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CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1956



MRS. J. LESTER Douglas cuts the ribbon while His Honour Lieut. Governor T.W.L. Prowse declares the new Federal Building (Confederation Building) officially open, yesterday afternoon. Guardian Photo

Largely Attended Opening Of New Federal Building

The needs of the people of Prince Edward Island have been well and truly met in the provision of such a fine building in our Provincial capital. Hon. T. W. L. Prowse, Lieutenant Governor, said in his address at the official opening of the new Federal Building in Charlottetown yesterday. More than a thousand spectators thronged the east side of Queen Street to witness the ceremony and hear the speakers over the sound system. The invited guests were seated in front and on each side of the main entrance, on the spacious granite flagstone terraces which runs the entire front of the building. Gaily decorated with flags, the entrance area was flanked by R. C. M. P. constables in their colourful scarlet uniforms, while city police were on duty in the open street area. Following "O Canada" played by the RECCO band conducted by the bandmaster Sgt. Mal. C. MacGregor, Mr. P. S. Hunter, district architect, Federal Department of Public Works extended greetings and thanked for the cooperation of those present, on behalf of the Federal Minister, who regretted his inability to be present. He then called upon Mr. Neil A. Matheson, M. P., to be chairman. "This is an important day for Charlottetown and for Prince Edward Island," Mr. Matheson said. He thanked Lieutenant Governor Prowse for his helpful cooperation in consenting to speak at this time. He had asked Mrs. J. L. Douglas to cut the ribbon at the entrance because her late husband had been the member of Parliament for Queen's on the Government side at the time the initial work was done to purchase the site for the new building. "From personal experience I know the difficulties he had to face," Mr. Matheson said. "Also I know that Mrs. Douglas must have been a constant source of inspiration, encouragement and assistance to her husband." Following the address by the Lieutenant Governor, the thanks of those present was extended on their behalf by Mr. J. Angus MacLean, M. P. Following the ceremony of cutting the ribbon by Mrs. Douglas, the building was declared officially opened by the Lieutenant Governor. An invitation was extended by Mr. Hunter for guests and spectators to tour the building, which bears its name "Confederation Building", in large letters above the main entrance. Hundreds of spectators took advantage of the invitation and were shown through the floor areas accessible for inspection. Band music and selections on the pipes by Pipers Harold Sutherland and Bruce MacLaren enlivened the proceedings which were concluded with the National Anthem. **GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS** Following is the text of His Honour's address: "Recently a signal honour was bestowed upon me, when the Honourable Neil A. Matheson asked me to be the guest speaker on the occasion of the official opening of this magnificent new Federal Building here in Charlottetown. In common with thousands of our citizens, I have watched with interest the progress in its construction from the early days of demolition of the previous buildings on the site until today when we view with admiration this beautiful stone building, six storeys in height, the largest in our Capital City. "How gratifying it must be to you, Mrs. Douglas, to see the building which your late husband helped to build. It is a fitting memorial to his life and his work. It is a fitting memorial to his life and his work. It is a fitting memorial to his life and his work. (Continued on page 2 col. 4)

Yanks Claim Lead In Race To Launch Satellite Into Space

LONDON (Reuters) — The United States is winning the race to be the first country to launch a man-made satellite into space, a Detroit rocket manufacturer said here Tuesday. Howard Perkins, maker of the satellite for Project Vanguard, said it probably will be launched soon after July 1 next year from Patrick Air Force Base, Cocoa, Fla. Work on the project will be finished in January. The satellite, a hollow sphere made of magnesium alloy, will be blasted 1,500 miles into space by a three-stage rocket powered by liquid fuel, Perkins said. **FALL FROM ORBIT** About 20 inches in diameter, it will circle the earth completely every 90 minutes at a speed in excess of 16,000 miles an hour. A string of 10 radar stations will be set up in the United States to track the mirror-bright satellite, which should be barely visible to the naked eye in some parts of the world. Perkins said he estimates the satellite will stay up in space from 10 days to a month. After that, it will fall from its orbit, disintegrating as it enters the earth's atmosphere. Several satellites eventually will be fired because no one project could carry all the recording instruments required. The instruments will be powered by a battery and will radio information back to earth. **WILL RELEASE CODES** Perkins said the rocket mechanism will be kept top secret, as it comes under the United States guided missiles program. But he said codes for radioing information back to earth will be made known throughout the world so that the satellite's signals can be picked up by any country. Man-made satellites, Perkins said, are "theoretically possible—all that is needed is the machinery to do it." But the pioneer satellite manufacturer declined to speculate on the prospects of inter-planetary travel. "I am not a reader of space fiction," he said. He said the most important thing to be learned from the satellites is the nature of their orbit around the earth, tracked by means of radar. **BEER HELPS PATIENTS** NEW YORK (CP)—Dr. Bertel Josephson, a staff member of St. Erik's Hospital in Stockholm, said Tuesday that beer is good medicine for persons suffering from high blood pressure or heart disease. He told the international congress of clinical chemistry that beer helps to get rid of excess water and also cheers up the patient. He added that beer does not cure the disease.

