

United Kingdom Residents Uninformed On Canada

OTTAWA (CP)—United Kingdom residents have little conception of Canada as a whole, Allan Field, director of the Canadian government travel bureau, said today.

Field told the Senate committee, recently returned from a six-week trip to Britain to open a new tourist office in London. Mr. Field said he did not see a full map of Canada anywhere overseas. The new office will have one 18 by 12 foot, sparkling with colored lights.

"The British like low key advertising, but you can't be low-key about Canada," Field told the Senate's special committee on the tourist industry.

He said the new office would work closely with British travel agents, who handle 90 per cent of the foreign tourist business out of the British Isles.

Mr. Field, whose office was established in 1954 on the recommendation of an earlier Senate committee, said Canada's foreign income from the tourist industry now ranks second only to newsprint.

SUGGESTS CHANGE
Senator Farwell Connolly (L.-Nova Scotia) suggested that the tourist bureau be brought under the trade and commerce department. It now is part of the northern affairs department.

"It has been like an orphan child, shuttled from one department to another," Senator Connolly said. "I can't think of a more inappropriate department than northern affairs. It's away up there, with an Alaskan touch — up with the Eskimos."

Senator Murray Ferguson (L.-New Brunswick) complained that Indians, totem poles and topees appear too frequently in tourist bureau promotional pictures.

"I think that gives a wrong impression of Canada," she said. "I think that perhaps the tourists expect to see Indians everywhere when they come to Canada."

GM Is Planning Sales To Chile

OSHAWA, Ont. (CP)—General Motors of Canada Limited, said here it expects to ship more than 600 cars and trucks to Chile in the next three months.

The order includes almost equal numbers of the company's Chevy II and Acadia cars and half-ton pick-up trucks. The company says the order represents a new and possibly expanding market in South America and the new countries of Africa.

An export package by the company to meet growing demands by smaller countries for increased local content in vehicles sold in their countries.

The package includes a car body in bare metal, fenders, frame, springs, transmission, engine, wheels and other parts. The unit is assembled at its destination by the distributor who adds such items as local manufacture as upholstery, paint, flat glass for doors and side windows, tires, battery, radiator, bumpers, muffler and tail pipe and hub caps.

New Authority Has Taken Over All B.C. Power

VICTORIA (CP)—A new British Columbia hydro and power authority has taken over all B.C. Electric and B.C. Power Commission operations.

The merger was completed at a special cabinet meeting after the end of the legislative session which set up the new authority.

Reductions of up to 20 per cent in electric light bills for all residents of the province served by the new authority are expected within the next few days.

A bill given royal assent by Lieutenant-Governor George Pearkes passed the merger Thursday night, but left the date to be set by cabinet order. The lieutenant-governor prorogued the third session of the 26th legislative assembly and a special cabinet meeting continued for some time after the session ended.

With proclamation of the special act merging the two public power utilities, the cabinet also appointed two men to run jointly the new agency.

Sharing the job of chairman at a salary of \$40,000 each are Dr. Gordon Strain, former B.C. Electric chairman, and Dr. H. L. Kenney, former boss of the power commission.

Du Pont Says Heavy Water Site Unknown

MONTREAL (CP)—Du Pont of Canada Limited said here provincial governments in both the Maritimes and Western Canada have approached the company with offers of assistance and proposed locations for a heavy water plant the company is considering building.

"However, our study is still in a preliminary stage and we are unable yet to take advantage of these offers," vice-president R. G. Beck said.

"If and when a decision is made to put up such a plant, we will then decide on a location," he said.

"And one of the vital factors in choosing a location will be

fuel costs, which would have to be the lowest possible to meet expected world prices for this product."

The company had announced previously it is studying the possibility of building a plant to produce heavy water for nuclear reactors at a cost of about \$30,000,000.

Cyprus 'King' Asks Britain For Payment

LONDON (Reuters)—A doctor who claims to be the king of Cyprus has asked Britain's Commonwealth relations office for the payment of 2,000 gold ducats a year, backdated to 1914, it was learned here.

Dr. Aris Shevki de Laiguan, a chest specialist who lives near London, has presented his law suit with historical data stretching back almost 800 years to support his claim.

He said the Knight Templar sold the island in 1192 to his direct ancestor, Guy de Lusignan, then the titular king of Jerusalem.

For almost 200 years the de Lusignans ruled Cyprus, until the Venetians took over. It was then agreed that the de Lusignans, in the last heir, were to be paid an annual 2,000 ducats—a currency in use throughout Europe during the Middle Ages.

"The Turks acknowledged the agreement when they took the island in 1571," Shevki said.

"In 1878 Great Britain became responsible for Cyprus and paid up until March, 1914. But when Britain went to war with Turkey she annexed the island and the ducats were forgotten."

At the time of the original agreement, a ducat was worth approximately \$1.36 but with today's value and interest Shevki estimates his claim is for about \$500,000 (\$1,600,000).

18,022 DIED IN WAR
PARIS (AP)—Official figures for civilian terrorist victims of the Algerian war were given Saturday as 18,022 dead and 19,500 wounded from the beginning in 1954 through 1961. Of the dead, according to the official government journal,



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