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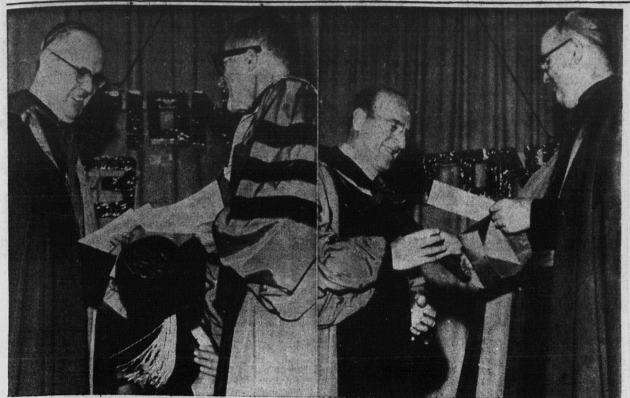

FORMER ISLANDERS HONORED BY SDU

A highlight of yesterday's 100th St. Dunstan's University commencement exercises, was the conferring of honorary Doctor of Laws degrees upon two well known former Prince Edward Islanders. The degrees were conferred by the Chancellor of the University, His Excellency, The Most Rev. Malcolm A. MacEachern, Bishop of Charlottetown. Here the Chancellor congratulates Dr. St. Clair Duffy (left centre), Montreal, formerly of Kinkora, and right centre, Rev. Dr. John Sutherland Bonnell, New York City, formerly of Dover, receives his scroll from His Excellency. (See stories on pages 2 and 4).

CANADA MAINTAINS BAN

U.S. Bows To Demands By Britain On Air Fares

CP from AP-Reuters

WASHINGTON — The United States surrendered to British demands Tuesday and cleared the way for U.S. airlines to increase round-trip jet economy fares across the Atlantic by five per cent, matching an increase already imposed by European carriers.

The Civil Aeronautics Board announced it is modifying its previous position opposing the increase at the recommendation of State Secretary Dean Rusk.

This was done by notifying the two affected U.S. companies —Pan-American World Airways and Trans-World Airlines—that they should not subject themselves to "penalties for the violation of laws and regulations of foreign countries."

The British had threatened to cancel U.S. landing rights in Britain and seize U.S. planes landing there if the United States did not join in the increase.

Pan-Am and TWA said they expect to post the fare increases after giving legal study to the board letter.

WELCOMES NEWS

Welcoming the news, a British ministry of aviation spokesman in London said Britain's ready to co-operate in any discussions on international fares.

"We now look forward," he said, "to discussions with the United States and the other countries concerned about the present fares structure and future relationships between governments and the international air transport association."

Meanwhile, in Ottawa reliable sources said that despite the U.S. backdown, Canada would maintain its ban on the five-per-cent boost.

This meant that all transatlantic airlines flying to and from Canada would be charging rates five - per - cent lower than on flights between the U.S. and Europe. Eight foreign airlines as well as Canada's two carriers—Trans - Canada Air Lines and Canadian Pacific Airlines—are affected.

NOT SETTLED

The U.S. capitulation does not mean the dispute is completely settled, however, or that the United States is abandoning its opposition.

"I don't think we'll give up," a state department official said. He indicated that for the time being there is not much the United States can do until enactment of legislation the White House has drafted for Congress.

It would give the Civil Aeronautics Board the right to regulate international air fares of U.S. carriers—authority it does not have now—and put it in a strong bargaining position to retaliate against any foreign nation's cancellation of U.S. rights.

Opposition flared to the backdown on Capitol Hill. Representative Emanuel Celler (Dem.

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Birmingham Authorities Keep Watch

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)—Federal authorities kept close watch on the combustible racial situation here Tuesday, hoping it will not be necessary to occupy the city with soldiers.

Approximately 3,000 riot-trained troops are on standby basis at Fort McClellan near Anniston, Ala., and at Maxwell Air Force Base near Montgomery.

Mississippi's Attorney - General Joe Patterson offered Alabama's governor any help possible in dealing with the situation. In a telegram, Patterson said it was "quite evident that the president and his irresponsible young brother in the attorney-general's office have decided to again take the law into their own hands and invade Alabama with the military might of the U.S."

Syrian Trouble Threatened By Pro-Nasser Wing

DAMASCUS (AP) — Pro-Nasser politicians threatened trouble for the new Ba'ath nationalist government of Syria Tuesday. They shunnitd a Ba'athist peace offer and stuck to their demands for a major voice in Syrian affairs.

