

**Legislation of the First Part of the First Session of the
Twenty-Sixth Parliament which began May 16, 1963—concluded**

Subject, Chapter and Date of Assent	Synopsis
Revenue—	
7 July 31	<i>An Act to amend the Customs Tariff</i> implements the Budget resolution relating to the Customs Tariff.
12 Aug. 2	<i>An Act to amend the Excise Tax Act</i> implements the Budget resolution relating to the Excise Tax Act.
18 Nov. 7	<i>An Act respecting an Order of His Excellency the Governor in Council entitled the Surcharge on Imports Order, and to restore certain rates of Customs duties and tariff benefits expressed to be withdrawn thereby.</i>
Welfare—	
16 Oct. 16	<i>An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act</i> increases the pension paid under the Act from \$65 a month to \$75 a month, effective Oct. 1, 1963, and increases the rate of the Old Age Security tax.
Miscellaneous—	
4 June 5	<i>An Act to amend the Export and Import Permits Act</i> extends the duration of the Act for a further period of three years to July 31, 1966.
6 July 31	<i>An Act to authorize the Construction and Maintenance of a Bridge and Tunnel across the St. Lawrence River at the Boucherville Islands, in the Province of Quebec.</i>
8 July 31	<i>An Act to amend the Judges Act and the Criminal Code</i> increases the salaries of the Chief Justice of Canada, the puisne judges of the Supreme Court of Canada, the President of the Exchequer Court, the puisne judges of the Exchequer Court, the Chief Justice and other judges of the Supreme Court of Ontario, the Chief Justices and other judges of the superior courts of the provinces, the judges of the Territorial Courts of the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories and the judges of the county and district courts of the provinces. Provision is also made for the salaries for fourteen additional judges.
10 Aug. 2	<i>The Dissolution and Annulment of Marriages Act</i> authorizes the Senate of Canada to dissolve or annul marriages.

PART V.—CANADIAN CHRONOLOGY

Events in the general chronology from 1497 to 1866 are given in the 1951 Year Book, pp. 46-49; from 1867 to 1953 in the 1954 Year Book, pp. 1259-1264; for 1954 in the 1955 Year Book, pp. 1329-1330; for 1955 in the 1956 edition, pp. 1233-1234; for 1956 in the 1957-58 edition, p. 1270; for 1957 in the 1959 edition, p. 1240; for 1958 in the 1960 edition, pp. 1255-1256; for 1959 and 1960 in the 1961 edition, pp. 1241-1245; and for 1961 and January to the end of August 1962 in the 1962 edition, pp. 1184-1188. References regarding changes in federal and provincial legislatures or ministries are not included in the following listing but may be found in Chapter II on Constitution and Government or in Appendix I.

1962

September: *Sept. 1*, 25th anniversary of first scheduled TCA flight celebrated by flight over the original 122-mile route between Vancouver and Seattle, Wash. *Sept. 2*, Sons of Freedom Doukhobors began 400-mile march from Shoreacres to Agassiz, B.C. *Sept. 5*, Announcement of Canada Council grants of \$20,000 to the Humanities Research Council of Canada and the Social Science Research Council of Canada for production of a Canadian history to be completed by 1967. *Sept. 5*, The Canada-U.S.-sponsored World Food Bank initiated by Canada's pledge of \$5,000,000 in cash and commodities to be paid over a three-year period. *Sept. 6*, First of five reports of the Royal Commission on Government Organization released. *Sept. 7*, National Industrial Expansion Conference, sponsored by Department of Trade and Commerce to meet challenge of foreign competition and in-

crease production, opened at Ottawa. *Sept. 10*, Reduction of bank rate from 6 p.c. to 5½ p.c. and increase in exchange reserves as a result of the emergency austerity program. *Sept. 10-15*, Canada Week at Seattle World Fair featured RCMP musical ride, the military tattoo, the RCAF band and aerial acrobatics, and performance of *Bousille et les justes* by Gratien Gélinas. *Sept. 10-19*, Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference held in London; Britain's proposed entry into the European Common Market opposed under certain conditions by Prime Minister Diefenbaker. *Sept. 11*, W. Walton Butterworth appointed U.S. Ambassador to Canada; arrived in Ottawa Nov. 30. Official opening of the 42-storey Royal Bank of Canada Building in Place Ville Marie, Montreal. *Sept. 13*, Negotiations completed for private sale of \$250,000,000 Government of Canada bonds to five life insurance companies in the U.S. Announcement by Finance Minister Nowlan of termination