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Defense Minister Campney figured in the Canadian military dispute involving Air Vice Marshal John L. Plant. When the Marshal suggested that the Canadian Army should be abolished, so that money and manpower could be concentrated on the Air Force, Campney order his demotion and transfer. Believing that Plant's remarks were made in jest, he nevertheless insisted that they were "highly inappropriate coming" from a service officer" (New York Times, June 7, 1955). Campney declared that he was preparing a body of rules for government officials to follow in their public addresses.

G. V. Ferguson, editor of the Montreal Star, writing for the Washington Post and Times Herald (June 12, 1955), commented: "Nothing more sharply points up the differences between the United States and Canadian systems of government than this incident. In Canada, we adhere strictly to the theory that civil servant (including admirals, generals and air marshals) shall be seen and not heard."

The Minister's enjoyment of flying has made him a keen advocate of air research and development. He has served as president of the Air Force Officers' Association of Vancouver, and as chairman of the British Columbia Committee of the Air Cadet League of Canada, as well as a director of this last organization. He is a member of the university council and the board of trustees of Queen's University, his alma mater. Campney belongs to the Royal Ottawa Gold Club, the Rideau Club in Ottawa, and the Vancouver Club in his home city. He was appointed King's Counsel in 1940 and Queen's Counsel in 1953.

Mrs. Campney is the former Vera Wilhemina Farsnworth, to whom he was married on November 25, 1925. They have a son, Alan, a graduate of Queen's University (Bachelor of Commerce degree, 1951) and the University of British Columbia (LL.B. degree). Campney spends his leisure hours fishing, gardening or reading. Much of his reading is about the American Civil War, which he has studied closely, and Abraham Lincoln. He and his wife are descendants of American settlers in Canada, who had fought in the Civil War. Campney's ancestors fought for the Northern cause, while his wife's forbears defended the Confederacy.

Ralph Campney is five feet ten inches tall, weighs 220 pounds, and has blue eyes and brown hair. he is jovial and hearty in manner, which makes people like him immediately. he believes that it may be time to re-examine the entire Canadian defense organization in order to get the most for each taxpayer's dollar. Whatever his plans, the country stands solidly behind him, for as the Liberal Spokesman (August 1954) has written, "he is a man who has a record for making good his promises."

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CARNEGIE, DALE Nov. 24, 1888- Author; lecturer

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NOTE: This supersedes the biography of Dale Carnegie which appeared in Current Biography in December 1941.

CARNEGIE, DOROTHY (REEDER PRICE) Nov. 3, 1912- Instructor; author

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"Believe that you will succeed, and you will," a maxim from How to Win friends and Influence People by Dale Carnegie, author and lecturer, and "Learn to love, respect and enjoy other people," and axiom from How To Help your Husband Get Ahead by Dorohy Carnegie were used to launch the 1955 spring sessions of Dale and Dorothy Carnegie Courses for Women.

A pioneer in public speaking and personality development, Sale Carnegie is best known for his book How to Win friends and Influence People (Simon & Schuster, 1937), of which over 1,300,000 copies have been sold in American and English editions. It has been translated into thirty-four other languages. He has written several other books including How to Stop Worrying and Start Living, a best seller in 1948, and also operations the Carnegie Institute of Effective Speaking and Human Relations. His wife is vice-president of the Dale and Dorothy Carnegie Courses for Women, which they organized in 1950. Carnegie's courses have "saved many a tongue-tied Caspar

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