

GIRL GOES TO PAY DUES; ELECTED BOSS OF UNION

BIRMINGHAM, England (AP)—A 19-year-old girl who attended a union meeting just to pay her dues is Britain's youngest union boss.

"I'm absolutely thrilled," said dark-haired Valerie Cresswell, "but you can say I'm the most surprised girl in Birmingham."

Her union is the Electric Trades Union. Valerie now is president of the 2,500-member Birmingham branch and has also been appointed to the Birmingham Trades Union Council.

"The only reason I went to that meeting was to pay my subs (subscription or dues)," said Valerie.

"I didn't even know I was being elected, but an Irishman stood up and nominated me. They asked if there were any other nominations, and there were none."

VOTE UNANIMOUS

Her election was unanimous.

"I think I'm fully aware of my presidential responsibilities, she said, "and I hope to carry them out to the best of my ability."

Said Harry Mason, regional secretary for the union: "Valerie is a good union member, and she's not afraid to stand up to the management. We're expecting great things. We're sure she'll give a strong lead to our women members."

Valerie assembles lighting fixtures.



EASTER BEEF SHOW RESERVE GRAND

Dave Peacock, recently named acting livestock director for the province is seen looking at the Angus steer that went reserve grand champion at the Easter Beef Show for Ina MacDonald, York. Ina's father, Irving MacDonald, is at the halter.



NEGRO HOME BLASTED

Unidentified police officers check damage caused by an apparent dynamite explosion which injured at least one Negro boy Thursday morning. Police Capt. Maurice House said force of the apparent bomb was about the same as that which killed four Negro girls in the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing Sept. 15, 1963. Police Capt. Thomas McDowell said of Thursday's blast that, "in my opinion, it was dynamite."

(AP Wirephoto)

Ontario French See Possibility Of Move To Que.

TORONTO (CP)—Some French-Canadians in Ontario feel they may have to go to Quebec to preserve their heritage, the royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism was told here.

A young spokesman for L'Association des Etudiants de Langue Francaise du Nord de l'Ontario (Association of French-Language Students of Northern Ontario) said their language will gradually decline until it disappears, unless immediate measures are taken.

Gaetan Gervais, a student at Laurentian University in Sudbury, said Northern Ontario students feel they are in a dead end and consider that they "live, as it were, in a ghetto."

Language was an obstacle to the improvement of relations with their English-speaking fellow students.

He spoke in French to the 10-man royal commission as it opened a three-day sitting here. The commission heard spokesmen for nine organizations during the day.

Mr. Gervais' creation of a French secondary schools system in Ontario.

Prof. David M. Hayme of the University of Toronto's French department, speaking in support of a brief from the department, said he would favor bilingual schools rather than French ones. The brief proposed improvement and enlargement in French teaching and cultural exchanges between Ontario and Quebec.

Cosmetic Queen Dies In New York

NEW YORK (AP)—Helena Rubinstein, tiny, peppery queen of a \$100,000,000 world-wide cosmetics empire, died Thursday. Her age, which she long had kept secret, was revealed as 94.

Mme. Rubinstein, as she was known in more than 100 nations where her firm operates, had as her life-long aim the bestowal upon womanhood of ageless beauty. She once declared: "It is easy in America to envisage a time when no woman will ever look old, regardless of her age—indeed, the time is practically here right now."

Essentially a skin specialist, Mme. Rubinstein also was credited with shaping the American woman to a slimmest and trimness which has made her symbolic throughout the world.

Polish-born, Mme. Rubinstein's career began in Australia with a dozen jars of home-made face cream. She emigrated there as a young girl.

BUSINESS VENDETTA

She opened her first New York salon in 1915, embarking on a half-century vendetta with the then reigning queen of American beauty culture, Elizabeth Arden. Eventually, Mme. Rubinstein's business became twice as big in total volume as Miss Arden's.

Mme. Rubinstein, ever contemptuous of age, had vowed that she never would retire—and she never did. She was at the desk of her Fifth Avenue headquarters Monday, Wednesday, she became ill and was taken to New York Hospital, where she died.

She had been a widow since her second husband died in 1958. He was a Georgian prince,

London Council (GLC) presiding over 32 boroughs carved out of the old unwieldy London county council's 85-borough network, had been in office only a few hours when it announced a £35,000,000 (\$105,000,000) campaign to modernize the older houses and apartments built by its predecessor.

A target date of 1972 was set to complete the scheme, which will give modern bathrooms, kitchens and other necessary amenities to municipal properties built as long ago as 1919.

Also announced was an ambitious scheme to build a new ring highway around inner London to cope with the strangled traffic situation in the metropolis.

The Labor government has handed the new GLC the awesome task of bringing some order and planning to the capital's rush-hour chaos.

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Repatriated Constitution Can End Sad Status Quo.

MONTREAL (CP)—Eric Kierans, Quebec revenue minister, said here Canada can unlock itself from "an unhappy status quo" by repatriating the Canadian constitution and attaching more importance to federal-provincial conferences.

He said in an address to the Rotary Club of Montreal that until these things are done Canada will be locked in an "unhappy status quo" which thwarts the "legitimate aspirations of Quebec" and blocks progress towards bicultural and binational unity.

Mr. Kierans said he can foresee that, once these measures are implemented, "a different outcome" is possible in the Ottawa-British Columbia impasse over federal banking policies.

He was referring to a Feb. 6 announcement in the Commons by Finance Minister Gordon that Ottawa intends to introduce amendments to the bank acts which would control the composition of bank ownership.

