

The man who is too big to study his job, is as big as he ever will be.

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## Princess Begins Caribbean Tour

By SAM SUMMERLIN  
PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad (AP)—Princess Margaret opened a royal goodwill tour of her own for the first time Tuesday. She launched on the dot-actually six minutes early—a visit to the British West Indies that is to occupy her a month.

Twenty-eight hours and 4,000 miles out of London, the lively 24-year-old sister of the Queen stepped from the airliner Canopus at 2:54 p.m. (1:54 p.m. EST).

"Neither space nor time limit those ties of interest and affection which bind us so closely together," the princess told a welcoming throng headed by Governor Sir Hubert Rance at Port of Spain's flag-decked airport. "I hope to see as much of you as of your lovely countryside."

**GOVERNOR REPLIES**

Rance said he hoped her visit to Trinidad, 10 miles off the coast of Venezuela, "will prove an auspicious start to a happy and memorable tour" of the British-ruled islands curving up the Caribbean.

"Your Royal Highness has come to a colony where political, economic and industrial development is proceeding apace and whose population is more cosmopolitan than that of any other in the British Empire," the governor said.

"It is only because the foundations of that Empire are laid on principles of liberty and justice for all Her Majesty's subjects and because those subjects are united in loyalty and devotion to their sovereign that the representatives of so many races and religions are able to live together in peace and harmony."

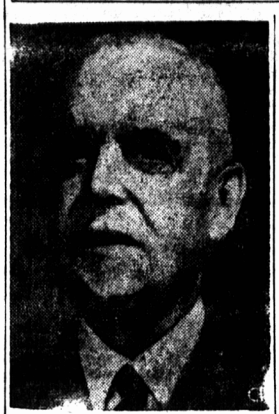
**STOPPED AT JAMAICA**

Margaret set foot on new world soil for the first time Tuesday morning at Montego Bay, Jamaica, another British colony 1,250 miles northwest of Trinidad during a refuelling stop on the long leg southward from Montreal, where the Canopus halted briefly Monday night. She is paying an official call to Jamaica Feb. 17, but got in a visit with Governor Sir Hugh M. Foot before taking off for this city.

Radiant in a blue-green V-necked dress with white patterns, the princess took a ride in the governor's car and had a cup of coffee at a beach house. She smiled and waved to cheering Jamaicans.

At the airport in Trinidad the princess wore a pale beige tulle dress with open-toe high-heeled black shoes.

# AIR AND SEA CLASHES FLARED ON TUESDAY AROUND TACHENS; CIVILIANS ARE LEAVING



73 Yesterday

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent, who turned 73 Tuesday, was sent a message of congratulations from his cabinet colleagues. Trade Minister Howe, acting government leader, sent the message to London where Mr. St. Laurent is attending the Commonwealth prime ministers conference.

**OFFER ACCEPTED**

TORONTO (CP)—Toronto city council has accepted the offer of E. P. Taylor and associates to build a \$12,000,000 civic auditorium and instructed board of control to negotiate details. The offer was put forward last week. The auditorium is to be built and operated by the O'Keefe Centre Foundation, a non-profit organization on which the city will be represented.

## Only India Differs Will Stand By U.S. In Crisis

By FRASER WIGLION  
LONDON, (Reuters)—The Commonwealth prime ministers, India excepted, agreed at their conference Tuesday on the "vital importance" of standing with the United States in the Formosa crisis, a British government spokesman said.

In reporting "a very large degree of unanimity" in the prime ministers' approach to the Formosa question, the spokesman noted it was "generally known that India takes a slightly different view."

At the conference's morning session, Foreign Secretary Eden said the Commonwealth leaders who had turned up for the UN invitation. However, reliable sources had told Reuters earlier that India's Prime Minister Nehru had put forward a plan for a conference outside the UN framework.

**NOT A PROPOSAL**

Canadian sources said such a conference might have been mentioned in informal talks between officials of Canada and India but had never reached the stage of being raised as a proposal. Canadian delegation officials rejected suggestions Canada had proposed such a conference.

One factor which might restrain Canada's enthusiasm for such a conference—if the Security Council bid for a settlement breaks down—would be knowledge that the United States might oppose it.

Nehru, who regards with tolerance Peiping's claim to possession of Nationalist-held Formosa and all the off-shore islands, conferred for half an hour with Huan Hsiang, Chinese Communist charge d'affaires in London, at the latter's request. It was understood the main subject of the talk was Formosa.

