

RHODESIA INDEPENDENT

Commonwealth Action, World Censure Follow

SALISBURY (AP) — Rhodesia's white-minority government, acting on its own, declared its independence Thursday and swiftly ran into a buzzsaw of Commonwealth penalties and international censure.

Britain in effect outlawed the independent regime, but African leaders at the United Nations served notice this was not enough. They called for Britain to end the Rhodesians' rebellion against their mother country, or for the UN to act if Britain doesn't.

As African spokesmen at the UN described it, some of the African countries were ready to strike against Rhodesia if all else failed.

One of Rhodesia's neighbors, South Africa, applauded the whites' action, but another, black-ruled Zambia, took the opposite tack. Zambia's president, Kenneth Kaunda, charged that while Rhodesian troops were building up along the frontier and said Zambia will meet force with force if necessary. He declared a state of emergency.

ECHOES PHRASES
Prime Minister Ian Smith's proclamation cutting ties with the mother country, echoed phrases of the United States Declaration of Independence. It was the first unilateral departure from British ties since the American colonists broke with King George III in 1776.

Rhodesia's white-minority government refused to meet British demands for insuring the possibility of eventual rule by the colony's Negro majority. Britain reacted sternly, imposing an economic boycott designed to hit Rhodesia's economy, and taking the issue to the United Nations. The UN Security Council today will hear Michael Stewart, British foreign secretary, on what Britain calls "this illegal action."

At Prime Minister Wilson's orders, British Governor Sir Humphrey Gibbs suspended the 46-year-old Smith and all his ministers for "an unconstitutional act of independence." But by his own declaration, Smith swept aside the governor's authority.

Inside the Commonwealth, Canada, New Zealand and India denied it recognition.

EXPRESSES REGRET

Prime Minister Pearson said in Ottawa that he had learned of the declaration of independence with "deep disappointment and regret." He said the Canadian high commissioner in Salisbury will be withdrawn, exports of arms to the country banned and Rhodesian goods made ineligible for preferential tariffs.

The United States expects to back the British diplomatically and economically, although U.S. trade with Rhodesia is small. In Salisbury there was no festive atmosphere, few flags and no bands.

In the African township of Harare, there was no indication that the Africans as a whole had heard Smith's speech. The British high commissioner Jack Johnson, was recalled to London.

Gibbs, the governor, was seen walking in his garden soon after Smith spoke.

One of the Rhodesian government's first acts was to impose new regulations, including internal censorship.

Walter Gordon Resigns As Minister Of Finance



Vote Result Shows Bad Advice Given

OTTAWA (CP) — Finance Minister Walter Gordon, confessing to giving Prime Minister Pearson bad advice as a cabinet minister and as Liberal election campaign chairman, quit the federal cabinet Thursday night.

The 59-year-old minister submitted his resignation Tuesday, the day after the Liberals failed to win a majority in the federal election which Mr. Gordon had strongly advocated he called.

"I gave you bad advice, both as a minister and as campaign chairman," his letter to Mr. Pearson said. "I accept full responsibility for this and therefore submit my resignation from the cabinet."

An aide said Mr. Gordon will remain in Parliament. He won personal re-election to the Commons for Toronto Davenport Monday.

The aide said Mr. Gordon decided during the election campaign to resign if the Liberals didn't get a majority of Commons seats. The post-election Commons standing gave the Liberals 129 seats, four seats short of a majority.

"This wasn't a sudden decision," the aide said.

Trade Minister Sharp, who normally is acting finance minister when Mr. Gordon is out of the capital, was designated to carry on in an acting capacity as finance minister.

EXPRESS REGRET

Prime Minister Pearson, announcing Mr. Gordon's resignation, expressed regret at his minister's decision to quit the cabinet. He had conferred with him for several hours Thursday after receiving Mr. Gordon's letter of resignation.

Mr. Pearson's letter of reply said "I cannot accept your assumption of responsibility for the decision to hold the recent election which, while it confirmed our position as a government, was considerably the largest support in the House of Commons, did not give us the majority of members we sought."

"You and others advised me to hold the election at this time, for reasons which seemed perfectly valid, but the decision was mine and the sole responsibility for the decision remains mine."

Mr. Gordon, attending a private dinner with his wife when the announcement was made, called a press conference for 9:30 a.m. today.

PLAN EUROPEAN TRIP

An aide said he and Mrs. Gordon intend to leave by the weekend for a two- or three-week holiday in Europe.

Mr. Pearson's letter, dated Thursday, said Mr. Gordon "confirmed to me verbally the wish you expressed in your letter to resign from the government."

"You know how much I regret this decision and my inability to persuade you to take another cabinet post where the responsibilities would not be so heavy and continuous as they have been in finance."

"In the circumstances, I have no choice but to accept your resignation."

Mr. Gordon's departure leaves three vacant portfolios in the cabinet. Agriculture Minister Hays was defeated Monday in Calgary South and Mines Minister MacNaught in Prince.



