

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA SPARED

Inez Aims Heavy Blow At Grand Bahama Island

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Coastal residents fled to higher ground on Grand Bahama Island Monday as hurricane Inez lumbered northward, threatening the northern Bahamas with her top winds.

But at Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, it was business as usual at the resort city's gaming tables.

"The casino will remain open," said a spokesman for the Lucayan Beach Hotel.

All flights into and out of Grand Bahama were cancelled, and Nassau airport was closed.

Grand Bahama authorities said they were worried about flying debris from the island's many construction projects. Gale-force winds and heavy rain battered the island Monday night, with hurricane force winds churning closer.

Nearby Abaco Island also braced for Inez' wrath.

The 6,500 residents of Abaco, including many descendants of loyalists who fled the American colonies rather than fight the British Crown in 1776, were due for a direct hit by nightfall.

Ahead of Abaco in the storm's path lay Grand Bahama Island and its main city of Freeport, home of 15,000 and site of a vigorous industrial development and posh gambling resort.

Inez, killer of perhaps hundreds in a week-long rampage through the Caribbean, was knocked out of shape crossing



HURRICANE INEZ is heading north northeast in the direction of the Abaco Islands in the Bahamas at seven miles an hour, the Miami weather bureau said Monday night. Inez only brushed the southeast coast of Florida.

(AP Wirephoto)

Cuba, but soon wound up again in a 30-mile-an-hour fury after emerging into the Atlantic. She jabbed southeast Florida with squalling winds and sent

a tornado roaring into the Baman capital of Nassau where it killed a 16-month-old child. As winds rose to nearly 70 miles an hour in Nassau, a deluge of rain sent 12-inch deep water coursing through flimsy wooden homes of the poor section. Power and utility service went out in some areas.

EXCUSE FOR PARTIES

Although the wind was not expected to reach dangerous velocities at Nassau, some residents boarded up their homes and went to resort hotels, where they joined tourists in a favorite pastime of the tropics — hurricane parties.

A slight turn eastward spared the southeast Florida coast; home of 2,500,000 people, after an uneasy weekend. Winds gusting up to 50 miles an hour were laughed off in Miami, where buildings are constructed to stand up to a 125-mile-an-hour blow.

Bogus \$10 Bills Found In Truro

TRURO (CP) — Police are investigating the appearance of counterfeit \$10 bills at three local stores during the weekend.

Cashiers at a chain store and two restaurants reported receiving the bills during business hours Friday. They told police they discovered the phony bills through the unnatural feel of the paper minutes after the man who passed them left the premises.

Detective Wyman Mingo of the Truro town police said the texture and feel of the bills are considerably different from a genuine bill. The overall color of the worthless money is much lighter than its genuine counterpart, he said.

Doctor Killed

TORONTO (CP) — The slashed and battered body of Dr. Rowena Hume, 90, one of Canada's oldest women doctors, was found in her mid-town home Monday.

The body was found by Edna Hampton, a Toronto Star reporter who was to have interviewed the doctor, who had lived alone for more than 50 years.

An electric cord from a heater was wrapped around Dr. Hume's neck.

Police said her face was so battered it was hardly recognizable.

Coroner Dr. Kenneth R. Baxter ordered an autopsy.

Police said the body, found on the second floor of her home, was fully clothed. There was no indication the house had been ransacked.

Maritime Businessmen Criticized For Caution



Tribesmen Hit Back

LAGOS (Reuters) — Ibo tribesmen in eastern Nigeria, target of attacks by rival Hausas in northern Nigeria, hit back Monday in Port Harcourt, Nigeria's major oil centre, and one report spoke of at least 25 persons being killed.

Port Harcourt is in the heart of Ibo territory.

A report from reliable witnesses said the homes of Hausas were attacked and looted and 25 bodies were seen.

Police now have the situation under control, the report said. The attacks started after Ibo refugees began arriving in Port Harcourt from northern Nigeria, where at least 1,000 persons were estimated to have died in tribal rioting during the last few days.

