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SKYBOLT ISSUE DISCUSSED

Britain Said Determined To Remain Nuclear Power

NASSAU, Bahamas (Reuters) President Kennedy and Prime Minister Macmillan adjourned their discussions of the Skybolt problem Wednesday night and asked for "certain papers" to be drawn up for their further consideration today.

This announcement was made by the official British spokesman, Harold Evans.

Asked whether an agreement in principle on the Skybolt problem had been reached, Evans said: "I don't think we can say that at this moment. I would say only that clearly progress is being made."

Evans and Pierre Salinger, Kennedy's spokesman, both agreed that "it is not improbable" that the conference would go into a third day.

Appearing at a joint briefing with Salinger, Evans said the president and the prime minister were in session for 4½ hours.

He added that the whole of this time had been spent discussing the Skybolt issue and all that flowed from it, with the exception of one hour devoted to The Congo. The spokesman said there was agreement "there was a grave danger of a further deterioration in the situation there in The Congo."

WAS GUEST

Kennedy was the dinner guest of the prime minister at Macmillan's beachfront home at swank Lyford Cay Club 15 miles from here.

The conference originally was scheduled to last two days, with Kennedy flying to Palm Beach, Fla., tonight to spend the Christmas holidays with his family.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker is scheduled to arrive here tonight for talks with Macmillan Friday.

No mention was made at the press briefing as to when the Macmillan - Diefenbaker talks would take place if the Macmillan-Kennedy talks are prolonged.

Informed sources said the

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Pearson Sparks Uproar

OTTAWA (CP)—The political powder keg was given its worst jarring in weeks Wednesday in a noisy Commons uproar that saw Opposition Leader Pearson, with shouted and desk-banging support from the Liberal benches, accuse the government of contempt of Parliament.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker tried to reply but was shouted down by the Liberal back - benchers as Deputy Speaker Gordon Chown, called repeatedly—at least 20 times—for order. Mr. Pearson offered to hear a reply, but Liberal MPs kept up the racket so long that the prime minister yielded and gave up the chance.

Mr. Chown then made a scheduled 5 p.m. shift in House business.

Mr. Pearson flailed the government for mismanagement of the Commons and a travesty of parliamentary democracy by continuing to seek money votes in monthly dollars instead of giving the House a chance to debate item-by-item spending estimates.

FORESEES ANOTHER BILL

He referred to the interim money supply bill under debate, which would bring to about $5,000,000,000 the amount of money obtained by the government in this way. Mr. Pearson and others have predicted another such bill in February, to meet that month's bills.

"A shocking example of contempt of Parliament," said the Liberal leader. He proposed that the Commons reconvene right after New Year's instead of waiting until Jan. 21 to come back, "in order to deal with the very real and urgent problems facing the country."

With the clock nudging 5 p.m., Mr. Pearson finished. But his supporters began a desk-banking attempt to carry the clock to the full hour—and the change of business.

Mr. Chown first called it 5 p.m., then as Mr. Diefenbaker rose and held up his hand, the Deputy Speaker said he is sure the prime minister realized the time but "I just feel that if he has a word or two . . ."

Hands on hips, Mr. Diefenbaker then stood unable to make himself heard as the shouting continued, by this time supplemented by MPs from other parts of the House. He finally left the commons.

SECOND READING GIVEN

Senator Heaps Scorn On Development Bd.

By JACK BEST

OTTAWA (CP)—The government's bill to establish an Atlantic Development Board received second reading — approval in principle—in the Senate Wednesday after a scornful attack from Senator Jean-Francois Pouliot.

In an arm - waving speech loaded with sarcasm, the Qeebec Liberal said boards to promote the economic development of the Atlantic provinces have been so numerous "they could be compared to stars in the sky on a clear night."

Their recommendations have always gone unheeded by the federal government, said the senator from eastern Quebec.

He bluntly predicted that the projected agency will fail to achieve any useful purpose.

Noting that the board is to work in conjunction with the National Economic Development Board and the National Productivity Council, Senator Pouliot likened the measure to laying good wood over rotten boards.

