

of State for External Affairs, and Mrs. Green will be at Uplands Airport in Ottawa.

Mr. Casey will be received by Prime Minister Diefenbaker shortly after his arrival in the Capital. He will later call upon Mr. Green and meet members of the Department of External Affairs. On September 10 the Government of Canada will entertain at a dinner in his honour at the Country Club with Mr. Green as host.

In the Australian Government Mr. Casey is responsible for the Australian Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (CSIRO) as well as for the Department of External Affairs. Arrangements have therefore been made for him to visit the National Research Council Laboratories. He will call, too, on Mr. Comtois, Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys, and on Mr. Fleming, Minister of Finance.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey will leave Ottawa early in the evening of September 12 for New York.

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SALES OF MOTOR VEHICLES INCREASE

Sales of new passenger cars and commercial vehicles in June increased sharply to 56,730 units from 44,840 a year earlier, lifting the January-June total 17.3 per cent to 288,374 units from 245,745 a year ago. Retail value of the month's sales advanced to \$172,861,000 from \$136,284,000, placing half-year sales 17.5 per cent above a year ago at \$888,049,000 versus \$755,950,000, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports.

Sales of new British and European passenger cars and commercial vehicles (included in total sales) rose in June to 13,085 units from 8,496, and in January-June to 62,195 units from 40,503. Retail value advanced in the month to \$26,036,000 from \$16,613,000 and in the six months to \$123,887,000 from \$79,915,000.

June sales of new passenger cars increased to 48,265 units (including 12,438 units of British and European make) from 38,699 a year earlier (7,915) and January-June sales to 245,446 units (57,919) from 210,447 (37,479) a year ago. Value of these sales rose in the month to \$140,855,000 (\$24,696,000) from \$113,104,000 (\$15,375,000), and in the six months to \$728,403,000 (\$114,865,000) from \$623,774,000 (\$73,434,000).

Financed sales of new passenger and commercial vehicles climbed in June to 19,784 units from 16,839 a year earlier, raising the January-June total to 91,333 units from 89,612. Amount of financing rose in the month to \$50,789,000 from \$40,776,000, and in the half year to \$232,159,000 from \$214,398,000.

Financed sales of used passenger and commercial vehicles edged up in June to 38,652 units from 38,118 a year earlier, but declined in the January-June period to 183,864 units from 201,230 a year ago. Amount involved in these transactions in the month rose to \$42,

142,000 from \$38,386,000, leaving the half-year total 3.0 per cent under a year ago at \$197,385,000 versus \$203,576,000.

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MOTOR VEHICLE SHIPMENTS

Factory shipments of Canadian-made passenger and commercial motor vehicles in July increased to 31,151 from 25,969 units a year earlier, placing the January-July total 10.1 per cent ahead of last year at 267,366 versus 242,922 units. Shipments of vehicles imported from the United States rose in the month to 1,233 from 1,131 units, and in the seven months to 14,403 from 12,390 units.

July shipments of passenger cars advanced to 25,053 units (23,458 for sale in Canada and 1,595 for export) from 20,892 a year earlier (19,586 and 1,306). January-July shipments climbed to 221,341 units (211,203 and 10,138) from 203,844 units a year ago (190,218 and 13,626).

Month's factory deliveries of commercial vehicles rose to 6,098 (5,845 for sale in Canada and 253 for export) from 5,077 units (4,349 and 728). Seven-month shipments increased to 46,025 units (44,018 and 2,007) from 39,078 units (34,760 and 4,318).

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TYRONE GUTHRIE AWARDS

Five individuals connected with the Stratford Shakespearean Festival and one organization concerned with the furtherance of Canadian theatre have been announced as recipients of the 1959 Tyrone Guthrie Awards.

In a ceremony held on the outside balcony of the Festival theatre, the six prizes, ranging in value from \$350 to \$750, were presented by Lieut.-Col. J. Keiller Mackay, D.S.O., Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario to Mr. George McCowan, Miss Penny Williams, Mr. Peter Smith, Mr. Robert Ihrig, Mr. Laurie Freeman and the Canadian Theatre Centre. The award for the latter organization was received by its president, Mr. David Ongley, Q.C.

The prizes were all for the purpose of helping the recipients to study some form of theatrical art abroad. In the case of the Canadian Theatre Centre, the award is to help finance the setting up of a national theatre school in Toronto.

Introducing the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Powys Thomas, the representative of the Stratford Shakespearean Festival Company, pointed out that the Tyrone Guthrie Awards had been established in 1953 when the company wished to show its appreciation of the contribution to Canadian theatre made by Dr. Guthrie, the festival's first artistic director. Rather than have the money spent on a gift, Dr. Guthrie suggested that a fund be established to provide scholarships for the development of theatre in Canada. The money, Mr. Thomas

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