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"Covers Prince Edward Island Like The Dew"

Cloudy with intermittent rain beginning in the afternoon; warmer. Low-high at Charlottetown 45 and 65.

1,300 DELEGATES ARE EXPECTED

Ottawa Picked For Dec. Conservative Convention

OTTAWA (CP) — Progressive Conservatives from across the country—some 1,300 or more—will meet in Ottawa during the week of Dec. 10 to choose a new party leader and hammer out a platform for the next federal election. This was decided Tuesday at a closed meeting of the party association's national executive.

member, cast the deciding vote. Winnipeg had tendered an invitation.

CHOICE NOT CHANGED

The party executive meeting, attended by some 50 of its 69 members, decided that the choice of voting delegates for the convention will be on the same basis as in 1948.

That would produce a maximum of 1,475 delegates. Party sources said 1,300 or more are expected. In 1948, a total of 1,242 votes were cast for the leadership.

Most of the voting strength will be chosen at the basic level of party organization—by Conservative associations in the constituencies. Each riding can name three voting delegates and three alternates, with the exception of Halifax and Queens, P.E.I., which have two Commons members and can send six delegates and six alternates to the convention. That would make a maximum 795 rid-

ing delegates.

SPEED ESSENTIAL

Party members said speed is essential in choosing a leader in view of the nearness of the next session of Parliament, which likely will start in January, and the fast-approaching federal election expected next June.

The field of leadership candidates remained bare of declared contestants.

But it was reported that George Hees, 46-year-old Commons member for Toronto Broadview who has been prominently mentioned as one of four possible candidates, might drop out of the race and give his support to John Diefenbaker, Saskatchewan lawyer and MP for Prince Albert.

CONVENTION ON TV

"The coming convention will be the first in Canada to be held before television cameras, Canadian television didn't start until 1952.

Khrushchev Said Aiming At Cominform

LONDON (AP)—Russia's Nikita S. Khrushchev was reported Tuesday night to have asked President Tito of Yugoslavia to join a new Cominform-type association of European Communist countries.

Western diplomats said Yugoslav representatives have let it be known that this was a main purpose of the Soviet Communist party chief's surprise visit with Tito at his Brioni retreat last month.

Khrushchev was said to have received a negative or perhaps inconclusive response from Tito. Tito's independence in the past has had the effect of undermining Soviet leadership in East Europe.

IMPRESSED WITH ISSUES

The issues raised by Khrushchev in the Brioni talks were reported to have centred on difficulties and dangers that could arise in East Europe—presumably along the lines of the bread riots at Poznan, Poland in June—through the more liberal policies that have followed the Kremlin's downgrading of Stalin.

Tito was said to have been sufficiently impressed with the importance of these issues to agree to fly with Khrushchev at once to the Soviet Union. Tito is, in daily conference with the rulers of Russia and possibly the satellite countries.

It was assumed in London that the association would involve some system of consultation among the ruling Communist parties of the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, and the East European satellites—Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria. The old Cominform, dissolved last year, also included the Communist parties of France, Italy, West Germany and Britain.

THIRD CONSECUTIVE VICTORY FOR LIBERALS

Smallwood's Government Elected In Newfoundland

Members Elected

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Following is The Canadian Press list by parties of members elected in Newfoundland: (x-member of last legislature)

LIBERAL

Fogo—xIsaac Meeter (accl), unchanged.

Labrador South—George Sellars (accl), unchanged.

Placentia West—xP. J. Canning (accl), unchanged.

Carboneau—Bay de Verde—George W. Clarke, unchanged.

Gander—B. J. Abbott, new seat.

Placentia East—xG. J. Power, unchanged.

Bell Island—J. D. O'Driscoll, gain from PC.

Bonavista South—Uriah Strickland, unchanged.

Burns—Eric Jones, unchanged.

Humber East—John Forsey, new seat.

Humber West—xCharles Ballam, unchanged.

Burgeo—Lapointe—John T. Cheeseman, unchanged.

Trinity South—xS. J. Hefferton, unchanged.

