

Authors' Ass'n Explains Maple Leaf Forever Aims

By DAL WARRINGTON
HALIFAX (CP)—The Canadian Authors' Association campaign for new lyrics to The Maple Leaf Forever has been misunderstood, says Dr. Helen Creighton, association president. In an interview here Tuesday she said controversy over the association's offer of \$1,000 for new words to the old song is based on ignorance of the conditions and objectives.

"We are casting no aspersion upon the old words," she said. "They are historically correct and were emotionally suited to the time when they were written."

"But times have changed. The maple leaf remains our emblem but no one sings the old lyrics anymore."

The music was still good, however. The authors would like to start afresh with "words and various cultures can sing with equal enjoyment."

SOMETHING STIRRING
 It should be "something for the whole of Canada—stirring, inspirational, as it is in schools, churches and public occasions."

The controversy started last week after George Salverson, Toronto officer-manager of the authors' association, announced that Gordon V. Thompson, Toronto music publisher, would publish the best new lyrics and pay a \$1,000 advance on royalties.

Mr. Thompson, who conceived the idea, said the original "Maple Leaf" lyrics arouse antagonism in Quebec and have little appeal for Westerners, "many of whom have never seen a maple tree."

Dr. Creighton said the music is remembered by all Canadians who sang it in school days. It was too good to be lost, especially when the maple leaf is such a meagre supply to patriotic songs.

"I wanted to clear up another point. This is not meant to supplant O Canada," she said, "although if the lyrics are good enough that might indeed happen; but it is not our primary purpose."

WHY ONLY ONE?
 Every nation had several national songs besides its designated anthem. Britain and the United States each had three or four. Just Canada has only one song."

"Old songs are often given new life by newer and more appropriate lyrics. The Star-Spangled Banner is an old British tune, as is My Country 'Tis of Thee and Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean. Our hymn books abound with hymns having new lyrics written to older tunes."

She said the authors' association recognizes that the maple leaf is Canada's national emblem, knows the world over. One wanted to belittle it or suggest some substitute.

"Rather we should like to add to our meagre supply of patriotic songs as we prepare for our centenary, including the maple leaf."

DESTROYER LAUNCHED
By BIRKENHEAD—England's Destroyer, the William Parish, mayor of Ajax, Ont., and his wife were present Wednesday at the commissioning service of the Ajax, the new Royal Navy Leader-class frigate. Parish told the ship's crew his town had adopted the name Ajax in 1940 to commemorate the cruiser Ajax which fought in the 1939 Battle of the River Plate. The town now has adopted the new ship.

Storm Blows Up In Ottawa On Bilingual Declaration

OTTAWA (CP)—A new storm is raging at city hall over whether Canada's capital, bilingual in fact, can become bilingual officially.

Mayor Charlotte Whitton has maintained that the city has no authority to declare itself a bilingual community. She tossed the issue in effect back to the province of Ontario by saying it would require legislative action by the province to make possible such a step.

The mayor proposed that "everyone should direct" their efforts to the province, which she said, has so far lacked the

coherence to take a stand on bilingualism.

"The province is dodging here and dodging there, refusing to let bilingualism in the front door, trying to sneak it in through the back," she said.

The province, she said, would allow bilingual traffic signs—which exist in the neighboring city of Eastview—but would not pay municipalities the normal subsidy for putting up signs.

THIRD BILINGUAL
 About one-third of Ottawa's 200,000 people are officially bilingual, she said.

French-speaking French is widely spoken in shops and, each day there is an influx of

Lakes Heading For Record Low

DETROIT (AP)—Lakes Michigan and Huron are expected to plunge by next month to the lowest levels since the United States Army Corps of Engineers began keeping data on the Great Lakes in 1860.

All five lakes—Michigan, Huron, Ontario, Superior and Erie—are below 1860-1962 average levels, as well as those for the last 10 years.

None is expected to start rising before the end of February, and six months hence it is predicted all still will be below both the long-term and 10-year averages.

The Corps of Engineers blames primarily a series of years of below-normal precipi-

No Assurance On Dollar Given Studebaker Co.

OTTAWA (CP)—Finance Minister Gordon said in the Commons Wednesday he personally gave no assurance to Studebaker Corporation that the present discount on the Canadian dollar in U.S. funds will be maintained.

He could not say whether anyone else in Ottawa gave such an assurance.

R. G. L. Fairweather (PC-

KIDNAPPERS CAUGHT MILAN (AP)—Three Italian youths were held Tuesday for the kidnaping of an eight-year-old school boy whose parents paid \$30,000,000 lire (\$48,000) ransom.

The boy, Paolo Ratti, son of an industrialist in nearby Monza, was kidnaped as he walked to school Monday. He was released unharmed late Monday night as his father met the kidnapers and handed them the money. Police were watching and arrested two of the youths on the spot.

Royal raised the question, quoting Studebaker of Canada president Gordon E. Grundy as saying the corporation had received "limited assurances" that the 92-cent value of the Canadian dollar in U.S. funds would be maintained.

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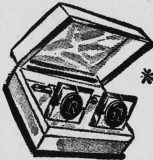
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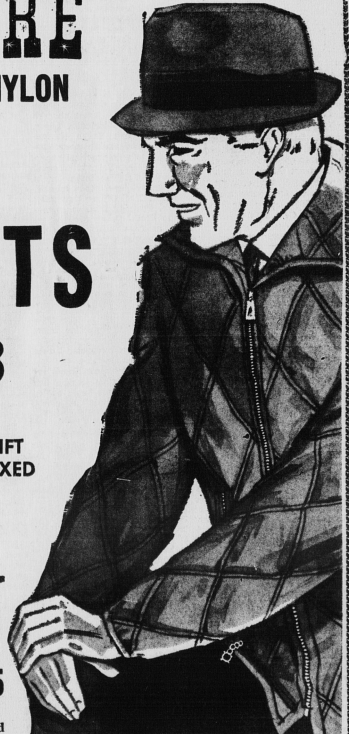
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