Despite his misgivings, Senator Pouliot said he would support the Atlantic bill on second and third readings if he were assured that Senator Alfred Brooks, government leader in the upper chamber, would be named to the cabinet as minister responsible for the board's activities.

MAY OPPOSE MEASURE

He added that unless the government states who the responsible minister is to be, he will oppose the measure on third and final reading, scheduled for today.

Under the terms of the legislation—already passed by the Commons — the development board will report to the government through a designated minister.

Senator Pouliot contended that the three Atlantic province ministers serving in the present cabinet are already too busy to take on the added responsibility of the development board. They are Finance Minister Nowlan, Fisheries Minister Maclean, and Revenue Minister Hugh John Flemming.

Senator Pouliot, noting that from 1958 until this year the Commons' Atlantic contingent was top-heavy with Conservative members, said they should have been reporting to the government on conditions in the Atlantic region.

"If we have to have this legislation now, it is because the Maritime MPs have been afraid to speak to the government on

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CHRISTMAS TREE IS WORTH $200

INDENT HALF EM

TORONTO (CP) —William Sturley, 38, of Toronto Wednesday was sentenced to two weeks hard labor planting trees for the city on the Canadian National Exhibition grounds for cutting down a $200 Christmas tree there.

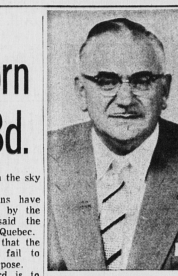
But he may not be able to serve the sentence.

Robert Stewart, business agent of Civic Employees Union (CLC), Local 43, said later: "I don't care what the magistrate said . . . this man is not a member of our union so he can't work."

Sturley was charged with theft after police caught him hauling away the 12-foot blue spruce. Magistrate Donald Graham put him on 12 months' probation with two weeks to be served working at the CNE next summer.

"This would constitute a violation of our contract and our men would walk off the job rather than work with a non-union man," said Mr. Stewart.

Magistrate Donald Graham said he didn't believe Sturley had any idea the tree was worth $200 but "Parks Commissioner George Bell would have a heart attack if he knew people were cutting down his trees for Christmas."



MR. JENKINS

Liberals Elect Officers

W. R. Jenkins of Charlottetown, was yesterday elected president of the Prince Edward Island Liberal Association at a meeting held in the Charlottetown Hotel and which had been postponed from Nov. 14.

Other officers elected were: vice - president for Kings, William Harris, Murray Harbor; Queens, Mrs. B. Earle MacDonald, Charlottetown; Prince, Neil MacLeod, Summerside; secretary, Ian MacLeod, Charlottetown; treasurer, Dr. Wendell MacDonald, Charlottetown.

Outside of the naming of the new slate, the remainder of the session consisted of the hearing of reports regarding events of the Dec. 10 provincial general election.

Parliament At A Glance

By THE CANADIAN PRESS WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19, 1962

Liberal Leader Pearson, amid a Commons uproar, accused the government of showing its contempt for Parliament.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker tried to reply but finally gave up as the Deputy Speaker vainly called for order over Liberal MPs' shouts.

David Lewis (NDP—York South) said the government has taken a hypocritical stand on oppression of natives in South Africa and Angola.

Jack Bourgh (L — Norfolk) complained there is too much politics involved in the national fitness program.

The Senate gave second reading to the Atlantic Development Board bill and agreed to schedule final approval for today.

THURSDAY, Dec. 20

The Commons meets at 2:30 p.m. to continue debate on an interim money supply bill. The Senate meets at 3 p.m. to give final approval to the Atlantic Development Board Bill.

Yank Action Threatened Against Canadian Spuds

Dumping Duty Is Resented

By HAROLD MORRISON

WASHINGTON (CP)—A U.S. agriculture department official said Wednesday the United States may be forced to take counter-action against Canada because of a Canadian dumping duty against U.S. potatoes.

"We took our case to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and we were sustained," said Clint Cook of the department's foreign agriculture service. "But Canada still has taken no action to remove the dumping duty.

"If Canada doesn't take any action within a month, we will be forced to protect our interests by reducing the quota on Canadian potatoes."

