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Gov't Firm On Medical Expenses In Income Tax

OTTAWA, (CP) — A government spokesman Monday rejected a CCF proposal that the three-percent floor limiting deduction of medical expenses for income tax purposes be eliminated.

William Benedickson, parliamentary assistant to Finance Minister Abbott, said in the Commons that the government feels individuals should pay normal medical expenses without receiving income tax relief.

However, spokesmen for opposition parties supported the resolution of Stanley Knowles (CCF-Winnipeg North Centre) that the government consider removing the three-percent floor on deductible medical expenditures.

The resolution was defeated by a vote of 90 to 66, with CCF, Progressive Conservative and Social Credit members voting together in support of the proposal.

Mr. Knowles said taxpayers should be allowed to deduct from their income every dollar spent on medical care, up to the ceiling of \$1,500 for single persons, \$2,000 for married persons and \$300 for each dependent, up to four.

The three-percent floor permits a taxpayer with a total income, for instance, of \$3,000 to deduct from that medical expenses exceeding \$90.

Mr. Benedickson spoke in the absence of Finance Minister Abbott, who is attending a Commonwealth Finance Ministers' conference in Australia.

He said that Mr. Abbott has not changed the views expressed last year in opposing a similar resolution sponsored by Mr. Knowles.

Started in 1942
Income tax deductions of medical expenses, first allowed in 1942 were not intended to help everyone, but only those who had above - averaged medical expenditures.

The floor had originally been five per cent and had been lowered twice to the present three per cent.

Mr. Benedickson said the savings under the proposed resolution would not mean "the difference between hardship and well-being" to individual taxpayers. A married man with no dependents and an income of \$2,100 would have a maximum tax saving of \$10.71.

However, the cost to the government would be about \$35,000,000, which was greater than last year's government surplus of about \$24.

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Coming Events

- Bingo and Dance in Vernon River Hall, Tuesday, January 19th.
- Auction and dance Vernon Hall Thursday, Jan. 21st.
- Reserve January 19th. Crokinole Party, Kingston Hall, Aid of school.
- Buying pigs daily. Paying \$30.00 pair good pigs over twenty-five pounds. William Prowse.
- Rummage sale, Wednesday, Jan. 20, 6:30 p.m., St. Peter's Cathedral Hall.
- Rummage sale Batt & MacRae's Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. Auspices Spring Park Community Club.
- Come to Hampton Hall Jan. 22, 8 o'clock, and hear Dr. Lloyd Shaw lecture on Robert Burns.
- Doubleheader at North River rink Jan. 19. Dunstaffnage vs. North River at 7:30; Long Creek vs. Winsloe 8:45. Skate after.
- Come to Hampton Hall Friday night. Scottish songs and dances, accompanied by Piper MacLaren. Also Scottish readings by George Bears.
- Hog producers Frederickton and Breadalbane. John Bertram will be collecting hogs for Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. through your district every Wednesday until train time. For prompt and efficient trucking service please phone Hunter River 20-14.
- Master Feeds. — Master Feeds just arrived. Pig Grower, Linseed Meal, 32% Dairy Concentrate, 24% Dairy Concentrate, Pig Concentrate. Special cash prices off car. Dial 3186. L. J. Rossiter, Grafton Street East, Charlottetown.
- Just arrived hog concentrate \$5.85; Dairy concentrate \$4.95; Royal chick starter \$4.60; scratch feed with corn \$3.65; bone meal \$5.45; barley meal \$3.05; Crack corn \$4.40. Also special prices on flour. At Royal Feed Service Warehouse, Grafton St. East. Dial 88-2.



Capt. M. A. McTague, M.C. (above) who recently returned from active service in Korea and is now visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McTague, 25 Bishop St., accompanied by his wife, the former Miss Elsie Marshall of Arichat, N.S.

Rev. G. W. Guiou Gets Appointment

SAINT JOHN, N. B., (CP) — Rev. Gerald W. Guiou, who retired recently after serving 13 years as pastor of Zion Baptist Church at Yarmouth, N. S., has been appointed Maritime Provinces field secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Housewife Helps Capture Suspect

TORONTO, (CP) — Police said Monday a Toronto housewife who was dragged over a six-foot embankment while clinging to a man's foot was responsible for capturing a suspect charged with looting scores of automatic coin-operated laundry machines in Toronto.

