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FORMER PWC TEACHER HONORED

Most Rev. Malcolm A. MacEachern, Bishop of Charlottetown and chancellor of St. Dunstan's University, confers the honorary degree of doctor of laws on Dr. J. H. Blanchard, former vice-principal of Prince of Wales College, at the annual SDU convocation yesterday. Looking on is Right Rev. George MacDonald, president of SDU. Dr. Blanchard was one of three men to receive honorary degrees yesterday. (See story on page 5.)

Non-Confidence Motion Defeated By 110-95 Vote

OTTAWA (CP)—The minority Liberal government defeated a New Democratic non-confidence motion by 110 to 95 in the Commons Tuesday night. The motion criticized the government for failing to safeguard the interests of Canadian consumers, automobile workers and small parts manufacturers in the new auto trade agreement with the United States. It was supported by 69 Conservatives, 15 New Democrats and 11 Creditists. The motion criticized the government for failing to safeguard the interests of Canadian consumers, automobile workers and small parts manufacturers in the new auto trade agreement with the United States. It was supported by 69 Conservatives, 15 New Democrats and 11 Creditists.

Later Season For Lobsters Is Suggested

OTTAWA (CP)—There should be a delay in the opening of the lobster fishing season off Cape Breton Island because of heavy ice, Robert Muir (PC—Cape Breton North and Victoria) suggested in the Commons Tuesday. Solicitor General MacNaught said he would bring the MP's comment to the attention of Fisheries Minister Robichaud who is studying problems caused by late spring ice.

Opposition Is Suspicious Of House Rules Changes

By JAMES NELSON
OTTAWA (CP)—The government proposed sweeping reforms in House of Commons rules Tuesday to shorten the daily question period, cut off lengthy debates, and speed passage of government spending estimates. The initial reaction of Opposition spokesmen was one of reserve and some suspicion. The rules changes were proposed in two motions sponsored by Prime Minister Pearson. George McRae, government house leader, said the government would look upon the main one as a test of confidence. It proposes to establish machinery by which time limits could be applied by government-sponsored motion, if not by common consent—on debates which appear to the government to be bogging down in talk. It also proposes to limit to 36 days a session all Commons discussion of detailed spending appropriations. Included in this would be the six two-day debates each session on grievances now guaranteed to the Opposition by House rules.

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Dief Asks Commission To Investigate Spying

Gov't Considers Pressing Charge



By WILLIAM NEVILLE
OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson Tuesday praised an unnamed naturalized Canadian as a central hero in smothering a would-be Soviet espionage ring in this country. At the same time, however, he said a second Canadian—a junior civil servant now "gravely ill"—may face criminal charges for his part in the abortive spy plot which culminated in the expulsion of two Russian diplomats.

N-ARMS STORED

Group Capt. E. G. Ireland of Comox Airbase told Courtenay, B.C. businessmen Tuesday that Canadian aircraft would carry nuclear weapons only "during actual hostilities or if a state of war is imminent." Nuclear warheads were reported to have been moved into the Comox base last week. (CP Wirephoto)

Siamese Twins Are Separated

TURIN, Italy (AP)—Siamese twin girls, 6, separated in a rare operation, were reported "better than expected" Tuesday. They already were elamoring to get up and try to walk alone for the first time in their lives, doctors said. The girls Giuseppe and Maria Santina Foglia, joined at the base of the spine, were separated Monday in an operation that took more than five hours.

Viet Cong Offensive Suspected

SAIGON (AP)—Communist troops estimated at regimental strength—perhaps 1,200 men—fought on against South Vietnamese government forces at Song Be Tuesday night in what a U.S. adviser said "may be the beginning of the Viet Cong's monsoon season offensive." Three government battalions skirmished with the Viet Cong forces who had been driven from Song Be, a provincial centre 74 miles north of Saigon, South Viet Nam's capital, after a seven-hour occupation in which they killed 20 South Vietnamese and five U.S. soldiers and wounded 50 South Vietnamese and 13 Americans.

Ministers Warn De Gaulle Over U.S. Disagreement

LONDON (CP)—Ministers and Britain had at last agreed on a joint declaration on Germany was France's desire to stress the European nature of the German problem and thus in effect exclude prominent mention of the U.S. Officials of the three Western occupying powers and West Germany had failed to come up with an agreed draft after weeks of trying, authoritative sources said.

PEACE HOPES DIM

DELICATE COMPROMISE
But over a late dinner Monday night, the ministers of the four countries were reported to have agreed on a delicate compromise. This, sources said, would say the solution of the German problem was not only in the interest of the German people but of all other European peoples and "of all peoples concerned whom the problem affects." The development brought relief to the whole conference. U.S. State Secretary Dean Rusk arranged an overnight flight to London to seek support for U.S. policies in two other vital areas—Viet Nam and the Dominican Republic.

