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Supreme Court Of Canada Decisions Handed Down

Duplessis Ordered To Pay Damages To Restaurateur

By BERNARD DUFRESNE Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—The long and bitter feud between the Jehovah's Witnesses and the Quebec authorities reached another milestone in the Supreme Court of Canada Tuesday when Premier Duplessis lost a personal fight with a member of the religious sect.

The Supreme Court, by a 6-to-3 majority, ordered Mr. Duplessis to pay \$3,125 damages—plus interest—to Frank Roncarelli for illegally ordering the Quebec Liquor Commission to cancel the former Montreal restaurateur's liquor permit in December, 1946.

The court increased by \$25,000 the amount of \$8,125 damages originally awarded Mr. Roncarelli by the Quebec Superior Court in May, 1951. The Quebec Court of Appeal in 1956 quashed the judgment of the Superior Court, thus paving the way for the appeal to the Supreme Court.

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OTTAWA (CP)—The railways Tuesday won two freight rate cases in the Supreme Court of Canada.

In unanimous decisions, the court ruled: 1. The railways are entitled to assess demurrage—penalty charges for over-long unloading times—on boxcars at western terminal grain elevators.

2. Freight rates on grain going to British Columbia points for consumption in that province need not be reduced, as sought by the B.C. government.

Both involved appeals from judgments of the Board of Transport Commissioners, and both were connected with different aspects of the low statutory Crown-pass freight rates on export grain movements in the west.

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Annual Report Of City Shows \$41,577 Surplus

An operating surplus of \$41,577 coupled with an increase of \$436,551 in the city's net debt was reported to the city council last night by Councillor A. Walthen Gaudet, making his first annual review of the city's finances since his appointment last year as chairman of the council's finance committee.

While asserting that this surplus was chiefly due to the extra tax revenue accruing in Ward Six, Councillor Gaudet declared that a substantial part of the saving was achieved by the various council standing committees keeping a close watch on their respective estimates and, in general, operating within their respective budgets.

Total civic revenue in 1958 was \$1,247,078 with expenditures totalling \$1,205,501 the finance chairman noted.

Held in the council chamber the annual meeting also received reports from the mayor, the chairmen of the nine other council committees, the commissioners of sewers and water supply, the board of school trustees, the chief of police, the fire chief, the fire inspector, the city health officer, and the city engineer.

COLLECTORS PRAISED
The "continued marked success" of the city's tax collection department was noted with satisfaction by Mr. Gaudet.

Public advertising of arrears plus the fact that 1957 was pre-election year accounted for the higher percentage of taxes collected that year compared with 1956 (102.7 per cent as opposed to 86.2 per cent), he said.

Mr. Gaudet gave public warning in his report that the finance committee would insist on more effective use of that provision in the act by which after May 1st employers become responsible for the deduction and payment of that portion of their employees' educational tax still unpaid.

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Deferment Of Plebiscite Sought By Commission

To save expense, Charlottetown's commissioners of sewers and water supply wish to defer until next year the proposed plebiscite on water fluoridation, commission chairman H.R. Bevan declared in his annual report delivered to city council last night.

Recalling the commissioners' decision that the question of fluoridation should be submitted to the citizens for approval or disapproval, Mr. Bevan advised the council that application for the necessary authorization was now being made to the provincial legislature.

"As to when the plebiscite will be held, it is the intention of the commission to discuss the matter with representatives of the Council," he said. "Considerable expense being involved, the commissioners are of the opinion that the plebiscite should be held over until the next general civic election."

Capital cost of fluoridation was estimated at \$13,000, with annual fixed charges of \$3,219.30 per year in addition to maintenance, electrical costs, etc., he said.

Water rate collections totalled \$135,437.62, with expenditures amounting to \$89,325.98, he said.

Mr. Bevan told the council that approximately 7,400 feet of water main had been installed last year in the Ward Six area.

Over half of this amount (4,250 ft.) was laid in the Pond Summer, Eden, Willow and Young Street district, with the remainder divided between Upper Queen, Upper Prince and Allan Streets (2,250 ft.), and Kirkwood Drive (900 feet).

"Fire hydrants were placed and near all the houses are connected to the system," he added.

During the year 22 new water services and 21 new sewer services were connected to the present system, the commission chairman reported.

He added that the average daily consumption of water was 1,937,154 gallons. He said that 212,034,317 gallons of water were supplied through meter accounts, with the balance of the year's pumping, 595,026,898 gallons representing the amount used for domestic purposes, small commercial accounts, fire fighting, street flushing, etc.

