

IWA Leaders Not Worried By Smallwood's Proposal

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ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Premier Smallwood says his proposal to drive the International Woodworkers of America (IWA) out of Newfoundland has received strong support but IWA leaders say they are not worried.

H. Landon Ladd, the IWA's Eastern Canada president, says: "We aren't too much concerned with the fish-wood union being formed." In a broadcast last week the premier suggested the union could affiliate with the province's fishermen.

"We are confident in the IWA and especially in the magnificent support we have received from our loggers," Ladd told reporters. The union was also pleased with the support given to the Newfoundland loggers by other unions on the mainland.

SAYS MOST IN FAVOR

The premier said he has received more than 5,000 messages supporting his proposal. Only five of every 100 telegrams objected to his stand, he said, and these came from labor leaders.

Mr. Smallwood has called off a trip he planned to make to Gander Wednesday to start organizing the new union.

He said he had to stay in town to receive "important visitors"

from mainland Canada and prepare for the opening of the provincial legislature Monday.

A cabinet session was held Wednesday.

Mr. Smallwood did not say whether he will go to Gander at a later date nor did he name the expected visitors. But he said their presence concerns the future prosperity of Newfoundland.

WILL SUE PREMIER

Mr. Ladd has announced he will sue the premier for \$100,000 for defamation of character as a result of remarks made in the radio address. Lawyer James Green said the writ was issued Wednesday.

Union officials have asked Provincial Labor Minister Ballam for permission to prosecute premier for unfair labor practices. Mr. Ballam could not be reached for comment.

The IWA called a strike against A.N.D. Dec. 31 for a reduction of six hours in the 60-hour work week without loss of take-home pay plus a five-cent boost in the \$1.05 basic hourly wage. The changes, approved by a conciliation board, would raise the rate to \$1.22.

The strike has been marked by outbreaks of violence.

In Grand Falls Wednesday a

police court magistrate sentenced three IWA loggers to three months in jail or a \$300 fine for mischief and damage to company woods camps in a raid two weeks ago. Five others were acquitted.

The eight were among 70 men RCMP arrested in connection with the incident. Three of the eight faced other charges and were free on bail when arrested.

There has been speculation that special legislation to deal with the strike will be introduced during the legislature session opening Monday.

LIKE CUBA

- WINDSOR, Ont. (CP)—George Burt, Canadian director of the United Auto Workers Union (UAW) Wednesday compared the tactics of Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland in dealing with a strike of 20,000 loggers in the province with the "acts of suppression" which caused revolution in Cuba recently.

In a telegram to the premier Mr. Burt said Mr. Smallwood "will receive the condemnation of the entire labor movement" for his action in calling on the loggers to expel the International Woodworkers of America (IWA) union from the province and set up a new union of their own.

28 Contractors For Seaway Ask Gov't. For More Money

OTTAWA (CP)—Holders of 28 St. Lawrence Seaway construction contracts have put in claims for an extra \$36,329,000, Transport Minister Hees said Wednesday.

Six of these claims—for \$8,696,800—had been dealt with, the seaway authority accepting \$768,000 and rejecting \$7,928,800. The remaining 22 claims would be disposed of in the next three months.

Mr. Hees said the authority will not be responsible for claims of extra costs because of contractor's errors, increased wages—there was no escalator clause in the contracts—or for physical conditions which would have been foreseen by the contractor.

The authority believed that in some cases claims would have been avoided if the work had been done efficiently. Some contractors had been so far behind schedule they had to change their management contracts.

Mr. Hees said considerable progress is being made in investigation of the claims. A fair appraisal would be made if abnormal costs had been expected.

COST JUMPS

Mr. Hees said total estimated cost to Canada of the seaway now is \$329,000,000 compared to the 1955 estimate of \$205,000,000.

Mr. Hees was speaking on introduction of a measure to increase the borrowing limit of the Seaway Authority to \$335,000,000 from \$300,000,000.

He said this would leave \$6,000,000 above total estimated cost at the moment for undetermined requirements. It was impossible now to determine actual final claims on large contracts, Mr. Hees said.

The \$36,329,000 in claims represented the contractors' own appraisals of extra costs and in some cases of profit. The contractors felt they had done a creditable job on time but to do this had encountered increased costs.

Mr. Hees added that completion of the contract on time was the primary clause of the contract.

WEATHER

TEMPERATURES ISSUED BY THE WEATHER OFFICE:

City	Min.	Max.	Night Day
Victoria	41	47	41 47
Calgary	-11	7	-11 7
Regina	-21	zero	-21 zero
Winnipeg	-23	-5	-23 -5
Toronto	23	27	23 27
Ottawa	11	24	11 24
Quebec	9	22	9 22
Fredericton	19	31	19 31
Saint John	17	33	17 33
Moncton	20	34	20 34
Halifax	25	29	25 29
Charlottetown	19	34	19 34
Sydney	15	35	15 35
Yarmouth	27	33	27 33
St. John's	29	37	29 37

today as northerly winds feed cold air into the Maritimes in the wake of the storm.

