests and one professor from the Banaras Hindu University are participating in the ceremony. They hope to gain special favors by this demonstration of devotion.

Coming Events

- Watch for plant list in Friday's paper. Joe R. Smith, Clinton.
- Kelly's Cross play Lot 66 hall Friday, May 13. Dance after.
- Abegweit R.B.P. meeting Friday night at Kingston.
- Dance St. Andrew's Hall, Mt. Stewart, Thursday, April 28.
- New Argyle Variety Concert in Canoe Cove Hall, Monday, May 23rd.
- Dance at Oyster Bed Bridge school May 12. Dolron Bros. orchestra.
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- Dance in Long Creek hall for the Legion Saturday, May 14, 8.30 to 12.
- Dance in Emerald Hall Friday, May 13th. Canteen service. Music by the Myers Bros.
- Opening dance Mt. Stewart Memorial Hall Friday night. Canteen service. Burns Orchestra.
- Covehead Road variety concert in Harrington Hall, Friday, May 18. Sale of lunches.
- Conservative Headquarters are located on Queen Street, next to Fennell & Chandler. Dial 9717.
- Crapaud District Scarlet Chapter will meet in Derry Lodge, Canoe Cove, May 16th.
- Oliver MacLeod, will begin hauling cream to Wilshire factory, Monday, May 16th.
- Reserve Tuesday May 24 for play "Anne of Green Gables" in Clyde River hall. Sponsored by W. I.
- Dance in St. Peter's Holy Name Hall, Friday, May 13th. Chaisson's Orchestra. Cliff Peters at the piano.
- Pantry sale Elmwood Women's Institute, May 14, Simpsons-Sears Store.
- Unloading cement. Get it while it's fresh. Also cement blocks on hand. Poole and Thompson, Montague.
- All taxes due in Kelly's Cross School District, must be paid by May 28th. Unpaid taxes after that date will be handed in for collection. J. P. Carragher, Secretary.
- Cornwall Players will present 3 act comedy drama "The Irish Millionaire", Cornwall Hall, to-night, May 12th. Curtains 8.15. Admission 50c and 35c.
- You'll hear Gaelic solos, choruses and Scottish songs, at Scottish Variety Concert, also Boy Piper Harry MacGillivray, Parkdale Hall, Friday 13th, at 8 p. m.

ALBERTA GOVERNMENT PROBES CHARGE MOST MEMBERS SIT IN HOUSE ILLEGALLY

P. E. I. Nominations Indicate Straight Two-Party Fight

Sixty candidates were nominated yesterday to contest the Provincial general election to be held May 25. Thirty Liberals and thirty Progressive Conservatives have entered the fight with no opposition from a third party. All six opposition members in the last House are seeking re-election. Twenty of the 28 Liberals in the House at dissolution April 27 are also re-offering. Liberals not in the running include former provincial secretary William Hughes who failed to gain nomination in Kings 5th. And in Kings 2nd Thomas R. Cullen, clerk of the assembly and a former speaker, also failed to gain party support. Liberal Lorne H. MacFarlane did not seek re-nomination in Prince 5th. (Continued on page 15 col. 3)



Commands Sweeper

Lt. Cdr. Robert M. Young, 39, of Montreal and Halifax has taken command of the coastal minesweeper Ungava. (CP Photo from National Defence).

Seeding In West Begins

OTTAWA (CP)—Vast areas of the Prairies have been dried out by high winds and seeding is well under way in most southern areas, the bureau of statistics reported Wednesday. But it will be some time, said the bureau, before much spring work can be accomplished in those areas waterlogged and flooded by last week's torrential rains. In its second of 1955 telegraphic crop reports, the bureau said the most seriously affected districts are in east-central and northeastern Saskatchewan. "In much of the latter area seeding may not be general before June 1. Seeding will also be abnormally late in the Red river valley and northern areas of Manitoba, over much of the Regina plains, and in western and north-eastern parts of Alberta."

