

THE QUEEN'S CANADIAN STAFF

The Prime Minister, Mr. John G. Diefenbaker, has announced that Her Majesty the Queen has appointed Lieutenant-General H.D. Graham, C.B.E., D.S.O., to act as her Canadian Secretary during the period of her tour in Canada this summer. Lt-Gen. Graham is now the Commissioner in charge of arrangements for the tour, and will join Her Majesty's Household on her arrival in Canada on June 18th.

In addition to Lt-Gen. Graham, the Queen will have four other Canadians on her personal staff when she is in Canada. Mr. Esmond Butler, who, for the past year and a half, has been Assistant Press Secretary to the Queen at Buckingham Palace, will be Acting Press Secretary during the Canadian tour, and Lieutenant-Commander Ian A. MacPherson, C.D., RCN, Major R.A. Reid, M.C., C.D., Royal 22nd Regiment, Canadian Army, and Squadron-Leader R.M. Edwards, A.F.C., RCAF will act as Equerries.

Also in attendance on the tour will be Petty Officer Rosalee Auger, Secretary to Mr. Butler, and two officers and fifteen ratings of the Royal Canadian Navy serving on board H.M.Y. "Britannia".

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THE QUEEN'S GUESTS

Her Majesty the Queen, as Queen of Canada, will be the hostess at a dinner-party at Government House in Ottawa on July 1. The following people, representing different fields of Canadian life, have been invited, on behalf of the Queen, by His Excellency, the Governor General.

The Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker;
The Leader of the Opposition and Mrs. Pearson.

Industry: Mr. Fraser Bruce, President of the Aluminum Company of Canada and Mrs. Bruce, Montreal, P.Q.; Mr. A.E. Grauer, Chairman and President of the British Columbia Power Corporation Limited and Mrs. Grauer, Vancouver, B.C.; Mrs. G. Penny, owner of John Penny & Sons, Ltd., Fish Packers, Ramea Island, Newfoundland.

Universities: Dr. C.T. Bissell, President of the University of Toronto and Mrs. Bissell, Toronto.

Painting: Mr. Lawren Harris and Mrs. Harris Vancouver, B.C.

Press: Mr. James McCook, President of the Press Gallery, Ottawa and Mrs. McCook, Ottawa.

Letters: Mr. Robertson Davies, author and editor, and Mrs. Davies, Peterborough, Ontario.

Labour: M. Claude Jodoin, President of the Canadian Labour Congress and Mme. Jodoin, Ottawa.

Theatre: M. Gratien Gélinas, Directeur, La Comédie Canadienne, Inc. and Mme. Gratien Gélinas, Montreal.

Medicine: Dr. J.B. Jobin, Dean of Medicine, Laval University and Mme. Jobin, Quebec, P.Q.

Sport: Miss Anne Heggveit, Skiing Champion, Ottawa. M. Maurice Richard, star of Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League and Mme. Richard, Montreal, P.Q.

Science: Dr. David A. Keys, Scientific Adviser to the President of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Mrs. Keys, Deep River, Ontario.

The North: Révérend Père J. Binamé, OMI, Mission Catholique, Fort Norman, Territoire du Nord-ouest. The Right Rev. T. Greenwood, D.D., Bishop of the Yukon and Mrs. Greenwood, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory.

Music: Miss Lois Marshall, soprano, Toronto.

Ballet: Miss Celia Franca, Director of the National Ballet of Canada, Toronto.

Farming: Mr. Howard Hymas, mixed farming and Mrs. Hymas, Rosebud, Alberta.

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AGRICULTURAL PRICE SUPPORTS

The Minister of Agriculture made the following announcement in the House of Commons:

EGGS

"The Agricultural Stabilization Act provides for the announcement of support prices on an annual basis ... the existing price basis of 44 cents a dozen for Grade A Large eggs delivered to Montreal, will continue in effect for another twelve-month period ending May 5, 1960.

"The volume of eggs marketed through registered grading stations to date this year is seven per cent more than for the same period last year. However, this does not correctly represent the actual increase because of the steadily growing movement of eggs from large-scale producers direct to retail outlets. Because of this, a greater percentage of the eggs marketed through registered grading stations are offered to the Agricultural Stabilization Board.

"From January to June, 1958, the Board purchased 354,412 cases. Up to April 27 of 1959, the Board had purchased 503,073 cases, and shell eggs are still being offered in unprecedented volume. With many countries of the world developing larger surpluses of shell eggs, the disposal of the surplus accumulated by the Stabilization Board is creating an extremely serious problem.

"The continued expansion in egg production can be largely attributed to the growth in numbers and size of large commercial producers. Because of integration in this industry and technological developments, the present support programme is providing an incentive to commercial operators to increase production.

"I have, therefore, directed the Stabilization Board to develop as soon as possible a method of providing price support for shell eggs by means of a payment to producers -- commonly described as a deficiency payment --