

TERMED IRRESPONSIBLE MADNESS

Unified Forces Measure Introduced In Commons

OTTAWA (CP) — Servicemen in the navy, army and air force will be compulsorily transferred to a new unified force under a bill introduced in the Commons Friday by Defence Minister Hellyer.

The bill was given first reading, which does not permit debate, over Conservative opposition. There was no immediate indication when debate on it will begin.

The combined services will be known as the Canadian Armed Forces with the prefix royal, as in the RCN and RCAF, dropped.

Royal will be retained in individual army units, however, and navy and air force units will be entitled to adopt the prefix if they wish. Warships will retain HMCS for Her Majesty's Canadian Ship.

When the unification act is proclaimed, servicemen will not be forced to serve in different combat environments from their present ones. For example, an infantryman won't have to go to sea.

Recruits joining the new unified force will be entitled to choose whether they will serve in land, sea or air units.

Army nomenclature will be adopted for ranks. One change in this field will be reversion to the First World War rank of brigadier-general. It has been brigadier.

Rank insignia has not been

decided, but will probably be stripes, now used by the navy and air force. The new insignia will accompany the new uniform which will not undergo testing until next year.

One main clause of the bill says: "The Canadian forces continue, as a single service, the services known before the coming into force of this part (of the act) as the Royal Canadian Navy, the Canadian Army and the Royal Canadian Air Force."

Officials acknowledged that this is compulsory transfer of servicemen to the new force.

SEES OPTION CLAUSE The Tri - Services Identities Organization (TRIO) had asked that servicemen be given the option, without financial penalty, of not volunteering for the new force.

Informants said that if this option had been given, the forces would have lost all those opposed to unification besides those who had wanted to retire anyway before normal retirement age.

Sources said that if the forces lost even 20 per cent of their strength—the forces now number about 104,000—they would be paralyzed.

Outside the Commons, retired Rear-Admiral Jeffrey Brock had two words for the bill: "Irresponsible madness."

Mr. Hellyer rejected Opposition Leader Diefenbaker's re-

quest that the bill be sent immediately to the defence committee before second reading—approval in principle.

He said it will be handed to the committee immediately after second reading—a debate which may last for weeks—so that any and all witnesses for and against can be heard.

SAYS WILL TESTIFY So far, only dismissed Rear-Admiral William Landymore has stated publicly that he wants to testify.

During the transitional period from three services to one, there will be a conglomeration of ranks and uniforms.

Mr. Hellyer said any sailor or airman who doesn't like army ranks can keep his old one.

Combat clothing peculiar to the individual forces will continue to a worn. Members of the RCN and RCAF may continue to wear their present uniforms "on appropriate occasions."

Army dress uniforms will remain unchanged. So will mess dress of all three services.

WON'T NAME COLOR

Mr. Hellyer estimated that it will be four to five years before the force is fitted with its new uniform. He declined to say what color it will be.

The minister also said it is estimated that recruiting will increase by 10 per cent when the new force is created.

Summerside Argus In Trouble, Lands Safely At Chatham, N.B.

HALIFAX (CP) — An RCAF Argus aircraft from CFB Summerside, P.E.I., ran into difficulties with its flight control gear about 50 miles southeast of

Sable Island Friday afternoon but later managed to land safely at Chatham, N.B.

The Argus with a 15-man crew sent a Mayday — distress call —

at 1:33 p.m. AST, and landed at Chatham at 3:33 p.m. AST after being diverted from Summerside because of weather conditions.

A Maritime Command spokesman said the pilot of the Argus lost full flight control of the plane although he was still able to keep it in the air. He added there had been a danger that the aircraft could have crashed into the Atlantic. Another Argus from CFB Greenwood, N.S., and an RCN tracker aircraft and two helicopters from Shearwater naval air station were sent to aid the distressed plane in case it was forced to ditch.

The Canadian Coast Guard station here also confirmed a coast guard vessel was alerted in case it was needed.

The Argus finally landed at Chatham after all other available stations in the area were ruled out because of the weather.

Great Grandmother Chosen To Place Wreath Nov. 11

TORONTO (CP) — Great-grandmother Josephine Stephens of Toronto will pin three Silver Crosses to her coat Nov. 11 — each representing a son killed in the second World War — in place a wreath in the Remembrance Day ceremonies at Ottawa.

