



Dief Says Attack Cowardly

OTTAWA (CP)—Conservative Leader Diefenbaker Thursday termed Justice Minister Cardin's latest statements on the Munsinger case "a cowardly and slanderous attack bearing the imprint of McCarthyism."

Mr. Cardin told a press conference Thursday Mr. Diefenbaker had not handled the spy case properly when he was prime minister in 1962. Mr. Diefenbaker should explain his conduct, Mr. Cardin said.

Munsinger was the last name of a woman at one time, connected with espionage activities who left Canada and died in East Germany a few years ago, Mr. Cardin said she had been "involved" with more than one cabinet minister.

The statements made by the minister of justice represent a cowardly and slanderous attack bearing the imprint of McCarthyism.

"It is noteworthy that the attack was made during my absence and outside the House although the minister had every opportunity to speak during his absence. He waited until they were through.

The statements reported are simply a continuation of the attempted blackmail of last week.

and given a deer stalker, double-peaked cap a la Sherlock Holmes. He termed it a "Liberal minister's cap" when you've got it on nobody knows where you're going." (CP Wirephoto)

Retention Of Family Farm Urged By 4th Prince MLA

Frank Jardine (L-4th Prince) speaking during the debate on the Speech from the Throne called for a policy encouraging the retention of the family farm and making these units more productive.

Mr. Jardine said, "It is quite possible to become land poor — to have too much land and not a high enough fertility. I believe we should be making the best possible use of the land we have, by an intensive rather than extensive operation."

Mr. Jardine spoke for some time on the government's handling of the liquor store question which arose last fall over the opening of an outlet near the Athena Regional High School in Summerside, calling their lack of action, "one of the most dictatorial and undemocratic acts ever experienced in this province."

Mr. Jardine expressed his disappointment of the news from the minister of agriculture that, "we are unable to take advantage of the matching grants through the ARDA program due to our inability to raise or assign \$750,000 to the department of agriculture."

Mr. Jardine expressed his belief that the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture brief should be tabled in the House as was done in the past. "This government corners the farm brief and will not allow them in the House," said Mr. Jardine.

Prime Minister Denies Story He Plans To Resign Shortly

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson Thursday denied through a spokesman published reports that he plans to resign soon.

A statement issued by Mr. Pearson's press secretary, Richard O'Hagan, said: "I have been authorized by the prime minister to deny completely and categorically published and broadcast reports that he plans to resign or that he indicated any such intention. These stories are untrue."

At least two newspapers carried reports that Mr. Pearson had told a Liberal party caucus meeting Wednesday that he would step down within three months.

The resignation stories cropped up after Mr. Pearson bowed to opposition demands for inquiries into the Spencer spy case and Canadian security procedures. In the process, Justice Minister Cardin first offered and then withdrew his resignation because his stand on the case had been reversed.

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. (CP) Hugh Faulkner, Liberal member of Parliament for Peterborough, said Thursday that the Liberal party caucus indicated it wants Prime Minister Pearson to step down he will do so immediately.

Mr. Jardine followed agricultural Minister MacRae in the Throne Speech debate yesterday afternoon. He completed his remarks and was followed by Hon. Philip Matheson, minister of highways, before the session adjourned for dinner.

4 Hookups Planned For Flight

By HOWARD BENEDICT
CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) Astronauts Neil Armstrong and David Scott will attempt four separate hookups with an Agena satellite and Scott is to walk in space for two hours and 40 minutes during next week's Gemini flight.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration gave these details Thursday.

An Atlas Agena rocket is scheduled to blast off at 10 a.m. EST to hurl the Agena into orbit as a docking target for Gemini 8. Armstrong and Scott are to take off at 11:41 a.m. atop a Titan II rocket to pursue the 26-foot Agena across 105,000 miles of space, catching it during the fourth orbit.

The two craft will remain anchored together as one rigid vehicle while the astronauts sleep for 7½ hours. The second day—Scott is to slip into space on the end of a tether.

He will mount a camera on the side of the spacecraft, retrieve a radiation measuring package from the side, activate a micrometeorite detection device on the Agena and experiment with a power tool, unfastening and tightening bolts on a metal panel.

At daylight, Armstrong will separate Gemini 8 from the Agena. Scott, using a gas-propelled jet gun to fit about, will emerge from the equipment bay and practise manoeuvres.

After Scott returns to the cabin, Armstrong will re-dock with the Agena, unlatching about three hours later.

Armstrong will then change the orbit path of Gemini 8 and will move about 13 miles away. He will attempt a fourth docking without use of radar, employing optical methods only.

In the final disconnect from the Agena, the astronaut will back away about 1,500 feet and send a signal to fire Agena's main engine in a test of how well they can command the Agena to manoeuvre.

The third day of the flight will be devoted mainly to scientific, engineering and photographic experiments.

