

# Detective's Testimony At Police Probe Labelled Lies

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VANCOUVER (CP)—Det. Sgt. Len Cuthbert's testimony before a royal commission was labelled a tissue of lies Monday—part of a conspiracy to destroy police chief Walter Mulligan, "the man most feared by the underworld."

The charge was made by T. G. Norris, counsel for Mulligan, as commissioner R. H. Tupper reconvened the hearing into charges of corruption in the 750-man Vancouver police force.

Mr. Norris said he would show that a conspiracy existed among senior police officers "to destroy" chief Mulligan, "the one man most feared by the Vancouver underworld."

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**DOWNING** — At the Prince County Hospital on July 27th, 1955 to Dr. and Mrs. John B. Downing of Summerside. (nee Elizabeth Gillespie), a son.

**DART** — At the Prince County Hospital August 1st, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Dart of Tryon, a son, Eldon Dennis.

**MacLEOD** — At the Prince Edward Island Hospital July 30th 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Finlay MacLeod, Winsloe, a son.

**THOMSON** — At the Prince County Hospital on July 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thomson, a daughter, Linda Diane, 8 lbs., 9 1/2 oz.

**HUGHES** — At the Misericordia General Hospital, Winnipeg, Man., on July 24th, 1955 to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hughes (nee Evelyn King), a son, Walter Michael, 8 lbs., 15 oz.

**GILBERT** — At the RCAF Station Parent, Quebec, to Mr. and Mrs. Angus Gilbert (nee Bertha Morrison), a son, 5 lbs., 8 oz. John William.

**WILLIAMS** — At the P.E.I. Hospital on August 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Williams, a daughter, Ellen Jean, 8 lbs., 4 ozs.

**MARRIAGES**  
**CAMPBELL-DARRACH** — At the Presbyterian Manse, Clyde River on July 23rd, 1955, by the Rev. Donald Nicholson, Florence Euphemia Jane Darrach, New Argyle to Gordon Lowell Campbell, Augustine Cove.

**BAIRD** — James V., suddenly at Roxbury, Mass., July 31, formerly of Webster's Corner, P.E.I. Funeral of held in Roxbury.

**MacODRUM** — Suddenly at Cavendish, August 1, 1955, Rev. Dr. Maxwell MacODRUM, president and vice-chancellor of Carleton College, Ottawa, in his 55th year. Remains resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home. Funeral notice later.

**MacEACHERN** — At the P. E. I. Hospital on Saturday, July 30, 1955, Mrs. Minnie MacEACHERN of 325 Fitzroy Street in her 81st year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held tomorrow (Tuesday), service commencing at two o'clock Daylight Time. Interment People's Cemetery.

**BERNARD** — At 443 Water Street, Summerside, on Monday, August 1st, Mary Adeline Bernard, wife of the late Antonio Bernard, aged 90 years. Forwarded from the Bonness Funeral Home to her late residence, 145 Granville Street, from where the funeral will be held on Wednesday, August 3rd to St. Paul's Church for Requiem Mass at 9.00 a.m. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

**WEDGE** — At the Prince County Hospital on Monday, August 1st, Susan Ann Wedge of Summerside, aged 82 years. Forwarded from the Bonness Funeral Home to her late residence, 145 Granville Street, from where the funeral will be held on Wednesday, August 3rd to St. Paul's Church for Requiem Mass at 9.00 a.m. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

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Cuthbert, 54-year-old veteran police officer who admitted an attempt to shoot himself in the police station more than a month ago, testified for two successive days to the commission last week.

Mr. Norris, outlining the direction of his cross-examination of Cuthbert said "improper associations with underworld characters" for the greater part of his police life prior to March 1, 1949.

**FEARED EXPOSURE**  
"You accepted their favors," Norris told the witness, "and like a little boy saying 'he made me do it,' you sought immunity by shifting the burden of guilt to the shoulders of chief Mulligan."

"You feared exposure. And I will show that you were aware of other breaches of duty as a police officer and that your life has been a fraud and a lie."

