

"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

NEW STORM DUE TODAY

Cape Breton Bogs Down
With 18 Inch Snowfall

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Winds gusting to 60 miles an hour whupped 18 inches of snow on the Nova Scotia's Cape Breton Island Monday night. Another disturbance packing 45-mile-an-hour gales was poised north of Sable Island, expected to blow into Cape Breton and southeastern Newfoundland early today.

Schools in the city and neighboring towns were closed. Shops had to close down at noon to enable employees to get home. Streets were slippery. Halifax received eight inches of snow — most in the early morning. The storm was reduced to a few flurries by nightfall. Most streets were passable although slippery.

Ferry services between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and Newfoundland were interrupted or delayed. The William Carson, which plies between North Sydney and Port Aux Basques, Nfld., could not dock at North Sydney. Meanwhile, a storm is expected to sweep south of Cape Race on the southeastern tip of Newfoundland about dawn today.

Gunmen Stage Ambush
In Rectory of Church

PATERSON, N.J. (AP) — Three gunmen took over a Roman Catholic church rectory Monday, ambushed two bank messengers and escaped with \$11,000 in cash from a bank truck. They also took \$1,700 from the church.

The gunmen, wearing light-colored masks, manhandled four priests, a janitor and the guards, handcuffing the priests and then trapping the whole group together with strips torn from the altar.

Deputy Police Chief William Ludwig said the crime was the work of professionals well versed in the route and schedule of the bank messengers. The panel truck belonged to the First National Bank of Passaic County. St. Anthony's was the last of three churches on

its regular Monday morning route. The messengers had just picked up Sunday collection money from two other churches. They would have continued to three branch banks to deliver the large cash amount—picked up earlier from the main bank for Christmas week requirements.

was IN SAFE. The \$1,700 taken from St. Anthony's church was in an open safe waiting for the bank's truck. The handys were reported to have left the deposits from the other two churches in the truck, along with \$18,000 in change for the banks.

The panel truck into the side-street church rectory while bank messengers were waiting for the church.

Brig. Allan Gets Remand
OTTAWA (CP) — Brig John Baxter Allan, 50, retired vice-quartermaster — general of the Canadian army, was remanded Monday to Jan. 4 on charges of conspiring to accept and of accepting a benefit of more than \$8,000.

French-English Division
Sway Costly Core Men

By RON LEBEL
OTTAWA (CP) — Leon Balcer and Paul Martineau, generally regarded as the top two French Canadian Conservative Party members, said Monday they may walk out of their party next month and take other Quebec MPs with them.

The widening French-English rift in the official opposition was underscored by separate and simultaneous press conferences held by Opposition Leader Diefenbaker and his "Quebec lieutenant," Mr. Balcer, who have not been open to other MPs for months.

Mr. Balcer, 47, former transport minister and MP for Trois-Rivieres since 1949, said he is "seriously considering" a clean break with his party, which he is "regarding as an independent when the Commons resumes Feb. 16.

He said constituents during the weekend urged him to take this step. Before making a final decision, he wanted to consult more constituents and meet the nine other Quebec Conservative MPs in mid-January.

Mr. Diefenbaker objected to newspaper references to Mr. Balcer as the Conservatives' deputy leader. There was no provision for such a position in the party constitution.

Mr. Martineau, 43, former prime minister and MP for Pontiac-Temiscamingue since 1958, told the same press conference that Mr. Balcer's statement "forces me to reappraise my own political affiliations."

Mr. Balcer declined Monday to comment about Mr. Diefenbaker or about his reasons for considering a walkout.

Other REAPPRAISALS. He added "if not all" of the other Conservative MPs from Quebec will also reappraise their positions next month if Mr. Balcer decides to leave the party.

Meanwhile in Mr. Diefenbaker's Commons office, the Conservative leader was telling reporters that he has received no communication from either Mr. Balcer or Mr. Martineau.



LITTLE GIRLS ACCOMPANY BANK ROBBERS

One of two little girls — I'm 6 and I'm 8 — who accompanied two men taken into custody after robbery of a suburban bank smilies at Milwaukee policeman after a chase Monday. Police said children apparently were daughters of one holdup man.

Supreme Court Decision Throws
Immigration Dept. Into Tizzy

By JOHN E. BIRD
OTTAWA (CP) — The Immigration department was thrown into a legal tizzy Monday by a Supreme Court of Canada ruling that the minister of immigration does not have unlimited powers to order deportations.

The decision was made in a 6-to-3 judgment stating Giuseppe and Rocco Viol, 24-year-old Italian immigrant twins, have been held illegally for deportation in Montreal's Bordetown Jail for eight months under a warrant issued by Immigration Minister Tremblay.

The court's majority judgment, written by Mr. Justice Ronald Macdonald, granted an appeal by Paolo Viol of Montreal, brother of the twins, for a ruling quashing deportation orders issued some two years ago.

"The appeal is allowed, the deportation of Rocco and Giuseppe Viol declared illegal and it is directed that they be released from detention forthwith," the judgment said.

Mr. Justice Macdonald said the minister, after agreeing to permit a person ordered deported to remain in Canada for a period cannot at the expiration of that period later change his mind and direct the deportation be enforced.

He said the decision is being studied "with extreme care to find out where it is going to lead us."

One source said it is quite likely that there are "a few other similar cases where it now will not be possible to enforce a deportation order."

Deputy Immigration Minister C. J. Crossin described the judgment "as an extremely important one."

The judgment followed criticism in the House of Commons that the rights of foreign nationals have been abused under the Immigration Act.

Committee Is Considering
Macdonald's Anniversary

OTTAWA (CP) — The government has set up a committee to recommend steps to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald next Jan. 11.

The committee, embracing several government departments, will report to State Secretary Landolt.

An informant said it was too early to predict what the government might do to commemorate the birthday of Canada's first prime minister.

Storm Features
Winter Arrivals

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Winter came to Canada Monday in appropriate style, with gale-force snowstorms off the Atlantic coast.

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