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B. C. Woman Honored By Dutch Queen

VANCOUVER, May 14 — (CP)—Mrs. Margaret Ecker Francis, well known Vancouver newspaperwoman and former staff correspondent for the Canadian Press, today, by royal decree of Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, was made an officer of the Order of the House of Orange.

She is the first Canadian woman to receive the order, awarded generally to persons in close connection and of service to the Dutch Government or Royal Family.

Mrs. Francis was in close touch

with the Dutch Royal Family both in Canada and overseas during the war. She accompanied the Queen on her first tour of liberation from Walcheren Island to Maastricht, and also wrote many feature stories for the Canadian Press on Princess Juliana during the royal sojourn in Ottawa.

Her wartime career reached its peak when she was the only woman correspondent present at the German surrender to Field Marshal Montgomery.

Word of the new honor came to Mrs. Francis in hospital where her first child, a daughter, was born Sunday. She is the wife of Bob Francis, former Vancouver newspaperman, and a well known magazine writer.

In 1944, Mrs. Francis won the Canadian Women's Press Club memorial award for the year's best personality biographical sketch by a Canadian woman.

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Perfect Attendance: Basil Lacey James McAusland, Lewis Trainor, Wayne McAusland, Ralph Wright, Anna MacMillan, Deanna Mayne, Susan Morrison.

Helen Agnew, —teacher.

Canada Fighting New Power Threat

By Ross Munro
Canadian Press Staff Writer

PARIS, May 14 — (CP)—Another fight by Canada and other middle and small countries against what they maintain is a new threat of big power domination, has blown up unexpectedly at the world Postal Union conference here.

Probably the biggest battle of the conference, which opened last week in the Luxembourg Palace, looms over efforts being made by France, Britain and Russia to establish an administrative council which could be controlled by the big countries and which would wield wide influence in directing the union's affairs.

The Canadian delegation, led by Walter Turnbull, deputy postmaster general, strongly opposes this council because it feels such a move is but another indication of big power domination in international affairs. This new fight is an echo of the one put up by middle and small countries against the big powers at the peace conference here last summer and during the German peace settlement meetings in London and Moscow.

The Canadians believe the council would detract from the democratic operations of the world postal union which has functioned successfully since 1874 as a body through which international postal arrangements are made.

At present the affairs of the union, which only meets formally every five years, are directed by its secretariat at Bern and between conferences decisions are made by mail vote of all the member countries of which 74 are represented at the current meeting.

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In Memoriam

DOCTOR A. B. STEVENSON

The province of Prince Edward Island lost one of its outstanding citizens in the death of Doctor A. B. Stevenson which occurred at his home in New Glasgow on the morning of Friday the second day of May.

Although he had not enjoyed his usual good health during the past few years yet with his indomitable spirit he continued to practise his profession knowing that it was contrary to the advice which on many occasions he had given to others with a similar ailment. People needed him and when at all possible he responded.

"From duty's path, however steep, he asked For no ill-timed release; Only for strength to finish well his task."

He was born at New Glasgow in 1878 a descendent of pioneer families, being the son of the late George Stevenson and Jane Smith whose parents came from the Old Country with the early settlers. He is survived by his wife Alberta Bradshaw, daughter of the late Robert and Mrs. Bradshaw formerly of New Glasgow, two sons and one daughter, Melville farming the old homestead, Robert of the Ross Drug Company of Amherst and Ruth of the Marine Department of Public Works in Charlottetown; also one sister, Margaret, Mrs. John L. Clark of South Rustico. The other members of the family all of whom predeceased him were two sisters, Priscella, Mrs. E. Hill formerly of New Glasgow, and Ida, Mrs. Willard MacGregor who had lived at Hunter River, and five brothers, Lorenzo and Edgar formerly of New Glasgow, William Howard who had removed to Charlottetown and Rev. R. Everett and Dr. George Stevenson of United States both of whom passed away in recent years.

