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CANADA EXTENDS AID TO LATIN AMERICA

Paul Martin, left, Canadian minister of external affairs, and Felipe Herbera, president of the Inter-American Development Bank are shown in New York Friday when they signed an agreement. Under it Canada will make available up to $10,000,000 to finance economic, technical and educational assistance projects in Latin America. Mr. Martin described it as a "rather historic" agreement, marking the first time Canada had extended aid to Latin America. (AP Wirephoto).

Liberal Hits Own Party In Bitter Flag Debate

China's Bomb Explosion Denounced By Jap At UN

UNITED NATIONS (CP)—Japan's foreign minister, Etsusaburo Shiina, has denounced China's nuclear explosion as a betrayal of the hopes of peace held by millions of people throughout the world.

In a policy speech delivered Friday in Japanese to the United Nation General Assembly, he called on China to cease nuclear testing and join immediately the countries supporting the limited nuclear test ban treaty.

He said Japan had grave doubts about Peking's call for a world summit meeting to prohibit nuclear weapons while the Chinese Communists were seeking to develop their own atomic arsenal.

"Japan is adamantly opposed to any nuclear weapons testing by any country, in the atmosphere, underground or underwater, because inherent in any such testing lies the possibility of escalation to nuclear war," he added.

Referring to the crisis over peace - keeping assessments, Shiina said it is the assembly's urgent duty to effect "a basic and constructive settlement of this difficult problem."

Outside the assembly, efforts to resolve the crisis through diplomatic negotiations continued, but no progress was reported.

Negotiators sought a formula under which the Soviet Union would make some payment into a UN fund that would take care of part of its $32,700,000 debt for peace-keeping assessments in The Congo and the Middle East. If such payment were made the United States would be expected to drop its insistence that the Soviet Union lose its assembly vote under Article 19 of the UN charter.

Canada's External Affairs Minister, Paul Martin, met on the issue with Nigeria's chief delegate, S. O. Adebo, who has played a central part in the negotiations.

Freighter Safe, Trawler Sought

HALIFAX (CP) — Search and rescue headquarters here said Friday the 885-ton British freighter Bosworth, earlier reported missing on a trip from Portugal to Sydney had docked in the Cape Breton port.

Meanwhile, the search for the trawler Sea Hawk, missing off Cape Breton with 15 men aboard continued. Two aircraft and a Canadian Navy ocean escort were engaged in the hunt.

Coffin Guilt Seen Confirmed In Brossard Report Of Probe

QUEBEC (CP) — A 719-page report by Mr. Justice Roger Brossard concludes that months of evidence before a royal commission "tend to confirm and not to contradict" the verdict of a jury that found Gaspe Prospector Wilbert Coffin guilty of murder 10 years ago.

The commissioner says the inquiry should finally smash "the monstrous and dangerous snowball" the Coffin case had become as a result of sensational news stories, doubtful affidavits, and Coffin's own "pseudo - will" published by the Toronto Star just after Coffin was hanged Feb. 10, 1956. Mr. Justice Brossard found little justification for what he described as the "numerous, violent and venomous" attacks by Montreal author Jacques Hebert on police, Crown figures and others in the case.

The Hebert book "J'Accuse les Assassins de Coffin" (I Accuse Coffin's Assassin), was published a year ago and spurred the Quebec government to appoint the inquiry last Jan. 8.

The Brossard commission held a total of 70 days of public hearings in Quebec City, Montreal and the Gaspe community of Perce, near where three U.S. bear hunters were killed in 1953. More than 200 witnesses testified at the commission hearings.

The Quebec Superior Court justice suggested that "uncontrollable hate" must have motivated the author. This was a pity, he felt, since a more moderate book might have focused attention on "weaknesses in the administration system" and the professional "deformation" of some lawyers.

One of the conclusions in the three - volume report was that evidence indicated Raymond (Buddy) Maher, one of Coffin's trial lawyers, spirited away a rifle from the prospector's camp hours before police arrived to pick up the key piece of evidence.

EVIDENCE LACKING

There was no conclusive evidence, however, that Mr. Maher had thrown the rifle from the Quebec Bridge, and no evidence at all that Capt J. A Matte of Quebec Provincial Police had engineered the incident to get rid of the rifle, the report said. It criticized the "apparent disinterest" of the Crown in not directing a search for the rifle towards Mr. Hamer.

Police were criticized for not sufficiently investigating stories of a jeep seen in the Gaspe area about the time of the triple slaying in June, 1953.

Eugene Lindsey, 47, his son Richard, 17, and Frederic Claar, 19, all of Hollidaysburg, Pa., were slain while bear-hunting. Coffin was tried for the shooting of Richard.