Job Opportunities

OTTAWA (CP)—Job opportunities for this year's university graduates appear about the same as last year, the labor department said Wednesday. A department canvass of employers has shown 4,845 jobs available among those questioned. There were about 15,000 students enrolled in university graduating classes. Apart from jobs available for graduates, the department found some 10,000 summer positions will be available for undergraduates. Reports received to date, the department said, indicate there will not be enough engineering or commerce graduates to meet the demand. However, the shortage may be overcome to some extent by arts graduates. Starting salaries for graduates are expected to average about the same as 1954. Estimated monthly averages include: engineering, \$300; geology, \$315; chemistry, \$300; forestry, \$285; architecture, \$285; agriculture, \$260.

Not Immediate Solution To Coal Problem

NS-NB Interested In Power Merger

HALIFAX (CP)—Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were officially non-committal Wednesday toward a radical proposal that would merge their power systems into a 600,000-horsepower complex producing cheap electricity for industry. But responsible individuals below government level found reason for

Salk Vaccine From U. S. Is Held Up In Canada

OTTAWA (CP)—Some supplies of Salk polio vaccine imported from the United States, where there is a general shutdown of mass inoculation programs while the government double-checks production methods, is being held back from the Canadian public. This development was reported Wednesday in the Commons by Health Minister Martin after CCF Leader Coldwell asked whether any steps are being taken to prevent Canadian children suffering ill effects from privately-manufactured vaccine. "Steps have been taken by the government to make sure that sources of vaccine from commercial sources outside this country are being investigated," Mr. Martin replied. "A small supply came in from one company about a month ago. There are some supplies in Canada by Parke, Davis and Co. and Eli Lilly and Co. are the only commercial firms which have received federal licences to import the vaccine. Federal health officials said Monday no trouble has been found with vaccine of Parke, Davis and Co., only firm to sell the U. S. product in Canada so far. It sold enough for less than 15,000 doses, whereas at least 500,000 doses have been administered in Canada with vaccine produced at the Connaught laboratories in Toronto. Further imports of U. S. vaccine by the two licensed firms are being held up until the U. S. resumes its inoculation programs.

One N. B. Child Killed, Second Burned To Death

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—Fire and an accident took the lives of two New Brunswick children Wednesday. Gary Erb, 7, was killed when he fell under a half-ton roller while playing outside the Hampton consolidated school. Robert Gilmore, 2, died in his burning home at Ward settlement in York county.

MISTAKE PROVES FATAL

CHICAGO (AP)—Linda Basile, 3, died Wednesday after eating sleeping pills she mistook for candy. The Basile's family doctor estimated the child had swallowed 17 of the candy-coated pills. He had prescribed them for the mother.

Toronto Man Buys Seafood Company

TORONTO (CP)—A Toronto man announced Wednesday that he has bought the oldest seafood company in Florida. John Start, president of John Stuart Sales Limited of Toronto, said the Daniels Seafood Company of Fort Meyers has been reorganized under the name of Daniels Seafood Inc. Mr. Stuart will be president. The firm in continuous operation for 27 years, packs crabmeat and scallops for distribution in Baltimore and New York.

Reports Prepaid Health Insurance Poses Problems

OTTAWA (CP)—Toronto medical authority said Wednesday that prepaid health insurance schemes have many benefits but they also are creating many problems, including unnecessary use of hospital beds by some patients. Professor Malcolm Taylor of the University of Toronto told the Canadian Hospital Association that the schemes help provide hospitals with a stable source of income and help Canadians pay for their illnesses when they are well and capable of earning incomes. But he added: "The present development of prepaid health insurance is creating pressures that are running counter to every reasonable precept we know about the efficient use of funds, the efficient use of trained technical staff, the efficient use of scientific equipment. "If proof is needed, I ask you to count the number of patients in hospital beds who should have obtained the x-rays or lab tests or minor treatment in the outpatient department; who should be convalescing at home or in a convalescent hospital; who are not getting proper treatment because your hospital is not a rehabilitation clinic; who do not need medical care but only routine nursing care; who if they had a visiting nurse or housekeeper could be cared for at home? "We are not taking advantage of the fact that most patients have bed and board at home. And often, a built-in nurse."