Cuthbert smiled slightly, leaned forward in the witness stand, and in a low, steady voice said: "That will take some proving."

In testimony last week, Cuthbert disclosed his dealing with the underworld while head of the gambling squad for a six-week period.

He said that for the balance of his 26 years on the force he had been loyal.

He said he had shared with Mulligan in payoffs from the underworld.

"We shared," he said "it was a 50-50 split."

**TOTS UP AMOUNT**  
Mr. Norris for the first time addressed the amounts Cuthbert said he had received after dividing the take with the chief. It came to \$1,100.

"That seems like a lot of money," Cuthbert said. Chief Mulligan, on leave of absence for the duration of the hearing, sat in court and continued to listen intently to the testimony and make occasional notes.

Mr. Norris charged Cuthbert had been the ready tool of officers who had a grudge against the chief.

"There is a conspiracy to destroy this man... You thought these other officers would give you protection if you told these stories about the chief."

"I propose to show you, through your different statements you have made, that it is all a tissue of falsehoods."

**CAREER OUTLINED**  
Mr. Norris drew Cuthbert through a resume of his years with

the police force from the day he joined as a special constable on the prohibition squad in 1925.

Cuthbert said he had known bootleggers but never in the early days had he dealt with gamblers.

Cuthbert and Mulligan were promoted to the rank of detective in 1939 and 10 years later Cuthbert became head of the gambling squad. He held the position 3 1/2 months.

Mr. Norris asked how often the witness violated his oath as an officer.

**"ACCEPTED BRIBES"**  
"Well, I accepted bribes," said Cuthbert, and added he had made tentative arrangements while on the gambling squad in 1949.

Mr. Norris talked about the time Cuthbert spent on the liquor detail and asked him if he'd taken any bribes then.

"I accepted bottles of liquor from bootleggers," said the sergeant.

"But I made it clear that the receipt of whisky would not deter me from enforcing the liquor act."

Mr. Norris asked Cuthbert if he could get evidence against him, he would get locked up, whisky or no whisky."

Cuthbert said he had also accepted Christmas presents from bootleggers—like a tie or "the odd pair of socks"—but no cash.

**BEGAN TO WORRY**  
Under questioning of Mr. Norris, the sergeant said he first began to worry about the consequences of his activities after his first visit to then city prosecutor Gordon Scott, now a magistrate.

He said he saw the mayor later (ex-mayor Charles Thomson) and was relieved of some anxiety.

But during the 1950-51 investigation which led to a bookmaking conspiracy trial involving more than 30 persons, things occurred "which struck me," said Cuthbert, from under me," said Cuthbert.

Earlier in the hearing, lawyer Neil Fleishman told Mr. Tupper that Flash reporter Ray Muro had told Cuthbert he was working "for the attorney-general" only to get his story—and he did get it.

A series of articles in the Toronto weekly Flash, a report of a Senate committee on narcotics, and Cuthbert's suicide bid touched off the inquiry.

Meanwhile, detective C. W. McKay Monday resigned as head of a special Vancouver police squad named to assist the royal commission investigation into the police department.

## SALAD WEEK PRESENTATION

Master Gerry Gallant of the 4-H Garden Club is pictured above presenting a basket of salad fruits and vegetables to His Honor Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse and Mrs. Prowse during the opening of Salad Week last Friday. The presentation took place at Government House. (Meyers Studio)

## Presbyterian Girls' Camp

The beautiful and picturesque Xair Camp at French River was humming with activity for a period of ten days, July 19th-28th inclusive, when 40 girls from all parts of the Island availed themselves of the opportunity of attending the Presbyterian Girls' Camp which came to a close following a banquet supper.

The ideal camping weather, the magnificent scenery, the happy and enthusiastic camp spirit, and true Christian fellowship among the girls made a very successful camp.