Campaign In Nfld. Gets Off To Start

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — The campaign to win Newfoundland's provincial election Oct. 2 got off to a gradual start Tuesday as Progressive Conservatives revealed two main planks of their platform and Liberals began naming candidates. In a radio interview Progressive Conservative leader Malcolm Hollett said the two main issues his party would fight for were roads and fisheries development. "Roads and fisheries must come first in any effort to build up Newfoundland," he said. His party would concentrate on those and "all other matters pertaining to good government." He reaffirmed the Progressive Conservatives' belief that "our chances are better than ever." Mr. Hollett said Premier Smallwood's Liberals would probably base their main appeal to the voters on a health scheme to provide free care for children up to 16. The scheme was passed at the last session of the legislature, and is expected to take several years to implement.

Burned C.P.R. Engineer Dies

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Man. (CP)—A CPR engineer who was severely burned in a flaming collision between a trans-continental passenger train and a gasoline truck died Tuesday in hospital. The driver of the truck was killed in the crash Monday and the diesel helper on the locomotive was injured. Joseph Langevin, 61, of Winnipeg fought flames as the locomotive halted the train before he jumped into a water-filled ditch. He was brought to hospital here in serious condition. The truck driver was William Koryck, 34, of St. Boniface, Man. The injured man, John Rohrbacher, 31, of Winnipeg, who jumped into the ditch as the train slowed. The two units of the diesel locomotive which had been hauling the CPR's crack trans-continental train, the Canadian, from Vancouver, were in collision with the gasoline truck at a level crossing 19 miles east of here. They burned for two hours after the collision exploded the tank truck and showed the head end of the train with flaming gasoline.

Drew Returns To Toronto Hospital

TORONTO (CP)—The Progressive Conservative party disclosed in Ottawa Tuesday that Opposition Leader George Drew entered Toronto's Wellesley Hospital last Sunday. The party had sat two days on news of the 62-year-old politician's second lapse from health within a month. He went into hospital here directly upon returning from a brief holiday in Bermuda. Dr. R. F. Farquharson, attending Mr. Drew at Wellesley, said the opposition leader looks "terribly tired, but there is nothing seriously wrong" with him. He said he thinks more rest is needed, and Mr. Drew may be in hospital for two weeks. Dr. H.T.C. Whitley, Mr. Drew's personal physician in Ottawa, ordered the opposition leader to leave Ottawa before the Commons ended its sitting on Aug. 14. Mr. Drew travelled to Georgian Bay with his family and friends, but shortly afterward Dr. Whitley advised him to enter Montreal's Neurological Institute for a thorough medical checkup. It followed a tooth infection which physicians said weakened his system. He was there for about a week and on his release flew to Bermuda for a holiday. At that time he told reporters he felt much better and expected during the holiday to regain his vigor. "Although his holiday was beneficial, the Conservative leader is still tired as a result of the rigorous demands of the past year and has been advised to enter Wellesley for a few days of complete rest before undertaking the heavy duties of the coming months." Mr. Drew declined to see or speak to reporters. In November, 1954, Mr. Drew suffered a severe attack of meningitis, which affected him for three months and forced him to miss the first five weeks of the 1955 parliamentary session.