The government warned it would tolerate no resumption of pro-Nasser rioting. It ordered schools closed and sent steel-helmeted police to the university compound in Damascus. The police withdrew, however, in the afternoon.

Curfews remained on in the northern city of Aleppo and several other places. But quiet was reported throughout the nation. Political circles feared a resumption of last week's rioting would result if the Nasserites were ignored in the formation of the government.

Premier Salah Bitar formed the new government Monday, dropping all Nasserites who had resigned last week. They had charged their voices were muzzled.

Bitar announced, however, that his new government would work for the planned union of Syria, Iraq and Egypt in a new Arab federation with Egyptian President Nasser at its head.

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CS Commission Head May Be Named Today

A chairman to head the province's proposed civil service commission will likely be named by the government today.

It was learned that this matter is one of the items on the agenda of this morning's meeting of the Executive Council. The cabinet met yesterday morning but did not complete its agenda, and adjourned until 9.30 this morning.

About a month ago it was learned by this paper that G. Lorne Monkley, Summerside, will be named civil service commission chairman.

At the 1962 session of the Legislature, an act was passed providing for a commission to supervise all government- civil service relations. The act will become effective when proclaimed by the Lieutenant- Governor-in-council.

Mr. Monkley represented the 5th Prince District in the last Legislative Assembly until he resigned to run as a Progressive Conservative candidate for Prince in the last federal election. He was defeated by Solicitor- General J. Watson MacNaught.

On April 30, Premier Walter R. Shaw told the P.E.I. Public Servants Association at their annual meeting that the Civil Service Act would be proclaimed within a month and a commission chairman named.

Another item on today's agenda is a minimum wage order for men in the province.

The wage order is the result of several months' work by the provincial labor relations board who held hearings in various parts of the province to listen to representations on a minimum wage.

The board drew up a draft order and submitted it to Welfare and Labor Minister Henry Wedge who expects to present it to the cabinet today for consideration.

CANADA HITS HUMOR NOTE

CANNES, France (AP) — Canada struck a needed blow for humor at the 16th international film festival here Tuesday.

A short subject called The Ride brought many laughs and applause from festival-goers who have been subject mostly to grisly plots involving birds attacking a California city, a former movie star who tries to kill her crippled sister and other violence.

The color short released by the National Film Board of Canada was a lively slapstick that reminded many critics of the old Mack Sennett comedies. The film was written and directed by Gerald Patterson.

(The late Sennett was a native of Danville, Que.)

"Film festivals, and especially Cannes, could use more laughs such as the Canadians have provided," commented a screen writer.

Hong Kong Faces Water Ration Cut

HONG KONG (AP)—Drought-plagued Hong Kong's water ration will be further reduced, from three hours daily to four hours on alternate days, public works director, A. M. J. Wright indicated Monday. He said if there is no rain soon, household tap water may be cut off completely and the colony's 13,500,000 residents will have to obtain water from public hydrants.

Canada's View Backed At London Trade Meet

By JOSEPH MacSWEEN

LONDON (CP)—Trade Minister Mitchell Sharp said Tuesday Canada's approach to trade negotiations was endorsed by the London meeting of Commonwealth trade ministers.

Sharp called attention to the 16 - country conference's communique which states that the ability of various Commonwealth countries to contribute to the proposed "Kennedy-round" negotiations would vary with their circumstances.

Addressing a press conference several hours after the communique was issued at the end of the two-day meeting, Sharp said "I never at any time supported the idea of a 50-per-cent linear cut in Canadian tariffs."

Sharp moves on today to Geneva where the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade will open meetings Thursday on U.S. proposals for expanding trade through tariff reductions.

The Canadian minister stressed, as he did at a press conference last Sunday, that his government is willing to "pay" for any trade concessions it receives but not on a linear, across-the-board basis—reciprocally could be achieved without that.

ASKED ABOUT CRITICISM

Sharp at one point was questioned about criticism from the Canadian Manufacturers Association and replied that as far as the linear matter was concerned, he had never supported the concept. Canada had particular problems as an exporter of primary and agricultural items as well as industrial items.

The communique lays stress on the problems of developing countries but welcomes the U.S. initiative under which President Kennedy has been empowered to negotiate tariff cuts amounting to 50 per cent on a basis of reciprocity.

"The Canadian delegation stated its position of strong support for major trade negotiations," said Sharp, and thea

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Venezuela Cuts Ties With Haiti

CARACAS (AP) — Venezuela broke diplomatic relations with Haiti Tuesday and recalled its charge d'affaires from Port au Prince, the Haitian capital.

