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SWEARING - IN CEREMONIES TODAY

Farmer Fills Vacancy In Provincial Cabinet

Premier Walter R. Shaw announced yesterday that he has chosen M. Alban Farmer, QC, Charlottetown, for the portfolios of attorney-general and treasurer in his new cabinet which will be sworn in this morning at 11 by Lieutenant - Governor F. W. Hyndman at Government House.

Mr. Farmer will take on the two portfolios formerly held by M.J. McQuaid, Souris, defeated in the Dec. 10 provincial general election.

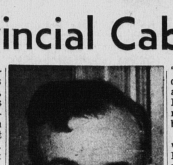
There will be no other cabinet changes. According to Premier Shaw all other cabinet ministers will stay in charge of their respective departments.

EXPLAINS DELAY

"One of the reasons it took so long to make up my mind on the formation of the new cabinet," Premier Shaw said, "was the difficulty involved in filling a dual portfolio. I went over the structure of the cabinet carefully with the idea of making other changes but with regulations limiting the cabinet to nine posts, I could not make one appointment of attorney - general and another of treasurer.

"Another angle is that it would be difficult to change ministers who are doing fine jobs in their own departments— it takes a little time for a minister to come out of one department and pick up the details of his responsibilities in a new department.

"In the past three and one - half years, all cabinet ministers have gained a great deal of experience in administration so I finally decided there would be no other cabinet changes."



HON. M.A. FARMER.

NO DISLOCATION

The premier said his decision to make no other changes "creates no embarrassment or dislocation in other departments and the appointment of Mr. Farmer brings our number of ministers within the legal number required by legislation."

Asked if the government would retain the services of Mr. McQuaid, the former attorney- general and treasurer, the premier said "not in any official capacity. There will be unofficial relations with Mr. McQuaid— we'll put it that way. If it becomes necessary for us to call on Mr. McQuaid we will value his advice."

The premier went on to say "we have a very worthy substitute in Mr. Farmer in whom we have every confidence. He is a man of outstanding ability and has a high sense of public service.

"Mr. Farmer will be working in a well established system of financial control and will be working in treasury with one or two outstanding men now familiar with financial matters in government."

Mr. Farmer said last evening he is "honored by being asked to join the cabinet. I will re-

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Decision Looming In Congo

LEOPOLDVILLE (AP)—Elements of a final Congo showdown—military and diplomatic —built up against president Moise Tshombe's beleaguered Katanga province regime Wednesday.

United Nations Secretary General U Thant rejected Tshombe's overtures for further negotiations on unification. He called through a New York spokesman for Tshombe to deliver "action . . . not words."

Thant believes the only discussions required are on technical matters, the spokesman said, and he "definitely is not seeking a resumption of negotiations."

Falling into line on one technical matter was the Union Miniere du Haut Katanga, the giant copper mining company whose operations have poured $40,000,000 a year into Tshombe's treasury.

The company's Brussels headquarters announced it was dispatching experts to this central Congo capital Wednesday night to help devise a system to split those revenues between Katanga and the central Congo government of Premier Cyrille Adoula. This help for Adoula's financially-unstable regime is a key point of Thant's plan.

Associated Press correspondent Dennis Neeld at Elisabethville reported costly machinery being moved out of Union Miniere's huge copper refinery at Jadotville because of Tshombe's earlier threats to destroy all such facilities.

Neeld said consular officials in Elisabethville believe the scorched-earth policy will be carried out if Tshombe's proposal for a cease-fire and resumption of talks is not accepted.

2 Cars Reported Missing In Nfld. Causeway Break

Two Children, Adult Rescued From Water

ST. PETERS — Two children and an adult were pulled from chilly waters here yesterd a y when they fell through the ice near the St. Peter's Bay bridge.

William MacKinnon, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glendon MacKinnon, St. Peters and Jerry MacKinnon, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. John MacKinnon, St. Peters, fell through the ice while playing.

Samuel Scott noticed their plight and called to Roderick Pratt, who was at a garage nearby.

When Mr. Pratt arrived the two boys were nowhere to be seen. He picked up a board and punched holes in the ice where he thought the children were. However, the ice gave way and Mr. Pratt plunged into water up to his neck.