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PLANS MADE FOR ROYAL VISIT HERE

Preliminary plans for the royal visit of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and His Royal Highness Prince Philip to Prince Edward Island were made last night at a meeting of national and local officers at the Charlottetown Hotel. Led to the right, Group Captain Gordon Richards, liaison officer of the national defence department; Brigadier W. W. Reid, co-ordinator for P. E. I.; Major General Howard Graham, commissioner for the royal visit, and Commander J. M. Paul, RCN, Halifax, armed services representative for the Atlantic area. The visitors arrived in Charlottetown Tuesday at 2 p.m. and are scheduled to leave this morning at 9 o'clock for St. John's, Nfld.

Revenue Minister Accused Of Continuing CBC Strike

By ALAN DONNELLY Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—Revenue Minister Nowlan was accused in the Commons Tuesday of preventing settlement of the month-old strike by CBC producers at Montreal.

Liberal Lionel Chevrier made the accusation, referring to Mr. Nowlan as "that autocrat over there."

The minister was "the one who is preventing the settlement of the strike, because he tells the CBC: don't negotiate," said Mr. Chevrier, member for Montreal Laurier and former transport minister.

Mr. Chevrier and Harold Winch (CCF—Vancouver East) joined in the Commons throne speech debate to demand intervention by the government in the strike, begun a month ago by 74 producers demanding CBC recognition of their association as a union.

FOLLOW CONTRADICTIONS
Their speeches followed contradicting statements by two cabinet ministers on the question of the legality of the strike.

At the start of the day's sitting Mr. Nowlan, who reports to Parliament for the publicly-owned CBC, emphatically repeated a statement made several days ago that the strike is illegal.

But Solicitor-General Balcer, questioned by Mr. Chevrier on the same point, said that in his opinion the strike is legal.

The minister was not in the Commons as Mr. Chevrier made his criticism of Mr. Nowlan and of the government's refusal to intervene—a position which Prime Minister Diefenbaker maintained under questioning at the House opening.

MAJOR TOPIC
The CBC strike was the major topic of the continuing throne speech debate through the day. And for most of the time the public galleries held representatives of the 1,500-member delegation of strikers and sympathizers—who came to the capital from Mont-

real to demonstrate support for the strike.

In another development, Mr. Winch said the E. F. Goodrich Corporation of the United States has told its Canadian subsidiary that it cannot attempt to sell conveyor beltting to Communist China.

On the CBC issue, Mr. Chevrier said the prime minister's stand that the Liberal party had opposed government interference with the CBC is "only a pretext to try to justify the incomprehensible attitude of the government."

If the government used its good offices to try to settle the dispute "no one could seriously claim the government was exercising an undue influence."

COMMONS COMMITTEE
The Opposition critic also called for immediate establishment of the Commons broadcasting committee to hear the two sides, in the dispute. And he urged Progressive Conservative MPs to put pressure on the government to settle the strike.

"If the 50 members from Quebec on the government side went up to that autocrat over there (Mr. Nowlan) and said 'we want the strike to be ended' it would be ended."

The day's debate was notable for another factor—the Liberal party's repetition of the demand, first made Monday night by Opposition Leader Pearson, that the government agree to an immediate end of the throne speech debate, which otherwise could last until the week's end. Mr. Pearson said that would permit the government to go ahead with legislation to counter unemployment.

REFUSE SHARE
Justice Minister Fulton replying to Liberal criticisms of the administration's handling of the unemployment problem, said the Opposition had refused to accept its share of responsibility for making suggestions to help the situation.

The government didn't claim to have mastered the recession. But the fact that the recession now was less serious was due to the government's "energetic and vigorous actions."

California Potatoes Go Into Arctic

OTTAWA (CP)—A penetrating look was taken Tuesday at why California potatoes are imported to the Canadian Arctic when three-pound spuds can be grown there.

Northern vegetables are tasty and certain types grow well, concluded the Northwest Territories Council. But it was suggested during a discussion on northern gardening generally that a little organization is required to distribute them.

The cool nights and 24-hour-a-day sunshine above the Arctic Circle impart a distinctive flavor to berries, declared trader Knute Lang.

"It's easy to grow potatoes in the north," said J. W. Goodall, farmer from Fort Simpson. There are no potato bugs.

The potato crop last season ran 10,000 pounds an acre. Some potatoes weighed as much as three pounds.

But Mr. Lang said California potatoes are imported and sold to the Indians and Eskimos each spring at 20 or 25 cents a pound, largely because storage facilities aren't available for the home-grown product.

CHILD FATALLY INJURED
NEW GLASGOW (CP)—James Wilsack, 8, died in hospital here Tuesday shortly after he was struck by a car near his home in Stellarton. The car driver told police the boy dashed from behind a parked truck into the path of his car.

WASHINGTON (CP)—State Secretary Dulles Tuesday blew cold on Soviet-American relations with a declaration that he sees nothing to indicate the Russians wish to end the cold war.

He told his weekly press conference he believes the Soviet leaders are trying to delude the United States and the rest of the Western world into believing they want to end the cold war while actually they are seeking advantage to win it.