Nehru later lunched with Eden and Canada's Prime Minister St. Laurent. He is believed to have informed them of the latest Communist views on the crisis.

## Sees St. Laurent And Nehru As Key Figures

LONDON, (CP)—Prime Ministers St. Laurent of Canada and Nehru of India are emerging as the key figures of the Commonwealth conference, says The Daily Express.

The newspaper refers to the meeting of the two Commonwealth statesmen Monday in the Canadian leader's hotel suit, and adds: "Mr. Nehru has the confidence of Sir Anthony Eden, the Russians and Chinese."

"Mr. St. Laurent and his foreign minister, Mr. Lester Pearson—who is also at the conference—carry as much weight in Washington as they do in London."

The newspaper thus implies that between the Indian and Canadian prime ministers are well equipped to interpret to the other Commonwealth countries the varying attitudes of the United States and Communist China.

## Two Pilots Killed In T-33 Jet Crash

WINNIPEG, (CP)—Two pilots were killed Tuesday when an RCAF T-33 jet trainer from the RCAF station at Portage la Prairie, Man., crashed in a farmer's field near Roland, Man., 50 miles southwest of Winnipeg. The plane exploded and the blast was heard for miles.

The RCAF identified one victim as Ptl. Lt. Al Harper of Toronto, an instructor. The other was a NATO student from Europe whose name was withheld until next-of-kin are notified.

## 54 Below In N. B. Tuesday

SAINT JOHN, N. B. (CP)—Bitter weather throughout New Brunswick was expected to moderate before dawn Wednesday after plunging the mercury to marks usually rarely ranging down to 54 below zero in Carleton county. The lowest official Tuesday reading was 37 below at Edmundston in Madawaska county.

The 54 report came from the village of Cloverdale, near Hartland. One resident at Waterville, another Carleton county village, claimed his thermometer had registered 53. Florenceville reported 45 and Hartland 43.

**CENSORSHIP PLANNED**

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—Nationalist China is preparing to clamp down a press censorship once the evacuation of the Tachen islands gets under way. The censorship will follow that enforced by the United States 7th Fleet.

## Extension Announced Of Smelt Fishing Season

OTTAWA, (Special)—Extension of the smelt-fishing season in eastern New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island waters for two weeks was announced in the Commons Tuesday afternoon by J. Watson MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Sinclair. Under the new extension, the season will remain open up to and including February 28.

"Since the catch this year is substantially lower than in previous years, and since unusually mild weather has curtailed the fishing of smelts through the ice, it has been decided to extend the season in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island waters for a period of two weeks, which will bring it up to and including February 28."

## Heavy Fire Damage Last Night To Eaton Warehouse

MONCTON (CP)—Fire chief Murray McKie Tuesday night estimated damage at "hundreds of thousands of dollars" after the northeast corner of the T. Eaton Company warehouse was practically gutted. The building is in the Victoria industrial centre here and separate from the company's main office and retail store.

Officials said a workman's blow torch, used for thawing washroom pipes frozen in Tuesday's intense cold, started the fire. Firemen had to fight both the flames and temperature 3 1/2 hours.

Company officials said their estimates of damage must await a survey of stocks salvaged and ruined. Most of the loss was believed caused by smoke and water.

**REMOVE MATERIAL**

Employees worked late to remove material before it could freeze with water from hoses and the building's sprinkler system.

All the city's fire apparatus except one unit answered two alarms. The outbreak was controlled in an hour but smouldering continued long after.

## Quebec May Ban Pinball Machines

QUEBEC (CP)—Premier Duplessis announced Tuesday his government will sponsor legislation to ban possession of pinball machines in Quebec province.

Mr. Duplessis made the announcement during discussion of a bill introduced by the city of Montreal before the private bills committee of the legislative assembly.

"Occasions of evil must be eliminated as much as possible," Mr. Duplessis said, adding that the legislation will not be enforced immediately upon royal assent in order to give the municipal affairs department time to assess the effect of the ban on municipal budgets. In many municipalities pinball machines are licensed.

## Amalgamation of Banks Approved

OTTAWA, (CP)—Governor-General Vincent Massey signed an order-in-council Tuesday formally approving the amalgamation of the Bank of Toronto and Dominion Bank under the name of the Toronto-Dominion Bank.

This is the first bank amalgamation in 47 years, and the third in Canadian history. It reduces the number of chartered banks to 10 from 11.

The new banking institution will start life with assets of about \$1,132,000,000, some 450 branches and \$45,000,000 in shareholders' equity. It will be fourth in size among the chartered banks.