Bulganin Talks Peace But Plans Red "NATO"

WARSAW (AP)—Premier Niko-lai Bulganin told leaders of Soviet bloc countries Wednesday that Moscow wants an end to the cold war, German reunification and world disarmament. He said his government will study carefully a Western proposal for a four-power meeting of heads of government. But he made it clear Russia and its seven European allies, whose representatives are gathered here at the "house under the lions" will go through with plans to pool their armed forces under one command. They will negotiate a treaty of mutual security and aid to offset West Germany's admission to NATO. Correspondents were not admitted to conference sessions in Radziwiz Palace, which gets its more popular name from two big bronze lions standing astride it. A Soviet spokesman told newspaper men what Bulganin said. Bulganin said radical measures are necessary to reduce international tension and that the first step should be an end to the cold war. Then he declared all countries should impose tight surveillance over communications media to prevent any "pro-war propaganda." "The Soviet Union considers that the UN General Assembly should recommend to all states to adopt the necessary measures for the strict implementation of their decision concerning any type of propaganda for a new war, and stopping in the press, radio, in the cinema and in public speeches any kind of utterances urging war and fomenting hostility among nations."

Parliament At A Glance

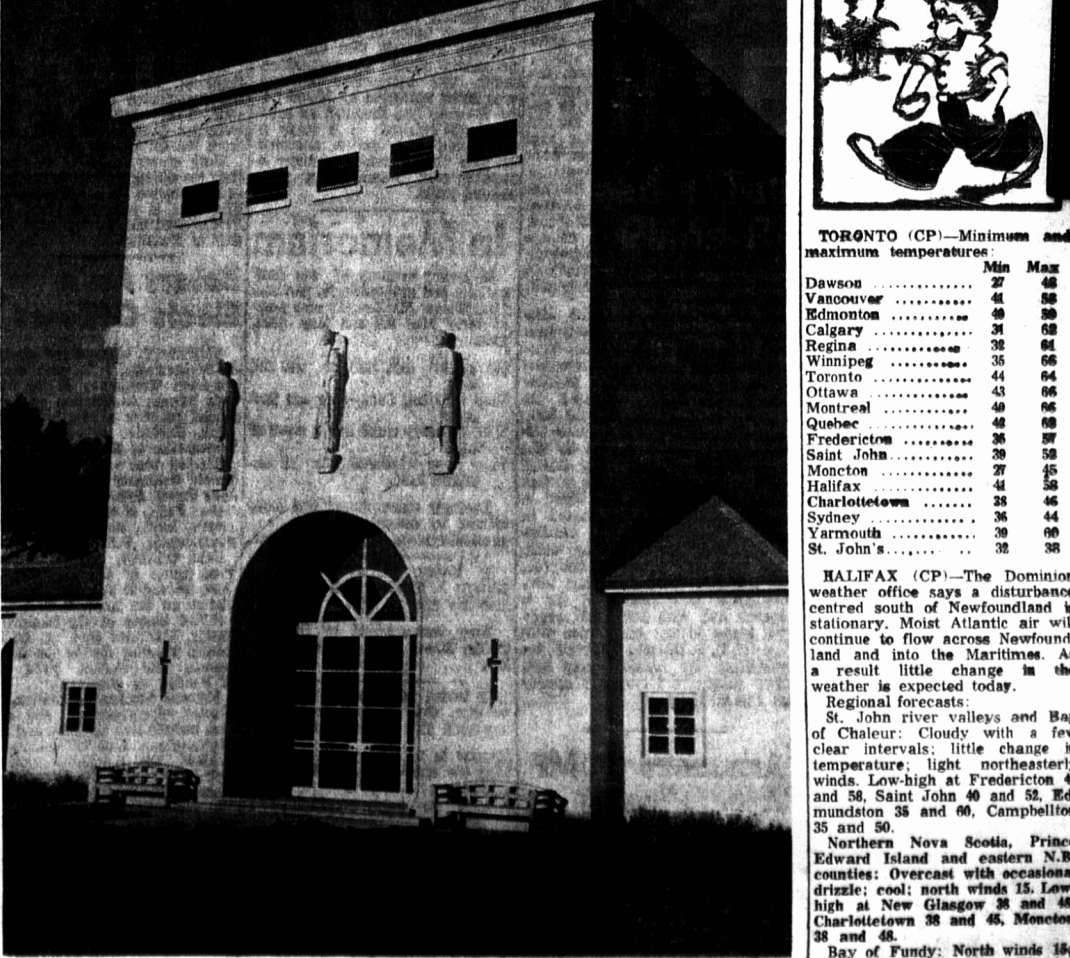
Wednesday
Fred S. Zapp (CCF—Dauphin) challenged Revenue Minister McCann to make public everything he knows about Ontario's Dempsey political case. Stanley Knowles (CCF—Winnipeg North Centre) asked Justice Minister Carson if he is considering a secrecy violation charge against Dr. McCann in the case. Health Minister Martin said some imports of U. S. manufactured Salk polio vaccine are being held back from the Canadian public. H. A. Bryson (CCF—Humboldt-Melfort) proposed a federal payment of \$10 an acre on Saskatchewan farmland flooded out of production this year. N. C. Schneider (L—Ontario) said imports made in low-wage countries sabotage Canadian industry. Senator William Euler (L—Ontario) said the Senate is being destroyed by a slow process of attrition—accumulation of vacancies.

