

Commons Committee Probes Recording Of Proceedings

OTTAWA (CP)—The conversion of Hansard reporting in the House of Commons from shorthand reporters to mechanical tape recordings would remove a personal element, Hansard editor W. W. Buskard told a Commons committee Wednesday.

Hansard is not a verbatim or court report of parliamentary speeches, but "a substantially accurate report" of remarks made in the Commons with repetitions, omissions and bad grammar edited out of the transcript.

Mr. Buskard said the average length of parliamentary debates has increased 7 per cent since the 1830s, but the Hansard reporting staff of seven remains unchanged. Each reporter takes notes for 10 minutes on the floor of the Commons and has 20 minutes to transcribe his notes before returning to the chamber.

The Commons committee on debates met to consider a report by the management analysis division of the Civil Service Commission on a suggestion that electronic recording devices be installed in the Commons, at first to back up shorthand reporters, and ultimately to replace them. Chairmen of the committee would be replaced by typists at a saving in salary of \$30,500 a year.

Mr. Buskard said the best parallels were the British House of Commons and the United States Congress, both of which still employ reporters. The British House of Lords has electronic equipment but rarely uses it, he said.

"The United States is the most gadget-minded country in the world, and you would think if recordings are the answer, they would have it in Congress."

Montague Teachers Local Hears Recent Survey Report

MONTAGUE — The Montague Local of the P.E.I. T held a workshop in the Montague Elementary School last week.

In his opening remarks the president, Albert Fogarty, spoke on the results of the recent survey regarding qualifications, supplements, working conditions and the proposed Teachers' Social Center for Montague.

John Hughes, principal at room by the Elementary School staff.

The second part of the meeting conducted by Mrs. Steeves opened with the Island Hymn. A discussion on the marking of grade eight exams was led by Mrs. Ruth MacMillan. In her remarks she noted carelessness in re-reading answer papers, in reading directions and in writing spelling and punctuation.

Mrs. Elsie Waterworth of the curriculum committee, and principal of Montague Elementary School, spoke on curriculum revision and brought greetings from Superintendent H.A. Johnson who was unable to be present.

North River Man Was Speeding

Speeding guilty by a charge of speeding Wayne K. Warren of North River was fined \$15 and costs or four days by Magistrate A.J. Haslam, Q.C. in city police court yesterday. He was clocked on Belvedere Avenue at 30 m.p.h. zone going 45 miles an hour.

John Robert Curran of Peakes Station was remanded to Dec. 13 with bail to stand, on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor not purchased at a vendor.

Three men were fined \$5 and costs or two days each for failing to stop at stop signs.

PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

OTTAWA (CP)—Kurt Oppol on Wednesday presented his letter of credence to Governor-General Vanier as ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Canada. Mr. Oppol, 42, previously was German ambassador to Iceland, Norway and Belgium.

Earlier in the day 21 Latin American countries had submitted two resolutions providing for expansion of the Security Council to 13 members and of the economic and social council to 24 members from 18.

Both measures would require charter amendment, which, Oppol said, would require approval of the five permanent members of the council.



AFTER 35 YEARS STUDEBAKER JOB ENDS

Russell Alderfer of Plymouth, Ind., puts his tool box into trunk of his Studebaker as his 35 years' service as a machine repairman at the Studebaker auto factory at South Bend, Ind., came to an end. The shut-down of the South Bend factory was announced officially in New York this week. (AP Wirephoto)

False Document Cases Result In Jail Terms

SUMMERSIDE — Leslie CHAMBERLAIN of Summerside was sentenced to three months in Prince County Jail yesterday by Magistrate R.S. Hinton, Q.C. in town police court. He was charged with the forging and utterance of false documents, and pleaded to the court that he had been drinking that day and did not remember much about it. He said he couldn't blame it on the others as it was just as much his idea as theirs.

Two other persons appeared on similar charges with one receiving a two-year suspended sentence and the other having his case further adjourned until Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Thomas Warren, Bible Hill N.S., pleaded guilty to four separate charges of forging and uttering false documents and was given a two-year suspended sentence and ordered to enter into recognizance to the amount of \$2,000.

Crown prosecutor George McMahon said "the accused both he and Chamberlain were cooperative with the police up to a certain point. Apparently he (Warren) has come into property here and he has told police he'd be willing to make restitution."

The forged cheques amounted to \$7.70 and the accused was given a till next June 11 to make restitution.

The case against the third accused, Charles Higgins Truro, was further adjourned until Dec. 18 upon request of police chief S.D. Wannamaker.

Two Turkish residents appeared on charges of drunkenness and were each fined \$20 and costs.

The case of Abel Arsenault, Wellington, charged with impaired driving, was further adjourned until Jan. 16, 1964. The accused, who is represented by G. Bruce MacDonald, is out on \$125 bail.

Employment Picture For November

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada's employment picture in mid-November: (estimates in thousands).

Nov. Dec. Nov. 1963 1963 1962

Labor force 6,799 6,841 6,612

Employed 4,576 4,576 4,576

Unemployed 2,223 2,265 2,036

Region	Labor force	Employed	Unemployed
ATLANTIC REGION	600 613 606	455 572 532	145 41 74
QUEBEC REGION	1,918 1,930 1,848	1,807 1,830 1,724	111 100 124
ONTARIO REGION	2,492 2,487 2,420	2,415 2,421 2,328	77 66 92
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