

SOCIETY MEETS GOVERNMENT

'Samuel Holland House' Proposed Building Name

Members of the executive of the Prince Edward Island Historical Society met with Premier Walter R. Shaw and the provincial cabinet yesterday morning during a regular weekly cabinet meeting.

The Society asked the government to consider naming the new provincial office building on Rochford St. "Samuel Holland House" after the first surveyor of Prince Edward Island much of Eastern North America. The name they suggested could be contracted to "Holland House".

They also asked that the present provincial building be officially designated as "Province House".

With regard to the establishment of a provincial museum the Society said in its brief that they had "heralded the construction of the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building, feeling that a portion of the intended museum would house museum pieces relating to Island history."

"We now find that the Confederation Centre is intended to be national in scope and cannot hope to serve as a provincial museum. The Society fully realizes the validity of this decision," said the brief.

Asian Aid Sought In Peace Effort

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Johnson administration has invited Burma, Japan or other Asian countries to take what initiative they see fit to help arrange a Viet Nam peace conference.

Lobster Season Starts On May 1

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA — Fisheries Minister H.J. Robichaud announced Tuesday that the lobster fishing season in district 7B will open on May 1 and not May 7 as has been requested by the Prince Edward Island Fisheries Federation.

He made the statement in reply to a question from former fisheries minister J. Angus MacLean, MP for Queens.

Outside the House, Mr. MacLean pointed out that the federation had been quite firm in its request that a permanent opening date of May 7 would suit the majority of fishermen on the island. But he said it was apparent that because of the lack of ice in the strait this year the government had decided to retain the normal opening date.

In several other years, the date has had to be postponed because of heavy icing.

"The ice problem appears to go in cycles," Mr. MacLean said. "I suppose it is a matter of opinion which date is the better but I feel the government should set the date when the majority of the fishermen want it."

The federation has argued in favor of the later opening date on the ground that it gives the fishermen one week longer to prepare gear in favorable weather, that there was generally more favorable fishing conditions later and that a better weight of lobster could be caught in the latter period.

S.H. Burhoe, president of the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation, has sent a letter to interested parties outlining the request for the May 7 date and the negotiations carried on by his group with the government and the Fisheries Council of Canada.

In answering Mr. MacLean's question in the House, Mr. Robichaud said that in recent years there has not been a definite date for the opening of the season due to the ice movement.

"The most recent ice chart issued by the department of transport indicates there should not be any ice in the area for the opening date of the lobster fishing season. In view of this it is recommended that the season in district 7B will open, as set out in the regulations, on May 1," the minister explained.

Proposed Debate On CBC Crisis Rejected By Speaker Lamoureux

OTTAWA (CP) — CBC linen washed into the Commons for an hour Tuesday but Speaker Lucien Lamoureux washed it out again.

He rejected a call by Opposition Leader Diefenbaker for an urgent debate on a "crisis of uncertainty and chaos in the affairs of the CBC."

The Commons, however, was not necessarily through with the controversy over dumping two stars from the television program This Hour Has Seven Days.

Mr. Lamoureux said a special CBC debate would be in order Friday, after non-confidence motions before the House in the current budget debate have been decided.

And Prime Minister Pearson promised to ask the chairman of the standing committee on broadcasting to tackle the situation. The committee's report to the Commons could put the issue back on the Commons floor.

LIKENED TO ICEBERG
Mr. Diefenbaker said State Secretary Judy LaMarsh admitted that the Seven Days dispute is like the top of an iceberg—symptomatic of a more fundamental problem.

The matter was out in the open with the dismissal of Seven Days co-hosts Patrick Watson and Laurier LaPierre.

Mr. Diefenbaker drew New Democratic Party support but the Liberal side, Social Credit and the Creditists urged the Speaker to rule the motion out of order.

As MPs matched arguments, both sides of the producer-management rift were represented in the public galleries. A top CBC executive skipped a directors' meeting in Halifax and Mr. LaPierre, interviewer Warner Troyer, and Ottawa director Roy Faibish showed up for Seven Days.

Miss LaMarsh promised to appear before the broadcasting committee if called.

