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## Donald Fleming Is Likely Choice As Finance Minister

### Mr. MacLean Is Mentioned Among Cabinet Prospects

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OTTAWA (CP) — John Diefenbaker's new Progressive Conservative federal cabinet began taking solid shape Wednesday.

While the victorious party leader kept mum on his choices, a procession of top-ranking Conservative members visiting him gave some clue to the makeup of the party's first cabinet in 22 years.

At the same time, a high party informant said the key job of finance minister now has been practically settled for Donald Fleming, member for Toronto Eglington, who has been a Conservative handyman in the Commons on a variety of affairs.

Earlier speculation had been that the finance post would go to J. M. Macdonnell, the party's financial specialist in the last three Parliaments. Mr. Macdonnell, age 72—apparently has knocked him out of the running. Mr. Fleming, a Toronto lawyer, is 52.

EXTERNAL POST DOUBTFUL  
Meanwhile, there was no information on who will get another key post—external affairs—to succeed internationally-prominent L. B. Pearson.

Best speculation at the moment was that Mr. Diefenbaker—who was his party's foreign specialist before taking over the leadership—will take this portfolio temporarily until he can make a permanent choice. No outstanding party member appeared in prospect.

But there were candidates aplenty for other cabinet positions.

Among those seeing Mr. Diefenbaker Wednesday were these: Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, VC, re-elected for Esquimalt-Saanich in British Columbia and just about certain to become defence minister.

George Hees of Toronto Broadway, former national president of the Conservatives and a possible trade minister.

Jack Charlton of Ontario's Brant-Haldimand, likely minister of agriculture. He has been one of the party's chief farm spokesmen.

NOWLAN, BROWNE TICKETED  
George Nowlan of Nova Scotia's Digby-Annapolis Kings, definitely ticketed for a portfolio. He is another prospect for trade minister, but might wind up with the transport department.

W. J. Browne of St. John's West, beaten in that Newfoundland riding in 1953 after four years in the House but who made a comeback June 10 as one of Newfoundland's two Conservative members. He is expected to get a portfolio, possibly fisheries.

William Hamilton of Montreal Notre-Dame-de-Grace, probable postmaster-general.

Gordon Churchill of Winnipeg South Centre, one of the main strategists of Mr. Diefenbaker's run for the party leadership and for the prime ministry. He will be a minister, but there was no firm information Wednesday on his portfolio. It could be citizenship and immigration.

FULTON POSSIBLE SPEAKER  
Davie Fulton of British Columbia's Kamloops riding, the party's top specialist on Commons procedure, who might take over either the job of Speaker—presiding officer of the House—or of minister of justice.

Howard Green of Vancouver Quadra, for several years the Conservatives' specialist on transport. Mr. Green, who flew in from Vancouver Wednesday, was quoted



VICTORY SMILE

Ottawa, Progressive Conservative leader John Diefenbaker waves his homburg as he leaves an east-block conference with Prime Minister St. Laurent who told him the Liberal government would resign. (CP Wirephoto)

### Liberal Party Nominates Candidate For 1st Queens

Howard Wood, Victoria farmer, was Wednesday night named the Liberal candidate to contest the forthcoming Provincial by-election in 1st Queens as assemblyman. Mr. Wood was nominated by Clifford Ince, of DeSable, John Trainor, of Kelly's Cross, seconding the motion.



HOWARD WOOD

and was re-elected for a second term in 1956.

## Swelters in Montreal But Ice Will Be Worry Soon

MONTREAL (CP)—While temperatures soared to record highs in Montreal, a ship captain on the waterfront sweltered in the knowledge that he'll soon be worrying about icebergs rather than the heat.

Capt. Charles A. Caron of the ice-breaker d'Iberville mopped his brow and mopped it again while watching men around him make repairs to his ship.

"You know," he confided to a newspaper man, "I won't mind it a bit, not the least bit, going to the Arctic when this ship is ready—if only to escape the awful heat."

