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WEATHER
Overcast with intermittent rain; northeast winds 25 with gusts to 45 becoming north 20 by evening. Low-high 38 and 40.

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Russians Will Be Asked To Quit Fishing In Fundy

QUEEN'S PICTURE PRESENTED TO SCHOOL

At a brief ceremony held yesterday afternoon at Sherwood Junior High School, the Royalty chapter of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire presented three framed full-color pictures of Queen Elizabeth II to the school. In addition each classroom was presented with IODE calendars. Here, left centre, Mrs. William Meggison, education secretary presents one of the pictures to principal D. J. MacArthur, right. Looking on are left, Mrs. J. J. Connolly, regent, and Mrs. J. A. Rodd, right centre, a teacher at the school.

Flooding And Damage Are Reported In N.S.

HALIFAX (CP)—Widespread flooding and damage was reported in southern Nova Scotia Thursday as a rain and snow storm hovered in a stationary position in the Atlantic 250 miles south of here.

The storm gave some areas up to 4.8 inches of rain, washing out secondary roads and isolating at least one community. Winds gusting to 60 miles an hour played havoc with docks and fishing equipment.

Some snow was reported in northern and western New Brunswick and light rain fell in Prince Edward Island.

The weather office here forecast little change in the condition for today. Rainfall amounts in southern Nova Scotia were likely to exceed six inches in a few localities today. Two inches was likely for the rest of the province and Prince Edward Island.

Light rain and fog was reported in Newfoundland.

ROAD WASHED OUT

In the hard-hit Shelburne, N.S. area seven families at Johnson's Pond beach were left stranded after rain washed out the only road leading to their fishing community. Two bulldozers working at the scene were expected to have the road open today.

At Little Harbor, N.S., heavy seas knocked out a 200-foot long bulkhead filled with rock. About 400 lobster pots, stacked on the bulkhead in readiness for the Dec. 1 season opening, were swept out to sea. Half were recovered. The pots are worth about $6 each.

Abnormal tides accompanying the storm contributed to road washouts in other Shelburne area communities of Blance, Lockeport and Sandy Point.

Up to three inches of snow fell in some areas. It quickly turned to slush when combined with rain.

Indians Open Offensive

NEW DELHI, India (AP)—Indian forces have opened their first major offensive of the undeclared Himalayan border war with Communist China, killing an unknown number of enemy troops entrenched in the northeast sector, the defence ministry reported Thursday.

A Chinese broadcast heard in Tokyo said, however, the attacks—made under heavy artillery fire — were being repulsed by Communist troops still holding their positions.

"Fierce fighting was still in progress up to this morning," the Peking broadcast said.

An Indian defence ministry spokesman said the attacks were carried out on Chinese positions near Walong, 15 miles from the Burma border.

Diefenbaker Says Bay Canadian Water

By KEN KELLY

OTTAWA (CP)—The fisheries department patrol vessel Cygnus is patrolling the Bay of Fundy in a 40-mile-an-hour gale seeking Russian fishing vessels to tell them to leave if they are fishing Canadian waters, Fisheries Minister MacLean said Thursday.

Presence of a fleet of Russian vessels in the 140-by-20-mile bay between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia was observed from the air Nov. 13. The vessels were not fishing at the time and have been kept under observation most of the time since then.

Most of the vessels apparently have departed for the open sea, Mr. MacLean said in an interview. But the Cygnus was seeking two believed still in the bay to inform them they are in Canadian waters and, if they are fishing, ask them to leave immediately.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker, informing the Commons Thursday that the Russian ships will be asked to leave, said the Bay of Fundy has been regarded as Canadian territorial water since at least 1763.

Informants said that in addition to advising the vessels of Canada's position the Soviet Embassy normally would be advised that Canadian waters are closed to foreign fishing.

SPOTTED TUESDAY

Mr. MacLean said an aircraft chartered by the fisheries department spotted two groups of Russian vessels about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday. The first group included a trawler and a freighter. The second, about 10 miles away from the first, consisted of mother ship, a trawler and an oceangoing tug.

The aircraft saw no indication that the vessels were fishing. The tug later was observed steaming seaward and had disappeared by 1:15 p.m. and one of the trawlers headed in the same direction.

The mother ship lay at anchor with the second trawler tied up alongside.

On Wednesday, an area patrol found no sign of the vessels despite good visibility but Thursday the Princess Helene ferry which plies between Saint John, N.B., and Digby, N.S., sighted two vessels thought to be Russian.

Because of the gale blowing Thursday, aircraft have been grounded and the Cygnus has been hampered in searching the area by the winds and poor visibility.

