

ATTACK ON GOV'T PROMISED

Dief Gets Vote Of Confidence At First Post-Election Caucus

By KEN CLARK
OTTAWA (CP)—Conservative Leader Diefenbaker Monday won a vote of confidence at his party's first post-election caucus and promised an early

non-confidence motion for the minority Liberal government. George Hees, a 1963 party rebel, told reporters after the one-day meeting broke up that there was a resolution of support for Mr. Diefenbaker's leadership. It was "enthusiastically carried by all" immediately.

Both he and Mr. Diefenbaker said there was strong feeling of unity among the party's members of Parliament at the meeting.

New Island MPs Attend Meeting

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA — Prince Edward Island's two new members of parliament enjoyed their first experience in federal political waters here Monday.

Melvin McQuaid, the winner in Kings, and David MacDonald, victor over Mines Minister J. Watson MacNaught in Prince, were among about 65 newly-elected Conservative MPs who attended the party's first caucus since the Nov. 8 election.

Mr. McQuaid said he was very impressed with the meeting and felt that a good deal was accomplished in the discussions which ran from 11 in the morning until 5 in the afternoon with a break at lunch.

There is obvious unity in the party and it is clear that everyone is solidly behind our leader, John Diefenbaker," Mr. McQuaid said.

He said that in provincial politics the holding of regular meetings of party members was very helpful to private members and

he feels the same will apply in the federal field. The Kings MP-elect said he has not had too many requests for assistance from constituents so far but he expects he will be back to Ottawa at least once before the opening of Parliament on Jan. 18.

Mr. MacDonald was equally impressed with the meeting although he said he has not had any previous experience on which to base a comparison.

"There was a good discussion on the party's strong and weak points and how we can correct our weaknesses," Mr. MacDonald said. "A number of special problems affecting certain sections of the country were examined, although nothing of specific interest to Prince Edward Island."

Mr. Diefenbaker did not spell out the precise nature of the party plans.

At the next parliamentary session, he said, the caucus will press for implementation of a number of Conservative party platforms outlined during the campaign.

Among these are a \$100-a-month old age pension at age 70, a \$25 increase from the present rate.

During the campaign, Mr. Diefenbaker said the increase could be paid out of contributions to the national contributory pension plan, which gets off the ground Jan. 1.

WILL URGE TAX REMOVAL
The caucus also decided to press for the removal of the 11-per-cent sales tax on building materials and production machinery, another big campaign plank.

Mr. Diefenbaker announced that Waldo Monteith, a former health minister, and Theogene Ricard, chairman of the Quebec caucus, have been named co-chairmen of the national caucus.

SAIGON (AP)—A large force of Viet Cong guerrillas—some apparently hardened veterans—took a blasting from land, sea and air Monday in an attack on a South Vietnamese major headquarters on the central coast. By nightfall, with their dead scattered over the area, the enemy force pulled back.

U.S. and South Vietnamese officials said they counted 200 Viet Cong bodies in and around the fort at Thach Tru, 260 miles northeast of Saigon. They said the enemy death toll may reach 400.

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Transportation Needs Top Premiers' Agenda

Princess Nears End Of U.S. Tour

By JEAN HELLER
NEW YORK (AP)—The princess sneezed and the rain dripped from the eurl's hair, but they did their duty for British trade Monday.

Any one else might have cancelled a scheduled shopping tour on a day like this.

But Princess Margaret and her husband, the Earl of Snowdon, dashed in and out of Fifth Avenue stores in a drizzle, and said all the proper things about British goods.

Then they hurried through more raindrops into the Rolls Royce and down to Wall Street for lunch with Bank President David Rockefeller and other businessmen.

Princess Margaret, nearing the end of her 30-day U.S. tour, was so tired Sunday after a Saturday night party that she called off a trip to Connecticut.

Monday morning, the rain and the traffic made her 14 minutes late at her first stop, the Bergdorf Goodman shop.

SORRY ABOUT RAIN
Andrew Goodman, president of the store, commiserated with her, calling New York's soggy day "British weather."

"Yes," she said, "it would have been better with California weather."

A brief stop at Rockefeller Centre, where she was

greeted by the centre's board chairman, Laurence Rockefeller, the princess was only 10 minutes late.

At Saks Fifth Avenue, the princess cut a blue ribbon to open a small salon where British imports were displayed.

As they left the last store to split up—she going to a British bazaar at the Billmore Hotel and he to look over Brooks Brothers men's shop—teen-aged girls ran after them.

EARL MADE A HIT
"The princess is nice," said one. "But he's beautiful."

The princess bought nothing in the department stores, but did contribute \$175 to a bazaar sponsored by the Daughters of the British Empire. She bought a tiny, hand-made teddy bear. Proceeds of the bazaar help support the Victoria Home for Aged British men and women at Ossining, N.Y.

Snowdon rejoined the princess at the next stop, the Marlborough-Gerson gallery, where an exhibit of English paintings was on display.

Another crowd of 1,000 awaited them in the huge lobby of the Chase Manhattan Bank buildings, a block off Wall Street. Bank President Rockefeller escorted them through the applauding crowd to the 60th-floor dining room.

Support Is Seen Wavering For B.C. 48-Hour Strike

VANCOUVER (CP)—Rank and file union members are taking on larger importance in plans for a 48-hour general strike in British Columbia.

As more unions announce their refusal to order members off the job Thursday and Friday strike organizers are counting on individual members and their reluctance to cross picket lines to make the strike effective.