Mr. William Corby said her husband and son William cornered a man in their basement with a shotgun Saturday. The man pushed the gun aside and fled to the street. Mrs. Corby, waiting outside, grabbed him by the ankle. The five-foot woman was pulled over the bank but held on until her husband and son arrived.

Police said they have charged James Gaah, 20, a semi-professional Toronto baseball player, with 74 counts of theft. They said he used a screwdriver to force locks off the money containers.

Cadet Enlistments

OTTAWA, (CP) — Nearly 3,000 navy, army and air force cadets enlisted for active service in the three branches of the armed forces between Jan. 1, 1953, and Sept. 30, 1953.

The defence department said Monday in a reply to a question tabled in the commons for Lt.-Col. Douglas Harkness PC—Calgary North that 1,840 cadets enlisted in 1952 and 1,137 in the first nine months of 1953, a total of 2,977.

Delegates Arriving For Dairy Farmers Meeting

HAMILTON, (CP) — All members of Canadian provinces were represented as delegates arrived here today for the annual meeting of the Dairy Farmers of Canada.

Eric Kitchin, of Woodstock, Ont., secretary - manager of the Dairy Farmers of Canada, said Newfoundland would be the only place not represented at the meeting; the association not having been organized in this province yet.

Will Consider Economics, Disease And Witchcraft

LONDON, (Reuters) — African witchcraft, the disease-carrying tsetse fly, and the prosperity of 100,000,000 African natives will be considered co-operatively by Britain, France, Belgium and Portugal, under an agreement signed here Monday night.

The Union of South Africa and the new Central African Federation also signed the document, which gives formal status to the commission for technical co-operation in Africa south of the Sahara.

Even without Spain, the four powers are responsible for more than 8,000,000 square miles and 100,000,000 people south of the Sahara.

At its current meeting in London, the commission, set up four years ago, will consider new activities in the field of health, animal disease, geology, sociology and climatology.

The delegates also will approve the 1954 budget for the commission, and for the scientific council for Africa south of the Sahara. The latter body brings together scientific specialists rather than government officials.

Experts from the six countries will attend three more conferences this year—on education, soils and co-operatives. Next year they will discuss medical co-operation and the mechanization of agriculture.

The scientific council includes among its varied activities a study of the social background of the African tribes.

The commission was described a year ago by Paul van Zeeeland, Belgian foreign minister, as the best answer to widespread criticisms and misunderstandings of colonial policy.

Manufacturing Wages Increase

OTTAWA, (CP) — Average wages in Canada's manufacturing industry edged ahead to a new high of \$56.88 on Nov. 1.

This was an increase from \$55.69 on Oct. 1 and \$55.15 on Nov. 1, 1952, the bureau of statistics reported Monday.

The average work week dropped slightly to 41.4 hours from 41.5 in October and 42.1 in the previous year, while average hourly earnings rose to \$1.374 from \$1.368 and \$1.31.

Suggests U. S. Should See Storm Signals In Canada

TORONTO, (CP) — If the United States is wise it will realize Canadian storm signals are flying, George Ferguson, editor of the Montreal Star, said today.

"It is not that we have suddenly developed a rush of nationalism to the head and have become a difficult neighbor more or less overnight," he said. "What we are doing is what we have always been doing. We are reacting against the pressure we most immediately feel."

Canada today is resisting U. S. pressure as she once resisted British pressure, Mr. Ferguson said in an address prepared for delivery to the Canadian Club here.

"If the reaction seems odd to our neighbor, it is likely, rather than we, who should make the adjustment," he said.

Since the Second World War Canada had sought to counterpose an adequate supply and reasonable prices which produced a better consumption per capita. The price did not run away in the low production periods and thus has held quite steady throughout the years.

Big Four Experts Work Out Conference Details

BERLIN, (Reuters) — Russia and the West are expected to have trouble settling the very first major point to come up when the Big Four foreign ministers meet in Berlin next Monday—the scope of the conference and the order of discussion.

The West says its major point will be reunification of Germany on the basis of free elections. But the first move in Soviet rejection of this plan already has come from Premier Otto Grottel, a German audience during the week-end that Germany is not a key problem.

He declared that the key topics for the conference will be "world peace" and the recognition of Communist China as one of the great powers.