Mr. MacLean said the Cygnus has been instructed to intercept the vessels and inform them that they are in Canadian waters and therefore cannot fish.

REPLIES TO PEARSON

Mr. Diefenbaker, replying to Opposition Leader Pearson's request for action on reports of the Russians' presence, said the bay "has always been considered since the earliest days, first by Great Britain and thereafter by successive Canadian governments, as Canadian territorial waters."

In Fredericton, Premier Louis Robichaud of New Brunswick said the Canadian government should protest to Russia about this "violation of Canadian territory."

He sent a telegram to Prime Minister Diefenbaker requesting federal action.

Liberal Candidates Named In 5 Districts

The Liberal party last night at conventions in five districts nominated candidates for the Dec. 10 election. Nominations were held in Third and Fourth Queens and in First, Third and Fourth Kings.

FIRST KINGS

In First Kings, Daniel J. MacDonald of Bothwell, a second war veteran, was the unanimous choice of a convention to contest the district as councillor candidate. No other names were offered.

His nomination was moved by Lorne Francis of Fortune and seconded by C. Campbell of Elmira.

Mr. MacDonald, making his first start in politics, is president of the Souris branch of the Canadian Legion.

For assemblyman William A. Acorn of Souris was nominated over Major Reid of Fortune. Acorn's nomination was moved by Howlan Mullally of Souris River and seconded by Russell Ching of Black Pond.

Herbert Cheverie of Souris, president of the First Kings Liberal Association presided. Speakers included Mr. Reid, the two candidates, T. J. Kickham, former Kings County Liberal MP and John Mullally, nominated earlier to contest Kings in the next federal election.

The convention was held in St. Mary's Hall, Souris.

FOURTH QUEENS

In Fourth Queens Harold Smith of Pownal was nominated as councillor candidate and Stewart Ross of Flat River as assemblyman at a convention held at Belfast Hall in Eldon. There were no other names before the convention. Both men were members of the last legislature.

Chairman was Richard Jenkins of Pownal, president of the Fourth Queens Liberal Association.

Speakers included the two

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FUND REACHES 73 PER CENT

Campaign chairman Brig. W. W. Reid last night announced that with 15 days to go, the amount subscribed to the United Fund Appeal now stands at $166,084.81. This is approximately 73 per cent of the $227,486.00 objective.

Crew Abandons Freighter As Fire Nears Explosives

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP) Crew members abandoned a burning Greek freighter in the storm-tossed Atlantic Thursday night as flames swept near her cargo of high explosives. Rescue ships picked up seven men but said one lifeboat capsized and they had lost sight of the other 18 crew members in the water.

All 18 were reported to have been wearing life jackets. Other rescue craft were bearing down on the scene, 300 miles north east of Bermuda, to join in the search. The temperature of the water was 74 degrees.

The tension and anxiety of the watchers aboard the rescue ships was reflected by this message picked up from one of the vessels by the coast guard:

"Fire must be getting close to dynamite on board. Have heard one of escorting ships advising all ships to move away from Captain George."

Since Wednesday night, Capt. George Karemezir and his crew of 24 had been fighting the fires on the freighter Captain George in a gale that tossed her about with 30 to 60-foot waves.

The crew managed to heave part of a cargo of dynamite over the side.

As rescue ships sped to the scene 300 miles northeast of Bermuda, the coast guard first received a report Thursday morning that the ship had been abandoned. This later was denied.

One rescue vessel, the Virginia, messaged the coast guard she had tried to go alongside and was damaged.

There was no detail of whether she had collided with the Captain George.

Then the Trinity Navigator, the second ship to reach the scene, reported that the first lifeboat was launched at 4:58 p.m. and she picked up the five crew members about a half-hour later.

A second lifeboat was seen wallowing in the water, the coast guard in Hamilton reported.

It had no immediate confirmation of a report to the New York coast guard that one lifeboat with four or five men aboard was launched and lost.

An explosion rocked the 450-foot vessel Wednesday night and touched off a fire below decks. Flames raced through the ship as the crew fought to check them before the explosive cargo ignited.

The U.S. Navy dispatched two submarines — Torsk and Cutlass — to "proceed at best speed to render all possible assistance."

The Captain George, bound for Mediterranean ports after picking up a cargo of explosives, dynamite and inflammable sulphur, flashed its first distress call at 10:30 Wednesday night.

Potato, Grain Harvesting Uncompleted

There are a few people who have not completed their potato harvesting at this mid-November date and there are many fields of grain which have not been saved in some parts of the province.