Six unions have said they will not support the strike, several are known to be wavering, and many are undecided.

But a spokesman for the International Association of Machinists (I.A.M.), the first union

to come out against the strike, said members will not cross legal picket lines or handle products declared "hot."

The B.C. Federation of Labor, which called for the work stoppage to support a strike by oil workers against all B.C. oil companies called for midnight Wednesday night, has said all petroleum products will be considered hot.

Talks aimed at settling the oil workers' strike continued Monday, as chief provincial conciliator Reg Clements met with representatives of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union (O.C.A.W.).

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PEARSON TALKS WITH PRESS

Cabinet Lineup Not Yet Ready

OTTAWA (CP)—No cabinet changes will be announced for at least two or three weeks, Prime Minister Pearson said Monday.

But he told a press conference that the changes, when completed, will be "fairly extensive" and indicated they might include appointment of a second senator to cabinet rank.

Mr. Pearson met reporters in a special conference room during a luncheon break in an all-day cabinet meeting. For the first time, reporters and photographers were barred from the corridor outside the cabinet room where for years they have waited to question prime ministers after cabinet sessions.

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N.S., N.B. Union Is Said Live Issue

By NEIL MATHESON
The serious effect implementation of the MacPherson Royal Commission report could have on Maritime transportation problems, caused Monday's Atlantic premiers' conference here to devote most of the forenoon session to this phase of their mutual problems, it was learned from the Island's Premier Shaw, chief conference spokesman, last evening.

Asked for Nova Scotia comment Premier Stanfield said implementation of the report in full would seriously prejudice the benefits presently enjoyed under the Maritime Freight Rates Act, though he did not agree directly with a Guardian suggestion that the report would completely cancel out the benefits now enjoyed under the MFRA.

The effect such a development would have on this province's main cash crop, potatoes, would possibly be more serious to the economy here, than in the other provinces concerned.

Mr. Stanfield recalled that when the four provinces took their case to the minister of transport concerning the MacPherson recommendations, "we were promised that a study would be made" and this is the study... of the transportation problems.

But the Maritime Transportation Commission expresses grave doubt that this study will consider all of the phases of the transportation problem. In brief it suggests that it happens to be more of an economic study than one of transportation, and "it appears to over-emphasize" the provision of facilities and under-emphasizes the cost of transportation to the user."

UNIVERSITY FINANCES
On the problem of university finances, the Premiers agreed "that as far as reciprocal support of universities in the Atlantic region is concerned, the Atlantic universities be asked to undertake a study of reciprocal financial support and make recommendations for future consideration by the governments of the four provinces."

So far as the suggested free trade with the New England States is concerned, it was agreed that the problem is too complicated to consider further until the legal experts are able to provide some answers so far as the constitutional problems are concerned.

Discussing offshore mineral rights, Mr. Rowe suggested the feelings of Newfoundland is that the Prime Minister of Canada would be prepared to deal pretty generously with the provinces.

BETTER ROADS
In addition to the principal transportation problem of freight costs, all of the provinces were interested, apparently, in the development of better roads within their provinces. Premier Shaw has emphasized many times the desirability of getting a network of all-weather roads

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LAST VOYAGE OF MAURETANIA

The Cunard liner Mauretania arrives in the Firth of Forth, on the east coast of Scotland Monday on its way to the breakers yard at In-

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Powerful, Humble Pause To Recall Death Of JFK

By WALTER R. MEARS
WASHINGTON (AP)—At his hillside grave, in the snowy streets of West Berlin, in a Rio De Janeiro hotel—and in the Dallas streets where he was shot—the powerful and the humble paused Monday to commemorate the life and death of John F. Kennedy.

In churches of all faiths, from Boston to Los Angeles, Americans gathered for memorial services dedicated to the young president assassinated two years ago.

President Johnson, whose presidency dates from the moment Kennedy died, recalled that time at an interfaith service in St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Fredricksburg, Tex.

"No one of us who lived on that terrible November day will ever be able to forget what happened then or what we lost there," Johnson said.

In her New York City apartment Mrs. John F. Kennedy remained in seclusion on the second anniversary of her husband's death.

But the children Caroline, 8 and John Jr., 5, went to school as usual.

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Even colder weather was predicted for Western Europe. But rain and a sudden switch to mildness brought a thaw in Moscow's 10-day cold spell and filled streets with slush.

Drifting snow, icy highways and fog made driving dangerous in regions ranging from the Alps to the Scottish Highlands.

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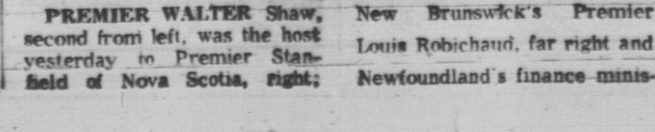
ONLY 28 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Body Found In Jet Wreckage

GIMLI, Man. (CP)—The body of FO Lorne R. Metheral, 34, was found by rescuers Monday in the wreckage of his T-33 jet trainer, missing since Sunday.

Metheral was the lone occupant.

The wreckage was sighted by a search aircraft in swampy



PREMIER WALTER Shaw, second from left, was the host yesterday to Premier Stanfield of Nova Scotia, right;

New Brunswick's Premier Louis Robichaud, far right and left. The Island premier emphasized his belief that the

conferences are valuable and announced the 1966 conference will be held in Newfoundland.