

London Police Provide Guard For British Parliament Houses

By JOSEPH MACSWEN LONDON (CP) — Metropolitan police and parliamentary "custodians" are responsible for security arrangements at the Palace of Westminster, where some 150,000 persons visit the House of Commons each year.

Ferri stalked Westminster on occasion in bygone days but in recent years there have been no incidents comparable with the bomb explosion that killed a man in Canada's Parliament building Wednesday.

However, when the Queen came to Westminster for the state opening of Parliament April 21, an old rival recalled the attempt of Guy Fawkes to blow up the House of Lords and King James with gunpowder in 1605.

Yeomen of the Guard carrying lanterns of ancient design prowled through vaults and basements in a symbolic search for a modern gunpowder plot. The ceremony is repeated at each formal opening of a new Parliament when the monarch is present.

Spokesmen for the sergeants-at-arms who command the security forces at the Commons and Lords recalled in interviews Friday that one British prime minister was assassinated at Westminster. He was Spencer Perceval, a Tory, slain with gunfire in 1812 by a man found to be demented.

DUTIES OVERLAP
Since the Commons and Lords chambers are in the same building, security arrangements overlap, with the emphasis on the Commons where visitors are more numerous and attendance by members much greater.

Assigned to the Commons are an inspector, two sergeants and 26 constables of the London Metropolitan Police who are responsible for everything up to the entrance to the galleries.

Doorkeepers—there is a total staff of 36—prevent any unauthorized entries to the Commons chamber itself and keep order in the galleries. They eject demonstrators who sometimes throw papers and shout at the members in the well of the chamber. As many as 1,500 persons may visit the chamber in one day.

Some 12 policemen are assigned to the House of Lords under a system described as "flexible and highly complicated because the sitting periods of the two houses are different."

When the houses are not sitting, the police are replaced by 84 custodians, who take over duties of keeping a firewatch and similar chores as well as keeping order. Over-all cost was reported as \$21,000 (\$153,000 annually).

VAN DYKE MAKES MOVIE
Dick Van Dyke and Jason Robards co-star in Divorce American Style, to be filmed this summer.

know of no bomb attempts in recent times. During the 1930s, when Irish Republican Army members were active in London, Parliament was closed to visitors.

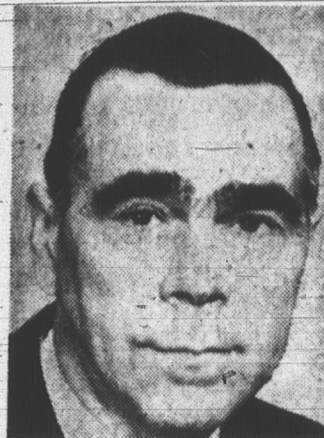
Security Criticized

not happen here and did little or nothing," he said in an interview. "The results could have been disastrous."
Dr. Cotnam said he intends to preside over the inquest of Paul Joseph Chartier, 45, who blew himself up in a washroom of the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa Wednesday.

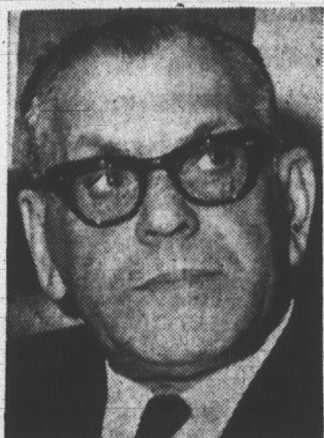
Security precautions, not only for members of Parliament but for all public officials, will come under "severe scrutiny."

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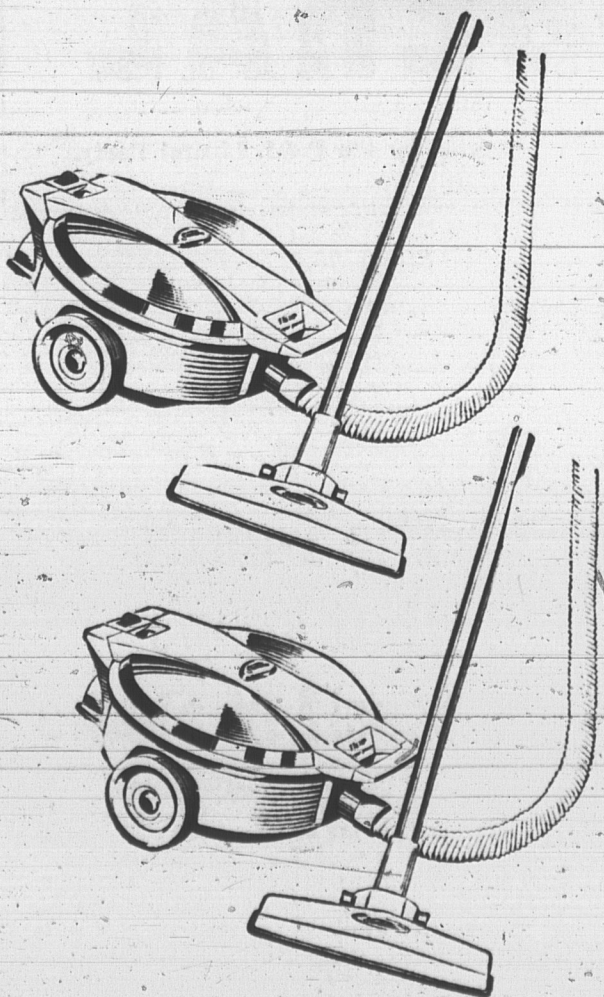
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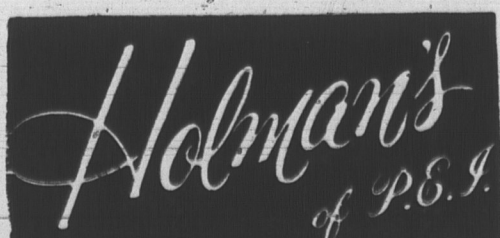
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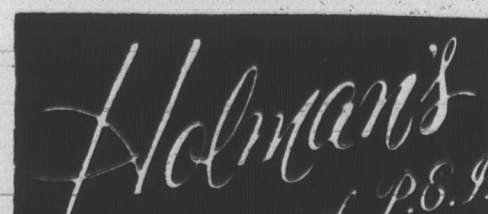
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