

Catholics Laud Senator McCarthy In New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Senator Joseph R. McCarthy (Rep.-Wis.) received an enthusiastic reception Sunday from a Roman Catholic audience that later nearly crushed him in efforts to express congratulations.

The senator's half-hour speech was addressed to some 6,000 persons, including Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York at a communion breakfast of the city police department's Holy Name Society.

Some of the audience cried: "McCarthy for president!"

The senator was introduced by the Rt. Rev. Joseph A. McCaffrey, retiring police chaplain, as a man who "has fought untruth with truth, disloyalty with loyalty, treason with patriotism and godlessness with godliness."



JAMES SAVAGE, 31-year-old Montreal jewelry salesman, waits at home with his children Joy, 8, (left) Nancy, 7, and Donald, 9, for news of the condition of his wife Catharine, who gave birth to triplet girls—two of them Siamese babies joined at the head by flesh and bone. The three infants, a month premature, were placed in incubators. The triple birth was a "complete" shock to the father and attending obstetrician who said he believes the birth is without precedent in medical annals. Specialists, including a neuro-surgeon from the famed Montreal Neurological Institute, and leading Montreal pediatricians have seen the Siamese babies.

NORTHERN CENTRE
From only 4,000 in 1940, population of Anchorage, Alaska, has increased to more than 50,000.

Canadians Spent, Saved More in 1953

OTTAWA (AP)—Canadians, other than farmers, earned more, saved more and spent more in 1953 than at any time in history.

The budget white paper, tabled today in the Commons, set personal incomes for the year at \$17,128,000,000 compared with \$17,128,000,000 for 1952. Personal savings totalled \$1,500,000,000 compared with \$1,381,000,000, and personal expenditures \$15,147,000,000 compared with \$14,424,000,000.

Farmers did not share in the general increase. Net income from farm production was down to \$1,667,000,000 from \$1,934,000,000 in 1952. More than half the reduction was traced to a decline in agricultural production.

Despite the drop in farm production, Canada's gross national production hit a record \$24,300,000,000, up \$1,100,000,000 over 1952.

The national production figure represents the value at market prices of all goods and services produced.

Labor income, representing the largest component of personal income, joined the record setters in 1953.

Wages and salaries, including military pay and allowances, were estimated at \$11,962,000,000, an increase of \$900,000,000.

The civilian labor force, including both employed and the unemployed, averaged 5,325,000 for 1953, an increase of 68,000 over 1952.

Finance Minister Abbott noted a decline of 48,000 in the number of agricultural workers and said this marks a continuation of the shift from rural to urban occupations.

Investments Set New High

OTTAWA (AP)—Canadians invested a record \$1,662,000,000 in new homes in 1953.

The figure was contained in a budget white paper tabled today in the Commons. The previous record was \$901,000,000 in 1950.

The housing record was set in a year when gross domestic investment reached \$5,286,000,000, up from \$4,506,000,000 in 1952 but lower than the 1951 total of \$5,430,000,000.

The white paper said the "most significant" change in investment during the year was the volume of increase in business inventories. These increased by about five per cent during the first nine months of the year and then declined during the last three months.

Unfavorable Trade Balance \$467,000,000

OTTAWA (AP)—Canada had an unfavorable net balance of \$467,000,000 on international transactions in 1953.

The budget white paper tabled today in the Commons said there was a merchandise import surplus of \$55,000,000 in 1953 compared with an export surplus of \$491,000,000 in 1952.

"This change in the merchandise trade balance was the major factor in the movement from a current-account surplus of \$137,000,000 in 1952 to an estimated deficit of some \$467,000,000 in 1953," said the white paper.

Merchandise imports were valued at \$4,207,000,000 an increase of \$361,000,000.

Merchandise exports were valued at \$4,152,000,000, down \$135,000,000.

Czechoslovakia And Red China Fail on Loans

OTTAWA (AP)—Communist China and Czechoslovakia defaulted in 1953-54 on the repayment of Canadian loans.

A total of \$49,400,000 is outstanding on a loan of \$51,000,000 to the Chinese republic following the Second World War. Czechoslovakia owes \$9,900,000 on a post-war loan of \$16,400,000.