It was tacitly agreed in diplomatic exchanges between Moscow and the Western capitals leading to the conference that the foreign ministers themselves would fix the agenda when they arrived in Berlin.

Force Discussion
Western diplomats here are convinced that Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov will attempt from the

start to force discussion on general world tension, and will relate the debate to disarmament, his demand for outlawing atomic weapons, and abandonment of foreign military bases by the West.

The British, U. S. and French ministers are expected to counter any such move by demanding that Russia prove her sincerity by agreeing to free elections in Germany and a grant of freedom to Austria.

The only item both sides have agreed to discuss is "European security."

Recent articles in Pravda, the Soviet communist party organ, indicate that Moscow is so strongly opposed to the six-nation European Army plan that she will not agree to serious discussion on the future peace of Europe unless the west gives up the army plan.

The Western Ministers are united in refusing even to consider such a demand.

Pravda also confirmed Western fears about Russia's attitude to a German settlement. "So-called free elections," it declared, brought Hitler and other "dictatorial cliques" to power.

Western and Soviet officials met at British headquarters here Monday to iron out technical details of the conference.

receiving their certificates will be guests of Lieutenant Governor Prowse and Mrs. Prowse at Government House to witness the ceremony.

The following Scouts are scheduled to receive their certificates: (name of parents in brackets): 2nd Summerside Troop: Charles Hickey (Mr. Cyril Hickey); Noel Palmer (Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer); 3rd Summerside Troop: Anthony Coles (Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Coles); Donald Coles (Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Coles); Edward Henthorne (Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Henthorne); Reagh Clark (Mr. and Mrs. R. Clark); 1st Georgetown Troop: Donald MacDonald (Mr. and Mrs. John MacDonald); Jack Lavers (Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lavers); 7th Charlottetown: Ivan Duvar (Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Duvar); Robert Hyndman (Mr. and Mrs. W. Hyndman); Fred Hyndman (Mr. and Mrs. W. Hyndman); Derek Dew (Mr. and Mrs. Morton Dew); Rodney Ives (Mr. and Mrs. George Ives); John Massey (Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Massey); 9th Charlottetown: John MacLean (Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacLean); Blair MacDonald (Mr. and Mrs. Dan MacDonald); Thomas Davies (Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Davies); Donald MacArthur (Mr. and Mrs. James MacArthur); Ernest Peake (Mr. and Mrs. James Peake); William Henry (Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Henry); Alan MacKenzie (Dr. A. W. and Mrs. MacKenzie); Kenneth MacKenzie (Dr. J. W. and Mrs. MacKenzie); William Reid Jr. (Brig W. W. and Mrs. Reid); 1st East Royal: James Gill (Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gill); George Kells (Mr. and Mrs. William Kells); Scoutmasters of Troops: 2nd Summerside, Donald MacDonald; 3rd Summerside, Morley Wylie; 1st Georgetown, Daniel MacCormack; 7th Charlottetown, Frank Jells; 9th Charlottetown, Bill Reid Sr.; East Royal (1st), Frank Costello.

Parents of the Queen's Scouts

ization and toward the Commonwealth. "Our government . . . is cultivating our Commonwealth bonds," he said. "If economics remain harshly opposed to them, there is much in other fields which has been strengthened."

Indians and Pakistanis had transferred their old fears of the British to new suspicions of the United States. If Canada, a friend of the two Asiatic countries, could show them it is possible to live beside the U. S. "without becoming a satellite, it may well encourage them to attempt the arduous task of working out a close and friendly association of the same kind."

New Indian Statement Is Expected

PANMUNJOM, (AP) — India's decision to start turning back 22,388 disputed war prisoners Wednesday to the two commands was threatened with delay today by Red China's failure to send a reply here over the controversial issue.

A new Indian statement was expected today, possibly putting off the operation a day or two.

Nonetheless, the UN command went ahead with plans to free 22,039 Chinese and North Koreans as civilians Saturday.

The command stood firm in the face of a new letter Monday from Lt.-Gen. K. S. Thimayya, India's chairman of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission, reiterating his view that such a release would violate the armistice.

Thimayya wrote both sides Jan. 14 that since they could not agree on disposition of the prisoners he had decided on his own to turn them back, starting this Wednesday.

UN To Accept Custody
Gen. John E. Hull, UN Far East commander, replied, saying his command would accept custody although feeling the commission had the "solemn obligation" under the armistice to keep the prisoners until Jan. 23 and then declare them civilians.

