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BREATH OF SPRING

Pretty girls rate a second look in any season. When Nancy Guest (left) and Ruth Elder took advantage of spring-like weather Thursday to try out new shorts on a shopping trip to downtown Ottawa, a fur-hatted policeman and a pedestrian in winter overcoat and scarf were among those showing their appreciation. (CP Wirephoto).

## Plenty Of Tips, No Leads As Police Hunt For Rivard

MONTREAL (CP) — Lucien Rivard, who says he engineered his escape from Bordeaux Jail without "inside or outside" help, continued Thursday to evade a mammoth police manhunt centered on Montreal's underworld. As has been the case ever since the accused narcotics conspirator fled the north — and prison Tuesday night, police reported plenty of tips, but no hard leads. "We've checked out every piece of information we've received without uncovering anything definite," said one officer. As the manhunt continued turning up dead ends in Montreal, the day's main development came from Quebec City. There, in the laughter of the provincial legislature, Attorney-General Claude Wagner disclosed Rivard and fellow-escapee Andre Durocher had written Albert Tanguay, governor of Bordeaux Jail. The letter sought to "enlighten" Mr. Tanguay on circumstances surrounding the bizarre break. It was written in Rivard's hand, said Mr. Wagner and was signed, in the same hand, "A. Durocher L. Rivard."

## Queens MLA Foresees Maritime Union Closer

Each advance in communication and transportation brings nearer the day of Maritime Union, Lloyd MacPhail (PC-2nd Queens) said in the Legislature yesterday. Mr. MacPhail, speaking in the debate on the draft address, said one hindrance to political union was the geographic isolation of the provinces. This was being decreased, he said, by such means as the causeway between the mainland of Nova Scotia and Cape Breton Island and the proposed N.B.-P.E.I. causeway. Another factor which hindered the advance of union was the tradition of strong regional ties, he said. Mr. MacPhail said it has been suggested that \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000 would be saved if rails were not included on the proposed causeway. Because of the cost of transporting freight by highway rather than by rail,

## Reward Offer Is Considered

OTTAWA (CP) — Justice Minister Pavreau says he is considering offering a reward for information leading to the recapture of narcotics racketeer suspect Lucien Rivard.

## Robichaud Announces N.B. Industrial Council

FREDERICTON (CP) — Premier Robichaud Thursday announced the formation of a New Brunswick industrial council to advise the government in its efforts to attract and develop industry in the province. Mr. Robichaud said the council is made up of "eminently qualified gentlemen" including Sir Max Aitken, London publisher and son of the late Lord Beaverbrook; J. Louis Levesque, Montreal investment dealer; Toronto publisher John Bassett; and New Brunswick industrialist K. C. Irving. The premier told the legislature that "for many months I have been endeavoring to establish a group with wide practical experience and knowledge in the area of industrial promotion and economic expansion, a group that will provide valuable advice to the government and its agencies." The council will have 10 members from outside the government.

# Liberal MPs Charged With Snooping in Files

## INDUSTRY MINISTER SPEAKS

## Province Must Take Risk To Aid Economic Growth

By DON MACLEOD  
If Prince Edward Island is ever to achieve some measure of economic growth, it has to take the occasional risk, according to Industry and Natural Resources Minister Leo Rossiter. Speaking in the draft address debate in the Legislature yesterday, Mr. Rossiter said "the government believes that to do nothing to develop the economy is a far greater risk than the program in which it has entered."  
Mr. Rossiter said "we are now on the march with the 'new Prince Edward Island' if it is possible to judge what you see, it is possible to say that there was a substantial growth in 1964. "We are encouraged not only by the growth of new industries but the development of industries of long standing."  
NOTES CRITICISM  
Referring to criticisms of the government's development policies, Mr. Rossiter said "the critics are failing to point out that, under today's circumstances, governments have some responsibility for improving the economy and for increasing levels of employment wherever possible. A government that fails to make efforts in this direction fails the people it has been called to serve."  
Accordingly, this government has taken upon itself the task of searching for and locating responsible industries. That task is open to the shallow criticism of those who have in their past lacked the foresight and courage to embark on such a program. "It is a simple matter before the critics to point out that the program is slow, employment is not coming fast enough, wage scales are not up to standard and so on. They would like to leave the impression that this was a misjudgment in the first place."  
BUILT-IN PROTECTION  
"I would also like to point out to the critics of the government industrial policies that the Prince Edward Island Industrial Promotion Act has their own built-in devices for the protection of the people's money and the province's credit. There are directors and committees who check firms' applications thoroughly before they are recommended to government for approval and the applications are again scrutinized at cabinet level before going ahead with development program."  
Mr. Rossiter said that there was a strong tendency on the part of critics of industrial development.



ROLAND BLAIS was ordered off the witness stand at the Dorion judicial inquiry in Ottawa Thursday by Chief Justice Frederic Dorion. Mr. Blais, 30, a lawyer-associate of Raymond Daoust, counsel for Lucien Rivard, was about to give testimony on an alleged conversation among lawyers at the inquiry last December.

## Weight Ruling Will Remain

The department of highways does not plan to ease or remove weight restrictions from the highway between Miscouche and Albany, Highways Minister Philip Matheson said in the Legislature yesterday.

## House Meets This Morning

A sitting of the Legislature is scheduled for this morning at 10.

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There was no sitting last night. Premier Walter R. Shaw, in adjourning until this morning, suggested that members might like to express sympathy last night to Stewart Ross (L-4th Queens) on the death of his brother.

