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VICE-REGAL PARTY AT RECEPTION

Former Lieutenant-Governor, Walter Hyndman, with their consorts, Mrs. Hyndman and Mrs. Prowse, make up this smiling vice-regal quartette at the reception held Monday afternoon in Hon. Mr. Hyndman's residence following the Confederation Chamber swearing-in ceremony.

## Series Of Major Decisions Face Diefenbaker Gov't

By ALAN DONNELLY Canadian Press Staff Writer Prime Minister Diefenbaker's Progressive Conservative government, confirmed in office by a record-smashing election victory, now switches from the hustings to tackle unemployment. Already there has been a hint of tax cuts. The cabinet, all returned in Monday's flood tide of votes, is expected to meet in Ottawa later this week, probably Thursday. The new Parliament, with a government in a majority greater than any since Confederation 91 years ago, will meet in about six weeks. Mr. Diefenbaker has said its first responsibility will be to act on the unemployment problem.

To deal with that and other issues the 62-year-old Saskatchewan lawyer, who led the Conservatives into minority power last June 10 after 22 years in opposition, now has a mandate stronger than any previous prime minister. Opposition shattered. Opposition forces in the 265-seat Commons were shattered by the ballots of more than 7,000,000 Canadians, a record poll. Liberals under Lester B. Pearson, who was personally re-elected, suffered their worst defeat since Confederation. CCF Commons strength was cut by more than two-thirds. Social Credit was wiped off the national scene. Leaders of both parties were personally defeated in the rout. It is the makeup of the new Parliament chosen Monday:

Table with 2 columns: Party and Seats. Includes Prog. Con., Liberals, CCF, Social Credit, Independent, Ind. Lib., Ind. P.C., and Doubtful.

## Calls Red Sub Fleet Grave Threat

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—The growing Soviet submarine fleet constitutes "one of the gravest threats the Western world faces," the flag officer of Canada's Atlantic Command said Tuesday. Rear-Admiral H. F. Pullen, visiting the United States Atlantic Fleet headquarters, said "if we lose command of the sea we've had it." He said submarines almost defeated the Allies in both world wars. The Canadian Navy—or any small navy—was always faced with the problem of trying to be good at a lot of things or in one special field. After the war experience, he said, it seems logical for Canada to concentrate on anti-submarine warfare.

## Cold Water Is Thrown On Election Rumors In N. S.

HALIFAX (CP)—Rumors that Nova Scotians face another election campaign this year went the rounds Tuesday but Conservative Premier Stanfield and Liberal Leader Hicks gave them little support. Mr. Stanfield said his cabinet members "haven't even discussed the idea." He wouldn't comment on the prospect they might discuss it at a later date. Mr. Hicks said he sees no reason why Premier Stanfield should call an election in the near future. The government took office after ousting the Liberals in a provincial election only 17 months ago. They hold 24 seats in the 43-seat legislature. The Liberals have 18 and the CCF one.

ROYAL RESIDENCE As a private residence of the royal family, Sandringham House in Norfolk is not open to the public. The disclosure Tuesday by aides followed by minutes an announcement that the first post-election meeting of the cabinet had been called for Thursday. The one-week break would enable both Diefenbakers to rest up from the effects of the arduous election campaign. Its rigors left Mr. Diefenbaker apparently fit but saw his wife reduced to hobbling on crutches. No details of cabinet business were disclosed. Mr. Diefenbaker, in a general election statement Monday night announcing that Parliament would be summoned "as soon as possible," said solution of the country's unemployment problem will be the "first task" of the new government.

## Recounts Soldier Vote Could Affect Results In Five Seats

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Recounts and results of the soldier vote could affect the election of candidates in at least five constituencies where balloting in Monday's federal election was marked by tight races. Three candidates—two Progressive Conservatives and one Liberal—were elected by fewer than 100 votes each and it is likely no final decisions will be reached until the soldier vote is announced. This may be known next weekend. In all, 10 were elected by fewer than 300 votes each. Five of these are Liberals, four are Progressive Conservatives. The other, CCF candidate Arnold Peters, had a tight squeeze for the second straight time. Last June Mr. Peters unseated Mrs. Ann Shipley in Timiskaming by 183 vote and this time his margin over PC Foster Rice is a mere 264.

was the 58-vote bulge PC Robert S. Maclellan held over Liberal Allan J. MacEachern, who won the Nova Scotia riding of Inverness-Richmond in the election last June. Stanley J. Hunt of the Progressive Conservatives nudged out James M. Forgie by 65 votes in the Ontario riding of Renfrew North. Forgie won the seat in 1957 by a margin of 1,095 votes. There were also tight squeezes in Winnipeg North and Villeneuve. Alistair Stewart won the Winnipeg North riding for the CCF with a plurality of 10,548 last June but this time he was defeated by a 167-vote margin by PC Murray Smith. In the Quebec riding of Villeneuve, Armand Dumas held the seat for the Liberals with a 156-vote margin over PC Paul Andre Lemieux. There were tight fits in three other Quebec constituencies with Liberal candidates winning out in two by 234- and 290-vote pluralities in Montreal Cartier and Beauve while PC Paul Lahave won out by 252 votes over Liberal J. Alfred Montrain in Champlain in a straight two-party fight.

