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Byelection Is 1st Test For Tories

CHESTER, N.S. (CP) — Nova Scotia's Conservative tests its strength today in a byelection, the first since the party was elected to power in 1956.

At stake is the Lunenburg East seat resigned by former municipal affairs minister R. C. Levy who accepted a county judgeship. Its loss would reduce the slim Conservative working majority in the legislature to two and enhance Liberal hopes in the next provincial election, expected in 1960.

Maurice Zinck, warden of Chester municipality, is defending the seat for the government. His opponent is Liberal Kirk McLaur, deputy municipal warden. Mr. Hennigar lost to Mr. Levy in 1956 by 308 votes.

The area encompassed by Lunenburg East is traditionally Conservative but the seat was first up for grabs in 1956 after the two-seat Lunenburg County was split into three voting districts in a redistribution.

Municipal taxation and grants, the national hospital insurance program and the government's record have been the principal issues in a lively campaign.

Salary Hikes Turned Down For Government Workers

Civil Service, RCMP And Forces Affected

OTTAWA (CP) — The federal government has turned down proposals for general pay increases this year for the civil service, the armed forces and the RCMP, Finance Minister Fleming announced late Tuesday.

After a conference with heads of civil service employee groups, Mr. Fleming said in a statement the government's financial position will not permit it to take on the added cost in this fiscal year, which ends next March 31.

He added the decision will not preclude consideration of "the special position of certain categories of civil servants as the government's financial circumstances permit." He did not name the categories.

150,000 AFFECTED
Some 150,000 salaried workers are affected. They received their last increase, averaging about six per cent, May 1, 1957.

Spokesmen for the civil service groups had no immediate statement following Mr. Fleming's announcement. They scheduled a press conference for today.

The organizations had asked for varying increases, estimated at a minimum of 10 per cent. Earlier this year, the civil service commission recommended increases for the civil servants which Mr. Fleming said would cost \$30,000,000 a year. To extend them to the armed forces would add another \$40,000,000.

The commission's proposal for raises retroactive to Oct. 1, 1958, would bring the cost for this year to \$137,000,000. Boosting the superannuation and pension funds to cover the higher salaries would make the over-all total \$242,000,000 for the current year.

UPSET BUDGET
"An increase of \$242,000,000 in expenditure would very seriously upset the budget," Mr. Fleming said. "This amount . . . is, for example, the equivalent to the yield from an increase of 15 per cent over the present personal income tax."

The minister said careful study has been given to the civil service commission's report and added: "Even apart from financial considerations, the government is not prepared to accept the commission's recommendations."

He noted that since the war there have been seven general salary increases for the civil service. These have added up to be around 60 per cent.

Mr. Fleming also said the government is continuing plans for contributing to the medical and surgical care of civil service members, those in the armed forces and the RCMP and their dependants. It was hoped to introduce this plan early in 1960.

Eden's Book Defends Suez
LONDON (AP) — Sir Anthony Eden will launch his personal defence of the 1956 British-French invasion of Suez he ordered with the publication of his memoirs next Feb. 29.

Eden, prime minister at the time of the Suez action, has spent two years working on the book. His publishers, Cassell and Company, say that at least 60,000 of the 300,000 words so far written deal with the Suez invasion.

"I think it is very well done, especially the part on Suez which Sir Anthony obviously feels extremely strongly about," said Edwin Harper, an executive of Cassell's.

Rural Phones Aid Promised
All angles of the rural telephone service will be subjected to thorough investigation, Premier Walter R. Shaw told The Guardian last night.

Improvement in this service similar to that effected in rural life by rural electrification was one of the planks in the premier's pre-election platform and he said last night the matter is under consideration at present.

However, he noted that at present there appeared to be no outstanding activity on the part of rural groups to improve their telephone service.



LATE RASPBERRIES
It seems a bit late in the season, but Heather Mills, 11-year-old daughter of Mrs. Ray Mills and the late Mr. Mills, 47 Prince Street, Charlottetown, has been picking raspberries. Heather picked a second crop at her grandfather's farm at Mayfield. Her grandfather is Herman Hill.

