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40 Armed Greeks Block Convoy Led By Canadians

MR. AND MRS. DONALD Gordon, in Charlottetown for a three-day visit, were presented with Centennial hats by Dr. Frank MacKinnon, president of the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Foundation, shortly before the dinner meeting of the Charlottetown Canadian Club last night. Mr. Gordon was the guest speaker. From the left are Dr. MacKinnon, Mrs. Gordon and Mr. Gordon, who tried his hat for size.

DONALD GORDON SPEAKS

Mature Viewing Is Urged As Problems Are Tackled

By MIKE DUFFY

Addressing the monthly meeting of the Charlottetown Canadian Club, Donald Gordon, president of Canadian National Railways, suggested that Canadians "lift up our eyes," and examine our problems "from the point of view of mature citizens of a mature nation in the middle of the 20th century."

Mr. Gordon told the audience of some 300 that from this viewpoint, it is possible to see clearly the many issues now troubling Canadians, and these problems when viewed clearly can be seen to stem from impersonal historic processes and not from the malices or prejudices of groups or individuals. "The present re-examination of Confederation, should not," he said," be allowed to develop into a conflict between French and English speaking Canadians."

NOT QUEBEC ALONE

The CNR president went on to say that "the times seem to be calling for a reconsideration of the distribution of powers and the delimitation of taxation fields as flowing from the act of Confederation. But whatever are the claims of the components for the autonomous exercise of their rights and obligations, we should not identify this as a peculiarly Quebec problem."

"Moreover, we should not be critical of Quebec for asserting its own position in this regard. Other provinces have equally strong and similar views on the basic jurisdictional and financial structure of the federation," he said.

Commenting on the 1864 - 1964 Charlottetown Centennial, Mr. Gordon said that "Islanders should be congratulated for stressing the broad national theme in their year-long celebrations."

Mr. Gordon said that this type of celebration was fitting because it was at the Charlottetown conference that the idea of Confederation first came into focus.

"In the years immediately following the conference here, the flame that was lit may have flickered and gone down from time to time in the wind of disagreements and conflicts, and changes of human heart, and mind that are inevitable in human affairs," he said. "But the sense of common destiny and of devotion to a truly national cause remained strong, eventually prevailed, and is today the greatest part of our heritage from the Fathers of Confederation."

Canadians," Mr. Gordon said, "should not, in any sense

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Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

TUESDAY, April 7, 1964

A private member's bill to abolish the Senate was talked out in the Commons.

Unanimous consent to give New Democrat Stanley Knowles' measure precedence to a future debate was refused.

Creditiste Gilles Gregoire tried unsuccessfully to launch an emergency debate on extension of the winter works program.

State Secretary Lamontagne said the government should play a greater role in promoting cultural activities.

The Commons passed several more items of the 1963-64 fiscal year's final supplementary estimates.

New Democrat MPs said the Commons had abused Parliament during protracted debate of the estimates.

WEDNESDAY, April 8

The Commons meets at 3:30 p.m. AST to continue consideration of supplementary estimates. The Senate stands adjourned to 8 p.m., April 20.

U.K. Cabinet Given Blast

LONDON (AP)—Cabinet Ministers faced a storm in Parliament Thursday over why British troops of the United Nations peace force in Cyprus had been disarmed at gunpoint by Greek-Cypriot irregulars recently.

Commonwealth Secretary Duncan Sandys, answering suggestions by opposition Labor MPs that British troops on the island have an almost impossible task, insisted that force could be used when absolutely necessary.

He added: "We all greatly admire the restraint the troops showed in these humiliating circumstances. "The recent behavior towards British troops in the United Nations force is deplorable and the commander of the force has lodged the strongest protest to the Greek-Cypriot authorities on this matter."

Queens MP Puts In Word For N.S. Automobile Firm

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Queens' MP J. Angus MacLean believes that the federal government should purchase some of its motor vehicles from a Maritime producer.

He has placed a series of question on the Commons's order paper asking, for several departments, how many of its vehicles have been assembled or manufactured in the Maritimes, in Ontario, or imported from the United States or other countries.

The department of national defence said that from May 1, 1963 to March 1, 1964 it had purchased none in the Maritimes, 2,454 from Ontario and had imported some special military pattern vehicles from the United States. In addition, 30 vehicles were purchased to be manufactured in Quebec and four in Manitoba and a further 86 were purchased for manufacture in other countries for delivery overseas.

The fisheries department, which Mr. MacLean headed as minister under the Conservative government, said it had purchased none in the Maritimes and 45 from Ontario. Mr. MacLean has similar questions on the order paper for some other government departments.

