CANADIAN CHRONOLOGY, 1974

Scarborough, Ont., swam across Lake Ontario in 15 hours and 18 minutes, almost three hours under previous record. Aug. 23, Yvon Duhamel, union representative who pleaded guilty June 17 to charges of arson and mischief arising from violence on the site of the James Bay hydro-electric development, sentenced to 10 years in prison. Aug. 24, Death of W.G. Prudham, federal Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys from 1950 to 1957. End of the first Francophone International Youth Festival in Quebec City; the festival featured over 300 sports and cultural events and 1,600 people from 25 French-speaking countries participated. Aug. 25, Death of M.J. Coldwell, aged 85, from 1942 to 1958 leader of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, forerunner of the New Democratic Party. Aug. 28, A tentative agreement reached with Indians occupying Anicinabe Park in Kenora; the town agreed to grant free access to the park until May 1975. Eastern Townships riding of Johnson won in by-election by Union Nationale leader Maurice Bellemare, who became the sole UN member in the Quebec Assembly.

September

Sept. 6, Energy Minister Donald Macdonald announced a uranium policy to guarantee supplies for domestic users for existing and planned nuclear plants for 30 years. Sept. 9, Canada Savings Bonds yielding 9.75% at maturity offered for sale; sales were ended Nov. 15, after they raised a net \$4.02 billion. Sept. 11, The government extended the term of the Canadian contingent stationed with UN peacekeeping forces in Cyprus by two months, to December 1974. Sept. 12, The Canadian Egg Marketing Agency announced that a total of 28 million eggs had been destroyed by the agency because they had rotted due to improper storage. Sept. 12-13, Fifteenth annual premiers' conference held in Toronto. Sept. 16. Rénaude Lapointe appointed Speaker of the Senate. US President Gerald Ford offered amnesty to draft dodgers living in Canada and elsewhere if they would swear allegiance to the US and work for 24 months in public service jobs with minimal pay; offer was rejected by draft-dodgers' organizations. Sept. 17, First female recruits for the RCMP entered training in Regina. Sept. 19, Fernand Lalonde appointed Minister responsible for language in the Quebec Cabinet. Sept. 20, Energy Minister Donald Macdonald announced an increase in the price of natural gas exported to the US; increase to average 66%. Sept. 21, BC government announced a 50% increase in price of natural gas exported to US. Sept. 22-24, Official visit to Ottawa of Japanese Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka; talks with Prime Minister Trudeau covered trade, nuclear disarmament, economic conditions and foreign investment. Sept. 30, First session of 30th Parliament opened in Ottawa; the Throne speech concentrated on plans to fight inflation. Attempts by about 200 Indians to enter Parliament buildings prevented by RCMP; fighting broke out after Indians attempted to break

through a police barricade; Indians later occupied an old stone mill owned by the National Capital Commission.

October

Oct.2. Urban Affairs Minister Barnett Danson announced that grants under the Assisted Home Ownership Program would be limited to new housing. Prime Minister Trudeau said the federal government would not initiate action against the Quebec Language Act; Quebec Association of Protestant School Boards announced Oct. 19 it would challenge the Quebec Official Language Act in court. Oct. 3, Sony Corporation, listed on the Montreal Stock Exchange, the first Japanese company on a Canadian stock exchange. Oct. 4, Michael Pitfield, 37, named Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet. Oct. 6, Team Canada, a hockey team comprising players from the World Hockey Association, lost an eight-game series with the Soviet Union's team; Soviets won four games, Canada one, and three were tied. Oct. 8, Paul Martin, former Cabinet minister and senator, appointed Canadian High Commissioner to Britain. Oct. 15, Former RCMP constable Robert Samson held criminally responsible for a bomb blast that damaged the Montreal home of Steinberg's Ltd. president Melvyn Dobrin July 26. Ontario provincial riding of Stormont won by New Democratic candidate George Samis in by-election. Oct. 21-22, Prime Minister Trudeau visited France; talks with French President Giscard d'Estaing centred on trade. Oct. 25, New income tax rates and revised exemptions introduced in Parliament. Pauline Jewett installed as president and vicechancellor of Simon Fraser University in Burnaby. BC. Oct. 26, Joseph R. Smallwood, premier of Newfoundland 1949-72, lost an attempt to regain the leadership of the provincial Liberal party. Oct. 30, A one-day conference on inflation and the economy attended by 10 provincial premiers and the Prime Minister in Ottawa.

November

Nov. 6, World Food Conference held in Rome; External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen pledged \$785 million in food aid to starving nations over three years, subject to comparable action by other countries. Nov. 7, A fourth Ontario Progressive Conservative seat lost in a by-election in Carleton East riding; Liberal Paul Taylor defeated Ottawa Mayor Pierre Benoit. Nov. 8, Amendments to the Canada Pension Plan providing for equal treatment for male and female contributors given Royal assent. Ontario government report prepared in 1972 released, stating that fish containing more than one part per million of mercury may present a hazard to health and that fish in some northwestern Ontario lakes exceeded that level. Nov. 10, Montreal Mayor Jean Drapeau won a sixth term; final standing in the city council: 35 Civic Party members and 19 Montreal Citizens' Movement