Two Island Plowmen Are In International

Two of Prince Edward Island's top-ranking plowmen are competing in the International plowing match at Dundas, Ontario this week. The championship matches are being plowed on Thursday and Friday.

Wendell Jenkins of Mt. Mellick and Harold Godfrey of Cornwall are the Island representatives. They are accompanied by Elliott Robertson of Charlottetown, president of the Queens County plowing match Association.

The Islanders left here Saturday enroute to the scene of the competition. It is expected that they will participate in a visitors' match today.

The two-day competition for the International match is a new departure in Canada. Previously the two phases of the competition were plowed on the same day. This year the stubble plowing will be done one day, and the sod plowing on the other.

Douglas MacDonald of Forest Hill was second-place finisher in the provincial plowing match this year but Mr. MacDonald was unable to make the trip so the Cornwall boy went along as the third-place Island finisher.

Island plowmen have won world-wide fame on several occasions. Two years ago Stanley Willis of Cornwall qualified for the right to represent Canada in world competition and finished well up in a large field of contestants at Peebles, Ohio.

This year his son, Carl Willis, finished third in the world match at Armoyn, Ireland.

Radio Navigation Bought For Ships

ST. RAYMOND, Que. (CP) — The federal transport department has purchased a four-chain radio navigation system for ships using eastern Canadian waters and the St. Lawrence River, it was disclosed Tuesday.

Purchase price of the four chains — each containing a master station and three subsidiary — was \$2,350,000.

The system, known as the Decca Navigato, has been undergoing evaluation in Eastern Canadian waters for two years.

The four chains cover roughly 1,000,000 square miles from southern Labrador to Maine and as far inland as Montreal.

Air Vice Marshal A. J. de Niverville, director general of air services for the transport department, spoke for Transport Minister Hees, who is ill, at ceremonies Tuesday marking the formal takeover of the system by the government.

SYSTEM PRAISED
He said the system "has been proven to be of considerable value to all shipping in these Canadian waters, be the ships large or small, ranging from trawlers and other fishing boats to coastal steamers, transatlantic freighters and large liners."

About 95 per cent of ships operating in the Atlantic are equipped to use the system, Air Marshal de Niverville said.

There are two master stations and their subsidiaries in Newfoundland and one system in both Nova Scotia and Quebec provinces. The Quebec master station, in this community 30 miles north-west of Quebec City, was the scene of the formal takeover ceremony.

CONFEDERATION MEMORIAL

Huge Modern Structure Suggested For Ch'town

A large modern structure that would provide an auditorium, underground space to solve the City's parking problems and a number of lesser projects was suggested last night by Mayor Edwin Johnstone to commemorate the confederation conference held in Charlottetown in 1864. It would be built, he suggested, by the federal government.

His Worship suggested that this would be provided as a suitable memorial to Confederation along with "complete face lifting of our public gardens, squares, Victoria Park, Government Pond and government buildings."

This was necessary, he added, if there was to be a proper celebration here in 1964 of Confederation.

AID IS SOUGHT
The Mayor said he believed that assistance could be procured for the "face lifting job" from the National Capital Commission of which Deputy Mayor A. Walthen Gaudet is a member.

Assistance could also be procured, he suggested, from the provincial government. The Mayor named a committee of Councillors A.W. Gaudet, Earle Baker and A.J. Haslam to discuss the problem with the provincial government at their earliest convenience, tomorrow for two days in William Massey, deputy provincial treasurer, who left yesterday morning.

It would house "an auditorium with smaller rooms suitable for Little Theatre groups, a museum, archives, library, art gallery, tourist bureau, bus terminal, offices for railway, steamship and airlines and should have sufficient underground space to solve the parking problem of Charlottetown."

CONVENTION CITY
With "proper auditorium space Charlottetown would unquestionably become one of the most popular convention cities in Canada," he believed.

The Mayor said he talked some time ago with an Ontario member of the federal cabinet and had the promise that he would support such an idea at cabinet level.

MacKinnon Mayor Johnstone observed that the Canada Council would subsidize a move to bring here high-class theatrical performances if we had proper auditorium space.

The art gallery, he added, should be built around the Harris collection with a mural depicting the famous Fathers of Confederation picture.



