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SLIGHT PROGRESS MADE IN CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE

Chinese Nationalists Under Pressure At U. N.

Market Problems Are Debated At Farm Federation

Farmer Premiers At Ottawa Parley

OTTAWA, Jan. 11 — (Special) — Prince Edward Island Premier J. Walter Jones today stood foursquare for the desirability of having farmers as Premiers of Canadian Provinces rather than lawyers.

The question came up at the second day's session of the Dominion-Provincial conference on constitutional amendments and was introduced by Manitoba Premier D. L. Campbell, speaking on the issue of procedure of the conference. Mr. Campbell referred to himself as one of the "laymen" of the parley as contrasted to those around the table endowed with legal training.

Both Premier Jones and British Columbia's Premier Byron Johnson hastened to climb aboard the laymen's bandwagon. Said Mr. Jones:

"I speak as a layman, and I may say that I am one of a group of farmers present here. I was looking at the Fathers of Confederation the other day and I could not find one farmer in the group. The professional men were ruling the roost in those days. Here however, at this conference, we have four or five farmers, Mr. Manning, Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Johnson and myself. I think that the farmers are feeling better.

"Our suggestions yesterday were embodied in Premier Macdonald's suggestions of topics for discussion and we would just like to go along with those if the committee will agree," Mr. Jones added.

Recalling the fate of the Dominion-Provincial conference of 1946, he said, "I see no reason nor excuse for anyone getting up and walking out at this stage, but I think we must move along to particular points for agreement."

(It is suggested here that Premier Jones drew the long bow somewhat in referring to Newfoundland Premier Joseph Smallwood as a farmer. Today in speaking to the Canadian Club of Ottawa on "The inside story of Newfoundland's entry to the union," Mr. Smallwood described himself as a former "impecunious newspaperman.")

IS ACQUITTED

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 11 — (CP) — Sheldon G. Elliott, 18, of Beaver Harbor, was acquitted of a manslaughter charge in the Saint John Circuit Court today. The case arose from the death of Raymond Hebert, 19, West Saint John, shot while hunting near Lepreau last October.

Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Ganhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Unloading Old Sydney Coal today at Milton. Vernon Gillespie.
- Auction and Dance in Millview Hall, Friday, January 13th.
- Pleasant Valley Congregational Meeting Thursday, January 12th, at 7 P. M.
- New Glasgow tonight at 8.00. "Texas Masquerade" featuring "Hopalong Cassidy." Also songs by Jim Austin in person.
- The drawing for the Electric Washer at the Georgetown New Rink is postponed until January 28th.
- To arrive Vernon soon, car Old Sydney Coal (Princess). Book your orders now. Russell Jenkins. Phone 1809-J Charlottetown.
- Weather permitting, horse races will be held on the Hunter River speedway Saturday afternoon. Classes for all.
- Urgent—Patrons of New Glasgow Dairying Company. Please bring in cream tickets as soon as possible, on account of sheets being destroyed by fire Sunday.
- Show Morev every Tuesday and Friday only. Show 3 o'clock. Coming Friday only. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer brings you another great drama as wonderful as "The Green Years." "Hills of Home." In Technicolor, starring Edward G. Robinson, Donald Crisp, Tom Drake, Janet Leigh and Lennie. Don't miss this. It's a good show.

Dr. Tsiang Asked To Step Down As President

By NORMAN ALSTEDTER
LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Jan. 11 — (CP) — Nationalist China today has not yet replied to strong diplomatic pressure to step down from presidency of the United Nations Security Council until the Chinese question is settled.

Informed sources said Dr. T. F. Tsiang, top Nationalist delegate, has not yet replied to suggestions by several Western Council members that he hand over his presidential duties to Carlo Blanco of Cuba.

Object of the move would be to simplify the tangled situation in the Council, pointed up by Russia's walkout Tuesday protesting Tsiang's continued presence there.

The question uppermost in delegates' minds is whether Jacob A. Malik, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, will return to the Council tomorrow when his demand for Tsiang's expulsion will be discussed.

