

officers, comprising prison guards, game wardens and others, on strike to back demands for wage parity with federal peace officers, forcing 22 of the province's 35 provincial prisons to close and disrupting the courts. *Feb. 6-Mar. 2*, Airport radar and communications technicians on strike at airports across Canada, tying up commercial air traffic; a new contract agreement gave pay increases of up to 15.1%. *Feb. 7*, Employees of Montreal's daily newspaper *La Presse* returned to work after settlement of a contract dispute that began October 27, 1971. *Feb. 8*, The Canadian Transport Commission rejected applications of the CNR and CPR to discontinue passenger service between Montreal and the Maritime Provinces; federal subsidies to be allowed by the Commission up to 80% of annual losses on uneconomic lines. *Feb. 9*, Formation of the Canadian Telecommunications Carriers Association, representing Canadian telephone companies, railway telecommunications operations, Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation and Telesat Canada. *Feb. 11*, Federal government announced a \$1.7 million program of aid to Canadian book publishing industry, expected to double production of Canadian books, excluding textbooks, within five years; first grants awarded by Canada Council in November for purchase, translation and publication of Canadian books. *Feb. 14*, Canada officially recognized independence of Bangladesh, formerly East Pakistan. *Feb. 16-20*, The 14th meeting of the Canada-US Interparliamentary Group held in Ottawa to discuss foreign ownership policy and the effect on trade of Britain's joining the European Economic Community. *Feb. 21*, Canada formally agreed to accept international verification of the peaceful nature of its nuclear development program, permitting inspection by the International Atomic Energy Agency to verify that nuclear energy has not been diverted from peaceful to military uses. *Feb. 24*, Announcement by Panarctic Oils Ltd. of discovery of crude oil on Ellesmere Island, the first oil strike in the Arctic Islands. *Feb. 25*, Official opening of the \$750 million nuclear power plant of Ontario Hydro at Pickering, the largest single producer of power in the world. *Feb. 28*, Mme Pauline Vanier, widow of former Governor General Georges P. Vanier, left Canada to join her son Jean in work at L'Arche, a community for the mentally retarded near Paris, France.

### March

*Mar. 2*, Plans for new international airport for Metropolitan Toronto, located about 30 miles northeast of the city in Pickering Township, announced by the federal and provincial governments. *Mar. 6*, Governor General Roland Michener presented the Yukon Territory Legislative Council with its first Mace, symbol of the authority of the Speaker of the Legislature. *Mar. 6*, Yves and Carmen Geoffroy, objects of an international search by police following the former's failure to return to St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary on expiration of his three-day pass, arrested in

Barcelona, Spain, and returned to Montreal March 13. *Mar. 6-11*, Arctic Winter Games held in Whitehorse, YT, with more than 1,000 participants; Yukon Territory came first in points, but Alaska won the greatest share of the medals. *Mar. 7*, Five sq miles on Mount Logan presented to the Northwest Territories by Yukon Territory in compensation for a surveying error were immediately re-presented to Mrs. Michener, wife of the Governor General, for creation of the Norah Willis Michener game preserve. *Mar. 12*, Federal government announced agreement to give control of family allowances to Quebec, subject to certain limits and conditions. *Mar. 15*, Montreal poet Gaston Miron awarded the \$2,000 Canada - Belgium Literary Prize, co-sponsored by the Canadian and Belgian governments and awarded to French-language writers from the two countries. *Mar. 16*, Report of joint Senate-Commons Committee on the Constitution released; recommendations included recognition of the right to self-determination in any part of Canada by democratic means, no change in the monarchical system, restriction of the Senate's veto power over legislation and expansion of its investigatory role, and creation of an autonomous national capital area. *Mar. 22*, Winners of the Governor General's literary awards for 1971 announced by the Canada Council: Pierre Berton (non-fiction in English); Gérard Fortin (non-fiction in French); Mordecai Richler (fiction in English); Gérard Bessette (fiction in French); John Glassco (poetry in English); and Paul-Marie Lapointe (poetry in French). *Mar. 23*, Death of Senator Harry A. Willis of Toronto. *Mar. 24*, General Election held in Newfoundland; results of earlier election held October 28, 1971 were inconclusive; Progressive Conservative party led by Frank Moores defeated Liberal government of Joseph R. Smallwood after 23 years in office; party standings, 33 Progressive Conservative, 9 Liberal. *Mar. 27*, Agreements signed between Canada and France, Britain, Portugal and Denmark for gradual phasing out of their traditional and treaty fishing rights in Canadian waters off the east coast. *Mar. 30*, A naval tradition dating back to 1667 ended for the Canadian navy with the final issue of the daily rum ration.

### April

*Apr. 3*, Announcement of the \$50,000 Royal Bank Award to Dr. Gustave Gingras of the Rehabilitation Institute of Montreal for his work with crippled children and adults. *Apr. 6*, Bomb explosion at the Cuban Trade Commission in Montreal caused extensive damage and killed one person; federal government apologized to the Cuban Ambassador for intrusion of Montreal police on diplomatic property and offered to pay for damages caused by the explosion. A large peninsula on Victoria Island in the Arctic Islands of the Northwest Territories named the Diamond Jenness Peninsula in memory of the distinguished Canadian anthropologist. *Apr. 8*, Death in Seoul, South Korea, while serving with the United Nations Development Program, of