He called for help and succeeded in attracting the attention of George Saunderson, who used the board to pull Mr. Pratt from the water.

A few minutes later the children popped into view in the holes Mr. Pratt had made in the ice.

Mr. Pratt and Mr. Saunderson directed the boys to put their arms out on the ice and pull themselves to safety. Except for being cold and wet the children were none the worse for wear.

SASK. COUPLE IS BLISSFUL

REGINA (CP) — Farmer Lawrence Warkin and his wife were blissful.

Said their advertisement in The Leader-Post:

"Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Warkin of Coronach, Sask., wish to announce the arrival on Dec. 4 at Coronach Union Hospital of their daughter Michelle, a sister for Lorraine, Clarence, Betty, Tony, Lawrence Jr., Linda, Florence, Shirley, Gregory, Darby, Virginia, Cameron, Bernadette and Tommy.

"Coming to a family blessed with a record 1962 harvest of 65,000 bushels of crop, 200 calves and 30,000 bales of feed, Michelle brings the year to a very happy conclusion."

The newest arrival has 15 brothers and sisters.

Said 21-year-old Lorraine, the eldest: "My parents love children so much, and my mother just works miracles."

The Warkins farm seven sections.

Five Persons Feared Lost

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — William Greening, a Port Blandford resident who lives about 150 yards from a highway causeway, said Wednesday he saw two cars plunge into a 10-foot gap where the bridge section of the causeway had been seconds before.

Mr. Greening said in an interview that he and his wife heard a noise "like wood breaking off" and decided it was the bridge going out. Then Mr. Greening saw a car coming toward the bridge across Port Blandford harbor.

"I put my head to the window and watched. The car, in my estimate, was going about 12 miles an hour. She came in and she just simply turned over, she showed me her red light where she turned bottom up and she disappeared."

Mr. Greening said he phoned the RCMP, got his coat and went across the causeway. I was just two minutes too late to save the second car. Watched him. He went out and he disappeared. He never put on his brakes."

Dragging operations were underway Wednesday, although hampered by strong tides and heavy rafting ice which caused the bridge to go out.

TWO CARS MISSING

RCMP said two cars containing five persons have been reported missing. Both cars had been expected to cross the Port Blandford causeway. However, police refused immediately to release the names of the five persons.

Mr. Greening, a 60-year-old war veteran who stopped three other cars from plunging into the waters, estimated the current running through the hole at about 20 knots. The RCMP said there was 18 to 20 feet of water.

The destruction of the bridge, which was washed out to sea by the powerful currents, was the worst of a destructive night in Newfoundland, pounded by a vicious storm that was even harder on the Maritimes.

Port Blandford is 150 miles west of here.

Train service across the province was suspended when heavy rains melted a thick blanket of snow, washing out railway tracks in several places. Trains were expected to be back in operation late Wednesday.

Heavy flooding occurred in the suburban Mount Pearl area when the Waterford River surged over its banks.

Several families were evacuated, and homes and cars were partially or completely submerged.

Another bridge west of Port Blandford was considered too dangerous for traffic late Wednesday and closed by the highways department as water and ice roared down the Gambo River.

Canadian-Born Actor Jack Carson Is Dead

ENCINO, Calif. (AP)—Jack Carson, Canadian - born actor who blustered across the screen as the loudmouthed comedian who usually lost the girl, died at his home Wednesday of cancer. He was 52.

He had been ill for more than six months.

Carson was the third actor in recent weeks to die of cancer. The others were Charles Laughton and Thomas Mitchell.

Another well-known actor, Dick Powell is gravely ill with cancer.

At his bedside were his wife, Sandra, his brother, Robert Carson, and his physician, Dr. Seymour Hartman.

The actor was born John Elmer Carson on Oct. 27, 1910, in Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Carson, in Carman, Man. The family moved to Wisconsin when he was a youngster and he became a United States citizen in 1940.

Carson collapsed last Aug. 26 on an Andover, N.J., stage during a dress rehearsal of Critic's Choice. Doctors said then he had a stomach disorder.