Trinity North—Arthur Miffin, unchanged.

Grand Falls—xE. S. Spencer, unchanged.

White Bay South—xF. W. Rowe, unchanged.

Ferryland—xMyles Murray, unchanged.

Total 19.

Harbour Grace—Claude A. Sheppard, unchanged.

Port de Grave—Llewellyn Strang, unchanged.

Port au Port—Steve K. Smith, new seat.

Twillingate—xLeslie R. Curtis, unchanged.

White Bay North—C. Maxwell Lane, new seat.

Total 23.

Bonavista North—xJ. R. Smallwood, unchanged.

Total 20.

St. Barbe—xJ. R. Chalker, unchanged.

Fortune Bay—xHermitage—xJohn R. Courage, unchanged.

Harbour Main—xP. J. Lewis, unchanged; Matthew Whelan, new seat.

St. George's—xWilliam Keough, unchanged.

Green Bay—W. R. Smallwood, unchanged.

Labrador North—Eal Winsor, new seat.

St. John's North—George M. Nightingale, new seat.

St. Mary's—James M. McGrath, new seat.

Total 32.

PROG. CON.

St. John's West—xMalcolm Hollett (accl), unchanged.

St. John's Centre—A. M. Duffy, unchanged.

St. John's East—xJames D. Higgins, unchanged.

St. John's South—xW. J. Browne, unchanged.

Total 4.

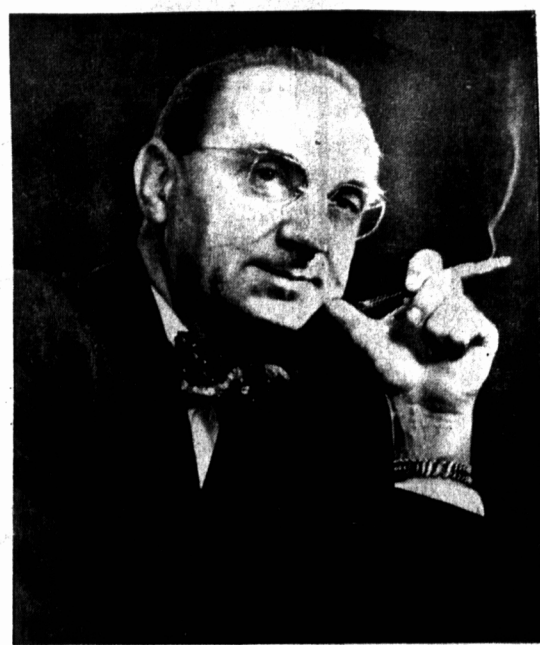
Party Standing

Nfld CP Final Party Standing

Elected Liberals 32

Prog. Cons. 4

Total 36



PREMIER SMALLWOOD

Smallwood Says Not Surprised At The Extent Of His Victory

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Premier Joseph Smallwood said Tuesday night he is "not surprised" his election victory was a "land-slide."

The 56-year-old Liberal leader said: "I had expected to get 28 or 32 of the 36 seats, and it looks like that is the way it will be."

He also said he was not surprised "that the CCF did literally nothing."

Opposition leader Malcolm Hollett, himself returned by acclamation, said there was a trend away from the Liberals in industrial areas. "This election has shown

me the people are beginning to think. I am sure of different results in the future."

Samuel Drover, leading the CCF for the first time in Newfoundland, and a defeated candidate, said "the CCF was a new party, and didn't have the funds to fight the election. Next time when the people know more about us we'll have a better show."

The first of eight new seats went to the Liberals when John Forsey was elected in Humber West, a Corner Brook riding.

Labor Minister Charles Ballam and Works Minister E. S. Spencer were other members of the Smallwood cabinet in the re-elected list.

NAME 36 MEMBERS In 1949 the Liberals got 22 seats and 65.5 per cent of the 167,558 votes cast. Progressive Conservatives won five seats and independents one.

In 1951 Liberals captured 23 seats and Progressive Conservatives five. Liberals took 63.7 per cent of the 130,252 votes cast that time. Progressive Conservatives 24.5 per cent.

