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NON-CONFIDENCE VOTES DEFEATED



PARLIAMENT AT A GLANCE

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Tuesday
The Commons rejected by a vote of 150 to 95 a Liberal motion of non-confidence calling for resignation of the Conservative government to make way for a Liberal administration without an election.

It also defeated by a vote of 150 to 95 a CCF non-confidence motion calling for immediate action to relieve unemployment by governmental redirection of investment and a program of public development.

Lionel Chevrier (L—Montreal) charged the minority government seeks Commons defeat and an early election "to escape the responsibility of dealing with urgent problems."

Finance Minister Donald Fleming said he will budget for a deficit in the next fiscal year if this is necessary to provide jobs to the unemployed through public works.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker gave qualified approval to an East-West summit conference and suggested indirectly that it be held in Canada.

Transport Minister George Hees indicated the government has no present intention of establishing a U.S.-type coast guard service.

The Senate gave second reading approval in principle to a government bill enabling federal aid for thermal power development in the Maritimes.

The Commons meets at 11 a.m. EST to debate farm price supports and estimates. The Senate meets at 3 p.m.

SPECIAL HOSPITAL
A modern eye hospital is being constructed at Hyderabad in West Pakistan.

Will Require Year To Study U.S. Old Age Pension Scheme

OTTAWA (CP)—At least a year's study will be required before the government can decide whether to bolster Canada's old age pension plan with a contributory scheme such as the one in the United States, Professor Gordon Huson made clear Tuesday.

The 44-year-old former British newspaper man, now a professor at the University of Western Ontario, told a press conference his preliminary fact-finding investigation into foreign schemes will take about a year. After that, it will be up to the government to make the final move.

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LT. CMDR. W. F. DUFFY, (left) President of the Charlottetown Branch of the Naval Officers Association of Canada, is thanked by Lt. J. D. Smallwood, Commanding Officer of RCSCC "Kent" for the gift of Band instruments, (foreground) presented by the Association to the local Sea Cadet Corps last evening.

Other Corps Officers present included, left to right, Lt. H. Thomsen, Executive Officer; Rev. A. E. Piercey, Protestant Padre; Rev. W. Reid, R. C. Padre; and Lt. C. F. Downe, Training Officer.

Instruments For Bugle Band Presented To Sea Cadet Corps

A 15 piece set of musical instruments sufficient to equip a bugle band was presented last evening to the local Sea Cadet Corps, RCSCC "Kent" during their weekly drill period.

The presentation was made, on behalf of the donors, the Charlottetown Branch of the Naval Officers Association of Canada, by the President, Lt. - Cmdr. W.F. Duffy, RCN (R) (Retired).

For the occasion the boys were presented on the Parade Deck of H.M.C.S. "Queen Charlotte" for divisions at 7:00 p.m.

Lt. - Cmdr. Duffy addressing the cadets told them that the Naval Association has been sponsoring the corps for a number of years and that their last drive had enabled the Association to buy bugles and drums for the corps. He said, "Everyone cannot be in the band but we do hope that the addition of the band will build a bigger and better corps."

At the close of the presentation Lieut. J.D. Smallwood, Commanding Officer, thanked Lt. Cmdr. Duffy on behalf of the corps and addressed the cadets. He stated that the cadets were the backbone of the corps, not the officers. "Without the cadets the officers would not be there," he said. He also told the cadets that by spring he would like to see the corps increased by 25 or more.

Officers of RCSCC "Kent" and the local Sea Cadet Corps last evening. Other Corps Officers present included, left to right, Lt. H. Thomsen, Executive Officer; Rev. A. E. Piercey, Protestant Padre; Rev. W. Reid, R. C. Padre; and Lt. C. F. Downe, Training Officer.

Proposes Neutral Mid-East Zone

MOSCOW (Reuters)—Russia Tuesday night proposed a zone free of nuclear and rocket weapons throughout the Middle East and Baghdad pact territory.

The proposal came as commitments of the Baghdad defence pact met in Ankara, Turkey, to prepare for a full pact conference starting there Monday.

