

ADDITIONAL AID SOUGHT

Provincial Feed Shortage May Reach Serious Level

Indications that the feed shortage will reach serious proportions in this province were seen yesterday afternoon in statements made at the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture meeting.

Roland MacDonald, Southport, told the meeting the man who crushes grain in his area told him half of the farmers in the area are out of grain now. Mr. MacDonald, a past president of the federation, suggested many farmers will have to purchase feed grain for two or three months this winter, in addition to purchasing seed grain for the spring.

Many farmers just haven't got the money to make those purchases, he said as he discussed a resolution asking for "additional assistance" in the moving of Western grain and mill feeds into the province.

The extra feed that is needed will have to be in the form of grain. It's not possible to purchase hay, another speaker said.

"This is the first time I ever counted the bales of hay I'm feeding to my cattle," Mr. MacDonald said as he emphasized the tight cattle feed problem.

J. Lincoln Dewar, federation secretary, said that special assistance is available on shipments of grain during the winter months, under the government's freight assistance policy. It was suggested that there might be some improvement on that because of the feed scarcity here which traces back to the lack of moisture in the growing season.

A resolution adopted said a very high percentage of dairy and beef cattle may have to be sold for slaughter at sacrifice prices if assistance is not made available soon for the purchase of feed. It asked the minister of agriculture to make an immediate survey of the need, and directed the federation executive to work with the minister in carrying out a program of assistance to the farmers in need of feed.

Knud Jorgensen, Fredericton said that many farmers have already have amounted to sacrifice prices owing to shortage of feed. He asked if any assistance will be available to those who have already disposed of their stock.

Vast Changes Seen Imperative In Province's Agriculture Field

Vast changes are needed on the agricultural horizon, Charles Yeo, Sherbrooke told the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture at its 25th annual meeting here last night.

Efficient farmers need encouragement. Inefficient farmers need change in order to get assistance and not to abuse the assistance granted, Mr. Yeo, a past president of the federation, told the meeting. Inefficient farmers should be encouraged to seek other employment, it was suggested.

Mr. Yeo spoke to the dinner meeting of the federation. Special guests included Premier W.R. Shaw, a former federation secretary, and Agriculture Minister Andrew MacRae.

Emphasizing his idea of change the Sherbrooke man who has had wide experience in farm organizations, said a production limit is necessary for assistance eligibility, and he would make that limit high.

HIGHER LIMITS
Instead of having a deficiency payment on eggs limited to 4,000 dozen at 24 cents per dozen, he would have the minimum raised to that quantity and the maximum set at 20,000 dozen at a price of 36 cents.

He'd raise the minimum on milk production eligible for price stabilization, to 60,000 pounds, instead of the present 10,000, and he'd put the maximum at 400,000 pounds. He suggests \$4.00 per hundred as a floor. It's roughly \$3.50 at the plant now, though that is subject to some qualification.

The same higher production units would apply to hogs and beef, suggests the man who farms 200 acres of land and has had wide experience on various farm organizations, and in those closely allied to agriculture.

Mr. Yeo emphasized his opinion that "in all cases" the measure of price stabilization should apply "to assist those who specializing at a level capable of making a decent income".

If, after getting this type of deficiency payment, a farmer does not have a satisfactory income, then it would be to his advantage to take up some other occupation," the practical farm spokesman suggested.

Mr. Yeo voiced an often heard opinion that the payments available for crop failure through the insurance program should be raised to a level that would give a fair return. But, he emphasized, this level should be used "only in the cases where the (Continued on page 5 Col. 6)

Serious Looks Are Taken At Future Of Agriculture

Some serious looks were taken at the immediate and long-range future of agriculture, as the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture observed its 25th anniversary here Tuesday.

The meetings were held in the Charlottetown Hotel.

"Many farm people will probably be purged from the land with all the cruelty of economic ferocity." If that prediction is accurate the need of a strong federation of agriculture becomes more urgent "to cushion changes" that may well mean the destruction of many farm families, and of the family farm system, as we know it," Secretary J. Lincoln Dewar told the meeting.

