

British Guards Look To RCMP For Fashion Trick

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LONDON (CP)—Britain's Brigade of Guards is thinking of stealing a fashion trick from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The idea comes from the Duke of Edinburgh, who has visited Canada twice since 1951.

Under the experiment, a Scots guardsman will wear a tunic made from the same light material and scarlet color as the RCMP. He'll test it under all conditions—on guard at Buckingham Palace, during drill practices and at ceremonial parades.

"Trials of various materials for making tunics and other items of military wear take place frequently, a war office spokesman said Monday. That cautious admission appeared to be the official confirmation that the Brigade of Guards is toying with the idea of keeping cooler and smarter with the RCMP fashion style."

The tunic—tailored from material supplied by the RCMP—is not as heavy as the present guards' uniforms. The slight difference in color was dismissed by the war office as "hardly noticeable."

LATEST FASHION HINT

The suggestion by the duke is his latest fashion hint to Britain's services. He also tipped off the Royal Navy on testing a new jumper adopted by Canadian sailors.

Despite the royal fashion decree, one Scots guard officer wasn't too happy about the change. He says the new material—even padded—is so light it creases too easily.

"It won't be quite so smart as the old," he adds.

He would have been even happier if he noticed a news item from Ottawa appearing in Monday's Times. Referring to eastern Canada's heat wave, the report said:

"On Parliament Hill police, in their scarlet tunics buttoned up to the neck, struggled manfully to maintain a dignified appearance as they face the cameras of lesser clad tourists . . ."

Georgetown

"Mrs. Roland Marsh of Five Islands, N.S., is visiting in Georgetown, where she is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Yorston and her brother, Mr. Harry Yorston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davey and son Jackie of Roslindale, Mass., are guests of Mrs. John Fitzgerald, who is spending the summer in the Fitzgerald bungalow in Georgetown.

Mr. Percy Keeping of the Dominion Experimental Farm staff at Kentville, N. S. is visiting his mother Mrs. A. Cogswell.

Mr. Gerald Scully of Halifax, N. S., was the weekend guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Scully.

Mr. Don Morrissy left on Friday, July 8, on return to Montreal, following a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fitzgerald.

Mr. Patrick O'Neill of the Royal Canadian Navy, Halifax, motored to Georgetown on Friday, July 8. On his return to Halifax on Sunday, he was accompanied by Mrs. O'Neill and family, who have been visiting in Georgetown.

On Friday, July 8, Miss Adele Fitzgerald left on return to Montreal following two weeks holidays spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fitzgerald.

Miss Sheila DeLory who has been instructing a swimming and water safety course at Malpeque spent the past weekend at her home in Georgetown.

Miss Gertrude Fitzgerald left on Friday, July 8 for Montreal, where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. J. A. B. McConnell, who is attending summer school at Prince of Wales College, spent the past weekend at her home in Georgetown.

Cpl. W. S. Lavers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, accompanied by his son Donnie, motored to Georgetown from Halifax, arriving on Friday, July 8th, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lavers. Cpl. Lavers is on retirement leave from the R.C.M.P. and is entering the Life Insurance business in Halifax.

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Scannell and family of Boston, Mass., motored to the Island, arriving in Georgetown on Friday, July 8, for their holidays.

L.A.C. Freddy Gotell, of the Royal Canadian Air Force, left recently on return to Sydney, N. S., after having attended the funeral of his mother, the late Mrs. John D. Gotell.

Mr. Harry Parker of Brownsburg, Que., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parker, also his brother, Flying Officer Herbert Parker of the Royal Canadian Air Force, stationed at Greenwood, N. S., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughie Gotell are weekend guests of Mr. Gotell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Gotell.

Friends of Mrs. Malcolm MacLean are sorry to hear that she is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital, and all wish her a speedy return to good health.

Mrs. Albert Burke of Charlottetown left last week for Montreal, where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. Clayton George and daughter, Laverne and Anne of Lunenburg, Ontario, are vacationing in Georgetown, the guests of Mrs. George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Knight.

Mrs. Florence Jenkins is visiting in Borden, where she is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William White.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob MacConnell and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Phillips of Brookline, Mass., who are vacationing in the province, were recent visitors to Georgetown, where they visited Mr. Melville Ross.



Swimming Instructors Practice
Red Cross Swimming and Water Safety Instructors in Charlottetown practice land drill before entering the water for Royal Life Saving Society tests.
Photo by Garnhum.

Closer Regulation Of Coastwise Vessel Urged Before Royal Commission

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's two largest railways Monday advocated closer regulation of coastwise vessels in submissions at the opening hearing of the royal commission on coastal shipping.

They urged such action with a view to placing rail and water carriers on an equal footing competitively, declaring the opening of the St. Lawrence seaway in a few years could result in ships cutting sharply into some of their traffic.

The royal commission under Mr. Justice W. F. Spence of the Ontario Supreme Court heard only the railway submissions on its opening day. It is to receive about 150 more at sessions here and across the country over the next few months.

Tuesday the commission heard from the Trades and Labor Congress, Canadian Congress of Labor and the Canadian and Catholic confederation of labor.

The publicly owned CNR said Monday about \$38,000,000 a year of its business will be in competition with seaway-expanded shipping and asked that wages and freight rates of ships in the coasting trade be made to conform to Canadian standards.

Some British vessels are engaged in this trade, and their wage rates are far below Canadian levels, permitting low cargo rates.

