

Arms Spending In Canada Declines

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's arms-making machine slowed slightly in 1954 and federal spending on arms and equipment dipped to about \$1,000,000,000.

Procurement officials said this represents a decline of about \$174,000,000 from the 1953 post-war spending peak. They believed that arms spending in 1955 will continue close to the 1954 rate, with emphasis on electronic equipment for the mid-Canada aircraft early warning system.

This information was disclosed Sunday as Production Minister Howe touched on his year-end economic review. Because of security, Mr. Howe's statement spoke only in general terms.

Defence procurement and construction, in terms of work done during the year, was below the peak level reached in 1953, he said.

The value of orders placed, however, was up substantially over the previous year, but well below the 1951 and 1952 levels.

Officials said the government spent about \$400,000,000 for aircraft during the year. Mr. Howe said the highlights included getting into production on the Mark IV model of the CF-100 all-weather jet fighter and the Sabre VI, an improved version of the P-51 Mustang jet fighter.

An advanced series of the Canadian Oriole jet engine was produced "according to schedule."

From other sources it was learned the CF-100 rate of production climbed to at least five a week, but that this rate will be reduced in 1955. Sabres also came off at about five a week and this rate will be maintained.

TRAINERS ORDERED
Mr. Howe recalled that Canada produced a number of T-34 single-engine primary trainers in 1954.

From other sources it was learned Canada had orders for 125 of the T-34 planes, 25 for the RCAF and 100 for the United States Air Force. The RCAF planes have been delivered and deliveries started on the American order.

Canadair, at Montreal, has the order for the Bristol Britannia, to replace the Lancaster on Maritime coastal patrols. The company has an order for one prototype in modifying the British design and for an additional 12. Eventually she will get an order for a total of 50 planes, each costing about \$3,500,000.

SHIPBUILDING
In shipbuilding, where Canada spent about \$75,000,000 in 1954, the last 10 of the Canadian-designed non-magnetic coastal minesweepers were completed. Work advanced on the destroyer escort and frigate conversion program.

The Arctic patrol vessel, Labrador, was accepted by the navy. It is the first specifically designed for

Services Held At Alberton
—In Alberton as elsewhere throughout the world Christian people assembled in their churches during the weekend to worship the King of Kings who came to earth as the babe of Bethlehem. In the United Church at 11:45 p. m. on Christmas eve the story of the first Christmas was read from the Gospels by the minister, Rev. Murray Gardner and well loved hymns and carols were sung. At the regular worship last evening hymns were sung and the sermon centred on thoughts of God's revelation of himself in Christ, Jesus, our prophet, priest and king.

At the Sacred Heart Church High Mass was celebrated by Rev. W. E. Monaghan at midnight Christmas Eve and again Sunday morning. Prior to Midnight Mass children of the parish, under direction of Mrs. S. M. Burke and Mrs. R. D. MacKinnon, sang carols. The carols under direction of Mrs. E. E. Larter, organist and choir leader, sang the Mass in F by Leonard. Soloists were J. H. Barrett, who sang the proper of the Mass, R. D. MacKinnon and Raymond Ahearn. Rev. A. L. Sinnott preached the sermon, his subject being the nativity of Christ.

At St. Peter's Anglican Church there were holy communion Christmas morning and again at 9 a. m. on Sunday. Last evening a carol service included reading of the Christmas story from the Scriptures by the rector, Rev. J. R. McMahon. Two carols "Away In A Manger" and "Silent Night" were sung by the children. At the close of the service each was presented with a Christmas treat.

In the Presbyterian Church Rev. George Killen brought to his congregation a message for the New Year.

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TRYON Community Cantata under direction Dr. Peter MacDonald, Bedeque Baptist Church Tuesday, December 28th at 8:00 p. m.

QUIET WEEK-END — Summerside police reported last evening that the Christmas week-end was very quiet observed in so far as their department was concerned. There were no reports of car accidents of any kind except a few scraped fenders due to slippery pavements.

