



Pte. Stewart D. Lord (left) and L./Cpl. D. T. W. Smith

Two Canadians Join New UN Platoon of Honor Guard

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SEOUL (CP)—Two Canadians here say they have "the best jobs in Korea."

They are Ptes. D. T. W. Smith, 21, and Stewart D. Lord, 24, both of Vancouver. A month ago they traded frontline bunkers with the 3rd Patricia for a lush job in Seoul.

Smith and Lord represent Canada at Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor's 8th Army headquarters where they belong to the new United Nations platoon of the honor guard.

Their 37-man outfit, commanded by a sergeant from the Black Watch, comprises Commonwealth, French, Belgian, Netherlands, Thai, Ethiopian and other soldiers from a total of 13 countries. All retain their own uniforms, weapons, drills and customs.

THREE PLATOONS

There are three platoons in the guard, one from the United States Army, one from the Republic of Korea Army, and the third representing the UN. After a one-month try-out, the UN platoon has been accepted as a permanent part of the guard.

Canadian battalions will take

it in turn to provide soldiers for a two-month assignment.

The two Patricias said "the set-up is terrific."

Their Nissen-hut barracks, they said, "are better than Currie barracks in Calgary," let alone the bunkers of a month ago.

Although there are 34 men to a hut, they said, they have more room than they did in Calgary, "and every man even has a writing table by his bed."

CANUCK UNIFORMS

Their hob-nailed Canadian army boots were ruled too hard on the springy composition-type floors and all parades they wear rubber-soled U.S. army boots to spare them.

They say meals taste better, although Canadian units draw the same rations. "Perhaps it's because we don't use mess tins," commented Lord.

On parade they wear the regulation Canadian army uniform—a clean freshly-starched one every day. They have five suits of uniform—four more than they had with the battalion—and the laundering is done for them.

So far the only change in dress is the substitution on the left shoulder of the 8th Army patch for the Commonwealth division's, and the addition above it of a gold-embroidered flash reading "Honor Guard."

With four different shoulder flashes, his medal ribbons and paratrooper's wings, Lord is a technicolor cameraman's dream.

Besides daily practice parades, they take turns at gate sentries, stand guard during air-raid alerts, and man the headquarters fence during demonstrations.

Only disadvantages they note are slow mail delivery and lack of Canadian news. Both are being remedied.

Drew Reiterates Stand That Taxes Can Be Reduced by \$500,000,000

QUEBEC (CP)—George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, said Thursday night his party stood for "the restoration of the real principles of... Confederation" and the defence of provincial rights.

Speaking at an election rally in St. Sauveur district, Mr. Drew said his party also stood for lower taxes, health insurance, improved unemployment insurance benefits and revised labor legislation.

Speaking in French, he said:

"I have been, I am and I shall always be an arch defender of provincial autonomy."

He charged the Liberal administration with wanting "to centralize power" in Ottawa, and spoke of his party's determination to resist every attempt further to centralize power in Ottawa.

Provincial rights and financial independence of municipalities were threatened by centralization, he said.

Mr. Drew speaks tonight in

Winnipeg on the first stop of a western swing that will take him to the Pacific coast.

Charging the Liberal government with "waste, extravagance and incompetence," particularly in the defence department, the former premier of Ontario, who entered political life some 14 years ago, said it was possible to reduce taxation by \$500,000,000 without reducing social security benefits and defence expenditures.

Mr. Drew said he did not intend there had been "dishonesty" in the government; there had been "weakness in the administration and that was understandable after so many years in power."

He repeated the party platform he laid down at Guelph, Ont., last Friday to show it was the same in Quebec as in other Canadian provinces.

Speaking of provincial rights, he said:

"Our constitution is threatened more than it has ever been since Confederation."

"If the present trend continues, our federal regime will be destroyed."

"That is one of the great questions, one of the essential questions, of this campaign."

Speaking of communism, Mr. Drew said the Liberal administration had refused to adopt laws to render illegal all activities of "Communist traitors," but that, if elected, his government would "introduce immediately laws to protect our democracy."

"We shall not permit these traitors to use the freedom they are enjoying to destroy this same freedom."

Rubber Lifeboat May Be Clue To Missing American Laborer

NOME, Alaska (AP)—A rubber lifeboat has entered speculation as to whereabouts of an American missing from Little Diomed Island, midway between Alaska and Siberia.

The Nome Nugget reported Wednesday it has investigated further the case of Cecil Stoner, 45-year-old laborer who was described in a Seattle police report two years ago as being of leftist sympathies.

The Nugget said acquaintances here told of his being unemployed and that he had talked freely of "wanting to get to Siberia."

The newspaper also said Stoner was reported to have had a rubber lifeboat in which to make the three-mile trip from Little Diomed to Russian-owned Big Diomed.

Still later reports, the Nugget said, indicate that a small boat was seen leaving Big Diomed for the Siberian mainland. The mainland is plainly visible from both Diomedes, which are about 150 miles northwest of Nome.

The excursion party with which Stoner went to Little Diomed to take pictures of the Arctic ice and walrus had not returned Wednesday. Fog and ice have delayed them.

George Walker Dies at 78

NEW YORK (AP)—George H. Walker, 78, investment banker and donor of the Walker Cup in British-American amateur golf competition, died Thursday.

Walker was the founder of G. H. Walker and Company, 1 Wall Street, and had been in semi-retirement for some time.

The sports trophy named for him was placed in competition in 1920 while Walker was president of the U.S. Golf Association.

The first matches were held in 1922, and the competition for the cup now is conducted every two years.

Garson, Buck Squabble Over RCMP Document

OTTAWA (CP)—Justice Minister Garson and Tim Buck, Canada's top Communist, became involved recently in an election-time squabble over an RCMP document calling Communists traitors to this country, it was disclosed today.

The justice department released an exchange of letters in which Mr. Buck charged that a booklet entitled "Law and Order in Canadian Democracy" constituted a "lying defamation... of a legal political party."

Mr. Garson replied that description of Canada's Labor-Progressive party in the RCMP booklet is both apt and correct.

Mr. Garson denied a charge by Mr. Buck that the booklet was published to help Liberal party electioneering. The booklet filled a wide public demand for "an authoritative contribution to public knowledge of these important problems."

The letters were dated May 27 and June 15. The booklet, a reprint of a series of lectures, first appeared in 1949.

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