

Officials Remanded in Highway Case



C. W. Taylor, right, general superintendent of Tomlinson Brothers Ltd., Fort Arthur, and Arthur M. Mills, centre, suspended chief of the Department of Highways at Fort William, are shown above entering Fort William police court yesterday afternoon accompanied by Ontario Provincial

Police Constable Roy Anderson, left. Charged with irregularities within the Department of Highways, the two men were released on bail and remanded until May 31. The former division engineer has already been committed for trial to higher court on charges of breach of trust and fraud.

REMANDED ON CONSPIRACY ALLEGATION

Two Charged in Roads Probe

C. W. Taylor, 43, of Port Arthur, general superintendent for Tomlinson Bros. Ltd., Port Arthur contractors, and Arthur M. Mills, 60, suspended department of highways engineer, were charged with conspiracy yesterday afternoon in the provincial probe into alleged irregularities in the Fort William branch of the highways. They were remanded to May 31 by Magistrate William Davies.

Mapledoram Says Highway Program Set

Confidence that highway work in Thunder Bay district will be carried on at the same level as last year was expressed at two meetings last night by Clive Mapledoram, M.L.A. for Fort William.

Mr. Mapledoram announced that the highways department is calling for crushing contracts in two or three sections of the district, and that travelling is now under way on the Shebandawan road.

Major work in the district has been delayed by poor and uncertain weather conditions.

Mr. Mapledoram announced that tenders will be called in the next few days for repairing and patching of Highway 61 in Fort William, between the city limits and McCuskey's corner, and Highway 17 east of Port Arthur.

The provincial member said he expects work to be called in the next few days concerning the clearing of 15 miles of access roads in the Shebandawan Lake area, between Highway 17 and the new Atikokan highway.

Brook Review

Mr. Mapledoram gave a broad review of happenings at this year's session of the Ontario legislature, covering such points of interest as legislative bills passed, committee work, highways safety, hospital expansion, unemployment response.

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Bail for Mills, already charged

with breaches of trust and scheduled to appear for trial at the fall assizes, was continued in the amount of \$2,500 on his own recognizance. Cash bail was set in the amount of \$5,000 for Taylor on the suggestion of Bernard Black, assistant crown attorney.

Named in the latest indictment along with the two were: W. S. Tomlinson, vice-president, Tomlinson Bros. Ltd., Tomlinson Bros. (Eastern) Ltd., and R. F. Petruson. T. P. Callon told the court that as solicitor for the company, he would represent Mr. Taylor, but would not act in an advisory capacity for him.

The charge dated May 7 on complaint of H. Ward Kennedy, O.P.P. inspector, read: "That Tomlinson Bros. Ltd., Tomlinson Bros. (Eastern) Ltd., W. S. Tomlinson-C. W. Taylor and A. M. Mills, unlawfully did in the district of Thunder Bay and elsewhere in the province of Ontario between the years 1949 and 1953 inclusive, conspire together and with each other and with one R. F. Petruson, to commit an indictable offence to wit:

"By deceit or falsehood or other fraudulent means defraud Her Majesty's Government of Canada."

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WISE WILD. GEESE HEAD SOUTH AGAIN

At six o'clock last evening, Alderman W. H. Spicer spotted two flocks of geese coming and going.

"So help me," said the alderman, "When they got about as far as Arthur street, both flocks turned around and started south again, as much as to say, 'You can have this, we're going back.'"

Jeep Driver Gravely Hurt In Collision

A 32-year-old South Gillies man, Valerio Dragata, lies critically injured in McKellar hospital as the result of a motor vehicle accident at the junction of the Twin City Crossroads and Highway 17 yesterday afternoon when his jeep and a car came into collision.

Dragata suffers head injuries, lacerations to his face and ear, and serious back injuries. He was alone in the jeep and was travelling north on the Twin City Crossroads at the time of the accident, provincial police said.

The other car involved was driven by Rene Tremblay, 34, 209 Lincoln street, Port Arthur, who was going west on Highway 17 when he crashed into the centre of the jeep. Tremblay suffered an injured right knee and his passenger, Leo Nadeau, 26, also of 309 Lincoln avenue, suffered a one-inch laceration under his chin and possible internal injuries.

The jeep rolled over several times after the impact, went through a fence, and came to rest in a field. Dragata was taken to hospital by Packard Ambulance service. The jeep was a total wreck, police said, and the car was heavily damaged.

Nadeau and Tremblay were taken to hospital by O.P.P. Constable W. S. Hanes who investigated the mishap. Time of the accident was about 12:45 p.m.

