

Quebec Drop In Birth Rate Sparks Worry

QUEBEC (CP)—French Canada survives today as a nation because of the high birth rate Quebec has maintained until recent years, says Abbe Gerard Dion of Laval University.

Abbe Dion, professor of industrial relations at Laval, says in the current issue of Perspectives Sociales—a review published under his direction—that he is worried about the future when he considers Quebec's declining birth rate, which now has dropped below Canada's national average.

"Whatever people say, numbers have a decisive importance in the survival and development of an ethnic group. Numbers alone are not enough, but without them you can do nothing."

"Right or wrong, and whether we like it or not, it is because of this high birth rate that we exist today—perhaps as individuals and without any doubt as a nation."

The Laval professor said he does not oppose birth control, but feels the government should make certain that parents have sufficient economy means to rear children, and to feed and educate them.

Deported Six Claimed Tied With Syndicate

MONTREAL (CP)—The Gazette says six Americans deported from Canada last week came here for meetings of a local crime syndicate.

They attended a reception at a Montreal restaurant with about 100 persons known to police, the newspaper quotes "informed sources" as saying.

The Gazette also quotes the sources as saying it was only a coincidence that the six arrived in Montreal not long after the manager of a health club—formerly a nightclub manager—had disappeared.

An earlier report by a Montreal newspaper had said the manager, who had underworld connections, is missing with more than \$250,000 which was to be used in financing Mafia loan-shark activities.

The Gazette, in its story, says trouble is brewing between two factions of the local syndicate.

"They (the six) may have come here to help out the local 'don' because one of his top associates was giving him trouble. They were too big to come up here to work over a messenger boy."

Police sources were quoted by the paper as saying the six men were here to prepare for Expo 67.

Among six men returned to the U.S. last week were Salvatore Bonanno, son of a big shot member of the Mafia in the U.S.

The father is Joseph (Joe Bonanno) Bonanno, described by a federal grand jury in New York in 1965 as the head of a family of more than 60 alleged racketeer members of the Mafia.

SAFE DRIVING DATA GIVEN

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Late reports of three fatalities have pushed the death toll during Safe-Driving Week in Canada to 77.

The seven-day total was one less than in the same Dec. 1-to-7 period in 1965 and 16 above the average of 60 deaths during the week over the last 10 years. Last year's figure was also updated by two late-reported fatalities.

Safe-Driving Week is sponsored by the Canadian Highway Safety Council.

Ontario's toll of 26 dead was highest, but well below the figure of 34 last year.

Following is the day-to-day record with last year's seven-day totals:

Total	Dec.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	'66	'65
Nfld.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
P.E.I.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
N.B.	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Que.	2	3	6	5	4	2	1	23	21	31
Ont.	0	4	4	7	4	3	5	26	34	34
Man.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sask.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alta.	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	1	1
B.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	11	11
Total	6	9	15	21	15	8	8	77	78	78

More Money For Homes Forecast

OTTAWA (CP)—Finance Minister Sharp told the Commons more government money will be available next year for home construction than in 1966.

He also said he hopes the recent increase in Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation interest rates and proposed changes in the Bank Act will provide more private funds for home construction.

Mr. Sharp was replying to Social Credit Leader Thompson, who asked whether the government would make more money available for mortgages. Mr. Thompson noted that the U.S. government recently released an additional \$750,000,000 for home building.

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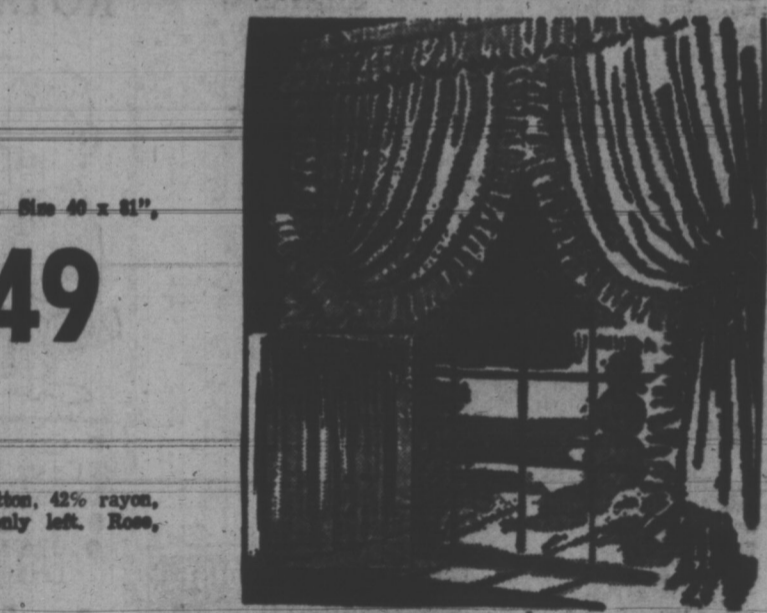
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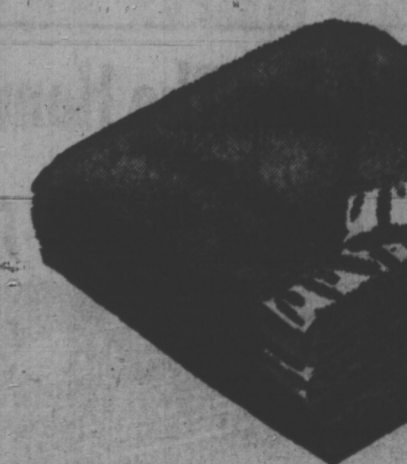
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