He said Tuesday that in his view the government should give some thought to supporting the new auto industry in the Maritimes by the purchase of some Volvo cars which are now being assembled at a plant at Dartmouth

Average Wage In Province Shows Increase

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Average weekly wages and salaries paid in Prince Edward Island rose to $62.73 in January of this year compared to $59.70 last December and $62.03 in January of 1963.

These figures are contained in an advance statement of employment and earnings published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The seasonally adjusted employment index for the Island rose to 142.4 in January as compared to 135.9 in December. The 1949 employment index was 100.

The island average weekly wage and salary is the lowest for any of the 10 provinces and compares with January averages of $72.04 for the entire Atlantic region, $76.29 for Newfoundland, $70.98 for Nova Scotia and $71.62 for New Brunswick.

But the index of employment for P.E.I. is the second highest, being exceeded only by Alberta.

Weary Of Waiting For Action, Senate Takes 13-Day Recess

By ALAN DONNELLY

OTTAWA (CP) — Weary of marking time waiting for the Commons to act, the Senate adjourned Tuesday for 13 days—but with a wary eye on what this step could do to its image.

The government leader, Senator John Connolly, warned: "Our own public image . . . will be called into question."

But at the suggestion of both Liberal and Conservative senators, Senator Connolly proposed the adjournment while emphasizing one stipulation—that the Senate could be recalled before April 20 if the need arose.

It would be an adjournment "at the call of the Speaker whenever the presence of the Senate is required here for the business of Parliament and the country."

Senator Connolly said he hoped this would be realized by the press and by the House of Commons. He did not mention that the Commons was to debate later in the day a New Democratic Party bill calling for abolition of the Senate.

DEBATE CONTINUES

The Senate's adjournment came as the Commons continued debate on some $120,000,000 in supplementary spending estimates for the 1963-64 fiscal year ended March 31.

The Senate has been waiting for the Commons to pass the estimates so that it can deal with the supply bill from the Lower House. Senator Connolly said he didn't know when the Commons bill would be passed.

Acting opposition leader Lionel Choquette (PC — Ontario), echoed by other senators, said

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ADB Awaits Fundy Report

OTTAWA (CP) — Transport Minister Pickersgill said Tuesday the Atlantic Development Board will wait until it receives a final report in May on the feasibility of harnessing Bay of Fundy tides before any public statement is made.

He was replying in the Commons to Robert C. Coates (PC—Cumberland).

Senate Abolition Bill Let Die Without Vote

OTTAWA (CP)—In a noisy, interjection - filled debate, the Commons Tuesday tore into the topic of Senate abolition, but the issue died in the shouting without a vote.

A bill by Stanley Knowles (NDP — Winnipeg North Centre) to abolish the Upper Chamber was talked off the order paper in the hour available for private members' business.

A last-ditch attempt by the sponsor to have the debate continued was blocked by a group of Liberal backbenchers.

Mr. Knowles launched the debate on his bill with the declaration that the issue was democratic government.

The 55-year-old former executive vice-president of the Canadian Labor Congress said senators are appointed and can torpedo government programs without responsibility to anyone.

". . . The day will come when the will of the people will be recognized."

CONTINUOUS DIN

With interjections being hurled across the chamber, few of the speakers completed their remarks before their time limit expired. The din of voices was almost continuous.

In the galleries, senators came and went, with about half a dozen present at any one time. They heard references to old peoples' home and other uncomplimentary remarks about their chamber.

Social Credit Leader Robert Thompson described the Upper Chamber as a pasture for political warhorses of old-line parties who have outlived their usefulness and have been put out to grass.

All the speakers who took part in the debate were in favor of some form of reform in the Senate. But none of them gave wholehearted support to outright abolition.

Mr. Knowles contended parliamentary democracy would be strengthened if the Senate was abolished. Two provinces had scrapped their upper chambers by legislative enactment—Manitoba in 1876 and Nova Scotia in 1928—and their elected leg-

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Canadian Players Get Rave Notices In U.K.

CHICHESTER (CP) — There was rejoicing Tuesday at the Chichester Festival Theatre in Sussex as Canada's touring Shakespearean Players excitedly riffled through rave notices in the British press for Monday's opening performance of Love's Labour's Lost.

Barely have the drama critics of Britain's national newspapers seemed so unanimously enthusiastic. Several members of the 35 - member company found themselves singled out for special praise, and Michael Langham's zestful, amost dancing production won some flowery bouquets.

The cast also received a goodluck cable from Prime Minister Pearson which said: "Canada is proud of your contribution to the 400th anniversary Shakespeare celebration."