The extensive program which was carried out gave the girls plenty to do and never allowed a dull moment to creep in. This program consisted of: Salutation to the Dawn; Morning Watch; Bible Study; Church History; Missions; Nature Lore; Dramatics; Fire; Air; Handcraft; Music; Shore Suppers; Hikes; Treasure Hunts; Sports; Swimming; a Christmas and Halloween Party, and the never to be forgotten Camp Fires.

The camp was directed by Miss Mary A. MacKenzie, Deaconess North Tryon, assisted by the following leaders: Doris Ferguson, Nicholson, Glen Valley; Barbara Soudra Sutherland, Joyce Shelton, Michelle Huestis, Margaret Burns and Dorothy MacEwen, all from Charlottetown; Joanne Lilly, Marshallfield; Marlene Paynter, Arlene Gardiner, Mildred Bernard, Freetown; Iris Lamont, Springton; Anna Macdonald, and June Nicholson, Tyne Valley; Florence Keady and Mildred MacLure, Breadalbane; Margaret Murray, Summerside; Myrna Semple and Judy Waite, Kensington; Janice Miller, Biddeford; Donald Adams, French River; Judy Spence, Springhill, N. S.

The girls returned home with a healthy bronzed look from their outdoor activities, and all expressed the desire that they would have the opportunity of attending this camp next year.

## Stanley Bridge Swimming And Water Tests

The swimming and water safety program at Stanley Bridge camp to a close on July 30, when Paul Cudmore and Joan Murphy, Red Cross field supervisors, tested a large group of well trained candidates.

Miss Donna Cudmore and Miss Harriet Campbell instructed the swimmers and presented four classes for examination.

The local Women's Institute with Mrs. Ray Douglas as chairman sponsored this worthwhile program. Refreshments were served to the swimmers at the close of the examinations and gifts were presented to the instructors in appreciation of their fine work.

The examiners presented awards to the following successful candidates. Those meriting life saving awards will receive them later in the season.

Beginners: Elizabeth Adams, Avis Bernard, William Cotton, Jim Smallman, Helen Gallant. Intermediates: Heather Clark, Mary Pye, Donald Pye, Maureen Livingston, Sinclair MacKay, Lawson Biggar. Juniors: Beverly MacEwen, Wilfred Bolger, Barrie MacEwen, Ruthie MacEwen, Margaret Simpson, Mrs. Douglas, Hilda Malone, Jimmy Smallman.

Royal Life Saving Society Bronze: Anne Carr, Catherine Morrison.

## SQUALL TIPS 11 BOATS

TORONTO (CP)—Lake Ontario was awash with overturned sail boats and swimming sailors Saturday during the annual regatta of the Boulevard Club. A sudden squall tipped over 11 of the 21 sailboats entered, pitching the crews into the water. The crews were picked up and all craft recovered.

## Huge Storage Tanks For Oil Company Being Erected

One of the largest all steel contracts to be undertaken in this city is now well underway at the old Kensington Beach where the Horton Steel Works of Fort Erie, Ontario are erecting five large bulk storage tanks for the Irving Oil Company with a total capacity of almost 6,000,000 gallons.

Erected on the top of one of the tanks but serving three others will be a 30-foot vapor dome which is for the purpose of taking care of expanding gases in hot weather. The tanks which range in thickness from 0.7 inch to 0.4 inches will be forty feet high with an additional 16 feet on the vapor dome. The largest diameter of the tanks is 123 feet inside and the smallest one 52 feet. A total of 11,400 lbs. of steel rods will be used in welding the structure.

The work is under the supervision of Mr. Leo Lacombe who has 13 welders and nine steel workers employed on the job. The same company will undertake the contract for erecting six tanks for the Imperial Oil. Mr. Lacombe is high in his praise for the hospitality which he and his men have experienced on the Island and of the co-operation received from various business firms throughout the city.

## Plan Research Program In Prince On Water Pollution Effects On Shellfish

Research study on water pollution as it affects shellfish, will be carried out in the waters of Summerside Harbor and Malpeque Bay by a three-man bacteriological team from the Department of Health, Ottawa, who arrived in Summerside over the weekend. Their research investigation will be focused primarily on oysters.