Big blusterer with a witty ability to enliven any party—such was the likable Carson character movie fans began to know in the late '30s.

Six feet 2½, weighing 200 pounds, he was a master of the double take, the pained expression, the over - the - shoulder glance with bulging eye, wrinkling forehead and open mouth.

Carson had had five years' experience including vaudeville, night clubs and stock companies when he signed for films.

LEFT WARNERS IN 1950

He regarded himself as an actor rather than a comedian but was a long time breaking out of the movie mold of amusing loudmouth. He severed con-

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Plane Forced Down In Quebec By Icing

GAGNON, Que. (CP) — A small plane blinded by ice and snow was missing Wednesday night and presumed down in wild country south of this northern Quebec mining town.

It was not known immediately how many were aboard.

Quebecair operations at Rimouski said one of its passenger planes had made contact with the Cessna 172, but lost the plane when it had about 20 minutes' fuel left.

The Quebecair plane went on with its scheduled flight after radioing the last known position to RCAF Search and Rescue units at Trenton, Ont., and Halifax.

The Cessna, a single-engined plane owned by the Lac Jeannine Flying Club in Gagnon, was on a flight from Manicouagan to its home base when it ran into a snowstorm and heavy icing.

BECAME LOST

Its windshield iced over and the pilot lost his bearings.

The RCAF radar station at Moisie, Que., reported spotting the plane on its radar screens for a time and through the Gagnon airport radio the Quebecair plane was guided to the vicinity.

Capt. Mathieu Dionne, piloting the Quebecair F-27 twin-engined airliner, hoped to sight the small plane and guide him to Gagnon.

The Quebecair dispatcher's office in Rimouski said intermittent contact was made through the heavy clouds but the F-27 was unsuccessful in its attempts to lead the light plane above the clouds into an area of clear visibility.

Capt. Dionne later reported that he had lost all contact with the light plane and he resumed his scheduled flight.

By that time, the small plane had passed the limit of its fuel. The pilot had planned to attempt a crash-landing on a lake or a road.

Gagnon is 190 miles north of Sept-Iles.

The RCAF sent a twin-engined DC-3 from Greenwood, N.S., to look for the downed plane.

Pilot Killed At Calgary

CALGARY (CP)—The pilot of a single-engine aircraft was killed late Wednesday when his plane crashed in a farming area on the southeast outskirts of Calgary shortly after takeoff from McCall airfield.

John Robert Bruce Holmes, 32, the only occupant of the plane, was dead at the scene. An engineer with the federal forestry department, he was on a holiday when he decided to go for a ride.

There were no homes or buildings near the crash scene.

Elderly Man Is Murdered

TORONTO (CP)—An elderly shoemaker who came to Canada from Trinidad 30 years ago, was found in his one-room living quarters Wednesday, strangled and stabbed to death.

James Stephens, whose age police estimated at 80, was believed killed Saturday or Sunday, police said. He was found in the room behind his west Dundas Street shop with the cord of an electric iron knotted tightly around his neck. His throat was slashed and a bread knife was found near the body.

Police said the shop was ransacked and Mr. Stephens' pockets were turned inside out.

One Killed, 17 Trapped In Slides

REVELSTOKE, B.C. (CP) — An unprecedented 100 - inch snowfall followed by rain has set off avalanches which have killed one person and trapped 17 others in the mountains of southeastern British Columbia.

The newly opened Rogers Pass section of the Trans-Canada Highway between Revelstoke and Golden, B.C., was blocked by a second slide early Wednesday, hours after four persons were freed from a buried snow shed which saved their lives.

Fourteen students from the University of British Columbia were skiing Sunday on Mount Whaleback near Field, B.C., when a huge avalanche slithered down the mountain, killing one and burying the remaining 13.

Dead is Jean Sharp, 21, of Vancouver. Most of the survivors who dug themselves out of the snow, were shaken up.

An inquest into Miss Sharp's death was to be held in Field at 2 p.m. today.

B.R. Styles, superintendent of Glacier and Revelstoke National Parks, said 100 inches of snow fell on the Rogers Pass between Dec. 26 and Jan. 1. There was nothing in the records of the last 30 years to compare with it.

