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## ROYAL FAMILY GOING SOUR

by **Beddy Ble**

Ottawa—Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau said if re-elected he will personally undertake plans to preserve the monarchy for Canadians and members of the Commonwealth alike.

Speaking to wavering masses in a downtown Montreal disco Trudeau stated "I think about 600 gallons of thalidomide should do it. Just think, we'll be able to put her Pickled Highness on display for everyone."

The Prime Minister said that government researchers concluded "unless these reactionary measures are taken the Monarchy might not last for another century." "There was some consideration for Diefenbaker but we think he is for to sour" added Trudeau.

Trudeau said that if successful his government would consider entering into a crown owned pickling company. He gave no mention of a possible name but sources in Ottawa said that "Big Dills" has been mentioned.

The prime minister added that he will go to the next first ministers conference with the proposal. "A package like this will be available for tours of the Commonwealth. She'll be installed with a small motor on her arm so when touring she can remain in the traditional regal position with the famous arm wave that has pleased thousands and thousands."

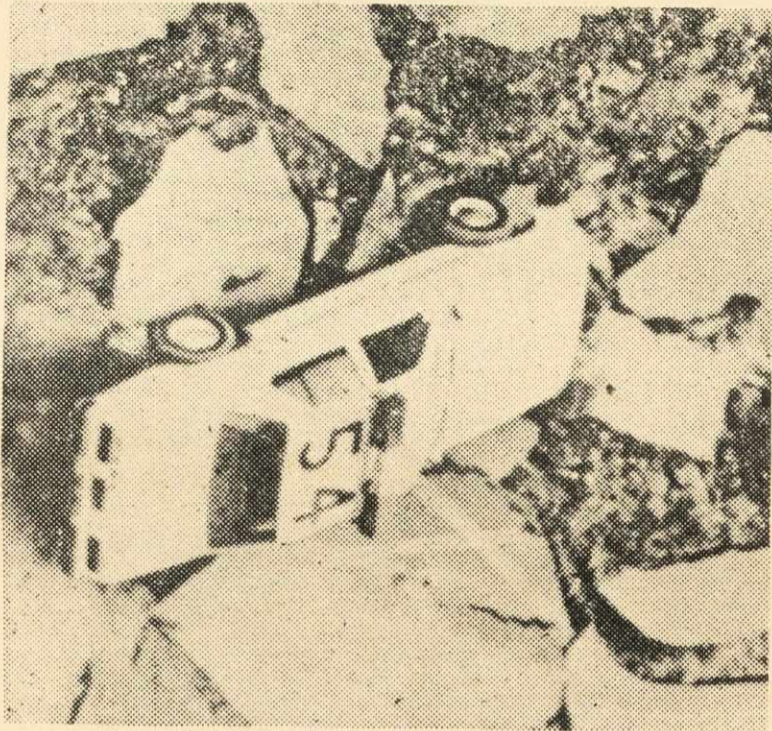
Trudeau expressed concern that the idea could possibly spread throughout the globe. "Just think, dictators, military councils and despots alike could all be pickled and preserved for the benefit of mankind."

### Clones not clowns

Ottawa—A massive inter-provincial cloning operation carried on by the Progressive Party was discovered yesterday. The campaign worked under the code name "Operation Blue Boy".

Federal agents produced photos of Joe Clark, Sterling Lyons, Robert Stanfield and John Buchanan as proof of the operation. One official who wished to remain anonymous stated that according to seized documents "at least 3 million cloned Conservatives are walking the streets of the country."

At a press conference following the announcement of the discovery Conservative leader Joe Clark said the decision to operate such an a campaign started in 1962. "The party was desperate. We were thinking of the future. We knew it would take years to produce the results but we were sure it was for the benefit of the nation." "Just think what it would be like living in a country composed of clones. The feeling would just be too great," added Clark as his eyes rolled around in his head. When asked how the press would be sure they were talking to the real Clark he replied "Just ask Maureen, she can tell a dud from anybody in the crowd. She married me didn't she."



*Dingbat/Waterbed Photo*  
A Halifax police car rests on slabs of pavement near Citadel Hill after being routed in last week's student protest against cutbacks in post-secondary education.

### Back for more

By **DYKE LEMMING**

**CFB DOCKYARD**—The Canadian Bunch of Ships that Goes to Warm Places While we stay at Home and Freeze (CBSGWPWHF) has returned to Halifax for a few days to walk around the streets and spend a lot of money.

"We're not here for a long time, we're here for a good time," one young sailor said. He looked so cute in his little outfit, that sickie green.

"The Canadian Armed Forces will continue their stalwart service and be a backbone of the region's economy," a recruiting advertisement says in these newspapers today.

In fact, almost everyone's glad to see the boys return home. They can be seen

walking around downtown, spending all kinds of money.

They patronise the local theatres, and not everybody goes to the movies on Gottingen Street, now do we?

But most of all they serve to prove to the world that Canada is not a nation to be taken lightly. We have great big ships too, and all the men in our armed forces have the exact same uniforms, not like those horrible African countries, where they don't have any uniforms at all.