Cook charged in an interview that the Canadian dumping duty is a violation of GATT and maintained merely to keep potato prices high in a small western Canada market. He said the dumping duty applies only west of Lake Kehoe.

SAYS EAST OPPOSED

"This dumping duty is being maintained for political purposes, even when eastern Canadian potato growers are opposed to it," Cook said.

"I've already told the growers in Canada we'd have to take some action if the dumping duty isn't removed."

He said the Canadian regulation provides that if U.S. potatoes, to be shipped into Canada are priced at less than $2.67 a hundred-weight at any western U.S. shipping point, then the Canadian government is to collect the difference in the form of a dumping duty. This would be in addition to the Canadian tariff of 37½ cents a hundredweight.

The U.S. also maintains a tariff of 37½ cents a hundredweight on an annual quota of 2,500,000 bushels of Canadian seed and table potatoes. The duty is doubled on imports above that figure.

FACE QUOTA CUT

Cook said the department will recommend that the Canadian quota be reduced if the dumping duty is not removed.

The U.S. brought charges against Canada of violating GATT provisions at the GATT conference in Geneva last month. It contended that the dumping duty "impaired fulfillment of a potato concession negotiated with the U.S."

The commerce department here said in a statement that "a panel report essentially sustained the U.S. case and Canada was requested to withdraw the additional customs charge in question or to work out some rangements with the U.S."

Cook said Canada appears to be ignoring the GATT findings.

Ottawa Ponders GATT Removal Suggestion

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canadian government is pondering a suggestion by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade that it remove a special duty imposed on U.S. potatoes west of the Lakehead, officials said Wednesday.

The United States took the matter to the GATT at Geneva, where discussions concluded recently. GATT's findings in the matter reached Ottawa only recently.

In Washington Wednesday, a spokesman for the U.S. agriculture department warned that Canada will have to remove the higher duty in a month or face retaliation.

The duty is of a type that can be imposed at the discretion of the minister of revenue to protect Canadian produce growers in season.

It is called the fair value fo duty provision. In this case, U.S. potatoes priced at less than $2.67 per hundredweight at any western U.S. shipping point face additional duty—on entry to Canada—to bring the price up to $2.67. On top of that is the regular duty of 37½ cents a hundredweight.

The U.S. spokesman said the extra duty is applied by Canada only to keep potato prices high in Western Canada.

A Canadian official said a GATT panel expressed hope that Canada would remove the extra duty shortly although no date was suggested.

Unless Canadian action is taken, it was stated in Washington, a reduction in the quota of Canadian potato sales to the U.S. would follow.

Topics Are Seen Varied For Dief-Mac Conference

By KEN KELLY

OTTAWA (CP)—The accent will be on such subjects as keeping the initiative in dealings with the Communist world when Prime Minister Diefenbaker and Prime Minister Macmillan meet in the Bahamas Friday.

Mr. Diefenbaker, who arrives at Nassau Thursday evening, is expected to seek a briefing from Mr. Macmillan on the British prime minister's meetings with President Kennedy during the three preceding days and with President de Gaulle in Paris last weekend.

High on the list of topics is the Cuba crisis, in which the Canadian government is understood to have felt that the United States failed to carry out adequate consultation with its allies before imposing a naval quarantine.

As was done in the Kennedy-Macmillan talks, which include a few hours before Mr. Diefenbaker's arrival, the Canadian and British leaders are expected to discuss the nowquiescent border war between India and China.

RELATED TO CONGO

This question is related to the UN's police operation in The Congo where India has a large force that is wanted at home in case the border war flares up again.

Divisions in the Communist world also are likely to come up during discussion of the Cuba crisis and its aftermath. Moscow has been the target of strong criticism from the Chinese Communist regime for backing down and withdrawing its Cuban missiles in the face of President Kennedy's firm action.

Apart from these international problems, the Canadian prime minister is expected to ask Mr. Macmillan for his latest assessment of Britain's bid to enter the European Common Market, on which negotiations are stalled.

