



PRIME MINISTER Pearson (LEFT) is seen with Alex Campbell, the new leader of the Prince Edward Island Liberal Party, following a 15-minute meeting in Ottawa Monday. (CP Wirephoto)

## Greene Accepts Invite To Visit This Province

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN  
OTTAWA — Alex Campbell of Summerside, leader of the P.E.I. Liberal Party, yesterday made his first official call on Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson, in the latter's office on Parliament Hill.

During his talks with the prime minister Mr. Campbell brought up a number of points which he hoped to provide Mr. Pearson with a good grasp of a number of Island problems affecting the economy of the province.

Later in the day, Mr. Campbell called on Agriculture Minister J. F. Greene with whom he took up a number of problems involving the agricultural industry of the Island.

Among the problems discussed were: the feed grain problem, cost of farm machinery, the marketing of Island farm products and more adequate provisions for farm financing.

Mr. Campbell will return to P.E.I. on Wednesday on return to P.E.I.

## 'Untouchable' MP's Courted For Support In PM's Election

By PETER JACKSON  
NEW DELHI (Reuters)—Eighty "untouchable" members of Parliament are being courted for their support in Wednesday's election by Parliament of a new prime minister of India.

The 80 MPs, who represent India's 60,000,000 "untouchables"—hereditary sweepers, garbage collectors and other menial laborers among the country's poorest and humblest—could tip the balance in the election.

The election contest between Mrs. Indira Gandhi, 48, a widow and daughter of the late prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru and former Indian finance minister Morarji Desai is formally for the ruling Congress party's leadership which automatically means the premiership.

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## Bandits Net \$70,000; Police Fight Gun Battle

MONTREAL (CP)—Police fought a gun battle with fleeing bandits Monday in one of two suburban bank robberies that involved an estimated total loss of \$70,000.

No one was hurt in either. The robberies occurred within an hour of each other, five miles apart.

Three hooded bandits escaped with about \$60,000 from a Mount Royal branch of the Bank of Montreal. They were armed with a submachine-gun and revolvers.

Similarly armed were another three men whose robbery of a branch of the Toronto-Dominion Bank in Greenfield Park brought them \$10,000 and hot pursuit by armed police.

Taxi driver Roger Boucher, saw the three robbers bolt to their getaway car.

Mr. Boucher dashed to his car and took off in pursuit, trying to ram the robbers' vehicle.

Falling this, he continued after the fleeing men who fired one shot into his car's radiator and another through the windshield. As he sped down Taschereau Boulevard, he radioed for help.

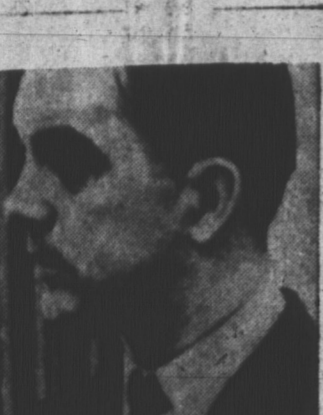
Police roared to the chase area, in time to find the robbers switching to another escape car. The bandits opened up with a submachine-gun and revolvers, riddling one police car but injuring no one.

They managed to escape in the second getaway car, which police later found abandoned and damaged from a collision with a utility pole.

Later, officers were reported questioning one man in connection with the robbery.

Thieves broke into the bank with a crowbar shortly before it opened. They held the staff at bay and scooped up about 40 bags of money.

In Mount Royal, no shots were fired, but staff members at the bank there said they were fearful that the member of the holdup trio armed with a submachine-gun would start firing.



## Students' Strike Adding To Woes

MONTREAL (CP)—Quebec's educational officials, already beset with teacher strikes, found themselves with a new headache Monday—a strike by thousands of students at technical and vocational schools.

The students stayed away from classes in protest of extension of their school year. The extension, by 2½ weeks, would reduce their earnings from summer work, they said.

Members of the Federation of Students of Specialized Training, they set up picket lines at some schools and even staged a demonstration in front of the suburban Montreal home of Education Minister Paul-Gerain Lajoie. The federation claims 27,000 members.

President Michel Delorme, after meeting Premier Jean Lesage, said the government was considering an increase in scholarships for specialized students and ways of guaranteeing their summer employment.

In Quebec City, the education department said "a good number" of the schools operated despite the walkout. In certain certain schools, some classes were able to carry on, though others were closed.

## Police Seize Publications

QUEBEC (CP)—Police here seized hundreds of copies of publications they consider obscene during the weekend and Police Chief Gerard Girard said he believes a plot involving editors and printers has been uncovered.