And the other thing to remember is: without the government giving us all that money, and putting all those ships here, a lot of us wouldn't even have jobs.

Besides, I think they're nice.

Clark told the Horrid that recent results of provincial elections excite him all over his body. "Nova Scotia went Conservative, so did Manitoba last year. And what about Alberta and New Brunswick. They all have Conservative governments. Our efforts have been most successful to date. It will be just a matter of time before Ottawa becomes part of the Clone Generation," added the PC leader. "Just wait till the next election. We'll show the Liberals that we haven't been cloning around for nothing."

Premier John Buchanan told the Horrid the provincial cloning campaign was not as successful as earlier

anticipated. "Look at Cape Breton where we haven't won a seat. We'll have to increase our efforts in that area real soon." Buchanan added that at a recent party convention in Halifax over 3000 party loyalists each gave a piece of their hide for the benefit of the party and years to come.

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau described Operation Blueboy as "utterly amazing, I wish we had started it first." Trudeau dismissed the Conservative prophesy of becoming the next government in Ottawa saying "regardless of what, they may be clones but they are still clowns."

### Salted or regular

By **BLAYTON MAMBY**

*Ottawa Bureau*

OTTAWA—New Democratic party leader Ed Broadbent warned last night of a possible "sell-out" by the Liberal government in the wake of U.S. President Carter's stunning "peanut policy" speech yesterday.

Broadbent told a press conference that "Canadian domestic needs must come before those of any other country, including the United States." He said his party will oppose any Canadian policy that does not insure that adequate peanut supplies are maintained in Canada before any exports are allowed to the U.S.

"First it was wood, then water, then electricity, and if we don't watch out, the peanut will be next," said Lewis. "The Liberal party must not accept any American idea of a continental peanut policy that would subordinate Canada's interests to those of the U.S."

He said the NDP considers the peanut policy a "major election issue. We're prepared to fight the election on the peanut if we have to."

Progressive Conservative leader Joe Clark said that while Canadian peanut supplies must be protected, "we must not miss this golden opportunity for expanding the Canadian peanut industry to serve the U.S. market."

He warned that the NDP approach could lead to "overprotectionism". "I for one do not want to be left holding a bag of peanuts while other nations prosper," said Clark.

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### Sexism unfair

by **Luscious Larna**

Sexism may not be what it's cracked up to be, but it's still unfair, generally. Dr. Friedriche Quikshand said in an interview with this newspaper last night.

Dr. Quikshand said although it has not yet been conclusively proven, scientifically, that sexism hurts anybody, it is still not a good thing, and shouldn't be encouraged too much.

"Too much of anything is not good," he said.

The noted doctor spoke earlier to a meeting of the Nova Scotia Engineers Association and Small Businessmen's Convention NSEASBC, patronage panel discussion.

The topic was: "How to get more money from government all the time."

Dr. Quikshand, who is an expert on sexism, sexology, and is himself a sexagenarian, was asked if subtle appeals to government when applying for grants, such as offering the special services of some of the companies' Montreal stenographic pool might give them an advantage.

While they would give a distinct advantage, right off the top, Dr. Quikshand said, it isn't a good thing to do too often.

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WASHINGTON (AP)—An advisor to President Jimmy Carter yesterday announced plans to convert the entire American automobile industry to run on peanut oil, a further step in the Carter administration's program to make the U.S. self-sufficient in energy by the mid-1980's.

"We can no longer rely on outside sources of energy," said energy czar James Schlesinger. He said restrictions on oil production in Iran "have created a situation in which this country must develop alternate energy sources within its own borders."

Hailing the peanut as the "miracle fuel of the future," Schlesinger said the Carter administration will launch a massive program of subsidies to U.S. peanut farmers to increase American peanut production by 100 times within three years.

"Conversion to domestically-produced peanut oil will significantly lessen our dependence on small and unpredictable areas like the Arab oil states," said Love. He said the government will invest about \$50 billion in peanuts by 1976.

### NEW DEVICE

Schlesinger said all 1982 model cars sold in the United States will be required to have a special mechanism allowing them to use peanut oil instead of regular gasoline.

"We don't expect any opposition from the auto companies," he said. "They made a bundle out of pollution control and we'll see they don't get a raw deal this time either."

The government will also compensate U.S. oil companies for potential sales losses caused by the fuel switch-over, said Schlesinger, who added that the companies will be encouraged to invest heavily in southern peanut plantations.

### INTEREST

The Exxon Corporation said yesterday it viewed the move with "interest" and announced plans to market a brand of auto fuel using peanuts within six months.

Political observers see the policy as one designed to retian support for Carter in the southern peanut belt. The massive subsidies flowing to the peanut farmers will also benefit Carter's peanut warehouse, and are expected to "go a long way in paying for drying out Billy (Carter)", one White House source said.

### NEW SCANDAL

Senator Howard Baker (Rep., Tennessee) said the new policy may unleash a new "Peanutgate" scandal.

Baker said Carter stands to "double his wealth" under the new subsidy program.

"This is a clear case of conflict of interest," said Baker, who was a member of the Senate's Watergate Committee.

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### What will

do  
to you today?

