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Agencies Demanded In House

By NEIL MATHESON
Farm and Provincial Editor

Demands for apologies hurled from both sides of the house went unheeded last night as Dr. M. L. Bonnell, Lib-4th King, continued his fiery attack on the government in a three speech effort that lasted 25 minutes, until it was interrupted by the adjournment hour of 10 o'clock.

The former Liberal health minister had begun his speech shortly before the adjournment hour on Tuesday night. He will have the floor when the debate is resumed.

CHARGES INTERFERED

Dr. Bonnell demanded an apology from the minister of agriculture who had questioned his veracity, when he charged Tuesday the government had interfered politically with the hospital insurance commission. Reading from the laws of 1959 the Murray River Liberal noted an amendment to the Act had made the tenure of office of "the commissioners subject to the pleasure of the government."

Shortly afterwards the man who is now the junior member from 5th Kings (George Ferguson) had been fired and later (Continued on Page 2 Col. 4)

U-Stage At Arms

DUE ON ISLAND TODAY

Pearson Says Party 'Confident, Cocky'

CHARLOTTETOWN, N.B. (CP) — Opposition Leader Pearson said Wednesday he's confident of a Liberal victory in the next general election because the Conservative "muddled, confused and indecisive approach" to government doesn't merit another term of office.

The Liberal party chairman is to spend Thursday on Prince Edward Island. He is scheduled to arrive at Summerside at 10:30 a.m. from Fredericton, N. B. Mr. Pearson said he plans to dress high school students in the morning and a public meeting at the Canadian Legion home at 2 p.m.

In Charlottetown, he is due to address a public meeting at the Community Centre at 8 p.m. Thursday. Mr. Pearson said his party will be content to fight the election campaign on a Progressive Conservative platform based on their record. "Such an appeal "will not be a successful one. It does not deserve to be a successful one."

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YANK STUDENTS ARE IMPRESSED

BOSTON (AP)—Two Emerson College students, who headed for New Brunswick, were photographed on an RCMP plane, came back with their picture Wednesday. But it was a horse of another color.

Elected in Alpha Pi Theta fraternity, they were sent on the mission to Canada by the fraternity last Friday. Through the sympathy of New Brunswick chief Thomas A. Work they got their picture, even though there are no mounties in New Brunswick.

But they said they might restrain the atomic arms race and open up possibilities for more difficult disarmament measures later.

The real bargaining will begin today when a new, three-stage U.S. plan, and probably a trial Russian agreement, are laid before the delegates.

The session, like all the rest, will be behind closed doors, with a press communiqué issued after each meeting.

NAME CHAIRMAN
The U.S. and Russia were unanimously named permanent co-chairmen of the conference Wednesday.

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have broken down on this point. The test-ban issue has even more immediacy than overall disarmament since President Kennedy has announced the U.S. will resume atmospheric testing next month unless a firm pact banning tests is signed.

In line with this, an authoritative source said Rusk is likely to stay in Geneva until he sees whether or not there is any real prospect of getting an agreement on tests and will probably leave before the end of next week.

In addition to the big-three meeting on tests, Rusk will also have further talks with Gromyko on the question of East-West negotiations on Berlin.

GREEN PLEASUED WITH OPENING
By ALAN HARVEY
GENEVA (CP)—Eastern Canada said Wednesday night he is favorably impressed by the businesslike beginning to the 17-nation Geneva conference on disarmament.

In a talk with reporters after the first formal session, he said he is particularly pleased that the conference decided to adopt what amounts to virtually a "Canadian proposal" on procedure.

It is his feeling that the Soviet Union and the United States should act as continuing chairmen, giving voice to the concerns of the interest in proceedings, with the day-to-day chairmanship rotating among the 17 powers represented.

Green's turn as chairman under the rotating system comes today. This means that the chief of the conference will be from Canada.

There were no major announcements at the public session Wednesday. The technical session in Burnaby, B.C., had one session in exterior painting, while thousands of painters were busy across Canada.

What consultation had there been with the industry to find out what training was needed?

When J. W. Pickersill L., Toronto, said he was in the industry when the industry was disappearing.

Ernie McCre (PC — York-Scarborough) accused Mr. Regier of making "one of the most tremendous mistakes I have heard since coming to this house in 1957."

Mr. Starr said he had slandered school boards and departments about how they were being "up, down and sideways."

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CANADIAN CLUB HEARS TRADE TALK

Prior to last night's meeting of the Prince Edward Island Canadian Club, the guest speaker, Eric W. Kierans, talked with the club's president, A. D. Cameron, right.

Mr. Kierans, who is president of the Montreal and Canadian Stock Exchanges, spoke on "Canada a Trading Nation."

The guest speaker was born in Montreal and has an extensive varied career in the field of industry, finance and economics. The meeting was held at the Charlottetown Hotel and was attended by upwards of 100 members. (See story on page 5.)