Federal Government Decides On Review Of Truscott Case

OTTAWA (CP) — The government has decided on a review of the Steven Truscott case, Solicitor-General Larry Pennell announced Tuesday in the Commons.

Mr. Pennell said the form of the review has not yet been decided.

He would meet Attorney-General Arthur Wishart on Ontario Friday to discuss this point.

Mr. Pennell said in reply to Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre) that the government is not prejudging the case in deciding on a review.

Truscott was convicted of capital murder at the age of 14 in a sex slaying. He now is 21 and in penitentiary.

Opposition Leader Diefenbaker said reaction to the government announcement would be favorable. He asked whether cabinet was considering granting a new trial rather than sending the case back to appeal courts.

Mr. Pennell replied the matter concerned Ontario administration. It was only courtesy to speak to provincial officials before making any further announcement.

Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre) asked whether a royal commission was still a possibility.

"There was no reply to his question."

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Liberals Win Easy Vote On Budget Speech Bid



Students Seek End Of Strike Potato Warehouse Loss Estimated At \$50,000

QUEBEC (CP) — Students affected by a strike of technical teachers marched Tuesday on the legislature buildings. They want the strike settled and classes resumed quickly.

It was not clear whether the students' sympathy was with either of the two sides involved in the strike — the 2,300 teachers and their employer, the Quebec government.

The teachers walked out April 12 over a salary dispute.

Loss was estimated at approximately \$50,000 in a fire which destroyed a large potato warehouse and its contents in Colville yesterday afternoon.

The structure, owned by H.B. Willis Inc. of Kingston, was levelled by a fire of unknown origin which was discovered about 2 o'clock by a nearby workman.

The warehouse, approximately 4,000 square feet, which contained between 7,000 and 8,000 bags of seed potatoes, was situated beside the railway tracks a mile from Hampshire adjacent to another warehouse owned by Wylie Stewart of Hampshire.

"It was one of Mr. Stewart's workmen who noticed the blaze and I was informed of the fire by Stan Matheson who contacted me at the office on Queen Street," said Mr. Willis.

Apart from the 11 or 12 car loads of potatoes lost, also destroyed was a farm tractor.

TO AFFECT PLANTING
He said the loss would "certainly affect this year's planting. Some varieties of stock lost especially Netted Gems are practically irreplaceable."

Mr. Willis described the loss of his three-storey warehouse and contents as "a disaster."

The structure was built in 1944 and contained enough timber for two warehouses. The building was constructed of wood with the exception of the ground floor, basically steel, and the basement of concrete.

The North River Fire Department were on the scene with two pumps shortly after the fire started and were followed by the two tankers from Sherwood and Paradise Fire Departments which assisted North River in fighting the blaze. North River firemen remained on the scene late last night pouring water on the remains of the warehouse still burning and safe guarding against the blaze recurring in the adjacent warehouse.

Mr. Willis expressed appreciation towards his neighbors who willingly came to assist him and his men during the fire. He said that the Lank brothers of Hampshire assisted with a liquid manure tank.

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Winters Plans
Russian Visit

VANCOUVER (CP) — Trade Minister Robert Winters said here Tuesday he expects to visit the Soviet Union and other Communist this year to promote better trade between Canada and Iron Curtain countries.

Mr. Winters said at a press conference he has high hopes for greatly expanded two-way trade between this country and the Communist world.

Canadian trade in goods other than wheat is negligible, he said, but the Russians and Chinese have great stores of goods they would like to sell to Canada.

Mr. Winters said he has received an invitation to visit the Soviet Union and several other countries this year, "and I fully expect to go."

Mr. Winters told reporters he also expects a revival of Canada's uranium industry.

"Elliott Lake will come back in due course," he said.

He said Canada will not sell uranium to any country with which it does not have a bilateral agreement, and the purchasing country must guarantee the uranium will be used for peaceful purposes.

Wanted Little
"My men were doing everything they could to save anything, we saved next to nothing," he said, "apart from a potato planter, some potato crates, and a 100 bags of potatoes or more. Included in the loss of several varieties of seed potatoes estimated at \$25,000 were two car loads of foundation Kennebecs, approximately 1900 bags of Netted Gems, about 3300 bags of foundation Sebago and approximately 500 bags of foundation Green Mountain seed stock."

