Foreign Policy Basically Unchanged During Year

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OTTAWA (CP) — The government changed in 1957 but Canada's foreign policy didn't and, unless there are unforeseen developments in world affairs, little change is expected in 1958.

This came out clearly near year's end during a one-day external affairs debate in the Commons.

In fact, it was difficult to distinguish between comments on world affairs made by Sidney Smith, new Progressive Conservative external affairs minister, and his Liberal predecessor, Lester B. Pearson.

SURPRISE MOVE

Prime Minister Diefenbaker at first took on the external affairs portfolio himself. But, in a surprise move in September, he called into the cabinet Mr. Smith, president of the University of Toronto.

It took some getting used to the fact that Mr. Pearson was not in charge of Canadian foreign policy any longer, especially when Mr. Pearson kept making major speeches on external affairs across Canada and in the United States and took up the writing of a weekly newspaper column. On top of that, he won the 1957 Nobel peace prize.

Mr. Smith conceeded publicly that Mr. Pearson's reputation didn't make his job any easier but he pitched in strenuously and at the United Nations Canada kept up its efforts to keep disarmament negotiations alive.

The Conservatives also continued strong Canadian support for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the UN Emergency Force in Egypt and the Colombo Plan's program of economic aid for free Asia.

Overshadowing all other factors in Canadian foreign policy during the year was the Russian launching of earth satelites and long-range missiles.

WEST STARTLED

Mr. Diefenbaker said the West owed Russia a vote of thanks for the launchings because they had shaken the West out of its complacency.

He and Mr. Smith, like many other western leaders, called for increased co-ordination of NATO military, political and economic policies. They urged more exchange of scientific information among the western nations.

Mr. Diefenbaker gave strong support to the "declaration of interdependence" of the western nations, made by President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Macmillan. Mr. Macmillan visited Ottawa.

Only a day or two after taking office in June, Mr. Diefenbaker attended the Commonwealth prime ministers' conference in London and later was successful in arranging a Commonwealth trade meeting next year.

Earlier in the year, Mr. Macmillan conferred in Bermuda with former prime minister St. Laurent.

NORMAN CASE

There is, as a rule, about one major squabble a year between Canada and the United States

This year a big issue arose out of the death of Herbert Norman, Canadian ambassador to Egypt who committed suicide in Cairo in April after the U.S. Senate internal security subcommittee revived charges that he was a Communist.

Mr. Pearson, then external affairs minister, said Canada would cut off the flow of security information to the U.S. unless the U.S. government gave assurances the information would not fall into the hands of committees over which the American administration had no executive control.

The subcommittee based its charge against Mr. Norman on a false RCMP report, sent to the U.S. federal bureau of investigation Oct. 17, 1950, that Mr. Norman was a member of the Communist party of Canada in 1940. The RCMP told the FBI Dec. 1, 1950, that its original report was based on information supplied through a secret agent by an "unidentified sub - source" and that it was false.

How the original RCMP report fell into the hands of the subcommittee was not known.

In August, four months after the Canadian protest, the U.S. government gave the assurances sought by Canada for protection of security information. That appeared to close the case officially.

BURTON W.I.

On December 9 the monthly meeting of Burton W.I. was held at the home of Ms. Melvin MacGregor with the president, Mrs. Colridge Rogers presiding.

Meeting opened with the Institute Ode, followed by the Mary Stewart collect in unison. Eight members answered roll call by exchanging Christmas gifts.

Minutes were read and approved, Treasurers report was heard. Institute news was passed around. Sick committee reported purchasing fruit and visiting the sick.

Money was voted for T.B. seals and Institute news subscription, also for treats for school children at Christmas. All bills were paid.

Thank you notes were read from Mrs. Eva Dalton and Mrs. Lance Dalton for kindness and treats received from Institute members. Treasurer reported ordering more C. Oil capsuls. New committees, Sick, Mrs. Melvin MacGregor, Mrs. Elmer Cooke, School, Mrs. Harold Howard; Entertainment, Mrs. Colridge Rogers; Lunch, Mrs. Melvin MacGregor, Mrs. Colridge Rogers, Mrs. Elmer Cooke, Mrs. Edward Collicutt.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Peter Dalton. Roll call "The Best Advice I Ever Received". Mrs. Edward Collicutt entertained with a humourous reading. Singing of Christmas carols brought the meeting to a close. A dainty lunch was served.

MEADOW BANK W. I.

The members of Meadow Bank W. I. celebrated their anniversary meeting on the evening of December 4th, at the home of Mrs. Fred and Mrs. Elmer Hyde.

Meeting opened with singing "Silent Night" and repeating the Collect in unison.

Thirteen members answered Roll call with articles for an auction sale. Two new members joined.

The president gave a brief report on the leadership course held at Parkdale.

School committee reported that books, paper towels and a wash basin had been purchased for school. Sick committee reported that two sympathy cards and one baby card had been sent also that a box of cards had been ordered.

