

president of the Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women. *Apr. 12*, Two Quebec-based writers, Brian Moore and Anne Hébert, were winners of the Governor General's literary awards; both were also winners in 1960. *Apr. 13*, The March unemployment rate was 6.9%, down from 7% in February. *Apr. 14*, In Quebec summonses were served on 100 teachers' union locals after a 24-hour walkout by 90,000 teachers; 8,500 Hydro-Québec employees and 7,000 hospital workers also staged walkouts. *Apr. 15*, Cabinet gave final approval to Dome Petroleum Ltd. of Calgary to drill the first offshore wells in the Beaufort Sea. *Apr. 20*, The Commons approved legislation granting unions the right to appeal rulings of the Anti-Inflation Board. *Apr. 22*, Canadian National Railways announced expanded passenger service in the Ontario-Quebec corridor between Windsor and Quebec City. *Apr. 27*, Anti-inflation administrator Donald Tansley warned unions that his role as enforcer of the government's controls program might require him to set tougher limits on wage increases than those allowed by the Anti-Inflation Board. *Apr. 29*, Premier Frank Moores said that Newfoundland would not consider trading the headwaters of five rivers in Labrador to Quebec for extra energy from the Churchill Falls power station.

May

May 3, Parliament opened its fourth debate in 10 years on capital punishment with Solicitor General Warren Allmand defending his abolition bill. *May 4*, Ontario's minister of colleges and universities announced that fees for foreign students enrolling in a provincial university would be increased to \$1,500 from \$585 for a two-term academic year. *May 10*, Treasury Board President Jean Chrétien announced that the Olympic Lottery would be continued until 1979 to help reduce the deficit for the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal. High schools in Windsor, Ont., were reopened for the first time since the end of March, following passage of a bill by the Ontario legislature May 7 ordering an end to the strike-lockout situation. *May 11*, Statistics Canada reported national unemployment jumped to 7.4% in April, its highest level in 15 years. Quebec's 1976-77 budget indicated sharp increases in taxes on tobacco and health insurance premiums, aimed at bringing in an additional \$400 million. *May 13*, In a precedent-setting judgment the Alberta Supreme Court Appellate Division ruled that divorced women may claim financial support from their former husbands any time after the divorce. *May 14*, Six provincial government employees' associations merged to form the National Union of Provincial Government Employees, Canada's fifth largest union. Air traffic controllers were asked by their union leaders to reject a conciliation board report and authorize the union to call a nation-wide walkout; at issue was the use of French in air-ground communications in Quebec. *May 17*, Delegates to the Canadian Labour Congress national convention in Quebec City gave CLC executives authority "to organize and conduct

a general work stoppage" in their campaign against the federal anti-inflation program. *May 19*, Canada and the Soviet Union signed a treaty in Moscow ensuring Soviet recognition of a 200 nautical mile (370 km) fishing zone planned by the Canadian government. Jean Sutherland Boggs, director of the National Gallery of Canada resigned May 19, claiming the gallery had lost its autonomy since its incorporation into the National Museums in 1968. *May 21*, Postmaster General Bryce Mackasey announced a two-stage increase in first class letter rates commencing September 1, 1976 and March 1, 1977. *May 24*, Denise Pelletier, one of Quebec's leading actresses, died in Montreal. *May 25*, Federal Finance Minister Donald Macdonald presented budget measures to change eligibility rules for unemployment insurance benefit payments. *May 28*, William Ross Macdonald, former speaker of both the Commons and Senate and former lieutenant governor of Ontario, died in Brantford. *May 31*, A national strike by 2,200 air traffic controllers was averted, but a split remained in the controllers' union over the use of French in air-ground communications.

June

June 3, Quebec dairy farmers demonstrated on Parliament Hill against federal regulations cutting down subsidies and production quotas for industrial milk. David Barrett, British Columbia's former NDP premier, made a strong political comeback in a Vancouver East by-election. President Ford announced that Canada would join the United States and five other major industrialized nations in an economic summit conference June 27-28 in Puerto Rico. *June 4*, Canada would declare a 200 nautical mile (370 km) offshore fisheries jurisdiction later in 1976 to take effect Jan. 1, 1977, External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen announced. *June 8*, The Berger inquiry into social and environmental effects of a Mackenzie Valley pipeline ended a month of informal hearings in 10 cities from Vancouver to Halifax. *June 9*, The Department of Manpower and Immigration indicated that immigration to Canada dropped by 14% in 1975 to 187,881. *June 10*, Energy Minister Alastair Gillespie announced an increase of 21% in the price of natural gas to the US. *June 11*, The National Energy Board announced a cut of 12% in oil exports to the US. A sudden rise in food prices in May including a 12.4% increase in the cost of beef led to the sharpest one-month jump in the cost of living in six months. The United Nations Habitat conference on human settlements ended in Vancouver with bitter expressions of regret over divisive political disagreements. Beryl Plumptre announced her resignation as vice-chairman of the Anti-Inflation Board. *June 15*, A federal-provincial economic conference ended in disagreement after the federal government announced it would abolish a multi-million dollar program of transfer payments to the provinces when it expired March 31, 1977. *June 16*, Prime Minister Trudeau in a brief visit to Washington assured President Ford that Canada