

## New Car Sales Continuing To Surge Ahead In Canada

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OTTAWA (CP) — New car sales have continued to surge ahead in Canada, giving the economy a massive boost.

In the first three months of 1964 Canadians poured \$481,229,000 into new passenger cars—25.3 per cent more than in the corresponding period last year, the Bureau of Statistics reported Monday.

This car-buying spree began in the last quarter of 1963 and gave the domestic economy what even the most cautious experts here called an "extremely important" uplift.

It was the biggest single factor in the rise of consumer demand in the last half of 1963, when this demand accounted for more than half the total increase in the country's Gross National Product.

First-quarter 1964 sales totalled 151,840 new cars—up 22.6 per cent from the first three months last year.

Of the total, 120,025 of the new cars sold were built in Canada or the United States. Thus these sales were up 20 per cent from a year earlier.

The rest—12,744—came from overseas. Here, there was an even more remarkable sales jump of 60.1 per cent from first-quarter 1963.

EUROPEAN SALES UP — In March alone, sales of European cars soared by 75.3 per cent to 5,406 units from 3,081 in March last year.

This gave the overseas cars nearly 10 per cent of the Canadian new-car market, possibly a sign that they have started a comeback after slipping for the last two years.

They had only about six per cent of the Canadian market last year, after a steady decline from the peak of 20 per cent in 1960.

The Bureau does not reveal either the makers or countries of origin of the European cars

## Bailey Bridge Definitely Out As Temporary Aid At Covehead

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN  
OTTAWA — There is no hope of obtaining a temporary Bailey bridge and the government intends to proceed with its original plan to replace the Covehead inlet crossing, John Mulhally, MP for Kings, revealed here Monday.

Mr. Mulhally has been in touch with Northern Affairs and National Resources Minister Arthur Laing in an effort to have an army bridge moved to the site from Camp Gagetown while a new bridge is under construction. But Mr. Laing has said that at the time the bridge was damaged in December of last year, such an expedient was investigated. It was found that such a bridge could be brought in from Camp Gagetown and erected at a cost of about \$5,000 plus cost of dismantling and returning it.

"This type of bridge would provide only one-way traffic and either traffic regulating lights or attendants would be required," Mr. Laing explained. "Also, such structures cannot be left unattended for any length of time and such a so-

lution is not without cost and difficulties, to say nothing of delaying the construction of the new crossing into next year's tourist season.

The minister said the plan is to let a contract for a new structure on the exact alignment of the old bridge about the first of July. If this timing is met, the new bridge should be open for traffic by July 1, 1965 and the estimated cost of the structure is \$400,000.

Mr. Laing told Mr. Mulhally that several alternatives had been considered, such as a new bridge on a new alignment and repairs to the existing structure. But this would cost an estimated \$325,000. Another alternative was to build a temporary bridge parallel to the existing structure but cost of this plus new bridge would be \$500,000 if the temporary bridge

of two lanes. Also a study were repairs to the present bridge and construction of a new bridge this fall. Completion by July 1965 could not be guaranteed and some \$50,000 would have to be added to the price of the new bridge for winter construction.

"The most expeditious and economical approach is the one I have committed myself to follow and as much as I regret the inconvenience this summer, I feel it is the best solution," Mr. Laing concluded.

NAME RESEARCH OFFICER  
OTTAWA (CP) — Robert L. Chappelle, (37) of Ottawa and St. Eustace, Que., has been named senior research officer of the National Health Department's research and statistics division, it was announced Monday. He has been an economist with the division since 1951.

NOW IS FARM  
Bowenfield, where the War of the Roses ended, now is a farm, and the farmer is tired plus training across his fields.



U THANT RECEIVES OOKPIK

United Nations Secretary-General U Thant holds an Eskimo-made Oookpiq presented to him at Carleton Uni-

versity in Ottawa Monday by the Students UN Association of Canada. Mr. Thant made an address to the association.

Applauding the presentation is Richard Hartman of Ottawa, a student at Carleton University. (CP Wirephoto)

## Divergent Views Are Taken Of Position Held By Quebec

TORONTO (CP) — Quebec was described Sunday as Marx-ist and a possible saviour of Canadian autonomy by different speakers at "Winners' conference" that inaugurated a new forum for political discussion—the Exchange of Political Ideas in Canada.

search direct of the Canadian Council on urban and regional research.

Quebec's "quiet revolution," he said, is leading the fight to block a United States takeover of Canada.

Mr. Saumiere said Quebec is well equipped to assume the role of leader in this struggle because English Canada, which reads U.S. books and papers and watches U.S. television programs, cannot easily defend itself from the "insidious attacks" from the south.

He said French-Canada views its possible absorption into the U.S. as a "frightening" possi-

bility and is no longer satisfied with simply defending its language and Catholic faith, but must express itself in the full spectrum of economic and cultural rights.

French-Canadians do not want to be considered the same as Indians who can speak their language on their reservations, but must speak English when they leave the reserves, he said.

The first view came from Ed ward Schreyer, a Manitoba New Democrat and teacher of political science at the University of Manitoba, who told the conference Quebec is following the philosophy of Karl Marx, founder of communism, by insisting that economic factors must have priority.

Mr. Schreyer, member of the Manitoba legislature for Brockshead, said he can understand Quebec's demands for recognition for the cultural and linguistic rights, but not its demand for full fiscal autonomy.

"We are dangerously reaching the point where the federal government, bowing to the pressure of all provinces, some of which are selling for fiscal autonomy, will not be able to act and carry out its responsibilities," he warned.

ATTENDS SERVICE  
LONDON (CP) Premier John Roberts of Ontario attended a Commonwealth Day service at Westminster Abbey Monday as the official phase began of his 24-day visit to Britain, West Germany and Italy. Later Roberts, accompanied by Stanley Randall, Ontario minister of economics and development, called on Commonwealth Secretary Duncan Sandys.

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