

## ADVISERS URGE DELAY

# Unification Timetable Argument Said Causing Three Retirements

By KEN KELEY  
OTTAWA (CP) — Informants say that plans for retirement of three senior military advisers to Defence Minister Hellyer just before the minister's public dispute with the admirals stemmed from a head-on clash over how soon to unify the armed forces.



MR. HELLYER

Mr. Hellyer is said to have ordered his senior advisers, if questioned by the Commons defence committee, to give a picture of progress on integration to date that would support his intention to take the final step in 12 or 14 months to unite the navy, army and air force into a single service.

However, for several reasons, his advisers thought otherwise. They jointly urged a delay of three to five years in the final step to avoid the risk of unifying the fighting troops without having a proven, integrated supply, maintenance and training system to back them up in an emergency.

An aide to Mr. Hellyer said the minister, who returned here from Paris late Wednesday afternoon, branded the report "absolutely false." The minister made no further comment.

They declined to accept Mr. Hellyer's instructions on what the defence committee should be told. The committee was, in fact, repeatedly told that the newly integrated supply and maintenance system was untested and would need three to five years to be fully effective.

NOT APPARENT THEN  
At the time the imminence of unification was not apparent since Mr. Hellyer had informed the committee June 10 that the final decision on unification had not yet been taken.

It wasn't until after his hour with the admirals that Mr. Hellyer made it plain July 20

The three men involved were Vice-Admiral Kenneth L. Dyer, 50, chief of personnel; Lt. Gen. Frank Fleury, 52, comptroller-general; and Lt. Gen. Robert Moncel, 49, vice-chief of defence staff.

ALLARD TOOK OVER  
Gen. Moncel was generally expected to succeed Air Chief Marshal P. R. Millar as chief of the defence staff, a post which subsequently went to the other top candidate, Lt. Gen. Jean V. Allard, then in command of Mobile Command at Montreal who was promoted to general.

As comptroller-general, Gen. Fleury headed the headquarters branch which is in the most advanced state of integration. It also is the branch most closely in touch with the integration picture throughout the services because it deals with finance, manpower and forces management.

It was Gen. Fleury who appeared before the defence committee to provide a picture of the progress of integration. On June 7, he dropped his first intimation that the supply system was already to proceed to the next stage of unification.

It is estimated that the complete reorganization of the three different supply systems of the armed services into one automated system will take three to five years," he said.

## Shouting, Stamping Farmers Rock Legislature Buildings

By DAVE DAVIDSON  
TORONTO (CP) — The staid buildings of the Ontario legislature were rocked Wednesday by the shouting and stamping of angry farmers who broke away from demonstrations outside in search of Agriculture Minister W. A. Stewart.

The farmers pressed through the main door of the buildings shortly before 4 p.m. and several minutes after a convoy of 60 tractors, mostly from western Ontario, arrived at Queen's Park to take part in demonstrations for higher prices for farm products.

A provincial police constable estimated there were about 300 demonstrators gathered in the second-floor area of Premier John Robarts' offices. Most were farmers but their ranks were swelled by spectators attracted by the noise.

A small group wandered from the office lobby in search of Mr. Stewart, who with Premier Robarts was meeting with a delegation of the Ontario Farmers' Union, headed by John Dolmer of Norborne.

Seven or eight demonstrators barged into a meeting where Lands and Forests Minister Kelso Roberts was chairman.

They moved away quietly when told they had found the wrong meeting. Provincial police patrolling outside the buildings said they had no instructions to interfere with the farmers and didn't.

As soon as the meeting with the OFU delegation ended Mr. Stewart went to the front steps of the Parliament Buildings to speak to the farmers himself.

He described his meeting with OFU delegates as a "useful discussion" and said he had every sympathy with their aims.

The OFU executive was invited by the minister to an Ottawa meeting with Federal Agriculture Minister J. G. Greeno "as soon as it can be arranged."

## Crash Victims Names Given

MONCTON (CP) — RCMP released the names Wednesday of all six persons killed in a four-car crash Tuesday on the Trans-Canada Highway about 13 miles west of this New Brunswick city.

Dead are Maurice Leger, 43, and his wife Yolande, also 43, of St. Bruno, Que. Andre Leger, 31, and his 28-year-old wife, Genevieve, of Montreal; James George Jewer, 54, of Guelph, Ont., and Gordon Everett McNair, 46, of Minto, N.B.

Mrs. Jewer was reported in satisfactory condition in Moncton hospital with facial injuries. A Scarborough, Ont. family of four escaped injury, although their car spun off the highway.

DIED AT SCENE  
Mr. Leger, Mr. McNair, Maurice Leger and Genevieve Leger all died at the scene of the accident, one of the worst in the province's history.