Neither railway suggested the coastal traffic should be restricted to Canadian ships—as briefs filed by some organizations have urged.

With certain changes in regulation, the CPR said, it has no objection to British-built-and-registered vessels taking part in the coastal traffic.

The CPR's suggested regulation would include:

1. Putting coastal-trading ships under the same rate regulation as the board of transport commissioners now applies to the railways. The board must approve all railway rates; for coastal ships, it only regulates "package" (non-bulk) freight.
2. Tolls should be levied on all ships for the use of canals, harbors and other facilities at rates calculated to pay off their construction and operating costs.

At present, the federal canal system including the big locks through the Great Lakes is toll-free. There will be tolls on locks of the St. Lawrence deep waterway.

The CPR also advocated that all competing forms of transportation be placed under a single regulatory body. It did not indicate how this body should be formed.

S. S. Convention At Murray River

The annual Sunday School convention for the Murray Harbor district was held in the United Church, Murray River, on June 28 with the following schools represented: Murray River United, Murray Harbour United and Murray Harbour Union.

The president, Mrs. George Whiteway, conducted the business session. She introduced the convention leader, the Rev. J. Elton Davidge, and welcomed the delegates.

The following committees were appointed: Nominating committee, Mrs. Horace Machon, Murray Harbour and Mrs. Royal White, Murray River; Courtesies committee, Mrs. Spencer Sharam, Murray Harbour and Mrs. Horace Machon, Murray Harbour.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon worship service was conducted by Mrs. Royal White assisted by Mrs. Arlene MacLean. Theme: "Our Strength is in God". The convention leader, Rev. J. E. Davidge, conducted the panel discussion on "Evangelism in the Church School". The afternoon session closed with prayer and benediction by Rev. J. E. Davidge, after which the Murray River ladies served a bounteous supper in the church hall and a period of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

EVENING SESSION

The evening session opened with worship service conducted by Mrs. Keith Buell assisted by Mrs. John Machon and Mrs. Horace Machon. The theme was: "Our Father's Business". Five girls of the Murray River United Sunday School sang "Father, We Thank Thee". The afternoon discussion on Evangelism was continued and a film, "Growing in Adventure" was enjoyed. During the discussion the young people were taken to the church hall and under the leadership of Mrs. Davidge, had a very enjoyable period of talk, singing and games.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTED

The executive was appointed as follows:

President, Mrs. Keith Buell; vice-president, Mrs. Ernest Machon; sec'y-treasurer, Mrs. Spencer Sharam; helpers, Mrs. John Machon, Murray Harbour United; Mrs. Wallace White, Murray Harbour Union; Mrs. Geo. Whiteway, Murray Harbour United.

Votes of thanks and appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Davidge, to the people of Murray River for the use of the church, to the officers and all who helped make the convention a success, were extended by Mrs. Spencer Sharam of the courtesies committee and Rev. H. C. MacDougall.

Prayer and benediction by Rev. H. C. MacDougall brought the convention to a close.

GOOD EATING

Finnan haddie is the name for smoked haddock, also sold fresh and frozen.

1955 British Exports To Canada Show Decline

LONDON (CP)—British exports to Canada are down \$6,000,000 for the first six months of 1955 as compared to last year, provisional trade figures showed Monday.

A board of trade spokesman, noting the trend, said "we are always anxious at any decline in exports, and particularly anxious when it applies to Canada."

At the same time, imports from Canada have jumped sharply, five-month figures for this year showed.

British exports to Canada up to June 30 have been provisionally estimated at \$61,831,000. For the same period last year, they were \$67,848,000.

"The dock strike has influenced the June figures—\$6,000,000 compared with \$10,600,000 a year ago," said the board of trade. It also mentioned that the May exports volume had run against the prevailing current.

The Liberal newspaper, the New Chronicle, suggests that Britain's export trade with Canada is "slipping ominously," and anxiety is being felt with particular regard to imports in the first five months of this year worth \$140,391,000. Last year at the same time, imports from Canada totalled only \$91,203,000.

The News Chronicle sharply suggests that British manufacturers are cultivating sterling markets at home and abroad, and ignoring the tougher North American markets.

MAY BE CHARGED FOR REFUSING TO FIGHT FIRE

FORT COULONGE, Que. (CP)—Eight men believed to have walked off a forest fire fighting job near here may be charged under a Quebec law which makes it illegal to refuse to fight a forest fire, officials of the Ottawa River Forest Protective Association said Monday.

The law, passed last year, provides a maximum fine of \$100 or three months in jail.

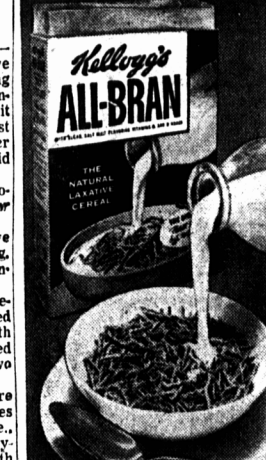
The eight are reported to have left the fire area Monday morning, Quebec provincial police are investigating the case.

The association, a private fire-fighting organization maintained by several lumber companies with properties in the area, has enlisted more than 250 men to fight two fires.

About 1,800 acres of forest are burning near Crow river, 100 miles north of Campbell's Bay, Que., and another 1,200 acres at Raymond lake, about 45 miles north of Fort Coulonge.

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