A Lower Montague man said yesterday that there are several hundred acres of grain still out in the area around Cardigan. One man, he said, has a large field of potatoes on land so low and wet, the drills are covered with water.

One man has 1,600 stooks of grain out yet and it is questionable if the grain will be much value, it was feared.

Heavy Winds Halt Ferries On Wood Islands Service

The heavy winds, blowing in Prince Edward Island since Wednesday night, had caused no reported damage up to last night.

Souris reported all vessels of the dragger fleet in port, either at Souris or in some other protected place.

Water transportation to and from the mainland was yesterday reduced to one service, that being the CNR ferry service between Borden and Cape Tormentine.

Both ferries, the MV Abegweit and MV Confederation were able to maintain the regular schedule, although docking was made more difficult than usual.

FERRIES TIED UP

Captain Claude Hunter, president of Northumberland Ferries Ltd. reported that the MV Lord Selkirk and the SS Charles A. Dunning were unable to make any crossings Thursday.

On the basis of the weather reports being issued last night, he said that it was doubtful whether the ferries would be able to run this morning and probably not this afternoon.

From officials of the Maritime Electric Company it was learned that throughout yesterday there were scattered reports of power interruptions, caused by falling tree limbs. On the other hand Island Telephone officials reported no disruption of services.

GUSTS TO 55-60

Late last evening the meteorologist at the radio range here, reported the winds were continuing to blow from the northnorth-east at 40 m.p.h. with frequent gusts of 55.

In this area the highest winds recorded was at about 2 p.m. Thursday, when they were reported at 48 m.p.h. gusting to 60. In the Summerside area the met office reported that the highest winds were recorded at 10 a.m. when they registered gusts of 71 m.p.h.

By late evening that office reported the winds blowing at 50 m.p.h. and gusting to 65.

Nfld. Fisheries Seen Threatened

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Spencer Lake of the H. B. Clyde Lake Limited fishing firm here said Thursday he has received reports that a large European-owned fishing base may be established at St. Pierre-Miquelon, tiny French-owned islands off Newfoundland's south coast.

Mr. Lake said the proposed base is a "terrible threat" to Newfoundland fishing interests, increasing the number of foreign trawlers in the Newfoundland area.

Missing Man Sought Here

HAMPTON, N.B. (CP)—RCMP at nearby Sussex said Thursday they were intensifying their search for Hampton merchant T. Lloyd Brown, 43, who they said "simply disappeared" Wednesday night while enroute in his car to Sussex about 22 miles northeast of here.

He was heading for the training quarters in Sussex of the 8th Canadian Hussars militia unit.

Mr. Brown, married with two children, recently was appointed the unit's commanding officer with the rank of colonel.

RCMP in P.E.I. have been asked to look for the man also. They said he was wearing army uniform when he left home and was driving a 1958 Meteor with N.B. license plate 53-396. The car was turquoise over white in color.

Anyone with information was asked to call the nearest detachment of the RCMP.

PC Candidates Named In Fifth District Kings

Conservatives named candidates in Fifth Kings last night at a convention held in Georgetown town hall.

James G. McGonnell of Georgetown was nominated as councillor candidate and Paul MacDonald of Panmure Island as assemblyman. They were unopposed.

Mr. McGonnell's nomination was moved by Archie Landrigan of Sturgeon and seconded by Leslie Underhay of Fortune.

Mr. MacDonald's nomination was moved by Harry McGonnell of Georgetown and seconded by Casimer MacDonald of Annandale.

Edmund MacDonald of Panmure Island, vice - president of the Fifth Kings Progressive Conservative Association was chairman and Temple MacDonald of Georgetown Royalty was recording secretary.

Speakers included the candidates and Hon. Leo F. Rossiter, minister of industry and natural resources. Thomas Curran who represented third Kings in the last legislature, Walter Dingwell, candidate in Second Kings, George Whiteway, Murray River, president of the Kings County Young Progressive Conservative Association, Louis Cantello Bridgetown, Archie Landrigan, Sturgeon and John H. MacDonald, Georgetown.

Politicians Trade Charges On Nfld. Grocery Gifts

By JACK PICKETTS

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—The Newfoundland Liberal party, accused Wednesday of trying to illegally influence Newfoundland voters with free groceries, fuel and beer, struck back at the Progressive Conservatives Thursday with accusations and an affidavit of its own.

Conservative Leader James J. Greene started it Wednesday night by charging that a pink slip of paper obtained through the "back room" of Liberal headquarters could be exchanged for $5 worth of groceries.