Some delegates privately expressed belief that Malik's walkout was staged merely to give Communist China the impression (Continued on Page 5 Col. 6)

Agree On Need For Early Japanese Peace Treaty

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Jan. 11 — (CP) — The Commonwealth conference reached general agreement today that a Japanese peace treaty should be concluded at an early date, a communique said.

Reports from the conference, however, said the delegates discussed several difficulties blocking the way.

Australia and New Zealand were said to have stressed safeguards against a revival of Japanese militarism. Canada pointed out the difficulty of holding a general peace conference, saying Russia and Communist China may prove unco-operative.

L. B. Pearson, Canada's External Affairs Minister, was reported to have injected a note of cautious realism into the Japanese debate.

While accepting the view that the earlier a Japanese settlement can be completed the better for all, Pearson was reported to have reminded the conference that any formal treaty negotiated in association with Russia and Communist China would necessarily be a limited one.

Russia has made it clear that she will not embark on Japanese treaty discussions without the right of veto and has insisted that work of drafting the treaty be undertaken solely by the Big Five — Britain, the United States, Russia, France and China.

Pearson also urged the delegates, some of whom wish the earliest Japanese treaty and withdrawal of occupation troops, to show understanding of the special position of the United States and her security responsibility as an occupying power.

Foreign Secretary Bevin of Britain presented a paper in which he said the military occupation of Japan cannot continue indefinitely.

Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India, supported by Pakistan and Ceylon, also declared it would not do to keep 80,000,000 people under military occupation forever. He was said to have warned against treaty terms which would drive the Japanese into the arms of Russia.

One delegate said the Commonwealth countries plan to set up machinery for constant consultation on a Japanese treaty.

The delegates then turned to discussion of political and economic conditions in Southeast Asia (Continued on Page 5 Col. 5)

Railways Opposed To Suggested Wage Boost

MONTREAL, Jan. 11 — (CP) — Even as new wage demands on the railways were reported in prospect, Canada's railways today came out in opposition to demands of 116,500 employees for shortened work hours and increased pay.

Appearing before a conciliation board the major Canadian railways, in a brief, said increased freight rates would result from any wage increases at the present time to members of the 15 International Railway Brotherhoods whose demands are in dispute.

The Brotherhoods ask a reduction of eight hours in the current 48-hour week with the same take-home pay and a wage increase of seven cents an hour.

As the second day of sittings by the conciliation board under Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson of Vancouver progressed it was reported without official confirmation that the operating trades—the men who run trains—are about to ask for 20-cents-an-hour more.

J. J. Hendrick of Toronto, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, said he had heard rumors of such a demand but wouldn't know for sure until "the membership decides."

Following completion of the railway brief this afternoon Mr. Justice Wilson adjourned the board's sittings until Feb. 13 to enable both sides to prepare rebuttals. He told the two parties that he had never heard better presentations "even from my own profession."

Tomorrow another conciliation board, also headed by Mr. Justice Wilson, will hear the demands of the 35,000-member Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees (C.B.R.E.). The C.B.R.E. demands are similar to those of the international unions except they seek an hourly wage increase of 10 cents.

Yesterday Frank Hall, chairman of the Brotherhoods negotiating committee, called for fast settlement of the dispute and said that it was unjust to pay Canadian workers lower rates than United States rail workers get for similar work.

Civil Servants To Ask For Wage Boost

TORONTO, Jan. 11 — (CP) — Federal civil servants today decided at a convention here to seek an interview with Prime Minister St. Laurent and his Cabinet to press for an annual wage increase of \$360. The amount is the difference between what they requested in 1948 and what they were awarded. Delegates were told that Fin. Minister Abbott had been interviewed on the matter and had stated he could not see his way clear to recommend such an increase.

High Winds In N. Y. New Jersey Areas

NEW YORK, Jan. 11 — (AP) — Winds up to 75 miles an hour whipped across New York and New Jersey today, ripping off roofs, tearing down telephone lines and uprooting trees in some places. The Weather Bureau at Buffalo said winds up to 51 miles an hour with gusts in the mid-70s temporarily disrupted power and telephone service in many communities in Western New York.

Duplessis' Suggestion Is Rejected

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL
OTTAWA, Jan. 11 — (CP) — The Dominion-Provincial constitutional conference today made slow progress towards agreement on a formula for amending the Canadian constitution in Canada.