BILLY BISHOP DIES IN FLORIDA

MONTREAL (CP)—William A. (Billy) Bishop, Canada's brilliant aviator who became the Commonwealth's ace fighter in the First World War and an inspirational recruiting leader in the second great conflict, died early Tuesday at his West Palm Beach, Fla., home. Death came to the 62-year-old military hero and holder of the Victoria Cross at 2:30 a.m. at his bedside where Percy Lethbridge, his aide since the war days of 1914-18, and Dr. James R. West of West Palm Beach. Air Marshal Bishop had been in ill health for some time and had spent long periods in Florida in recent years. He retired in 1949 from his post as vice-president of McColl-Frontenac Oil Co., Ltd., in Montreal. His wife, the former Margaret Eaton Burden of Toronto, was visiting their son Arthur in Edmonton and immediately prepared to fly to Toronto where the funeral service, with full RCAF military honors, will be held Friday. The body of the man who shot down 72 enemy planes during the First World War will reach Toronto today in an RCAF plane. In addition to his widow and son, Arthur Christian, the air marshal is survived also by a daughter

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AT OPENING OF CONFEDERATION BUILDING Mr. Neil A. Matheson, M.P., for Queen's as chairman at the official opening of the new Federal Building yesterday spoke briefly before introducing His Honour Lieut. Governor T.W.L. Prowse (seated right) who delivered the address. Hon. A.W. Matheson, Premier of P.E. Island and Hon. T. C. Douglas, Premier of Saskatchewan are seated by the Lieut. Governor. The first cement for footings on the building was poured on Nov. 20, 1954 and the cornerstone was placed by Hon. Robert Win- Federal Minister of Public Works on June 15, 1955. Guardian Photo

Premier Addresses Trade And Industry Conference

The only industries which should be started in Prince Edward Island and are those arising from the products of the land and sea," said Premier A.W. Matheson speaking at a dinner of the Provincial Government in honour of the Trade and Council of Canada now holding sessions at the Charlottetown Hotel. The Premier said he hoped that the agricultural program now being carried out would greatly improve the economic situation of the Province and thought the day was not far distant when Prince Edward Island would not be considered one of the "poorer relatives of the other provinces of Canada." The meeting was presided over by Hon. Dougald MacKinnon, Minister of Industry and Natural Resources for Prince Edward Island. The delegates were welcomed to the City by His Worship Mayor J. David Stewart. A short program of highland dancing and singing was carried out at the close of the dinner. Taking part were Pipe Major George A. Fraser and his two sisters Evelyn and Jean Fraser, Elaine MacDonal, Eleanor Champion, Elizabeth Davidson, Charlottetown, and Judy MacDonald, Carleton Place. **CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES** Premier Matheson who has just attended the annual meeting of the Canadian Bar Association said one of the things discussed at that meeting was the constitution of Canada. He noted that the constitution had been based largely on the British North America Act and felt that the time had come for some changes in the constitution. He did not elaborate on what these changes might be. Dealing with problems relative to Prince Edward Island, Premier Matheson said that the chief reason the Province had in joining

