

**TERM EXTENDED:** It was announced November 18 by the Prime Minister that:

"Her Majesty The Queen had been graciously pleased to approve the continuance in office of Right Hon. Vincent Massey, C.H., as Governor General of Canada for a further and additional period of one year from the spring of 1958.

The Prime Minister said: "This extension of the Governor General's term constitutes a recognition of the outstanding manner in which Mr. Massey has discharged the high responsibilities of the office with which expression I am sure the Canadian people will be in agreement."

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**SENIOR DIPLOMATS SHUFFLED:** The Secretary of State for External Affairs has announced the following appointments and transfers in the Canadian Diplomatic Service:

Dr. Robert A. MacKay, at present Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations New York, with the rank of Ambassador, has been appointed as Ambassador to Norway and Minister to Iceland to succeed Mr. Chester A. Ronning, whose appointment as High Commissioner for Canada in India was announced earlier.

Mr. Charles S.A. Ritchie, at present Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany and Head of the Canadian Military Mission in Berlin, has been appointed as Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations, New York, with the rank of Ambassador. In his new capacity, Mr. Ritchie will be accredited as Permanent Representative of Canada to the Security Council, to which Canada was recently elected for a period of two years beginning on January 1, 1958.

Mr. Escott M. Reid, who has been serving as a member of the Canadian Delegation to the 12th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and who was previously High Commissioner for Canada in India, has been appointed as Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany and Head of the Canadian Military Mission in Berlin.

Dr. MacKay, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Reid will take up their new duties next January.

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**RECORD BOND SALES:** Donald M. Fleming, Minister of Finance, announced that Canada Savings Bond sales this year had achieved a record total of \$941 million by November 15, a month and a half after sales began. The Minister said he expected that when sales reports were complete they would be over the billion dollar mark.

The previous record was a final total of \$900 million for the Canada Savings Bond campaign in 1953.

Sales on the current Payroll Savings Plan are now up to \$207 million from 664,000 ap-

plications for an average purchase of \$311.97.

Across Canada, the Prairie Provinces' Payroll Savings Organization was in the lead with a 6 per cent increase and other regions were close behind.

Sales to employees of the railways and members of the public service and armed forces accounted for \$58 million of the payroll total.

Sales to the general public were \$734 million from 438,000 applications for an average purchase of \$1676.90. Sales by banks were running \$210 million ahead of their sales for the same period last year.

Mr. Fleming said these record returns should be a matter of great satisfaction to the various sales agencies and to the Payroll Savings Organization. He expressed his appreciation for the enthusiasm which they had displayed in carrying out their assignment.

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**NEW LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:** Prime Minister J.C. Diefenbaker announced November 20 that His Excellency the Governor General has approved the appointment of Campbell L. Macpherson of St. John's, Newfoundland, as Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland, succeeding Colonel the Honourable Sir Leonard C. Outerbridge, who retired November 15, 1957.

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**UNIVERSITY EXPANSION:** An expansion programme for the University of Alberta at Edmonton, with an ultimate cost which may approach \$19,000,000 has been approved by University officials and the Provincial Government. A joint announcement was made by Dr. Andrew Stewart, president of the University, and the Hon. E.W. Hinman, Provincial Treasurer.

Plans call for the construction of a physical Education Building, which will provide gymnasium facilities for both men and women and adequate teaching and offices for the staff of the School of Physical Education. A new ice hockey rink is proposed, to replace the old Varsity rink. Rink building space will be available also for such uses as University examinations, faculty displays and demonstrations, and other student activities.

Largest single building project in the immediate future is the combined Physics - Chemistry - Mathematics Building, which may ultimately cost \$7,000,000.

Addition to the Medical Building is planned to provide increased accommodation for the faculties of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy, and space for the Schools of Nursing and Physiotherapy.

Plans for the expansion of the University of Alberta in Calgary on the new campus at the north-west edge of the city are under discussion by University officials.

Planning has already begun and a start on the over-all expansion programme is expected early in 1958.