



WILLIAM HOULE, Montreal president of the Canadian Postal Employees Association, urged postal strikers at a Montreal meeting to stick with their walkout. The workers shouted their approval of his words. (CP Wirephoto)

Strikers, Citizens Angrier In Montreal Postal Tieup; No Settlement Sighted

MONTREAL (CP)—Strikers were reported angrier and so were many citizens as the 13-day-old postal strike in Montreal continued Tuesday with no sign of settlement.

Judge J. C. Anderson, a government-appointed commissioner investigating the pay dispute responsible for the strike, was reported by an Ottawa spokesman to be no longer committed to producing his wage increase recommendations within a two-week deadline. The deadline now is "self-imposed" rather than a commitment, the spokesman said.

The deadline agreement had been worked out last week on condition that all striking workers should go back to their jobs.

Commenting on the Ottawa statement, Roger Decarie, one of the Montreal strike leaders, said: "This has no effect on Montreal except to make our guys angrier against the government, and they'll be willing to stay out longer."

The 4,000 men walked off their jobs July 22 to support demands for a pay raise of \$600 annually. Postal workers in Toronto,

Vancouver and other widely-scattered points also left their jobs but all except those in the Montreal area returned to work last week.

The letter carriers, mail sorters and grade 1 postal clerks receive salaries as high as \$4,300, while grade 2 clerks, copy-

ers and dispatchers receive up to \$4,600. The government offered raises ranging from \$300 to \$360 annually, which were rejected by the men. Judge Anderson said last week he would recommend a straight \$300 raise with other substantial benefits later.

Mr. Decarie, Montreal president of the Federated Association of Letter Carriers, said the strike would last "at least a few more days."

He said a commitment of financial support had been received from the Quebec Federation of Labor (CLC) and that the strikers received \$2,000 from four QFL unions at a meeting Monday.

"There's been no arrangement made yet for strike pay," he said. "But maybe we'll be able to get it through the Canadian Labor Congress from across Canada."

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SKILLED LABOR IS KEY

Brake On Construction Said Short-Term Effort

By WILLIAM NEVILLE
OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government's effort to "stretch out" the current construction boom represents a short-term attempt to deal with a serious inflationary element within the Canadian economy, qualified observers said Tuesday.

Aimed at easing demand, it is a companion measure to long-term efforts to meet the problem from the supply end. Key to the problem is a severe shortage, particularly in major urban centres, of skilled workers within the construction industry. The result, mirrored in rising wage and hours-worked figures, has been a steady upswing in costs within an industry considered basic to economic well-being.

Faced with this situation, observers said, the government had two avenues open to it. It could attempt, as was done in Prime Minister Pearson's announcement Monday night, to ease demand and bring it more in line with supply. And it could try, as is being done through increased vocational training at home and immigration recruit-

ing abroad, to bolster the supply of skilled workers.

MEASURE TAKES TIME
The problem with the vocational training program and, to a lesser extent, immigration Minister Nicholson's current European recruiting tour, is that these "supply" measures take time to make an impact.

In the meantime, the government is said to feel it can provide or encourage through the private sector a sufficient cut-back in demand during the next 18 months to allow longer-term measures to come into play.

Within the public sector, Mr. Pearson announced plans to defer beyond 1966 federal public works programs.

At a press conference, Mr. Diefenbaker flayed the government for its recent announcement that a number of major federal construction projects would be put off because of the high costs of construction and the general pressure of work on

the construction industry in Canada.

"I wonder if this means that the P.E.I. causeway will also be postponed. We need a lot more information about the government's intentions," Mr. Diefenbaker said.

Mines Minister J. Watson MacNaught, the island's representative in the cabinet, was not available for comment. He was expected to return to Ottawa from P.E.I. Tuesday night.

The government's recent announcement about the causeway indicated that the first tenders would be called late this year.

SEPTUPLETS BORN DEAD TO WOMAN IN W. GERMANY

HAMBURG (Reuters)—A woman in Sweden had stillborn septuplets after hormone treatment for sterility, a West German gynecologist told a press conference in Hamburg Tuesday.

The physician, Dr. Gerhard Bettendorf, would not say when the seven babies were born or give further details.

He said their birth-like recent births of quintuplets in Sweden and New Zealand—was a side-effect of hormone treatment.

Bettendorf reported the septuplet birth at a press conference at the opening of a medical congress.

On July 27, Mrs. Shirley Ann Lawson, 26, gave birth to four girls and a boy in Auckland, New Zealand, after receiving hormone treatment. All survived.

Two days later, in Falun, Sweden, Mrs. Karin Ohlsson, 33, also treated for sterility, gave birth to three boys and two girls, but only a girl survived.

The only other recorded septuplet birth occurred in 1894, when all seven babies died.

YORK, England (Reuters)—Laboree Arthur Flanagan is the proud owner of a perfect-condition, 600-year-old French coin known as a Philip VI Ecu d'Or, minted between 1343 and 1346. He found it while digging a trench here.

