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JOHN KEITH MACDONALD, 43, one of Canada's most wanted men, is shown in custody of an unidentified RCMP constable after MacDonald's arrest at Hornings Mills, Ont., 65 miles north-west of Toronto. MacDonald, arrested as a suspect in a \$44,000 post-office theft at Britannia Beach, in 1954 is now being escorted back to British Columbia. (CP Photo)

## Martin Answers Critics Of Spending Last Year

VICTORIA (CP) — Health Minister Eric Martin, one of the government's most doggedly campaigners, took his opposition critics to task Wednesday for "misleading the public."

In a fighting, three-hour legislature speech the minister demanded apologies from Leo Nimsick (CCP-Cranbrook) and Robert Strachan (CCP — Cowichan-Newcastle) for stating that he had not spent all the money voted to his department for hospitals in the 1954-55 fiscal year.

"I think it is a terrible thing," Mr. Martin said. "If you had properly examined the public accounts you never would have made the statement you did," he told Mr. Nimsick.

The CCP member charged Tuesday that some \$2,500,000 appropriated for hospitals in the 1954-55 budget was not spent despite the fact the money was budgeted to him.

The money was available to the hospitals, Mr. Martin replied but hospital construction during the year "did not progress as rapidly as anticipated." Payments to hospitals for patient care were more than what was budgeted, he added.

During an exchange with the CCP members over the hospitals issue the minister suggested the government may be thinking of calling a general election.

"It might be necessary to do some housecleaning and to see whether the people want us to fight. Mines Minister Sommers, target of opposition criticism for

George Gregory (U.Victoria), only other speaker of the day in the question period.

## U.K. Relations With Canada, U.S. Key to Peace Says Eden

LONDON (CP) — Prime Minister Eden returned by air today after his world-ranging talks with President Eisenhower in Washington and the Canadian government in Ottawa.

He was accompanied by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.

Their itinerary was three hours behind schedule due to an unscheduled refuelling stop at Gander, Nfld., because of strong headwinds.

United States Ambassador Wimberly Aldrich and the Canadian high commissioner, Norman Robertson, were in the welcoming party.

Mr. Eden who is still suffering from a cold was not at the airport. She awaited her husband at his Downing street headquarters.

## RCMP Constable Killed in Rush To Burglary

PORT ALBERNI, B.C. (CP) — RCMP constable Lawrence McLean of Woodstock, Ont., was killed Wednesday in a car accident while he was speeding to the scene of a break-in.

Two other constables, Robert Smith of Toronto and John Holloway of Edmonton, were severely injured.

In court later John Hampton, 21, of Saskatchewan was sentenced to one year on each of two charges of breaking and entering. The sentences are to run concurrently.

The police car skidded on a corner and crashed into a truck loaded with wood chips. The truck driver was uninjured.

## Coho Catch Seen Better This Year

VANCOUVER (CP) — B.C.'s coho salmon catch may be above average this year, says A. J. Whitmore, chief supervisor of fisheries in Vancouver.

He said reports from a group of Vancouver island sport fishermen that fewer fish were seen in the Nanaimo and Chemainus rivers were taken to mean that a delayed spawning run may seriously cut into the 1956 catch.

An investigation was made, Mr. Whitmore said Tuesday, but the reports have no foundation.

Mr. Gregory also accused Premier Bennett of attempting to smear him because of his opposition to the damming of Buttle lake.

The premier "should be ashamed" of statements he made indicating that the Liberal member was influenced by a wealthy American who owns property on the lake shore.

The first two speakers in the budget debate today will be J. A. Reid (SC-Salmon Arm) and the Right Honourable (CCP-New Westminster).

It is expected the premier will call a night sitting to speed up the debate.

The house mining and railway committee, investigating the controversy over the Cassiar road, will also meet to determine whether the people want us to fight.

For the province as a whole, the situation is certainly not alarming. We feel that the escapement of coho for reproduction purposes is normal."

Cathro Given  
Life in Prison

VANCOUVER (CP) — Donald Keith Cathro, 26, convicted of manslaughter in his second trial late last month in connection with the death of an elderly storekeeper in Vancouver, today was sentenced in Assize Court to life imprisonment.

Cathro was defended on a murder charge by John Diefenbaker, Progressive Conservative Member of Parliament for Prince Albert, Sask.

