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WANT ACTION NOW

Joan Marchand (left) of Quebec City, president of the Confederation of National Trade Unions, discusses the conference's brief with Prime Minister Pearson at Ottawa Wednesday. The brief said that effective government action must be taken now or it will soon be too late to preserve Canadian independence in the face of domination by the United States. (CP Wirephoto)

Quebec's Partner's Seen Too Tight With Money

OTTAWA (CP)—A freshman Liberal MP from Quebec, Séverin, moved the traditional address that French-Canadian sometimes feel like a wife whose husband keeps most of the money and flirts with other women. "One of the reasons La Belle Province gets mad sometimes and seeks a divorce certainly is that her partner is too tight with the money," said Séverin. Pierre Cole (L.—Longueuil) gave her the right reply, as she can pay her own expenses and live on a sound budget. Mr. Cole, a dental technician, 38, who unseated former asso-

9635 Tons On Highway Titled 'Sad Picture'

Highway accident figures for 1963 presented what Hon. J. David Stewart yesterday termed "a sad picture," with 53 deaths, 461 injuries and \$63,840 in property damage reported. Mr. Stewart, speaking in the draft address debate in the Legislature, was dealing with the department as provincial secretary. The minister said 1964 was "the worst year for motor vehicle accidents in P.E.I. as far as records are available," he said. These figures, compared with those for 1963, represent a 37 per cent increase in highway deaths, a 22 per cent increase in injuries, and a 59 per cent increase in property damage, he said. He said the major causes of these accidents—most of which occurred to drivers in the "25-34" age bracket—were "speeding, inadequate driving, and lack of attention." He noted that with the exception of a few "repeaters," most of the drivers penalized by the point system "tend to become fully aware of the responsibilities of driving." He mentioned that driving clinics for motorists with records are planned for the summer, and said he will bring up more safety measures when the budget debate gets underway.

PREMIER IS PRAISED Minister Calls Himself Politician On Way Out

HON. J. DAVID STEWART, holder of three portfolios in the provincial government, referred to himself in the Legislature yesterday as "an appreciative politician on the way out." His remark came while he was participating in the debate on the draft address. Referring to the political career of Premier Walter H. Scott, Mr. Stewart called him "an amazing man. People of his age are usually content to 'hunker' put on their slippers, have a smoke and take a drink of tea. We are fortunate in having him. He came up through the civil service and knows the people and their problems—and therefore can make much wiser decisions." In concluding his reference to Premier Shaw, Mr. Stewart said he remarks and "not the remarks of an apple-polling politician on the way out." Asked by a reporter last night if he would elaborate on his remark, which obviously referred to

Liberal MLA Opposes Banning Top Killers

ANGELO DO HEROSIMO (AP) Dined and shaken by four days of earthquakes, more than 1,000 refugees reached this Azores port Wednesday from the ruins of the little Azores island of Sao Jorge. A pall of sulphur hung over Sao Jorge. Its chief town, Velas with a population of 3,000, was in rubble. Then, after four days of nightmarish violence, the seismic shocks began to die and at mid-afternoon Wednesday the captain of Angoro's port called off the U.S., British, Norwegian, Italian and Yugoslav ships which had been ferrying in refugees. Chief concern became the comfort of the 19,000 or so islanders left behind. A Portuguese Army battalion left Angra with tents, medicine and food. Only 20 miles of sea separate Sao Jorge and Angra, on the Azores island of Terceira, making it possible to move refugees out quickly. Jose Miniz Madruga, 48, a sailor, told how it was on the island. The earth shocks came one after another, persisting through the night so no one could sleep. Deep cracks formed in the stone walls of his home. Another said he would have to leave. Twenty shocks were recorded Tuesday night. WALKED TO EAST COAST The people left the western part of the island, and walked across 34-mile-long Sao Jorge to Calheta, at the east coast. A rescue ship was waiting. Cardoso said the rescue operation was halted "because authorities believe the situation has become stable."

