

7 Canadian Newspapermen Receive Awards For Distinguished Work in '52

TORONTO (AP)—Seven Canadian newspaper men were honored here for distinguished contributions to their profession in 1952. The reporters, editorial writers,

cartoonists and photographers stood before a dinner gathering of 300 of their fellow workers from across Canada and accepted \$400 in prizes awarded by the Toronto Men's Press Club.

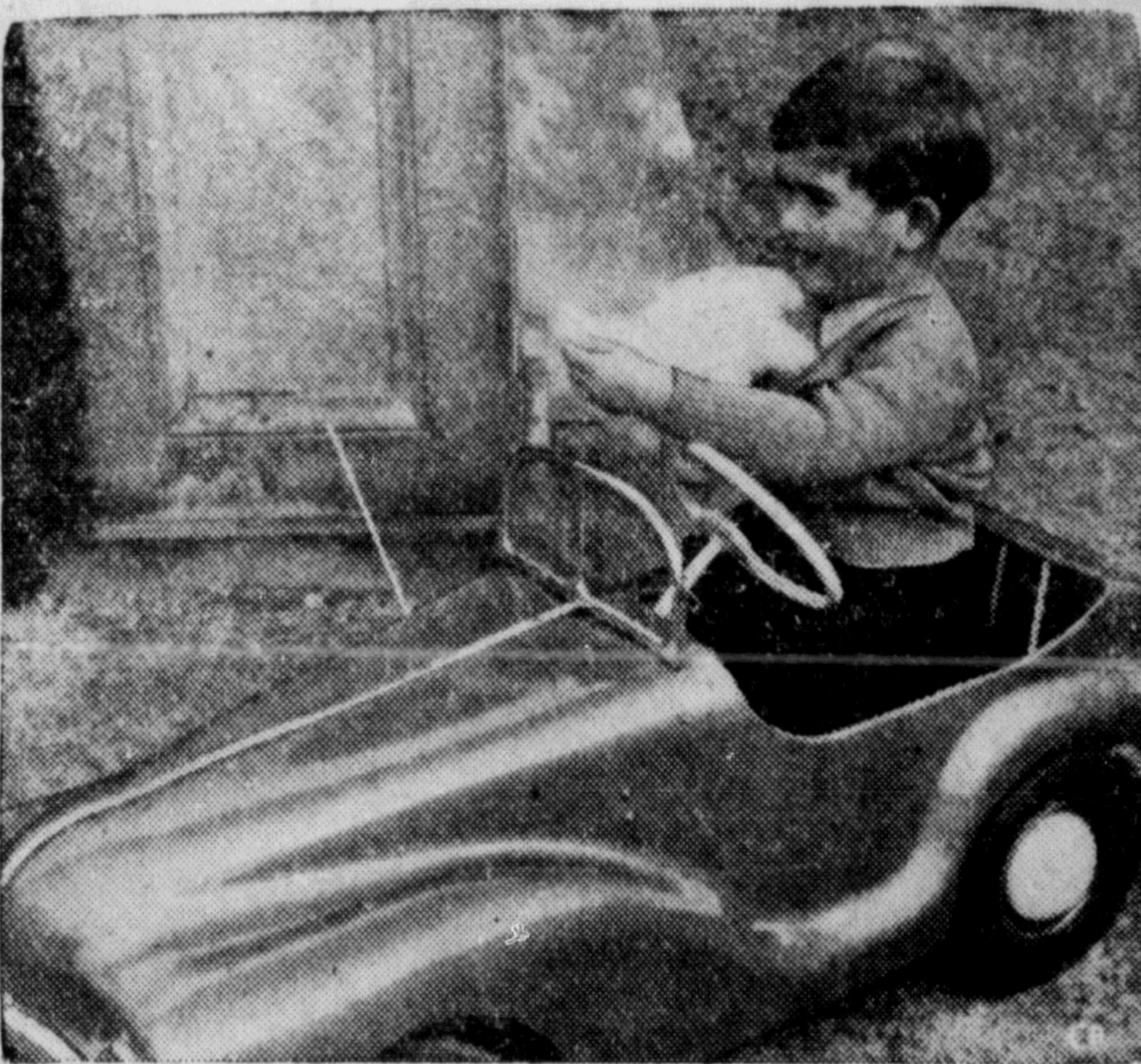
Bruce Hutchison of the Victoria Times, who recently wrote a best-selling biography of Mackenzie King, "The Incredible Canadian," was awarded the prize for editorial writing. His entry of a selection of editorials was mainly concerned with general issues, of which particular aspects were pertinent during the year in British Columbia.