FORECASTS:

Mainland Nova Scotia, southern half of Lower St. John River Valley: Snow in the morning, snowdrifts in afternoon; much colder; north winds 30. High-low at Halifax, New Glasgow, Yarmouth and Kentville 30 and 20, Goshen 32 and 25, Saint John 25 and 15.

Northern half of Lower St. John River Valley, Upper St. John River Valley, Bay of Chaleur, northern half of Eastern N.B. Counties: Snow changing in the afternoon to snowdrifts; colder; northerly winds 30. High-low at Fredericton, Edmundston and Yarmouth 25 and 15.

Southern half of Eastern N.B. Counties, Prince Edward Island: Snow, changing in the evening to snowdrifts; colder; northerly winds 30. High-low at Moncton 25 and 15, and Charlottetown 30 and 20.

Cape Breton: Rain changing in the afternoon to snowdrifts; colder late today; northeast winds 25, changing to north 30 in afternoon. High-low at Sydney 35 and 25.

Bay of Fundy: North gales 40; snow; visibility one-mile in precipitation, otherwise 10 miles; colder.

SUPPORTS CANCER VACCINE

Dr. Gordon Murray, Toronto surgeon and researcher, has said the federal and provincial governments should step in to support and develop research for a vaccine against cancer. He says his own work has developed to the point where he has

shown with injections of anti-cancer serum from horses that a patient's own immunity to cancer can be increased. Dr. Murray, famous heart surgeon and bluebaby specialist, has won acclaim on several continents for his surgical achievements.

place relative to matters brought up in the reports by the standing committees.

The meeting also heard reports from representatives of other P.E.I. organizations. They included: Federation of Agriculture, Colin Waugh; Dairymen's Association, Max Thompson; Tourist Association, Wendell Mutch; Charlottetown Board of Trade, William Hayward; Summerside Board of Trade, Amos Hubley; Alberton West Prince Board of Trade, Ralph Adams; Crapaud Board of Trade, Max Thompson; Montague Junior Chamber of Commerce, Arnold Wightman.

There was a report on and considerable discussion with regard to the APEC products identification program. Under this plan the sale of goods marked Atlantic Provinces Quality Products is being promoted.

The meeting closed with a short talk by Dr. Frank MacKinnon, the president of APEC.

P.E.I. Directors Of APEC Hold Meeting In Ch'town

At a meeting last night in Charlottetown of the P.E.I. directors of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, reports were received from three standing committees.

Charles Yeo of Sherbrooke reported for agriculture, E.W. Johnston of Burlington for tourism; and a written report was presented from Eugene Gorman, chairman of the fisheries committee. No member of that committee was present. All the reports were of an interim nature and the first two were verbal.

J.S. Wright, Summerside, was chairman of the meeting. He is vice-president for Prince Edward Island.

Two APEC officials from Halifax attended, C. T. FitzRandolph, agricultural officer, and Bruce Cochran, public relations officer and tourist co-ordinator.

They took part in the discussion throughout the night and spoke briefly.

Considerable discussion took

P.E.I. Curlers Down N.S. 17-7

CALGARY — Prince Edward Island schoolboy curlers late last night defeated Nova Scotia 17-7 in the Dominion championship bonspiel here. It was the sixth round.

By ends the score was:
P. E. I. 030 404 501 0-17
N. S. 101 020 010 2-7

Other sixth round finals were: Northern Ontario 11, Newfoundland 6; Saskatchewan 8, Ontario 4; Manitoba 10, British Columbia 5.

And with one end to go, Alberta, so far without a loss, was trailing Quebec 10-7.

Special Awards Given 5 Lions Club Members

Large attendance and lively discussion were keynotes of the semi-monthly dinner meeting of the Charlottetown Lions Club held at the Queen Hotel last night under the chairmanship of King Lion Lou Bagnall.

Five members of the local club were the recipients of special awards for bringing new members into the club, and as a result of their fine showing, president Lou Bagnall was also presented with a membership program award plaque from Lions International. The presentations were conducted by club secretary Martin Pinnamore. Award winners were: Bob Younker, Joe Molloy, Alex Matheson, Dr. Angus MacEachern and Dr. I. R. Ragan.

In tabling his report on the activities of the sight conservation committee, chairman Don Gallant advised the club that a cheque in the amount of 168.55 has been issued the local branch of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind to underwrite their expenses during the month of January for eye care services rendered by a blind but well-timed. These services included the providing of 11 pairs of glasses and 15 eye examinations for needy persons. This action was in compliance with a previous decision by the club to reimburse the local C.N.I.B. branch's expenses for eye care in Queen's County, as part of the Lions sight conservation program.

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"If we are to look for an increase in the tourist industry, we must look for better transportation facilities to and from the province — none of this waiting for trips or stopping for night traffic," he said.

The recent activity of ice-breakers in the St. Lawrence River led Mr. Cullen to suggest that an icebreaker built for the Borden sector at the present time could very well be used later for this ice breaking. "It would be no loss to the government," he added.

Speaking of the Strathgarny Park, Mr. Cullen said the government was grateful to the donors, Mr. and Mrs. Cotton. He also had a word of praise for Wendell Profit, provincial forester and to Anson MacLaughlin, director of the farm improvement policy, under whose direction this work was carried out. "They did an excellent job," he observed.

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