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Speakers in the draft address debate yesterday were Robert Campbell (L-1st Prince), Industry and Natural Resources Minister Leo Rossiter, Daniel MacDonald (L-1st Kings) and Lloyd MacPhail (PC-2nd Queens).

## Dorion Probe Is Marked By Outbreak

OTTAWA (CP) — Two lawyers erupted in a shouting match which stalled the Dorion inquiry briefly Thursday. A third lawyer was sternly dismissed from the witness box by Chief Justice Frederic Dorion.

## Island Liberal Leader Pays Visit To Ottawa

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN  
OTTAWA — Liberal Opposition Leader Alex Matheson has been a visitor to Ottawa for the past two days.

## 17 Killed In Explosion

NATCHITOCHEES, La. (AP) — Seventeen persons were killed in a blaze Thursday when an underground natural gas pipeline exploded near a row of homes.

## Railways, Truckers, Hotels Protest New Labor Code

By BEN WARD  
OTTAWA (CP) — Ship, railway and interprovincial truck interests and the CNR hold chains appealed to a Senate committee Thursday for exemptions from the proposed federal labor code. The groups argued they will face hardship if the code's provisions are forced on them. The "escape clause" providing long-term deferment in special circumstances was not enough protection. The measure has been approved by the Commons without exemptions. Canadian Trucking Associations, representing 7,000 truck companies, said the eight-hour day and 40-hour week laid out in the code are "wholly impractical and completely removed from the realities of truck operation." John Magee, CTA executive secretary, said the labor code has injected a "disturbing element" in the trucking industry's impending contract negotiations with the Teamsters Union (CLC). AVERAGE 48 HOURS  
Truck drivers now average 10 hours a day and 35 hours a week. But word had "filtered through to us from labor sources" the Teamsters intend to fight for all of the labor code provisions with no reduction in take-home pay. Jack Donaldson of Toronto, an industrial relations consultant for Ontario truck firms, said this would add 20 per cent to the costs of interprovincial trucking. The Dominion Marine Association said the 40-hour week just can't be fitted into the special pattern of working hours peculiar to shipping. Even the crews didn't want it. Capt. P. R. Hurcomb, DMA general manager, said the crews now work a 36-hour week while sailing and a drop to 40 hours would only add to the boredom of off-duty life. He also contended the higher costs would remove the competitive advantage that Canadian vessels now hold over U.S. vessels on the Great Lakes. BACKED BY PRESIDENT  
The Railway Association of Canada presented a brief backed by two railway vice-presidents, W.T. Wilson of the CNR and D. I. McNeil of the CPR. It complained the code would place an "excessive cost burden" on the railways in several working areas and could force the abandonment of some services. For example, if the \$1.25 hourly minimum wage were applied to telegraph messengers 17 and over it would add 45 per cent to this payroll. If sleeping and dining car employees were out on the 40-hour week, with its added provision of overtime rates for another maximum eight hours, the costs would be prohibitive. CNR Hotels said the seven hotels in its system are the only ones in Canada that will come under the labor code. It could price them out of business. Although CNR hotel workers now had the highest wage rates in the industry, the \$1.25 hourly minimum would mean a rise for 40 per cent of them and an average boost of 30 per cent.

## House Is Bedlam For Fourth Day

OTTAWA (CP) — The Commons was like bedlam for the fourth successive day Thursday as Liberal MPs were charged with "collusion" with Justice Department officials and snooping into files to embarrass opposition MPs.

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Mr. Diefenbaker said the speaker would be placed in an "unenviable" position by handling the investigation. Prime Minister Pearson supported the Speaker's decision to investigate and said he should also look into the practice of asking written questions that has been built up over recent years. Mr. Fisher said questions placed by Mr. Basford were intended as "harassment" for Erik Nielsen, Conservative MP for the Yukon who first revealed allegations of bribery and coercion now before a judicial inquiry. REFERRED TO QUESTIONS  
He referred to questions from Mr. Francis that sought information about the previous Conservative administration's handling of Hal C. Banks, former head of the Seafarers' International Union of Canada. One question suggests the Conservatives knew of his activities as early as 1958. The present government, in rejecting accusations of padded pay, has returned the Conservatives failed to take action soon enough. Mr. Diefenbaker referred to "snoops" who were peering into departmental files that were closed to opposition members. He also said, if his information is correct, directives were sent out by "a minister" recently seeking information or correspondence from departments, and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, about Mr. Nielsen.

## Stamps For Farmers Urged By Kings MLA

By MARIAN BRUCE  
Island farmers should be able to procure unemployment insurance stamps for their hired help, Daniel MacDonald (L-1st Kings) said yesterday in the Legislature.

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Mr. MacDonald said although present potato market prices were high, there was "not much room for complacency." A shortage of potatoes in the United States had brought island farmers the best returns in 13 years, he said and there was "not much stability in an industry that has to wait for crop failures in other areas." Some control of the potato (Continued on page 3, col. 4)

## FIRE LEVELS HOME AT KILMUIR

Flames had spread through the whole structure when this picture was taken Wednesday evening as fire levelled the frame home of John K. MacDonald at Kilmuir, four miles from Montague. Mr. MacDonald, still in Kings County Memorial Hospital yesterday receiving treatment for cuts, burns and smoke poisoning suffered at the fire. The outbreak is believed to have started in the kitchen from a cause unknown. However, a fire fire was reported to have occurred some time earlier. No one was in the house at the time. Practically nothing was saved. The Montague Fire Department responded to a call but by that time flames had a solid hold on the building and could not be controlled.

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