Dick Powell Is Reported In Deep Coma

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Actor Dick Powell is in a deep coma and is not expected to live more than a day, his personal physician said Wednesday.

The doctor said Powell, who has cancer, has been slipping into the coma for the last two days. He is under heavy sedation.

Powell, 58, is at his Wilshire district apartment with his wife, June Allyson, and their two children.

Powell's two brothers are also here. They are Howard of Williamette, Ill., a vice-president of the Illinois Central Railroad, and Luther, recently retired as a vice-president of International Harvester Company in South America.

The actor's physician recently disclosed that the cancer had spread from the neck glands and chest cavity to the lower back.

Plane Plunges Into Dwelling

CHICAGO (AP)—The plunge of a twin-engine private plane into a physician's home in darkness late Wednesday killed three of the plane's occupants, including a child, and injured three persons.

The doctor, racing to the corner of his house which the plane hit, said he heard a woman scream from the wreckage: "Get me out of here."

The dead were tentatively identified as three members of a suburban Skokie executive's family. Mrs. Ginette Somlo; her mother, Mrs. Elsa Vidal, about 60, and her daughter, Susan, 8.

The injured were identified as Thomas G. Somlo, a pilot of the plane; his daughter, Terry, 4, and the family maid. All were in critical condition.

Father, 2 Children Die In N.B. Blaze

BATHURST, N.B. (CP)—With the mother still in shock, details of an early Wednesday fire which killed her husband and two of their four children, remained vague.

Joseph Beniot Bryar, 38, two month-old Carole and Francois, 4, died before dawn when flames swept their two-storey wooden home three miles north of Bathurst.

The father, with Jean Claude, 6, and Mona, 2, escaped but Bryar returned and died in a further rescue attempt.

Mrs. Bryar, 32, was taken to hospital with leg cuts suffered when she jumped into snow from a second floor window. The two surviving children also were taken to hospital where they were suffering from mild smoke inhalation.

Cause of the fire, under investigation Wednesday night, was not determined.

Bathurst had another fire of unknown origin Wednesday. It badly damaged a garage and four busses of the North Shore Transportation Company. As a result, bus service in the Bathurst area was expected to be disrupted for several days.

Kennedy Called 'Vulgar Pirate'

KEY WEST, Fla (AP)—Cuban Premier Fidel Castro attacked President Kennedy Wednesday as a vulgar pirate chief and said Cuba had forced the United States to pay indemnity for the Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961.

"Even though they try to dissimulate, the imperialists agreed to pay our country the indemnity that the revolutionary tribunals set for the Giron Beach invaders," Castro declared in a televised address marking the fourth anniversary of his revolution.

"They call it ransom but the fact is that they had to accept the payment of indemnifica-

tions," Castro said. "For the first time in its history, imperialism paid an indemnification of war."

Castro criticized Kennedy bitterly for his warm welcome last Saturday to the Cuban rebel prisoners who returned to Florida at Christmas after their release from Cuban jails.

ATTACK SPEECH

"This man acted like a vulgar pirate chief to meet with these cowards and then say to the world that their flag would return to a free Havana," the premier told a crowd gathered in Havana's Plaza de la Revolucion.

New Blizzards Add To British Hardship

LONDON (Reuters)—A new wave of blizzards Wednesday moved in on Britain and Western Europe, already battered by a week of snow storms in which at least 140 deaths have been attributed to the cold.

A blizzard sweeping off the Atlantic lashed southwest England and threatened to engulf the southern half of the country before today in the biggest freeze-up of the century.

Ice-bound Europe still was digging itself out of towering snowdrifts, with many capitals reported temperatures well below the freezing point. New blizzards were forecast in Norway, West Germany and southern Poland.

But Switzerland, where tourists flocked to skiing slopes, and Italy, where the sun shone brightly, reported milder weather.

The cold spell was blamed for the deaths of an estimated 50 persons in France alone.

On both sides of the English Channel, troops and bulldozers were called out to rescue snow-bound traffic, villages were isolated, pack ice along coasts and frozen rivers impeded shipping and air and rail traffic was badly snarled.