The company was up early Tuesday to dress-rehearse Jean Gascon's production of le Bourgeois Gentilhomme.

The Moliere comedy opens tonight with Douglas Rain of

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Large Plane Overshoots N.Y. Runway

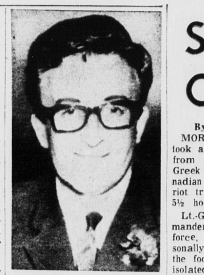
NEW YORK (AP)—A Pan American World Airways plane with 149 aboard over-ran a runway at Kennedy International Airport Tuesday night and went into a ditch. The control tower had reported the plane missing just before the scheduled landing.

Police reported some casualties but gave no further details.

The plane, carrying 140 passengers and a crew of nine was inbound from San Juan, Puerto Rico, and landed in a light fog. The control tower said the plane apparently had gone off the end of a runway and came to a halt in the ditch.

SOVIET COSMONAUTS HOLD NEWS CONFERENCE

Yuri Gagarin, second from left, first man to orbit the earth, and other Soviet cosmonauts are shown at news conference in Moscow Tuesday. From left are Pavel Popovich, Gagarin, Andrian Nikolayev, Gherman Titov and Valery Bykovsky. Gagarin said he and other cosmonauts are training for new voyages into space. The conference was called in connection with the "Day of the Cosmonauts" — April 12 — the third anniversary of Gagarin's historic flight. (AP Wirephoto)



CRITICALLY ILL

English actor Peter Sellers is said to be in critical condition after suffering a heart attack in Los Angeles. Sellers is in Hollywood to make the movie "Kiss Me, Stupid." (CP Wirephoto)

Crapaud Gets Federal Loan For Sewage

By FARMER TISSINGTON
Capital Bureau, The Guardian

OTTAWA — A federal loan of $12,710 to the village of Crapaud for the construction of a sewage system, was announced here Tuesday by Hon. John R. Nicholson, minister responsible for the operations of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The loan will aid in the construction of 700 feet of eight-inch and 1,200 feet of 10-inch trunk sewer and a sewage stabilization pond. The loan is based on an estimated cost of $19,065 for the project and will be repayable over a period of 40 years with interest at 5¾ per cent.

For work completed on or before March 31, 1965, CMHC may forgive repayment of 25 per cent of the principal amount of the loan and 25 per cent of the interest that has accrued in respect to the loan as of the date of completion.

STOOL PIGEON IS DISHONEST

LONDON (AP)—Scotland Yard pays underworld informers, but it conceded Tuesday one of its stool pigeons may have been a wee bit dishonest.

The yard is investigating this report: An informer has been studying offices, warehouses and houses and selling their layouts to burglary gangs.

Then he tips off the yard, the burglars are caught in the act, and the yard pays the tipster from its secret informants' fund. So he collects twice.

More than a dozen burglary gangs have been reported broken up by the tipster.

Second Defiance Of UN In 2 Days

By DAVE McINTOSH

MORPHOU, Cyprus (CP)—It took a personal telephone call from President Makarios to Greek police here to free a Canadian - escorted Turkish-Cypriot truck convoy held up for 5½ hours Tuesday.

Lt.-Gen. P. S. Gyani, commander of the United Nations force, had to intervene personally with Makarios to free the food-bearing convoy to the isolated Turkish village of Kokina in western Cyprus after 40 armed Greeks halted it at a roadblock just outside the town.

The convoy was at first freed after three hours and 20 minutes but then held longer on Greek insistence that two Greek trucks be attached to it so they could enter Turkish villages without being searched.

It was believed the Greek trucks contained some ammunition for guerrillas.

The four soldiers of the Royal Canadian Dragoons in two scout cars accompanying the Turkish trucks never once showed impatience with the Greeks during the long delay. They had some food with them.

The four soldiers were Sgt. Lionel Griffin of Sherbrooke, Que., Cpl. Don Murrin of St. John's, Nfld., and Oromocto, N.B., Tpr. Howard Dickson of Sharbot Lake, Ont., and Tpt. Robert Deroshy of Franklin, Que.

Hordes of children stood around their cars when school let out.

"This is ridiculous," Griffin told reporters from atop his scout car with its UN markings. "They should do away with all roadblocks."

GOT OWN WAY

In the end, the Greeks got their own way in open defiance of the United Nations for the second time in two days. They seized cigarettes in the Turkish trucks as contraband.

STOPS OUTSIDE TOWN

The convoy was stopped outside the town by roadblocks where armed Greek police and guerrillas stood with drawn weapons.

