



**WELCOME CHAMPIONS**

Thousands of Belleville, Ont., fans turned out to welcome the world hockey champion McFarlands home. Players of the team were driven in convertibles over a 1 1/4-mile parade route. Signs held by girls group in front say "Well Done Macs." (CP Wirephoto)

**Nfld. Independent Contractors Seek Contract With New Union**

By SANDY CAMPBELL  
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CORNER BROOK, Nfld. (CP) — Lawyer Leonard Martin said Monday he has received authorization from 29 independent contractors of Bowater's Newfoundland Pulp and Paper Mills Limited to negotiate a work agreement with the Newfoundland Brotherhood of Woods - Workers (N.B.W.W.).

Mr. Martin, son of Bowater's vice-president and general manager Albert Martin, said the contractors indicated willingness to join the Newfoundland Contractors Association. The association organized by Mr. Martin would eventually represent all 60 Bowater's contractors.

He said an interim agreement covering wages would be signed with N.B.W.W. Friday. Union-association committees would discuss terms of a final contract to be signed within one month.

He would recommend that the association have nothing to do with the International Woodworkers of America (I.W.A.).

**ASKS DAMAGES**  
"Before even considering negotiating with the I.W.A. I would insist that my contractors be paid damages for the illegal I.W.A. strike," he said. About 1,400 I.W.A. loggers began leaving camps operated by Bowater's contractors after 1,200 I.W.A. loggers struck the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Company at Grand Falls Dec. 31. Premier Smallwood said the I.W.A. had called an illegal strike against Bowater's. The I.W.A. said there was no strike, the contractors were just having trouble finding loggers willing to work.

Max Lane, president of the N.B.W.W., said last week he expected less opposition to his union in this area because there had been no strike in Bowater's territory.

I.W.A. actually took a strike vote in 29 Bowater's camps. Mr. Martin said Monday, "I.W.A. organizer Jack McCool took the vote in several camps. I have affidavits to that effect."

The Corner Brook and District Labor Council (C.L.C.) last week urged the loggers to return to work. Mr. Martin said except for two camps operated by three contractors, operations were back to normal.

**TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENT**  
"I will negotiate the first agreement for all Bowater's contractors," Mr. Martin said. "The association will hold a convention in July when an executive will be elected and constitution adopted."

"After the convention I will have nothing to do with the association and henceforth it will negotiate all agreements between loggers and contractors."

Depending on the season the company employs between 200 and 700 loggers directly. Most of them work in depots where pulp wood is marshalled and in coastal operations booming the wood to the mill.

Bowater's indicated it would have a representative in the association but under no circumstances would its representative become president of the association.

**SAME TERMS**  
Mr. Lane said last week after meetings with Mr. Martin that he had been assured that Bowater's contractors would agree to

the same terms as in the N.B.W.W. contract and A.N.D. Bowater's agreed to compensate the contractors for pay increases retroactive to April 1. The N.B.W.W., promoted by Premier Smallwood to replace the I.W.A., claims more than 8,500 members. The two I.W.A. locals decertified by the provincial government claimed more than 11,000 members.

The I.W.A. struck A.N.D. after the company rejected an unanimous conciliation board report recommending a five-cent raise in the basic hourly rate of \$1.05, and a six hour cut in the 60 hour work week without loss in pay.

The one-year N.B.W.W. agreement provided a five-cent hourly increase with no change in working hours, plus a nine-cent raise in the average piecework rate of \$7.13 a cord.

Operations resumed after the contract signing and many camps were reported ready to close this week as the hauloff neared completion. Driving the wood to the mill at Grand Falls will begin when ice goes out of the rivers, probably in mid-April.

**Arthur Beauchesne Dies At Age Of 82 Yrs.**

OTTAWA (CP) — Dr. Arthur Beauchesne, whose name and knowledge have gained a permanent place in Canada's Parliament, died Tuesday at the age of 82.

As Clerk of the House of Commons for 24 years until his retirement—10 years ago—he became an authority on the complex rules and procedures of the Commons.

From his seat at the long table on the chamber floor he helped guide the decisions of successive Speakers of the Commons.

When he died in hospital here after a three-week illness he left Parliament a permanent guide in his authoritative Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms. The fourth edition of the text was published only last year.

**HONORARY OFFICER**  
On his retirement in 1949 the Commons made him an honorary officer of the House, with the privilege of sitting at the Commons table on special occasions.

Tuesday party leaders in the House paid him tribute.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker called Dr. Beauchesne "a great scholar, a student and authority on parliamentary procedure" and said he and his book gave Parliament "a singular distinction."

Opposition Leader Pearson said his published guide to Parliament's rules "has become a bible for us all."

"... As long as there is parliamentary government in Canada, Dr. Beauchesne's name will perhaps appear in the columns of Hansard more often than that of any private member."

In his long career Dr. Beauchesne held a position of influence not widely realized by the public but held in full respect by the country's leaders in Parliament.

**ADVISER OF MEMBERS**  
His title of "Clerk" denoted little of the real scope of his work and responsibility. Among civil servants he ranked third in precedence, above all deputy

ministers. He was the adviser of cabinet members and of opposition members.

A native of Carleton in Quebec's Bonaventure County, he graduated from St. Joseph's College at Memramcook, N.B., in 1895 and then studied law in Montreal.

In 1897 he turned to journalism and founded a newspaper, l'Opinion, in 1905. Years later he was made an honorary member of the Parliamentary Press Gallery.

A Progressive Conservative, he sought election unsuccessfully three times—in Bonaventure in the 1908 federal election, in a Quebec provincial election in 1912, and in the 1953 federal election in Ottawa East constituency.

**ENTERED SERVICE IN 1913**  
Dr. Beauchesne, who was admitted to the Quebec Bar in 1904, entered government service in 1913 as a legal adviser in the justice department.

In 1916 he became assistant Clerk of the Commons and Clerk in 1925.

A slightly-built man with precise manners and a rich intellect, he had firm views about the place of Commons rules.

"The trouble is not that the rules are bad, but that they're not applied and the members don't know them," he once said. They complain about the rules, they want to change them but they can never tell you where change should be made."

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