Mr. Justice Brossard concluded that:

1. Coffin himself did not wish to testify at his trial, fearing he would be tripped up by the Crown as a result of contradictions in statements he had made.

2. Gaspe trucker Wilson MacGregor, despite a 1955 affidavit denying it, indeed had seen the muzzle of a rifle in Coffin's truck as the prospector left the forest June 12, 1953, two days after being seen with Richard Lindsay.

3. Jeeps seen by various persons had nothing to do with the case and did not correspond to one Coffin supposedly had seen. Furthermore, testimony by Coffin's mother before the commission that he had told her of seeing "a station wagon" would have been fatal to his case after his other statements, writings by Toronto author John Edward Belliveau and Mr. Hebert about the jeeps were "full of inexactitudes" and based on hearsay.

MISTAKE ON ASSETS

4. Coffin's supposed mining concessions did not correspond in value or number to those he was alleged to have.

5. Coffin had lied about the amount and origin of money he had when he left Gaspe for Montreal June 12, 1953.

6. It was on Coffin's instructions that the rifle at his camp had been disposed of.

7. A note supposedly signed by one of the hunters June 13, 1953, after Coffin had left for Montreal, never existed except in the imagination by a few persons.

8. The sensational Miami confession of Francis Thompson in 1958 was nothing but "an immense smokescreen" and Thompson had nothing to do with the triple murder. The Hebert book was "irresponsible" in this area.

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QUEENS MP SPEAKS

Choice Of Flag Symbols Suggested In Plebiscite

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OTTAWA — A flag that does not raise some emotion and some feeling of patriotism in the hearts of Canadians is not worth having, Hon. J. Angus MacLean, MP for Queens, said in the Commons Friday during the flag debate.

He charged that the purpose of the Liberal government was not to create but to tear down and banish forever those symbols that Millions of Canadians hold dear. In the election campaign the liberal party never took the people into its confidence on the flag issue and he said that as a result, it did not have a mandate on the matter.

He said there was some group that was pressuring the government to remove the historic symbols from the flag and the governmnt was embarrassed because it had not been able to do this quickly.

He said that it was not the opposition which was holding up government business because the opposition had no choice as to the business which was laid before parliament.

"This is the 27th day the government has taken the view that the elimination of the symobls which millions of Canadians hold dear is the most important problem facing the government of Canada," Mr. MacLean said. "I know of no other government in the world that is so confused it believes its most urgent task is the abolition of its national flag."

He said if the issue was concerned only with a flag to fly over Canada during the life of the present government, he would let it go through immediately, but it was a permanent thing.

"I think it is shameful if parliament allows this nefarious, piece of legislation to be carried out, prepetrating on Canada a permanent flag that millions of Canadians will not accept, "The Queens MP said.

He suggested that a plebiscite might be based on what symbols Canadians wanted on their flag, rather than the flag design itself. If this was done then exports could design a flag incorporating those symbols that had received the most support from the people.

Problems Delay Rocket Launch

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) A combination of technical and weather problems Friday forced a one-day postponement of an attempt to launch an Atlas-Centaur space rocket on an orbital test flight.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration rescheduled the firing for today.

The rocket is to inject the Centaur second stage and a metal model of the Project Surveyor moonship in to a precise orbit 103 miles above the earth.

CNR Has Ordered 400 Flat Cars

MONTREAL (CP)—CNR said Friday it has ordered 400 flat cars valued at $5,000,000.

National Steel Car Corp. Ltd. of Hamilton, Ont., will build 200 and Marine Industries Ltd. of Sorel, Que., will build the rest.

The cars are designed for transporting wood and wood pulp.

Delivery is scheduled to start at the beginning of 1965.

KKK Members Charged In Death Of Rights Trio

MERIDIAN, Miss. (AP)—The two top police officers of Neshoba County and a fiery preacher were among 20 men swept up Friday in mass FBI arrests in three civil rights murders.

The FBI said most of the 20 men belong to or sympathize with the Ku Klux Klan. A 21st man was sought.

The arrests, most of them on federal conspiracy charges, were in connection with the killing of three civil rights workers, two of them white New Yorkers, at Philadelphia, Miss., last June.

Those arrested included Sheriff Lawrence Rainey, 37, Chief Deputy Cecil Price, 27, of adjoining rural Neshoba County, and Edgar (Preacher) Killer, 39, a fundamentalist minister.

The FBI struck swiftly, arresting 18 men in this east-central Mississippi area, another in Gulfport on the Mississippi coast and another at Shreveport, La.

The 18 from this area were taken before U.S. Commissioner Esther Carter, sitting in an office's lounge at the naval air station near here.

RELEASED ON BAIL

All were released on $5,000 bail for a preliminary hearing set tentatively for Thursday morning.