SEES NEW ATTITUDE

Mr. Kierans said Mr. Gordon's proposals to forbid provincial government ownership of chartered bank shares would have passed without a ripple 10 years ago.

"But today, relations between governments are more complex and it would be easy to show that such a measure would seriously interfere with provincial initiatives and obligations."

"And yet, on any strict and legalistic interpretation of the British-North America Act, Ottawa is perfectly within its rights, even though certain freedoms that provincial governments now enjoy do go quietly down the drain."

"This erosion of ownership," he said, "amounts to virtual nationalization."

Military Task For Canada May Mean Nuclear Arms

By DAVE MCINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada has taken on a new military task in the North Atlantic alliance which involves possible use of nuclear weapons, informed sources disclosed here.

However, the Canadian troops concerned will not themselves be armed with such weapons, they added.

Canada has contributed a 1,000-man battalion group to the 5,000-man NATO special airborne force. Other participating NATO members are Britain, the United States, West Germany, Belgium and Italy.

Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, supreme allied commander in Europe, has stated that the force now has a nuclear capability.

Informed sources here said the troops in the force are not equipped with nuclear arms but that they would operate under cover of air support which has the capability of delivering tactical nuclear weapons.

NUCLEAR ROLE SMALLER

Officials maintained that Canadian participation in the force does not involve a new nuclear commitment for this country, especially in the light of Prime Minister Pearson's statement that he would expect a diminution "rather than an increase in Canada's nuclear roles."

The Canadian armed forces now have three weapons systems which can deliver nuclear warheads—the CF-104 jet bomber, the Honest John artillery rocket and the Bomarc anti-aircraft missile—and are about to get a fourth, the air-to-air Genie nuclear rocket for Voodoo jet interceptors.

The NATO special force is designed to block any Communist incursions on NATO's extreme flanks in Europe: Norway in the north and Greece and Turkey in the southeast.

Canada does not contribute to the force's air support of six squadrons of jet fighter-bombers. It is the only participant whose contingent is stationed on this side of the Atlantic. RCAF planes would fly Canadian troops to Europe in an emergency.

TRANSPORT TESTED

RCAF transports have already flown Canadian Army equipment to Bardufoss in northern Norway for cold-weather testing. A few Canadian soldiers took part in a small reconnaissance exercise there by the force.

The Canadian contingent in the airborne force is the 1st Battalion of the Black Watch Regiment, stationed at Camp Gagetown, N.B.

This battalion, augmented by some artillery and other support, has been training in mountain and winter warfare and may fly to Norway late this year for a full-scale exercise.

Members of the Black Watch now are being referred to here as the only killed ski troops in the world.

Passamaquoddy Plan Seen A Losing Battle

WASHINGTON (CP)—Interior Secretary Stewart Udall indicated Wednesday he is fighting a battle—and perhaps a losing one—for the Passamaquoddy tidal power project by itself.

Passamaquoddy, the long-debated project in New Brunswick's high-tidal Bay of Fundy off the Maine coast, has been under "very intensive" study within the United States government, Udall told a press conference.

He had been asked where the Passamaquoddy stands in 1965 planning. There had been informed reports the interior department might seek a half-and-half approach to the whole concept of Passamaquoddy tied in with a hydro dam on the upper Saint John River near Quebec at a site called Dickey.

Estimated cost by the U.S. Corps of Army Engineers for the whole package was \$286,000,000 and \$582,000,000 for Quoddy alone.

Udall said Wednesday he has conferred in the last two weeks with Kermit Gordon, head of the budget bureau which has a major role in approving spending plans.

CLOSE TO DECISION

"We are very close to a determination and decision of some kind," Udall said. But the fact was current interest rates were against construction of Passamaquoddy by itself.

He said the cost-benefit ratio for Quoddy had been a shade better than 1 to 1, meaning that its economic return would be slightly higher than investment.

But with the current cost of borrowing money to build the project, "which would be the first such in the Western Hemisphere where the cost-benefit ratio had fallen below 1 to 1."

"Our own view is that Passamaquoddy should not be put on the procrastinate bed used to measure other water projects,"

Udall said. Passamaquoddy was not a routine project in his opinion and "it is my own hope that we can move forward."

He mentioned possibilities of firm power in Eastern Canada—apparently referring to the Hamilton Falls in Labrador—seem to hold promise of a strong trans-boundary power link. The proposed Dickey Dam itself is near the Canadian border, he said.

But Dickey itself has some opposition in Maine. A private power interest has filed an application before the federal power commission to build a hydro site on the Allagash River near the Dickey site. This may never go anywhere, however, informants say.

Industrial Co-Operation Needs Study

NEW YORK (CP)—Industry Minister Drury of Canada said here Canada and the U.S. must investigate new areas of industrial co-operation in search of mutual economic and social benefits.

He told the Traffic Club of New York that the recent auto tariff agreement and the negotiations for a new air travel agreement "are real milestones in the history of our co-operation."

Mr. Drury said the continental approach to Canada-U.S. problems has also been recognized in the field of defence and the development of resources.

He cited the St. Lawrence Seaway, the Columbia River power development and the North American Air Defence Command as major examples.

CITED FOR BRAVERY

TORONTO (CP)—Conn Smythe, 70-year-old hockey millionaire who won honors in two world wars, has been cited for bravery again—this time for rescuing his dog Billy. The Ontario Humane Society lists Mr. Smythe among recipients of awards to be presented April 22.

Shortly after his 70th birthday in February, Mr. Smythe jumped into a chest-deep pond to save Billy.

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