

FEDERATION MEETS IN CARDIGA

Tax Abolition On Land Is Asked By Farmers In Kings

By NEIL MATHESON
The abolition of tax on land and on farm buildings, other than the dwelling house, is requested in a resolution endorsed last night at the annual meeting of the Kings County Federation of Agriculture.

The idea is that the non-farm rural people should bear a larger share of the educational costs than they do at the present time. The meeting was held in the hall at Cardigan.

"continued use of the property tax for school purposes is becoming more and more unfair to farmers." It said the proportion of non-farm rural people is increasing and this group is relieved of financial responsibility to a great extent.

The resolution asked further that the school act be changed so that "every person over 20 years of age" shall be required to pay that tax.

Speakers included Agriculture Minister MacRae, and David Peacock and Dave Rogers from his department. The Canada pension plan payments, and benefits were explained by Jack Smith and Jack Sark from the Income Tax branch and Miss Beverley Fitzgerald and Herb Hughes from the Old Age Pensioners.

The federation asks that action be initiated leading to eventual elimination of tax on land and farm buildings, excepting the dwelling, that a definite rate for poll tax be set by provincial authority and at a level that "will produce worthwhile revenue from non-property owners."

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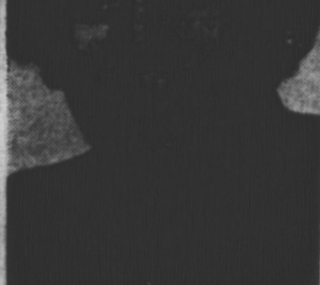
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Wilson Planning Drive To Launch Peace Talks

Rhodesian Parliament Ousts White Member



AUTHOR DIES

Gwethalyn Graham, 52, Canadian author of two Governor-General's award-winning novels, died Thursday in the Montreal Neurological Institute. Her award winners were 'Swiss Sonata' and 'Earth and High Heaven'.

SALISBURY (AP)—Nine Negro members and one white member of the Rhodesian Parliament challenged the legality of Prime Minister Ian Smith's independence government in Parliament Thursday and wound up on the sidewalk outside.

The white-minority Smith government seized independence from Britain two weeks ago after Britain refused to grant Rhodesia independence on grounds the government made no provision for eventual Negro-majority rule.

The speaker drew the attention of the dissidents to section 126 of the new constitution. This states that the old legislative assembly "shall be deemed to have been duly constituted as the Parliament of Rhodesia."

He also reminded the opposition that, under the new constitution, their position is very shaky. It provides that a member of Parliament who refuses to accept the new constitution and take the oath of loyalty to the Smith government no longer is a member.



APPOINTED

Paul Lacoste, 42, a Montreal lawyer who served as co-secretary of the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism, Thursday was named a member of the commission, replacing Jean Marchand.

Major War In Asia Or Worse Is Feared

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Wilson said Thursday night he is preparing new Viet Nam peace soundings in Washington and Moscow in an effort to stave off "a major land war in Asia, or worse."

Wilson told the House of Commons that his foreign secretary, Michael Stewart, will fly to Moscow Monday in an effort to persuade the Soviet Union to join Britain in reviving the 1954 Geneva conference on Indochina as a forum for peace talks.

British authorities said Wilson and Stewart are intrigued by a number of hopeful statements coming from minor Communist countries on the possibility of getting Viet Nam peace talks started.

Officials also disclosed that the prime minister feels it might be worthwhile exploring China's charges that Russia is willing to help the U.S. in Viet Nam by trying to persuade Hanoi to agree in terms for a peace conference acceptable to Washington.

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Crop Aid Promised

It is expected that some measure of compensation will be available to growers of peas and cole crops who suffered severely in 1965 this year owing to drought. But the compensation will likely not go any farther than pay for out-of-pocket expenses.

The minister explained that he has discussed with Ottawa the possibility of adding these crops to those covered by the regular crop insurance plan, and will have further information when decisions have been reached.

Mystery Man Is Reported

VANCOUVER (CP)—The inquest into the death of 52 persons aboard a Canadian Pacific Airlines plane that crashed July 8 resumes here today.

The inquest was adjourned Wednesday after hearing conflicting reports of a "chinese mystery man" aboard the aircraft shortly before it left Vancouver on a flight to Prince George.

An explosion ripped the tail section from the plane and the DC-8 crashed near 100 Mile House, about 100 miles north of Vancouver.

A cleaning woman employed by CPA said she had seen a stranger with a receding chin emerge from the back part of the plane, but three other cleaning women said they had not.

Petroleum Products Price To Be Increased In B.C.

By LESLIE MILLEN
VANCOUVER (CP)—Three oil companies announced Thursday within hours of accepting a government-proposed strike settlement that the wage increases to labor will mean higher prices for petroleum products.

Labor leaders, who expect the British Columbia settlement to form the basis for industry-wide contracts, said any increase would be unwarranted.

The Imperial Oil Co., Home Oil Co., and Shell Canada Ltd. made statements saying the wage increase would show up in costs to the consumer.

But J. Duncan, national director of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers' Union (OCA), said Thursday:

"There is absolutely no need for a price increase."

Mr. Duncan said labor costs form a very small fraction of the price of a gallon of gasoline, perhaps two or three cents.

In Saskatoon, both the OCAW and a spokesman for British American Oil Co. said they expected a settlement there on the basis of the B.C. formula, but the union spokesman said no end to the strike appeared in sight.

The settlement came hours before the midnight Wednesday night deadline for a threatened province-wide general strike called by the oil workers.

