

Death Toll Heavy Among Prominent Men In Canada

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Four senators and two members of the House of Commons were on the roll of prominent Canadians who died in 1955.

Sir Thomas White, 88, federal finance minister during the First World War who later became active in the financial world, died at Toronto in February.

The veteran Baptist Church leader Rev. T. Shields was 81 when he died at Toronto in April. A. S. MacMillan, a former Liberal member of Nova Scotia's turned businessman, died at 83. J. H. Hingford, former president of the Canadian National Railways, was also 83 when he died at Farnham, Que., in October.

Robert H. Saunders, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Commission, was fatally injured in a plane crash at London, Ont., in January. Mr. Saunders, former mayor of Toronto, was 51.

Col. J. K. Cornwall, 86, explorer and newspaper man widely known as "Peace River Jim," died at Calgary in November.

James E. Hahn, 63, former president of the John Inglis Company of Toronto; George A. Morrow, 79, former president of Imperial Life Assurance Company; Russell Blackburn, 81, senior director of the Bank of Nova Scotia and John Powell, 89, Newfoundland industrialist.

The publishing world lost George Stewart, 79, a partner in McClelland and Stewart Co. Ltd., W. H. Clarke, 52, president of the Clarke, Irwin publishing house at Toronto, and C. M. Rogers, 78, president of Thomas Nelson and Sons (Canada), Toronto.

NEWSPAPER DEATHS
Irene Masson, 59, managing editor of Le Soleil and L'Evenement Journal of Quebec, died Dec. 9. Ralph B. Herder, 60, president of the St. John's, Nfld., Evening Telegram, died in January. A pioneer publisher who died last March was Charles B. Halpin, 90. He purchased the Calgary Tribune in 1901 and renamed it the Alberta.

Newspaper men were also saddened by the deaths of Alfred O. Tate, reporter, and Douglas Cronk, photographer, of the Toronto Star, lost with the crew of a hurricane-

EGYPTIANS PROTEST TERMS OF FINANCIAL AID FOR DAM
WASHINGTON (AP)—Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser has protested hotly against some of the conditions imposed on a British-American offer to help Egypt build a huge dam on the upper Nile river.

It was learned Monday that Nasser in effect has rejected some of the economic control strings attached to the offer by the World Bank.

Unless the difficulties can be resolved, this poses a serious threat to the British-U.S. offer to help build what would be one of the world's greatest dams and thus, it is hoped, deliver a setback to Russian designs on Egypt.

The Communists, through Czechoslovakia, already are supplying planes and tanks to Egypt, and Moscow is reported by diplomatic sources to be prepared to put \$250,000,000 or more into the dam project.

Nasser therefore has a choice between Moscow and Washington in this instance. U.S. officials understand he would prefer to deal with London and Washington but may take on the Moscow offer if he regards such a step as necessary.

FEWER DIE ON U. S. HIGHWAYS
CHICAGO (AP)—Fewer persons died in traffic mishaps in the United States this New Year's than during the Christmas holiday, but the number who perished approached a record for a three-day New Year's holiday. The record was 317, set in 1953-54.

A survey by The Associated Press showed that at least 298 had been killed in traffic mishaps between 6 p. m. local time Friday and late Monday. Another 85 died in fires and miscellaneous accidents accounted for 53 deaths. The total of violent deaths was 416.

At the same point during last week's "Black Christmas," 500 persons were killed in traffic accidents.

HENS WORK HARD
OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian laying hens were hard at work in November, producing an estimated 34,100,000 dozen eggs. The bureau of statistics said the total had a better record than a year ago. In November, 1954 it took 32,129,000 hens to lay 34,900,000 dozen eggs.

PARLIAMENTARY LOSSES
The four senators who died in 1955 were all Liberals, and one of them, Senator P. R. DuTremblay, was a leader in the newspaper world. The president of La Presse and La Patrie at Montreal died in October at age 76.

Senator J. R. Hurlbut, Ontario, was 72; Senator J. Fernand Fafard of Quebec, 73, and Senator J. H. King of British Columbia—a former speaker of the Senate—was 82.

The House of Commons lost J. G. Boucher, 58 (L—Restigouche-Madawaska) who died at Edmundston, N.B., in April, and Alcide Cote, the postmaster-general and Quebec Liberal member, who died at St. Johns, Que., in August.

One member died in each of four provincial legislatures. L. W. Larsen, 61, was a Saskatchewan CCF member. G. C. Moxham, 63, was a Social Credit member in British Columbia. James Dempsey, 68, was a Progressive Conservative member of the Ontario chamber and Antoine Marcotte, 56, was Union Nationale member of the Quebec legislative assembly.

SPORTING WORLD
Famed sports figures were among the dead of 1955. The hockey world lost such old-timers as Carson Cooper, 58; Alfred (Pit) Lepine, 54, and J. Harper Parry, 48, former head of the Saskatchewan Amateur Hockey Association. Jim Sutherland, 85, founder of the Hockey Hall of Fame, died at Kingston, Ont. Bert McCaffrey was a former hockey star and NHL referee who died at Toronto.

