

## Liberation Front abs Lesage Co-conspirator

MONTREAL (CP)—The Front de Liberation Quebecois (Quebec Liberation Front) issued a statement Monday saying its next sabotage attempt has been named Operation Jean Lesage. The statement from the fanatical separatist group said Mr. Lesage "recently went to the defence of colonialism."

It said the premier had thus shown "his true face, that of a shameless collaborator, hungry for power, and a traitor to his people."

In his honor our next attempt has been named: "Operation Jean Lesage."

The statement said it has no connection with "other legal movements which exist due to the approval of Her very British Majesty."

**OTHERS CRITICIZE FLQ**

Such separatist groups as the Rassemblement pour l'Indépendance Nationale (National Independence Rally) and the Parti Républicain du Québec (Quebec Republican Party), which urge Quebec's secession from confederation by legal means, have criticized the FLQ's acts of violence.

The statement said no member of the FLQ has been in touch with newspapers, and expressed "regret that certain persons outside the movement have given interviews in our name."

The most recent such interview was with a Montreal newspaper which quoted a man named "Claude" as saying that CNR president Donald Gordon "must be killed."

The FLQ said its sabotage campaign is against federal symbols and institutions, adding it would never attack "places which could place innocent lives in danger. For example, hospitals, schools, churches."

In recent weeks, the FLQ has claimed responsibility for a bomb that exploded in the federal income tax building in Montreal, and for the placing of Molotov cocktails in three Montreal arcades.

## Remuneration Said Offered Socreds To Join Liberals

RED DEER, Alta. (CP)—National Social Credit Leader Robert Thompson says he has been told that "a rather handsome remuneration" was proposed in a bid to get some Quebec Social Credit members of Parliament to join the Liberal party.

In an interview, recorded Saturday by radio station CKKD Red Deer, Mr. Thompson said he heard the report a few days ago "but I didn't think this would actually take place."

"Whether it has now, I don't know," he said.

Mr. Thompson was commenting on a statement promising support for a Liberal government, signed by six Social Credit MPs from Quebec.

Mr. Thompson said the statement "could not be completely surprising."

"I had heard a few days ago that our senior organizer in Quebec had been asked to recommend four members who might be most easily influenced toward joining the Liberals and in return were offered a rather handsome remuneration for it," he said.

Mr. Thompson said he had asked his party whip, Dr. Guy Maroux and Marcel Lesard, chairman of the party's caucus, to hold an investigation into the statement because "certainly none of our members have the right to go ahead and make an arrangement of their own."

The Social Credit leader said he does not plan to go to Ottawa until after a holiday.

He was not available for comment on a statement from Real Caouette, deputy party leader, criticizing the way Mr. Thompson handled the investigation.

Mr. Caouette said he should have been consulted first.

## Washington Post Comments On Pearson Administration

WASHINGTON (CP)—The Washington Post says an administration headed by Liberal Leader Lester B. Pearson will be "a very tough and independent kind of Canadian government" and not one that would bow to the will of the United States.

In an 800-word editorial, The Post urges Americans to distance themselves from the "foreign affairs, to have our way, always, if we are to have any decent kind of bilateral collaboration."

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**CITIZEN WRITERS**

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## Volvo Firm Reported Pleased With Reception In Canada

HALIFAX (CP)—Volvo (Canada) Ltd. is pleased with the way it has been received in the Maritimes and its president says one of the reasons the Swedish firm decided to locate its Canadian operation in neighboring Dartmouth is that Nova Scotia is "the cradle of craftsmanship."

D. W. Samuel of Toronto, Volvo Canada's president, told a meeting of manufacturers here that his company was now in the Maritimes to do business "for many years in the future."

He said renovation of the Dartmouth plant was complete and that production equipment was being installed.

"Our first major shipment of Swedish components is on the water and pilot assembly will commence very shortly," Mr. Samuel said the first contract let locally was to a Springfield, N.S., company for the manufacture of batteries.

Siting that Nova Scotia was "the cradle of craftsmanship," Mr. Samuel said Volvo's arrival in the Maritimes presented positive initial manufacturers of components for its automobiles with an opportunity and a challenge.

**FEW ARE CANADIAN**

However, only a few Canadian-made parts will be included in the first automobiles soon going into production.

"Because of the short time allowance we gave ourselves to get into production, we will begin manufacture with only a few Canadian-made parts—tires and batteries being two large items," the Volvo president said.

"As we progress we will add components . . . this providing of course, that quality and price can be maintained."

Shown at the meeting were various parts and equipment the company would eventually like to have manufactured in Canada.

Mr. Samuel said a similar show for manufacturers was soon to be held in Saint John, N.B.

E. A. Manson, Nova Scotia trade and industry minister, described Volvo's arrival in the province as among the most exciting events in Nova Scotia's economic history.

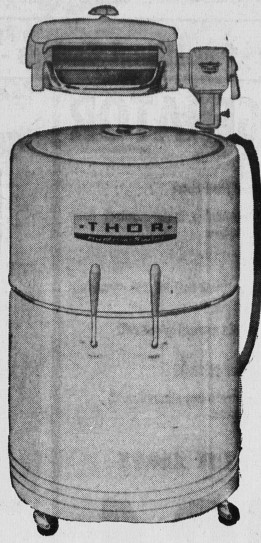
He told the manufacturers he was sure they would find some of the parts required by Volvo could be produced in the province.

But anything of less than top quality, he said, would not be acceptable, because it would be in the tradition of Nova Scotia craftsmanship.

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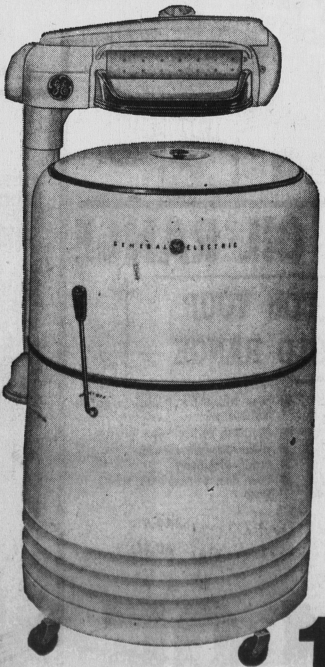
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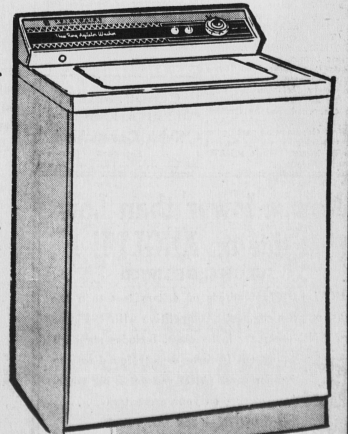
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