President Romulo Betancourt's government also announced that it will not recognize any Haitian government in exile. Such an exile government was declared in Puerto Rico Sunday by two opponents of Haiti's President Francois Duvalier.

The Caracas announcement coincided with Washington reports that the United States was discussing with Latin American countries whether to withdraw recognition of the Duvalier regime.

Industry Incentives Are Also Anticipated

OTTAWA (CP)—Proposals for a national contributory pension plan, incentives to stimulate industry and a massive program of university scholarships are expected to feature the government's outline of legislation for the first session of the 26th Parliament.

The Pearson government's legislative program will be unveiled shortly after 3 p.m. Thursday when Chief Justice Robert Taschereau reads the speech from the throne to the opening session.

Contents of the speech, written by the cabinet as a forecast of the measures it will present to Parliament, still are a closely guarded secret known only to the 26 cabinet members and a handful of high civil servants.

But much of it can be guessed at on the basis of the promises stressed by Prime Minister Pearson and his chief lieutenants during the campaign for the April 8 federal election.

In addition to contributory pensions, industrial incentives and scholarships, these measures also had priority in the Liberal election platform:

1. A new department of industry to promote production.

2. Legislation enabling appointment of an associate minister of agriculture to concentrate on Eastern farm problems.

3. Declaration of a 12-mile fishing zone to bar foreign fleets from the rich offshore fisheries and protect Canadian fishermen.

4. National study on bieulturalism and bilingualism.

5. Creation of a municipal development fund to lend money at low interest rates for municipal works projects.

6. A national development fund to provide capital for industrial expansion.

7. An economic advisory council made up of labor, management and government to study the methods used in Western Europe to combat unemployment.

8. Restoration of the $8,500,000 cut made in Colombo plan aid as part of the previous government's austerity drive.

9. A federal-provincial conference to work out a program of fisheries development.

10. A special study of railway branch - line abandonments to form the basis for a new national policy on abandonments.

GIVEN TOP PRIORITY

I a campaign speech March 15 at Barrie, Ont., Mr. Pearson called the contributory pension plan a top-priority item for a Liberal government.

Mr. Pearson indicated in a speech at Moncton, N.B., that other social welfare measures would have to take second place to the task of stimulating the economy to create jobs and new national income.

Early action was pledged to bring the economy of the Atlantic provinces up to the national level. One step would be provision of a capital fund for the Atlantic Development Board and expansion of board membership to include representatives of labor and key area industries.

A strong reference to defence policy, particularly the Liberal proposal to accept nuclear warheads, is almost certain to appear in the throne speech. It probably will be tied to Mr. Pearson's plan to set up a defence policy committee in the Commons.

Commons' Seating Plan Has Interesting Features

OTTAWA (CP)—The seating plan for the new House of Commons is tidier—and interesting in spots.

Former defence minister Douglas Harkness, who resigned Feb. 3 to protest the Diefenbaker government's delay on the nuclear issue, remains on the Progressive Conservative party front bench.

He will be the first MP seated on the left of Mr. Speaker—with three veteran colleagues between him and the next former cabinet minister.

All 14 former Conservative ministers who won re-election April 8 are in the front row.

Guy Marcoux, former Social Credit party whip now sitting as an independent Social Credit MP after a break with deputy leader Real Caouette, will be the only opposition member seated with the 128 Liberals on the government side.

He will be to the right of the Speaker—at the far end of the chamber.

H. W. (Bert) Herridge, old socialist hand, is back on the front bench of the New Democrats, temporarily at least. He will sit beside leader T. C. Douglas until the 17-man caucus names a replacement for deputy house leader David Lewis, Toronto lawyer, defeated in the general election.

SAT BESIDE ARGUE

Mr. Herridge used to sit in the front row beside the former CCF leader, Hazen Argue, in the 1958-62 Parliament. He took over Mr. Argue's spot when the Saskatchewan farmer defected to the Liberals last year.

Each side of the Commons chamber has 138 seats arranged in five rows, a total of 276. There are 265 members, leaving 11 desks vacant for possible expansion. Traditionally the governing party sits to the right of the Speaker, facing opposition forces arrayed on the left.

On the opposition side the 93 Conservatives led by John Diefenbaker are seated closest to the Speaker's chair. Next to them are the 23 Social Crediters led by Robert Thompson. The NDP, who in the last Parliament shared the government side with the Conservatives, are next at the far end of the chamber.