The OCAW had been on strike at all B.C. plants of British American Oil Co. and at one plant of Imperial Oil Ltd.

Two 707 Jets Have Accidents

NEW YORK (AP)—A Bermuda-bound Boeing 707 jet plane with 113 persons aboard lost hydraulic pressure in flight then blew out six tires and its landing gear caught fire in making a safe emergency landing at Kennedy Airport Thursday.

The 104 passengers and nine crew members of the Pan American Airways jet flight escaped injury.

LISBON (Reuters)—A transatlantic Boeing 707 jetliner with 86 passengers on board landed safely in this Portuguese capital Thursday after fire broke out in one engine on a Madrid-New York flight.

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DRIVES ROLLER WHILE DRUNK

KINGSCLERE, England (AP)—Richard Holmes, 62, was fined £10 (\$30) Thursday on a charge of being drunk while driving a nine-ton steamroller.

His lawyer told the magistrate that Holmes has been driving steamrollers for 44 years without a blemish on his driving record.

While operating the steamroller in last week's freezing weather, Holmes became chilled and stopped in a pub to warm up.

After downing four double brandies, he climbed back on his steamroller and started off down the road, the lawyer said.

An RCMP spokesman here said Fletcher was discovered wet and possibly suffering from exposure but he was not seriously harmed.

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MADE POINT

It recognizes that automation is a subject for collective bargaining. This principle, said Mr. Duncan, had been given "only some recognition in a few weak contracts" and was not recognized in the industry as a whole.

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Viet Cong Guerrillas Aim At Rice Harvest

SAIGON (AP)—U.S., Australian and South Vietnamese battalions campaigned together in the Vo Dat Valley Thursday to keep the Viet Cong guerrillas from a 3,400-ton rice harvest that could sustain several enemy divisions for a year.

Food equates militarily with munitions and the allied drive, centred 55 miles northeast of Saigon, was called Operation Rice Bowl.

The Viet Cong kept up pressure against South Vietnamese troops along the central coast. Guerrillas overran a small post near Quang Ngai, 330 miles northeast of Saigon, and fired mortars at Hiep Duc and Thach Tru, each a recent battle centre.

Ghana Cancels Military Leaves

ACCRA (Reuters)—Ghana stopped all military leave Thursday and announced plans for mobilization of its armed forces because of the Rhodesian situation.

President Kwame Nkrumah, announcing the measures to a cheering Parliament, suggested that Rhodesia's white rulers could easily be toppled by a local uprising organized by other African states.

Commission Plans Blitz

OTTAWA (CP)—The royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism, out of the public eye since June, launches a three week blitz Monday to hear 200 briefs in six cities.

The commission will split up to hold simultaneous public hearings in Montreal and Toronto next week and in Regina and Edmonton the following week.

Hearings will follow in Winnipeg Dec. 9-10 and in Ottawa Dec. 13-16, winding up the public phase of the massive inquiry.

Layers Of Old Wood Slow Treasure Hunt

OAK ISLAND, N.S. (CP)—A 39-year-old fortune seeker from California whose mechanized approach to the 170-year mystery of this tiny island has brought him closer to its fabled wealth than any other searcher, sharpened the teeth on the buckets of his digging machine Thursday for an intensified attack on layers of old wood slowing the operation.

Robert Dunfield, Jr., is maintaining an exhausting supervision at the Money Pit, where legend says a treasure gashed by some to be worth about \$50,000,000 was buried by pirates two centuries ago.

He estimated the 70-ton machine, called a Digging Clam, had reached a depth of 152 feet earlier this week, but had been held to "a foot or two" of headway in the last two days because of the wood.

Mr. Dunfield Sr. said the current operation has gone deeper in the money pit than any other treasure-seeking expedition, although a Texas oilman drilled to 190 feet before quitting. However, "it has been proved he was not in the money pit," he said.

Army General In Congo Declares Himself President

By MICHAEL CODEL
LEOPOLDVILLE (AP)—Lt. Gen. Joseph Mobutu has declared himself president of the Congo for the next five years, saying the army "believes its responsibility is to protect the people from anarchy and chaos."

Earlier Thursday, the army commander had ousted President Joseph Kasavubu and his hand-picked premier in a bloodless coup. A friend of the west, Mobutu apparently believed Kasavubu had veered from a pro-Western policy.

Followers of ex-Premier Moise Tshombe hailed the coup. There was speculation that Tshombe, who led the futile secession of Katanga province after independence from Belgium in 1960, would be called back to the government in some capacity.

to replace Nigerian police training the Congolese police force. Mobutu was understood to say if the Ghanaians tried to cross the Congo River into the country "I will blow them out of the water."

The army commander said all members of the former government including Kasavubu and Kimba, are "free to do what they want and live in the place of their own choice."

GIZENGA FREED
Mobutu had one surprise. He announced that he had freed ex-vice-premier Antoine Gizenga from house arrest. Gizenga is a protégé of the late leftist premier Patrice Lumumba. It was to get rid of Lumumba that Mobutu staged a coup in September, 1960.



WAR DISABILITY PENSION INCREASE SOUGHT

F.T. O'Brecht, (left) of Durham, Ont., Dominion resident of the Royal Canadian Legion, discussed the Legion's brief on pension rates with Prime Minister Pearson in Ottawa Thursday.

The brief asked for a 61.6 per cent increase in pensions for Canada's 142,822 war disability pensioners.

It asked the maximum disability pension of \$2,400 for a single pensioner be increased to \$3,800, with comparable increases for married pensioners.

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