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U.S. Decision On Lumber Seen Triumph For Canada

WELFARE BUREAU ELECTS OFFICERS

The executive of the Catholic Social Welfare Bureau is shown following election at the annual meeting of the Bureau last night at the Charlottetown Hospital Nurses Residence. Left to right, standing, are: J. Vincent MacIntyre, treasurer; Harold Bernard, secretary; seated, left to right, W. A. Murphy, past president; L. J. Butler, president, and Albert Steele, vice-president.

Social Credit Outlook Called Poor In P.E.I.

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Social Credit leader Robert Thompson says the tides of political fortune are running in favor of his party, but he does not anticipate that Prince Edward Island's shores will be lapped by the rising water.

He made this clear at a press conference held here Thursday, following a Social Credit party strategy meeting.

Mr. Thompson said his party planned to run candidates in more ridings than they did last June, but not in every riding in Canada. In June the party had 231 candidates and he said he expects there will be around 240 in the April 8 fight.

"The two major gaps in our strength will be in Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland," Mr. Thompson revealed, indicating that the party will have few, if any, candidates in the Island's four seats and Newfoundland's seven.

The Social Credit leader indicated that he believes his party has a very good chance of coming out with the largest single block of seats of any of the four parties. He said, however, that he fully expects there will be another minority government in Canada and that two or three minority governments are to be expected before Canadians take a more mature political view.

"We don't need a two-party system in Canada, what we need is a two-policy system," Mr. Thompson said, explaining that there were only two basic philosophies to choose, socialism or a free enterprise system such as his party supports.

COALS CARRIED TO NEWCASTLE

KOLLOCH, Scotland (AP) — Coals, it was disclosed Thursday, are being carried to Newcastle.

Newcastle is the English industrial town you are not supposed to carry coal to. It is surrounded by coal mines. But an official of the National Coal Board explained Thursday:

"Because of the recent spell of cold, snow and ice the supply to Newcastle from the neighboring mines was cut off. So coal has had to be sent to that district by ship from pits in Scotland."

Security Given Export Trade

WASHINGTON (CP) — Canada's softwood lumber exports to the United States, amounting to some $260,000,000 a year got a bigger boost from Canadian dollar devaluation than from all U.S. tariff reductions combined, the U.S. tariff commission said Thursday in rejecting the U.S. industry's demands for increased protection against imports.

In its first major decision under President Kennedy's Trade Expansion Act, the commission unanimously agreed that an industry which claims injury caused by foreign competition must prove U.S. tariff bargaining was the major factor in that injury.

This was not proved in the lumber issue, the commission said in rejecting the U.S. industry's demands for an eightfold increase in the nominal tariff and imposition of an import quota which would have trimmed the Canadian softwood U.S. market by about one-third.

The commission also rejected the industry's demands that Canadian lumber be clearly identified so that federal agency purchasers could apply "buy American" principles.

Because of high Canadian quality, stamping the word "Canada" on imported lumber might merely increase sales of such lumber in the United States, the commission said.

VICTORY FOR CANADA

Canadian trade and lumber authorities saw the commission's precedent-making decision as a major Canadian victory. It would mean added security for Canadian exports which, the commission predicted, are likely to increase because of dwindling U.S. supplies increased population and the higher prices of U.S. lumber.

Spokesmen for U.S. producers, who initiated the tariff appeal last October, expressed concern about the decision. One legal adviser described it as "miserable." The spokesmen predicted the commission's ruling would sharply restrict the ability of U.S. industry to get higher protection against crippling imports.

Indications are that the domestic industry—not completely united on the tariff bid—now will increase pressure on the U.S. government and Congress to strengthen the industry's ability to compete against Canada.

There already are indications the U.S. government will do what it can, short of higher tariffs. The annual allowable timber cut is being increased and more producers are being allowed to ship lumber in foreign ships to save transport costs.

Premium On Hogs To Be Restored

OTTAWA (CP) — The quality premium paid by the federal government on grade A hogs will be restored to $3 from $2 on April 1, the agriculture department announced Thursday.

The premium had been reduced by $1 last Sept. 4 as an austerity measure. The department said the saving involved in the reduction will have reached $1,345,600 by April 1.

Pictou Island Man Flown To Hospital

NEW GLASGOW (CP) — John L. MacLean, 68, of Pictou Island was airlifted to the Aberdeen Hospital at noon Thursday by an RCAF helicopter from Greenwood, N.S.

Mr. MacLean was reported to be suffering from a stroke.

Sask. Has Plan To Aid Industry

REGINA (CP) — Assistance for private industry was forecast in the speech from the throne at the opening of the fifth session of Saskatchewan's 14th legislature Thursday.

The province has Canada's only socialist government with 34 CCF and 21 Liberal members in the 55-seat House.

The 2,000-word speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor Frank L. Bastedo, gave only a bare outline of proposed legislation.

