Shortage Of Trained Personnel Is Being Felt By Armed Forces

By DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP)—The shortage of trained personnel in the armed forces is starting to become critical, authorities say.

And it is expected to get worse, they add. The main reason is the continuing boom in the economy.

Some 110 flight lieutenant pilots in the RCAF who were due to retire in 1967 have been offered two-year extensions in flying jobs, a defence department spokesman said.

The air force is short of pilots less than two years after 500 aircrew were compulsorily retired because flying jobs couldn't be found for them.

Officials said it couldn't be foreseen at that time the commercial airline business would boom to the extent it has. United Air Lines, for instance, is trying to recruit 1,600 pilots and navigators in the next two years with a promise of possible earnings of up to $33,000 a year.

United and other airlines have already conducted successful raids on the RCAF. Commercial pilots fly fewer hours per month than RCAF aircrew and earn more money. Pilots in the RCAF Air Division in Europe now are working a 70-hour week, including duty time on the ground, with no overtime pay.

Nearly one-fifth of the fleet now is tied up in Halifax and Esquimalt, B.C., because there aren't enough trained men to sail all the ships.

Three destroyers and three frigates are in the same category at Esquimalt. The fleet totals 43 ships.

Several sources said the trained manpower shortage is becoming so acute Canada may have to give up some of its defence commitments, temporarily at least.

The defence department last fall attained its planned reduction of 10,000 military personnel to a manpower strength of 110,000 but since has been unable to put on the brakes.

At the end of November, last date for which official figures are available, the strength of the armed forces was down to 109,625, including a few hundred of retirement leave.

One source said the strength now is down to 107,000 or less and that it may well fall to some 100,000 by late spring.

Defence Minister Hellyer has appealed for recruits. A total of 9,157 were taken into the forces in the first 11 months of 1965, a drop of 650 from the corresponding period in 1964.

An informant said some recruiting standards have been lowered to get the men, though more skills are required with today's complex weapons systems. As a result, the forces have to provide some basic education for some recruits to bring them up to the grade 10 education standard before regular military training can begin.

OLD NOON-DAY CANNON STOLEN BY STUDENTS

OTTAWA (CP)—A 159-year-old cannon, whose noon-day boom has echoed over the capital almost every day since 1869, disappeared from its firing point near Parliament Hill early Friday in what police said was a student prank.

It was recovered later at a skating rink near the University of Ottawa campus. Police questioned two students.

The theft was reported by the gun's operator, W. J. Davie, when he went to load. For the first time in his 36 years of duty it wasn't there.

"The whole barrel, which weighs three tons, was missing." The gun's steel carriage was left behind.

Police believe a block-and-tackle rig was used to lift the barrel onto a truck after the thieves cut away a retaining chain.

About the time the theft was discovered, an anonymous telephone caller told the Ottawa Journal students had taken the gun for a winter carnival parade Tuesday night.

SAID WOULD YELL

The caller also said a group of students planned to gather on Nepean Point at noon and shout "boom!" in unison as a substitute for the daily firing.

But none showed up.

The cannon was cast in Britain in 1807 for a royal navy warship. In 1860 it was purchased by the government of Upper Canada for a then-princely $250.45.

Sir John A. Macdonald's cabinet passed on order-in-council in 1869 calling for the daily firing of a single cannon round to mark the noon hour. The timing of the shot was signalled by telegraph from an observation station in Montreal.

The first such firing was on April 26, 1869 and with a few exceptions, caused by illness or repairs, the old cannon has boomed out the noon-hour every day since.