An "authorized" statement distributed by the official Soviet news agency Tass said the United States hopes to use the conference to obtain agreement on nuclear and rocket bases in pact countries.

It said State Secretary Dulles, who leaves Washington today for the conference, also will seek to unite the Baghdad pact, NATO and the Southeast Asia defence organization "under the same roof."

ZONE OF PEACE
Tass declared: "The Near and Middle East must become and can become a zone of peace where there are no and ought not to be nuclear and rocket weapons—a zone of peace."

Charge Effort To Intimidate
WASHINGTON (AP)—Russia's attack on United States participation in Middle East defence plans was branded by officials here Tuesday as an effort to confuse and intimidate next week's meeting of the Baghdad Pact at Ankara, Turkey.

Four Killed By Freight

ST. APOLLINAIRE, Que. (CP)—Four persons were reported killed Tuesday night when a CNR train collided with a car at a level crossing near this village 15 miles southwest of Quebec City.

The victims, all passengers in the car, were not immediately identified.

The accident occurred just after 8 p.m. The automobile was dragged along the tracks for a half mile by the fast-moving freight train bound for Halifax from Montreal.

The bodies of four persons were found inside the crushed vehicle which remained wrapped around the front of the locomotive. It was believed all are from St. Apollinaire.

The bodies were taken by ambulance to nearby St. Agapit where the district coroner resides.

Report Riots In Capital Of Venezuela

WASHINGTON (AP)—Reports reaching Washington said 20 persons were killed and 100 injured when anti-government street riots broke out Tuesday in Caracas, Venezuela.

The violence occurred on the first day of a general strike in a showdown between the people and the regime of President Marcos Perez Jimenez.

The Jimenez regime was reported to have clamped a rigid censorship on news accounts and to have arrested 1,000 persons as police and national guardsmen battled the rioters.

A dusk-to-dawn curfew was said to have been imposed Tuesday night. Dispatches from Caracas reported heavily-armed police used tear gas to break up crowds of demonstrators. They mentioned no deaths or injuries.

The state department declined comment on reports of bloody rioting. However, department spokesmen said they were in touch with the U.S. embassy in Caracas.

Helpful Motorist Hampers Thugs Looting Bank Boxes

SOUTH MOUNTAIN, Ont. (CP)—A "thoroughly professional job" combining armed robbery, kidnapping, forcible detention and aggravated assault netted a masked holdup band of four, possibly five, men the still-untotaled contents of 12 safety-deposit boxes Monday night.

Affected by their four-hour operation were: Manager Ivan Keays, 50, of the Bank of Nova Scotia branch in this village 30 miles south of Ottawa; his wife, Ruth; son Harry, 7; and mother-in-law Mrs. Bertha Merkley, 70; all unarmed; Andrew Kenney, 41, of nearby Winchester, severely beaten with a pistol by a lookout whom he had tried to help; Renters of the 12 rifled deposit boxes, some of whom are holidaying in Florida.

Summit Meeting Can Be In Canada

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Diefenbaker has given qualified approval to an East-West summit meeting and suggested indirectly that it be held in Canada.

The prime minister Tuesday tabled in the Commons his Jan. 19 reply to the Dec. 13 letter of Russian Premier Nikolai Bulganin proposing a summit conference.

Mr. Diefenbaker's reply said at one point: "I can assure you that when the participants decide that they are ready to call such a (summit) meeting and should they decide to hold it in Canada, they will be welcome."

The prime minister thus put into the heads of the major world powers a suggestion made Jan. 7 in the Commons by A. M. Nicholson, Saskatchewan farmer and CCF member for Mackenzie, that any summit meeting be convened in Canada.

Mr. Diefenbaker, whose letter-writing approach was friendly but firm, said he would immediately support Bulganin's call for a high-level conference "if there were adequate assurance that beneficial results could be expected."

"Past experience has shown, however, that such meetings, if they are to be fruitful, must be carefully prepared through diplomatic and other channels."

"I am sure that you will agree that a meeting of this kind which did not lead to positive agreement on at least some of the basic issues with which we are confronted might result in a public reaction more likely to heighten than lessen world tension."

The prime minister's letter advanced some of his own points as well as replying to Bulganin's.