Fleming Said Headed For Supreme Court

TORONTO (CP) — The Telegram says, in a story from Ottawa, that Justice Minister Donald Fleming will be appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada by Prime Minister Diefenbaker.

The story says the announcement is "expected soon," and that Mr. Fleming has decided not to be a candidate in the April 8 general election.

Mr. Fleming has represented Toronto Eglinton in the House of Commons since 1945.

The story speculates that Frank McGee, 36, Member of Parliament for York Scarborough since 1957, would be named as minister without portfolio in the cabinet.

The Supreme Court, with nine members, has had a vacancy since the Feb 2 death of Chief Justice Patrick Kerwin.

Wilson To Lead Labor In Britain

By ROD CURRIE

LONDON (CP)—Harold Wilson, admired by many but loved by few, Thursday night became the youngest leader of the Labor party since its creation 63 years ago.

The 46-year-old Wilson defeated George Brown in the contest for the party leadership, in a statement shortly afterward he implied that if Labor comes to power he will cancel the Nassau agreement giving Britain U.S. Polaris submarine missiles.

In a television interview Wilson said:

"Certainly we (the Labor party) should not want to continue arrangements under which Britain was having nuclear submarines for some private war."

He said that "as long as there are nuclear submarines in the world they should be held as far as the West is concerned by the United States and the Soviet Union."

Wilson said he would like to see nuclear arms bases under the joint control of NATO and not part of some bilateral agreement between the United States and Britain.

In the agreement between President Kennedy and Prime Minister Macmillan at Nassau last December giving Britain the Polaris missiles, they were seen as part of some future multilateral NATO force, with Britain having the power to use the missiles independently for its own defence.

HINDERS AGREEMENTS

Wilson said it was "nonsense" to defence terms for Britain to be a nuclear power, and it also hindered all those in Britain and elsewhere who were anxious to get international agreements on nuclear weapons.

But Wilson also said the Labor party wanted to go farther than the present Conservative government in making the British contribution to NATO effective. Britain has repeatedly been urged by the United States to increase its contribution to NATO.

Wilson, a pipe-smoking intellectual, standing to the left, defeated Brown, 48, representing the right wing of the party, by a vote of 144 to 103 in the race to succeed Hugh Gaitskell, who died Jan. 18.

CGS Wolfe To Replace Saurel Here

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — Transfer of Canadian Coast Guard ice-breakers was announced here Thursday by the department of transport.

Included is the transfer of a ship based at Charlottetown. The ship "Saurel" will go from Charlottetown to Quebec City and the "Wolfe" will be moved from St. John's to Charlottetown.

The department said the moves are being made to make the best possible use of the vessels in meeting the various needs of the agencies.

Major move is that of the ice-breaker-buoy vessel "Simon Fraser" from Victoria, B.C., to Quebec, after a trip through the Panama Canal.

Bushworkers Strike Set To End Sat.

TORONTO (CP) — The strike of bushworkers in Kapuskasing will end Saturday, a labor department official announced Thursday night.

The official emerged from labor - management negotiations to announce that union representatives had agreed to send their men back to work Saturday morning.

The strike now has gone on for 31 days.

Its end came after some 19 hours of negotiations directed by provincial Labor Minister Leslie Rowntree and department officials.

ADB Claimed 'Too Small'

HALIFAX (CP)—The Nova Scotia Federation of Labor says the Atlantic Development Board is too small to be representative of the "important elements and sector" of the Atlantic provinces.

In a brief to the provincial government Thursday, the federation said representatives from labor, management and educational institutions "should have the opportunity to sit on the board."

The brief added that "other weaknesses are that the chairman is to be a part-time official, and that there is no provision to make public at least findings and recommendations of the board."

MacNaught Is Nominated By Margin Of One Vote

SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

With a margin of one vote, J. Watson MacNaught QC, Summerside lawyer, was last night nominated by the Prince County Liberal Party to contest the coming April 8th federal election.

The seven nominees, almost a record, were eliminated by a form of balloting in which a candidate who had 39 votes or less was automatically erased from the running. With the first ballot, all names disappeared except Mr. MacNaught ana that of Summerside lawyer Alexander B. Campbell.

In the second ballot, the count for Mr. MacNaught was 212 to 211 for Mr. Campbell, with four spoiled ballots.

The name of W.A. Currie of Summerside was the first placed before the convention.

His nomination was moved by Max Thompson of Victoria and seconded by Elric Campbell of Summerside.