Mrs. Dingwell MacFadyen was asked to see about having the school organ repaired before the concert. Members were asked to make candy for school treat and to send it to the committee. The sick and shut-ins are to be remembered os usual.

Mrs. Dingwell MacFadyen and Mrs. Elmer Hyde were on the lunch committee and are to be commended for the pleasing and gracious manner in which lunch was served.

The table was prettily arranged with a nicely decorated cake in the centre, flanked by lighted candles. These lent a soft glow to the gleaming silver and china against a snowy cloth.

Seated at the table were Mrs. Fred Hyde, honorary president and Mrs. Gordon MacLean. Mrs. Hyde cut the cake in the usual fashion. Mrs. MacLean poured tea while Mrs. Elmer Hyde cut the ices. Serving were Mrs. Dingwell MacFadyen, Mrs. Sterling Clow and the Misses Wilma and Doris Hyde.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Stewart Miller. Mrs. Charles Hyde and Mrs. Ray Crosby will assist with lunch. Roll call will be a favorite keepsake with its history. Program committee Mrs. Colin MacPhail and Mrs. Howard Murray.

An interesting and remunerative feature of the evening was an auction sale with Mrs. Charles Hyde capably acting as auctioneer.

BROOKFIELD W. I.

The regular meeting of the Brookfield W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Sadie Wood on December 3rd. Roll call was answered by 5 members and 1 visitor with an exchange of gifts. Three members paid their fees for the coming years, and three members paid $1.00 each towards the auction sale that was held at the November meeting and Mrs. Preston Sentner paid in $5. for the auto-robe she sold.

The school committee gave their report and the sick committee reported making calls and taking fruit. One member thanked the Institute for fruit she received when she was sick. A bill of $1.00 was ordered paid.

It was moved and seconded $5. be given each: the Salvation Army and T. B. League and $1.00 be given the Unitarian Fund

The sick and shut-ins to be remembered at Christmas and the school children and pre-school children get a treat at the school closing.

The secretary to send to the Red Cross rooms for material to sew and knit with Mrs. Robert Andrews and Mrs. Sadie Wood to look after the programme for the meeting. Collection 45 cents.

Next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Robert Andrews Roll call to be answered by a New Year's resolution. Meeting closed with the Lord's prayer. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess and lunch committee in charge.

PRINCETOWN ROAD

The annual meeting of the Princetown Road W.M.S. was held on Wednesday evening, December 4 at the home of Mrs. Austin Sentner.

Mrs. John MacDonald led the worship service taken from the Missionary Monthly. The following readings were then given, "Emmanual," read by Mrs. John MacDonald "Child wanted to give birthday gift to Jesus", read by Mrs. Ivan Sentner. "A Christmas Prayer" by Everett Clow. "Preaching Christ" by Mrs. Emmerson Kent. "The real spirit of Christmas", by Mrs. John MacDonald.

Hymn "In Christ there is no East or West" closed the worship service.

The study book was under the direction of Mrs. Dale Proud, assisted by Mrs. Lester Johnston and Mrs. John MacDonald.

In the absence of the president and vice president, Mrs. Emmerson Kent was appointed to take the chair for the business part, which was opened by 13 answering roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were then read and approved. It was decided to have the Mite Box opening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Johnstone on Friday evening. Mrs. Russel Proud reported sending $6.00 for clothing.

One thank you card was received from Mrs. Eva Sentner and family. There were 15 home calls and 5 hospital made during the month. Mrs. Emmerson Kent and Mrs. Ernest Dollar reported presenting Mrs. Eva Sentner with life membership certificate and pin.

It was decided to give shut-ins chocolates or oranges for treat at Christmas. Mrs. Frank Crabbe to purchase same. Friendship committee reported $3.25 on hand 17 sympathy cards and 2 get-well cards.

Mrs. Russel Proud invited members to meet at her home for next meeting. Mrs. Omar Neill as devotional leader. Roll call to be answered by verse of scripture starting at Luke 1st chapter. Lunch committee, Mrs. Frank Crabbe, Mrs. Ernest Dollar, Mrs. Everett Clow and Mrs. Preston Sentner. Collection amounted to $1.20 Minutes of last annual meeting were read.

The following slate of officers were appointed for the coming year. President, Mrs. Lester Johnston, Vice President, Mrs. John MacDonald, Secretary, Mrs Preston Sentner (re - elected) Treasurer, Mrs. Russel Proud, (re-elected), Associate members Secretary, Mrs. Everett Clow (re elected) Christian Stewartship, Mrs. Ivan Sentner, Christian Friendship, Mrs. Dale Proud, Citizenship, Mrs. Emmerson Kent, M.M. and Literature, Mrs. Lester Johnston, Supply Mrs. Preston Sentner, Organist, Mrs. Dale Proud, Auditor, Mrs. Omar Neill, Press reporter, Mrs. Preston Sentner. Meeting closed by repeating Mizpah Benediction in unison. Lunch was then served by hostess.