Dominican General Delays Resignation

From Reuters-AP
SANTO DOMINGO (CP)—Brig. Gen. Elias Wessin y Wessin has withdrawn his resignation from a high military post under the anti-rebel Dominican junta, informed sources said Tuesday. If he refuses to quit, the chances are slimmer of a settlement between the two factions striving for Dominican dominance. U.S. officials had announced Monday afternoon that the general had resigned. The sources said the general changed his mind Monday night and that his decision was communicated to U.S. Ambassador W. Tapley Bennett.

Four Contracts Are Awarded Canada Packers

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA—Four contracts have been awarded to Canada Packers Ltd. of Charlottetown by the department of defence production it was announced Tuesday by Industry Minister C.M. Drury. Three of the contracts, valued at \$41,578, \$10,992 and \$10,528 are for the supply of meat the fourth in the amount of \$11,217 is for the supply of poultry. The contracts are among 250 unclassified contracts for \$10,000 or more awarded by the department during the last half of March.

Vice Chief Of Defence Staff To Visit Island

GREENWOOD, N.S. (CP)—Lieutenant General Geoffrey Walsh, vice chief of the defence staff, will arrive here today to begin a tour of defence establishments in the Maritime Provinces. He will visit navy bases in the Halifax area and RCAF stations here and at Chatham, N.B., and Summerside, P.E.I.



CENTENNIAL FLAG UNFURLED

Canada's centennial flag, seen here, was raised Tuesday atop the Hotel Saskatchewan in Regina where a two-day national centennial conference opened Tuesday. Taking part in the brief ceremony were John S. Fisher, centennial commissioner, and Jean Britton, 15, a grade 10 student and the province's senior champion fiddler. The centennial flag had been flown previously only outside the Centennial Corporation's Ottawa office.

Former Grave-Digger Held In Murder Of Woman, Girl

SHAWINIGAN, Que. (CP)—Marcel Bernier, 43, was arraigned Tuesday on capital murder charges in the apparent bludgeoning-death of a girl and a woman whose remains were found near here recently in unmarked graves. Bernier, a former grave-digger, is charged with slaying Denise Therrien, 16, and Laurette Beaudoin, 39. Miss Therrien disappeared in August, 1961, after leaving home to take a baby-sitting job. Her remains were found two weeks ago in a shallow grave in the woods eight miles from Shawinigan. The remains of Miss Beaudoin were found a month ago, buried in the Shawinigan cemetery where Bernier worked. The skills of both victims showed evidence of multiple fractures. Bernier was arraigned in a deserted courtroom late Tuesday, little more than an hour after two coroner's juries found him criminally responsible for both deaths. He is to appear for preliminary hearing on both charges Friday.

Ontario To Get Medicare In '66

TORONTO (CP)—Free medical care insurance is to be offered by the Ontario government to almost 1,000,000 persons in the province as of June 1, 1966. Health Minister Matthew Dymond made the announcement Tuesday as he introduced the government's long-awaited medical services insurance bill in the legislature. Dr. Dymond said the bill will establish a publicly-operated medical care plan for indigent and low-income families at a cost of about \$70,000,000 a year. The medical services insurance will be limited to payment for physicians' care at home, in a doctor's office, or in hospital. The plan includes maternity benefits and annual checkups. The government will offer to pay the full cost of premiums for the 462,361 single persons and families who have no taxable income. This could mean free coverage for a total of 977,869 persons. Premiums will be subsidized for single persons with taxable income under \$500 a year, couples with taxable income under \$1,000 a year, and families with taxable incomes under \$1,200. The amount of the subsidies will decrease as the taxable income increases. For instance, a family with taxable income of \$50 to \$100 will pay only \$14 towards premiums. A family with taxable income of \$300 to \$400 would pay \$59.

Moon Probe Will Attempt Soft Landing

MOSCOW (AP)—Russia's Luna V will reach the moon tonight and it carries equipment for a soft landing, the official Tass agency reported Tuesday night. Tass said the arrival will be at about 10:10 p.m. (5:15 p.m. ADT). It added: "The automatic station Luna V carries for the first time equipment for a soft landing." A soft landing would enable Luna to transmit information back to earth after it has reached the moon. Western experts had speculated that a soft landing might be attempted, basing their reasoning on the great weight of the apparatus. The instrument package weighs 2,254 pounds, Moscow announced earlier. Tass said the trajectory of the moon probe was corrected automatically Monday night on the second day of the space station's flight.