Others nominated in order were: G. Bruce MacDonald of Summerside, moved by Neil R. MacLeod of Summerside and seconded by Russell Phaneuf, Summerside; Alexander Campbell, Summerside, moved by George MacMurdo, Kelvin and seconded by George Lowe, Summerside; Lloyd Gaudet of St. Louis, moved by Patrick Callaghan, St. Louis and seconded by Charles Gavin of Tignish; Raynall MacNeil, O'Leary, moved by Sergeant Metherell, Mill River, and seconded by Arnold Waugh, Wilmot Valley; Charles Willis of O'Leary, moved by Everett Gaudet of Tignish and seconded by Harry MacWilliams, O'Leary; J. Watson MacNaught, Summerside moved by Charles Moreshead of Conway, seconded by Dr. A.R. Grant, Summerside.

When the scrutineers announced their decision in favour of Mr. MacNaught, the first man on the stage was Mr. Campbell, who raised Mr. MacNaught's arm in a salute of victory.

PROUD MOMENT

Mr. MacNaught in his acceptance speech said it was for him "a proud moment . . . I promise to give the best of all I have . . . I can promise you only one thing for sure, I can promise you a win."

Mr. MacNaught, an attorney and veteran politician, was twice elected as Liberal member of parliament for Prince County and was assistant to the minister of fisheries in the St. Laurent government.

An indication of the large number

Mr. Campbell is a son of Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell, a former premier of the Province, and Mrs. Campbell.

ber of votes polled by both Mr. MacNaught and Mr. Campbell was the fact that of the 449 votes cast on the first ballot, five nominees each drew 39 votes or less.

Speakers in addition to the nominees were Island Liberal leader Alex W. Matheson, Robert Campbell, MLA, First Prince, Ira Lewis, York, Liberal candidate for Queens, and Mrs. Aiden Mulligan, president of the P.E.I. Liberal Women's Association.

Liberal leader Matheson, referring to the last election, said that in the Fifth District of Prince a Conservative victory was "a foregone conclusion." He said the Liberal party was weak in this area, but he added that "this will be Liberal again . . . we can win this election but we can't win by hoping."

Chairman of the meeting was William H. Burns, Baltic, president of the East Prince Liberal Association.

A capacity audience filled Civic Auditorium where the meeting was held, and applause for each candidate was loud and long.

Mr. Burns in his opening remarks said the Conservative party had stated "they are going to give the Liberals hell". Mr. Burns said "they had better keep it for they may need it for a burial ground for Hees and his gang".

Clint Morrison, president of the West Prince Liberal Association, also made some brief opening remarks.

28 Quebec Constables Fired In Towing Deal

MONTREAL (CP) — Josaphat Brunet, director of Quebec Provincial Police announced dismissal of 28 constables Thursday for accepting kickbacks from garage owners whose tow trucks were used to remove stranded cars off highways.

Mr. Brunet said 21 men worked in the Quebec City division and seven in the Montreal division. They had between two and 24 years' service on the force.

The dismissed men had been under surveillance for the past six months. The dismissals brought to 72 the number of provincial policemen who have been fired or have resigned in the last seven weeks.

Mr. Brunet said the men just fired had arranged with garage operators to share in excessive towing fees charged motorists whose cars were stalled or involved in accidents on Quebec highways.

He added in a statement the QPP "is determined to rid itself of members found guilty of such dealings, or soliciting or accepting money or gifts to refrain from reporting an infraction."

Mr. Brunet said he asked the co - operation of motorists in bringing such cases to the attention of the force.

FACE RETRIBUTION

Mr. Brunet said garage operators involved in such practice face the possibility of not being used by QPP, and may also face court action.

He said the force does not plan criminal charges against the dismissed men.

"They are fired, that's all," he said, adding regret that some younger men hired in the past two years had been brought into the racket by older members of the force.

He said the policy of the force, laid down in a re-organization of the QPP in the last couple of years, has been to call the nearest garage, unless the car owner selects his own towing service.

He said all QPP members had been warned about such kickback practices which "apparently had been widespread in the past."

"They could not and never can justify under-the-table monetary arrangements," he said. "They knew they were being false to their oaths of office and were failing in their duty."

Canadians Buy Australian Sugar

SYDNEY, Australia (Reuters)—An order of 90,000 long tons of Australian raw sugar was sold to a Canadian buyer this week, Australia's Colonial Sugar Refining Company Ltd. said Thursday.

The firm's assistant general manager, J. M. Dixon, said the sugar was sold to Atlantic Sugar Refineries of Canada.

Dixon declined to reveal the sale price but said the Canadian buyer had obtained an option to increase the quantity to 120,000 long tons if desired.

Fighting Flares In Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)—Urged by secret radio broadcasts to rise against Iraq's new revolutionary regime, fighters said to be Communists battled troops in this capital until dawn Thursday.

Bursts of rifle, machine-gun fire echoed around resistance pockets in crowded sections of the capital.

Despite the new regime's claims it had smashed all resistance, the fighting was the heaviest since anti-Communists overthrew the government of Premier Abdel Karim Kassem Friday and executed him.