The convoy then was escorted to a police station in the town where haggling continued for more than three hours.

Griffin at one point suggested that six guns in his convoy back toward Nicosia.

The Greeks claimed the cigarettes didn't bear the Cypriot excise stamp from the Greek-Cypriot government. The Greeks were willing to let the food go through, however.

There was still no assurance the convoy would reach its destination without further trouble.

It still had to pass through Kato Pyrgos, the Greek village where a British three-ton truck was delayed earlier in the day.

Dozens of armed Greeks sat in Kato Pyrgos cafes with some who had been wounded in fighting with the Turks since Saturday.

Makarios Is Cutting Off Turkish Army Facilities

NICOSIA (AP) — President Makarios announced Tuesday he is cutting off facilities for the Turkish army garrison on Cyprus, declaring its presence on the island is illegal.

The Turkish embassy handed the Cyprus foreign ministry a note warning that any attack against the garrison will be against Turkey itself.

The exchange came as a new clash in northwest Cyprus, the halting of Turkish relief trucks by Greek-Cypriots, and the killing of two Turkish-Cypriots outside Nicosia, kept tempers boiling.

In a statement, the president, a Greek Cypriot, declared the Turkish garrison lost its rights to be on the island when he abrogated the 1960 treaty of alliance with Turkey Saturday.

In the Turkish capital of Ankara, the government made public details of Premier Ismet Inonu's reply to Makarios—that his action was null and void, and Turkey will take the necessary steps against any moves or attempts to deny its treaty rights on Cyprus.

Under the terms of the treaty the Greek and Turkish governments maintain military contingents of 950 and 650 men respectively. Originally the two national contingents were based in permanent camps near Nicosia.

SUPPLY UNDERTAKEN

The Cyprus government undertook to supply the camps with water and electricity and afford freedom of movement to the troops, access to ports and certain customs and privileges.

Makarios has said the Turkish government violated the treaty by refusing to order its army contingent to return to camp from the positions it took up on the outskirts of the Turkish quarter of Nicosia after communal fighting broke out last December.

In his statement, Makarios said if the Turkish government does not withdraw its garrison: "We will bring the matter before the (UN) Security Council." Turkey says the garrison must stay where it is to protect the Turkish-Cypriot minority.

Eight Steel Firms In U.S. Face Anti-Trust Charges

NEW YORK (AP)—Eight of the giant American steel companies were indicted on federal anti-trust charges Tuesday—the outgrowth of the dramatic showdown over pricing two years ago between President Kennedy and the industry.

The defendants, including the industry's No. 1 firm, U.S. Steel, were accused of conspiring in secret hotel room meetings to fix prices in the $3,600,000,000 carbon sheet steel business. Two steel executives also were named in the federal grand jury indictment.

The U.S. government claimed the price-fixing in sheet steel increased the cost to consumers of such items as auto bodies, washing machines, kitchen cabinets, refrigerators, office furniture and other products widely in demand. About one-third of all finished steel mill products are made of sheet steel.

The anti-trust indictment was the latest in a long series of price - fixing prosecutions brought by the government against U.S. Steel and other producers.

The grand jury of 16 men and seven women who returned the indictment began their investigation last October—as a followup to an earlier panel's inquiry into the April 10, 1962, attempt by the steel industry to raise prices $6 a ton.

COMPANIES RETREATED

Kennedy led a bitter fight against the 1962 price rise and three days later the steel companies retreated and withdrew the increase.

A sharp stock market break ensued and some financial circles blamed this on Kennedy's intervention in the area of steel industry pricing.

Only two of the major steel producers at that time opposed price markups—Inland and Kaiser Steel Corp. The two firms were not named in Tuesday's indictment, although the grand jury had subpoenaed their records.

The eight defendant firms are liable to fines up to $50,000 each if convicted. The two indicted executives could get similar fines, plus prison sentences of one year each.

Firms and individuals indicted, with their standing in the industry in parenthesis.

U.S. Steel (1) and assistant general manager for administrative services, James P. Barton.

—Bethlehem Steel Company (2) and former assistant vice-president of sales, W. J. Staples, now president of Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation.

—Republic Steel Corp. (3), Jones and Laughlin (4), National Steel Corp. (5), Armco Steel Corp. (6), Wheeling Steel Corp. (11), and Great Lakes Steel Corp.

Named as co - conspirators, but not defendants, and expected to testify against the others were Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company (7), Pittsburgh Steel Company (14) and Granite City Steel Company.

Officials of the indicted firms were not immediately available for comment.

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