Copter To Seek Man On Ice Cake

HALIFAX (CP)—RCAP Search and Rescue here said Wednesday night a helicopter would leave at dawn today to attempt to rescue a man adrift on a cake of ice a few miles north of Port Hood. He was about one-quarter mile offshore. The man was believed to have been hunting seals when a cake of ice broke loose. He said it was with regret that I take that stand."

MLA Makes Plea For Young Group

"Someone, sometime, must take a stand on behalf of young workers who are already over-taxed and just struggling along," Frank Myers (PC-ist Queens) said in the Legislature yesterday. "I still don't think that building should be in the confines of the city," he said, "it should have been built away on a hill somewhere." "I've been told that when the building is finished it will take two hours to go through it. Where will the country people park their cars when they are browsing around the building? We'll get parking tickets." Mr. Myers said he was pleased to note that there is a movement afoot to have Prince of Wales College made into a de facto green-granting university. "I hope that in the future this will become a reality," he said. "The college," he went on, "should be taken out of government control so that it will be able to receive bequests and legacies." He stated that he had visited (Continued on Page 3 Col. 2)

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TOURISM ON INCREASE Calling tourism "the second largest industry in the province," Mr. Stewart said that tourist spending in 1963 was \$10,200,000, almost a million dollars higher than the \$9,200,000 spent in 1962. He said, "showing a substantial increase." Mr. Stewart said that Nova Scotia is "now our number one customer as far as where tourists come from from the Atlantic is followed by New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec. Quebec is the largest source of tourists and may soon surpass that province. THE BRITISH freighter Ambassador, lies beached in a foamy Atlantic waters, her engines stopped and hatches partially stowed in huge seas. This picture was taken from an RCAF Argus aircraft.

Dramatic Rescue Team Saves Lives of 4 Others Missing, 4 Others Drowned

NEW YORK (AP)—A dramatic rescue operation saved 21 crew members Wednesday from the storm-stricken British grain ship Ambassador in the North Atlantic. The U.S. Coast Guard said 14 others were missing "and presumed drowned." A coast guard cutter and a Norwegian tanker teamed in taking aboard all the known survivors in the crew of 35. The 14 men unaccounted for were lost when a liferaft capsized Tuesday in seas that ranged up to 40 feet high. About 10 other men aboard the raft managed to climb a rubber back aboard the Ambassador to await rescue. The Norwegian freighter Fruen took nine men from the Ambassador shortly after dawn Wednesday and the coast guard cutter Coos Bay saved the other 12. The Coos Bay, after taking the last man aboard the other vessels from the operation. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS The Coos Bay radioed in the Fruen and Italian liner Vulcania, which had been searching the area for survivors. "All persons removed from disabled vessel Ambassador. All vessels released from search. Your assistance in keeping with the highest traditions of the sea and greatly appreciated." The radio transmissions from the scene to search for the missing crew members. The cutter said the 43-odd Ambassador, her engines dead and cargo shifted, was listing at a 90-degree angle to the left. Winds ranged up to 65 miles an hour. The Ambassador, a 7,206-ton vessel, had been en route from Philadelphia to England when she was struck by the waves Tuesday about 600 miles southeast of Halifax. Her water-tight compartments, leaving her helpless before the waves.

Balanced N.S. Budget Forecast

HALIFAX (CP)—A balanced budget with no tax increases and record government spending of \$18,615,000 is forecast in the Nova Scotia budget unveiled in the Legislature Wednesday by Finance Minister G. L. Smith. An additional \$8,470,000 has been allocated for debt charges. Forecast government expenditures are about \$11,000,000 more than anticipated for the current fiscal period ending March 31 this year. Most of the increase is in the government's highest spending department—education—which is expected to spend \$5,343,000 in 1964-65, an increase of about \$4,600,000. Revenue is forecast to rise to a record \$126,694,000. Forecast revenue in the current fiscal year is \$115,443,000. A balanced budget will be achieved by transfer of \$38,000 to general funds from the hospital reserve fund. Mr. Smith said \$5,740,000 of the increased revenue comes from the federal government as a result of new tax-sharing agreements reached at a federal-provincial conference in Ottawa last November.