Presley Granted Callup Delay

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Singer Elvis Presley Friday was granted a 60-day delay of his induction into the army to enable him to complete a movie in Hollywood.

The rock 'n' roll star's deferment was voted unanimously by his draft board. He had been scheduled for induction Jan. 20.

U.K. XMAS COSTLY

LONDON (Reuters) — British Christmas spending established a record this year, the Bank of England's weekly report showed Friday. Bills in circulation during the week ended Christmas Day totalled £2,127,804,000, the report said.

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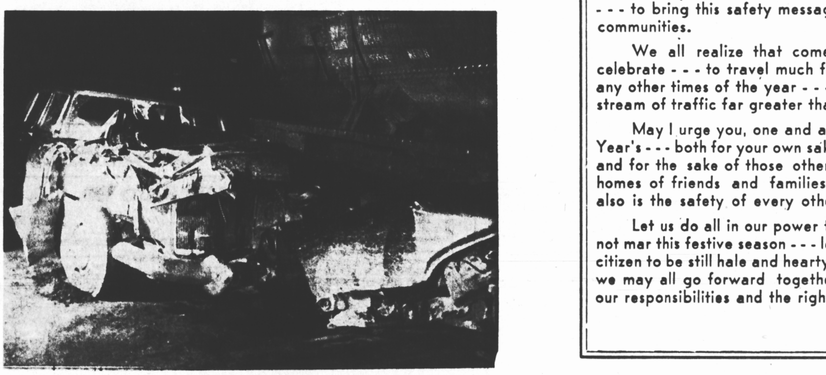

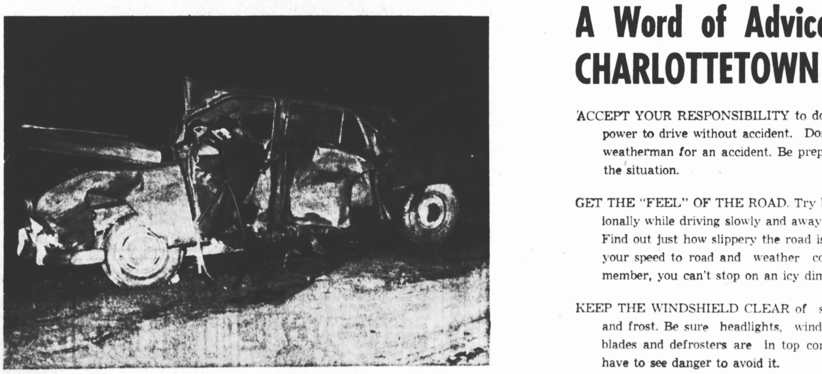

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR:

As Mayor of Charlottetown it is my privilege - - - and my duty - - - to bring this safety message to the people of this, and nearby communities.

We all realize that come New Year's most people tend to celebrate - - - to travel much further, and much oftener, than at any other times of the year - - - and, by so doing, thus create a stream of traffic far greater than at most other periods.

May I urge you, one and all, to be extra careful this New Year's - - - both for your own sake and that of your own family - - - and for the sake of those other people who are travelling to homes of friends and families. Your safety is important - - - so also is the safety of every other citizen.

Let us do all in our power to ensure that traffic mishaps do not mar this festive season - - - let us do all possible to allow every citizen to be still hale and hearty come the New Year - - - so that we may all go forward together into 1958 - - - fully conscious of our responsibilities and the rights of every individual.

MAYOR J. D. STEWART.

A Word of Advice From The CHARLOTTETOWN JUNIOR BOARD OF TRADE:

ACCEPT YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to do all in your power to drive without accident. Don't blame the weatherman for an accident. Be prepared to meet the situation.

GET THE "FEEL" OF THE ROAD. Try brakes occasionally while driving slowly and away from traffic. Find out just how slippery the road is and adjust your speed to road and weather conditions. Remember, you can't stop on an icy dime.

KEEP THE WINDSHIELD CLEAR of snow, ice, fog and frost. Be sure headlights, windshield wiper blades and defrosters are in top condition. You have to see danger to avoid it.

USE TIRE CHAINS AND GOOD TIRES. Don't rely on worn-smooth tires. Use tire chains on snow and ice. They cut stopping distances about half, give up to seven times more starting and climbing traction ability. But even with the help of chains, slower than normal speeds are a "must" on snow and ice.

PUMP YOUR BRAKES to slow down and stop. Jamming them on can lock the wheels and throw you into a dangerous skid. A little skidding can carry you a long way.

FOLLOW AT A SAFE DISTANCE. Keep well back of the vehicle ahead . . . give yourself room to stop. Remember, without tire chains, it takes 3 to 12 times as far to stop, on snow and ice as on dry concrete.

Happy New Year To All••• But•••Think Before You Drink

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