FUNERAL HELD — The funeral of the late Mrs. Mark Gaudet was held Thursday morning from the Compton Funeral Home to St. Paul's Church for Requiem High Mass at 9:00 o'clock celebrated by Rev. Joseph MacLeod. The Pallbearers were Messrs. Jerry Doucette, Don Lidstone, Joseph Gaudet, Norman Perry, Roland Sheen, James Hogan Jr. Rev. Francis Cameron performed the last rites at the grave. —S.



Remembered Children In Hospital

With thoughts of children less fortunate than themselves, the girls of Grade IXA of the Summerside High School are seen above with toys they donated on Wednesday afternoon for distribution to children who had to spend Christmas in the Prince County Hospital.

From left to right the students are:—Gail MacDonald, Elizabeth Clark, Beverley MacKay, Barbara Beaton, Judy Campbell, Ann Nicholson, Elizabeth Gallant. (Back row), Enid Mill, Anne Jenkins, Ruth Cairns, Roberta Clark, Katharine Morrison, Ethel Jenkins. (Photo by Wotton).



103 Saturday
—Mr. Alexander (Sandy) Cameron, of Elmsdale believed to be the oldest gentleman on Prince Edward Island, quietly observed his 103rd birthday on Christmas Day at his home in Elmsdale where he resides with his only daughter, Mrs. Carlyle Bell. Mr. Cameron remains in excellent health but is not seen as often in recent weeks on his daily trip to the local stores and post office. A large number of visitors called at his home during the week-end to extend Christmas Greetings and best wishes for continued good health to the Island's oldest citizen.

Chinese Premier Charges US Stirs Trouble Over Airmen

HONG KONG (Reuters) — Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai in a speech released Sunday accused the United States of "deliberately creating tension" over 13 captured Americans as a cover-up for widespread aggressive intentions throughout Asia and the Far East.

"The United States aggressive bloc and its followers," he declared, "are making every effort to extend and deepen the division of the world and prepare for a new world war."

Chou's denunciation of American policy was contained in a political report on Dec. 21 to the second national committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, which served as the Chinese Communist "parliament" until earlier this year.

AGGRESSIVE BLOC
He accused the United States of building up the forces of South Korean President Syngman Rhee to prevent a peaceful solution of the Korean question and charged that the U.S. is engineering formation of a Middle East aggressive bloc.

The American aim, he said, is to link up the Middle East "into a great chain to divide the world and encircle the Soviet Union, the People's Republic of China and the people's democracies to facilitate the preparations for a new world war."

Chou said that "peaceful co-existence" plans advocated by India, Communist China and Burma have won universal support among all peace-loving peoples of the world.

He criticized Britain for supporting the United States treaty with the Chinese Nationalists and "encouraged the United States in its seizure of Taiwan (Formosa)."

The airmen, Chou said, were "justly convicted" of spying in Indochina, he asserted, the United States is "sparing no effort to convert South Viet Nam into its military base."

A new American mutual defence treaty with the Formosa-based Chinese Nationalists of Gen. Chiang

Business For Air Carriers Picks Up

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada's air carriers continued to climb higher out of the red in August as business picked up, offsetting the sharp drop in the first half of 1954.

The carriers' net operating income increased by \$478,873 to \$1,806,029 from \$1,327,156 last year, the bureau of statistics reported Monday. Operating revenues inched to \$10,785,782 from \$10,343,198 while operating expenses declined slightly to \$8,979,753 from \$9,010,042.

In the first half of 1954, the carriers showed a net operating loss of \$1,324,000, sharply down from the \$278,000 loss in the first half of 1953.

N. B. Man Killed Christmas Day

RIPPLES, N. B. (CP) — Harold William Nash of Ripples, was killed near this Sunbury county town early Christmas Day when the truck he was driving overturned and plunged into a stream.

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Matinee Thursday 3:30

Botany Bay"
Starring Alan Ladd, James Mason, Patricia Medina.

Cabinet Plans Meeting 3 Days Before New Session

OTTAWA (CP)—The cabinet will put the finishing touches to its general program of legislation for next year when it meets again Jan. 4.

The meeting, expected to be the last before Parliament opens three days later, will make a final review of the speech from the throne to be read by Governor-General Massey at the opening of the new session.