R. James Speers, 73, dean of horse racing in western Canada, Farkes, 106, at Othello, Sask.; Mrs. Eliza Paddon, Windsor, Ontario; Mrs. Anne Jeffries, Toronto, and Mrs. Susan McRae Smith, Wallaceburg, Ont., all 105.

NOTED SCULPTOR
Walter Seymour allard the famous sculptor, was 80 when he died at Toronto last April. Capt. Joe Connolly, 59, producer of Canada's wartime "Meet The Navy Show," died at Halifax.

A real link with the past vanished with the death at Goderich, Ont., of John B. Kelly, 96, credited with having built Canada's first automobile—a steam buggy—in 1884. George P. Dunlop, 101, who aided Alexander Graham Bell in the first long-distance telephone call, died at Toronto.

NOTED WOMEN
Lady Gooderham of Toronto, 91-year-old widow of Sir Albert Gooderham, was noted for her philanthropic and Red Cross work. Another women's leader was Mrs. Athanase David, who died in Montreal in December.

Miss Marion Lindeburgh died at Victoria in March. She was a former president of the Canadian Nurses Association. Miss Ethelmary Cartwright, who died in September, founded the McGill University school of physical education for women.

It was a woman who led the list of centenarians dying in 1955—Mrs. Rose Leah Zimmerman, 107 at her death in London, Ont. Other centenarians who died were John Farkes, 106, at Othello, Sask.; Mrs. Eliza Paddon, Windsor, Ontario; Mrs. Anne Jeffries, Toronto, and Mrs. Susan McRae Smith, Wallaceburg, Ont., all 105.

BANKS ASKS CONTROLS
U.S. Ambassador Henry Byroade is due to leave Cairo today for two weeks of consultations here.

Britain and the United States informed Nasser three weeks ago they were ready to give Egypt \$70,000,000 as a starter for construction of a great dam, a hydroelectric and irrigation project, on the Nile river at Aswan.

The project, one of the greatest single construction programs ever undertaken, is estimated to cost around \$1,300,000,000 during per-

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GONE FROM BENCH
Sir Lyman Poore Duff, former chief justice of Canada, was 90 when he died at Ottawa in April. R. S. Robertson, a former Ontario chief justice, died at Toronto.

Wendell B. Farris, chief justice of the British Columbia Supreme Court for 13 years, was 68 at his death in Vancouver in June.

Other judges who died in 1955 included Mr. Justice W. P. Potter, puisne judge of the Exchequer Court, 64 at his death in Lunenburg, N.S., in March; former Montreal Supreme Court Justice Theodore Rheume, 79; retired Quebec Court of Sessions Chief Justice J. Haches Fortier, 77; Mr. Justice Alfred Savard, 69, retired, at Montreal.

President of Carleton College at Ottawa, Dr. M. M. MacCdaum, aged 54, died in August while vacationing in Prince Edward Island. Dr. R. C. Wallace, 73, retired vice-chancellor and principal of Queen's University, died at Kingston, Ont.

The educational world also lost Dr. J. A. Leduc, 78, emeritus professor of medicine at the University of Montreal, and Dr. John Allan, 70, who had headed the University of Alberta geology department for nearly 40 years.