Mr. I. Erdman, bacteriologist, is in charge of the research project and other members of the party are Mr. J. M. Kelly, technician, and H. D. McCurdy, assistant.

The mobile laboratory unit of the laboratory of hygiene has been brought to Summerside and the scientific calculating and analyzing will be carried out in this unit which is the only one of its type in Canada.

Mr. Erdman said their main task is to ascertain the effect of change in the pollution of the water, as it affects the pollution of the oyster. The project is expected to be completed in three months and is being carried out in co-operation with the Biological Station at Eglarville.—S

## Picnic Ends Church Camps

The Annual Sunday School Picnic of the Central Christian Church was held Saturday afternoon with a fine number present. The Chartered Camp Site where games, races and softball were enjoyed. Swimming was a favorite activity with the weather smiling approvingly.

The picnic followed the closing of the Christian Church camping season. Three large camps were held this Summer with outstanding success. Ministers from the Province furnished leadership.

Deans in charge of the camps were: Mr. W. O. Weale, Summerside Senior Youth People; M.D. Dunbar, Charlottetown Junior Boys and Miss Peggy Beck Montague the Junior Girls, Mrs. A.B. Houston was Camp Mother and Cook. Mrs. Houston completes 24 years in this position with the Christian Camp Site.

Mrs. Dennis was assistant cook filling the position remarkably.

The picnic had access to canteen service during the afternoon and with the Sun's urging a well beaten path led to it. A giant picnic lunch was enjoyed and all went home delightfully happy.

## Seek Father of Abandoned Children

NEW YORK (AP)—The father of two newly-dressed children found mysteriously abandoned in separate parts of Maryland is being sought for questioning in a record bank robbery here, police disclosed Monday.

The announcement that Thomas Connelly, 32, an ex-convict, was being sought added a new note to the strange circumstances of the children's abandonment.

## Tribute From Dr. MacKinnon

The following tribute to Dr. MacODRUM was received last night from Dr. Frank MacKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College:

"I am deeply shocked by the sudden death of Dr. MacODRUM at Cavendish. I knew him well when I was on the staff of Carleton College and saw him frequently on his visits here. I have pleasant memories of several years friendship with him. He valued his holidays on the island and made many friends at Cavendish and at the Charlottetown and Summerside Rotary Clubs which he visited each week. To his daughter Morna and to Carleton I extend sincerest sympathy."

## Signalmen To Exercise Rising Star

The following Detachment of 5 Signal Regiment CA (M) under the command of Lt. L. F. McMurrer departed from Charlottetown yesterday morning to attend Exercise Rising Star at Camp Gagetown, N. B.: Sgt. DeRoche, J.L.; Cpl. Gauthier, J.R.; Cpl. Cannon, P.L.; Cpl. Glover, C.R.

Signalmen: B.N.; Signalmen: D.G.P.; Signalmen: Doin, W.A.; Signalmen: Costello, J.L.; Signalmen: Dillon, V.G.; Signalmen: Doucette, B.R.

Signalmen: Down, K.G.; Signalmen: Galant, L.V.; Signalmen: Harper, J.A.; Signalmen: Flynn, G.J.; Signalmen: Gillis, J.D.; Signalmen: Hyndman, H.V.

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## Charges U. S. Has Plans For Bayonet Barrier

WASHINGTON (CP)—A member of Congress said Monday he had heard of a "secret" U.S. border patrol plan to recruit 8,000 volunteer patrolmen, stock up on military-type equipment and blow up bridges on roads leading into Canada and Mexico in case of emergency.

Representative Robert Molohan (Dem-W.Va.), chairman of the House of Representatives government operations sub-committee, said he got these "shocking revelations" from an anonymous tipster. But he declared they must be "founded on fact" because the immigration service "has refused to deny them."

He said in a speech prepared for the House that the new "secret" plan means that while the United States is urging an Iron Curtain rollback, "we ourselves are through a traditionally and allegedly civilian agency—plotting a barrier of bayonets along our own borders, and between two friendly nations."