REACHED 50 ONCE  
Only once in his annual trips to the Arctic has he known the temperature to reach as high as 50 degrees. That was at Eureka, about 600 miles from the North Pole and the most northerly point reached in his supply mission.

"Usually the temperature averages 35 to 40 degree in the arctic summer," the 53-year-old captain said.

The d'Iberville is in windmill basin undergoing a number of minor repairs for her northern voyage which will cover about 10,000 miles. She is scheduled to leave in about a month.

Other department of transport vessels soon to head north include the Arctic supply ship C. D. Howe, the ice-breakers N.B. McLean and Montcalm, and the hydrographic survey ship Baffin.

These government vessels will be followed by privately-owned freighters under contract to deliver supplies to Arctic bases, including the DEW line.

LAND OWN CARGO  
Since there are no dock facilities at the northern port so call the ships must carry their own power landing barges or two boats and dump barges. They anchor up to a mile or more from shore and lighter their cargos from ship to shore.

Navigation in the Arctic is a hazardous proposition, said Capt. Caron, a 30-year veteran with the transport department. There is always ice in some degree, an extreme range of tides, sudden gales

### Edmonton Mayor Visiting Here

Mayor William Hawrelak of Edmonton arrived in Charlottetown last night and this morning at 10 o'clock will pay an official call on His Worship J.D. Stewart at City Hall. Mayor Hawrelak is accompanied by his wife and two daughters. He is immediate past president of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities and was an unsuccessful Liberal candidate in the recent Federal election. Mayor Hawrelak will make official calls on His Honour, Lieutenant Governor Prowse and on Premier A.W. Matheson.

### 11 Seamen Lost In Collision At Sea Off France

BREST, France (Reuters)—Eleven seamen died in a blazing inferno off the French coast Wednesday after an oil-laden American-owned tanker and a Greek freighter collided in a pea-soup fog. Of 46 survivors picked up by rescue ships of five countries, 20 were injured 10 severely.

Another 24 seamen were reported not accounted for.

The American tanker, the 10,500-ton Stony Point, sailing under Liberian registry, was still blazing hours after the collision, but a Dutch tug had put a party aboard her.

Radio reports from the collision site, 20 miles west of here, said the fire on board the Stony Point appeared to be localized a foot the breach made by the crash.

### FOG HINDERS RESCUE

All dead were reported to be from the Greek freighter, the 9,340-ton Ioannis.

The British destroyer Ulster arrived here with five dead and 27 survivors from the collision. Ten bodies were taken to the general hospital.

The crews got both vessels immediately after the crash. Thick fog, with visibility down to 130 feet, shrouded rescue operations and prevented air aid. Lifeboats picked the shipwrecked men out of burning oil patches in heavy seas.

Later, some of its crew boarded the Ioannis and put out the fire aboard it. It then began making slowly for port, escorted by the French tug Rhinoceros.

### Showers Aid In N. S. Fire Fight

WINDSOR, N.S. (CP)—Heavy showers poured down on flaming woods in Hants county Wednesday helping firefighters bring the widespread outbreak under control again. But the fires are far from out.

Officials said there were general nearly 500 firefighters are continuing to battle the scattered outbreaks that spread over a wide area of the spruce and fir woodlands.

Nearly 40 pumps throw 100,000 gallons of water an hour on the flames, but provincial forester R. H. Burgess said several more inches of rain is needed to bring the fires to a complete standstill.

Some 10,000 acres of land have been destroyed already, and several cottages and sawmills have been eaten up in the path of the fire. No injuries have been reported.

A helicopter makes continuous surveys of the situation, reporting new outbreaks to firefighters below. The firefighters include about 100 army and naval personnel.

### Watch For Flu At Vancouver

OTTAWA (CP)—All persons arriving in Vancouver by plane from the Far East are being examined to determine whether they have Asiatic flu, a federal health department official says.

