

Independent Firms Attract Bank Loans

CALGARY (CP)—The oil industry is making greater use of bank loans than any other industry in Canada, says the Calgary manager of the oil and gas department of the Bank of Montreal.

R. C. Howard says this is particularly true of the younger independent companies that have crude production and refining capacity below 50,000 barrels daily.

Bulk of the lending is in Alberta. Howard says Canadian chartered banks are doing a brisk business with the young independents and that Calgary insurance firms have entered into long-term loans to the petroleum industry during the industry's early stages.

The Portier Royal Commission on banking and finance was told that \$200,000,000 in loans had been made to the oil industry up to June of 1962. This compares with \$100,000,000 during the industry's early stages.

The independents use the loans mainly for exploration, secondary uses are for operating capital and short-term loans in bidding on crown land.

HIRE ENGINEERS Since the oilfield for the bank loans is proven company oil-gas reserves, there has been a trend among chartered banks to hire professional oil engineers in their oil-natural gas departments.

These experts make wide use of consulting engineers' reports in evaluating an oil company's reserves for loan purposes.

"If the report is blown out, almost 100 per cent of loans are made," Mr. Howard says.

"There is hardly an independent in the country which has not used bank money."

"I mean in my own country."

Hugh McGarvie, his mother Elizabeth and sister Joyce, 18, win round with immigration department. Visiting High at his Vancouver Home,

mother and daughter received 30-day extension of visitors' permit two days before they were to return to Scotland. Immigration officials said:

their arrangements to stay one year were "unsatisfactory." Hugh says dispute involves his record as labor leader. Extension came after another son, William of Sittsville, Ont., said he'd be responsible for his mother. (CP Wirephoto)

agricultural experts to intensify specialization in order to achieve greater production.

GUARDS OPEN FIRE BELILAN (AP)—East German border guards opened fire Monday on two young West Berlin-

ers who crossed into Communist territory in their motor boat. The West Berliners were not hit. West Berlin police reported. The incident happened on the Wannsee Lake, divided by the boundary line.

AFRAID OF COWS "In the United States they work and study at the same time. With us it is different. The student in socialist countries often is afraid to work on a farm. He is afraid of a cow and afraid of a tractor."

"For instance, the agricultural institute in Moscow is located too closely to the ballet school," Khrushchev said while his listeners laughed heartily. He called on the Hungarian

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TANKER CRASHES INTO BRIDGE

Part of wreckage of bridge lies on super-tanker Esso Marabou after the vessel crashed into the bridge on Lake

Maracabou in Venezuela Tuesday. The bridge snapped when the tanker, with a full load of

Belgian Doctors Threaten To End Emergency Services

BRUSSELS (AP)—With hospital jammed to overflowing, Belgium's 12,000 striking doctors and dentists threatened Tuesday night to quit skeleton emergency services they have operated since their strike began seven days ago.

The medical men protesting the left-leaning coalition government's socialized medical program, demanded once more that the plan be dropped. Premier Theo Lefevre's government showed no signs of complying.

Hospitals were swarming with patients and weary nurses stretched to keep up with the influx. Beds were set up in corridors. The doctors refused to make home calls to treat the ill.

HOSPITALS MADE A 1,000-word statement, the doctors said they would halt these emergency services if the physicians were molested or victimized.

In a statement issued to reporters, the doctors said the new medical law would prevent efficient performance of their professional duties and

make physician prep to a government-backed snoring system.

A spokesman for the doctors said normal medical and dental care will only be restored in this country of 8,000,000 people when the government takes steps in parliament to dismantle the controversial legislation.

The doctors' discontent deepened in the strike with trade union members from both the Socialist and Christian Social camps demanding that the government stand firm.

BANNERS UNFURLED At midday Tuesday in the industrial Charleroi area, demonstrators held aloft banners accusing the doctors of putting money ahead of humanity and of failing in their duty to the people.

Medical treatment is provided now for serious cases only under the arrangements set up by the government. All patients are taken to hospitals.

HOSPITALS throughout the country are packed and the nursing staffs are suffering from fatigue, government sources said.

Tempers grew short as the strike continued. Some physicians' houses were sneared with tar or paint. Others received anonymous threats. One telephone caller said doctor: "I'm going to set your house afire."