Molohan's office said his statement about "a barrier of Bayonets" applied to both the Canadian and Mexican borders.

The action was taken against the men by Mr. Macdonald under a provision of the act which allows the first person to file a claim to obtain the \$200-a-day penalty members must pay for each day they sit illegally.

## In Memoriam

**DANIEL PIUS MACEACHERN**  
It was a shock to the community when they learned of the sudden passing of Daniel MacEACHERN on the evening of the 18th of July as a result of a drowning accident at Johnston's River Bridge.

Daniel Pius MacEACHERN was born in Glenfinnan in 1921. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William MacEACHERN.

As a young man he joined the Overseas Forces for World War II. After four years service and a brief period of civilian life, he again volunteered for service with the occupation forces in Germany.

At the time of his death he was engaged in farming on his own homestead.

Dan, as he was familiarly known, was a generous nature and well liked by all. His passing will be a loss to the community as well as to his aged parents.

Besides his parents he is survived by one brother, John of Brighton, Mass., and three sisters, Mary, Mrs. Leo Rooney of Brighton, Mass., Helen, Mrs. Douglas McGrath of New Hampshire; Clara, Mrs. John Hardy of Boston.

A tribute to his popularity was the very large funeral which was held at Mt. Ryan Church. The funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. T. Butler.

Present in the Sanctuary were: Rev. Dr. Louis Callaghan; Rev. M.J. Rooney; Rev. William Simpson.

The Legion service was read by Leo Doyle and Last Post was sounded by Bugler Sgt. F. A. Smith. The members of the local branch Canadian Legion attended in a body.

Honorary pall bearers were: Messrs. J.J. MacDonald; James L. MacDonald; John A. MacDonald, Joseph MacDonald, William Dalton, Ivan Smith, Reginald Kelly, William McInnis, Fred MacAdam, John Murnaghan. The active pall bearers were: Messrs. John A. MacDonald, J. D. MacDonald, Donald MacDonald, Dennis O'Shea, Levi McNally, Fred Trainor. May his soul rest in peace.

## Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. William MacEACHERN of Glenfinnan and family, wish to thank all their friends and neighbors who in any way helped and comforted them in their recent sad bereavement. They wish also to express their thanks to all those who sent Mass Cards, wreaths and messages of sympathy.

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## Big Fashion News Given At Paris Show

By NADEANE WALKER  
PARIS (AP)—Flat chests and finished bosoms are back. That was the big fashion news in Paris Monday after Dior's new Y-line show. Bosoms were as frankly full as Balmain's collection this afternoon.

Dior did away with low waisted long jackets, loose waists, little hats and boyish haircuts. In fact the H-line and the A-line are dead letters.

The new Y tapers from a full but not padded bust to a high small waist and narrow stemmed skirt. Jackets often have no buttons at all, but are more like boleros. Hats gave the head a bulky look.

"PRETTY LADY" LINE  
Balmain, continuing his "Pretty Lady" line, puts the curves where they belong. Though he fits the waistline, he adds low belts around the hips, and still shows sweated legs' tops.

On the whole, hats have suffered more revolutionary change than dresses this season. Some of the little ones are still around, but they're overshadowed by the new bulky ones that are like the toques of the beginning of the century.

## BOSOM EMPHASIZED

In an interview given Paris Presse just before his opening Dior said: "I have had enough of tunics, vests, overcoats and skirts caught on at the hips. I have emphasized the bosom. My shoulders are full and rounded, the real shoulders of a happy woman."

I am enchanted that a movement in favor of big hats is under way. They have height and volume and give balance to my new silhouette. "They bring back dignity to the little faces coiffed in mad dog style."

## TEXTILE PRODUCER

KARACHI (CP)—The international consultative cotton committee has listed Pakistan as one of the major textile-producing countries in the world. A review submitted to the committee said cotton consumption in the country's textile industry has increased four times in the last four years.

## Level Crossing Accident Takes Father of Two

that this was the first they had heard of the claims and that they considered them slightly fantastic.

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