She was recently chosen by the Royal Canadian Legion as national motherhood representative for the ceremonies.

"The ceremony will bring back lots of sad memories, but I can live with them now," she said in an interview.

"I'm proud to be still here to represent my boys and all the others who were killed in the war."

Her sons, all pilots, were William Colville, 25, lost off the coast of Newfoundland, in 1942; Alexander Colville, 28, who died in France in 1944; and Sandy Colville, 24, killed on a strafing mission over France in 1944.

Later Mrs. Stephens' husband and oldest daughter died. In 1949 she married her present husband, George, a First World War veteran.

Mrs. Stephens, in her 86s, lived during the war in Bowmanville, Ont., where her house became home to hundreds of servicemen from all over the world. She still receives many let-

ters from those who survived the war.

Mrs. Stephens, the 12th Silver Cross mother chosen to be present at the Ottawa ceremonies, is the first from Toronto.

The program was started by the Royal Canadian Legion in the belief that the presence of women at the national ceremony would be "more representative of Canadian citizens everywhere."

Violent Weather Lashes Europe

FLORENCE, Italy (AP) — Violent weather lashed Western Europe Friday and tempestuous rivers spilled over in central and northern Italy, bringing the country's most widespread post-war floods.

Italy was cut in half. As snow, avalanche and dense fog hit other parts of the continent, raging Italian flood waters invaded two of the Western civilization's greatest museum cities — Florence and Venice — and scores of other communities.

Six persons died in avalanches in Italy and Switzerland.

The flood and storms in Italy took a known toll of 16 dead. Dozens were missing and feared dead. Hundreds were injured.

Electric power, water supplies, rail lines and road networks were severed in a wide central belt that isolated the north from the south.

Florence and Bologna were cut off in all directions. The Arno River overflowed in

Florence in a rampage that covered the downtown centre of the renaissance city.

Muddy water poured into the ground floors of the Florence Cathedral, the Uffizi Art Gallery and other churches and buildings housing some of the most priceless art works of the Western civilization.

VENICE UNDER WATER Venice lay submerged under the highest flood level in two centuries — six feet deep in some places. Both in Venice and in Florence residents fled to the upper floors of homes, palaces and office buildings.

Huge waves pounded both coasts of the Italian Peninsula. At Naples, ocean liners anchored in the bay instead of trying to berth.

Snow fell in Brussels, and Amsterdam. Paris and northern France struggled with a mantle of snow in freezing temperatures. Albi, in southern France, experienced the rarity of snow-

New Threats Developing In Toronto Civic Strike

TORONTO (CP) — Toronto's civic strike went through its second day Friday without acute public discomfort, but threats developed on two fronts.

The striking Canadian Union of Public Employees decided to throw a picket line around the high-level water pumping station serving the north and higher end of the Metropolitan Toronto area. If operating en-

gineers do not cross the picket lines, the north section would get no water.

In the other development, inside workers voted to stay off the job in sympathy with the 3,500 outside workers who struck for higher pay Thursday.

If the inside workers — members of CUPE who signed their own new contract only a few days ago — do not work, it would shut down city hall.

Until these moves, the major service affected had been that of garbage collection for the 600,000 residents of Toronto. The other dozen municipalities in Metro have their own disposal systems.

QUEBEC (CP) — Provincial police said Friday two persons were killed in a road accident caused by a flood and one person is missing in another of the numerous floods in eastern Quebec.