Robbery Loot Is Recovered

SANT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—City police said Wednesday night a large portion of the loot from a robbery-slitting at the offices of a steelworking firm here Feb. 13 has been recovered. They released no details of the recovery of the money taken in a robbery at H.S. Gregory and Sons Limited, steelworking contractors. Although an official estimate is still lacking, it is believed up to \$15,000 was stolen in the holdup. Company president Hugh S. Gregory, 65, was fatally shot.

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Ruby's Trial Moves Slowly

By ARTHUR EVERETT DALLAS (AP)—The state barred its first candidate from the jury for the Jack Ruby murder trial Wednesday because the candidate failed the defendant emotionally disturbed when he shot Lee Harvey Oswald. The defence also forced two others from the panel. In all, 18 prospects have been tried through the courtroom in the last two days and no one has been accepted for jury duty.

RCAP Pilot Describes Early Attempts At Rescue

The following eyewitness account of early attempts to rescue the disabled British freighter Ambassador is by RCAF pilot, captain of a coastal patrol plane that took part. Written For The Canadian Press By PHILIP J. ALLAN. HALIFAX (CP)—We were all most of our area of patrol when we got the message that we were to go into the search for the Ambassador, about 400 miles south of here. We arrived about half an hour behind a United States Navy aircraft carrier. The rules that scrambled from Argentina, Nid, for the search and rescue of the ship. The terms north and south of the ship were not used. Then the Ambassador pulled out an O S signal and we bonded on it, arriving beside her about the same time as the coast guard. We dropped two sonobuoys—two are instruments that normally dropped in the water as part of submarine searching and the coast guard went back to guide the Italian passenger liner Leonardo da Vinci to the scene. It took about an hour for her to get there. Then the coast guard dropped three rubber dinghies into seas as rough as I've ever seen. One of the dinghies was punctured in the drop. They landed close to the ship.

STEP INTO DINGHIES

Eight crew members climbed aboard. The ship had what looked to be a 20-degree list, and they could slip from the right into the dinghies. I doubt if they got their feet wet. The ship was rolling heavily to port. The dinghies seemed to be attached to the ship by a wire. It took about an hour for men were trying to get in them. There was a heavy roll and the ship's rail appeared to turn over two of the dinghies, disrupting the people in the water. It is possible that one of the dinghies could have been assembled on the ship and then we saw two or three dinghies to another one. I don't think there was anyone in the third raft. It was hard to make an accurate count, though. We were flying back and forth at about 300 feet alt something between 150 and 200 knots. The force attempting to rescue a 26-ton carrier disabled by the (CP Wirephoto)

The Italian liner Vulcania joined in the rescue effort but received a pop-over from the coast guard to leave at sunset Wednesday because the rough weather was giving trouble to 500 passengers. The first ship on the scene was the Italian liner Leonardo da Vinci which tried unsuccessfully to rescue the crew. Capt. Oscar Ribart, master of the da Vinci, said the weather was the worst in his 31 years as a seaman. The da Vinci departed after the rescue vessels arrived. She is due in New York Friday from Genoa. Hall Brothers, owner of the Ambassador, said it understood "all 35 men left the ship on one liferaft but the men on one raft decided to return aboard her. The others stayed on the raft." On the chance that some of the missing might have survived, the Vulcania steered a zig-zagging course in a search of the area and passed the coast guard, RCAF and U.S. Air Force search patterns. LINE BREAKS The Fruen managed to get a lifeline aboard the Ambassador shortly before 11 a.m. AST Wednesday and rescued some of the crew but the line broke later after raging weather. The Ambassador sent out SOS messages Tuesday morning and the coast guard steamed a forward hatch and flooded the engine room. Tug Heading For Freighter HALIFAX (CP)—The salvage tug Foundation Vigilant was steaming out from Berne's late Wednesday in an effort to get a line aboard the abandoned British whaler carrier Ambassador.