The official said Wednesday that the examinations are on a voluntary basis because Asiatic flu is not a quarantinable disease. Only aircraft passengers are being examined. Ship travel would give the disease time to show up among passengers during the voyage.

The official said the department here has received no information that a man who recently arrived in Vancouver from Hong Kong may have Asiatic flu. Dr. Stewart Murray, Vancouver medical officer of health, said in Vancouver Tuesday that blood samples and throat washings are being examined by the provincial health laboratory and will be sent to Ottawa for further tests.

No cases of the disease have been discovered among plane passengers arriving in Vancouver, the official said. He added that while the examinations are on a voluntary basis, there have been no cases of persons refusing to cooperate.

## U.K. High Commissioner Is Impressed On First Visit

"I am delighted with my first visit to Prince Edward Island and hope that it may be possible for my family and I to spend an extended holiday at one of your fine beaches," said Sir Saville Garner, K.C., KCMG., High Commissioner for the United Kingdom to Canada yesterday.

### Famous H. B. C. Post Will Close

YORK FACTORY, Man. (CP)—The historic Hudson's Bay Company post founded here by Pierre Radisson and Medard Grosseilliers in 1682 will be shut down June 29 after 273 years of frontier trading.

The company announced Wednesday that Indians who have traded at the post at the mouth of the Hayes River, 355 miles northeast of Winnipeg on the shores of Hudson Bay, will leave the area.

Because of the decline in game and fur-bearing animals in the region, the Crees will go to Split Lake, near Ilford on the Hudson Bay line of the Canadian National Railways.

Closing of the "factory" will mark the end of an outpost that was a bustling trading centre at its peak.

For many years it was the headquarters of the Hudson's Bay Company only 12 years after the company was granted its charter in 1670.

## 32,000 In Serious Danger As Po River Flood Creeps Higher

ROVIGO, Italy (Reuters)—Thousands of farmers camped with their cattle on the tallest dikes of the low-lying Po delta Wednesday as the rain-forged river rose higher and higher.

The muddy Po breached the dikes at two points and seeped through at several other spots.

The level of the river at Polesella, 37 miles from the Adriatic, was only one foot below the high mark six years ago when 273 persons were killed and 223,000 made homeless in one of the worst flood disasters in Italian history.

Immediately threatened is the Delta island of Ariano, enclosed by the main channel and an arm of the river. It is 32,000 inhabitants and 45,000 acres of fertile farmland are in serious danger.

### TOIL TO PLUG GAP

As the crest rolled down the delta, of the sea, squads of firemen, police and hundreds of workmen and volunteers toiled all night in the glare of floodlights to plug a gap at Guidarini on the arm of the river, and a breach at Contarina on the main stream.

## UK Hydrogen Bomb Tests Completed

LONDON (AP) — Britain Wednesday night announced completion of her hydrogen bomb tests in the central Pacific with the explosion of a third bomb.

As in the two previous H-bomb tests in the Christmas Island area, the third blast of a nuclear device took place at high altitude, the ministry of supply announced.

The announcement said: "Minister of Supply Aubrey Jones has received a report from Air Vice-Marshal W. E. Oulton, commander of task force, and W. R. J. Cook, scientific director of the atomic weapons research establishment, and Air Vice-Marshal Oulton task force commander congratulating them and all their staffs on the successful conclusion of this operation."

A ministry spokesman said Wednesday's blast was a hydrogen bomb.

Britain's first H-bomb was exploded over the Pacific testing area May 15. That one was in the megaton range—the equivalent of 1,000,000 tons of TNT.

The second H-bomb was exploded May 31. Scientists in charge of the tests said it generated heat estimated at 10,000,000 degrees centigrade.



BACK HOME

Sir Winston Churchill, holding the familiar cigar in his left hand, arrives at London Airport with his daughter Sarah, June 14, after spending a holiday in Nice, France. (AP Wirephoto)