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## Bombers Vietnam

Raids began, Radio Hanoi warned that no American prisoners would be released "so long as U.S. warplanes continue to violate North Vietnam and the Nixon administration refuses to take the steps necessary to end the war."

The North Vietnamese foreign ministry accused the United States of "deliberately violating the U.S. promise to completely halt all bombing against North Vietnam."

The strikes began Sunday morning from air force bases in South Vietnam and Thailand and from the carriers Constellation and Coral Sea in the Tonkin Gulf. The raids continued around the clock.

While informants in Saigon said the raiders were making an all-out assault to lessen the threat of North Vietnamese MIGs, surface-to-air missiles and anti-aircraft artillery, the U.S. command said the strikes were of "limited duration" and would end at an undisclosed time.

The command said only "military targets" were being hit, but Radio Hanoi claimed that the planes bombed and strafed a hospital in Thanh Hoa, a provincial capital 70 miles south of Hanoi, and populated areas in two other provinces along the Laotian border.

## Protests in Gov't

violations was the second made by China against India this month.

Dec. 16, the Chinese issued a statement that Indian troops had intruded into Chinese territory across the Sikkim border Dec. 10.

## Santa Claus Is Taken To Court

INVERCARGILL, N.Z. (Reuter) — Santa Claus was formally charged by police in the magistrate's court today with disorderly behavior.

After Justice of the Peace George Skipworth had dealt with the day's usual court business, police brought an unscheduled charge against Santa Claus, whose address was listed as Toyland Caves, North Pole, Arctic Circle. Santa Claus was not in court.

The charge read that "on Dec. 25, 1971, being under the influence of drink, Mr. Santa Claus was found in charge of six reindeer unlawfully on the cell block roof of Invercargill police station and unlawfully attempting to enter the said cell block through a shower vent."

# Hijacker Safe in Cuba; Jet Returns to Toronto

## Gunman Diverts Flight Out of Here

TORONTO (CP) — A hijacked Air Canada DC-9 returned to Toronto from Havana today leaving behind in Cuba a "very rational" hijacker who, although armed with a handgun and a grenade, told the six-man crew he didn't want to do them any harm.

The aircraft returned here at 5:43 a.m. EST, about 10 hours after a passenger handed a stewardess a note advising the crew that he was diverting the plane from its Thunder Bay-to-Toronto route and demanding that he be flown to Cuba.

Mrs. Helga Weterings, 32, of Toronto, one of the plane's four stewardesses, told a news conference the man said he "had a mission to fulfil," but he did not elaborate.

Mrs. Weterings was accompanied at the news conference by Captain Donald Glendinning, 42, of Winnipeg; First Officer Hugh Reid, 33, Winnipeg and another stewardess, Ruth-Anne Snell, 21, of Woodstock, Ont.

### WASN'T WORRIED

Miss Snell said she wasn't worried after the hijacker permitted the other 83 passengers to leave the plane when it first landed at Toronto because "I didn't think he'd do anything."

She said the man, described earlier as relaxed but careful and watchful, showed her a picture of his wife and a little boy of about three.

Mrs. Weterings said he was "very rational."

She was in the galley working

with Miss Snell and stewardesses Virginia Harnadeck, 21, and Jeanne Keldson, 27, both of Toronto, when a passenger handed Miss Keldson a note.

"Jeanne did what she was told," Mrs. Weterings said. "She went into the cockpit and gave the note to the captain."

The plane completed its flight to Toronto, and after the passengers disembarked the hijacker lined up the stewardesses in the galley while holding a gun in his right hand and a grenade in his left.

She described the hijacker, in his early 20s, as "small and fine-featured with dark-rimmed glasses."

The note handed to Miss Keldson at 7:50 a.m. said:

"Think. We have fragmentation grenades and a .38 calibre

revolver. Take me to the captain. We are going to Havana. This is no joke."

### PLANE REFUELLED

The 96-seat aircraft, flying a holiday trip from Toronto Thunder Bay on the north shore of Lake Superior and return, landed at Toronto International Airport at 7:55 p.m. and was refuelled after the passengers left.

It took off for Cuba at 8:45 p.m., arriving in Havana three hours later.

Canadian diplomatic representatives had it released by Cuban officials at 2:45 a.m. and the return flight to Toronto began almost immediately.

