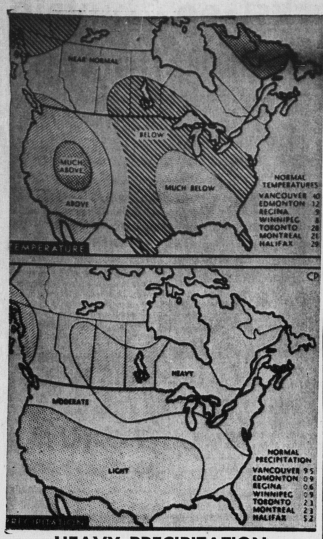

HEAVY PRECIPITATION

Temperatures will be near normal for most of Canada in December according to the 30-day outlook of the United States weather bureau. Above-normal temperatures are expected for Quebec and the Maritimes and below-normal in southern Manitoba and part of Saskatchewan. Precipitation is expected to be heavy in most parts. Precipitation is measured in inches of rain; one inch of rain equals 10 inches of snow. Other temperatures for the period: New York, 36; New Orleans, 55; San Francisco, 50. Other precipitations are: New York, 3.4; New Orleans, 4.1; and San Francisco, 4.1.

(CP Newsmap)

Canadians Determined To Prevent Country From Becoming Satellite

Associated Press reporter Max Harrelson, basing his observations on a recent tour of Canada, says Canadians want to "shuck off" a feeling of dependence on the United States. In this article, fourth of five, he details common Canadian complaints about U.S. influence.

By MAX HARRLESON

OTTAWA (AP) — Canadians are determined not to let their country become a United States satellite—or even to have the appearance of being one.

They have demonstrated their political independence by trading with Cuba and China and they are moving toward eventual recognition of the Peking government.

But they are tied closely to the U.S. through the North American defence system and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Since last year they have had American-owned nuclear warheads at two Canadian Bomarc missile bases.

For this reason, they are extremely sensitive to U. S. foreign policy decisions.

This accounts in part for the keen interest Canadians showed in the U.S. presidential election. Both Prime Minister Pearson and Opposition Leader Diefenbaker hailed President Johnson's victory as a guarantee of continued friendly U. S.-Canada relations.

DO BIG BUSINESS

On economic matters, Canadian nationalists find it much more difficult to assert their independence. The two countries do more business with each other than with anybody else. About 60 per cent of Canadian exports go to the U.S., and about two-thirds of Canadian imports are from the U.S.

One common complaint of Canadians is that Americans own so much of their country that Canada is no longer master of its own house.

"There is no country in the world," says Finance Minister Gordon, "that can make any pretense of being independent if it does not control its own communications media, its own financial institutions and, in one way or another, the general nature of the decisions made by those who direct its industries."

Comedian Dave Broadfoot joked: "If President Johnson wants to do something to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of Confederation he might give Canada back to the Canadians."

INVESTMENTS UP

There have been efforts by both main political parties to discourage foreign investments, but the pressure of provincial governments and of business was so great the proposed measures were dropped. U.S. investments are increasing.

Non-residents, mostly Americans, control 70 per cent of the investments in Canadian petroleum and natural gas, 59 per cent in mining and smelting and 60 per cent in manufacturing. This means that major decisions often are made by people who live outside Canada. It also means huge sums of money flow abroad in interest and dividends.

Foreign control of Canadian economy worries Canadians and hurts their pride.

They are afraid, for example, that in the event of a business slump U.S. owners might close their Canadian subsidiaries and cause large - scale unemployment, while keeping their U.S. plants in operation. They also resent the application of U.S. laws, such as those restricting exports to Cuba and China, to Canadian subsidiaries.

Trade Minister Sharp has said Canada is not worried that the U.S. will be unfriendly but that it may "neglect to take our legitimate interests into account."

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Pearson Sends Ethics Code To Members Of His Cabinet

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson has written a letter to his cabinet colleagues setting forth a code of ethics and morality that should be followed by them in the performance of their public responsibilities.

The letter represents the prime minister's reaction to recent charges in the Commons of bribery and coercion in high places in connection with a Montreal extradition case.

A spokesman in Mr. Pearson's office said here that the letter was sent to all members of the cabinet Tuesday.

"The theme of the letter is ethics and morality in public life," he said.

Erik Nielsen (PC — Yukon) has charged—and the government has neither denied nor confirmed — that a ministerial aide tried to bribe a Montreal lawyer to drop opposition to bail for Lucien Rivard, whom the United States wants extradited to the U.S. on a charge of heroin smuggling.

Mr. Nielsen said that Raymond Denis, executive assistant to Immigration Minister Tremblay, offered a bribe of $20,000 to Pierre Lamontagne, counsel for the U.S. government in the extradition case. He said the offer was refused.

As a result of the charges Mr. Justice Frederic Dorion, chief justice of the eastern division of the Quebec Superior Court, was appointed to make an inquiry.

NOT PREJUDGING CASE

The spokesman said that the prime minister states in the letter that he is not prejudging the inquiry and that he still believes there should be a moratorium on comment on the case.

However, the letter states there could be no moratorium on whether service that could affect the confidence of the people of Canada and a proper discharge of public afairs.

The spokesman said that the letter states "there is no obligation not simply to observe the law but to act in a manner so scrupulously that it will bear the closest scrutiny." It adds that "the conduct of public business must be beyond question in terms of moral standards, objectivity and equality of treatment."

In the letter Mr Pearson said that no member of the staff of any cabinet minister should seek to obtain treatment that would not be accorded to any other Canadian.

Coffin Case Damages Filed

MONTREAL (CP) — Three persons connected with the murder trial and execution of Wilbert Coffin filed actions for $120,000 damages against the authors, publishers and distributions of a book about the controversial case.

The actions were filed by J. Alphonse Maile, chief inspector of the Quebec Provincial Police, Noel Dorion, former secretary ofstate, and prosecutor at the Coffin trial, and Charles - Edouard Cantin, Quebec deputy attorney-general.

Subject of the libel suits is the book J'Accuse les Assassins de Coffin," by Jacques Hebert, published by les Editions du Jour Incorporated, distributed by la Compagnie de la Patrie Limitee and distributed in an English translation, I Accuse the Assassins of Coffin," by Benjamin News Company.

Coffin was convicted of the murder of one of three hunters from the United States whose bodies were found in the Gaspe woods in 1953. He was hanged in February, 1956.

Mr. Hebert's book has been credited with sparking a Quebec royal commission inquiry into the famous trial. Results of the inquiry, presided over by Mr.Justice Roger Brossard, are contained in a 750-page report made to the Quebec attorney-general but not yet made public.

CHANCE MEETING UNITES

CALGARY (CP)—Two cousins met—19 years later and thousands of miles from their original homes—during an afternoon stroll here. Mrs. Fred Genest spoke to a little boy on the street and later discovered his mother was her cousin, believed to have died 19 years ago in an East German village. Mrs. Genest left East Germany after the war while her cousin, Mrs. Edward Ahner, came to Lethbridge in 1954 and Calgary in 1956.

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