FRANKFURT HONORS SCHWEITZER
Dr. Albert Schweitzer, right, receives a document making him an honorary citizen of Frankfurt from Mayor Werner Bockelmann in a ceremony in the West German City. The Nobel prize winner has been visiting West Germany. (AP Wirephoto)



\$1 BILL IS WORTH \$1,500

Mrs. Therese Marie Fraser, a teller at a Winnipeg bank, shows the 10,000,000th bill of the \$1 AL series. She said she has been offered \$1,500 for the bill which she discovered in her cash. As yet Mrs. Fraser has made no decision on selling the bill. (CP Photo)

Injunction Is Seen Likely In Steel Strike Argument

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chief of President Eisenhower's steel strike inquiry board said Tuesday it would be "a miracle of the very first order" if a strike settlement can be achieved this week.

In evident discouragement, Dr. George W. Taylor, chairman of the fact-finding panel exploring the steel strike, indicated there was little hope of averting an injunction forcing 500,000 steelworkers back to the mills.

Eisenhower set Friday as the deadline for the panel's report. When he gets it, he may instruct the attorney-general to seek a federal court injunction ending the walkout for 80 days while mediation efforts go forward.

Taylor told reporters, just before the hearing moved into an evening session, that the panel is distressed it still has not been able to get the issues in the dispute defined after two days of testimony.

Only union witnesses have appeared so far. Industry spokesmen were expected to get their turn today.

Meanwhile, the Steelworkers union, was trying on its own to bring about last-ditch bargaining in hope of ending the steel strike before the government moves in court to do so.

David J. McDonald, president of the striking steelworkers, tried openly to get the decision-making heads of the four biggest steel companies into immediate bargaining.

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Flying Men Question Runway Use Of Foam

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OTTAWA (CP) — Use of foam in wheels-up emergency aircraft landings may have caught the public eye but the flying industry itself takes a more cautious view of the technique's value.

The latest example of spreading foam on an airport runway was last Sunday when a Trans-Canada Air Lines craft with wheels jammed landed safely at Chicago's naval Glenview airport. Forty-three persons were aboard.

A bulletin issued last June by the aviation committee of the National Fire Protection Association with headquarters in Boston, questions the value of the foam technique. It's "tentative" conclusions are that foam isn't of proven value in mitigating aircraft damage or reducing fire hazard from friction or spilled fuel in belly landings.

TOO 'GLORIFIED'
"Foaming of runways for crash protection has been advanced significantly by the publicity given to a number of isolated incidents," says the bulletin. Television and newspaper "glorification" has played a part along with psychological and theoretical advantages deemed to result.

Some airlines pilots have indicated to the transport department they question the worth of the technique, which involves the spreading of a commercial-prepared fire-fighting foam on the runway to about the depth of an inch or two. The foam is designed to be sprayed from trucks over burning aircraft in a sticky fire-quenching blanket.

The transport department has never used foam to "grease" runways in an emergency although such measures could be taken at a number of airports including Gander, Nfld., Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, London, Ont., Whitehorse, Y.T., and Sydney, N.S.

However, Sqdn. Ldr. B. C. Quinn, RCAF fire marshal, says the RCAF uses it and probably will continue to do so mainly in the case of jets attempting landings with "cocked" nose wheels.

SOME ADVANTAGE
The squadron leader, a member of the National Fire Protection Association's aviation committee, agrees with the bulletin that the most that can be said for foam at this stage is that it hasn't increased damage to any aircraft. He himself suggests that the foam's greatest advantage is in lubricating the runway.

The NFPA bulletin says that unfortunately it hasn't been possible so far to conduct comprehensive tests realistically simulating belly landings by aircraft.



OTTAWA TRIP

Hon. Melvin McQuaid, provincial treasurer, is leaving today by plane for Ottawa where he will attend the Federal-Provincial Finance Ministers conference. Also attending the meeting which opens tomorrow for two days is William Massey, deputy provincial treasurer, who left yesterday morning.

He was asked by reporters whether the government's position has changed since the federal provincial conference of finance ministers and treasurers here July 6 and 7.

"The answer to that will have to wait until Thursday and Friday," Mr. Fleming said he left a cabinet meeting.

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