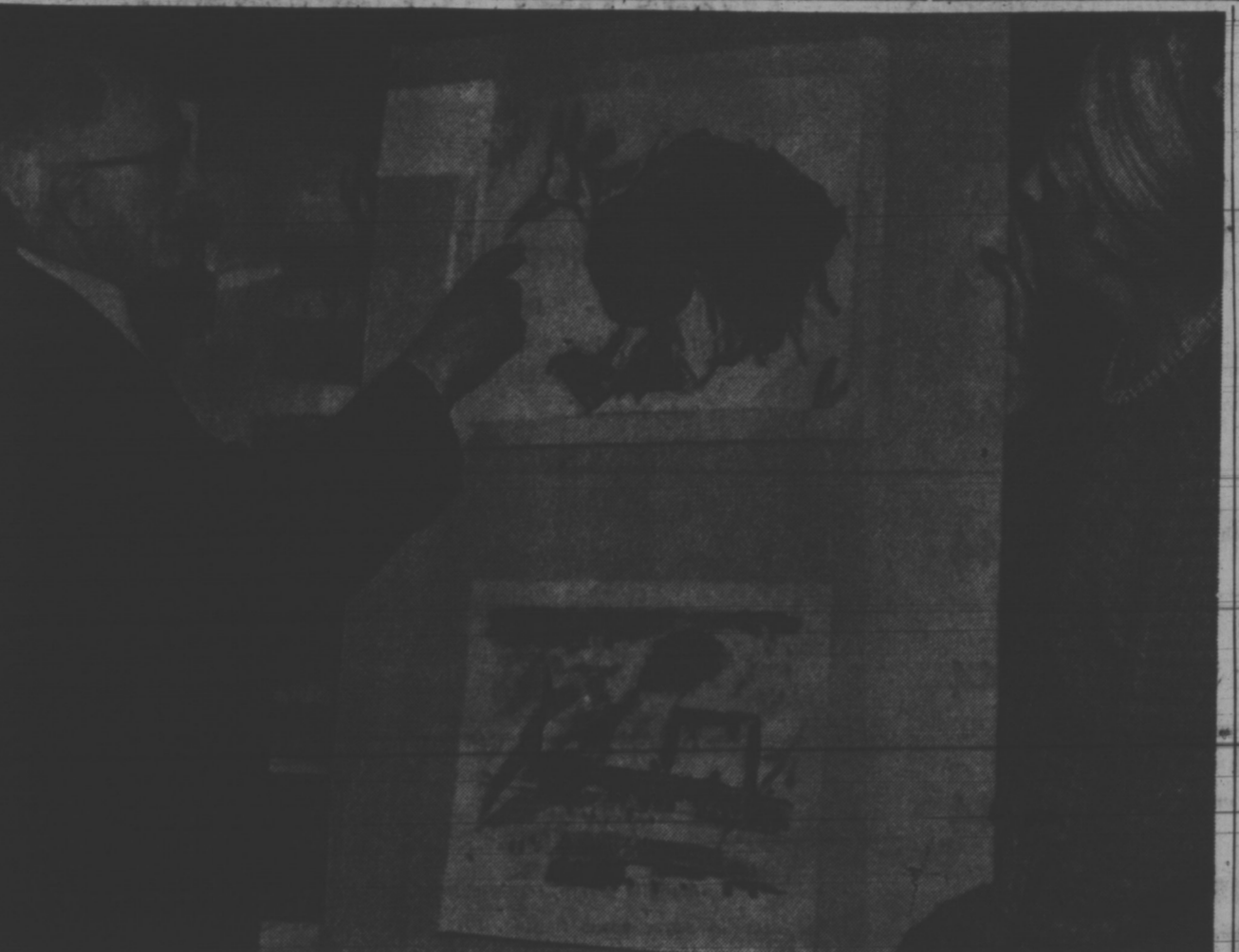
Camille Deschenes, 28, of Pentecoste, and Edouard Dero, 35, of Pointe-aux-Angais, were killed when their car plunged into a hole caused by flooding on a rural road.

The accident occurred near Pointe-aux-Angais, about 200 miles northeast of Quebec City. At Bale St. Paul, about 50 miles east of Quebec, police were checking a report that a man was drowned in an area where flood waters carried off a home.

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Governors Decide PWC Will Remain Separate



Full Co-operation To Be Offered SDU

By RALPH CAMERON Establishment of Prince of Wales College as a separate degree-granting university on its present site has been decided by the Board of Governors of the college, it was announced last night by Dr. John Gillis, chairman of the board.

The chairman said the Board of Governors had decided against either amalgamation or federation with St. Dunstan's University, but was prepared to offer its full co-operation with that institution in all university matters.

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

The resolution dealing with the matter as passed by the Board of Governors reads: "That we proceed with the establishment of Prince of Wales College on its present site as a degree-granting university with the facilities necessary for such purpose, but that during the interim period this should not preclude discussion or negotiation for co-operation between P. W. C., S. D. U. and other universities."