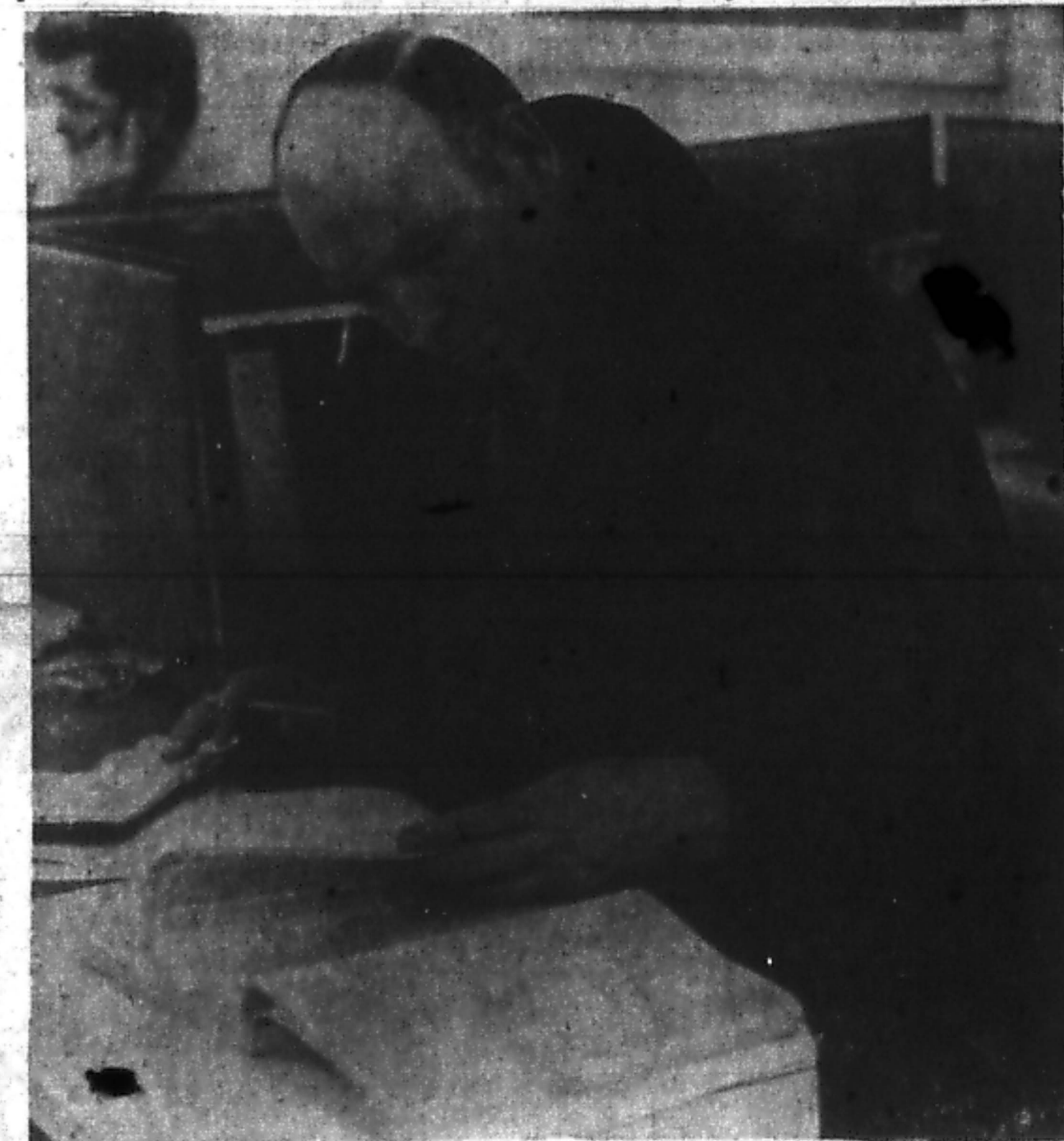
Miss Snell said the hijacker at one point asked for a deck of cards.

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PLANE HIJACKED — This is a stock picture of an Air Canada DC-9 jetliner similar to aircraft with 83

persons aboard which was hijacked Sunday night en route to Toronto from Thunder Bay. —CP Wirephoto



POLICE CHECK PASSENGER LIST — Det. Z. Magdee of Thunder Bay Police checks passenger list of Air

Canada DC-9 jet which was hijacked at Thunder Bay Airport Sunday night. —T-J Staff Photo

## "It's A Boy!"



### Christmas Baby For Trudeaus

OTTAWA (CP) — Margaret Trudeau Christmas night became the first wife of a Canadian prime minister in 102 years to bear a child while her husband was in office.

The 23-year-old daughter of former fisheries minister James Sinclair of Vancouver gave birth to her six-pound, nine-ounce son at 9:27 p.m. The announcement of the birth by Peter Roberts, Prime Minister Trudeau's press secretary, said:

"Mrs. Trudeau and the boy are both in good health."

No name for the boy has yet been announced.

At least one news photogra-

dian prime minister in office was Mary Macdonald, Feb. 7, 1869.

She was born to Agnes Macdonald, second wife of Sir John A. Macdonald.

Prime Minister Trudeau, now 53, caught the world off guard March 4 when he and his wife were married secretly in North Vancouver while he was supposed to be enjoying a western ski weekend.

While he was known at that time to be dating the fourth of the five Sinclair girls, much more was made publicly of his other dates—among them a number of international celebrities.

cabinet of prime minister Lester Pearson.

After that, although they dated regularly, hers was not one of the names linked most publicly with his.

After the marriage, expected to create a whole new level of social whirl in the capital, the Trudeau's settled down to a quiet existence with only a few exceptions.

High among these were Mrs. Trudeau's trip with the prime minister to the Soviet Union, and her attendance at functions connected with the state visits here of Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin and Yugoslavian President Tito in October. Her last public appearance

## Plane's First Officer Is Fort William Native

By RICK McCUTCHEON

here to Toronto carried a man with a gun and an intended destination of Havana, Cuba. According to Air Canada's lo-

some 77 economy fares and six people going first class. "The flight seemed to be normal," he reported today. According to