

Forces Morale At Lowest Ebb, Dief Declares

HALIFAX (CP)—Conservative Leader Diefenbaker said here that morale in Canada's armed forces has dropped to its lowest point in history through the Liberal government's "unification" program.

He told a press conference here "one has only to cross the bridge to Dartmouth and see the battleships tied up to know what has happened."

He said that the government's closing of armouries and the wiping out of historic militia units was a retrograde step. If elected, his government would give "very sympathetic consideration" to reactivating militia units.

He said there was great difference between "integration and unification" and he would not oppose integration.

Mr. Diefenbaker also said he would welcome a television debate with Prime Minister Pearson on the issues of today.

"But I would be less than frank if I didn't point out that I argued the reverse when I was in his position—and he is glad I did."

Commenting on Mr. Pearson's decision to have a lawyer examine the Canada Elections Act to see whether a way can be found for university students to vote near their campus, Mr. Diefenbaker said "You can't get

around the law by submitting the matter to lawyers."

He said it might be only a coincidence "but it's factual that the Liberal party feared the loss" of university support.

Olds Shows New Model

MILFORD, Mich. (AP)—General Motors Corp.'s Oldsmobile division unveiled its much-disputed new model to the press here, predicting it would stimulate Olds sales all along the line.

Harold N. Metzel, GM vice president and general manager of its Oldsmobile division, made the prediction as Olds became the first GM division to show its 1966 cars.

The Toronado and other Oldsmobile products were shown at the national press preview at the GM proving grounds here.

In addition to the Toronado, new models in the Oldsmobile lineup this year include the Cutlass Supreme, a new four-door F85 hardtop sedan; and a convertible in the Delta series.

Metzel said over 40 pilot models of the Toronado had been driven over 1,500,000 miles in exhaustive testing of the new car.

FEWER WILL WORK MORE

The Canadian lumber industry expects to double its output by 1980, employing 35,000 men instead of today's work-force of 50,000.



GERMAN WATER BOY FOR CANADIAN

Pte. Jean Jolicœur of St. Arthur, N.B., gets a drink of water from a German farm boy during fall field manoeuvres on northern Germany's Luneburg Heath, near Hamburg.

Pte. Jolicœur is a member of the 2nd Battalion, Royal 22nd Regiment, part of Canada's land force serving in Europe with NATO. (CP Wire-photo from National Defence)

Local Pride To Be Tested By Vote In Prince Albert

By KEN KELLY
OTTAWA (CP)—Strong local pride which cuts across political party lines and equally strong personal friendships will be put to the test when Prince Albert voters go to the polls in the Nov. 8 federal election.

In a constituency with a long Liberal voting tradition in federal politics and powerful Liberal and CCF attachments provincially, the election there of Conservative John Diefenbaker in the last five federal elections may appear unusual.

But it's not unusual to voters in the Saskatchewan constituency who have sent him back to Parliament at every election since 1953 with increasing pluralities.

Residents say part of the reason is that the Progressive Conservative leader is almost a native son. He has roots in the constituency which some of its former MPs did not have, notably Mackenzie King who held the seat from 1926 until 1945.

A handful of acknowledged Conservatives in the city, which has a population today of about 26,000. There wasn't even a Conservative riding association until after Mr. Diefenbaker was elected in 1953.

And his campaign was conducted as a Diefenbaker campaign, with little reference to his party affiliation.

Fred Hadley, Mr. Diefenbaker's close friend and the man who still runs his campaigns, was vice-president of the Liberal Association. His attachment to Mr. Diefenbaker is so strong that when the Progressive Conservative leader was renominated for the sixth time Sept. 20 he all but broke down in the middle of his speech.

Another key figure in the Diefenbaker organization in Prince Albert is Ed Jackson, a close friend and formerly area organizer for the CCF. He's affectionately referred to at times by Mr. Diefenbaker as "my CCF organizer."