The speech contains an outline, in general terms, of the measures the government plans to put before Parliament for approval. Although reports have described a number of the measures proposed, the full legislative program is known only to cabinet.

LATE LIGHTS
And since not all the bills have been settled in detail, the last meeting likely will keep the lights burning late in the Parliament buildings' East Block which houses the cabinet chamber.

Other pieces of legislation not mentioned in the throne speech doubtless will be brought forward during the session to meet future and unforeseen requirements.

Since the measures outlined in the throne speech embody government policy, the speech forms the basis for an extended debate in the Commons in which opposition parties put forward motions of want of confidence.

DEBATE BEGUN
The debate is begun by two recently-elected members of the government party who propose and second a traditional motion for an address in reply to the throne speech. For the new session they will be Yves Leduc (L—Montreal Verdun), elected in a March 22 by-election, and Donald Carrick (L—Toronto Trinity), who enters the Commons from a Nov. 8 by-election.

The opposition want - of confidence motions, usually critical of the absence of some measures from the list of legislation forecast, are viewed as amendments to the Liberal motion.

Normally sessions have opened on a Thursday with speeches of the mover and seconder made the following day and opposition speeches being heard Monday. The new session is departing from custom by opening on a Friday, and the speeches of the mover and seconder will be made that same day.

HELPED INDIANS
John Elliot, English missionary in Massachusetts who died in 1690, translated the bible into Indian Languages.

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Canada Has Become Second TV Country In The World

OTTAWA (CP)—A. D. Dunton, chairman of the CBC board of governors, said Sunday night that "in many ways" Canada became the world's second-ranking television country in 1954.

"He said Canada produces more television programs than any country outside the United States.

"We are second in the number of stations and about second in the proportion of the public who watch television."

Mr. Dunton said that 2 1/2 years ago Canada had no television. Now it has 24 stations—seven owned by the publicly-owned CBC and 17 by private broadcasters—bringing entertainment to 1,200,000 families.

"The wide development has been made possible by co-operation between public and private enterprise in an overall system."

The CBC chairman reported in a speech broadcast on the Trans-Canada radio network series "Our Special Speaker" that 1954 has seen the most intense development in Canadian broadcasting since the CBC's national system was established.

His statements were contained in the text of a speech issued to the press in advance of delivery.

Mr. Dunton said the challenge ahead is for greater production of television programs in Canada and for further improvement in the way they are produced.

The coming year would also see more production in regions outside the Ontario and Quebec network system. While stations outside southern Ontario and Quebec now carried national programs by means of recordings, the CBC planned a direct relay network linking all stations in Canada from coast to coast.

Death Sunday Of Dr. James E. Fleming, S'ide

The death of James E. Fleming, M.D. of Stanley Bridge, occurred in Prince County Hospital at 11:30 yesterday morning after a brief illness. He was in his 84th year.

Dr. Fleming suffered a stroke several years ago from which he recovered. Last week he suffered a fall at his home which resulted in a broken hip. He was taken by ambulance to Prince County Hospital in Summerside on Thursday evening.

Dr. Fleming, who was born in Rustico was twice married, his first wife being Clara Hogan of Hope River to whom was born three surviving daughters, Mrs. James Mill, (Elizabeth), Providence, R.I., Miss Margaret Fleming, in the Civil Service and Mrs. Adolph Kelly (Levica), Saint John, N.B. Two daughters, Annie and Sister St. John of Gethsemane (Mary) predeceased him. One son, F.-Lieut. Paul Fleming is stationed with the R.C.A.F. at Cold Lake, Alta.

His second wife, by whom he survived, is the former Alma Delaney to whom was born two daughters, Catherine and Virginia, both in the Civil Service at Ottawa, and two sons James and Richard at home. Other surviving relatives are one sister, Mrs. P. J. Mooney, Rustico and two brothers, Adolph at Rustico and J. B. Fleming residing in Charlottetown.

Following attendance at St. Dunstan's College, Dr. Fleming was graduated from McGill University in 1901 and shortly after took up practice at Stanley Bridge. He was a son of Cornelius Fleming and Anne Canning of Rustico.

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