Most of the publications, including Midnight, Minuit, Ho, Defi and Zero, are published in Montreal. All except Midnight are French-language magazines.

Chief Girard said it appears that "newspaper vendors who refuse to accept one or another publication are threatened with having all the magazines they handle taken away."

He said newspaper vendors are "held by the throat by propagandists of immorality."

## Fighting Flares Short Of Truce

SAIGON (Reuters)—Viet Cong guerrillas attacked a U.S. marine battalion near the Da Nang air base Monday, just three days before a lunar new year truce which the Americans announced their forces will observe.

In a flare-up of guerrilla incidents in South Viet Nam, the Viet Cong also kidnapped a U.S. aid mission official and attacked two South Vietnamese military posts near Saigon and a South Vietnamese strike force on the move near the Laotian border.

## Home Destroyed In West Royalty

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff MacPhee and family of three, West Royalty, lost all their belongings when a fire destroyed their storey dwelling yesterday afternoon shortly after four o'clock.

The blaze, believed to have erupted from an oil stove in a bedroom, was well underway before the Charlottetown Fire department arrived. The call was placed from the nearby residence of Lloyd MacInnis.

Mr. MacInnis last night said Mrs. MacPhee and three children were at home at the time of the fire. Mr. MacPhee was at work at the Belvedere Golf and Winter Club.

Mr. MacInnis said the fire was extinguished twice by snow and water but ignited a third time when Mrs. MacPhee was at the MacInnis residence.

The third blaze was well underway before it was noticed and the Charlottetown Fire department was summoned.



## Tough Cop

John J. Broderick, a former New York City detective and later bodyguard for former heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey, died yesterday at his home in Middletown, N.Y. He was 70. Broderick was first named the "world's toughest cop" by Jack (Legs) Diamond, then regarded as one of the world's toughest gangsters.

## China Policy Defeat Seen

MOSCOW (Reuters)—Communist party chief Leonid Brezhnev and Alexander Sholepin of the party's ruling Presidium returned to the Soviet capital Monday from separate missions to Asia whose results are viewed here as diplomatic defeats for Chinese policies.

The two men returned aboard the same plane, in which Brezhnev, on his way back from Ulan Bator, capital of Mongolia, stopped off in Irkutsk, Siberia, to pick up Sholepin, returning from Hanoi.

Brezhnev and Mongolian Premier Yumzhagin Tsedenbal signed in Ulan Bator a 20-year friendship treaty emphasizing close ties between the Kremlin and the only ruling Asian Communist party that has consistently sided with the Russians in the Moscow-Peking ideological feud.

# Massive Pile Of Work Seen Facing Commons

## Shipbuilding Subsidy Cut By Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP)—Reduction of the federal shipbuilding subsidy to 25 per cent from 35 per cent for the next three years was announced today by Transport Minister Pickersgill.

Beginning in 1969, the subsidy will be dropped further by two percentage points a year until it reaches the 17-per-cent level in 1972.

The subsidy of 35 per cent of the total cost of new vessels built in Canada, introduced by the former Conservative government, was suspended last Feb. 2 when Mr. Pickersgill announced that a review of the program had been ordered.

## More Men, Money For Defence Dept. Of U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The White House kept its peace offensive alive Monday while the defence department disclosed plans to add another 113,000 men to U.S. fighting forces.

White House Press Secretary Bill D. Moyers told reporters President Johnson is maintaining his "flexibility of decision" in his search for a path to negotiations to end the fighting in Viet Nam and has set no deadlines for an end to these efforts.

A few days later, Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara said he will ask Congress Wednesday to provide \$12,500,000,000 in additional funds for the 1966 fiscal year, ended June 30.

Talking with reporters after discussing his plans with Democratic congressional leaders, McNamara said plans call for adding 113,000 uniformed personnel and 94,000 civilian employees to department rolls.

The secretary said department spending for the current year is about \$54,200,000,000—more than half the U.S. budget.

The forthcoming boost will bring the department's combined uniformed and civilian payroll to 4,106,000, McNamara said.

In disclosing that no decisions on ending the peace drive have been reached, Moyers said "it is not a linear thing and it is not on one track."

## Drug Intensifies Leukemia Battle

TORONTO (CP)—Toronto cancer specialists have taken a major step in treatment of leukemia, the chief of medicine at Princess Margaret Hospital said Monday.