No one was hurt in a car accident on the Nipigon highway eight miles east of Port Arthur about 4:15 p.m. yesterday. A car

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French Invited To Talks

HANOI, Indo-China (CP) — The Communist rebel command in Indo-China tonight invited the French to fly envoys into Dien Bien Phu to discuss evacuating wounded from the fallen fortress.

The rebel commander, Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap, broadcast the offer to the French commander, Gen. Henri Navarre.

The rebel broadcast proposed the French should send envoys in by helicopters.

The rebel consent followed a French proposal for talks on the evacuation project, contained in a note parachuted into Dien Bien Phu earlier today by a French plane.

The evacuation was agreed upon by French and Rebel delegates to the Geneva Far East conference Monday.

PLANNING AIRLIFT

A French army spokesman earlier reported Gen. Henri Navarre, commander of the French Union forces in Indo-China, had orders to rush preparations for airlifting the more than 1,000 wounded soldiers from the fallen fortress.

SAIGON, Indo-China (AP)—The French rushed preparations today for an airlift of their wounded from the fallen fortress of Dien Bien Phu.

A French Army spokesman said Gen. Henri Navarre, commander of French Union forces in Indo-China, has been instructed by the Paris government to contact the Vietminh commander, Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap, and arrange for the mercy lift as soon as possible.

The Communists agreed at the Geneva conference Monday that the French may fly out 1,300 severely wounded French Union troops the Reds said they captured when they seized the northwest Indo-China bastion Friday after 56 days of repeated attacks.

It could not be learned immediately whether Navarre had been able yet to get in touch with (Continued on Page 2, Column 4)

Funds Are "Pirated" From Blind

TORONTO (CP)—The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, conducting a campaign to raise \$3,150,000 for a new headquarters centre here, said today that during the last two weeks "pirates" have plundered a considerable amount of money which unsuspecting persons intended for the fund.

William Dies, CNIB sales manager, said that from a headquarters somewhere in the metropolitan Toronto area, honey-voiced women telephone to beg money "for the blind" and try to sell goods they say have been made by the blind. Then other members of the group go to the homes of persons taken in by the sales talk.

"The CNIB never uses the telephone to solicit funds or sales at campaign time or any other season," Dies said.

A \$50,000 grant to the building fund was announced today by the National Trust Co. Ltd., trustees of the J. P. Bickell Foundation. It will cover cost of furnishings and equipment for the residence building of the proposed new centre near Sunnybrook Hospital.

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A particle of iron found in the window owned by a Fort William man was analyzed last week and nickel and iron were found to be a fragment of that reached the window by burning out, it was found.

The metal particle was analyzed by Trevor Pried, a mining instructor at the head Technical Institute in Fort William. It was found to be iron with just a trace of nickel. The particle was half-embedded in the window glass on the right car owned by Harold North Harold S. Williams.

Mr. Pried said the particle was about one-sixth inch in diameter and was pried out of the window with a knife. The iron it corresponded close to that of a fragment of iron found in the window of a car owned by a Fort William man.

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Queen After

GIBRALTAR (AP)—The Queen is expected to arrive today—deeply tanned after a long tour of the British Empire.

Thousands lined the shore to cheer the Queen as she arrived at Edinburgh and then as she began a five-day voyage to London. The Queen faces a come in London where the proportions of the "fever" will be high.

Her two-day visit to Gibraltar here was the engagement of the sovereign to the Duke of Edinburgh.

LAYS CORNER-STONE The sovereign did this morning lay the foundation stone of George VI Memorial.

Among the farewells the Queen will receive at the Royal Family was a message from the Duke of Edinburgh. Queen received a message from the Duke of Edinburgh and the Duke of York.

With the Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen will also call on some "ant persons," the 40 Queen's Gate park. L that if they disappear on the rock will be a disaster.

Prince Charles, 5, Anne, 3, Monday had time for their trip feeding peanuts to the birds.

There have been demonstrations again visit, though Spaniards the frontier could be held by the big crowds the Queen on her arrival in Gibraltar.

Spanish authorities announced that the Queen will spend 24-hour ban prevent Gibraltar from making across to Spain.

OBJECT TO VISITS They apparently newspaper correspondents here for the making frequent visits territory to check on there.

As the Spanish d Gibraltar are a cost here, the 22,800 people were pleased at the Queen on its future d told a luncheon of Britain to ensure the ing of the colony and Gibraltar.

'WE'D BE SITTING DUCKS'

Canada Plans no Let-up