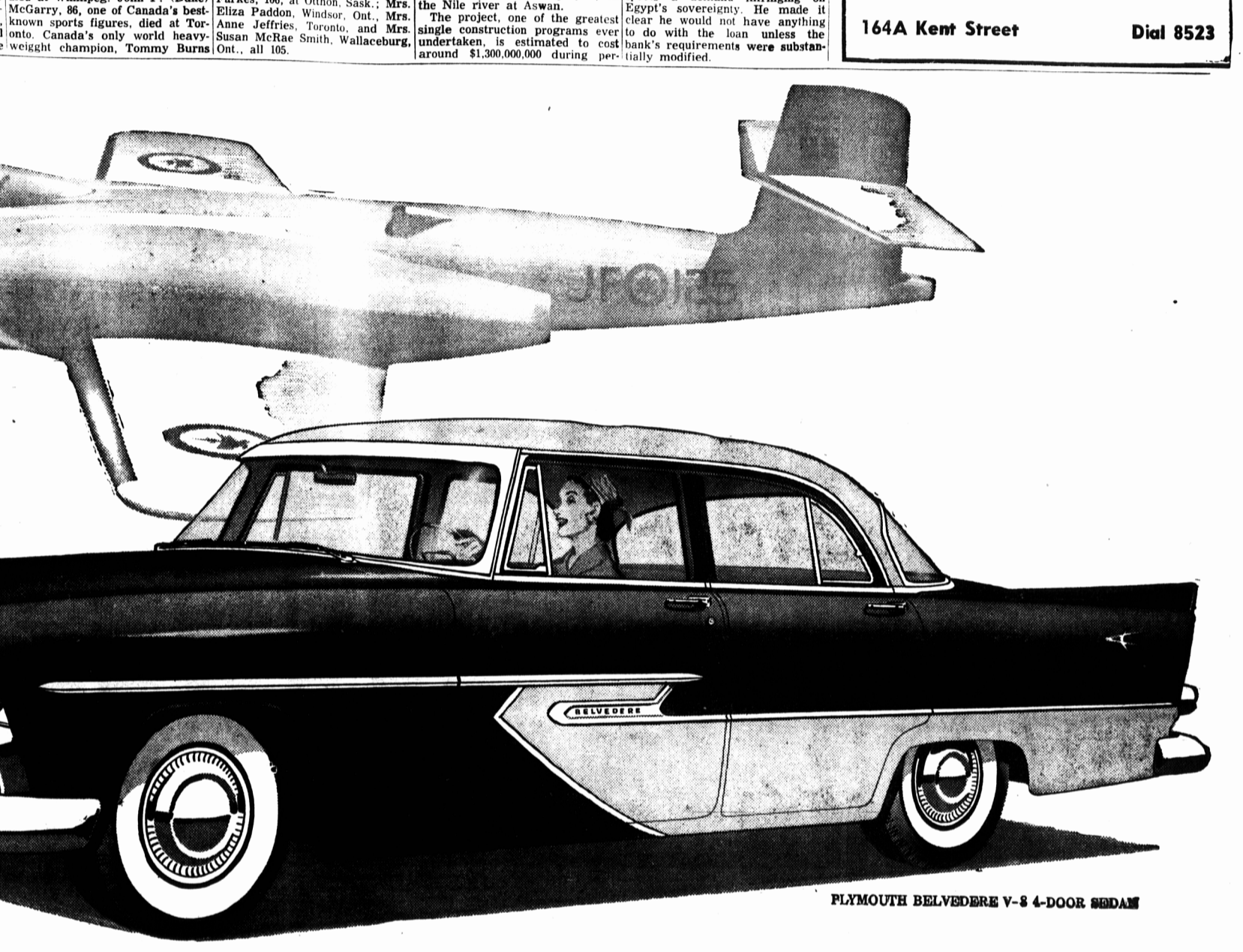
PUBLIC OFFICIALS
Dr. G. B. Reed, 66, chairman of the Dominion fisheries research board, died at Kingston, Ont., in February. Among others were J.B. Harkin, 79, the first national parks commissioner in 1911; C. F. Bulmer, 81, former long-time clerk of the executive council of the Ontario government.

Dr. W. P. Warner, 59, was director-general of treatment services in the federal veterans affairs department. Hon. George Hoadley, 88, was a former Alberta UFA minister of agriculture, who died at Victoria in December, and Dr. F. D. Munroe, 74, was a former Saskatchewan public health minister.

RELIGIOUS LEADERS
The Anglican bishop of Newfoundland, Rt. Rev. Philip Abraham, was only 58 at his death Dec. 22. The Anglican church also lost its former executive secretary of the general synod, Rev. R. A. Hiltz, 78.

Most Rev. Louis Rheume, 81, who died at Ottawa in May, was the first Roman Catholic archbishop of Timmins. Archbishop Arthur Beliveau, 85, died at St. Boniface, Man. in September.

Rev. C. W. DeMille, United Church temperance advocate, died at 80 years of age in Toronto. Rev. E. J. Springett, 76, was Dominion commissioner of the British Israel World Federation, Col. M. P. Junker, 66, a Salvation Army leader, died in Vancouver.



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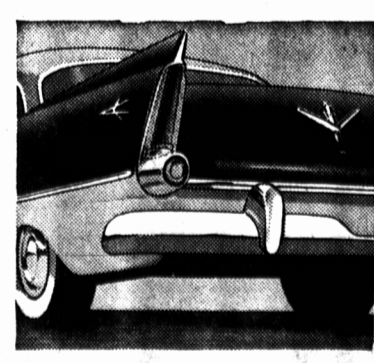
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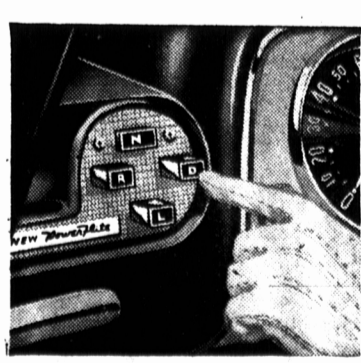
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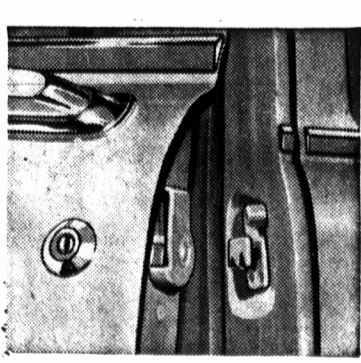
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