"The technique involves a combined drug treatment developed by Dr. Robert Bruce of the Ontario Cancer Institute and was begun two weeks ago on four leukemia patients at the hospital."

## British Gov't Providing Cash For Industry Modernization

LONDON (CP)—Launching a crash program to modernize British industry, the Labor government has decided to provide cash grants of about £250,000,000 (\$750,000,000) a year to companies which rip out old factories and machines and replace them with new structures and equipment.

The money, replacing most of an existing scheme of tax deductions for investment allowances, will be paid those engaged in manufacturing, mining and quarrying. There will be similar payments to those buying new ships and electronic computers. Domestic as well as Canadian and other foreign companies operating in Britain will benefit.

These unique grants will cover 20 per cent of the cost of new plants and machines in the more prosperous areas, such as London, Birmingham and Manchester. Payments will be doubled to 40 per cent in areas with more industrial space and more unemployed, such as all of Scotland, Northern England, most of Wales and the southwest corner of England.

The government hopes higher grant will attract industry away from the congested southeast. The program will require legislation expected in the spring, but payments will be backdated to 1964 or 1965.

Launched on or after Jan. 17, Douglas Jay, president of the Board of Trade, said in a statement that Canadian and United States companies and their subsidiaries in Britain "will be treated on the same basis as United Kingdom firms and will enjoy the same benefits."

Anticipating the new program may bring more North American capital to Britain Jay added the government hopes the incentives will give "further encouragement to investment in British prosperity and will contribute to our economic growth."

The program was outlined in a white paper issued Monday in the name of Jay as well as James Callaghan, chancellor of the exchequer, and Economics Minister George Brown. It brought favorable reaction from the Confederation of British Industries, though there was concern over the discriminatory nature of the plan.

## 27th Parliament Opening Today

By STEWART MACLEOD  
OTTAWA (CP)—On the eve of the opening of the new Parliament there appears to be unanimous agreement on at least one thing—the Commons faces a massive pile of work.

Just how the 265 members approach this remains to be seen. Some, including Social Credit Leader Thompson, feel the House will settle down to a productive, business-like session. Others say privately they expect the Commons to be even more ill-tempered than during the last stormy sessions.

There seems to be a general belief the minority Liberal government will not be defeated early in the session through a non-confidence motion.

New Democratic Leader Douglas has said it would be ridiculous to defeat the government before it has an opportunity to lay out its programs. And Mr. Thompson has said any party forcing the defeat of the government would be "wiped out" in the subsequent election.

Conservative Leader Diefenbaker has said he will move a non-confidence motion against the Liberal government early in the session, but most party members say it has little chance of being carried. However, they say the motion could serve to give the new Parliament a rousing start.

## Local Potato Price Up As Markets Hold Firm

Potato prices have risen in this province with quotations of \$1.65 to \$1.70 per 75-pound bag bulk for tablestock. It was learned from a Charlottetown shipper last evening. This compares with a reported \$1.50 to \$1.60 per bag a little more than a week ago.

At the same time experienced potato observers state the markets for spuds continue to hold firm across the continent.

Information available through the analysis provided by F.W. Ward and Sons, Montreal, and from TABB potato service made available by E.D. Reid, Charlottetown potato producer and shipper, indicates U.S. holdings are still considerably higher than they were a year ago.

The 123.3 million hundredweight storage holdings in the United States is 28.2 million hundredweights in excess of holdings a year ago. (The figures are for the 26 fall States.) But the bright spot, market analysts suggest, is that the disappearance of potatoes in the period December 1, 1965 to January 1, 1966 amounted to 24 million hundredweight. It provides reason for optimism among those who were apprehensive late last year of what the biggest U.S. harvest in some years might do to the spud market outlook.

## Death Penalty Is Commuted

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal cabinet has commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence imposed on Reginald John Colpitts, 19, for the murder of a Dorchester penitentiary guard.

A statement from solicitor general Pennell's office said that Colpitts will serve his life term at Dorchester.

While serving a 12-year sentence for armed robbery there, Colpitts on Sept. 23, 1964, attacked guard Edwin James Masterton, 49, of Moncton and stabbed him to death.

The Moncton youth had been sentenced to hang after midnight Tuesday night. Carpenters began building a gallows behind the county jail in Dorchester Monday.

## Service Award Presented

Premier Walter R. Shaw is seen presenting Edwin B. Brown, president of the Charlottetown Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, with a meritorious service award. The presentation was made at the Legion Home last night. Stanley Steele of Charlottetown was named Legionnaire of the Year.

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