Mr. Diefenbaker said Canada would welcome a sign of Soviet willingness to permit freedom of movement for persons who wish to leave Russia and join relatives in Canada and for any persons in Russia who hold Canadian citizenship.

He also said Canadian businessmen may decide to visit Russia to promote more trade between the two countries. The government would be willing to be associated with such a venture.

Blizzard Moves Into Lake Area

KANSAS CITY (AP)—A blizzard which has engulfed the U.S. Midwest for two days crept north-eastward into the Great Lakes region Tuesday night.

The weather bureau said the worst part of the storm extends from northeastern Missouri and southeastern Iowa through northern Illinois and across southern Michigan.

"Snow is still accumulating at a heavy rate in that area and, whipped by winds of 20-40 miles an hour, huge drifts are forming," the bureau said. Visibility was reduced in some places to less than one-quarter mile.

Maritime Trade Board To Meet Here June 15-17

MONCTON (CP)—The annual meeting of the Maritime provinces board of trade will be held in Charlottetown June 15, 16 and 17, it was announced Tuesday by A. T. Parkes, secretary-manager of the board.

The dates were set here at the quarterly meeting of the board, presided over by the president, E. D. Reid of Charlottetown.

Will Put Jobs Before Surplus

OTTAWA (CP)—Finance Minister Fleming said Tuesday he will budget for a deficit in the next fiscal year starting April 1 if such action is necessary to provide jobs for the unemployed through public works.

Speaking in the Commons, he said the government already has said there will be "no reduction in (government) expenditures where it means jobs."

"Next year we are not going to put a balanced budget above our firm determination to provide, through the agency of public works, jobs for unemployed Canadians."

Mr. Fleming did not elaborate, nor state his plans for presenting a budget for the 1958-59 year. On Dec. 6, in his fiscal statement to the Commons, he forecast an \$80,000,000 budget surplus for the current fiscal year.

No Insurance For Fish Nets

OTTAWA (CP)—Fisheries Minister Angus MacLean Tuesday gave a clear indication in the Commons that the government has no immediate intention of insuring fishermen's nets against loss.

He said in reply to G. Roy McWilliam (L—Northumberland-Miramichi) that although the department has received many requests for such insurance, no one has come up with a satisfactory plan.

Conditions mitigating against such insurance, he said, include the short life of nets, difficulty of identification, normal year-to-year repair, and difficulty in establishing what damage is due to normal wear and tear or to accident.

Flood Damage Repair In Maritimes Makes Progress

HALIFAX (CP)—The work of repairing flood damage continued Tuesday in the Maritimes.

The CNR announced passenger service would resume today on some sections of its Halifax and southwestern branch. Washouts cut the railway in several places last Friday, when a 2½-day rain-storm ended.

Opposition Groups Split; No Sign Of Early Election

OTTAWA (CP)—Two months of non-confidence in the government, both doomed by splits among the three Opposition groups, were defeated Tuesday night in the Commons.

The minority Progressive Conservative government was upheld by votes of 221 to 24 and of 150 to 95, and thus was not forced into an election.

Following the votes Prime Minister Diefenbaker gave no sign of willingness to act on his own in having Parliament dissolved for an immediate election. Earlier, Finance Minister Fleming made clear the government had no such intention.

Despite the advance certainty that the non-confidence motions would not defeat the government, the public galleries were jammed and there was an air of excitement and turbulence among members.

How Commons Voted Tuesday

OTTAWA (CP)—Here's how the Commons voted Tuesday night on two opposition motions of non-confidence in the Progressive Conservative government:

CFR motion	For	Against	Absent
PC	—	107	5
Lib	—	95	11
CCF	24	—	1
SC	—	17	2
Ind	—	2	—
SC	—	17	2
Ind	—	2	—
Totals	24	221	19

Six Dead In Murder, Suicide

BROWNFIELD, Alta. (CP)—The bodies of a farmer, his wife and their four children have been found on a farm near this hamlet 120 miles southeast of Edmonton.

RCMP said investigation indicates it was murder and suicide. Melvin Hudson, 49, and the children were found in their beds, shot to death. The mother, Pauline, 39, was found in a garage.