This sort of behavior must stop, said Dr. Andre Wyten, a spokesman for the strikers.

TWO ARRESTED The doctors demanded the release of two of their colleagues arrested in the northern town of Olee following the death Monday of an 15-month-old boy.

Two other doctors, one of them the mayor of the town, were charged with failing to help a person in distress. They must appear in Magistrate's Court Thursday.

Police said the baby died after waiting six hours for treatment. The strikers said the child's parents indicated the illness was routine when they called for medical help.

Stanfield Sees Threat From Quebec Viewpoint

MONTREAL (CP)—Premier Robert Stanfield of Nova Scotia says Quebec's desire for more autonomy in money matters may be a threat to the real core of interest between the people of Quebec and other Canadians.

The French language and culture in Canada are not in danger and the legitimate desires of French-speaking Canadians for more economic independence should be recognized, he told the Canadian Club of Montreal Monday.

"The people of Nova Scotia are concerned, however, whether the aspirations of Quebec to control its own economy will permit the federal government to play the role in national affairs which Nova Scotians believe is necessary under modern conditions."

MUST HAVE AUTHORITY Nova Scotians are traditionally strong believers in provincial autonomy, but even Nova Scotians recognize that a federal government must have sufficient authority to pursue truly national objectives.

Saying he was speaking as an individual—rather than a provincial premier or a party member—the Stanfield said, "I am English-speaking Canadian to take the initiative to build a 'relationship of confidence' between themselves and French-speaking citizens."

Such could be done if English-speaking people would accept and welcome the French language and culture which is contributed, and will contribute, much to our national life.

Much of the cultural level could be reduced quickly if both groups could agree on national symbols—a national anthem and a flag.

When I speak of adopting national symbols I am not referring to the Crown, which is, of course, an integral part of our constitution.

In the economic level, French-speaking Canadians have been handicapped by the necessity to speak English to do business in most parts of North America.

The premier suggested the federal government might show a leadership by guaranteeing French-speaking people an even break in the civil service. "English-speaking Canadians should strive to be prepared to accept measures which

the federal government considers necessary to ensure equality of opportunity for French-Canadians in the federal service."

CANADIANS FRIGHTENED "A good many Canadians are frightened by the current debate for bilingualism," Mr. Stanfield said.

They interpret this as a demand that Canadians should be bilingual from coast to coast. Such a demand would be unrealistic... but if I understand them correctly, responsible

leaders in Quebec are demanding no such thing."

He said it would be a mistake to interpret increasing fiscal demands by the provinces as a sign of growing regionalism.

The responsibilities of the provinces were increasing in many fields, notably that of education, but the struggle for money had little to do with regionalism.

Regional tensions are easing in Nova Scotia, he said. "One looks about Toronto and does not carry the sting of former days."

RECORD CATCH The world fish catch of 1962 reached a new high of 44,730,000 metric tons, an increase of about seven per cent over the 1961 figure.

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Soviet Cosmonauts Reported Training For Space Voyages

MOSCOW (AP)—Yuri Gagarin said Tuesday he and other Soviet cosmonauts are training for new voyages into space.

At the same time the news agency Tass announced Soviet scientists have made important experiments with a new type of air for an space ship.

The twin announcements indicated the Russians are preparing for long space spectacular, possibly soon.

Gagarin declined to say when the next space flight might occur or who would be going.

"When we will go, and who will go, that is unknown," he said Gagarin with a grin. "We will wait and see."

Also present at the press conference were all Soviet cosmonauts who have journeyed into space—except Mrs. Valentina Nikolayevna Tereshkova, the first woman cosmonaut. She is expecting a baby.

The press conference was called for the anniversary of the "Day of the Cosmonauts" on April 12—the third anniversary of the historic flight of Gagarin, the first man to orbit the earth.

Tass released the news about the experiments with synthetic air.

Tass said that nitrogen was taken out of the air and replaced by helium. Normally, nitrogen constitutes 78 per cent of the air a person breathes.

The helium mixture has been tested, Tass said, on man who remained in pressure cabins for periods for 10 to 25 days.

The mixture was not a complete success. Tass reported helium produced a surprising result, namely, that "a man with a high voice began to speak lower."

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