

Indian Population Growth Displays Decided Upswing

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OTTAWA (Special)—Canada's Indian population has come full cycle. Estimates of the Indian Affairs Branch of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration place the population now at 200,000—almost the exact number who lived when Europeans first set foot on North America. The advent of the white man set off a decline in the population. Diseases brought by settlers, plus some bloody conflicts in establishing a white North America, decimated the numbers of the native race. By the beginning of this century the population was down to about 100,000. But since that time the Indians have recovered and their numbers have risen at a slow but steady pace. About 10 years

ago the situation became even brighter and the rate of growth has been proportionately higher than that of any other ethnic group in Canada. The department attributes the trend to the advances in health and education, together with a greater participation by Indians in all phases of Canadian life. Improved welfare services, better housing and health programs carried on by the Indian Health Service, have also helped. In education there is a trend toward integration of Indian children in public schools. Since 1957 the number of Indians attending non-Indian schools has risen from 6,272 to more than 16,000. And the number who attend secondary schools and universities is growing each year. Canada's 850 Indian bands are managing their own affairs more efficiently through elected band councils. And Canadians generally have shown a greater

awareness of their debt to the Indians in recent years. More friendship centres are being formed to help Indians adjust to city life, and more Indians are receiving special training to equip them to secure employment of their reserves.

ROLLO BAY

Mrs. Gertrude Deveau has returned home after spending holidays with members of her family at Rollo Bay. John Conway left by plane on Tuesday for his home in Aberdeen, Washington, after being called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. Flora E. Conway. LAC and Mrs. Romeo Gallant of Greenwood, N.S., recently visited relatives in this area. Mrs. Emma Keith and Mrs. Walter Williamson left on return to their homes in Dorchester, Mass. and Boston, Mass., after spending some time with relatives in this vicinity. Mrs. Hugh Sheehan has returned to her home at Bear River after being a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Conway, Elmira, were recent visitors to Rollo Bay. Mrs. Lorne Gallant has returned home after being a patient at the Souris Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Campbell, Massachusetts, spent some time with relatives at Souris West, having been called here by the death of Mrs. Paul Gallant. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gallant, Hope River, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Joey Deveau. K.

Lesage Says Isolation Given Up

By **ROD CURRIE**
LONDON (CP)—Premier Lesage of Quebec said here that French-speaking Canadians have "given up the idea that they can and will find security in isolation." The premier, officially opening Quebec House, said that in the modern world of today it is "impossible for a people such as ours to continue—how should I say it—our tendency to isolation." At home Quebec had a desire to fit into "the Canadian mosaic" and "without indulging in wishful thinking we can say that in recent years a great deal of progress has been made."

Canadians Pare Eating Of Meat

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadians ate slightly less red meat last year on a per capita basis but still tucked away an average 138.5 pounds for every man, woman and child, the bureau of statistics reported here. Higher prices might have influenced the decline, with more competition from poultry, fish, cheese and other meat substitutes. Beef and lamb eating was slightly higher than fancy and canned meats declined. The red meat average intake of 138.5 pounds compares with 138.8 a year earlier. The use of lard declined to 11.2 pounds a head compared with 8.4 pounds in 1961. Fewer cattle, calves, sheep and lambs were slaughtered but hog slaughtering was up.

BABY ABANDONED

TORONTO (CP)—A baby only hours old was abandoned on the steps of Notre Dame convent in east Toronto Tuesday night. Two nuns answering the doorbell found the crying baby but saw no trace of anyone else.

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