Legislature standing at dissolution last month was: Liberals 17, Progressive Conservatives four, CCF one, vacant six.

Five Liberals and one Progressive Conservative resigned. Samuel Drover, present leader of the CCF, brought the party into its old seat—White Bay—when he left Liberal ranks in 1954.

Redistribution in 1955 increased representation from 28 to 36 seats.

VOTING SLOW A total of 169,240 voters registered for Tuesday's election. On the basis of a 1955 count Newfoundland's population is 415,000. The popular vote was 98 per cent in 1949, 74 per cent in 1951. However in Tuesday's election Progressive Conservative leader Malcolm Hollett and Mr. Smallwood said one of their chief difficulties was getting voters to the polls.

Weather was poor. Rain fell almost continuously in southern and eastern Newfoundland and showers in the western and northern areas during the 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. polling hours.

The party turnout was slow. Some poll clerks said the forenoon

was the lowest since Confederation in 1949.

"BEST EIGHT YEARS" Liberals based their campaign on the claim that their regime had brought Newfoundland "the best eight years yet" with expenditures totalling nearly \$300,000,000 on roads, education, health and welfare and loans to industry and the fishery.

In the Liberal manifesto Mr. Smallwood pledged himself elected to work for greater improvements in the same field plus a new electricity program.

Progressive Conservatives under 62-year-old Mr. Hollett pledged efforts along similar lines. Their platform also promised repeal of the three-per cent sales tax of food, revival of the coast fleet they say the Liberals scuttled, and repeal of an act that permits the government to recruit civil servants as election candidates.

They said the government's record has been one of waste and inefficiency and asked for "a chance to clean up the mess."

Mr. Smallwood, a five-foot-tall ball of unpredictable energy, attacked himself during the campaign for "making the mistake of impatience and trusting the wrong people." He was opposed in Bonavista North by Paul Thomas of the CCF.

Mr. Smallwood predicted before the election that his 35 candidate would win more than 30 of the 36 seats at stake.

PC LEADER BACK Mr. Hollett, leader of his party since 1953, was re-elected by acclamation in St. John's West. He won the seat in a by-election in 1952 after defeat in the 1951 Commons election. Mr. Hollett predicted his candidates would win 29 of more of the 20 seats they contested.

A total of 70 candidates were nominated, 35 Liberals, 20 Progressive Conservatives, 10 CCF, three independents and one independent Liberal.

Four won seats by acclamation: Mr. Hollett, the Progressive Conservative leader, and three Liberals—Isaac Mercer, (Fogo), P. J. Canning (Placentia West) both members of the last house, and newcomer George Sellars (Labrador South).

The CCF contested its first Newfoundland election under leadership of 45-year-old Samuel Drover. He ran in White Bay South against Liberal Education Minister F. W. Rowe.

Sharp Blast At Ishkov In Soviet Paper MOSCOW (AP)—A. A. Ishkov head of the ministry for the fish industry, was criticized Tuesday by the powerful literary G. G. Zetzer for his fish production policies. It hinted that he and his aides ought to be removed. In one of the strongest attacks ever published against a member of the Bulgarian government, the Gazette accused him of filling market quotas by stripping fish preserves "at the expense of future generations."

The article said the ministry policy of filling quotas threatened to leave the Azov Sea as barren as the desert. Ishkov was a recent visitor to Canada and toured fisheries on both coasts.

CRASH WITH REBELS

NEW DELHI (AP)—Press dispatches Tuesday reported new clashes between Indian troops and rebellious Naga tribesmen near the Burmese frontier. Casualties were described as heavy. The reports said the action took place during the last few days at Sidhuma village near Ghaspiani in the south Angami region. The Naga hills tribesmen demand an independent Nagaland.

\$30,410 Contract For R.C.M.P. Officers Residence Awarded

Word was received from Ottawa yesterday by Neil A. Matheson, M.P., that the contract for the building of the officers residence for the R.C.M.P. here has been awarded the County Construction Company. The contract price is \$30,410.