Don Delaplante of the Toronto Globe and Mail, who "broke" the fact of thievery at the Petawawa military camp, leading to the sensational Currie report, accepted the spot news reporting award.

T. E. Nichols of the Hamilton Spectator, won a citation for editorial writing and Robert Wm. Chambers, Halifax Chronicle-Herald, for cartooning.

The prizes, designed to reward and signalize excellence in Canadian newspaper work, were originated in 1949 by the Toronto Press Club. The program was first supported by the late George McCullagh, publisher of the Toronto Telegram and the Globe and Mail.

It now has been broadened to include the Toronto Daily Star, Montreal Star, the Thompson newspapers, the Windsor Star, the London Free Press and the Vancouver Sun.



PRINCE CHARLES, five in November, loves animals. When not playing with his white rabbit, "Harvey," he can often be found with a glove puppet shaped like a rabbit. To Charles it matters little that his mother will be crowned Queen of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth. What interests him, chiefly, is the prospect of mounted soldiers, gilded coaches and marching bandmen.

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LIEUT. M. J. WAYMOUTH, 28, of Halifax, will be color officer of the tri-service color party that will head the Canadian Coronation contingent when Commonwealth troops parade in London. Lieut. Waymouth and an escort from the air force and army will make up the Canadian color party. On the staff of the gunnery school at Halifax, Lieut. Waymouth celebrates his 29th birthday June 2—Coronation day.

WORLD CITIZEN NO. 1 TRIES TO SEE QUEEN

Blast Startles Hollywood

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, California (AP)—A blast that startled thousands of residents of this San Fernando Valley community has been traced to an explosion set off in the filming of a movie.

The ear-shattering blast sent housewives running into the streets asking each other what happened.

Police cars with sirens screaming raced through the streets hunting for an explosion they couldn't find at first. A fire alarm, apparently not connected with the blast, sent trucks racing a few minutes thereafter, adding to the commotion.

A scene for a picture about the Pancho Villa days in Mexico in 1916 called for a mine to be blown up. The studio said an exceptionally large dynamite charge was set off for the scene.

LONDON (AP)—Garry Davis, who still considers himself a citizen No. 1, rushed with his sack, typewriter and briefcase to Buckingham Palace to petition the Queen for extension of his residence permit.

A policeman caught him in the palace yard. Davis later was escorted to a police station.

Davis' action puzzled British authorities. Petitions usually are generally referred to the home office.

Davis, 31-year-old son of an American band leader Meyer Davis, gave up his United States citizenship some time ago to become a citizen of the world. Davis attempted to re-establish citizenship in the United States.

PERSISTENT PET WAFELLA, Sask. (CP)—Flaman gave a tomato to son-in-law Lawrence McEwen who took it 130 miles to Regina. A few weeks later the cat was back at Flaman's door on a long trek on foot.

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SCREEN FLASHES

By BOB THOMAS
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Film studio-MGM has answered a firm no to future requests for stories and pictures about stars and their children. This is the culmination of years of discussion about the loss of glamor in Hollywood.

Over and over again, I have heard this complaint: Movie stars have lost their glamor. The public has learned everything about them, from what they eat for breakfast to how they diaper their children. The stars have been sold to the public on the idea that they are just like the boy or girl next door.

Stars shouldn't be like anybody next door; they should be exciting, glamorous people. Stars of the past such as Valentino and Garbo were great because there was a mysterious aura about them. Each movie-goer had his own notion of what they were really like.

So MGM has clamped down on publicity about the families of Esther Williams, Jane Powell, Elizabeth Taylor and others. More studios are following suit.

This runs smack against the policy of the fan mags. They aim to tell all about the stars. It remains to be seen whether the studios will remain firm or give in to magazine pressure.

The fan mags comprise a strange and exacting world. The top magazines are operated on firm scientific principles. Since they rely heavily on newsstand sales, covers are all-important. For some reason, male stars don't sell magazines.

Modern Screen tried an Alan Ladd cover at the peak of his popularity. Sales nose-dived. Only female stars are run on the cover now. Furthermore, only the most recognizable faces are suitable. Eligible are a handful of stars like Esther Williams, Ava Gardner, Rita Hayworth, Marilyn Monroe, Liz Taylor, Jane Powell and Doris Day.

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