ON THE AIR

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WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS
CFCY-TV

1:30 p.m.—Musicale
2.00 p.m.—Film Festival
2.30 p.m.—Film Festival
3.00 p.m.—To Tell The Truth
3.25 p.m.—Take 30
4.00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden Show
4.31 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
5.00 p.m.—Rin Tin Tin
5.30 p.m.—The Secret Squirrel
6.00 p.m.—Nations Business
6.15 p.m.—Live Longer
6.30 P.M.—Gazette
7.00 p.m.—CFCY-TV News
7.15 p.m.—People Unlimited
7.30 p.m.—Walt Disney Presents
8.30 p.m.—Bewitched
9.00 p.m.—Blue Light
9.30 p.m.—Bob Hope Theatre
10.30 p.m.—Festival
Ashes to Ashes
12.00 a.m.—CBC News
12.13 a.m.—Local Weather and Sports Scores
12.15 p.m.—Sign Off

CKCW-TV

9.57 a.m.—Station Sign On
10.00 a.m.—Canadian Schools
10.30 a.m.—Nova Scotia Schools
11.30 a.m.—Friendly Giant
11.45 a.m.—Chez Helene
12.00 p.m.—Butternut Square
12.20 a.m.—Across Canada
12.50 p.m.—Wednesday Playbill Models Inc.
2.30 p.m.—At Home With Helen Crocker
3.00 p.m.—To Tell The Truth
3.30 p.m.—Take Thirty
4.00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden Show
4.30 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
5.00 p.m.—Secret Squirrel
5.30 p.m.—Music Hop
6.00 p.m.—Nation's Business
6.15 p.m.—TV News
6.25 p.m.—TV Weather
6.30 p.m.—TV Sports
6.35 p.m.—Supper Club
7.00 p.m.—Man From U.N.C.L.E.
8.00 p.m.—Big Valley
9.00 p.m.—Blue Light
9.30 p.m.—Bob Hope Theatre
10.30 p.m.—Festival
Ashes To Ashes
12.00 p.m.—CBC-TV News
12.15 a.m.—Viewpoint
12.20 a.m.—LTV News
12.30 a.m.—Station Sign Off

CFCY RADIO
WEDNESDAY

6.30—News and Weather
6.35—Morning Roundup
6.45—Island Wr. and Mar. Temp.
6.46—Morning Roundup
6.55—News and Weather
7.00—Hebrew Christian Hour
7.30—News and Weather
7.35—Farm Report
7.41—Morning Roundup
7.45—Island Wr. and Mar. Temp.
7.46—Morning Roundup
7.56—Sports Capsule and Scoreboard
8.00—News
8.11—Weather
8.16—Morning Roundup
8.45—Weather
8.50—Atlantic News Roundup
8.58—Thought For Today
9.00—CBC National News—CBC
9.10—Preview Commentary—CBC
9.15—Assignment
9.20—Notes and Music
10.00—News and Weather
10.05—Notes and Music
10.25—Sunlight Eye
10.30—Notes and Music
10.55—Lucky 7 Contest
11.00—News and Weather
11.05—Notes and Music
11.45—Bulletin Board
11.50—Notes and Music
11.55—Atlantic News Roundup
12.00—Weather
12.05—Town and Country Time
12.30—News and Weather
12.45—Town and Country Time
1.00—News and Weather
1.05—Town and Country Time
1.16—Gordie Tapp Show
1.45—Town and Country Time
2.00—News and Weather
2.05—Prov. Affairs; Alt.: Nation's Business
2.10—Mostly Music
3.00—News Headlines and Weather
3.03—Trans-Canada Matinee—CBC
3.30—Mostly Music
4.00—News Headlines and Weather
4.03—Canadian Roundup—CBC
4.10—Tops In Pops
5.00—News and Weather
5.05—The Outports
5.25—Marine Weather
5.28—The Outports
6.00—News and Weather
6.15—On Parliament Hill—CBC
6.20—Today's Editorial—CBC
6.25—Sports Parade
6.30—Business Barometer—CBC
6.35—Tonight's Music
7.00—Back to the Bible
7.30—News and Weather
7.45—Tonight's Music
8.58—News Headlines and Weather
9.00—Midweek Theatre—CBC
10.00—CBC National News, On Parliament Hill and Speaking Personally—CBC
10.30—Starlight Serenade
11.00—News and Regional Weather
11.05—Starlight Serenade
11.30—News and Weather
11.35—Starlight Serenade Sports—CBC
12.00—CBC News, Weather and
12.15—News and Music—CBC