He read from an affidavit he said had been sworn before a Newfoundland Supreme Court Commissioner, leaving out nothing of, the details but the names of the individuals concerned, "I say that this pink paper election in Newfoundland must be the last where corruption is open and rampant," Mr. Greene said. Newfoundland votes Monday.

Thursday Premier Smallwood said he was approached by "several people who have offered to make the affidavits" that the Conservative party is giving out grocery parcels. Mr. Smallwood said one citizen arrived at his office Thursday with an affidavit already made.

"I may release it to the public," he said. "It would be an interesting development if it now turned out that the accuser, the Tory party, has itself been doing the very thing it accuses us of doing." Mr. Smallwood, who appeared on the same station half an hour later, said he had known nothing about it.

"I was thunderstruck when I saw and heard Mr. Greene produce the bag of groceries and accuse the Liberal party of trying to bribe and corrupt the voters," Mr. Smallwood said. Afterward St. John's South candidate John R. O'Dea announced "I am the Liberal candidate who has been giving out small grocery orders to a number of poor families." He said he would go on television Thursday night to "tell the whole story."

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VISITORS SEE ISLAND POTATO BOOTH AT FAIR

Miss Margaret MacMillan, secretary of the Prince Edward Island Potato Marketing Board, and Frank Brown, (right), Charlottetown are seen talking to visitors to the P.E.I. booth at the Royal Winter Fair, Toronto, where potatoes are featured. The young lady shown in the inset, lower left, is Miss Anne MacAulay, who made history by being the first 4-H Club member ever to win the coveted International seed potato championship.

Russian Mother Ship Said To Be Off Shelburne Now

HALIFAX (CP) — The Russian mother ship Riga, reported Thursday to be in the vicinity of a disabled Nova Scotia longliner off Nova Scotia's south shore, was identified Thursday night as one of the Russian ships reported in the Bay of Fundy earlier this week.

The identification came from an informed Halifax source a few hours after Prime Minister Diefenbaker said in the Commons that if Russian fishing vessels are still operating in the Bay of Fundy—between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—they will be asked to leave immediately.

The longliner, the 57-foot Harvey and Sisters out of Lockeport, N.S., was being escorted to shelburn on Nova Scotia's south shore Thursday night by the Canadian destroyer escort Nootka.

The Nootka was called from Shelburne after the longliner radioed she had lost power about 25 miles south of Shelburne. An RCAF Search and Rescue spokesman here said apparently her power had been restored as she was not in tow. The navy ship was going ahead of her through stormy seas. The Harvey and Sisters was reported to be carrying three men.

A report in Saint John, N.B. Thursday said the location of Russian fishing vessels, reported operating in the bay since Monday at least, was unknown because of poor visibility.

Castro Warns Yank Aircraft

UNITED NATIONS (AP)—Reliable sources said Thursday night Premier Castro has sent a blunt warning through Acting Secretary-General U Thant that Cuba will shoot down any U.S. planes flying reconnaissance missions over Cuban territory.

The warning was contained in a letter given to Thant by a Cuban representative. Its contents were made known later to U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson by the secretary-general.

Whitton Startles Bd. By Waving Toy Pistol

OTTAWA (CP)—Mayor Charlotte Whitton, who used her fists and feet in a board of control argument Tuesday, startled controllers Wednesday when she produced a gun—a toy cap pistol.

Controller Paul Tardif, the party pummelled by the fiery little mayor in the earlier tiff, jumped from his seat in alarm.

Controller Lloyd Francis quickly realized it was a toy gun and Miss Whitton confirmed this by breaking the pistol at the breach and waving it aloft.

Later, Mr. Tardif asked the mayor whether the cap pistol was loaded.

"No," she said. "I wouldn't waste a three-cent cap on you."

It all started when Mayor Whiton asked the controllers into her office for an in-camera meeting. Tuesday's incident occurred in such a meeting.

"I'll go into no in-camera session with you," Mr. Tardif told her. "It's as much as my life is worth."

Mr. Francis said there should be a policeman present if, as rumor had it, the mayor had a gun in her desk.

Mayor Whitton then told Shirley Blackburn, assistant board of control secretary, to "go to my desk and bring back the gun you'll find there."

Miss Blackburn returned with a gold - plated, white-handled pistol and handed it to the mayor.

Later, the mayor showed the toy to reporters and said it had been given to her at last year's city hall Christmas party as a joke. She thought Mr. Francis had given it to her.

Police Chief Reginald Axcell confirmed that Miss Whitton has a permit for a .32 - calibre revolver.

The mayor said she carries it to and from her cottage at a nearby lake for protection and never has it in her possession inside the city.