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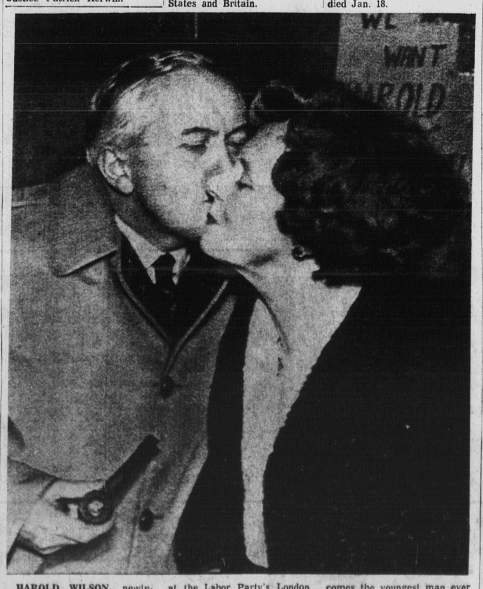

HAROLD WILSON, newly-elected leader of Britain's Labor Party, greets his wife with a kiss after his arrival at the Labor Party's London headquarters Thursday night. Wilson, successor to the late Hugh Gaitskell, is 46 and becomes the youngest man ever to Head the Labor Party. (AP Wirephoto by cable from London).

Big Powers Said Holding Up Ban

GENEVA (AP) — Delegates from Canada and Italy declared Thursday that agreement on a nuclear test-ban treaty is in sight if the big powers will only stop wrangling over details.

Canada's Gen. E. L. M. Burns and Italy's Francesco Cavalletti warned the 17-nation disarmament conference that world public opinion is beginning to take a hand in this matter. Failure cannot be contemplated, they declared.

In the next few weeks this conference must show that it can achieve results in this all-important question if we are to retain the confidence of the nations which set us our task," Burns said.

He called on the conference to "focus its greatest attention and major effort in this area until success is achieved."

Burns and Cavalletti proposed putting the numbers argument to one side for the time being. This was a reference to the dispute about the total of on-site inspections and black boxes (automatic seismic stations) which should be provided for in a test-ban pact.

DIFFER ON NUMBERS

The United States and Britain are insisting on seven to 10 on-site inspections a year on Soviet soil to check on suspicious earth tremors. They also want eight to 10 black boxes located inside Russia's borders. The Soviet side has offered only two to three on-site inspections and three black boxes.

Venezuelan Gov't Given Aid In Search For Ship

CARACAS (AP) — Venezuela got U.S. naval help and sent its own warships and planes racing Thursday night after a government freighter commandeered by Communists.

Authorities called the men pirates and said they were believed headed for Cuba.

Washington informants said if U.S. searchers locate the runaway ship they will report its position to the Venezuelan government and presumably the Venezuelans would try to intercept the freighter. If the Venezuelans are unable to, they might ask the United States for help.

The Communists boasted of seizing the ship Wednesday to dramatize their war against President Romul Betancourt.

A new wave of Red terrorism also burst upon Caracas, with a score of persons wounded in gun fighting and fire bombings.

Reuters news agency said the extremists who seized the vessel offered to exchange members of the crew for political prisoners held in Venezuela. Reuters said the offer was made in a radio message received Thursday in Caracas from the vessel.)

The Venezuelan navy reported that U.S. Navy planes spotted the 3,127-ton Anzoategui steaming in the Caribbean about halfway between Venezuela and the Dominican Republic.

In Washington, however, the state department press office said it could not confirm the Venezuelan announcement. And the U.S. Navy said in Washington it had no information.

The Venezuelan government blamed the ship's seizure on the Armed Forces for National Liberation, an organization with links to Cuba. AFNL leaflets strewn about Caracas newspaper offices said the seizure of the ship was aimed at turning world opinion against Betancourt.

But the chief terrorist aim was to force Betancourt to cancel his visit with President Kennedy in Washington next week. He is due to leave Monday.

AFNL has been pressing a terrorist campaign in Caracas for more than a week and intensified it Thursday to coincide with the news of the daring seizure of the freighter as she steamed toward the U.S. ports of New Orleans and Houston.

New Satellite Falls Silent

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The Syncom communications satellite shot into orbit Thursday but quickly lost its radio voice when it apparently was jolted off its spin axis by a small guiding motor.

U.S. tracking stations at Johannesburg, South Africa, and a ship anchored in a Nigerian harbor scanned the skies in hopes of re-establishing contact with the vehicle on its planned synchronous course off the East African coast. Officials held little hope of success.

A synchronous orbit is one in which the satellite seemingly is stationary above one point because it revolves around the earth with the same 24-hour period that the earth rotates on its axis.

The United States hoped Syncom would become the world's first synchronous satellite and prove the feasibility of such a system, which would require only three satellites evenly spaced, 22,300 miles above the equator, for uninterrupted global communications.