Mr. Diefenbaker is taking along the No. 2 official in the Deputy Undersecretary Marcel Cadieux, and the trade department's Common Market expert, Assistant Deputy Trade Minister J. H. Warren.

Mr. Warren attended the London conference of Commonwealth prime ministers with Mr. Diefenbaker in September when the market was the prime topic of discussion. Since then, there appear to have been few developments in the Brussels negotiations on Britain's entry which directly affect Canada.

Mr. Diefenbaker will be attempting to make an assessment of his own of whether Britain is more of less confident of being able to protect the trading interests of her commonwealth partners in negotiating terms of entry to the Common Market.

Forecast Made Of Holiday Toll

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canadian Highway Safety Council forecast Wednesday a traffic death toll of 58 in the five-day Christmas period from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Wednesday.

The Christmas toll last year was 34.

W. Arch Bryce, council executive - director, said in a statement:

"Unless every driver and every pedestrian fully and seriously realizes the perils of combined festivity, excitement and celebration, Canada's traffic toll might well exceed our fearful forecast of 58.

"But if they decide to drive and walk with sensible precautions at all times, our prognostication will be too high."

33 Killed In Polish Crash

CP from Reuters-AP

WARSAW, Poland—All 33 persons aboard a British-made Polish Viscount airliner were reported killed when the plane crashed while landing at Warsaw airport Wednesday night.

The airliner, flying from Brussels to Warsaw via East Berlin with 28 passengers and a crew of five, exploded when it crashed about 500 yards from the end of the airport runway.

Airport officials said four East Germans were among the passengers. The remainder were Poles.

There was some speculation that the plane struck a tall crane or other machinery being used to lengthen the runway for long-range jet use. The weather was good, with no fog.

This was the world's eighth major air accident in less than a month. The previous crashes took at least 206 and possibly 256 lives.

In the last previous mishap, a Brazilian piston-engine airliner made a forced landing in the Amazon jungle Friday with 50 persons aboard. Rescue workers still are trying to reach the scene but little hope is held that any persons aboard survived.

Ottawa To Aid Training

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal and Prince Edward Island governments have signed an agreement to share the costs of the province's new apprenticeship program, Labor Minister Starr announced Wednesday.

"This new program will provide broader opportunities for the people of P.E.I. to prepare for employment in a rapidly changing world of work," Mr. Starr said in a statement.

Under the agreement, the federal government shares 50 per cent of provincial expenditures on apprenticeship training carried out in co-operation with industry. Nine provinces now participate in the scheme.

Candy Firm Veteran Dies

BRIDGETOWN, N.S. — (CP) — William Archibald Moir, former manager of the Halifax candy and bakery firm of Moirs Limited, died at his home here Wednesday. He was 70.

Mr. Moir moved here on retirement from the firm.

His wife and one son survive.

Hopes Buoyed For Freeing Of Prisoners

HAVANA (AP) — Cuban Premier Castro Wednesday lifted a ban on sending food and clothing to 1,113 rebel invasion prisoners, buoying hopes that all will be freed soon, informed sources said.

Castro himself was described by an official of the Committee of Prisoners' Mothers as sharing the negotiations' high hopes for a quick exchange of the prisoners for United States food and medicine.

James B. Donovan, New York lawyer and chief negotiator, declared before taking off on a flying one-day visit to Miami, Florida:

"I continue to be optimistic."

To release the Cuban exiles seized in the invasion of Cuba in 1961, Castro has demanded about $53,000,000 in drugs, food and equipment.

The Cuban government has been officially silent on the negotiations but informants said government circles considered the exchange was certain.

Princess Plans Visit To Paris

LONDON (AP) — Princess Margaret and her husband Lord Snowdon will visit Paris March 8-11. Announcing the visit, a Kensington Palace spokesman said they would be the guests of British Ambassador Sir Patrick Pierson and Lady Dixon.

34-Car Derailment Delays CNR Traffic

RIMOUSKI, Que. (CP) — About 800 feet of track on the Canadian National Railways main line were torn up when 34 freight cars were derailed early Wednesday.