Cathro was found guilty at a previous trial, along with 44-year-old Chow Bew of murdering 65-year-old Ah Wing and both were sentenced to be hanged.

Cathro won a retrial when the Supreme Court of Canada ruled the first jury was misinformed.

In passing sentence today, Mr. Justice J. V. Clyne said the jury must have concluded that Cathro's "unkind act" caused or contributed to the death of Ah Wing.

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## Coffin To Hang For Hunter's Death

OTTAWA (CP) — Wilbert Coffin will be hanged shortly after midnight tonight for the murder of an American hunter, it was announced here today.

The justice department said the government has rejected the 43-year-old Gaspe, Que., prosecutor's request for a commutation of the death sentence to life imprisonment.

The announcement came hours after Premier Duplessis of Quebec, the province's attorney-general, dashed Coffin's hopes to marry Marion Petrie, the Montreal woman who described herself as his common-law wife and mother of their son, James.

A person close to Coffin and Miss Petrie said in Montreal Wednesday night it had been their hope to marry to legitimize their relationship and legitimize their son.

The decision to allow the death sentence to be carried out at Montreal's Bordeaux jail was reached by the cabinet Wednesday but announcement was withheld pending the governor-general's signature of an order-in-council.

Coffin is scheduled to be hanged just after midnight tonight. His execution has been postponed seven times since his conviction in July, 1954.

Justice Minister Garson rejected Coffin's request for a new trial on the charge of murdering Richard Lindsey, 17, one of three Hollidaysburg, Pa., sportsmen who died more than 212 years ago in the Gaspe peninsula bush.

Coffin's lawyer, Francois Gravel of Quebec, attempted to get permission for his client's marriage to Miss Petrie, mother of an eight-year-old boy.

"We cannot allow those two to meet," Mr. Duplessis told reporters Wednesday night. "It would be against public interest and against decent and proper administration of justice."

Paper Claims  
RCMP Asked  
To Make Probe

VICTORIA (CP) — The Victoria Times says the RCMP will conduct an investigation into charges made by Vancouver lawyer David Sturdy involving Lands Minister Sommers.

The newspaper said Attorney-General Bonner had asked the RCMP to examine a "certain body of evidence" held by Mr. Sturdy.

A senior officer of the criminal investigation bureau has been put in charge, the story says.

Investigation was expected to start immediately.

The case now is before the courts where Lands Minister Sommers is suing Mr. Sturdy for libel and slander.

Asked to comment on the report Mr. Bonner said:

"If someone will tell me what the story is based on I will be glad to make a statement."

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Miss Lucy attended her first classes last Friday after she was enrolled in obedience to a federal court order. Disorders began that night and flared to an uncontrollable pitch Monday.

Aatherine Lucy, who was excluded "until further notice" for safety reasons following Monday's day-long disturbances, reported to the state government's office Wednesday that members of a mob were screaming "Let's kill her" and were trying to open the car doors.

The car in which Miss Lucy was being driven across the campus was being Bennett and Sarah Healy, dean of women, was spotted by members of the mob. Windows of the car were smashed by Copenhagen and also threats rocks, and Bennett narrowly escaped injury.

Jeff Bennett, assistant to university president O. C. Carmichael, reported to the state government's office Wednesday that the rioting was "an outbreak that all of us deplore." He added that he hopes Alabama officials will be able to settle it without "interference" from outside.

The telephone at Miss Lucy's home rang Wednesday with calls from well-wishers, offer of a scholarship at the University of Copenhagen and also threats.

T. W. Brown, QC, prosecuted Wright conducted his own defense.

The mass rally was called by Harry Duke, president of the Metropolitan Communities Council, following reports of the community towards teenagers, a word I've come to loathe.

RABBIT BLAMES PARENTS

Police Chief George Archer last month ordered a crackdown on hoodlums and city police questioned nearly 100 youths and girls the first night after the order, arresting 20.

Eight of the two-woman, 10-

man panel spoke of juvenile delinquency as a problem in varying degrees of gravity and suggested more recreation, psychiatrists, law enforcement or treatment centres as a cure.

But Rabbi Bernard Goldenberg started the ball rolling the other way. He condemned, not

the juveniles, but the parents.

"We are abdicating our responsibility as parents and shifting the blame of our children's actions to other agencies," said the rabbi. The audience cheered.

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