But, at the same time, he expressed his willingness to go to a high level East-West conference on German and European security because, he said, it is occasionally possible, through hard bargaining, to reach agreement with the eastern bloc, such as was done in the case of the Korean Armistice, the Vienna Peace Treaty and cultural exchanges.

Dulles' comments appeared to be designed to throw a damper over Soviet Premier Khrushchev's Moscow suggestion that the recent Mikoyan visit indicates the possibility of a thaw in Soviet-U.S. relations.

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Steps To Assist Atlantic Economy Urged In House

OTTAWA (CP)—Steps to bolster the economies of the Atlantic provinces were suggested Tuesday by Liberal and Progressive Conservative speakers in the Commons.

James R. Tucker (L-Trinity-Conception) said federal financial help must be given Newfoundland to enable it to reach the level of economic development of the three Maritime provinces. This must be done without raising the tax level in the province.

J. Chester MacCrae (PC—York-Sunbury) proposed a four-point program for Atlantic provinces development including federal aid for resources development, aid for such projects as the Chignecto Canal and Prince Edward Island causeway, industrial decentralization and a transportation policy to enable Atlantic products to compete in central Canada.

Mr. Tucker said that through no fault of its own, Newfoundland lagged far behind the Maritime provinces in development. The situation would remain so until the federal government lived up to the obligations assumed when the province entered Confederation 10 years ago.

WAIT FOR TWO YEARS
For two years now, he said, Newfoundlanders had awaited word from the Conservative government regarding the revision of financial aid to be given Newfoundland.

(Prime minister Diefenbaker and Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland conferred here Monday on a recommendation of a royal commission that Newfoundland receive \$8,000,000 a year from Ottawa to enable it to maintain public services at levels reached in other Atlantic provinces. Newfoundland wants \$15,000,000 a year.)

Mr. Tucker urged that Mr. Diefenbaker reconsider the policy announced by Labor Minister Starr not to reduce requirements for qualification to collect unemployment insurance. As a result of the failure of the Newfoundland fisheries last year, thousands were unemployed and could not qualify for insurance.

He proposed provision of a greater number of mobile bait



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Chrysler Strike Settled Tuesday

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP)—Chrysler Corporation of Canada and the United Automobile Workers (UAW) reached agreement Tuesday on a new contract, ending a strike at the company three hours before it would have completed its seventh day.

But company officials said it will be at least Thursday and maybe Friday before production at Windsor's largest industry can be resumed.

Before the 3,600 members of Local 444, UAW's Chrysler division, return to work, terms of the new three-year contract must be ratified by the union membership.

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Ontario Plans Farming Probe

TORONTO (CP)—The Ontario government plans to establish a new energy department and initiate a searching inquiry into agriculture.

This was disclosed Tuesday in the speech from the throne opening the 1959 session of the legislature. It also forecast higher public expenditures and new programs for mental health, alcoholism, prison reform, provincial parks and natural resources.

The speech, Premier Frost's outline of the Progressive Conservative government's legislative program, got quick criticism from Liberal Leader John Wintermeyer and CCF Leader Donald MacDonald.

Mr. Wintermeyer, the Opposition leader, called it "a hold-the-fort" speech and "little more than a pre-election summary of the government's record."

SPARROWS KILL COBRA
JOHANNESBURG, (Reuters)—A flock of about 60 sparrows attacked and killed a five-foot cobra near here when it raided a nest for eggs. Two of the birds were killed in the 10-minute battle.

Farmers Need New Concepts CFA Annual Meeting Told

SASKATOON (CP)—The president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture told farmers Tuesday they must become better organized to meet technical revolution in the agriculture industry.

H. H. Hannam, addressing the CFA annual meeting here, said farmers must integrate individual farms where profitable and must become better organized at regional and national levels if they are to retain control of agriculture and enjoy the benefits of increasing productivity.

New concepts must be adopted to meet the challenges of a new era, he said.

The agricultural revolution got under way in the war years and was increasing in intensity. Among consequences of this upheaval were:

Great increases in farm output; a movement of workers away from agriculture; a lagging world market for farm products; a spread of contract farming and "vertical integration"; a price squeeze between low farm price levels and a continuing rise in

farm costs; surpluses and their interference with normal marketing.

PRODUCTION CONTROL
The revolution gives rise to an urgent need for shaping production to demand, he said, and the extreme difficulty is directing and co-ordinating family farm production for this purpose.

He said vertical integration is here and is bound to spread. If the farmer is to retain control over his land and enjoy prosperity, "then farmers must continue to move into the ownership and direction of integrated enterprises."

"Organized in co-operatives and into bargaining and marketing associations farmers can, if they want to, keep control of their own business," he said. "When somebody outside of agriculture controls the finances, the market and the earnings, the farmer becomes a virtual share-cropper which can be something better or something worse than a hired man."