The federation has not had the degree of support and involvement on the part of farm people with its potential requires, Mr. Dewar explained. But it's financially solvent and there is no danger of its expiring. But there's a real need of better financing, and of putting it in a position to do more for agriculture, for the farmer and for the province.

The auditor's report showed receipts of \$12,294 and expenditures of \$11,310.

President J.A. Rodd, Milton suggested an all out drive for membership as he saw a need for a strong farm organization in the years that age ahead.

CONSULTATION NEEDED
A channel of effective consultation between the federation and the minister of agriculture should be developed. Farm organizations and governments must increasingly work together through satisfactory formal consultative channels, Mr. Rodd said.

Past-president Charles Yeo, Sherbrooke was the guest speaker at the evening dinner meeting. A story on Mr. Yeo's remarks is carried elsewhere in this paper.

Senator Resigns Post, Dies Suddenly Next Day

YARMOUTH, N.S. (CP)—J. Willie Comeau, 89, who resigned from the Senate Monday and was one of Canada's oldest politicians, died in hospital here Tuesday following a brief illness.

Senator Comeau was taken to the hospital about two weeks ago with an undisclosed ailment. Before the illness he had planned to attend the next session of Parliament.

His political career spanned 58 years and began in 1907 when he was elected to the Nova Scotia legislature. He was continually returned as a Liberal member until 1925 when he was appointed to the Executive Council.

When the Council was abolished in 1928 he again ran for the legislature and was elected "continually" until his appointment to the Senate in 1948.

Born in Comeauville, N.S., he was a school teacher before 1900. He served as Canada's assistant commissioner at the Paris exhibition in 1900.

He is survived by his wife eight daughters, six sons, three sisters and two brothers. The body will be taken to the family home in Comeauville and the



SENATOR COMEAU

The Senate standings now are Liberals 44, Conservatives 31, Independent 1, Independent Liberal 2, vacancies 14, total 102.

Use Of Military Force Is Top Issue At Lagos



FEDERATION GUEST SPEAKER, PRESIDENT
Charles Yeo, Sherbrooke, LEFT, was the guest speaker at last night's annual dinner meeting of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture. J. A. Rodd, CENTRE, the provincial president who presided at the annual meeting in the Charlottetown Hotel was re-elected. Mrs. Clara Hsiam is from Springfield.

Leaders Clash As Talks Open

By JOSEPH MACSWEEN
LAGOS (CP)—The issue of military force against rebellious Rhodesia came to a head-on clash Tuesday when Commonwealth prime ministers met in a unique two-day emergency meeting here.

Prime Minister Sir Albert Margai of Sierra Leone said Britain's campaign of economic sanctions against the break-away colony will not be effective and force must be used.

Britain's Prime Minister Wilson countered with a "blow-by-blow" analysis of what military action would mean in lives and destruction.

Prime Minister Pearson had been scheduled to speak Tuesday on the Rhodesian matter but due to the length of Margai's 65-minute speech and Wilson's longer exposition, the Canadian's address was delayed until today, when he is first on the agenda.

Zambia, next-door neighbor to Rhodesia in central Africa, also called for the use of force earlier Tuesday in a speech by Vice-President Reuben Kamanga but, conference sources said, in more moderate tones than those employed by Margai.

HALT DEMONSTRATION
While the conference was under way, police prevented a demonstration planned by Nigerian students to protest their country's failure to break relations with Britain over Rhodesia. There were no reports of disturbances in this capital city of Nigeria.

Wilson said Rhodesia's export-import business has been reduced 50 per cent by sanctions and the effect of the present oil embargo on Rhodesia's economy can be compared with a car running out of gasoline.

Margai, a burly man who was the first African to serve in his West African country, launched the attack in an emotional manner. He wore a shirt emblazoned with the letters OAU denoting the 36-nation Organization of African Unity.

Wilson replied by asking Margai whether, if he were appointed commander-in-chief on an invasion army, he would be able to give dates on when the Rhodesian regime of Ian Smith would be overcome.