## Election Makes Paris Page One

PARIS (Reuters)—Paris evening newspapers gave front-page play to the Progressive Conservative victory in the Canadian elections. L'information and the Roman Catholic La Croix quote Ottawa observers as saying the voters' choice was for a harder policy toward the United States.

## PM And Wife Plan For Week's Visit To Bermuda

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. (CP) Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker are to leave Ottawa this weekend for a week's holiday in Bermuda. The disclosure Tuesday by aides followed by minutes an announcement that the first post-election meeting of the cabinet had been called for Thursday. The one-week break would enable both Diefenbakers to rest up from the effects of the arduous election campaign. Its rigors left Mr. Diefenbaker apparently fit but saw his wife reduced to hobbling on crutches. No details of cabinet business were disclosed. Mr. Diefenbaker, in a general election statement Monday night announcing that Parliament would be summoned "as soon as possible," said solution of the country's unemployment problem will be the "first task" of the new government.

## Manning Has Election Comment

EDMONTON (CP)—Premier E. C. Manning of Alberta said Tuesday Canadian voters "have put all their eggs in one basket and shot the hen." The idea of giving the Conservatives the majority they requested to carry out their program is "the only explanation" for such a landslide victory, the premier said. The outcome could be summed up in four words—Give Diefenbaker a Chance.

## JOYFUL REUNION

Charlotte Bartha, Hungarian-born Canadian, is reunited in Montreal with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ignatius Bartha, after 14 years' separation. Charlotte last saw her parents in Budapest in 1944 when she was separated from them by the Russian occupation. Wearing a Canadian Red Cross uniform, she met them at Montreal airport after their arrival from Hungary. She had a basket of fruit for them because fruit is scarce in Hungary. (CP Photo)

## BOUND FOR AUSTRALIA

# 1,200 Immigrants Saved In Mass Rescue Operation

## Emergency Session Of Israeli Cabinet Called

JERUSALEM (Reuters)—Premier David Ben-Gurion held an emergency cabinet session Tuesday to discuss rising tension on the Israeli-Syrian frontier. The session, unprecedented on the eve of the Passover holiday, came shortly after the United Arab Republic of Syria and Egypt called for a UN Security Council meeting to discuss Arab charges of Israel aggression. Ben-Gurion, 2-year-old veteran of many previous border crises, called his cabinet following an extraordinary meeting of parliament's security and internal affairs committee. He and the Israeli chief of staff, Maj.-Gen. Chaim Laskov, made full reports to the committee on clashes during the last three days in the Huleh area. Israeli workers there have been digging a canal as part of a land reclamation project.

"violations of the truce agreement and a menace to peace." The UAR foreign office said Foreign Minister Fawzi will fly to Zurich, Switzerland, today to confer with Hammarskjold about the dispute. Fawzi also conferred Tuesday with both U.S. ambassadors Raymond Hare and Soviet Ambassador Evgeny Kisseliev regarding the UAW's request for a Security Council meeting. A UN announcement in New York said the meeting between Fawzi and Hammarskjold was arranged before the border clashes and that they would discuss relations between the United Nations and the newly-established UAR. But sources in New York said it is more than likely the border clashes will enter into the talks.

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hull, left drifting about 300 miles southeast of the island of Scootra. With survivors crowded onto the deck under a broiling tropical sun, the City of Sydney raced to meet the Roma. The City of Sydney normally carries only 66 Indian crew members and 20 officers, and food and water were running short. Late in the afternoon all survivors were transferred safely to the more-spacious Roma, which headed toward Aden at top speed. SURVIVORS ALL WELL Officials of the intergovernmental committee for European migration, which sponsored the Skaubryn's voyage, said all survivors are in good health and spirits. There was no announcement whether the surviving 795 Germans, 150 Maltese, 36 Finns, 24 Danes and seven Norwegian migrants would continue their journey to Australia aboard another vessel. A British warship was sent to the charred hulk of the Skaubryn, owned by L. M. Skaugen of Oslo. The warship may attempt to salvage the vessel or may sink it with gunfire to eliminate it as a hazard to shipping.

## C.P.R. To Cut Firemen May 11

MONTREAL (CP)—The Canadian Pacific Railway announced Tuesday it will start eliminating firemen from freight and yard-service diesels May 11—a practice the union said it cannot accept. CPR President N. R. Crump said the company intends to proceed with the plan for gradual elimination of diesel firemen that the Kellogg royal commission described as "fair." Canadian leader W. E. Gamble of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen (CLC), which struck against the CPR for nine days last year on the issue, had no comment. He said he would wait until the matter is discussed with the contract negotiating committee. EXPIRE MAY 31 The present labor agreement expires May 31 and the union as of today has 60 days in which to file new demands. The union and Canadian National Railways began conciliation proceedings recently on their contract. The government-owned CNR announced earlier it sought "sole discretion" in the use of firemen on diesels for freight yard work. Mr. Crump's statement Tuesday said the company had withheld action on the Kellogg recommendations in the hope the union would accept the non-bidding findings. The union, with about 10,000 Canadian members, has contended that removal of firemen would increase accident hazards. The CPR decision would affect eventually 4,400 firemen. It told the Kellogg commission that removal of firemen would not jeopardize safety and would save more than \$5,700,000 a year now and ultimately more than \$11,500,000 annually.