Coroner Dr. J. C. O'Brien said she died of carbon monoxide poisoning. The father and children, Muriel Jean, 10, Lawrence, 8, Donna, 6, and Norman, 4, were shot with a 22-calibre rifle, police said.

Ray Hudson, brother of the dead man, found the bodies Monday after a 16-year-old schoolgirl became worried when she couldn't rouse the Hudson family for the children to go to school.

Rebels Aimed At Havana's Water

HAVANA (AP)—Rebel terrorists tried to destroy Havana's water supply Tuesday.

Demands Service

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—An impatient motorist drove into a service station Monday, fired a shot at an attendant who apparently didn't move fast enough, then sped away. He missed the attendant.

Co-ordinators Of Safety Confer

OTTAWA (CP)—Safety co-ordinators from 10 provinces meet in Ottawa this week for a dominion-provincial conference on highway safety. It was announced Tuesday.

The co-ordinators will be guests of the Canadian Highway Safety Conference. The sessions are scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Moncton Youth Killed By Truck

MONCTON (CP)—Wayne Newton Lewis, 16, of Lewisville, a Moncton suburb, was killed Tuesday night when the truck he was driving left the road at nearby Magnetic Hill.

N.B. Premier Has Checkup

FREDERICTON (CP)—Premier Hugh John Flemming's office announced Tuesday he is having a routine check-up at the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Hanover, New Hampshire.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Flemming entered the hospital for check-ups last week while staying at Hanover for a vacation and rest. They plan to return to New Brunswick next week.

Beat Passery

Two more men entered the bank with electric drill equipment, and for the next 1½ hours the group methodically opened safety-deposit boxes.

They had opened 12 when their lookout man signalled a halt. He had had trouble with Mr. Kenney, a passing motorist.

Thinking the muffled-up figure in the cold darkness to be a person in trouble, Mr. Kenney had stopped. The stranger said he was looking for a garage — man to service his car, but he declined help.

Suspicious, Mr. Kenney circled the block and as he neared the bank a second time an automobile pulled out and cut him off. He was ordered out of his car and a thug struck him down with a pistol.

Mr. Kenney staggered to a telephone pole and was struck to the ground with the pistol.

At the lookout man's warning, Mr. Keays was roped and the group left with the 12 boxes' contents, leaving behind their tools.

Mr. Keays freed himself and telephoned Morrisburg police.

Cabinet Minister Says Coast Guard Service Is Not Needed

OTTAWA (CP)—Transport Minister Hees Tuesday squelched any possibility of the establishment of a coast guard service in Canada.

He said in a Commons statement for A. Wesley Stuart (L—Charlotte) that such a service would be a "large and expensive undertaking" that would duplicate functions now adequately performed through the co-operation of the RCN, RCAF, RCMP, and transport and fisheries departments.

Police patrols were effectively carried out by the RCMP and the transport department had no intention of entering that field. Search and rescue work, for which the U.S. Coast Guard received wide publicity, now was being performed adequately by the RCAF, with assistance from the RCMP, navy and fisheries department.

However, to assist in this regard, Mr. Hees said the department is developing its own program to expand a fleet of 30 vessels now posted on both coasts and the Great Lakes. As new ships were ordered, helicopter decks would be provided. Tenders were called Jan. 7 for two such vessels.

The transport department maintained its own weather ships and had appointed an officer to promote small boat safety, two duties performed by the U.S. Coast Guard.

CHANGES IN POLICY
The government's current view is an apparent clash with past demands for a coast guard service when the Conservatives were in opposition and with a resolution adopted at the national Conservative convention in December, 1956.

James Sinclair (L—Coast Capitan) described Mr. Hees' statement on the matter as "a ringing endorsement of the program he used to criticize so badly."

What had happened to the independent coast guard service the minister had advocated in the past?

Mr. Hees said that had he received as full information from the previous government as was contained in his statement Tuesday he would have known coast guard services were being provided.

However, Mr. Hees said, the question of coast guard service is receiving continuing review and if further changes or improvements are found to be necessary they will be brought forward.