The Reds, while telling India in a note to New Delhi they "intensely disliked" the decision, have yet to reply to Thimayya's query whether they would take back the 21 Americans, one Briton and 327 South Koreans in the pro-Red camp.

Allied sources said apparently what Thimayya and the Indian government fear most is a Communist charge that they have contributed to any armistice violation.

Key Sentence
The sentence in the armistice terms which is the heart of this controversy reads: "Any prisoners of war who have not exercised their right to be repatriated and for whom no other disposition has been agreed to by the political conference within 120 days after the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission has assumed their custody shall be changed from the prisoner-of-war status to civilian status by declaration of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission."

The 120 days end at midnight Jan. 22. However, the Reds accused the Allies of tactics which made it impossible for prisoners to exercise "their right to be repatriated" through "come home" interviews.

RCMP Case Histories To Appear On TV
OTTAWA, (CP) — Television audiences in both the United States and Canada may soon get an intimate picture of how Canada's Mounties get their man.

Victor Stoloff, Hollywood film producer, arrived here today to begin production of a series of 13 dramatized TV films, showing case histories handled and solved by the RCMP, including the celebrated Gouzenko affair.

The 40-year-old Mr. Stoloff, who now is completing a similar series involving the New Orleans police department, said the Canadian films will be shot by Floyd Crosby who won an academy award for shooting the Hollywood film "High Noon."

Lloyd Bridges who appeared in that film starred by Gary Cooper has been chosen as leading man for the Canadian RCMP films. He will appear in the role of an RCMP inspector handling the various cases.

25 Killed In Volcano Eruption
JAKARTA, Indonesia, (Reuters) — Merapi, Java's 9,500-foot "killer volcano," erupted Monday, spouting lava and clouds of deadly volcanic dust which killed at least 25 persons and injured about 68.

Troops and police evacuated 2,000 persons from the danger area—about 25 miles northeast of Jakarta—as rain forced the choking clouds to the ground.

Two earth tremors signalled the start of the eruption, with streams of molten lava pouring from the crater towards the nearby village of Bojoli.

Official Opening Today Of St. Dunstan's Centennial

The official opening of the Centennial Year at St. Dunstan's College will be observed this morning when Most Rev. Maurice Roy, Archbishop of Quebec City, celebrates a Pontifical High Mass in the College chapel.

Sagr. Roy is Bishop of the oldest Catholic diocese in North America. He is also chancellor of Laval University, with which venerable institution St. Dunstan's College was affiliated for many years. The Archbishop arrived by plane yesterday, accompanied by his secretary, Rt. Rev. Paul Nicolle.

The sermon will be delivered by Rt. Rev. J. A. Murphy, who was rector of St. Dunstan's College from 1926 to 1943. Msgr. Murphy is the present pastor of St. Mary's Church, Souris.

Assisting Archbishop Roy at the High Mass will be Rt. Rev. V. MacKenzie, high priest; Rev. J. A. Sullivan and Rev. W. J. MacGuigan, deacons of honour; Rev. R. G. Ellsworth, deacon; Rev. A. MacDonald, sub-deacon; Rev. F. W. Bolger, masters of ceremonies. Most Rev. James Boyle, Bishop of Charlottetown, will be present in the sanctuary.

The college choir under the direction of Rev. L. W. Landrigan will sing the Mass "Te Deum Laudamus" by Lorenzo Perosi.

At noon a banquet for the student body and invited guests will be held in the College dining hall. Guest speakers for the occasion include Archbishop Roy, Msgr. MacKenzie, Rt. Rev. G. J. McLellan, and Mr. Justice Mark R. MacGuigan.

The guest of honour, Archbishop Roy, will be welcomed and formally introduced by Msgr. MacKenzie, rector of St. Dunstan's College. Msgr. McLellan, Vicar General of this diocese and former rector of the College, will speak on behalf of the older living graduates of St. Dunstan's, and Mr. Justice MacGuigan will deliver an address in his capacity as president of the Alumni Association.

In the evening the Dramatic Society of the College will present Mr. T. E. Eliot's famous drama on the martyrdom of St. Thomas A. Becket, "Murder in the Cathedral." This play is under the direction of Rev. Adrian Arsenault. It will be staged again later in the season for the convenience of those who may not be able to attend tonight's public performance.