Andre Leger died a few minutes after being admitted to hospital, while Yolande Leger died in hospital Wednesday morning. Andre and Maurice were brothers.

Mr. McNair, a schoolteacher, was the driver of one of the vehicles, while Mr. Jewer was a passenger in a car driven by his son Gary, 19.

Police were unable to discover who was driving the car in which the two Leger families were travelling.

Mr. McNair was westbound when involved in a collision with the three eastbound vehicles.

## Farm Cash Receipts Shatter P.E.I. Record

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Farm cash receipts in Prince Edward Island rose to an all-time high in 1965, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports in a revised estimate.

The total was \$40,250,000 compared to \$31,654,000 in 1964 and almost double the receipts for 1950 which totalled \$21,415,000. But the Bureau said that for the first quarter of 1966, P.E.I. farm cash receipts were down in Prince Edward Island, almost entirely due to lower returns from the sale of potatoes.

The total for the first three months of 1966 was \$9,552,000 compared to \$10,084,000 for the first quarter of 1965 and \$5,542,000 for the first quarter of 1964.

The slump in potato receipts was from \$6,237,000 in the first quarter of 1965 to \$4,707,000 in the year. The result was that the

## Handling Of Case 'Inept,' Says Dief

OTTAWA (CP) — Opposition Leader Diefenbaker said Wednesday the fact George Victor Spencer was guilty of misconduct as a civil servant does not absolve the government from blame for "mishandling and ineptness" in the celebrated spy case.

Mr. Diefenbaker, in a statement by his office here, said if the government's handling of the case had not been inept there would have been no need for the inquiry by Mr. Justice Dalton C. Wells.

Mr. Diefenbaker is on vacation at Fairmont Hot Springs, B.C.



MR. DIEFENBAKER

Mr. Justice Wells in his report released Tuesday backed the government's firing of Spencer from his postal clerk's job and said there was no doubt the man had worked for Soviet espionage agents.

The inquiry was set up after some opposition MPs charged the government was trying to cover up on the case and that Spencer had been wrongly dismissed without proper hearing.

ASKED FOR ANSWERS  
Mr. Diefenbaker also said a number of questions about the case remain unanswered.

He said the government press release of May 11, 1965, mentioned another Canadian whose job was to compromise female spy servants.

"No more has been heard of this," he said.

Mr. Diefenbaker noted that the press release gave the names of two Soviet embassy personnel who were expelled in connection with the case. These names differed with those in the Wells report.

## Ky Saddened By Reaction

SAIGON (AP) — While U.S. jets hammered again at North Viet Nam, Premier Nguyen Cao Ky suggested Wednesday that patience to carry on a long war is the only alternative to an invasion above the 17th parallel.

"We have the patience, but can we say the same thing of our allies?" the South Vietnamese premier asked.

"Are they ready to help us for five to 10 years? ... If not we must destroy the Communists in their lair."

Evidently referring to Washington critics, the premier said he was saddened by the reaction to his previous proposals for an invasion.

At a press conference the South Viet Nam premier drew questions about his statements in U.S. News and World Report last week that "it is better to face the Communist Chinese right now than in five or 10 years" and suggesting an invasion of North Viet Nam is necessary for victory.

## CREDITS ALLAH AND 'SYSTEM'

MOSCOW (AP) — Shirali Mismlov, who says he is 161 years old, Wednesday credited both Allah and the atheistic Soviet system for helping him to reach his great age.

He is described officially as the Soviet Union's oldest citizen. Mismlov lives in a village in the mountains of Azerbaijan, a Soviet republic north of Iran. Most of the population there is Mohammedan.

He came down to the republic's capital of Baku for a medical examination. The official news agency Tass said the doctors found him in perfect health.

Mismlov said reports that his longevity was due to "Allah and the Soviet system, my work and my good temper."

## Visit To Hanoi Is Ruled Out

MOSCOW (AP) — UN Secretary-General U Thant said Wednesday night after talks with Soviet leaders, he does not plan to go to Hanoi.

The Kremlin has taken the position that only Hanoi can decide on the Communist side whether a start should be made toward negotiating peace in Viet Nam.

This led to speculation in Moscow that Thant would personally go to the North Vietnamese capital in an effort to find some way to end the war.