Status of the loans was outlined in a budget white paper tabled today in the Commons.

Repayments were received on schedule from other countries to which Canada extended credit.

Britain has whittled to \$1,142,100,000 the \$1,250,000,000 loan received in 1946. She also has reduced to \$142,500,000 a \$700,000,000 loan in 1942.

Defence Spending Down Last Year, But Still Big Item

OTTAWA (AP)—Canada's defence spending was reduced in the last year but it remained the largest item of federal expenditure.

A government white paper tabled today in the Commons, showed budgetary spending on defence of \$1,839,600,000 for the fiscal year ended March 31, down \$81,600,000 from the year before but still 43 per cent of expenditure.

There was a cut of \$127,500,000 in direct expenditures on Canada's armed services. The largest reduction was that of \$108,900,000 on the army, to \$407,200,000.

RCAF costs were the highest of the three services, though they were reduced, by \$22,800,000 to \$264,500,000.

The navy showed the only increase in the services, up \$4,200,000 to \$264,500,000.

Defence production spending fell off to \$49,900,000 from \$83,800,000.

Mutual aid to NATO countries jumped \$74,100,000 to \$309,200,000. Contributions toward NATO military costs remained almost unchanged at \$12,000,000.

Plan Monument To Honor Laval

MONTREAL (AP)—A monument will be erected over the Mount Royal cemetery grave of Calixa Lavalle who wrote the music for the Canadian national anthem, "O Canada" it was learned Sunday.

The project is sponsored by the St. Jean Baptiste Society, an organization devoted to the preservation of French culture and tradition in Canada.



JANE RUSSELL (right) has been signed as actress-producer by United Artists on the eve of its 35th anniversary, to be celebrated next month. Mary Pickford (left), one of the founders and still a co-owner of the company, was the first actress-producer on the roster.

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

Good Bidding Puts Hand Into Slam

When his partner opened the bidding with a heart, Mr. Dale correctly considered his hand too strong for a mere double raise of hearts and not quite strong enough for a jump shift. He therefore decided to try to send that information across the table by describing his own hand and eventually showing his fine heart support.

His bid of two diamonds and three clubs were both forcing as each was a bid in a new suit by a responder. When Mr. Masters raised the clubs, Mr. Dale now showed his heart support.

With good fitting cards in diamonds and clubs and a lone spade, Mr. Masters put the hand in a slam after checking on aces.

NICE PLAY

It took a nice play to make 12 tricks. The opening lead was the deuce of spades, dummy played low and Mrs. Keen won with the queen. She returned a low club and dummy's queen won.

The king of clubs was cashed and Mr. Masters then took two rounds of trumps ending in his hand. He played the ace of clubs, discarding a diamond from the board, then ruffed his last club.

There was still a losing diamond to contend with. A squeeze seemed the only hope and apparently that could be accomplished only if the defender with the high spade also had as many as four diamonds.

From the opening lead of the deuce of spades it appeared that Mrs. Keen had started with five cards in that suit. And surely she had the ace, as Mr. Abel would hardly have underled that card against a slam bid.

But she couldn't have five diamonds because she had followed suit to four leads of clubs and two leads of hearts.

Dilemma. But a dilemma which Mr. Masters easily solved. He merely transferred the holding of the high spade from one opponent's hand to the other. He led the king of spades from the board and ruffed out Mrs. Keen's ace.

Now the high spade (the 10) was in Mr. Abel's hand and as he also held four diamonds he was squeezed on the run of the remaining trumps. On the last heart he either had to unguard the diamond or drop the high spade so that dummy's nine would be good.

South dealer
Both sides vulnerable

North (Mr. Dale)
S-K 9 4
H-K 9 5 4
D-A 8 7 5
C-K Q

West (Mr. Abel)
S-10 8 5 2
H-J 6
D-Q 10 3 2
C-10 7 2

East (Mrs. Keen)
S-A Q 7 6 3
H-8 3
D-B J 9
C-9 5 3

South (Mr. Masters)
S-J
H-A Q 10 7 2
D-K 6 4
C-A 8 6 2

The bidding:
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4 C Pass 4 H Pass
4 NT Pass 5 D Pass
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