The spacecraft will return to earth Friday after a trip of 70 hours 52 minutes.

Heated Debate Erupts On Cardin Allegations

Highways Minister Critical Of CNR Freight, Express

Criticism of the express and freight service offered by Canadian National Railways in the province was made in the Legislature last night by Highways Minister Philip Matheson.

Parliament At A Glance

Participating in the draft address debate, Mr. Matheson said "it is not enough to say that rails are going to be placed on the causeway—unless our rail system improves in Prince Edward Island and the other Atlantic provinces, it will die a natural death."

Referring to what he said was the report of a survey carried out on railroad service by Atlantic area manufacturers and a board of transport commissioners, Mr. Matheson said statistics in the report show deficiencies in the railroad service in regard to express and freight.

Commenting on the provincial highway system, Mr. Matheson said "on the whole, highways in the province are very acceptable." He said that about 37 per cent of this province's highways are paved which is a higher percentage than any other province. Ontario and Quebec, he said, have between 30 and 33 per cent of their highway systems paved.

It was suggested by Mr. Matheson that this province has been able to keep up with other provinces in paving mainly through federal aid. He said the total mileage laid since September of 1959 was 612 miles. This amount, he said, is more than all the previous paving done in the province.

Since 1959, the province participated in the Roads to Resources program in which the (Continued on page 3, col. 7)

very serious situation and we must approach this with an open mind. The next few years may give us a different service altogether and all-weather roads may give this province better service than it is getting now."

Mr. Matheson said truck transport is "a field of service to the province that is expanding and we can't turn our back on anything that might develop it."

Prime Minister Pearson promised to set up a judicial inquiry into the matter if that is what MPs wanted.

But by adjournment time, no final agreement had been obtained and the matter was left in the air.

Mr. Cardin told the press conference at least two former Conservative ministers were involved with a woman named Munsinger.

He said the woman once was engaged in espionage for the Communists and died a few years ago in East Germany.

Harsh words flew across the Commons floor as almost the entire sitting was spent on points of privilege about the case.

FRIDAY, March 11
The Commons meets at 11 a.m. to continue the Munsinger affair debate. The Senate stands adjourned until March 22.

Liberal MLA Makes Plea For Primary Producers

Dr. M. L. Bonnell (L-4th Kings) charged the government had let the economy of the province become stagnant and dead and urged them to provide greater assistance to the primary producers in the province, the farmers, fishermen and tourist operators.

Dr. Bonnell began his address in the Throne Speech debate during the session last evening, he did not finish and will continue when the Assembly meets this morning at 10 o'clock.

"We have to make Prince Edward Island economically sound by building up our primary producers. We must have a plan for our agriculture, a plan for our fisheries, a plan for our tourist development," said Dr. Bonnell.

Dr. Bonnell hit out hard at the Minister of Agriculture A.B. MacRae and his department charging the department of agriculture was "making the worst mistakes and doing the least for the people of the province."

AGRICULTURE DORMANT
"Agriculture," said Dr. Bonnell, "has been neglected, there has been no new policy, no new thought, no new money, it's been dormant."

"You have done nothing," said Dr. Bonnell pointing to the minister of agriculture, "what protection are you giving the small farmers of the province?"

Dr. Bonnell speaking of hardships the small farmers are facing cited an example of a farmer who grew peas for one of the processing plants and who ended up owing the company \$977.35.

"You are destroying the small farmer," he said, "it is my understanding some of these plants are allowed to grow their own crop."

The debate was adjourned on a light note when Henry Wedge, minister of health, after Dr. Bonnell had a gain brought up the example of the farmer who had lost the money, asked, "why don't you put on a bingo and help the poor fellow out?"

A number of the opposition members picked this up and asked Mr. Wedge, "is that how you intend to pay for medicare?"

By this time it was ten o'clock and Dr. Bonnell adjourned the debate.

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Why had he kept this knowledge to himself all this time? Why hadn't he laid charges as soon as he found out about the case?

Mr. Cardin said at his morning press conference that two or more former ministers were involved romantically with the Munsinger woman in the early 1950s.

Pearson Wins 2 House Votes

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson hinted in the Commons Thursday night that a judicial inquiry might be established to look into the Munsinger affair.

His minority government had to beat back two formal Commons votes as opposition benches continued a bitter eruption over allegations that former Conservative members were involved in a sex and espionage issue.

The government won both votes by the same margin—124 to 98.

In debate leading up to a mid-evening vote, Mr. Pearson kept asking whether the opposition would support an inquiry into the whole matter.

Michael Starr, former Conservative labor minister, asked whether this meant that aspersions cast on members of the former Diefenbaker administration would be permitted to remain until an inquiry brought in a report.

Mr. Pearson repeated his question and Mr. Starr repeated his.

An angry Richard Bell, former Conservative immigration minister, said Mr. Pearson was about to become the first prime minister to disgrace that office.