## Hospital Damaged At Glace Bay

GLACE BAY, N. S. (CP)—Patients were hastily evacuated from the wooden tuberculosis annex of the Glace Bay general hospital Tuesday as flames shot into the air from the burning steeple on the building.

Firemen battled for an hour in zero weather to bring the blaze under control.

No one was injured. The number of patients in the wing was not known. They were taken through a tunnel to the adjacent main hospital building.

Hospital officials were reported making arrangements to have the patients moved to the Point Edward naval T. B. hospital in Glace Bay.

Damage estimates were not immediately available.

## Body Found In Alberta Field

EDMONTON, (CP)—The RCMP reported Tuesday a woman's partially-clad body had been found in a field eight miles east of Edmonton.

The unidentified body was clothed in slacks and one bedroom slipper. The other slipper and blouse were found nearby.

Police said the body bore no marks of violence but an autopsy will be performed to determine cause of death.

## 23 Deaths From Tornadoes

MEMPHIS, Tenn., (AP)—Tornadoes and violent windstorms ripped through nearby areas of Mississippi and eastern Arkansas Tuesday claiming at least 23 lives.

The main tornado hit the rich delta plantation lands around Commerce, Miss., about 30 miles south of here and police counted 20 dead and 45 houses destroyed.

A second twister demolished a schoolhouse in a rural area near Oshtemo, Miss., about 30 miles east of Commerce, killing at least three of the 25 pupils inside. Details were sketchy.

## Death In Ch'town Of Former Concert Soloist

A brilliant career as a concert artist is recalled by the death of Mrs. Kenneth B. Richards, which occurred at her home, 249 Euston Street, Charlottetown, yesterday, after a long illness.

Formerly Miss. Hermina West, she achieved national reputation in the United States as a soprano soloist under her maiden name, and since her marriage to Mr. Richards in 1926 and her subsequent residence in this city, gave concerts of outstanding merit in aid of the Red Cross, the Sanatorium and other philanthropic causes, as well as recitals in the various churches. She also gave generously of her means to charitable purposes, for the most part anonymously.

Mrs. Richards endeared herself to a wide circle of musical friends by her charm and magnetic personality, and will long be remembered in Charlottetown, but in Summerside and

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## Gov't Ends CMHC Power Over Top Prices For Homes

OTTAWA (CP)—The government has ended the nine-year power of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to fix top sales prices for houses erected by commercial builders getting maximum loans.

Henceforth, the builder, for the first time since 1946, will be able to get the maximum National Housing Act loan and sell his house for whatever price he can get.

The government expects that in some areas this policy shift will cause a temporary price jump, but that prices later will flatten out. Peak production combined with a step-up in competition for the house-buyer's dollar should give the purchaser more house for his money, the government said.

**USED AS FLOOR**

Works Minister Winters, announcing elimination of the government housing agency's price control policy, told the Commons that in some areas the maximum selling prices is being used by builders as a floor rather than a ceiling.

"In other words, the ceiling price set by the corporation is susceptible to representation to purchasers as being the price at which the house must be sold," he said.

Under the CMHC policy, builders could get the top loan only if they agreed not to sell the house at a price higher than that determined by CMHC. If the house was sold at a higher price, the builder had to take a 10-per-cent loan cut.

**NO LONGER WARRANTED**

Currently the maximum loan is 90 per cent of the first \$8,000 of the house lending value and 70 per cent of the amount in excess of that up to a loan ceiling of \$12,900. The ceiling was introduced, Mr. Winters said, to protect prospective home buyers from "unduly high prices," but conditions now are such "that continuation of this policy seems no longer to be warranted."

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## U. S. Senate Approves SEATO

WASHINGTON (CP)—The Senate has overwhelmingly backed the Southeast Asia defence treaty, the new eight-nation bulwark to Communist aggression and subversion in the Far East.

In an unusual burst of speed, the Senate Tuesday ratified the treaty after only 100 minutes of debate and with only one lone isolationist voice raised against it.

The vote was 82 to 1. The single dissenter was Senator William Langer (Rep.-N.D.). He declared that the United States should "mind its own business and keep out of foreign entanglements all over Europe and Asia."

## Eisenhower Views On Formosa

By JACK BELL  
WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower was reported to have told Republican congressional leaders Tuesday he foresees no need for use of American ground forces in defending Formosa and its outposts.

Leaders in both Houses spent two hours and 15 minutes with the president at the White House. Senator William Knowland of California, the Senate republican chief, said the group was "briefed" on the Formosa situation and discussed it in general terms.