Wilson also asked how this could be accomplished without the deaths of thousands of innocent whites and blacks in Rhodesia, economic chaos and the destruction of the Kariba Dam on which Rhodesia and Zambia depend for hydroelectric power.

Other countries heard Tuesday included India, New Zealand, Malaysia, Ceylon and Pakistan.

Canadian diplomat Arnold Smith, head of the new Commonwealth Secretariat which joined with Nigerian authorities in arranging first prime ministers' meeting in Africa, was appointed chairman of a working group studying technical aspects of sanctions.

REPLY IMPRESSIVE
Wilson's rebuttal of Margai's points was described as impressive by conference sources who explained that the tough debate took place in a restricted session, with only heads of delegations present, each with an adviser. An official said the heated exchange might have the effect of "clearing the air."

The British prime minister already has let it be known that plans for further sanctions against Rhodesia are in the works. On the opening day's performance, it appeared there would not be revealed in plenary session although some delegates might be given an inkling behind the scenes.

Earlier, Kamanga insisted that British and troops quickly to occupy the Kariba Dam installations. Britain has consistently rejected this and Smith has pledged that there will be no interruption in the power supply to Zambia.

DRINKING ON JOB BACKFIRES

TORONTO (CP)—Before logging out the loot from a vandalized Toronto home the burglar passed by the musical liquor decanter.

Soothing chimes sounded as he drowned one slug of eye whisky after another.

When Mrs. George Haron came home from shopping she found a man asleep in an armchair. She called police.

Gerald Jobin, 27, of Toronto, was charged Monday with breaking and entering.

Court Upsets Election Of B.C. Member

VANCOUVER (CP)—The 1963 election to the British Columbia legislature of New Democrat William Hartley of Yale was upset Tuesday by a B.C. Supreme Court justice.

Mr. Justice J. G. Rutlan found there were irregularities in Mr. Hartley's election, Sept. 30, 1963, and declared it void.

The NDP member had defeated Social Credit veteran Irvine Corbett by six votes after a judicial recount. The election-night count had shown Mr. Corbett leading by four.

Traditional Cremation Rites Scheduled For Shastri Today

By JOE MCGOWAN JR.
NEW DELHI (AP)—India with traditional cremation rites on the banks of the sacred Jumna River, consigns Lal Bahadur Shastri today to the patterns laid out by Mohandas Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru.

To Shastri's eldest son, Hari Kishan, fell the task of lighting the funeral pyre in Hindu rites at a site on the river bank close to the places where Gandhi, India's independence leader, and Nehru, his heir, were cremated.

Shastri died of a heart attack in Tashkent, U.S.S.R., Tuesday after signing an agreement with President Mohammed Ayub Khan of Pakistan to seek better relations.

Shastri was honored in death with India's highest tribute, the Bharat Ratna (Jewel of India). President Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan announced he had planned to confer it on Shastri Jan. 25, India's Republic Day, but that now it had been awarded posthumously.

MAKES PLEDGE
Shastri's successor, Gulzarilal Nanda, pledged that India will honor the agreement Shastri concluded with Pakistan.

As home minister and tanking cabinet member, Nanda became prime minister in accordance with tradition. A meeting of the ruling Congress party members of Parliament, planned soon will decide whether Nanda or someone else, will carry on as prime minister until elections in 1967.

Delegations from around the world hurried to New Delhi to represent their countries at the state funeral and cremation rites.

Labor Minister J. R. Nicholson and Roland Michener, Canadian high commissioner to India, will represent Canada.

Premier Alexei Kosygin of the Soviet Union, who presided at the Tashkent meeting, was on hand.

A Soviet Aerojet Ilyushin-18 jet brought Shastri's body to the Indian capital. The body, draped with the Indian tri-color, was placed atop a flower-decked gun carriage and was borne by a military escort along the 12 miles into this capital and up to the official residence.

MILLIONS LINE ROUTE
Millions lined the route. There was not a gap in the solid wall of humanity. In some places the crowd was 100 or more deep.