159 Lost In Ferry Sinking

TAKAMATSU, Japan (AP)—Disaster came out of the fog in the inland sea Wednesday to the ferry Shium Maru, loaded with 354 Japanese school children and 484 other passengers. With disaster came panic and death for perhaps 150 Japanese, many of them children. The Shium Maru was rammed by the steel prow of the railway ferry Utsuka Maru and sank within five minutes. Twelve divers searched for bodies in the sunken hull. The Shium Maru lies barely submerged in shallow waters off the north-west coast of Shikoku.

FAVORS BIG FOUR MEETING

Regarding a Western invitation to him to meet with Prime Minister Eden, President Eisenhower



R. C. A. F. Places Wreath On Memorial
The RCAF was picked this year to place a wreath at the Runnymede Memorial, near London, England, in honor of members of the Commonwealth air forces killed in the Second World War. Air Commodore A. D. Ross, Winnipeg, of the Canadian joint staff in London placed the wreath May 10 at the memorial, built in memory of 20,000 airmen who have no known graves. A different Commonwealth country places a wreath each year. (CP Photo from National Defence)



TORONTO (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

| | Min | Max |
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| Dawson | 27 | 48 |
| Winnipeg | 27 | 48 |
| Edmonton | 40 | 50 |
| Calgary | 31 | 62 |
| Regina | 38 | 61 |
| Winnipeg | 35 | 66 |
| Toronto | 44 | 64 |
| Ottawa | 43 | 66 |
| Montreal | 36 | 64 |
| Quebec | 46 | 60 |
| Fredericton | 36 | 57 |
| Saint John | 29 | 58 |
| Moncton | 27 | 45 |
| Halifax | 41 | 58 |
| Charlottetown | 28 | 46 |
| Sydney | 36 | 44 |
| Yarmouth | 38 | 40 |
| St. John's | 38 | 38 |

HALIFAX (CP)—The Dominion weather office says a disturbance centered south of Newfoundland is stationary. Moist Atlantic air will continue to flow across Newfoundland and into the Maritimes. As a result little change in the weather is expected today.

Regional forecasts:
St. John river valleys and Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with a few clear intervals; little change in temperature; light northeasterly winds. Low-high at Fredericton 40 and 58, Saint John 40 and 52, Edmundston 35 and 60, Campbellton 35 and 50.
North Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and eastern N.B. counties: Overcast with occasional drizzle; cool; north winds 15. Low-high at New Glasgow 38 and 46, Charlottetown 38 and 46, Moncton 38 and 48.
Bay of Fundy: North winds 15; cloudy with a few clear intervals; visibility 10 miles; temperatures in the low 40s.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2.30 a. m. and 1.25 p. m.; at Rustico at 8.30 a. m. Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.
Sun rises at 4.48 a. m. and sets at 7.31 p. m.