WALTER GORDON
Forestry Minister Sauve is acting agriculture minister and Veterans Minister Tillet acting mines minister.

Mr. Pearson was not expected to reconstruct his cabinet until after the armed forces vote in the general election is counted Saturday. Cabinet is scheduled to meet Monday.

Mr. Gordon has long been one of Mr. Pearson's closest friends and is regarded as the chief architect of the Liberals' 1960 election victory which gave them office with a minority government.

His first budget as finance minister strongly tested the ties between the two men. It ran into serious trouble with the numerically superior opposition parties. They attacked Mr. Gordon for using non-government financial experts in its preparation while they still were being paid by private industry.

He was reported to have offered to resign (Continued on page 3 Col. 7.)

China Assailed At UN As An Outlaw Regime

UNITED NATIONS (CP) — Amadou Hassane of Niger assailed Communist China Thursday as an outlaw regime, seeking to spread subversion and revolution throughout the continent of Africa.

He spoke during the continuing debate in the General Assembly on the admission of the Peking regime to the United Nations.

The United States has been leading the effort to keep Red China out.

Niger is a former French territory, Madagascar, also formerly French, spoke out against the Chinese Communists earlier in the week. Both countries maintain close ties with France, but have not gone along with

President de Gaulle in supporting the seating of Peking in the world organization.

They were opposed also to the French contention that a simple majority is sufficient in the assembly to admit the Chinese Communists and expel the Chinese Nationalists.

France's stand is a complete reversal from earlier years, when it voted both against Peking and the simple majority proposal. The change in the French attitude came last year when Paris extended diplomatic recognition to Peking.

Hassane told the assembly that his own country had been a target for subversive activities by Peking.

Engineer, Conductor Die As Freight Trains Crash

TORONTO (CP) — Canadian National and Canadian Pacific crews worked Thursday to clear wreckage at the site of a train crash that took two lives, derailed 20 freight cars and tore up about 200 feet of track at nearby Port Credit.

CNR spokesman R. H. Tivy said damage might total more than \$100,000. A spokesman at the CNR-CPR station at Port Credit said it might be two or three days before wreckage is fully cleared away.

The crash occurred early Thursday when a CPR train sped through an open switch and smashed into the caboose of a CNR freight.

CPR engineer Joseph Cassidy, 51, and CNR conductor Jack O'Connell, 46, were killed in the crash. Both men were from Toronto. Mr. O'Connell

was in the CNR caboose when the other train rammed it.

The scene of the wreck was a jumble of cars piled up at crazy angles. One car lay across Highway 10, where it fell after being tossed from the tracks at an overpass. Another car hung partly over the edge of the overpass.

Police using loudspeakers broadcast a warning against smoking near the wreck where propane gas in tank cars and diesel fuel created a fire hazard.

Trains between Toronto and Hamilton were rerouted through Brampton, Georgetown and Burlington Thursday. Commuters were taken to Toronto Thursday morning by buses hired by the railways.

None of the eight other crew members was hurt.



MASKED CREWS SEARCH AIRLINER FOR BODIES

BIG EATERS ENJOY EVENT

TAVISTOCK, Ont. (CP) — Once a year hearty eaters descend on this Stratford-area town. The occasion is a sauerkraut feast.

Wednesday 4,000 persons attended, as opposed to 1,400 last year. However, this year's crowd seemed hungrier — they packed away 500 pounds of pork; last year, a mere 700 pounds was eaten.

Along with the pork, the crowd consumed: About 220 gallons of sauerkraut, 275 apple pies, 100 pounds of cheese, 12 bags of potatoes, 25 dozen doughnuts, six quarts of milk and undetermined amounts of cookies and canned prepared hams.

Proceeds are used to assist community projects.

REMEMBRANCE DAY IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Pius Smith, representing the Provincial Command of the Royal Canadian Legion, prepares to place wreath yesterday at the Soldiers Monument

in Queen Square during ceremonies in Charlottetown. The member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in the foreground is Cpl. S. Tibbo of L. Division, Charlottetown. Ceremonies were carried out under sunny skies and just above freezing temperatures. Many citizens turned out for the brief ceremony at the monument.

WAR DEAD REMEMBERED

Solemn, Restrained Ceremony Is Held At National Memorial

By GERARD MENEH
OTTAWA (CP) — Mrs. Nora A. Wagner lost three sons in the Second World War and Governor-General Georges P. Vanier lost his right leg above the knee in the first.

They stood before the National War Memorial Thursday: The tall, knightly general, who is 77, and the 75-year-old widow from Teeterville, Ont.

Mrs. Wagner, three Silver Crosses on her simple black fur-trimmed coat, represented mothers of Canada's war dead.

The 10-minute Remembrance Day ceremony here, 46th since the First World War ended Nov. 11, 1918, was solemn and restrained like others that took place across the country.