The other two arrested appeared before U.S. commissioners in Biloxi, Miss., and Shreveport.

The arrests came swiftly and almost silently. FBI agents waited for Rainey and Price to reach the county courthouse from an out-of-town call.

A quiet but tense crowd of some 100 persons formed outside the courthouse. They watched as four FBI agents drove off with Price and Rainey.

After the FBI agents departed with the sheriff and his deputy, the crowd got angry with reporters and photographers. One bystander pulled a knife and threatened Associated Press photographer Jack Thornell.

The arrested men were brought to the naval air station north of here for intensive questioning, fingerprinting and photographing. They were to be arraigned later Friday before a U.S. commissioner, who would set bond.

ACCUSED OF SLAYING 3

All 21 men were accused in the slaying of Michael Schwerner, 24, and Andrew Goodman, 20, two white New Yorkers, and James Chaney, 22, a Meridian Negro.

The three youths disappeared June 21 after driving from Meridian to Philadelphia to investigate the burning of a rural Negro church. Their bodies were found Aug. 4 buried beneath a new earthen dam near Philadelphia. All three had been shot and Chaney had been beaten viciously.

Nineteen of those arrested, including both Rainey and Price, were charged with conspiring to injure, threaten and intimidate the three youths in violation of their rights guaranteed by the federal constitution.

Maximum penalty on conviction would be 10 years in prison or a $5,000 fine.

The other two men were charged with misprision of a felony—accessory after the fact of a crime. This charge carries a maximum penalty of three years in prison and a $500 fine.

The arrested men could not be charged with murder, since this crime is not a federal offence. In Washington, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the FBI's information would be made available to state authorities for possible murder charges.

Rev. Martin Luther King Negro leader who has differed of late with Hoover over the effectiveness of the FBI in southern civil rights investigations, condemned the agency over Friday's arrests.

But "honestly and realism compel me to admit that it will be very difficult to get a conviction," the civil rights leader added in a press conference at New York.

NESHOBA COUNTY Sheriff Lawrence Rainey, (2nd from right) and his deputy Cecil Prince (4th from right) sit in room at U.S. Naval Base near Meridian, Miss., Friday as they await to be arraigned in connection with the slaying of three civil rights workers in Philadelphia, Miss., earlier this year. (CP Wirephoto)

Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
FRIDAY, Dec. 4, 1964

The Commons spent its fifth day debating the flag committee's choice of a red maple leaf on a white ground flanked by red panels.

Ralph Cowan (L — —York-Humber) backed the Conservative amendment for a plebiscite on the whole question.

Gilles Gregoire (Creditiste —Lapointe) sent paper party hats to two MPs making their third speeches since the flag debate arose.

J. Angus MacLean (PC—Queens) said the plebiscite should contain symbols to be shown on any new flag.

MONDAY, Dec. 7

The Commons meets at 2:30 p.m. EST to continue the flag debate. The Senate stands adjourned until Dec. 14.

Que. Firm May Build New Ferry

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Indications are that the contract for the new Prince Edward Island ferry will be going to a Quebec shipbuilding firm, it was learned Friday.

The department of transport is still studying the five tenders received for the project and it is understood that some administrative snag has come up with respect to one of the tenders and the problem has been turned over to the deputy minister.

This has resulted in a delay in announcing the winner of the contract and it is not expected that the contract will be awarded until some time next week.

However, it is known that none of the Maritime shipbuilding firms submitted tenders which indicates that a Quebec firm, either at Montreal or Quebec City, will likely get the job.

Mariner IV Reported Out Of Control

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Scientists postponed Friday an attempt to curve Mariner IV closer to Mars after the 575-pound spacecraft went temporarily out of control.

The jet propulsion laboratory, which built and is guiding Mariner IV on a seven-month voyage to take the best pictures yet of earth's neighbor, said it would try again Saturday morning.

Ont. MP's Speech Loaded With Barbs

OTTAWA (CP) — Ralph Cowan, the loue Liberal to side with the Progressive Conservatives in support of the Canadian Red Ensign, lashed out at his own party Friday as hard as any opposition member has done so far on the issue.

The MP for York - Humber spoke for 35 minutes on the four hours spent on the question during the fifth day in the current round of the flag debate.

Mr Cowan's speech was loaded with barbs for his fellow Liberals and Prime Minister Pearson.

His basic charge was of government "inaction and indecision" and he pleaded that the flag question be dropped completely. Since that was not the intention, he would support the Progressive Conservative amendment calling for a plebiscite.