The measure of agreement was slight, but the second day of the conference brought these four main developments:

1. Representatives of Canada's 11 governments agreed to form a committee to co-ordinate the proposals of three provinces regarding the classification of constitutional powers.

2. The conference agreed on some of the powers that should be entrenched in the constitution and made amendable only with the consent of all provinces.

3. Premier Duplessis of Quebec unsuccessfully urged the government to repeal immediately constitutional legislation on matters passed at the last session of parliament.

4. Several premiers suggested that the conference agree on general principles and then establish a continuing committee of experts to work out the details of a formula for future constitutional amendments.

The developments came as members argued over the procedure to be followed in drafting a basic formula for future constitutional amendments.

The conference was called specifically to consider the desirability of transferring from the United Kingdom to Canada the power to amend the constitution on matters within joint jurisdiction of the Dominion and the Provinces.

Mr. Duplessis said he felt the conference could make greater headway if the Federal Government repeated the legislation passed at the last session of Parliament. The legislation transferred from the United Kingdom Parliament the power to amend the constitution or most matters within Federal jurisdiction.

The Quebec Premier said he considered the legislation a "definite, serious and severe encroachment" of provincial rights and said the conference should be asked to deal with the constitution as a whole and not piece-meal.

Prime Minister St. Laurent said he did not consider the legislation of the last session an encroachment of provincial rights. He said if the conference could agree to (Continued on Page 11 Col. 3)

Business Pressure Making More Kent Street Changes

Further evidence of unprecedented business activity on Kent Street, was seen yesterday in the purchase by Messrs. Douglas and Jones, local plumbers and well diggers, of the large residential property owned by the Stewart estate, immediately adjoining the Old Spain restaurant. The purchase price was \$25,000.

The purchasers, who are at present located in Mr. Maurice Block's building on the opposite side of the street, plan extensive remodeling of their property into a modern office and equipment building with commodious show-room facilities.

The front will be extended to the street and an option has been taken on a garage at the rear of the property, with an outlet on Fitzroy Street, for further extension. The remodeling work will not commence until May.

The Block building above referred to is to be replaced early this spring by a new \$75,000 building, which in addition to housing Block's Surplus Assets will accommodate two other business firms.

These buildings are within a short distance of the old Stanley Shaw and Pearson building, corner of Kent and Great George Streets, which is now undergoing extensive alterations for the New Way Furniture Company.

Negotiations are also reportedly going on by a large business concern for another property on Kent Street, situated in the vicinity of the New Way building on the opposite side of the street.

Meanwhile there is still much speculation as to the purchasers of a large frontage of Kent Street property located east of Stewart's Bakery and including the Eldon Hotel in the same block as the Douglas and Jones property. Purchase of this site was made some time ago through a trust company and recently the tenants received notice to quit.

Steamer Loading Potatoes At Georgetown

The S.S. Laita Dan, Capt. J. Mikkelsen, registered tonnage 972.50, docked at Georgetown Tuesday evening. Her port of registry is Esbjerg, Denmark.

The freighter, which arrived at Georgetown from Baltimore, U.S.A., is loading from fifty to sixty thousand bags of seed and table stock potatoes equal to about 100 railway carloads. The Laita Dan started loading yesterday. Main loaders are Associated Shippers, Charlottetown. It is expected the loading will take four to five days.

Report Tough East Berlin Police Chief Has Vanished

Markgraf made himself disturbingly evident to the Western Allies when the Russians took him out of a Soviet war prison camp and made him police chief.

Shortly afterward people who were opposed to Communism or the Russians began to disappear wholesale.

The City Council was spurred to direct action by the disappearance of Dieter Friede, editor of the American-licensed newspaper, Der Abend. Friede was lured into the Soviet sector by a fake telephone call and did not return. He has never been heard from.

Relations between Markgraf and the City Council were touchy but officials were hamstrung by Markgraf's Russian support.

Italian Cabinet Decides To Resign

ROME, Jan. 11 — (AP) — Premier Alcide de Gasperi's Coalition Government decided tonight to resign, clearing the way for a re-organization he has planned since last October.