He received his early education in the Grammar School at New Glasgow and entered Prince of Wales College at the early age of 13 years. After completing his studies there he taught school for six years before taking up medical studies at McGill University from which institution he was graduated M. D. C. M., in the year 1907. He entered upon the practise of his profession in his home community, and won the esteem and confidence of a very large clientele.

The Doctor was a lifetime student and kept abreast with the times not only in his own profession, but in the general world outlook. He had a taste for literature and lived in a world of books. He found real pleasure browsing among the famous writings of the past and present; ancient classics, modern fiction, history and biography. To him, "A good book was the best of friends, the same today and forever". He was also a great lover of music, possessed of a rich baritone voice he welcomed every opportunity to join in song and often did he express regret that musical training was so much neglected in the curriculum of our schools, and of our colleges.

The funeral was held on the afternoon of Sunday May 14th when an unusually large gathering assembled to pay tribute to one who had ministered so faithfully to them and their families in times of illness. The remark of one present would seem to express the feelings of all: "Why didn't we tell him what we thought of him while he was here"; thus echoing the words of the immortal poet when he said:

"If you have a friend worth loving, Love him, yes and let him know That you love him, ere life's evening Tinge his brow with sunset glow."

He was laid to rest among his forebears, while the Spring Sunshine bathed the earth with beauty.

He will be greatly missed not only as a Doctor who ministered to the sick and suffering but for himself alone as a man, as a neighbor as a friend in the school and in the community at large, where he was always ready and willing to assist with his counsel, his substance, his time and his talent for every worthwhile cause. Among his many helpful acts of community effort it is fitting that special mention should be made of the First Aid Course which he conducted in conjunction with the A. R. P. as part of our war effort. A large number attended his most interesting lectures, and they were rewarded with the First Aid Certificates presented by the St. John Ambulance Association. Later the class waited upon the Doctor and made a presentation as tangible expression of their appreciation.

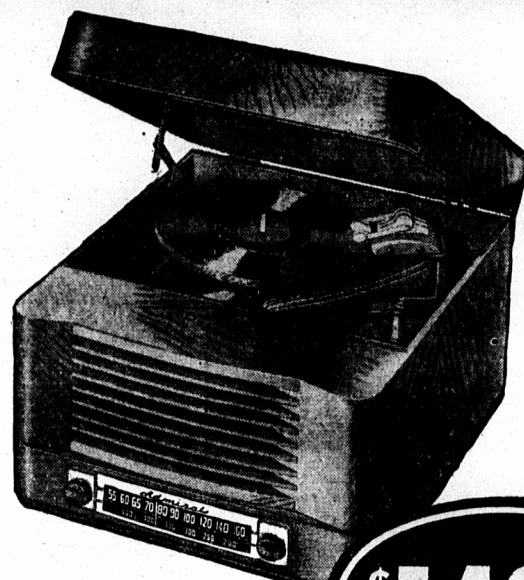
Above all he will be missed in the home where a devoted wife and family will "Keep his memory green".

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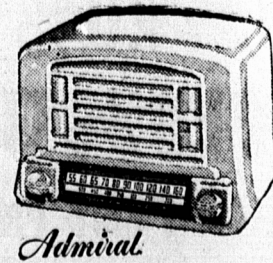
Dr. Cyrus Macmillan Will Be Honored

MONTREAL, May 14 — (CP)—Honorary degrees will be conferred on three veteran teacher-administrators at Convocation exercises of McGill University May 28, it was announced today.

Dr. Cyrus Macmillan, retiring Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Laws, Honorary Doctorates of Science will be conferred on Dr. Jonathan C. Meakin, retiring Dean of Medicine, and Dr. David A. Keys, former physics professor, who only this year was named vice-president of the National Research Council in charge

of over-all atomic energy development at Chalk River, Ont. More than 1,000 students will receive degrees and diplomas, the greatest number in McGill's history.

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