"My loss, which has reasonable insurance coverage, includes a building loss of approximately \$25,000 and a minimum of another \$25,000 loss on potato stock alone apart from other contents of the warehouse," stated Mr. Willis.

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Higher Exemptions Sought By NDPs

OTTAWA (CP) — The Liberal government easily won its first vote of confidence based on the budget speech Tuesday night when a New Democrat motion was defeated 172 votes to 20.

Thirteen New Democrats were joined by five Creditists and two independent MPs in voting for the motion which criticized the government for not raising personal income tax exemptions.

Voting against the motion were 105 Liberals, 63 Conservatives and four Social Credit MPs.

Standings in the 265-seat Commons are Liberals 131, Conservatives 97, New Democrats 21, Creditists nine, Social Credit five and independent two.

The NDP motion, moved by Colin Cameron (Nanaimo - Cowichan-the Islands), said personal income tax exemption levels should be raised to \$1,500 from \$1,000 for single persons and to \$3,000 from \$2,000 for married persons.

Had the motion carried, the normal course would be for the government to resign and an election would ensue.

Legion Retains Bonspiel

MONTREAL (CP) — Proposals for an increase in the fees paid by members of the Dominion Command and for dropping the annual Legion bonspiel threw the 21st national convention of the Royal Canadian Legion into a turmoil Tuesday.

The proposal to eliminate the bonspiel was rejected overwhelmingly.

The suggestion for a 50-cent increase in the per capita tax, now \$1.90 a year, still was under debate when the convention recessed until today.

Both proposals were part of a 13-recommendation report from the ways and means committee which pointed to a budget deficit in 1966 and urged stringent economies.

Committee chairman Robert Kohaly of Estevan, Sask., said there has been "a continuous reduction in the excess of revenue over expenditure" in each of the last three years. This year's budget "reflects an increasing cost in operations accompanied by further requests for services."

Mr. Kohaly, who has been nominated unopposed as first vice-president, offered a report showing revenues of \$994,586 and expenditures of \$1,045,609 for a deficit of \$51,016. The deficit could be higher.

WORRIED ABOUT REVENUE Delegates expressed concern over falling advertising revenues of the Legion magazine, The Legionary. The magazine expects a profit this year of \$17,654 and other profits of \$51,451 are expected from building revenues, but these are not enough to offset predicted losses in service, administration and sports training plan accounts.

WANTS FLOOR Mr. Lewis called for a guaranteed floor for incomes and said the budget should have made a drastic redistribution of income from those who have too much to those who have too little.

Special Allowances Possible For Armed Forces Personnel

By DAVE MCINTOSH
OTTAWA (CP) — Special allowances for responsibility are among items being discussed by a defence department pay review team with armed forces personnel across the country, a department spokesman said Tuesday.

The review is part of Defence Minister Hellyer's plan to base the pay structure more on skill than rank but is not related directly to an across-the-board pay increase of four or five per cent for the armed forces expected in October.

The five-man team from defence headquarters is on the road to discuss with servicemen in general, increments for skills, rank and years of service, subsistence and marriage allowances and special allowances for responsibility, risk and hard postings such as the Arctic.

A department spokesman said a naval captain responsible for a \$35,000 ship should receive more pay — by way of a responsibility allowance — than a man of equal rank in a comfortable shore job.

The navy, in fact, used to have such a system of allowances for various jobs before its pay structure was integrated after the war with those of the army and RCAF.

NOMINATED

Ronald E. MacBeath, 55, of Moncton, N.B., was nominated unopposed Tuesday as Dominion president of the Royal Canadian Legion at the legion's 21st annual convention in Montreal. Nominations for officers close officially Thursday afternoon.

(CP Wirephoto)

BUILT INTO PAY

The increase for the pilots was not in the form of allowances but was built into their basic pay structure. This means they will get bigger retirement pensions because allowances are not included in calculating pension rates.

Mr. Hellyer has said the question of whether aircrew allowances for non-pilot aircrew will be included as part of pay for pension purposes will be studied.

Presumably, if aircrew allowances are made part of regular pay, the same procedure will have to be used for other types of allowances for other servicemen.

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