## ONE CANADIAN Multi-Racial College Closed After Arrests

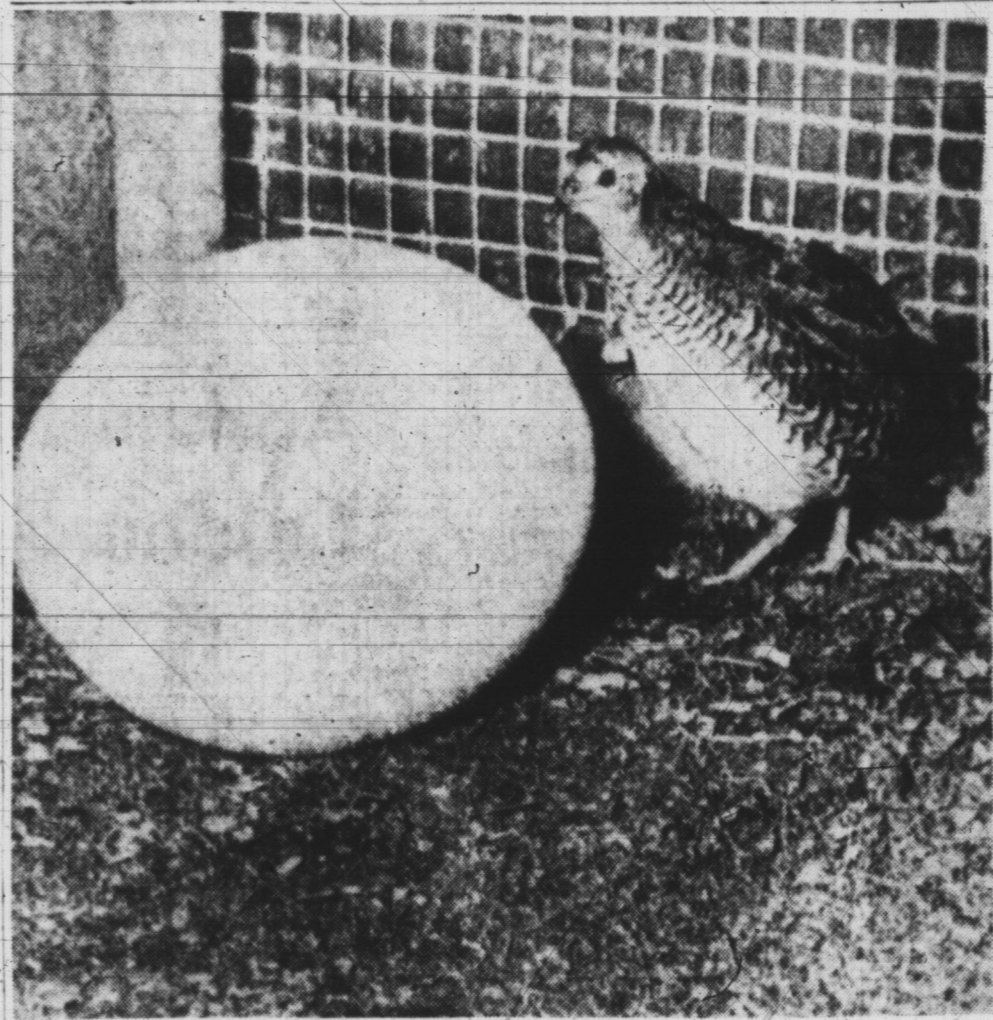
SALISBURY, Rhodesia (Reuters) — Rhodesia's multi-racial University College was closed by its acting principal Wednesday after police arrested nine white teachers — one of them a Canadian — and 10 students.

The closure announcement, pinned on a college notice board, said Acting Principal Alan Milton had decided to close the college a month before the end of the current term because the arrests had depleted the teaching staff and disrupted college discipline.

The detained lecturers were identified by the college as Gerald L. Caplan, a Canadian in the history department; Ian Henderson, C. R. Hill, C. R. Whittaker and Elizabeth Joyce, all British; Dr. J. van Velsen, a Dutchman; Alex Sommerfeld, a Norwegian; G. Martign, an Italian; and T. R. C. Curtin, a British-born Rhodesian.

Caplan, 28, is from Toronto. He graduated in 1960 from the University of Toronto and went to Rhodesia as an assistant lecturer while completing his work toward a doctorate of philosophy in African history.

In Parliament Wednesday Desmond Lardner-Burke, minister of justice, law and order, said the nine white lecturers and one Asian student



NO, IT'S NOT MINE  
A big quail, smallest type of quail in the world, is dwarfed by an ostrich egg laid Tuesday at the Calgary zoo. The egg was put in an incubator in an attempt to hatch it and will stay in it for at least 40 days. (CP Wirephoto)

## Striking Hospital Workers Reject Contract Proposals

MONTREAL (CP) — Representatives of 32,500 striking non-union hospital workers Wednesday rejected contract proposals described by Premier Johnson earlier as a final offer.

The spokesman said the offer of wage increases in a 20-month contract was rejected as inadequate. He said the monetary returns would possibly have been adequate if it had not been for the long term of the contract.

Mr. Johnson told reporters in Quebec City earlier Wednesday the offer made to the negotiators of the National Federation of Services (CNTS), which represents the striking workers, by the Quebec Hospital Association, which represents the 115 hospitals, affected.

Full details of the offer were not revealed but Mr. Johnson said it would cost more than is paid at present.

