

Urquhart Says Government Admits Platform Good One

By IAN DONALDSON
 NEW GERMANY, N.S. (CP) Liberal Leader Earle W. Urquhart said here the Progressive Conservative government had conceded the Liberal platform for the Oct. 8 provincial election was a good one.

But Mr. Urquhart told a rally of 200 in this inland Lunenburg County community, the PCs were "back to their old cry of 1953. They admit it is a good program—but they asked where is Urquhart going to find the money to do these things?"

He said this is the same question asked by the Conservative government in 1953 when the late Angus L. Macdonald "said he would give us old age pensions, pave the highways, provide free school books . . .

"And Angus L. Got elected. He filled his promises and on a budget of only \$2,000,000. Today

we have a budget of \$115,000,000."

The rally was in the tradition of rural politics with a four-piece western band and girl singers—who doubled as a drummer—playing bouncy tunes before the speeches. Mr. Urquhart, a bachelor, was escorted into the Canadian Legion Hall by four girls in short skirts who were billed as Liberalettes.

EQUALS 1953 TEAM

Mr. Urquhart said the Liberals have a team "from one end of this province to the other which equals that great team marshalled by Angus L. in 1953 when he routed the Conservatives."

"I feel a great resurgence of Liberalism all over this province." He was confident the elections would "return once again a government that is closely in touch with the needs of the people."

He said he had travelled throughout Nova Scotia talking with many people. "I wanted to find out what was needed. I wanted your ideas. And I have found out what your problems are."

"As a result," he said, "we have a forward looking program. I don't care what the Conservatives are saying. They can criticize and be negative. But we are the party that is

looking to the future. See Angus L. Macdonald did in 1953."

The extensive references to Mr. Macdonald were the first of their type in the campaign for Mr. Urquhart, who faces a task similar to that faced by the late premier in 1953—ousting a veteran Conservative government.

Import Figures Show Decline

OTTAWA (CP) — Goods imported by Canada in May declined 6.3 per cent in value to \$699,321,000 from \$650,160,000 in

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the same month last year, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has announced.

In the January-May period imports were down 1.5 per cent in value at \$2,570,235,000 compared with \$2,617,809,000 in the same period year earlier.



VICTORY SMILES IN B.C.

These two Social Credit cabinet ministers, Alton-General Robert Bonner (left) and Education-Labor Minister Leslie Peterson, put on their victory smiles for photographers after winning in their ridings in Monday's British Columbia provincial election. Social Credit was returned to power with an increased majority. (AP Wirephoto)

Movie Flop Turns Up Smash Hit

NEW YORK (AP)—Gene are the Days, a segregation-satirizing movie that attracted only one paying customer to its first showing, is now a smash hit, the film's distributors say.

"These are undreamed of results in the movie industry," Milton Hammer of Hammer Brothers Distributors, said here.

Integration leaders sent telegrams urging public support of the film to newspapers and civil rights groups on Thursday—three days after the picture premiered at the Trans-Lux Theatre here with only one

patron showing up for the first performance.

Hammer said the 350-seat theatre was packed to capacity for the Saturday night shows. This was in contrast to box office receipts of only \$71 last Wednesday afternoon, which prompted fears the movie would have to close.

Hammer had called the initial response "a shock, an all-time low in movie history and a complete mystery" in view of generally favorable reviews and heavy pre-opening advertising.

The movie, adapted from Ossie Davis' stage play, Purdie Victorious, stars Davis and his wife, Ruby Dee.

HAS CONTRAST

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Bluenose Subsidy \$103,880

OTTAWA (CP) — A federal subsidy of \$103,880 was authorized for the reproduction of the famed Nova Scotia schooner Bluenose, built for a Halifax brewery.

The subsidy has not been claimed or paid yet, said a written House of Commons reply by Transport minister McIlraith to Lloyd Cross, Conservative MP for Lunenburg where both Bluenose and Bluenose II were constructed.

The subsidy was authorized under the former Conservative government Jan. 19 this year.

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