Ottawa Planning National Hospital Insurance In '57

OTTAWA (CP) — The government plans to introduce national hospital insurance legislation at the next session of Parliament and this may have wide implications for the 1957-58 budget, it was learned on high authority Tuesday. The plan dims hopes for any large tax cuts. It may also tend to place some provinces—particularly Ontario — on the political spot. Those close to the cabinet say it will help the Liberals argue during the next general election campaign — expected next year — that the government has done all it could to get the scheme into operation. It had obtained the funds and the legislation. Only provinces that refused to join hampered operations. **MUST HAVE MAJORITY** The legislation would make last January's federal offer a take-it-or-leave-it one for the provinces. Under the offer, the federal government would pay half the cost of a national health insurance scheme starting with hospital care and diagnostic services. But it would go into operation only if a majority of provinces representing a majority of the Canadian population accepted the scheme. So far, only British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan have done so. Ontario has advocated health insurance but so far has not agreed to the federal offer. The plan is estimated to cost \$365,000,000 in the first year of operation. The federal cost would be one-half, about \$182,500,000 if all provinces joined. However, it is understood the government may reserve more than \$182,500,000—perhaps as much as \$200,000,000—in its 1957-58 budget to cover all possible federal costs should all provinces join. **TAX CUT UNLIKELY** Prospects are that the treasury will show a budgetary surplus this year of \$300,000,000 or more. Normally this would give Finance Minister Harris a lot of elbow room to reduce taxes next year, especially when a general election is almost certain to be called. However, Mr. Harris and other cabinet ministers are concerned over the problems of inflation and fear that too many tax cuts will lead to increased purchasing power and greater demands for goods. Thus the health insurance legislation may be used as an anti-inflationary screen. One high-placed tax authority said the government feels no present incentive for reducing personal or corporate income taxes. He was more certain that some commodity taxes would be trimmed. **DRESS REGULATIONS** OTTAWA (CP) — Jeans and black leather jackets are to be banned from dances at Ottawa community centres. The municipal recreation committee Monday night adopted a guide on teenage dress and deportment for centre directors. It laid down a jacket and shirt with tie or sports shirt as required garb for boys. Girls must wear a suit or dress, or sweater blouse - and - skirt combination.

Deplores Vice In Public Life

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP)—The executive council of the Anglican Church of Canada Tuesday passed a resolution deploring what it described as moral and spiritual deterioration, organized vice and corruption in public life. The resolution, slightly amended by the council was sponsored by Rev. Dr. Leonard Hatfield, secretary of the Church's council for social service. He said the symptoms of deterioration could be spotted in many places by mob violence, organized vice, civic corruption, intemperance, lawlessness, "an ironing-for-nothing philosophy" and never results in the highest quality of workmanship.

Outboard Motor Party Narrowly Escape Drowning

Two near drownings took place yesterday afternoon off the Railway wharf at about four-fifteen. The incidents took place when a party of three men, Wendell Scott, Fred Dockendorf both of Clyde River and Leo MacGonnell, Charlottetown, were cruising around the harbor in a small boat fitted with an outboard motor. When off the Railway wharf the motor apparently stopped and Scott stood up with an oar with the intention of padding to the wharf and lost his balance, falling into the harbor. Cries from the boat attracted the attention of Cyril Campbell, Marine wharf superintendent and acting wharfinger at the Railway wharf. Diving into the water with a sixty foot length of line he reached Scott who was floating face down and brought him alongside the wharf where he was pulled out with the aid of the line. Two men working on the wharf applied artificial respiration whilst another put in a call for an ambulance. Dr. Lea was also called. Arriving on the scene shortly after the ambulance he ordered the victim to be taken to the P.E.I. Hospital. During this time the boat was drifting toward the bridge and Dockendorf had also fallen in but was pulled out by his companion, MacGonnell. Dr. Lea then sent a call in to the City Police and a power boat was sent out from the Marine Wharf to rescue the drifting boat. Coming alongside the small craft shortly before it reached the bridge it was found that Dockendorf was lying unconscious in the bottom of the boat. Arriving back at the Marine Wharf, he was immediately taken to the hospital in the Police Patrol. It was later reported that both were being kept in the hospital overnight for observation although both were well out of danger.

Suez Pilots Told They Can Quit

LONDON (CP)—The Suez Canal Company Tuesday night authorized its non-Egyptian pilots and technicians under contract to quit their jobs Friday or Saturday. The move could result in halting movement of ships through the canal. The company's action was announced in Paris following a directors' meeting. At the same time, Prime Minister Robert Gordon Menzies of Australia, back in London after the failure of his mission to Cairo, said a peaceful settlement of the canal dispute appears "extremely difficult." A plan backed by 18 countries for international control of the canal was turned down last week by Egypt's President Nasser after talks with Menzies. **IN FULL AGREEMENT** Some 200 pilots and others who guide ships through the 103-mile canal were included in the quit-work authorization, it came only a few hours after Prime Minister Eden and French Premier Guy Mollet ended two days of talks with a declaration their countries are determined to protect their interests in the canal "by all appropriate means." The two said they are in full agreement on further measures to be taken as a result of Nasser's turnaround of the nationalization plan. Menzies made his statement at a press conference in Australia House. Asked by a reporter if he saw any hope of negotiating a peaceful settlement of the dispute in the foreseeable future, Menzies first side-stepped the question by saying: "I don't think I would make much of a contribution if I said so." Then, grave-faced, he said the committee he led to Cairo last week had placed before Nasser "sensible, reasonable, just and generous solution" to the dispute. Menzies, who said he plans to leave for Australia Thursday, answered "I don't know" when asked if the dispute would be referred to the United Nations, but added: "This is not one of those problems that admits of debate, followed by debate, and more debate. It ought to be brought to a conclusion." A walkout of non-Egyptian employees from their canal jobs will put to the test Nasser's claim to be able to run the waterway without international help and keep it open to all the world's shipping.