Asked to comment on the decision Dr. Frank MacKinnon, principal and vice-chancellor, said, "The existence of two universities in one area is common. Here on the Island we have always had the two institutions and dual educational facilities have been accepted in our school system. The adding of two extra years at Prince of Wales doesn't alter any existing situation; nor does it affect St. Dunstan's in the slightest because virtually all P. W. C. sophomores graduate went to the university. There has never been any competition for students between the two colleges, and there is no likely to be any in the future."

Dr. MacKinnon added "our full time student enrolment has doubled twice in the past four

years and our part-time student enrollment has quadrupled in one year. We are planning for 1,200 full time students in 1970 and if present trends continue we may pass that point before then."

In dealing with the resolution, Dr. Gillis told the long efforts of the Board of Governors regarding its own affairs and university matters generally. He said "we examined both amalgamation and federation and we discussed them with people who have had experience with them. Indeed we had two eminent authorities with long experience in them visit us and they gave us frank opinions. There are many aspects, but two in particular impressed us. For under-graduate and non-professional teaching — the kind both our universities will be offering for a long time — it is more costly to run a combination of two than two separate institutions. One of the reasons is the second important aspect: The internal politics of a combination is frustrating, expensive and inefficient and places a great burden on board, administration and faculty. It is extremely difficult to get things done, and the result is often compromise which pleases no one and frustrates everyone with a resulting mediocrity which produces second or third rate education."

CO-OPERATION EVIDENT

There was a different feeling regarding co-operation as both Dr. Gillis and Dr. MacKinnon noted there was much of it in evidence among universities including St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales. "Co-operation is never forced," they said, "it develops from academic needs and personal relationships. Prince of Wales has had long experience in co-operation." (Continued on page 3 col. 6)

St. Peters Wins Spot In Finals

HALIFAX (CP) — St. Peter's, P.E.I., heavyweight team Friday reached the finals of the Atlantic Winter Pair tug-of-war championship. Tonight they meet the Red Point P.E.I. team in the final pull.

The St. Peter's boys pulled the Saint John Dry Dock team with almost ridiculous ease. The time was just over two minutes.

The St. Peter's crew consists of Don Sanderson, Louis Wilson, Eddie MacKinnon, Lorne MacLaren, Reg MacKinnon, Bob Rossier, Len MacKinnon, George Kelly, Joe Thompson, and Hubert MacLeod, who is the anchor man. The team coach is Stewart MacEwen.

Red Point farmers are the defending champions.

CHARLOTTETOWN GIRL WINS ART PRIZE

Lady Templer, chairman of the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Deaf, discusses a painting by a Canadian girl with R.R. Tomlinson, one of the judges at a recent exhibit-

tion of paintings by deaf children which was shown in London. The painting, "Moon Bird," by Karen Lee, a nine-year-old student at Prince Edward Island School for the

Deaf, won first prize in the 11 age group. Karen is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lee, 27 DesBrisay Crescent, Charlottetown. (CP Wirephoto from British Information Services)

Ottawa Keeps Hands Off Industries At Georgetown

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — The federal government appears to be taking a hands-off attitude toward the current financial difficulties faced by Bathurst Marine Ltd. of Georgetown, P.E.I.

A check with the departments of fisheries and industry Friday brought the reply that neither is involved in any review of the companies' financial problems.

A spokesman for the department of fisheries said that they no longer have any direct connection with the construction of steel fishing trawlers.

"We are now only involved with wooden fishing vessels and the steel trawlers have been taken over by the department of industry," the spokesman said. "Occasionally, we are asked for our advice on doubtful cases if the vessel being planned is actually of the trawler type, but in the case of Bathurst Marine, there is no question as to the type of vessel they are constructing."

An industry department spokesman said that they do approve the 50 per cent federal subsidy for steel trawlers but payment is made only on the progress of construction. The vessels are inspected under con-

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Bathurst Marine has been given approval for the construction of nine trawlers for Gulf Garden Foods and industry understands that one has been completed and one is nearly complete. Only payments made have been for these two ships and whether construction of the other seven will be proceeded with appears to be in doubt.

The cost of each trawler is between \$300,000 and \$350,000, making a total of between \$7 and \$8 million of which the federal government would pay half under the subsidy arrangement.

But the spokesman stressed that no money is paid out until the vessels have been completed or reached a certain stage of construction and the department is not concerned over any loss of federal funds if the company

does not proceed with the full program.

