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Claims Taxation Forcing Liquidation In Shipping

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canadian Shipowners' Association said here that because of the increase in withholding taxes "practically all" foreign-owned, Canadian-incorporated ocean shipping companies are liquidating their holdings in this country.

"These firms represent more than half the 27 ocean-going ships owned in Canada, said the association in a brief to the commission on taxation.

The association, representing owners of ocean ships, made a passing reference to the recent increase—to 20 per cent from 10 per cent—in the withholding taxes on dividends paid to non-residents.

"... It may be of interest to note that as a result of the latest budget proposals and the declared intention of the government to penalize non-resident Canadian ownership, practically all the non-resident Canadian-incorporated ocean shipping companies have liquidated or are in their process of liquidating their Canadian interests.

This represents over one-half of the ocean going ships presently owned in Canada. Five of these companies alone over

the past 15 years paid a total of \$6,010,612.27 in corporate income tax."

The brief suggested that Canada will never have a truly international ocean fleet until there is an international outlook in her tax structure.

"POSITION IS UNIQUE" — "In respect to corporate taxation, the basic problem has been the failure to recognize the unique position of the ocean shipping industry. Its entire business and revenues are governed by the free play of international supply and demand."

"It is just not realistic, and has been so demonstrated in the post World War II years to apply domestic taxation theories, policies and practices to such types of Canadian commercial enterprises."

Because it was not economic for Canadians to operate their own ships, they now charter a large degree from other countries. In 1962 an estimated 400 foreign ships were chartered by Canadians at a cost of more than \$70,000,000.

Under the Canadian capital cost allowances there was no incentive for shipowners to re-

place obsolete equipment with new units. Owners in other countries were given such encouragement.

Because shipping was a fluctuating business, the revenue department allowed shipowners to carry forward their losses for four years to offset them against profit. Most other countries allowed an indefinite carry forward, the brief said, and Canada should do the same.

The brief also said that the allowances under the Canadian Vessel Construction Assistance Act do not compensate for the higher costs of shipbuilding in Canada, and few owners of ocean ships have been able to take advantage of it.



RCAF OFFICER PROM OTED, TRANSFERRED

Shown above is Wing Commander S.S. Mitchell (left) of the officer commanding 415 Squadron, presenting a farewell plaque to Sqdn. Ldr. H.A. Carwell, Sqdn. Ldr. Carwell is leaving his post as officer commanding in 415 Squadron to take up his new post as flight commander 404 Squadron, RCAF Station Greenwood, N.S.

with the rank of Wing Commander. The picture was taken by Ft. Lt. R. Bullough, and shows the 415 Squadron swordfish giving the pilot of his sword to the 404 Squadron.

Nehru's Daughter Gains In Stature

NEW DELHI (AP) — Prime Minister Nehru's illness increases the importance of the woman at his side, Mrs. Indira Gandhi.

As Nehru's only child and eldest daughter, the 46-year-old widow long has supervised the living habits of the 74-year-old widower in an effort to protect his health.

Since a new sickness struck Nehru 10 days ago, she has sought to increase her effectiveness as his buffer against the excitement of the world.

Mrs. Gandhi warns the few officials who see Nehru not to let him of some things. Her vigilance in the Calcutta religious violence began last week she kept it from him at first and later tried to get Home Minister Gulzarilal Nanda to keep discussion of the subject brief.

Nanda and Finance Minister T. T. Krishnamachari have taken over Nehru's routine duties as a temporary arrangement.

Doctors have ordered Nehru to rest for a month or more and do not expect to be able to allow him to resume his hard-driving schedule of the past.

"This situation has created the possibility of a deputy prime minister as well as renewed talk of who will be the next prime minister. Here too, Mrs. Gandhi is important.

She has always said she has no political ambitions. Retirement from the mammoth social work would be more to her liking.

Nonetheless she is much discussed as a possible successor to her father. Some Indian political observers dismiss the idea as impossible. Others are not so sure.

Solely because she is her father's daughter, Mrs. Gandhi has been prominent in Indian politics since 1955. She is a member of the working committee of the Indian National Congress Party, Nehru's political machine dominating the Indian scene.

Nehru's attitude toward his daughter's future role is unknown. Some stories have circulated that he definitely wants to keep the prime minister's job in the family.

Mrs. Gandhi's husband was Feroze Gandhi. An independent-minded politician, he was no kin to Mohandas K. Gandhi, the leader of the Indian freedom movement.

Drastic Overhaul Suggested On England's Parish System

LONDON (AP) — Drastic overhaul of the Church of England's parish system — largely unchanged since the medieval Domesday Book drew boundaries in rural England — is advocated in a report released here. The report is certain to arouse a storm.

The 300-page document will be put before the church governing assembly in February. It comes from the one-man research effort of Leslie Paul, author and sociologist.

Paul was asked to investigate the deployment and pay of Anglican clergy and report with recommendations to encourage greater mobility among the clergy.

Under the present system a parish priest, once installed, has legal possession of his parish and cannot be moved from it without his consent unless proved guilty of a criminal offence or shown by lengthy inquiry to have failed in his duties.

Paul proposes a 10-year term of tenure of office in any one place, with a possible five-year extension. In his seventh year the bishop would see the parish priest to plan his future.

Even more revolutionary is Paul's idea that bishops and cathedral clergy should hold dual office by leasehold. They would give their parishes, archdeacons and other cathedral clergy to other churches. Each could have a five year extension but they would have to resign.

A new system of major parishes for urban areas is proposed. Such parishes would be staffed by a college of clergy including priests specializing in youth work, marriage guidance, industrial relations and other social fields.

Socialist Government Planned For Zanzibar

By DENNIS NEEDLE

ZANZIBAR (AP) — Foreign Minister Abdul Rahman Mohammed Babu has said that Zanzibar's new government will be socialist but will not necessarily follow the Cuban pattern.

In a roadside interview Babu said the island "quite possibly" will remain within the British Commonwealth.

Babu was on his way to a meeting of the revolutionary committee in the white-walled "Palace" of Wonders from which the rebels last Sunday drove the island's sultan.

Babu, who has been trained in Cuba along with "many" other Zanzibaris, shrugged and laughed when asked for specific numbers.

Several other Zanzibari rebels are believed to have been trained in Peking and a correspondent of Co in a 1961 China's New China news agency (CNA) arrived here Jan. 10, saying he had been in Communist China.

CHINA MAY VISIT — (In London, Western and African diplomats speculated that Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-Lai, now on a tour of Africa, might visit Zanzibar to display Peking's support for the revolutionaries.)

Two British warships arrived off Zanzibar today. One, the frigate Rhyol, had 100 troops aboard. The British high commissioner's office spokesman said they would not land but were standing by to protect British lives and property.

The British survey ship Owen will begin removing British civilians Friday. Britons are believed remaining.

The 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. curfew in force since the revolt was lifted Wednesday night, but no shots were heard.

Army volunteers rounded up hundreds of Arabs and Africans Wednesday on suspicion of counter-revolutionary activity and herded them into a barred wire compound under the new president's supervision.

MOST ARE ARABS — About those taken into custody were Arab belonging to ousted Prime Minister Mohammed Nasser.

In offices around the compound, there were piles of furniture and personal belongings looted from shops and homes of Arab citizens. Officials said the goods would be sold and the funds turned over to the government.

SITE UNPRESERVED — A hot dog stand now occupies the site where Thomas Jefferson saved the United States Declaration of Independence.

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