"I wish it (the government) would pay attention to the fine example set under the leadership of Mackenzie King who used to be held in high respect by the Liberal party, who used to be held in high respect when living. But of course, Mackenzie King dead is Mackenzie King dead, and today we have a smarter man than that great man who held the office of prime minister longer than any other Canadian."

LIBERALS SILENT

The Liberals, who had plenty of shouts and jibes and points of order for opposition speakers, went almost silent for the Cowan speech.

Only Speaker Alan Macnaughton interrupted a few times to urge Mr. Cowan to stick to the subject of the plebiscite amendment before the House instead of ranging over a broad frontal attack on the government.

Mr. Cowan said the government had retreated from issues. He regretted to see the word retreat but "being a Liberal, I hear it so often it just comes naturally to me."

"... We were to have had a new flag on July 1. It was going to be terrific. Well, the same flag is still flying as was flying when this country was built up and it will continue to fly from that same flagstaff.

"Then we were to have a new flag so that the Queen could come over here and lower the Jack in the Red Ensign and run up the three dying leaves of the new flag in October. But October, too, has come and gone.

"Now we are told we will have a new flag by Christmas."

ENDS FIFTH DAY

Friday's debate wound up five days of talk in the current stint on the flag. Before the House is a Conservative amendment to have the flag, recommended to the Commons by an all-party committee, returned to committee with a recommendation for a plebiscite.

The committee met for six weeks and by a 10-to-4 vote recommended a flag with a single red maple leaf on a white ground flanked by two red panels.

Friday, the 204th sitting day of this marathon session, was the 25th day spent on the flag question since it first came up last summer.

Gilles Gregoire (Creditiste—Lapointe) provided a note of levity by supplying party hats decorated with red maple leaves to members rising to speak on the flag question for the third time. This was equivalent to a "hat trick" in hockey, the member said.

He also counted up the number of times the word "plebiscite" was used—he got up to about 3,750—and each time a member mentioned it, Mr. Gregoire would shout out the new total.

J. Angus MacLean (PC—Queens) said the government should apply the opting-out formula used in federal-provincial shared-cost programs to the flag issue.

Admitting the idea is ridiculous, Mr. MacLean said the least the government could do, if it insisted on having the design approved, was allow any province to refuse flying it.

Because Canadians would not want the flag changed by each Parliament "if we do what the government proposes we will in fact be binding future Parliaments, because the flag should be permanent," Mr. MacLean said.

Islanders Will Be Attending PC Meeting Today At Ottawa

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — A number of Prince Edward Islanders will be taking part in the one-day meeting of the national officers of the Progressive Conservative Association here on Saturday.

Provincial president commander John Kenny of Charlottetown will be present along with honorary national vice president J. Ben Gallant of Charlottetown, national vice president Reagh Bagnall of Hunter River, director Chester MacDonald of Summerside and provincial YPC president Arthur McInnis of Charlottetown.

Queens' MPs Hon. J. Angus MacLean and Heath Macquarrie and Senator J.J. MacDonald are also members of the executive and will attend the day-long meeting.

Mr. MacQuarrie, as chairman of the youth committee of the party caucus, will preside over a meeting of members of the student federation delegation.

Pope Urges Arms Cost Be Used To Help Poor

BOMBAY (AP) — Pope Paul VI saw the poverty and misery of India Friday and then issued a plea to all countries to halt the arms race and use at least part of the funds to help poor countries.

He walked as a common pastor among the dirty, destitute and downtrodden, pouring out his love and weeping at what he saw. Then he called a special audience for correspondents and said:

"We entrust to you our special message to the world. Would that the nations could cease the armaments race, and devote their resources and energies instead to the fraternal assistance of the developing countries.

"Would that every nation thinking thoughts of peace and not an affliction and war, would contribute even a part of its expenditures for arms to a great world fund for the relief of the many problems of nutrition, clothing, shelter and medical care which affect so many people."

Vatican aides said Pope Paul was deeply moved as he wandered amid the afflicted.

Tears clouded his blue eyes and compassion ennobled his face as before him unfolded glimpses of India no pope had ever seen:

The incredible poverty and wretchedness, the seas of slums, the ragged masses and their gaunt faces, scrawny waifs begging in the streets, the sick and maimed.

"From the peaceful altar of the eucharistic congress," he said "may this our anguished cry go forth to all the governments of the world, and may God inspire them to undertake this peaceful battle against the suffering of their less fortunate brothers."

He visited an orphanage, hospital and a school, all in an impoverished industrial area on Bombay's north side. Mostly mill workers earning only about 24 rupees ($5) a week occupy this teeming, rundown section and many others eke out an existence on less.

Everywhere he went, clamoring thousands surged as though to engulf him, their faces uplifted for a glimpse of him.

At one point a veritable sea of about 100,000 jamming two city blocks burst out of control.