FOUNDED DESK
"Waving his arms and pounding his desk, Mr. Bell demanded that Justice Minister Cardin be called before the Commons immediately to substantiate his charges that two or more Conservative cabinet ministers had been involved with Gerda Munsinger."

Mr. Cardin told a press conference earlier that the Munsinger woman had at one time engaged in espionage for the Communists.

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11 Stolen Gold Bars Found Near Winnipeg

WINNIPEG (CP)—Eleven of 12 gold bars stolen in a \$383,000 hijacking at Winnipeg airport March 1 have been recovered and one man is in custody here, Police Chief George Maltby of neighboring St. James, said Thursday.

Chief Maltby said one bar was found in a downtown Portage Avenue office building and 10 in a residence in the Fort Rouge district of south-central Winnipeg.

The man in custody, whose name was withheld, will be charged with unlawful possession.

There was no indication of the whereabouts of the last of the 12 bars, taken by two men who posed as Air-Canada employees while the shipment was being unloaded from the Trans-Canada plane that brought it from Northwestern Ontario mines en route to the Royal Canadian Mint.

The Winnipeg raid was linked with the arrest in Vancouver of a man being held for parole violation.

The gold was reported found buried in a snowbank at the rear of a house on Balfour Avenue.

Another report said a search was under way for the remaining bar in St. James.

WHERE GOLD FOUND
Linda Quarnstrom of Winnipeg stands at the spot behind a Fort Rouge house where police discovered 10 boxes containing gold bars stolen March 1 from the Winnipeg International Airport. The boxes were buried under three feet of snow and police used picks and shovels to dig them out. One more gold bar was found in a downtown business block. One man is in police custody. (CP Wirephoto)

Seal Hunt Claims Are Dishonest Charge Made By Humane Official

HALIFAX (CP)—A humane society official said Thursday the federal fisheries department was being "immoral and dishonest" in saying a seal hunt is needed to support inshore fishermen.

Brian Davies of Fredericton, executive secretary of the New Brunswick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, said he was sending a telegram to Prime Minister Pearson asking for a "clear statement on why the department is protecting the hunt."

"We don't believe the inshore fisherman is being protected," he said in a telephone interview. "We believe they are simply being exploited by the ship owners."

The hunt in the Gulf of St. Lawrence ended Wednesday when the quota of 50,000 seal pup pelts was reached. The season, which opened Monday, does not allow the killing of adult seals.

Immediately after the quota was reached the nine ships headed for the ice floes off northern Newfoundland where the season opens Saturday. There are no restrictions there on numbers or age of seals taken. Foreign ships, chiefly Norwegian, join that hunt.

WILL OBSERVE HUNT
Fisheries department officers are aboard the Canadian ships

that will operate on the front, but only as observers. In the Gulf they have authority to enforce regulations and several hunters were charged the first day with killing adult seals.

Wednesday Tom Hughes of Toronto, general manager of the Ontario Humane Society, said he will lay criminal charges against three Magdalen Islands hunters for "sadistic, stupid, deliberate cruelty" to the baby seals.

He said he found 59 pups that were being skinned alive.

Ottawa veterinarian Elizabeth Simpson, who accompanied Mr. Davies onto the ice to observe the hunt, said Wednesday she had been horrified.

"I definitely saw a baby seal being skinned alive," she said. "It lifted its head and looked at us."

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But Mr. Hughes said he did not believe the incident which he found was indicative of the entire hunt. He said a report of his findings and those of other officials with him, including Dr. N. D. Scollard, director of Toronto's Riverdale Zoo, will be made shortly.

KILLED IN 'TERROR'
Mr. Davies said, however, that he could not conceive of the hunt ever being humane. Even if the pups were killed properly they still were in mortal terror before their death.

"We cannot imagine what it must be like on the front where they kill without rules or restrictions and with nobody watching them."

He said he would appeal to all Canadians to write to the prime minister and demand that the hunt in the Gulf be stopped "because of its inherent cruelty." And he will ask that the prime minister provide alternative employment for the 300 or 400 inshore fishermen employed in the hunt for a month or two each year.

Meanwhile, at Port aux Basques, Nfld., Capt. Max Currie said the 50,000-pelt quota was unfair to small sealing vessels and should be increased. He said that by the time his small ship could break through the ice to the herds the large ships had taken all the pelts allowed.



KIDNAPPED IN SOUTH AFRICA

These sons of Rhodesia's two opposing leaders are being held at an undisclosed place in Cape Town, South Africa while their captors demand that their fathers get together within 24 hours to discuss Rhodesia's current independence problems. At LEFT is

Kenneth Gibbs, son of Rhodesia's British governor, Sir Humphrey Gibbs. At right is Robert Smith, son of Rhodesia's Prime Minister Ian Smith. The South African Press Association said both were "kidnapped" last night (AP Wirephoto via cable from Salisbury.)