From another source, it was learned that Eisenhower assured the congressional group that there is no present or likely future need for American ground troops.

He was said to have added that equipment and supplies are being rushed to bring the Nationalist Chinese divisions to top fighting form.

**CONFERENCE TODAY**

Eisenhower is expected to elaborate on Formosa at his press conference today.

Some members of Congress had made it clear they were disturbed by reported testimony of Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, army chief of staff, that a division of American troops might be needed to help defend the Nationalist-held islands of Quemoy and Matsu.

The resolution overwhelmingly passed by Congress last week authorized the president to use American forces and weapons to defend Formosa, the Pescadore islands and "related positions and territories."

The president was reported to have made it clear at Tuesday's conference he regards this as covering the defence of Quemoy and Matsu, which command mainland ports of Amoy and Foochow from which invasion fleets might be launched against Formosa.

**HAVE ENOUGH STRENGTH**

Eisenhower was said to have indicated he believes Chinese Nationalist land forces are sufficient on these islands, if supported by American sea and air units.

It was reported that Eisenhower and his advisers view the Formosa crisis with some optimism. It was said that American intelligence reports have indicated there may be some friction between Red China's head of state, Mao Tse-tung, and the Communist premier and foreign minister, Chou En-lai.

## May Boost Gasoline Tax In Manitoba

WINNIPEG (CP)—Speculation that Manitoba's gasoline tax may be increased gained new strength Tuesday with a reference to "important legislation" concerning the gasoline tax act in the speech from the throne, read at the opening of the second session of the 24th legislature.

The tax currently is nine cents a gallon, lowest in Canada.

The speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor J. S. McDiarmid, gave little indication of other legislation, but it ended speculation that a special spring session would be held to consider the report of the Manitoba liquor inquiry commission.

The commission, under former premier John Bracken, has been studying the province's liquor legislation and was expected to return its findings this spring.

The speech said the report may be completed "by mid-summer of this year," ending the possibility of a spring session.

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## Canadian Seed Potatoes Prove Popular In Greece

OTTAWA, (Special)—Mounting popularity of Canadian seed potatoes in Greece is noted in the magazine "Foreign Trade" official organ of the Department of Trade and Commerce, whose February issue was issued Tuesday.

The article in the magazine on potatoes notes that for the second successive year, the agricultural Bank of Greece in 1954 brought Canadian seed potatoes to distribute to farmers' cooperatives throughout that country. The first shipment on record of Canadian potato seed was made last crop year and totalled 430 tons.

Planting of this seed was so successful in 1954 that in spite of the season's much higher prices the agricultural bank purchased 1,580 tons of Canadian seed of which 70 percent was of the Sebago and the balance of the Kathadin variety. This fourfold increase may suggest even larger success for Canada in the years to come.

Delivery of the Canadian seed to Grecian ports was scheduled for last month. Insuring its arrival at its farm destinations is ample time for early spring plantings.

## Corrin Murder Appeal Postponed

WILLOW GROVE, (CP)—The appeal of Wilbert Corrin from a murder conviction was postponed Tuesday for one month by the Quebec Court of Appeals. The postponement was requested by the crown.

The 42-year-old Gaspere prospect is under sentence to be hanged March 12 for the murder of Richard Lindsey, 17, one of three Holidayburg, Pa., hunters whose mutilated remains were found in Gaspere wilderness in July, 1955.

## 75 Driven From Homes By Fire

OTTAWA, (CP)—Fire Tuesday swept through a connected row of eight homes at Hill and Wellington streets in central Ottawa, driving more than 75 persons from their homes.

No one was injured. No estimate of damage was available.

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FLAT FEET NEVER WON A FAIR DANCER

Coming Events

- Come to card party in Stanley Bridge Friday, Feb. 4.
- Don't miss the Centennial Irish Minstrel in the North Ruelo hall, Thursday, Feb. 3, 8.15.
- Pantry Sale, Fennell and Chandler, Saturday, February 5th, at 12 o'clock. South Winsloe Women's Institute.
- Dance, West Royalty Hall, Wednesday, Rolie McKensie's Orchestra. Gasteau Service, 9.30 to 12.30.
- Double header at North River Rink tonight, North River versus Milton, 7.30; Hampshire vs. Long Creek. League games. Skate after.
- Hockey Craquad Rink tonight, double header, Craquad vs. Kinross. First game 7.30; second game Nine Mile Creek vs. Breadalban, 9 o'clock. Skate after. General February 3.