Two other men share the special place in Mr. Diefenbaker's affections with Mr. Hadley and Mr. Jackson. They are Tommy Martin, who had been a Social

Credit candidate at one time, and Martin Pederson, the present provincial Conservative leader.

ACKNOWLEDGES DEBT

In accepting the nomination, Mr. Diefenbaker acknowledged a special debt to them for asking him to run in 1953 after his Lake Centre riding to the south had been redistributed out of existence in 1952.

He also acknowledged the multi-party character of his voting support.

"To the Prince Albert voters, who hadn't elected a Conservative before Mr. Diefenbaker since 1911, he said:

"We'll join together now as we did in 1953, 1957, 1958, 1962 and 1963 in that comradeship that is beyond political considerations."

The Prairie lawyer's love affair with Prince Albert is based on an intimate knowledge of many of its citizens. He's been known to joke publicly with a prominent citizen about having defended him on charges of horse theft.

And usually the first thing Prince Alberters say about him, when asked to define his support, is that he's probably given half his electors' legal help at one time or another.

KEPT MANY HOLIDAYS
Prior to 1830, British banks took 40 holidays on saints' days each year.

2,400 Women Attend Texas Planned Parenthood Centre

By RONALD THOMPSON
CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (AP)—Clutching orange identification cards, several mothers wait patiently and quietly in an office.

Methodically, the receptionists check each woman's card, then hands her a package of 20 small pills. If the woman has \$1.50, she gives it to the receptionist. If she hasn't, she gets the package anyway.

This is a planned parenthood centre. For these women, more children means still greater poverty for their families. The average patient is 26, has five living children, a third-grade education and a family income of \$35 a week.

These women pick up their birth control pills each month. The card is their prescription.

CAN'T AFFORD MORE
Most of the 2,400 patients at the centre just don't want or can't afford more babies. Some are under a doctor's orders not to become pregnant again.

The U.S. government established in February its first birth control project with a modest grant of \$2,500 for four one-day-a-week neighborhood clinics. It has not been in operation long enough to fully test its effectiveness.

But the private, non-profit planned parenthood centre, which administers the federal project, has been in existence six years, producing some startling statistics:

1. The number of live births recorded by the city's charity clinic has declined to 1,837 in 1964 from 2,159 in 1961, a drop of 24 per cent in births to indigent parents.

2. The number of post-abortion treatments at hospitals dropped to 220 from 374 during the same period and a steady decline continues.

3. The number of obstetrical cases is slightly more than half the rate of 1963, the year prior to the widespread use of oral contraceptives—the pills.

Corpus Christi, a city of about 200,000 on the Gulf of Mexico coastline, has a large population of Latin American descent—almost 40 per cent. One church official said 60 per cent of its residents are Roman Catholic.

COMPRISE MOST PATIENTS
Of the patients enrolled in the program, 86 per cent are Latin American, 10 per cent are Negroes and four per cent are Anglo-Americans.

Mrs. Tony Abarca, executive director of the program, including the federal project, cites case after case of children being born to large families who can't afford them.

A 35-year-old woman came to the centre recently. She had 18 living children. "Neither she nor her husband had ever heard of any method of contraception and when she came in, she was pregnant again with her 19th child." The centre does not advocate total birth control, but family planning. "If they want more children, we help them plan them." Mrs. Abarca said.

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Nickel Company Plans Expansion

NEW YORK (AP)—The International Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd., announced it plans a \$79,000,000 expansion program to produce an additional 20,000,000 pounds each of nickel and copper at its Sudbury, Ont., operations.

Henry S. Wingate, chairman of the board, said the program includes a new mine to be opened over a separate ore body a mile north of the company's Froot-Stobie Mine.

The project also will include a new mill near the Froot-Stobie Mine capable of handling 22,500 tons of ore a day and a pipeline to transfer concentrates to a company smelter at Copper Cliff, four miles away.

Other parts of the project will include installation of units which will boost the capacity of the smelter.

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