CBA RADIO
WEDNESDAY

6:00—The Morning Show, Part 1
7:00—The Morning Show, Part 1 (Cont'd)
8:00—CBC News and Inland Wx.
8:15—Maritime Sportscast
8.21—The Morning Show, Part 1
8:35—Max Ferguson Show
9:00—CBC News
9:10—Commentary
9:15—Assignment
9:21—A.M. Chronicle
10:45—Playroom
11:00—CBC News
11:05—Joan Marshall
11:15—For Consumers
11:20—Rural Commentator
11:30—The Archers
11:45—Music On The Heather
11:55—Assignment
12:00—Jamboree Junction
12:15—Tommy Hunter and Pals
12:30—Maritime Farm B'cast
1:00—CBC News and Weather
1:15—Gordie Tapp Show
1:45—Time Out For Melody
1:59—D.O. Time Signal
2:00—Time Out For Melody
2:15—Atlantic School Broadcast "Playtime"
2:30—Atlantic School Broadcast "Things of Nature"
2:45—John Drainie Tells A Story
3:00—CBC News
3:03—Trans-Canada Matinee
3:30—Trans-Canada Matinee
4:00—CBC News
4:03—Canadian Roundup
4:10—Music In The Air
4:30—Assignment
4:35—Music In The Air
5:00—Mar. Fish Broadcast
5:20—Tempo CBC Notebook
5:35—Assignment
5:45—Tempo and Notebook
6:00—CBC News
6:15—On Parliament Hill
6:20—Today's Editorial
6:25—Inland Weather and Sports Scores
6:30—Business Barometer
6:35—Who Will Come With Me
6.50—Rod and Charles
7:05—Music In The Evening
8.00—Between Ourselves
9:00—Mid Week Theatre
10:00—CBC National News
10:15—Today's Editorial and Speaking Personally
10:30—Distinguished Artists
11:00—The Music of Handel—Allan Sangster
12:00—CBC News
12:03—Sports Scores, Inland and
12:15—Music In The Night Sangster

B.C. Plans Increase In Education Spending

By STEPHEN SCOTT

VICTORIA (CP)—The British Columbia government has announced plans for a "substantial increase" in expenditures for education and expansion of the department.

The throne speech read at the opening of the legislature contained the announcements in a section forecasting increasing work for the department.

The spending could reach toward 200,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

The speech said:

"The operations of the public education system already absorb the energenis of nearly 17,000 full-time instructors, more than 420,000 students and total plant capacity valued in excess of $500,000,000.

"In addition a large number of part time teachers and students occupy these buildings in the late afternoon and evening hours.

"The undivided attention of our educational authorities at all levels will be required if we are to achieve the optimum use of this massive growing facility, and at the same time, to keep consumption of financial and human resources within attainable limits.

WANTS MORE MONEY

"To assist in these endeavours you will be asked to approve a substantial increase in my government's expenditures for education."

Two years ago education became the top single government expenditure, taking over from highways.

Last year the budget called for expenditures of 152,200,000—34.1 per cent of estimated revenues for the year ending March 31.

The throne speech reference follows the federal governments recently announced increase in spending for education.

The speech said enrolment in universities, community colleges and the institute of technology in Vancouver is continuing at a rate exceeding normal growth.

"It is apparent that with increasing automation, and technological change, mass education has entered another phase.

"In consequence, an even larger proportion of the department of education's work will be directed toward the post-secondary field of education. Therefore you will be asked to approve an expansion of the department."

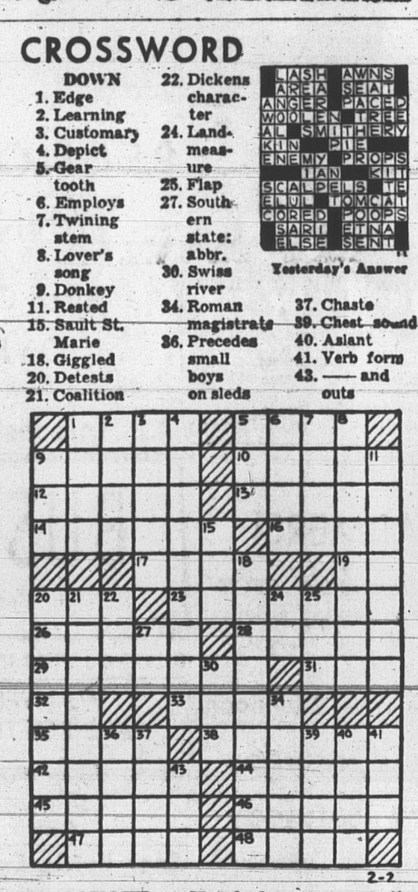
The speech also announced plans for expansion of the labor department. But there was no indication of plans to take either the education or labor portfolios from Leslie Peterson. The premier regards the two departments was complimenting each other and feels they should be under one man.

RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Smudge
5. Chicago nine
9. Subject of G. Stein definition
10. Willow
12. Treacle
13. Kind or type
14. Daubs
16. Percolate
17. Tolstoi and others
19. Negative
20. Map abbreviation
23. "Moonlight," "Pathetique," and others
26. Martini choice
28. Sultan's decree
29. Yearbook
31. Pallet, for one
32. Music note
33. Seize
35. Clasp
38. Portray again
42. Boredom
44. Spanish lariat
45. Derision
46. English psychologist
47. Sheep
48. Profound

DOWN
1. Edge
2. Learning
3. Customary
4. Depict
5. Gear tooth
6. Employs
7. Twining stem
8. Lover's song
9. Donkey
11. Rested
15. Sault St. Marie
18. Giggled
20. Detests
21. Coalition
22. Dickens character
24. Land-measure
25. Flap
27. South-ern state: abbr.
30. Swiss river
34. Roman magistrate
36. Precedes small boys on sleds
37. Chaste
39. Chest sound
40. Aslant
41. Verb form
43. —— and outs



Yesterday's Answer

LASH AMNS
AREA SEAT
ANGER PACED
WOOLEN TREE
AL SMITHERY
KIN PIE
ENEMY PROPS
TAN KIT
SCALPELS TE
EVIL TOMCAT
CORED POOPS
SART ETNA
ELSE SENT

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:
A X Y D L B A A X E
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

NUTXHF NUPNZH FDC TXHF WA-EWOCAF NKC FDC TXHF OCA-CKXQH.—HFNAWHUNQH

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF THERE WERE NO FUTURE LIFE, OUR SOULS WOULD NOT THIRST FOR IT.—RICHTER

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J 2
♥ A K 10 3
♦ A 9 5
♣ J 9 4 3

WEST
♠ 7
♥ 9 8 5 2
♦ Q J 10 6 3
♣ A Q 6

EAST
♠ 8 6 5 3
♥ Q J 6
♦ K 8 4 2
♣ K 10

SOUTH
♠ A K Q 10 9 4
♥ 7 4
♦ 7
♣ 8 7 5 2

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠

Opening lead — queen of monds.

The question of when to draw trumps comes up in the play of every suit contract. It is impossible to formulate a rule that will cover every type of hand a declarer has to contend with; by and large, declarer must exercise his judgment in accordance with the particular circumstances that face him.

In general, in a suit contract, the declarer draws trumps at once unless there is a good reason not to. Finding the good reason not to draw trumps is a challenge which determines the outcome of many a contract.

Take a case such as this one. South wins the diamond lead with the ace and the question is whether or not he should draw trumps.

Let's see what happens if he does. With the trumps being divided 4 - 1, he must play four rounds, after which the best he can do is lead a club. East wins the club and returns a diamond which declarer ruffs. Another club lead draws another diamond return, and, when South ruffs, he is out of trumps.

South can now do no better than cash the A - K of hearts, and, as a result, goes down one.

Now let's go back to trick two and have South lead a club instead of drawing trumps. The basic purpose of this play is to try to build up a club trick before extracting trumps. Let's say that East takes the club and returns a diamond. South ruffs and plays another club. The defense wins the club and again returns a diamond. Declarer ruffs and plays the third round of clubs, taken by West.

The wisdom of delaying the extraction of trumps is now apparent. Another diamond lead from West would be ineffective, since dummy could ruff and declarer could then draw trumps and claim the balance, while any other lead from West would be equally ineffective.

The advantage of the far-sighted club play at trick two is that it guards against a 4 - 1 trump division.