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GILBERT FINN (third from left) of Moncton Monday was elected president of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council.

Shown with Mr. Finn, FROM LEFT, are D.F.C. Burton of Halifax, a Nova Scotia officer of APEC; J.M.

Hayman of Saint John, the New Brunswick vice-president; and R.W. Smith of Charlottetown, the P.E.I. vice-president. (CP Wirephoto)

British Austerity Opponents Score Points At Conference

By CARL MOLLINS — BRIGHTON, England (CP) — Enemies of the British government's austerity program scored points at the opening of the annual Labor party conference Monday but Harold Wilson, prime minister and party chief, demonstrated who is boss.

About 600 automobile and transport workers, whose jobs are threatened by the economic squeeze, shifted attention to the streets from the conference hall with a noisy protest against government labor policies.

But chilling rain, scores of policemen and an invitation to protest leaders to join Wilson at tea took the steam out of the protest.

While Wilson chatted with demonstration leaders in the Grand Hotel—promising nothing—the rebel Labor leader, Frank Cousins, won a point in the conference hall 100 yards away, along the rain-soaked Brighton seafront.

Cousins, leader of 1,000,000 Transport and General Workers, got an emergency resolution on the agenda, demanding action to halt unemployment resulting from government policies.

Conference authorities give the Cousins, resolution little chance of forcing any fundamental change in the government program. But it opens the way for argument during the conference's economics debate Wednesday on the fact that up to 12,000 automotive workers are scheduled to lose their jobs Nov. 4.

Public debate of the ease of the redundant British Motor Corp. workers could be as embarrassing to the Labor government as was Monday's seafront demonstration. But Wilson handled that test smoothly.

Twelve leaders invited into the hotel described their troubles for an hour, during which Wilson sent out for tea. He promised to let the auto workers have his "observations" on their case in due time.

The leaders admitted Wilson had made no commitment on their demand that the government reverse its policy and accept work sharing through short time.

The government is insisting that the economic squeeze must "shake out" the British labor force so that overmanned industries release employees for productive work elsewhere.

Sharp Delivers Double Appeal

HALIFAX (CP) — Finance Minister Sharp delivered a double appeal Monday night to big business and labor to hold the line on prices and keep wage demands within reason.

Speaking to the annual meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, Mr. Sharp updated the speech on inflation he delivered Sept. 8 in the Commons.

He was more specific on this occasion about recent big wage settlements "greatly in excess of the actual increase in productivity."

"In that way lies danger. Efforts to achieve such increases cannot really improve the standard of living in the long run. They can only lead to constant price inflation, and to the economic disruption that accompanies inflation."

Mr. Sharp repeated that the federal government has neither the power nor the desire to impose controls over prices and wages.

But he was pleased that the Steel Co. of Canada had rescinded announced price increases for its products after a government request for reconsideration.

"We hope their (Steelco's) example will be followed in other key industries."

He said tax increases still are in prospect to prevent any inflationary effect from new welfare and pension programs that

the federal government is committed to introduce.

He would not know the date of the increases until the size of the spending bill had been established.

The text of the speech was issued to the press before delivery.

Chrysler Plant Faces Shutdown

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP) — Production of all passenger cars by Chrysler Canada Ltd. will be halted Wednesday as a result of a strike against a Chrysler Corp. metal stamping plant in Twinsburg, Ohio, a spokesman for the company here said Monday night.

The spokesman said the company's main production plant will close down after the second shift Wednesday at midnight. He said about 8,000 workers will be affected.

The strike against the Twinsburg operation, the main production centre for sheet metal stampings for Chrysler products in the United States and Canada, began last Thursday.

A number of Chrysler Corp. plants in the U.S. announced Monday they would be closing down in the next two days when their supplies of sheet metal stampings—for doors, sides and roofs of cars—were exhausted as a result of the Ohio strike.

Panel Members Deliver Blast

By IAN MacKENZIE — HALIFAX (CP) — Maritimers and their attitudes towards business received a blast Monday from two university professors and a management consultant during the first day of the two-day annual meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council.