Suggestions that the company has been paid \$670,000 for trawler construction work not carried out, drew a blank from the government.

Commissioning Is Scheduled

PICOU, N.S. (CP) — The 93-foot steel side trawler Eastpack II will be commissioned at Ferguson Industries shipyard here today. The vessel, last of four built for Prince Edward Island fishing companies, will be delivered to Eastern Fisheries Ltd. of Souris.

Gov.-Gen. Due For Operation

OTTAWA (CP) — Governor-General Vanier, who entered hospital Oct. 27 with a virus infection, will undergo an operation, Government House announced Friday.

The announcement was softened by the news that Gen. Vanier's condition was improved since he entered hospital.

No details about the surgery were given. Gen. Vanier fell ill Oct. 25 and was ordered to bed. Reports since he entered hospital have consistently listed his condition as improving.

His last serious illness occurred in 1963 when he was confined to bed at Government House after what was described as a milk heart attack.

President Johnson Is Stung By Richard Nixon Criticism

By ARCH MACKENZIE WASHINGTON (CP) — President Johnson, stung Friday by criticism of the Manila conference, called former presidential candidate Richard Nixon a chronic campaigner putting politics before patriotism.

Nixon, in what would be a preview of the 1968 presidential race, accused the president of a "shocking display of temper" and a personal attack which he will answer Sunday via television.

That, coupled with the president's warning that China and North Viet Nam better not read too much into Tuesday's election results, apparently ended the president's direct participation in the election campaign.

He flew to Texas after the news conference and will rest for about two weeks before undergoing minor surgery.

His decision to rest, announced Thursday, left Democratic party organizers in per-

haps a dozen key areas with broken plans for a last-minute personal appearance by Johnson.

HOTTEST OF CAMPAIGN The bout with Nixon, who was in Maine on another stop in travels of more than 35,000 miles since September, was the hottest of the campaign.

At stake are 35 of the 100 Senate seats, a full 435-seat House of Representatives where most of the interest centres, and 35 of the 50 state governors.

Democrats piled up large majorities in all of them in 1964. Republican gains are expected in line with tradition — the president conceded Friday that Democratic losses in the House might be as high as 50 on the basis of off-year elections since 1890.

But no Republican surge is seen.

First Big Storm Pummels N.Y.

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — The United States into southern Ontario.

While 40-mile-an-hour winds hurled two more inches of snow at the already well-plastered Buffalo area, warm winds followed record cold in the South and the beginning of a new storm nudged into the Dakotas.

Western New York state's snow squalls in the wake of the clearing storm added to a cover that already measured eight to 12 inches, in some sections east and south of Buffalo and Niagara Falls. The weather bureau said there might be additional accumulations of as much as six inches. Snow showers also developed farther east and south of Buffalo and Niagara Falls. The weather bureau said there might be additional accumulations of as much as six inches. Snow showers also developed farther east along Lake Ontario.

GET SCHOOL HOLIDAY Lesser falls of snow also continued in Michigan, where the main storm left drifts as deep as four feet and thousands of children had a second day of unscheduled vacation from school because of it.

Island's Canned Fish Good After 23 Years

A 14-ounce tin of chicken haddies, canned and shipped from Prince Edward Island 23 years ago was returned to the distributor recently and found to be almost as good as the day it was sent.

The government inspected fancy grade product was purchased in 1945 by Roman Ther of Liberec, Czechoslovakia, two years after it was canned by a company in North Rustico.

Received from its shipper, J. W. Windsor Company Limited in Charlottetown, the can of fish was analyzed yesterday at the

department of fisheries laboratory in the federal building and was found to be of proper weight, in fine condition and eatable.

The tin of fish was taken to the laboratory by S.H. Burhoe, director of J.W. Windsor Company Limited, and inspected through testing by W.A. Murphy, chief of fish inspection, and A.M. Aitken, technician in charge of canned fish inspection.

Mr. Murphy observed the tin's contents had a metallic-like odor but under the circumstances the color was good and had deteriorated little.

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DIANE MacNEILL, an employee with the classified department of the Guardian-Patriot Publishing Company,

displays a label from a tin of chicken haddies, shipped to Czechoslovakia from Prince Edward Island in 1943. The

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