LAST DESPERATE ATTEMPT

Chicken Pox Vs. Leukemia

VENTURA, Calif. (AP)—A young mother said Tuesday she has deliberately exposed her leukemia-stricken daughter to chicken pox in a desperate attempt to prolong her life.

Mrs. Sharon Evans, 24, said her four-year-old daughter Joy has been given less than a month to live.

"When I read somewhere about 10 days ago that a few terminal leukemia cases seem to have been arrested by chicken pox, I decided it was worth a calculated risk," Mrs. Evans said in an interview.

Joy's physician, a pediatrician at the University of California medical centre in Los Angeles, said he warned Mrs. Evans the procedure was "very dangerous."

"However, the mother feels there is nothing to lose because it is definite the child is in the last month of life, and she is taking the risk on her own," he said.

ESPOSED TO DISEASE
Mrs. Evans appealed through a local newspaper for an active case of chicken pox and got sev-

eral replies. Sunday she took Joy to the home of a couple whose three-year-old son has the contagious disease. The children played together and drank from the same cup.

"We won't know for at least two weeks whether Joy caught chicken pox, but I desperately hope so," she said. "We have tried everything, all the pills and injections the doctor prescribed, since I found out about Joy's condition last January. Nothing seemed to help."

"She's a little better today after some new injections but I'm not sorry about exposing her to chicken pox. It's our only real hope."

Mrs. Evans said she was told the procedure was "strictly experimental."

MADE DECISION
"It was not an easy decision to make but I thought that if there is the slightest chance, I should take it."

The physician said he believes this is the first time a child with leukemia has been deliberately exposed to chicken pox, "although there are several reports of remission or improvement for a period of time up to several years with a severe case of chicken pox caught accidentally."

"But no doctor can claim chicken pox is a treatment for leukemia, because of the high frequency of death associated with chicken pox," he said.

Joy has acute lymphocytic leukemia, a condition in which the bone marrow produces an excess of white blood cells. With the oxygen-carrying red cells virtually crowded out of the blood stream, the victim develops severe anemia.

MONEY SOLD BY THE POUND

VANCOUVER (CP)—The city had so much money it didn't know what to do. So it sold 14 pounds of it to coin collector John Copland for \$76.

The purchase is all foreign currency and not easily negotiable. City officials said the money was made up of small coins found in parking meters and larger coins and bills accumulated by police and never claimed.

Among the currency: Two British gold sovereigns, dated 1878 and 1914, worth about \$11.50 each; a 1937 German coin; Newfoundland dimes; and Japanese \$10 notes which a collector said were printed during the Second World War for an anticipated occupation of North America.

Nfld. MLA Dies At 55

CORNER BROOK (CP)—William J. Smith, 55, Progressive Conservative member of the Newfoundland legislature for St. Barbe South, died at his home here Tuesday of heart failure.

Born in Brigus, Nfld., in 1910, he was a member of the Newfoundland Rangers, the island's police force, prior to Confederation. Before Confederation he began studying law and graduated in 1954. He established a practice here. He was elected to the legislature in 1962.

His death leaves the standing in the 42-seat Newfoundland House at: Liberals 34, Conservatives 6, Independent 1, vacant 1.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife and four children.

Arms Talk Deadlocked

GENEVA (Reuters)—East and West appeared to be deadlocked on all major proposals at the resumed disarmament conference Tuesday night after an exchange of charges and counter-charges between American and Soviet delegates.

Russia's Semyon Tsarapkin, in a one-hour policy speech at the 17-country parley, denounced foreign bases, U.S. military operations in Viet Nam and the Dominican Republic, and the U.S. Multilateral Nuclear Force (MLF) and British Atlantic Nuclear Force (ANF) plans.

He rejected President Johnson's proposals for curbs on nuclear weapons and delivery systems and the new U.S. offer to ban underground tests through a scientifically-ascertained quota of on-site inspections.

"I'm inclined to agree with it," he said. "I can see no detrimental effects as far as we are concerned."

Premier Thatcher of Saskatchewan said a construction break at this time "makes economic sense."

One-Sentence Denial Made

By KEN KELLY
OTTAWA (CP)—Conflicting statements on Viet Nam by Prime Minister Pearson and External Affairs Minister Martin are giving rise to speculation of a cabinet split.

However, after hearing about the speculation, Mr. Martin issued a one-sentence denial. "There is no division of opinion in the cabinet on this matter," he said through a spokesman.

The spokesman said he was not authorized to comment on government policy toward Canadian involvement in the Vietnamese conflict.

For more than 48 hours previously, no official explanation had been forthcoming from either the prime minister or Mr. Martin about the letter of President Johnson about Viet Nam.

The result has been political jabs from Opposition Leader Diefenbaker and an apparent lining up behind Mr. Pearson or Mr. Martin among officials here.

It all started when Mr. Pearson was asked at a press conference last Friday whether President Johnson had asked Canada, as well as other U.S. allies, for "token measures of military support" in Viet Nam.