STORM TOLL 17

Storm deaths linked with the storm rose to 17 lives in Britain Wednesday. Hundreds of animals perished.

In the hard-hit west region, RAF helicopters were fighting a round-the-clock battle to rescue hundreds of persons trapped in country villages.

Food prices moved up as more snow fell in Britain, now experiencing what weather bureau officials said was the worst snowfall since 1881. Parts of England faced possible electricity cuts today because of increased consumption and a "slow - down" campaign by power workers.

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PREDICTS EARLY BUDGET

PM Sees No Expansion Of The 'Nuclear Family'

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Diefenbaker, returning tanned and buoyant from a Bahamas vacation, said Wednesday he personally believes there will be no expansion of the "nuclear family" among the Western nations if a NATO multilateral nuclear force is established.

"Personally, I think that the agreement between President Kennedy and Prime Minister Macmillan at least will achieve one objective: There will be no expansion of the nuclear family among Western nations if the NATO force is set up."

Mr. Diefenbaker, who has been holidaying since his Dec. 21-22 talks with Prime Minister Macmillan, also told reporters that he naturally gave no thought to elections' during the week in which he swam and fished.

"I had an enjoyable time but won no prizes for the size of fish caught."

SAYS NATO MUST CONSULT

Asked about his Nassau speech in which he implied criticism of the U.S. over early handling of the Cuban crisis in October, Mr. Diefenbaker said consultation is "essential" for the maintenance of NATO unity.

He repeated his defence of Canadian trade with Cuba and China in non-strategic goods by saying that trade is one of the major methods for removing the "walls of suspicion."

Regarding the Kennedy-Macmillan announcement that they planned to press for a multilateral nuclear force, Mr. Diefenbaker said that each NATO member will have to determine its course on the basis of that agreement. As yet only Britain and the U.S. are directly affected.

He was asked about criticism of his disclosure in Nassau of a U.S. - British plan to provide $120,000,000 military aid to India, he said all the criticism he had noticed was "among those to whom I gave the information."

BUDGET TO BE EARLY

He said the budget will be presented to Parliament "before the usual date for budget." The budget normally is brought down about April.

He was asked about a statement by Social Credit Leader Thompson that the government will have to introduce progressive measures to continue to have Social Credit support. He said he had nothing to say except that the government hopes in the measures it believes to be in the public interest.

Mr. Diefenbaker and his wife were greeted on their arrival at Uplands Airport by British High Commissioner Viscount Amory.

Seven cabinet ministers also were there to meet the prime minister's party—Justice Minister Fleming, Finance Minister Nowlan, Senator Wallace McCutcheon, Veterans Minister Churchill, Immigration Minister Bell, Agriculture Minister Hamilton and Health Minister Monteith.

CONGOLESE ART DISPLAYED AT S'SIDE

An exhibit of Congolese arts and crafts, believed the first of its kind seen in this province, is on display for two weeks at the Paint Centre in Summerside. Composed of individual hand-carved items, and 30 paintings, the exhibit is attracting wide attention to the skill and craftsmanship displayed in these items produced by natives of the Congo. The entire exhibit is owned by Cpl. Peter Gray, recently returned from active service in the Congo, and now at RCAF Station Summerside. The exhibit includes four bongo drums of various sizes, covered with the skins of animals native to the region. The hand carvings ranging from useful to ornamental and ceremonial, are done in various mediums including ivory and teak. They incipde such items in native design and pattern as knives, forks, spoons, vases, and jugs, while the strictly ornamental items include bracelets. African warrior figures, busts, facial masks and carved miniature replicas of native African animals and fish including elephants, rhinos, zebras, deer, turtles and several other animals. The paintings represent a style all their own, and are uniquely different from anything seen locally, each done in strong contrasting colors, many depicting the colorful hunting aspect so necessary to survival in the vastness of this great African continent.

Five Persons Feared Lost

JFK's Sisters To Visit India

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)— President Kennedy's three sisters are going to India and Pakistan next month for what the White House called an informal and private visit. Pierre Salinger, White House press secretary, said Wednesday arrangements are still being made for the trip by Patricia Lawford, Eunice Shriver and Jean Smith, and that no details are available yet.