The decision came, by coincidence, after a day in which Communists demonstrated by the thousands against Italian police for the slaying of six foundry workers in a riot at Modena Monday. Communist spokesmen condemned a new anti-government campaign. These demonstrators, however, did not precipitate the Cabinet crisis.

Farmers Want Voice In Setting Prices

TORONTO, Jan. 11 — (CP) — Agriculture Minister Kennedy of Ontario said today that farmers want a voice in setting prices for their produce. He was speaking at the opening session of the 13th annual Ontario Federation of Agriculture convention. Some 650 delegates are expected to attend the meetings which end Friday. Mr. Kennedy said the time was gone when a man could do everything himself. The Federation could organize farmers to sell co-operatively. His greatest personal difficulty in farming was marketing his produce.

Entries For Stock Show

AMHERST, N. S., Jan. 11 — (CP) — W. R. Trueman, president of the Amherst Spring Stock Show and Sale, said today 189 head of cattle have been entered so far for the fourth annual two-day show this year. Dates will be set at an executive meeting Jan. 17.

FITNESS SCHOLARSHIPS

OTTAWA, Jan. 11 — (CP) — Federal funds have been allocated this year for postgraduate scholarships in physical fitness and recreation. The Health Department announced today. Last year, five students received grants of from \$500 to \$1,000 to take graduate work at United States universities. The scholarships were first established last year.

HALIFAX, Jan. 11 — (CP) — Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax.

Synopsis: The storm which caused snow and rain over the district early Wednesday now is centred over Northern Newfoundland. The storm is continuing to move rapidly northeast away from the Maritimes. Strong northwest winds and gales, in the wake of the storm, are bringing colder air to Eastern Canada, and temperatures will drop to near-zero in the northernmost regions during the night.

Present indications are that the cold spell will be short-lived, as southerly winds will probably bring milder weather again Friday.

Regional forecasts, valid until midnight Thursday: Prince Edward Island: Variable cloudiness with snowflurries. Very cold Thursday, snowflurries 30, gusts to 45, diminishing by afternoon to northwest 20. Low and high at Charlottetown 7 and 17.

High tide today at 4:37 A. M. and 4:42 P. M.

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“Keep Left” Policy Is Urged On Labor Party

LONDON, Jan. 11 — (Reuters) — A group of 12 leftist Labor members of Parliament today published a new "keep left" policy which their leader R. H. Crossman described as "the way to win the general election."

The policy, framed at secret meetings in the university city of Oxford, surprised political observers by the way in which it keeps within the party line, particularly in foreign policy.

Crossman and others of the 12 have, in the past, been severe critics of Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.

Main deviations from the Government include criticism of the annual defence bill of £76,000,000 which is considered excessive, and opposition to peace-time military conscription.

The group includes three parliamentary private secretaries to Government Ministers. Their main points include:

1. Support for the "rising consciousness" among millions of people in the under-developed areas of "their right to share in the fuller life possible for all in the modern world."

2. Acceptance of the fact that if a country such as Tito's Yugoslavia genuinely achieves a social revolution "we have no right to interfere, as long as it does not seek to impose it on its neighbors."

3. A prime responsibility of British socialism is to "expose the fallacy" that military strength is the sole bulwark against Communism. "The first line of democracy's defence must be a policy of full employment and fair shares."

4. Britain, in concert with the British powers, should initiate new proposals for the elimination, under international control and inspection, of mass destruction weapons such as the atom bomb.

5. Since 1948 Britain has undertaken large-scale rearmament commitments "We must recognize that, if fulfilled, these must ultimately imperil our standard of life." Any reduction of the defence bill means a revision of overseas commitments — but this is a lesser danger than economic instability.

6. Use of conscripted men to garrison overseas stations is wasteful and should cease. Labor should announce that conscription will ultimately be ended, while retaining compulsory part-time service.

7. Britain should seek to encourage replacement of Marshall aid by a world-wide implementation of the Truman four point program. She should call for an extension of the International Monetary Fund to ensure a more equal international distribution of the world's wealth and income. A large flow of dollars should enable backward countries to build up their standard of life.

TO A LOT OF FOLKS IT'S ALL IN A DAY'S SHIRK