Ships Diverted From Suez Canal

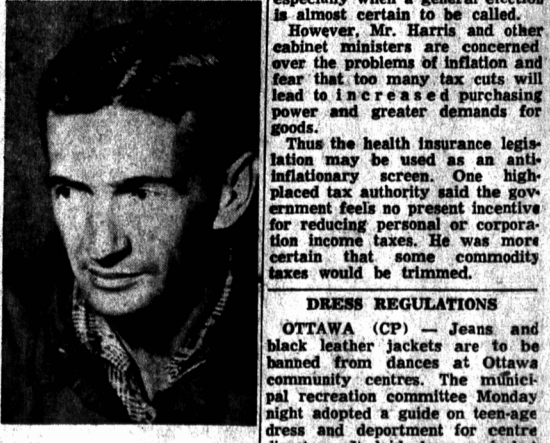
LONDON (Reuters) — More ships are being diverted around the Cape of Good Hope because of the chance of pilots leaving the Suez Canal, it was disclosed here Tuesday night. The 29,000-ton Orient liner Orsova, which sails for Australia today, is going via the Cape of Good Hope and four other liners of the same company are returning to Britain via the cape from Australia. Shipping circles expect that only ships going to India and the Far East will still go via the 100-mile canal. All ships going to Australia and New Zealand will go via the Panama or the Cape of Good Hope routes.

Was Canada's Ace Airman

Mrs. F. J. Mackay, of Owen Sound, Ont., and a brother, Col. Worth Bishop of Toronto, and three grandchildren. Billy Bishop's daring and expertness as a fighter became widely heralded during the First World War and as his score mounted his decorations increased—the Military Cross, Distinguished Service Order and the Victoria Cross. **MANY TRIBUTES** The feat which brought the award of the Victoria Cross was a single-handed effort in which he destroyed three of seven German planes and damaged others in an attack on a German airdrome. News of the death of Billy Bishop, whose geniality was as well known among his associates as his daring, brought tributes from Prime Minister St. Laurent and high-ranking officials in Canada's armed services. In the words of the citation that brought Bishop the Victoria Cross, the prime minister said the air marshal had served Canada "with most conspicuous bravery, determination and skill." As director of recruiting for the RCAF in the Second World War he was responsible for the enlistment of men and women who made such a splendid contribution to our war effort." Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, Canada's military commander overseas during the Second World War while Bishop was helping to set up the Commonwealth air training plan in Canada, paid tribute to Bishop's outstanding work. **INSPIRATION CONTINUES** Gen. McNaughton said Bishop's name and that of the ace fighter's associate William Barker, VC, will always be remembered by the people of Canada for "the courage, outstanding skill, the initiative and devotion to duty which marked their contributions to the Allied cause . . . and which continue to inspire the many thousands of young Canadians who follow their leadership in our flying services in war and in peace." World War now have died since that conflict. Billy Barker, died at the age of 36 in Ottawa; Capt. A. Roy Brown, who was credited with shooting down the German ace Baron Manfred von Richthofen, died at 56 at Lunenburg, near Toronto, and now Bishop. Only two others exceeded Bishop's officially credited 72 "kills" in the war of two score years ago. Von Richthofen claimed 80, although some of them were suspected to be balloons. Rene Fonek of France shot down 75 enemy planes. Bishop's 72 were shot down during 1917 and 1918, over two comparatively short stretches.



AIR MARSHAL BISHOP



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