

Ottawa and Eastview and the adjoining township of Cumberland, with a single mayor. *Feb. 3*, Death in Saskatoon of Violet McNaughton, first women's editor of *The Western Producer* and first President of the Women's Division of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association. *Feb. 4*, The Massey Medal of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society presented to Col. Cyril H. Smith of Ottawa for his contribution to Canadian cartography. *Feb. 5*, Evidence of Norse settlement in Newfoundland about 1000 A.D. revealed by archaeologists. *Feb. 5-8*, Federal-provincial constitutional conference held in Ottawa; closed with official recognition of French language rights across Canada, creation of inter-government agencies to continue constitutional conferences and to study language rights, human rights, distribution of federal and provincial powers, reform of federal institutions, regional economic disparities, procedure for amending the constitution and co-ordination of all federal-provincial relations. *Feb. 13*, Death in Toronto of Portia White, acclaimed Canadian contralto. *Feb. 15*, Gold medal in giant slalom won by Nancy Greene of Rossland, B.C., in Olympic Games at Grenoble, France. The Gordon Task Force report on foreign investment tabled in the House of Commons; recommendations include a new national policy to protect Canadian sovereignty and independence, jeopardized by controls of foreign governments over Canadian subsidiaries. *Feb. 16*, Death in Toronto of Dr. Healey Willan, renowned Canadian composer of religious and classical music. *Feb. 19*, A boom in uranium prospecting in the Elliot/Lake area of Ontario began; more than 1,000 stakers participated in the 100,000-acre area. *Feb. 19-23*, Crisis touched off in the House of Commons when the combined opposition rejected the Government's income tax Bill 84 to 82 and blocked Parliamentary business for three days. *Feb. 22*, Creation of a Quebec-owned television-radio network to be known as Radio-Québec announced by Premier Johnson, its purpose to be the promotion of education and culture. *Feb. 26*, Finance Minister Sharp announced the "repatriation" of \$426,000,000 in U.S. funds from money and gold on deposit at the International Monetary Fund to bolster the Canadian dollar. *Feb. 27*, A Centennial carpet bearing floral emblems of the provinces and the territories, donated by widows of former Canadian Governors General—Countess of Bessborough, Lady Tweedsmuir and Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone—and Earl Alexander, presented to Mrs. Lester B. Pearson at the National Gallery. Resignation of Gordon Churchill, M.P., from the Progressive Conservative caucus in protest against the caucus decision to capitulate in the debate on a motion of confidence in the Government. The 5-p.c. income tax surcharge, imposed since Jan. 1 in anticipation of the passage of the income tax Bill in the House of Commons, withdrawn by the Federal Government. *Feb. 28*, The House of Commons voted 138-119 to approve the Government's confidence motion and to maintain the Liberal Government in office.

March: Bertrand Lord Russell's collection of letters and papers purchased by McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont. *Mar. 4*, Prime Minister Pearson announced the suspension of diplomatic relations with Gabon following Gabon's invitation to Quebec to an international education conference, and later stated that Canada would break off relations with France if it followed the Gabonese example. *Mar. 5*, Report of the McRuer Royal Commission on Civil Rights tabled in the Ontario Legislature

recommended greater protection of the individual and control of the power of governments and police. *Mar. 7*, Finance Minister Sharp announced steps to strengthen the Canadian dollar; Canada exempted from restrictions by the U.S. on the flow of capital. External Affairs Minister Martin announced Canada's participation with the U.S. in the development of an airborne radar system to replace all or part of the Distant Early Warning radar stations in Northern Canada. *Mar. 11*, New version of the tax Bill defeated Feb. 19 introduced in the House of Commons; passed after amendment on Mar. 15. Hon. Walter L. Gordon, M.P., resigned as President of the Privy Council. *Mar. 15*, Report of federal inquiry into the administration of justice in the Hay River area of the Northwest Territories tabled in the House of Commons. Ralph B. Cowan, M.P. for York-Humber, removed from Liberal caucus for opposition to Government policy. Bank of Canada rate increased to 7½ p.c. from 7 p.c. *Mar. 15-17*, Finance Minister Sharp announced suspension of gold trading by Canadian banks and other dealers; restrictions removed Apr. 3. Bankers of the seven countries making up the London Gold Pool decided to continue to exchange gold at \$35 per oz. in settlement of international payments and leave it to find its own level on the private market; trading in the London gold market was closed until Apr. 1. *Mar. 21*, Disturbance on the Israel-Jordan border, the largest such incident since the Arab-Israeli war of June 1967; the UN Security Council met in emergency session. *Mar. 23*, International curling championship held at Montreal won by Canadian team skipped by Ron Northcott of Calgary. *Mar. 24*, The Eleanor Roosevelt Humanities Award presented to Mrs. Samuel Bronfman of Montreal, the first Canadian woman to be so honoured. *Mar. 26*, Nancy Greene of Rossland, B.C., announced her decision to retire from international competitive skiing. *Mar. 27*, Death in a plane crash near Moscow of Col. Yuri Gagarin, first man in space. *Mar. 30*, The Governments of Canada and the United States agreed to renew the NORAD agreement for five years when it expires on May 12, 1968, subject to review at any time during this period. *Mar. 31*, U.S. President Johnson announced a pause in air and sea action against North Viet-Nam as a first step toward ending the war; and also that he would neither seek nor accept nomination as a candidate for another term as President.

April: *Apr. 2*, Mayor Drapeau of Montreal announced the creation of a lottery-like scheme of raising money for city financial purposes, the first such scheme to be initiated in Canada. *Apr. 3*, The Fred W. Tanner Lecture Award of the Chicago branch of the U.S. Institute of Food Technology awarded to Dr. Frederick S. Thatcher, Food and Drug Directorate, Department of National Health and Welfare, Ottawa, the first Canadian to be so honoured. *Apr. 4*, Death in Memphis, Tennessee, of Negro civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., from an assassin's bullet; riots erupted in many cities throughout the U.S. as a result. *Apr. 4-6*, National Liberal convention held in Ottawa; Hon. Pierre Elliott Trudeau elected leader, succeeding Rt. Hon. Lester B. Pearson; assumed office as Prime Minister Apr. 20. *Apr. 5*, The Cunard liner *Queen Elizabeth* sold to U.S. interests, to be moored in the Delaware River and used as a conference centre and airport hotel. Nancy Greene of Rossland, B.C., successfully defended her World Cup championship in women's international skiing for the second straight year.