

### "PATS" COMMEMORATE FOUNDER

In their fiftieth year, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry are creating a scholarship fund in memory of the Montrealer who founded them. The late Brigadier A. Hamilton Gault, the last man in the Commonwealth to be granted such permission, raised the PPCLI at his own expense in August 1914. He served with them throughout the war, being thrice wounded and losing a leg. In 1919 he led them home to Ottawa and saw them safely into Canada's small peacetime army before returning to his business in Montreal.

The PPCLI Association, composed of all serving and veteran members of the Regiment, are raising the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund in this their Jubilee Year. The fund will provide assistance for men from the ranks who have proven their leadership ability, but who lack the formal education necessary for promotion to warrant or commissioned officer.

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### CREDIT STATISTICS

Balances outstanding on the books of sales-finance companies for both consumer and commercial goods, small-loan companies for cash loans, department stores, furniture and appliance stores, and chartered banks for personal loans were larger at the end of April this year than last; outstandings on the books of small-loan companies for instalment credit were smaller.

Balances outstanding at the end of April were (in millions): sales-finance companies for consumer goods, \$890 (818 a year ago); sales-finance companies for commercial goods, \$496 (446); small-loan companies for cash loans, \$760 (\$687); small-loan companies for instalment credit, \$48 (52); department stores, \$417 (\$385); furniture and appliance stores, \$188 (\$184); and chartered banks for personal loans, \$2,011 (\$1,671).

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### DND CENTENNIAL ROLE

*The following statement was issued on June 26 by Mr. Lucien Cardin, Associate Minister of National Defence:*

The Department of National Defence will participate actively and extensively in Canada's centennial celebrations in 1967. Its main contribution will be the Canadian armed forces tattoo, which will tour Canada from coast to coast during the summer of 1967.

The tattoo, a historical pageant featuring martial music, will visit most major cities and a number of smaller communities during its five-month itinerary, and is expected to be one of the feature attractions at Expo '67 in Montreal.

The Department and the Centennial Commission will work in close association with each other in the planning of the tattoo, which should be one of the most colourful highlights of the centennial year.

### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs has announced the following appointments in the Canadian diplomatic service:

Mr. J.C.L. Yvon Beaulne, at present Canadian Ambassador to Venezuela and the Dominican Republic, to be Minister in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Malcolm Norman Bow, at present Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, to be Canadian Ambassador to Czechoslovakia. Mr. Bow replaces Mr. John A. McCordick, who is returning for duty in the Department.

Mr. Harry Havilland Carter, at present Head of the United States Division in the Department, to be Canadian Ambassador in Finland.

Mr. Ormond W. Dier, at present serving in the Department in Ottawa, to be Ambassador to Colombia with concurrent accreditation to Ecuador.

Mr. H. Basil Robinson, at present Minister in Washington, to be Assistant-Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs. Mr. Robinson will take up his duties in the latter part of August.

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### PACIFIC FISHERIES TALKS

Talks begun in Washington and continued in Tokyo last year for revision of the International Convention for the High Seas Fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean will be reopened in Ottawa in September, Fisheries Minister H.J. Robichaud announced recently. The parties to the Convention, Canada, Japan, and the United States, are seeking agreement on modification of the treaty, under which the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission was established in 1953 and charged with developing recommendations for the conservation of the high-seas fisheries of the North Pacific.

The treaty had a guaranteed minimum life of ten years and thereafter until one year from the date on which any member country should give notice of termination. No such notice has been given, but last year, at the request of Japan, two rounds of negotiations took place among the contracting parties. The first round was held in Washington in June and the second in Tokyo during September and October. Progress toward an agreement was made at these meetings, but further negotiations are required, which will begin in Ottawa on September 9.

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### RETIRING NATO HEAD VISITS OTTAWA

Mr. Dirk Stikker, the retiring Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, paid a farewell visit to Canada on July 1 and 2. On July 1, Canada's National Day, he was a guest of the Government at a military tattoo held on Parliament Hill in the presence of Governor-General Georges P. Vanier. Next day, Mr. Stikker called on Prime Minister L.B. Pearson and members of the Government, and was guest of honour at a luncheon attended by members of the Government, leaders of all political parties and senior officials.