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The Department of External Affairs announced today that 32 representatives from member newspapers of La Confédération de la Presse Française have arrived in Canada from France to hold their annual meeting for the first time in this country. The membership in the Confederation is made up of 43 provincial and weekly papers published in North Africa as well as in continental France. The president is Mr. Pierre Archambault, Director of La Nouvelle République du Centre-Ouest of Tours.

The group of 32 includes publishers, directors, editors and journalists. They arrived in Montreal by air yesterday and opened their business sessions there yesterday afternoon. They will spend today in Ottawa.

During their visit to the capital city, the Confederation members will be received by the Prime Minister, Right Honourable Louis St. Laurent, The Honourable Paul Martin, Minister of National Health and Welfare and Acting Minister of External Affairs, will be their host at a luncheon at the Chateau Laurier. Late this afternoon, His Excellency Hubert Guérin, Ambassador of France, and Madame Guérin will give a reception in their honour. They return to Montreal this evening.

On Friday, June 24, the group will go to Quebec City to meet members of the Provincial Government. The final two-day sessions of their annual meeting will be held in the Laurentides National Park. The group will leave Montreal on Monday, June 27, for Paris via New York.