It would pay an additional \$20,000,000 the first year, an additional \$17,300,000 the second year and a further \$4,700,000 in the last six months of the contract.

In Quebec, a spokesman for Premier Johnson confirmed that the unions had rejected the offer, but said negotiations would continue.

Meanwhile, the striking workers continued to picket 18 provincial hospitals despite a court injunction issued Tuesday ordering them back to work. The strike has been in progress for 12 days.

Workers at 10 of the 18 hospitals covered by the injunction voted to disobey the interim injunction. Meetings scheduled at the other eight hospitals were expected to vote later on whether or not to continue on strike.

The hospital workers included housekeeping and kitchen help and yard orderlies. They now average less than \$69 a week. Also on strike are some nurses whose average is between \$70 and \$80 a week. All are asking weekly raises of \$8.

A previous offer rejected by the union Tuesday suggested weekly wage increases ranging from \$6 to \$8.

It was rejected by the union on the grounds that it did not satisfy their demand for an \$8 increase for all members in a one-year contract.

Union spokesmen said Wednesday employees at meetings at each hospital to consider action to be taken on the court injunction are voting freely and are under no pressure from the head office of the National Federation of Services.

But a head-office meeting of 250 regional union delegates held early in the morning resolved unanimously that the court order "is designed to crush our wage demands and we must not submit to it."

A union official who told spokesmen here that others had gone out to strikers at the 13 hospitals not to obey the injunction later said no such action had been given and that the strikers had been told to vote as they wished.

## Trade Union Congress Gives In Reluctantly

LONDON (CP) — Britain's central union, the 8,000,000-member Trades Union Congress, has pledged by majority vote to halt the spreading revolt against Prime Minister Wilson's six-month wage freeze.

The pledge, given reluctantly after hours of debate, heartened Wilson as he successfully fought off an opposition censure move in the Commons.

In the House, the Labor government turned back the censure move by a 78-vote margin after a two-day debate on the wage-freeze policy and other economic measures.

The vote on a charge of government incompetence was 329 to 246.

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Wilson will assure the North American leaders that neither of these cuts will affect Britain's basic commitments to the key defence alliances, NATO, the Central Treaty Organization in the Middle East and the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization.

Wilson will give a personal account of his mission to Moscow 10 days ago, when he failed after long talks to get Russian leaders to join Britain in recalling the 1954 Geneva conference on Indochina.

Despite strong criticism from his party's left wing, Wilson is determined to support broad U.S. military objectives in Viet Nam, and particularly Johnson's continuing efforts to get unconditional peace talks.

With Pearson, Wilson was expected to discuss the Rhodesian independence crisis and the Commonwealth prime ministers' conference here in September.

Robbed Firms  
Plan System

BOSTON (AP) — Armored car firms, robbed of \$327,000 in the last five months, joined Wednesday to devise a protection system.

The problem was brought to the fore by Tuesday's ambush of an armored truck. Two guards were shot, neither seriously, and \$68,000 was taken by three masked men.

Britain already has told West Germany it will cut down its 50,000-man forces based there unless the Bonn government fully covers their foreign exchange costs, now running at about \$24,000,000 (\$25,000,000) a year.

TO CUT FORCES  
A union official who told spokesmen here that others had gone out to strikers at the 13 hospitals not to obey the injunction later said no such action had been given and that the strikers had been told to vote as they wished.

At the same time, Mr. Nicholson, who reports to Parliament for the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, said in the announcement that between Aug. 1 and Dec. 1, this year the corporation will make available direct mortgage loans to merchant house builders without a pre-sale requirement.

Available only for houses that have been sold.

Mr. Nicholson said that to qualify for these loans the houses may not progress beyond the foundation and the first floor joist stage before Nov. 1.

Mr. Nicholson also announced that the government will ask Parliament when it reconvenes to extend the provisions of the National Housing Act for unimproved housing projects to include vocational and training schools, training hospitals.

Explaining the decision to discontinue the \$500 bonus, Mr. Nicholson's announcement said builders have been successful in stabilizing employment in the industry by shifting a large portion of house construction to the winter months.

He said that to provide a proper balance of direct loans to merchant builders during the winter, he asked CMHC to devise administrative procedures to ensure maximum winter employment and a continuing supply of new housing.

CMHC will not permit the number of loans to any builder to exceed his physical and financial capacities, Mr. Nicholson said. He said special attention will be given to designated areas and new resource-based communities where the demand for housing is more acute.

MR. NICHOLSON

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## TRUST FUND SET UP

ROBERT COTTON  
ROBERT COTTON, Charlottetown businessman Robert Cotton, (ABOVE) has established a \$100,000 trust fund to be used for the benefit of the library and arts section of the Confederation Centre. The trust fund was accepted by the provincial parks.