The new residence will be erected on a lot located at the corner of Crestwood Drive and Admiral St. and will be of modern design. Work on the building will be started immediately under the supervision of the Federal Department of Public Works.

Asks Review Of Defence Dept.

OTTAWA (CP) — Maj-Gen. G. R. Peakes, VC, called Tuesday for a thorough review of the top administration in the defence department.

The Progressive Conservative spokesman on military affairs said in an interview that the present "chaos of staff system should be overhauled."

Under the present system, the chief of each of the three armed services is individually responsible to the civilian defence minister. There is a chairman of the joint chiefs of staff committee but he has no defined responsibility.

Gen. Peakes, a regular soldier in both world wars, suggested there be an over-all chief of the services who would be the minister's chief adviser or that the three chiefs be responsible for co-ordinating policy to present to the minister.

SOMETHING WRONG

The Conservative member for Esquimalt—Saanch said recent statements by Lt-Gen. Guy Simonds, former army chief of staff, and Maj-Gen. W. H. S. Macklin,

retired army adjutant-general, indicate there is something wrong in administration of the defence department. The whole question should be reviewed by a parliamentary committee or royal commission.

Gen. Peakes also said the defence department would help solve its manpower problem by eliminating the duplication which, he contended, exists in the services. (Strength of the armed forces is less than 116,000, its lowest in two years.)

"The tail we had during the Second World War was too big and this has carried over into peacetime," the general said.

(In service parlance, "tail" refers to headquarters and administrative staff as against front-line, combat troops.)

Gen. Peakes said many duplicated jobs can be eliminated in such branches as supply, sea police and the chaplain, intelligence and medical services. Under the present system, the navy, army and air force each has its own services in these fields and others.

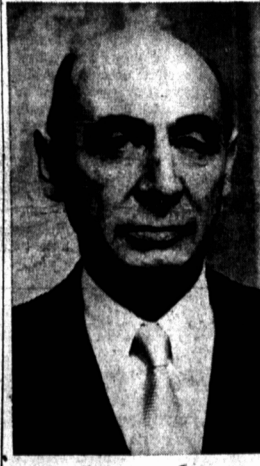
Children's Nurse Will Be Charged

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP)—Virginia B. Jaspers, 33-year-old children's nurse, will be charged with two counts of manslaughter, state's attorney Abraham S. Ullman said Tuesday after a coroner's finding held the woman criminally responsible for the deaths of two infants in 1951.

Coroner James J. Corrigan, in his finding held that Miss Jaspers was criminally responsible for the deaths of 11-day-old Abbe Kapsinow last August and Jennifer Leona Malkan, about two months old, in 1951.

The coroner blamed Miss Jaspers' "uncontrolled fits of temper" for the baby deaths. He noted "it would not have taken a great deal" of effort by the nurse, a "very robust" woman six feet tall and weighing 220 pounds, to inflict the fatal injuries.

SAUSAGE SOAKED MONTREAL (CP)—A transport truck went out of control, struck a lamp post, and overturned in suburban Tetreaultville Tuesday. Damage was the cargo—10 tons of ham and sausage soaked and spoiled by drippings from a quantity of javel water, also in the load.



ACCLAMATION

P. C. Leeder Malcolm Hollett, 62, was returned by acclamation in the Newfoundland election. A Rhodes Scholar, he has been a magistrate and newspaper man. He was made party leader in 1953.

CONSCRIPTION PLANS

BONN (AP) — West Germany will start screening youths for compulsory military service this month, defence ministry officials said Tuesday. The first draft call for one-year of training is planned for April 1, 1957. An estimated 100,000 youths will be drafted next year.



OTTAWA (CP) — George Hees may set aside his personal ambitions to support John Diefenbaker in his fight for the Progressive Conservative leadership.

That emerged as one of the most striking possibilities Tuesday as the party's national executive picked the time and place—Ottawa, the week of Dec. 10—for the convention to select a successor to Hon. George Drew.