Few speeches and no incidents interrupted the silent moments of homage and recollection at cenotaphs in cities, towns and villages.

In Toronto, 35 students attended a 12-hour vigil of silence before the Soldiers' Tower at Hart House on the University of Toronto campus.

Some wore buttons saying "Make love not war" and "Stop the war in Viet Nam."

But there were no disturbances.

TEARS FLOWED

Only the sound of chattering children and the weeping of a woman in a group of bereaved mothers broke the two minutes

of silence at the national memorial here.

Behind the crowd of several thousand, construction workers removed their yellow hard hats and bowed their heads as hymns, anthems and the Last Post sounded.

The ranks of soldiers in their khaki breastcoats, veterans in black top hats and grey gloves evoked memories of first war scenes.

Governor-General Vanier placed the first wreath. He was followed by Mrs. Wagner.

Prime Minister Pearson was followed by military and Royal Canadian Legion leaders to the foot of the cenotaph.

Then came wreaths from foreign countries, including Germany, Italy and Japan. Finally there was a flood of tributes from organizations and individuals.

Retired Lt.-Col. E. E. Williams, 79, placed a wreath on behalf of the Red Chevrons, a group of veterans who went overseas in 1914. Their numbers diminish each year.

The maple leaf flag, borne for the first time in a Remembrance Day ceremony, outnumbered the Union Jacks and Red Ensigns.

Island-Born Former MP Dies In Ont.

LONDON, Ont. (CP) — Milton Neil Campbell, a former member of Parliament for the Saskatchewan constituency of Mackenzie, died today in Victoria Hospital here. He was 84.

Mr. Campbell retired in 1943 as vice-chairman of the tariff board, a post he had held for 10 years.

He was elected to the House of Commons in 1921 as an independent and sat as member for Mackenzie for 10 years.

He moved his family to Ottawa when he was appointed vice-chairman of the tariff board. When he retired he moved to Hamilton. He came to London in 1960.

Mr. Campbell was born at Greenvale, P.E.I., and was educated in P.E.I. public schools and Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown.

In 1908 he married the former Haze May Dixon.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mrs. D. C. (Donna) McGeachy, of London; three sons, J. Douglas Campbell, of London; H. George Campbell, of Montreal; and R. Wallace Campbell, of Leacock, Ont.; brothers, Norman, of Pelly, Sask.; and G. Miller, of Saskatchewan; sisters, Mrs. Robert Scott, of Edmonton; and Mrs. Harry Balderson, of New Wiltshire, P.B.I.; and nine grandchildren.



CHARGED

Charles H. Schmid, 23, Tucson, Arizona, charged with the double murder of two Tucson sisters, Gretchen and Wendy Fritz, is shown after his arraignment here Wednesday. The girls, missing since August, were found on the desert near Tucson. (AP Wirephoto)

Alberta Man Wins Seed Spud Title

RANIER, Alta. (CP) — Tona Ohama, 33, awarded the international seed potato title at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Toronto Thursday as one of the biggest potato plants in western Canada.

Ohama, who farms two sections 110 miles east of Calgary, has 850 acres in potatoes.

Ohama, whose father started growing potatoes near Lethbridge in 1918, began himself in 1942 when he took over the farm near Ranier in the Eastern Irrigation District.

Many irrigated farms are about 100 acres in size because they are used to grow specialized crops and Ohama admitted 850 acres was unusually large.

"I ship every month of the year and I ship all over western Canada," said Ohama.

Ohama, married with four children—three girls and a boy—said he grows eight varieties of potatoes. One of his brand names is Tona. He also grows "a little" flax and at other times alfalfa to rotate the crops.

Lord Chuter Ede Dies At Age 83

LONDON (AP) — Lord Chuter Ede, 83, who refused to reprieve Timothy John Evans from the gallows, died Thursday less than 24 hours after Evans' body was exhumed and given a Christian burial.

Evans was convicted of murdering his child in 1950, executed and buried in a prison graveyard. Chuter Ede, then home secretary in the Labor government, rejected his request for a reprieve and wrote on the papers: "The law must take its course."

But two years later John Christie, Evans' neighbor and the notorious multi-murderer, confessed to killing Evans' wife. A campaign began to rehabilitate Evans. In 1962, Ede was one of the sponsors of a bill to allow Evans' relatives to claim his remains.

Evans' relatives received his remains several weeks ago. They were reburied Wednesday in consecrated ground.

CHANGED HIS THINKING
Chuter Ede also became an advocate of abolishing capital punishment for murder. He spoke in favor of abolition in the House of Commons in 1955, and again this year in the House of Lords during debate on the bill that finally abolished hanging for murder in Britain.

Born James Chuter Ede, he was the son of a grocer. He won a scholarship in Cambridge but could not afford to finish his education and went to work as a teacher. He was made a life peer in 1964.

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