## Britain Shows No Signs Of Dropping Nuclear Tests

LONDON (CP)—Britain Tuesday showed no signs of following the Soviet example and suspending nuclear test explosions. Prime Minister Macmillan held fast to the Western position that test suspensions are a subject for international negotiation in which safeguards can be worked out. He told the House of Commons that Britain has put her faith in the prospect that a summit conference would settle the problems of nuclear tests and disarmament. But he added: "I note that the Russian announcement was timed to come after the completion of an extensive and accelerated series of Russian tests and just before a series of American tests already announced by the United States government—and when the current series of British tests is not completed. "We have long been anxious, as our proposals have shown, to negotiate an agreement on disarmament that will include arrangements for the ending of suspen-

## Rebels Strike Blows In Cuba

HAVANA (AP)—Rebel chief Fidel Castro launched a first phase of his so-called total war against President Fulgencio Batista Tuesday. His men struck sharp blows against communications and transportation in Oriente province. Roving guerrilla bands fired without warning on all moving highway and rail transport and virtually paralyzed communications between Santiago and the remainder of eastern Cuba. Rebel sources in Havana said the all-out war will be extended to all of Cuba after midnight Saturday. That is the deadline Castro has set for Batista to quit. The Batista government reacted by arming itself with emergency powers that may lead to martial law and mass arrests. FIRST PHASE The first phase of the increased rebel activity was concentrated in Oriente, where Castro has made his headquarters in his 16-month fight against the Batista regime. Communications, transport and to her business and industrial enterprises continued to operate normally in Havana and surrounding areas. Batista's government, which previously had revoked constitutional guarantees, obtained from congress full authority to do "whatever necessary" to smash the rebellion. Under the state of emergency

declared by congress, effective immediately throughout Cuba, Batista may declare martial law, impose curfews, enlarge the armed forces, impose new taxes, settle labor disputes, exercise rigid control over communications and transport and order severe punishment for any attempts to disturb public order. The government previously had prohibited public assembly and imposed strict censorship of the press, radio and television. Miss Whitton Gets Shampoo OTTAWA (CP)—Charlotte Whitton's unsuccessful campaign for a Progressive Conservative seat in Ottawa West Monday simmered down Tuesday to a bottle of shampoo. Former Ottawa Mayor Whitton, 62, lost a tight race to Liberal George McIlraith, 49-year-old Commons member since 1940. In a hectic campaign, Miss Whitton threatened to "wash that man right out of my hair." Mr. McIlraith didn't wash. But Ottawa West Liberals sent their opponent a bottle of shampoo, anyway. Pickersgill Had Huge Majority ST. JOHN'S (CP)—Former immigration minister J. W. Pickersgill polled 13,091 of the 17,197 votes cast in Bonaville-Twillingate Monday for a majority of 4,100 per cent, the highest in Newfoundland. Last year he won the riding with an 87 per cent majority, the highest in Canada. With one poll still unheard from, Maj. C. W. Carter, Liberal, had 71 per cent majority over his Progressive Conservative opponent in Borin-Burgoe.

## Pearson Plans Florida Trip

OTTAWA (CP)—Liberal Leader Lester B. Pearson will fly to Florida today for a holiday with friends. The 60-year-old Mr. Pearson, who failed to bring his party back to power in Monday's election bid, will be accompanied only by his wife. He will stay with friends near West Palm Beach. He was expected back early next week.

## France Comes To Standstill As Public Servants Strike

PARIS (Reuters)—France came to a standstill Tuesday in a strike of 1,000,000 public employees called as a warning to the government on the rising cost of living. Gigantic traffic jams formed in the capital and its approach roads and the few main-line trains that left Paris were almost empty as travellers postponed all avoidable journeys. The 24-hour strike halted trains, buses, subway services and airlines. It cut down gas, electricity and water supplies. Garbage collectors left cans unemptied. Customs officers left baggage through without examination. Aviation mechanics refused to service planes, bringing airline operations to a halt. SEEK MORE PAY A rail union official said: "If

the authorities fail to recognize our claim for more pay because of the cost of living, we shall probably repeat our action." Communist, Socialist and Catholic unions joined forces in the strike. The general stoppage in transportation meant thousands had to walk or hitchhike to work. The army provided trucks to ferry some workers through the suburbs. Volunteer crews manned a few of the main express trains and special bus services were provided for other long-distance travellers. Thousands of state employees in France are trying to raise families on wages as low as the equivalent of \$9.15 a week. In 14 months, the food price level has risen 17 per cent, leading a general increase across the board.