Yes, replied the prime minister. He hadn't replied to the president's letter at that time and the government was studying the matter.

CANADA ON FENCE
He added that Canada isn't in the same position as other nations. This country is a member of the international truce supervisory commissions in Southeast Asia.

The implication was that Canada can't be a referee and a participant in the Viet Nam war.

Mr. Martin fired off a sharp no from his Windsor, Ont., home a few hours later. Canada hadn't been asked for troops or other armed forces. There hadn't been any suggestion of aid "of a kind that Canada is not now providing."

Canada's aid now consists of medical help, flour and educational and scientific assistance.

Mr. Martin, recuperating from a spinal injury, hopped a plane to the capital during the weekend. But Mr. Pearson was still out of the capital after a week-end holiday.

KEEPS SUBJECT HOT
Mr. Diefenbaker kept the subject going by saying in an interview that Canadians deserve more than "equivocation and directly contrary statements" as the Viet Nam crisis worsens.

He accused the two ministers of uncertainty and equivocation and "inability to interpret simple words."

Meanwhile, inquiries about the presidential letter and the two statements brought varying explanations.

One official suggested Mr. Martin talked too soon and without even knowing what letter Mr. Pearson was referring to. He maintained the letter did in fact ask for a token military commitment from Canada.

On the other side, Martin supporters suggested that Mr. Pearson misunderstood the question about the president's letter, that the prime minister missed the words "token measures of military support."

Alternatively, it was suggested that Mr. Johnson had sent along more than one letter, a copy of a letter referring to military support intended for other Allies than Canada and a second letter, intended for Canada, referring to something else.

Maybe Mr. Pearson got the two confused, it was suggested.

Two Negroes Indicted, Tension Remains High

AMERICUS, Ga. (AP)—Two Negroes were indicted Tuesday on first-degree murder charges in the gun slaying of a white youth. The indictments came as more civil rights workers arrived in spite of a plea from Georgia Governor Carl Sanders to stop importing demonstrators.

Foreman W. D. White of the Sumter County grand jury said the indictments were returned against Eddie Will Lamar and Charles Lee Hopkins, both 21, of Americus. They are charged with murdering Andrew A. Whatley, 21, of Americus, shot last Wednesday night about three blocks from a civil rights demonstration.

The 23-man jury included one Negro.

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VICTIM AND YOUNG SURVIVOR
A child looks up at U.S. Marine as he huddles by slain Marine in Cham Son village. Both were extricated from bomb shelter after a joint Marine-Vietnamese operation assaulted the South Viet Nam village in search of the Viet Cong. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Saigon).

Provinces Are Near Agreement On University Entrance Needs

By RON MACDONALD
WINNIPEG (CP)—The provinces are close to agreement on a set of uniform standards for university entrance, Premier Roblin of Manitoba, said Tuesday.

Mr. Roblin told reporters that the premiers conference here discussed the question and it will be a top item on the agenda for a September meeting of education ministers in Fredericton.

Quebec Education Minister Paul Gerin-Lajolie said in an interview that the provinces also are working on a standard student record which would be used across Canada to grade school children.

Such records would help schools evaluate the ability of students coming from other provinces, he said.

Mr. Gerin-Lajolie said this project is near completion and also will be discussed at Fredericton.

DISCUSS EXCHANGES
Discussions Tuesday at the conference also covered inter-provincial co-operation in cultural exchanges, particularly between Quebec and the rest of Canada, and provincial government incentives to new industry.

The final communiqué issued at the end of formal business Tuesday night merely reviewed material already made public. Just before winding up, the premiers agreed to set up a committee of civil servants from the provinces to study ways in which adoption laws can be made more uniform in Canada.

More uniformity would make it easier for a child born in one province to be adopted by parents living in another.

Mr. Roblin said there was general agreement Tuesday that it would be a good idea to have a set of uniform university entrance standards.

At present there are differences among universities in Canada in the qualifications they require from high school students seeking entrance.

Mr. Roblin said there was general agreement among the premiers that there should be more uniformity in educational standards at all levels.

"We're not really striving for complete uniformity. That does not leave enough elbow room for progress and study, development and experimentation in this field."

PREDICT UNIFORMITY
Premier Robichaud of New Brunswick said a great deal more uniformity of educational standards is inevitable at all levels. Premier Thatcher of Saskatchewan said his province

will support "anything which gives more uniform education standards at any level."

Premiers Bennett of British Columbia and Stanfield of Nova Scotia cautioned against complete uniformity.

In the field of cultural exchanges, Mr. Roblin said the premiers agreed "that we'd consult further about the possibilities of extending cultural exchanges both ways (between French-speaking and English-speaking parts of the country) to aid understanding."

Mr. Gerin-Lajolie said this is a point of particular interest to Quebec, which wants all the English-language groups possible to tour the province.

Mr. Roblin said the premiers reviewed "the various provinces' attitudes on the subject of industrial incentives."

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