R.E. George, professor of commerce at Dalhousie University in Halifax, led off the attack at a panel discussion on expansion of the manufacturing sector by suggesting Maritimers are not prepared to exploit the opportunities open to them.

He said a study he had made "showed clearly that there is no eagerness on the part of businessmen from outside the region to build up our industry for us...we therefore have to rely mainly on home-produced entrepreneurs. But the results do not seem to be encouraging."

Prof. George suggested the lack of eagerness of businessmen and potential businessmen in the Atlantic Provinces to "have a go" even if there is a good chance of losing their shirts is the "real reason why the Atlantic Provinces are in an industrial backwater."

"We must not be content to carry on in the same old fashion, hoping that the bogey-men from Upper Canada won't come and get us. We must seek out energetically the needs of present and potential customers and see that they are satisfied before a competitor gets in first."

George Mowbray of the Toronto management consultant firm of Stevenson and Kellogg suggested that "what the Atlantic Provinces lack in order to attract more industries is really a popular desire to do so and to do the things necessary to this objective."

MONEY IN MATTRESS "I get a distinct impression that the Maritimer is much more interested in security and

liquidity than in income and capital appreciation. His money is stashed away in his mattress. This, of course, is a defensive liquidity preference that is characteristic of societies locked in a vicious circle of poverty.

"Nothing can be done directly to change such attitudes. However, government guarantees and other forms of insurance against risk can help, and have already done so in a number of cases."

Mr. Mowbray said the region "is overcrowded with government and governing bodies of all kinds."

"The old provincial system must go if the region is to attain its optimum rate of economic development."

W.J. Reddin, associate professor of business administration at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton, said management levels in business in the Atlantic Provinces are "frozen" and must be unfrozen if further economic strides are to be made.

Delegates to the conference attending the panel discussion gave the speakers a smattering of polite applause at the end of the session and none returned for a question-and-answer session later.

The panel discussion on the future of agriculture was good deal less radical and evoked a number of comments and questions from the floor in contrast.

Panelists agreed on the need for planning in the agricultural sector of the economy.

POLICY NEEDED David L. Kirk, executive secretary of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, in Ottawa, said "a clear comprehensive direction of policy has yet to be achieved."

He added a true planning approach to agricultural development in the Maritimes is unlikely to be achieved unless expert

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New President Of APEC Is Prominent Moncton Man

HALIFAX (CP) — Gilbert Finn, 46-year-old chief executive of a Moncton insurance company, today was elected Monday as the ninth president of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council. Mr. Finn succeeds John R. O'Dea of St. John's Nfld.

Mr. Finn, general manager of La Societe Assomption, a Mutual Life Insurance Company, was elected at APEC's annual meeting here.

He is president of Atlantic Holding Co., vice-president of Atlantic Printing Ltd., vice-president of Trans-Canada Industries Ltd. and directs the operations of several other corporations, including Bonaccord Realty Ltd., Bonaccord Finance Corp. Ltd. and L'Imprimerie Acadienne Limitee, publisher of the Moncton-French language newspaper L'Evangeline.

Mr. Finn is president of the French Mutual Life Insurance Companies of America, a mem-

ber of the commission of the Technological Institute of New Brunswick, a member of the Co-operative Council of the Province of Quebec, and a governor of the University of Moncton.

Mr. Finn was born in Gloucester County, New Brunswick and received his education at Chicoutimi College.

Before joining L'Assomption, he worked with the co-operative movement in northern New Brunswick. In 1950 he was appointed director of agencies for the insurance company, received his chartered life underwriters designation in 1961 and was named general manager and chief executive of the company in 1962.

Regional officers elected: Newfoundland: E. K. Joyce, vice-president, Corner Brook; C. K. Howse, St. John's; Campbell Eaton, St. John's; Ford Hewlett, Springdale; W. W. Coe, Corner Brook.

Another State Born In Africa

By ADAM KELLETT-LONG MASERU, Lesotho (Reuters) — Another new state was born in Africa today—Lesotho, a kingdom created out of the old British colony of Basutoland.