Province's Civil Service Reorganization Provided

By DON MACLEOD
Guardian-Patriot Staff Writer

A complete re-organization of the province's civil service will come as the result of a bill that was given second reading—approval in principle—in the Legislature last night.

The bill, promoted by Province Minister David Stewart and titled The Civil Service Act, provides for the setting up of a civil service commission through which all members of the civil service will be employed.

Mr. Stewart called the bill "one of the most important pieces of legislation to be brought before this house in many years; it will involve a complete re-organization of the province's civil service and establish a civil service commission."

"It will mean that all members of the civil service will be employed through a commission. Civil service employment taken out of political patronage."

"This new set-up will give civil servants of this province a solid base from which to work and believe that up to now this province is the only one that has not had a commission."

LONG PREPARATION
Mr. Stewart said the act was drawn up by Joint Council, made up of three cabinet ministers and three members of the executive of the P.E.I. Public Servants Association. "Many similar acts were studied in the preparation of this one," he said.

"And mainly it is based on civil service acts of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. We feel this act will be one of the best in Canada."

Premier Walter R. Shaw said the new system should mean improved efficiency in departments of government. "I know," he said, "that in the past there were very often gross inequalities in the way civil servants were treated—many were given political considerations and many were inefficient for the jobs to which they were appointed."

EMPLOYEES PLEASED
"We have been attempting to eliminate the inequalities of the past and to bring the service to a higher level of efficiency," he said. "I am sure that the civil service will be very pleased to have this act passed and I am enthusiastically in support of having this legislation go through."

The longest piece of legislation to be considered at the current session—the bill contains 75 sections—the act is to come into force on a date to be proclaimed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

The act creates a civil service commission which is to be composed of three members, appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. One member will be a representative of the public and a second member of the commission are to be nominated by the government's Executive Council and the third member is to be nominated by the P.E.I. Public Servants Association.

Subject to government approval, the commission may make regulations governing hiring, promotion and dismissal, classification of positions, hours of work, salaries, leave, pension plans, annual increments for appointment to various positions, additional remuneration allowances for work beyond prescribed working hours, rights of part time and seasonal employees, incentive awards, procedure on personnel records and statistics and standards of conduct.

The bill has been in committee for some time during the session. It was introduced by Mr. Stewart on March 13. (Continued on Page 5 Col. 3)

British Gov't Approves In Two Byelections

LONDON (CP-Reuters)—Britain's ruling Conservative party won a thumping in two by-elections Wednesday as a Labor party candidate retained one seat with an increased vote and a Liberal won in a riding formerly held by a Conservative.

Liberal Victor Eric Labbok took the governing party's seat in Orington, a riding the Conservatives held by almost 15,000 votes in the 1959 general election.

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Arrest Made In Slaying

KENTVILLE, N.S. (CP)—A man sought in connection with the slaying of an elderly woman was arrested by RCMP Wednesday night in a house at nearby Waterville.

The arrest ended a manhunt that started Monday with the discovery of the beaten body of 82-year-old Mrs. Clara Black in her home at nearby Auburn.

Police said a loaded shotgun was found in the house where the man was arrested.

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One Session Is Scheduled Of Legislature For Today

There is an afternoon session of the Legislature only scheduled for today at 2 p.m. When the House adjourns it will not reconvene until Monday night at 8 p.m.

Scheduled for today is consideration of legislation and the handling of standing committee reports.

Last night Dr. M. L. Bonnell (Lib-4th Kings) adjourned the debate on the speech from the Throne.

Two cabinet members, Provincial Secretary J. David Stewart and Welfare and Labor Minister Henry Wedge, have not yet participated in the debate on the Throne Speech.

Also not having spoken in the debate are Douglas McGeown (PC-3rd Kings), St. S. Heswan (Lib-5th Kings) and Stewart Ross (Lib-4th Queens).

The unauthorized walkouts began Monday in the restaurant and bar mills where workers refused to work for the third time since last July protest against scheduling or efficiency experts. The workers blamed the company's efficiency men for schedules which they said increased work-load per man-hour.

Two blast furnaces, mainly those handling special materials as scrap and ore, walked out last week, some time after the company promptly announced it was forced to bank the one operating blast furnace. Banking was expected to be completed by 8 a.m. Thursday.

A company spokesman said it was impossible to tell how soon the plant could get back to normal operation even if the men decided to return to work at once. Normally a banked furnace takes several weeks before attaining proper heat.

An union spokesman said there was an indication the men would return to work for a union and company meeting on the issue.

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Paul Martin (L—Essex East) implied that February unemployment figures are being withheld by the government for political reasons.

Erhart Regier (CPC—Burnaby-Coquitlam) said the government's failure to provide vocational training was a waste in many cases.

Senate speakers paid tribute to Senator Arthur Hardy, 88-year-old dean of the Brock-chamber, who died in Brock-chamber on Tuesday night.

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