

N O V E M B E R

[UNEF]

5 On this day in 1956 Maj. Gen. G. L. M. Burns of Canada was made commander of the United Nations Emergency Force. The force, which was substantially Canadian, moved to impose a cease-fire in Egypt during the Suez Crisis and it marked Canada's emergence as the world's most consistent "peacekeeper."

[METROPOLIS]

8 Winnipeg became a city in 1873. It remains the Metropolis of the Prairies, the home of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the National Wheat Board.

[POPPY]

11 In 1931 Armistice Day became Remembrance Day. The change would seem prophetically significant when World War II arrived in less than a decade.

[BETHUNE]

13 Dr. Norman Bethune died this day in 1939, in China, near Mao Tse Tung's front lines. He was buried as an authentic hero of the Chinese Revolution and his name would become



familiar to every Chinese school child from then on. Dr. Bethune had arrived in China a year earlier, age 47, and had become the chief medical man for Mao's 8th Route Army. In the brief time left he would found twenty teaching hospitals and perform hundreds of front line operations.

[CRASH]

15 The Canadian Auto Racing Society issued its first regulations governing stock car races in 1950.

[THE OLDEST MAN]

16 Pierre Joubert died at Quebec City in 1814 at the age of 113 years, 124 days. His was the longest life ever fully authenticated anywhere in the world.

[DISASTER]

18 In 1929 a towering tidal wave swept the southwest coast of Newfoundland, killing 27 people.

[FIRST OF THE LINE]

21 In 1787 Samuel Cunard was born in Halifax. Fifty-three years later (having already made an enormous amount of money) he would organize the shipping line which would make his name a nautical byword.

[REBEL]

23 In 1837, Louis Joseph Papineau, a leader of the unsuccessful "Patriots" revolution in Québec, fled to the U.S.A. He would return eight years later, after tempers had cooled, and become once more a respected and influential citizen.

On this day in 1815 the first street lights were turned on in Montréal.

[BIRTH]

24 In 1648 the first French Canadian child was born in Montréal.

[ENVOY]

26 On this day in 1926, the Hon. Vincent Massey became Canada's first Ambassador to the United States.

[WESTWARD HO]

27 On this day in 1896, Sir Clifford

Sifton, Minister of the Interior, began Canada's first, formal immigration drive. He aimed at central Europe: "I think," he said, "that a stalwart peasant in a sheep-skin coat, born on the soil, whose forefathers have been farmers for generations, with a stout wife and a half-dozen children, is good quality."

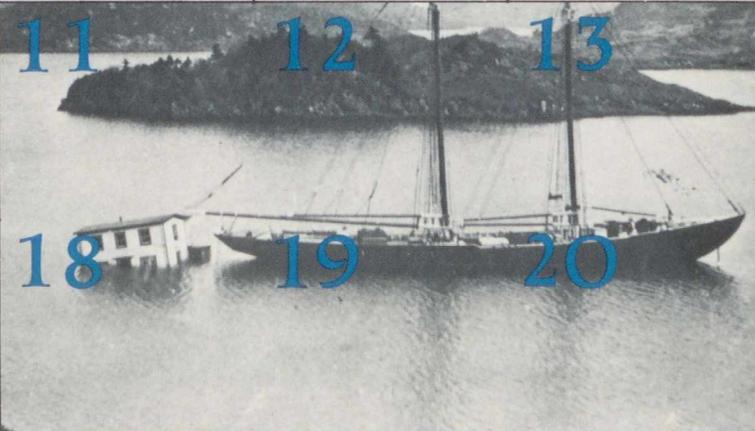
[DEATH]

28 In 1698, Count Frontenac, who had brought New France to its highest pitch of glory, died at Québec.

[GREEN GABLES]

30 Lucy Maud Montgomery was born in Clifton, Prince Edward Island, in 1874. After acquiring an education she would sit down and write *Anne of Green Gables*.

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