The body was taken to Shastri's residence for private family religious rites. There, Shastri's mother, Ram Dulari, 90, came forward and applied chandan (sandalwood powder) and ghee (clarified butter) to the forehead of her son.

Pandit Raja Ran, the family priest, conducted Hindu rites. The body was washed with water from the sacred Ganges river.

The body was then brought out to a veranda so the mourners could see it.

A three-rail fence directed crowds past the body. Soldiers and police armed with batons were on hand.

Soviet Premier Kosygin called on Shastri's wife Lalita. He embraced her and consoled her and then talked 20 minutes with her and her sons.

President Ayub evidenced shock and grief at the sudden passing of his chief antagonist. He sent a message of condolence to the Indian president expressing grief and crediting Shastri with having done "a lot to improve India-Pakistan relations."

The interim government has announced a 12-day state mourning period. All government offices were ordered closed Tuesday and today. Most capital shops were closed and traffic was thin.

Nfld. Opens Main Roads

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Population centres were back to normal Tuesday night and main highways open but it was expected to take work crews the rest of the week to dig remote areas out after a two-day blizzard.

All schools were to open here today for the first time this week.

Public Pressure Mounting For N.Y. Strike Settlement

NEW YORK (AP)—Mounting public pressure and the goading of an angry mayor set a mediation panel scrambling Tuesday for a new approach to settle the New York's \$1,000,000,000 transit tie-up. But progress if any was nebulous.

Douglas MacMahon, acting head of the strike's AFL-CIO Transport Workers Union, stood on his initial rejection of Republican Mayor John V. Lindsay's peace formula, calling for either mediation pressure, fact-finding or advisory or binding arbitration.

U.S. assistant labor secretary, James J. Reynolds, was in the city, and presumably as the federal government's ace labor troubleshooter was seeking some way to break the deadlock, which started New Year's Day.

Three leaders of the Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish faiths sent a telegram to union and transit authority negotiators. It read:

"Millions of New Yorkers find transit strike no longer tolerable. We strongly urge the immediate acceptance by both parties of Mayor Lindsay's recommendations and speedy restoration of transit service. We offer our good offices in any way in which we can be helpful."

Police reported a growing demand for ambulances and said the health of New Yorkers definitely is being affected by the daily strain of travelling without

Many Injured In Stampede

By JOE MCGOWAN JR.
NEW DELHI (AP)—A stampede swept an immense crowd of mourners converging on Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri's residence for his funeral today. More than 100 were reported seriously injured.

Pushing and shoving began as hundreds of thousands strained to get a last look at the body of their leader.

114 Brazilians Killed In Floods, Landslides

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)—Floods and landslides from the worst rain here in 80 years have left at least 114 Brazilians dead, officials said Tuesday.

The search for victims continued and officials fear the final count could reach 150 or more.

A landslide sweeping over a hillside slum area behind the Southern suburb of Sao Conrado buried at least 28, counting in part for the sudden rise in the death toll.

Floodwaters began receding despite a continuing drizzle, allowing rescue workers to reach disaster areas in outlying districts.

Police reported 30 major land and mudslides since Monday midnight. Many persons were believed still buried in the slides and police and firemen worked to uncover them and prevent any epidemics.

Hospitals reported 82 persons treated for injuries since Monday night. Hardest hit were squatters' shacks in slums on the hillsides.

Governor Francisco Negro de Lima declared a state of emergency as firemen and policemen struggled to keep up with the appeals for help from all quarters of the city.

The fire department reported that with all its men and equipment in use it had been able to answer only about 100 of nearly 4,000 appeals for help. Police radio patrols reported they could handle only 30 per cent of the calls received.

The army moved into the rescue efforts early Tuesday afternoon.



SKIER ON THE PARIS SCENE
A student has the rare experience of skiing down the Champs-Elysees Tuesday after one of the heaviest snowfalls in 20 years covered the streets of Paris. The French capital had up to eight inches of white stuff. (AP Wirephoto) via cable from Paris)

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