The five-man crew on the 91-car train escaped unhurt. Only the rear portion of the train left the tracks. Cause of the derailment was being investigated. Repair crews expected to have the tracks cleared by night.

District headquarters in Campbellton, N.B., said the accident involved practically no loss to the freight. The derailed cars carried lumber and pulpwood. The train was en route from Campbellton to Montreal.

The Ocean Limited, en route to Halifax from Montreal, had to be detoured through Edmundston, N.B., but other passenger trains were expected to be able to use the main line.

The derailment was reported to have had little effect on the movement of the train from the mainland to Charlottetown. Apparently it was not held.

Normally due here at 9 p.m., the despatcher estimated that the train would arrive in the city by 11:30 last night. He indicated that the lateness of the train is not due entirely to conditions on the mainland lines.

At this season of the year the stop-over at Emerald generally consumes a considerable amount of extra time, due to the annual heavy Chrismas season movement of passengers, express and mails

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GREETINGS FROM HAWAII

Sending greetings back home is airline stewardess Dianne Lewis of South Burnaby, a Vancouver suburb. She is spending part of the Christmas season in Honolulu because of increased flights between Vancouver and Hawaii. (CP Photo)

Atlas Missile Sites Become Operational

PLATTSBURGH, N.Y. (AP)—Twelve Atlas missile sites ringing Plattsburgh air force base became operational Wednesday as the air force assumed control of the $120,000,000 rocket complex from General Dynamics Corporation.

General Dynamics was the prime contractor for the huge underground silos built to hold the 12 missiles—the first intercontinental ballistic missiles the United States has based east of the Mississippi.

The missiles will remain in their concrete silos, unless there is an enemy attack. Then they would be launched to pre-determined targets. They are capable of flying 16,000 miles an hour and delivering nuclear warheads a quarter of the way around the world in half an hour.

Most residents of this Lake Champlain city of 20,000 and the surrounding area apparently have become accustomed to living in the midst of a prime target area and to hearing the roar of B-52 bombers overhead.

SITES IN TWO STATES

The missile sites, all within 52 miles of the air base, are at the New York communities of Champlain, Mooers, Ellenburg, Harrigan Corners, Chazy Lake, Clayburg, Sugarbush, Ausable Chasm, Booquet and Willsboro, and the Vermont communities of Alburg and Swanton.

Each silo, 40 feet in diameter and 174 feet deep is fenced and patrolled by sentries and guard dogs.

Construction began June 17, 1960, and was officially completed Dec. 9 of this year.

The United States put its 200th ICBM on the firing line with the completion of the Plattsburgh complex.

Qualified authorities estimate the Russians have perhaps 75 to 100 ICBMs.

Activation of the Atlas squadron at Plattsburgh marks the end of the first phase of the U.S. missile buildup.

From now on, the new U.S.

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Island Butter Surplus Increasing Since '59

OTTAWA (CP) — Five provinces—Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta — produce more butter than is consumed by residents of each province, the trade department estimated Wednesday.

Figures tabled in the Commons by Trade Minister Hees for John R. Matheson (L—Leeds) showed that on the basis of uniform per capita butter consumption across the country, Prince Edward Island production exceeded consumption by 251 per cent in 1961.

Alberta and Saskatchewan followed, with production exceeding consumption by 95 per cent each. Manitoba's production exceeded consumption by 74 per cent and Quebec's by 67 per cent.

British Columbia led the provinces whose consumption was greater than production, with 77 per cent, followed by Nova Scotia at 66 per cent, New Brunswick at 20 per cent and Ontario at three per cent.

No figures were given for Newfoundland.

PEI EXCESS GROWS

Since 1959, Prince Edward Island's excess of production over consumption climbed from 351 per cent from 234 per cent, Saskatchewan's to 95 from 52, Alberta's to 95 from 58, Manitoba's to 74 from 66 and Quebec's to 67 from 46.

Excess of consumption over production in British Columbia declined to 77 from 84 per cent, New Brunswick to 20 from 23 and Ontario to three from 16.

In Nova Scotia, excess of consumption over production rose to 66 per cent from 64 per cent.