Dies On Eve Of Hanging

CORNWALL, (CP) — Henri Seguin, to have hanged early today for murder, dropped dead at 11:15 o'clock Monday night.

The 29-year-old laborer, convicted of the murder of Leonard Hurd, collapsed and died in convulsions just an hour before he was to have been hanged.

The hanging was to be the first in Cornwall's jail in 28 years. Seguin was convicted last Oct. 29, more than a year after the body of Hurd, 41-year-old owner of a taxi business, was found with bullet holes in the head and chest in one of his taxis near Maxville, Ont., Aug. 26, 1952.

Take No Action On Water Fluoridation
TORONTO, (CP) — Works committee of Toronto's new metropolitan council decided Monday to make no action on the question of fluoridation of water supply. Ald. Joseph Gould had suggested that the committee poll area boards of health for opinions.

Italy Patches Up Third Government In 6 Months

By JAMES M. LONG
ROME, (AP) — Italy patched together a new Christian Democrat government Monday, but it had little hope of enough strength to cope with the nation's long-range problems.

Aminore Fanfani announced a cabinet that left out former premier Alcide De Gasperi and Giuseppe Pella. It is Italy's third government in six months.

Fanfani's cabinet was approved by President Luigi Einaudi Monday. He will present it to the president at the Quirinale Palace today.

The new premier will go before parliament for his first test on his program Jan. 26.

Sudden Death Of Sen. W. H. Dennis

OTTAWA, (CP) — Senator William Henry Dennis, publisher of the Halifax Chronicle-Herald and the Halifax Mail - Star, died suddenly here Monday. He was 66.

Senator Dennis was appointed to the Senate in 1932 by Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, former Conservative prime minister.

He joined the Halifax Herald when he was 12 years old as a printer's devil and worked his way to managing director and then publisher.

He returned to Ottawa Sunday night from his home in Halifax for resumption of Senate sittings tonight. He died at his Ottawa residence early Monday night.

Senator Dennis' death leaves the standing in the upper chamber: Liberals 80; Progressive Conservatives 7; vacant 15; total—102.

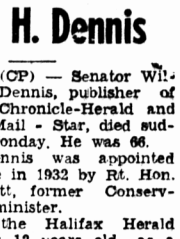
Senator Dennis for many years was a strong supporter of the Port of Halifax. He also was a leading figure during a long "Maritime rights" campaign for the Eastern Provinces. He headed the Senate tourist committee which was responsible for the creation of the Canadian Travel Bureau and continued to be one of the most vigorous supporters of tourist trade.

Gave Aid Freely
Some of his philanthropies were well known, but many more were done privately. He founded a summer colony for under-privileged children, gave prizes for annual competition in Maritime universities and made large donations to hospitals and charitable institutions.

He was appointed a governor of Dalhousie University, Halifax, in 1935.

He also will be remembered as donor of the trophy for the international schooner races which brought fame to the Lunenburg (Continued on page 5, col. 2)

These Are Great Days For Getting The Cold Shoulder



TORONTO, (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures:

City	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	20	24
Victoria	23	23
Edmonton	25b	6b
Calgary	30b	2b
Regina	15b	17a
Winnipeg	15b	9b
Toronto	8	27
Ottawa	21b	5
Montreal	11b	11
Quebec	18b	15
Saint John	15b	3
Moncton	15b	3
Halifax	1	12
Charlottetown	7	0
Sydney	11	13
Yarmouth	6	15
St. John's, Nfld.	28	23

HALIFAX, (CP) — The Dominion public weather office here says moderating weather will reach the Maritimes Tuesday, causing snow flurries in the southern Maritime and intermittent snow in the northern.

Regional forecasts:
Prince Edward Island, eastern N. B. counties: Cloudy with a few snowflurries; much milder; southerly winds 15; low-high at Charlottetown and Moncton five below and 20 above.

St. John River valleys, Bay of Chaleur: Overcast, snow flurries and much milder; southerly winds 15; low-high at Fredericton zero and 20, Saint John zero and 25, Edmundston and Campbellton 10 below and 15 above.

Bay of Fundy: Southerly winds 15; occasional light snow; visibility 15 miles lowering to five miles in snow; milder.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 11:36 a. m. and 10:52 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:46 a. m. and sets at 5:02 p. m.