The small, mountain-ringed country gained its freedom at one minute after midnight Monday night as the union jack was hauled down for the last time and the red, white, blue and green flag of Lesotho was proudly raised in its place.

The British flag was lowered at a big pitsa (gathering) ground just outside Maseru.

Later this morning, the formal independence ceremony will take place at the pitsa ground when Princess Marina, representing her niece, Queen Eliza-

beth, hands over the constitutional instruments to Paramount Chief-Moshoeshoe XI, who becomes king of the new state.

As the first day of the main independence celebrations ended, political differences appeared to be temporarily set aside as the whole population joined in the festivities sweeping away 82 years of British colonial tutelage.

The day had opened with a rainstorm, the best omen the poor, drought-stricken country could have had.

Lesotho is the second country on the African continent to gain its freedom within a week, following Bechuanaland, which last Friday became the Republic of Botswana.

Movement To Cut Food Prices Skyrockets In Pictou County

NEW GLASGOW (CP) — A movement by Pictou County housewives to lower food prices skyrocketed here Monday as it attracted support from more than 1,000 individuals and several organizations.

Mrs. Fred Baines, the New Glasgow housewife who announced the start of the movement during the weekend, said the campaign was growing so fast a mass meeting will be held within 10 days to plan future action in the drive to force prices down.

She said the United Steelworkers Union at nearby Trenton offered its union hall as a meeting place.

"A lot of large organizations

are behind us," Mrs. Baines said.

"This whole thing is moving along even better than we anticipated and for only the first day the support we are getting is terrific."

Mrs. Baines said many calls had been received from other areas of the province as well as pensioners, widows and men. The movement began Sunday when Mrs. Baines announced the war on rising food costs. She and several other housewives formed a committee to plan boycotting of certain food items to force retailers to drop prices immediately. If this is not done, the group plans to boycott stores entirely, forming picket lines and demonstrating in front of stores.

Oath Of Office Taken By Cabinet Ministers

OTTAWA (CP) — A patient at the Ottawa General Hospital was sworn in Monday as registrar-general of Canada in the first such ceremony in official records.

The patient was Guy Favreau, private council president and federal Liberal leader in Quebec. Looking thinner after a bout with pneumonia and complications, he smiled broadly and joked with Prime Minister Pearson and Chief Justice Robert Taschereau.

Standing beside his bed wearing a robe and ascot, Mr. Favreau formally took over a new federal department that will regulate business activity.

He is expected to remain in hospital for several weeks and John Turner, minister without portfolio, has been named acting registrar-general.

Earlier, six other ministers were sworn in under new titles and powers in a traditional ceremony at Government House presided over by Governor-General Vanier.

Chief Justice Taschereau administered the oath to Mr. Fav-

reau as deputy to the Governor-General. The Privy Council office said it was the first hospital swearing-in on record.

The unusual ceremony was decided on last week in an apparent move to dampen widespread speculation in Liberal ranks that Mr. Favreau might resign from the cabinet for health reasons.

The cabinet shuffle that became official Monday originally was announced Dec. 17, 1965, by Mr. Pearson and largely took effect earlier this year under interim arrangements.

Besides Mr. Favreau, ministers with new portfolios are: Arthur Laing, Indian affairs and northern development; Maurice Sauve, forestry and rural development; E. J. Benson, treasury board president; Larry Peneill, solicitor-general; Jean-Jacques Pepin, energy, mines and resources; and Jean Marchand, manpower and immigration.

Mr. Favreau retains the honorary post of Privy Council president, with special responsibilities for federal-provincial relations, and Mr. Benson remains revenue minister.

LORD, LADY AVON VISIT CANADA

Lord Avon, the former Sir Anthony Eden, and his wife arrived in Montreal Monday from London aboard the Empress of Canada and immediately left for Ottawa. Wednesday, they will go to Brockville, Ont., where Lord Avon

will take part in ceremonies marking the 40th anniversary of the Brockville Rifles. (CP Wirephoto)

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