Officially, no one has yet thrown his hat into the ring. But it was evident in preliminary skirmishes that Mr. Diefenbaker, veteran campaigner who failed in two previous leadership bids, will try again and this time will have strong backing from his Commons colleagues.

MAY SWITCH Apparently it is this evidence of strong backing for Mr. Diefenbaker that may lead Mr. Hees to make a switch in plans.

If he does—and this is likely—that may boost Donald Fleming, spunky Conservative fighter from

Toronto Eglington, to the No. 2 spot in the leadership fight. Another possible candidate is David Fulton, member for Kamloops, B.C. Mr. Diefenbaker, 61-year-old member for Prince Albert, tried for the leadership in 1942, placing first in a field of five. In 1948 he placed second behind Mr. Drew. Mr. Fleming, 51, was third and last in 1948.

Mr. Hees, 46, member for Toronto Broadview and a former Argo football player, captured a Commons seat in 1950. He became president of the party's national association in 1954-55.

It was during and since that two-year period that he built up grassroots support, making numerous tours of the hustings.

Those close to him say his hope, if he decides to support Mr. Diefenbaker's decision, would be to become deputy party leader with a view to capturing the leadership sometime in the future.

THREE-WAY BATTLE The fight then might centre on Mr. Diefenbaker, Mr. Fleming and Mr. Fulton. The Conservatives draw a great deal of their strength from Ontario. This brings up the question of Premier Frost's support.

Some of the prospective candidates are heading for Toronto and may try to sound out Mr. Frost, who has said he is not a candidate for the national leadership.

Interviewed before a television camera, Mr. Diefenbaker said he so far has made no decision whether he will contest the leadership.

Other possible candidates may emerge between now and convention time. Dr. Sidney Smith, president of the University of Toronto, has been reported as a possible contestant.

FAST HIGHWAYS

More than 1,200 miles of high-speed expressways have been built in the United States since 1945.

N. Y. Stock Prices Take Sharp Upturn

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market made its biggest advance in more than four months Tuesday to snap a long string of declines.

Gains extended to \$5 a share, with many key issues showing plus signs of \$1 to \$3 a share.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks climbed \$2.50 to \$174.70 for its largest jump since it rose \$3.30 on May 29, and second biggest rise since it went up to \$3.50 on Sept. 5, 1939.

Based on the average, the rally added an estimated \$3,000,000,000 to the quoted value of all stocks listed on the New York stock exchange, exactly making up the loss in Monday's sharp sell-off.

MONSTER MACHINE

Largest unit of mobile land machinery ever built in the U. S. is an electric earth shovel, weight 2,750 tons, towering 16 stories.

More Than Half Trans-Canada Now Paved, Roads Ass'n. Hears

QUEBEC (CP)—More than half the Trans-Canada Highway route now is paved and clearing of a "spectacular" stretch through the mountainous interior of British Columbia will begin next year, the annual convention of Canadian Good Roads Association was told Tuesday.

G. B. Williams of the federal public works department said that the 2,668 miles paved includes 1,333 miles constructed along the designated route before the Trans-Canada Highway Act of 1949.

The total highway may be about 110 miles shorter than the original estimated of 4,500 miles, he said. When detailed surveys are completed total mileage will probably

be about 4,470.

Approximately 2,356 miles of the highway have been approved for grading and with 1,900 miles of this completed. Some 1,625 miles have been approved for paving, with 1,348 miles completed.

Mr. Williams said six provinces have so far signed the amended Trans-Canada Highway Agreement, which provides for increased federal participation and an extension of the time limit for a good standard of paved highway to be completed by the end of 1960.

Provinces that have signed so far are New Brunswick, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Prince Edward Island and Ontario.



IN THE RUNNING FOR LEADERSHIP

Speculation is that one of these four Commons members will be chosen to succeed Hon. George

Drew as national leader of the Progressive Conservative party. They are, left to right: John Diefen-

baker, Prince Albert; Donald Fulton, Kamloops; George Hees, Toronto Broadview.

(CP Photo)