Except for Dr. Marcoux on their far flank, the 128 Liberals —excluding Speaker - designate Alan Macnaughton — are alone on the government side of the House.

Premiers To Be Asked To Aid Biculturalism

OTTAWA (CP) — Letters to provincial premiers from Prime Minister Pearson are expected to go out today asking provincial co-operation in a royal commission on biculturalism, a reliable informant said Tuesday night.

Mr. Pearson said last week the terms of reference proposed to the provinces for the commission's study won't be made public before the letters are in the hands of provincial premiers.

It is understood that the federal government is suggesting a nine - man commission with joint chairmen—one English and one French.

Mr. Pearson also has said that all members of the commission will be familiar with both of Canada's official languages. This was one of the requirements for Quebec's participation in the study enunciated by Quebec Youth Minister Paul Gerin-Lajoie.

The royal commission, first proposed as Liberal policy by Mr. Pearson last December in Parliament, has been assigned as a priority task to Privy Council President Maurice Lamontagne.

However, the letters outlining the federal government's proposals for joint study in areas where the provinces have jurisdiction are being sent by Mr. Pearson to provincial premiers as formal bids for provincial government participation in the study.

One key area of provincial jurisdiction — education — is expected to figure largely in the whole project.

Kuwait Is Admitted As New UN Member

By CARMAN CUMMING

UNITED NATIONS (CP)—Membership in the United Nations rose to 111 Tuesday as the General Assembly, opening a special session, decided unanimously to admit the oil-rich sheikdom of Kuwait.

The tiny Persian Gulf state was welcomed at a brief session in which the Assembly, called a devise a formula for financing its expensive peace-keeping operations, referred the problem to its budgetary and administrative committee.

The committee was scheduled to open debate at 3 p.m. today. It includes all 111 members of the Assembly.

Tuesday's session also acted unanimously to re-elect as president Zafrulla Khan of, Pakistan, president of the regular 17th session that ended in December.

The special session convened against a background of widespread indebtedness among UN members, both of assessments for the peace - keeping forces and for the regular budget.

RIGHTS IN JEOPARDY

However only one country, internally troubled Haiti, was believed so far in arrears as to place its voting rights in jeopardy. The Haitian mission at the UN had been expected to pay a portion of the arrears before the Assembly opening but late in the day UN sources said no payment had been made.

Five other countries—Cuba, Paraguay, Hungary, the United Arab Republic and Bolivia—paid a portion of their debt in the last few days before the session. The UN charter provides that a member may lose its voting rights if its arrears total the equivalent of two years assessment.

The Haitian delegation was not present in the assembly chamber Tuesday.

COOPER TAKES IT GAMELY

Postponed Space Flight Rescheduled For Today

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Astronaut Gordon Cooper, who got within a dramatic 13 minutes of blastoff time Tuesday, will try again today to set out on 22 orbits around the world.

Space officials announced Tuesday night that, once more, they're certain everything is ready.

That faulty radar computer system, which played hob with the flight Tuesday when everything else appeared as fine, has been repaired and tested. The weather looked pretty good.

All equipment, they hope, was ready for the big test, again set for not sooner than 9 a.m. EDT.

A National Aeronautics and Space Administration spokesman said Cooper spent part of the afternoon in a boat off Cape Canaveral, where he fished and napped.

A data system connected with a radar station in Bermuda caused Tuesday's postponement and naturally there was disappointment.

Cooper took it gamely, despite spending a futile five hours, 50 minutes in his tiny space capsule.

TRY AGAIN

"This was a very realistic simulation," he said. "I was just getting to the real fun part so we'll try again Wednesday."

In Tecumseh, Okla., his mother, Mrs. Hattie Cooper, was a bit more eloquent.

"That poor little fellow," she said. "Oh, -I know he's disappointed."

In Houston, where Cooper's wife and their two children waited, there was a more philosophical reaction.

"Just a disappointment," Mrs. Trudy Cooper said.

And that it was, particularly since until this surprising (to the public) announcement was

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DR. HOWARD MINNERS, left, and suit technician Joe Schmidt laugh as they listen to astronaut Gordon Cooper as they ride elevator down from upper level of service tower after the astronaut left his capsule Tuesday. Cooper waited in the capsule for almost six hours before officials postponed his scheduled 22-orbit mission. (NASA Photo via AP Wirephoto)

MOVER, SECONDER NAMED

Dr. Pauline Jewett, left, Liberal MP for Northumberland Tuesday was named to move the address in reply to the speech from the throne which opens the 26th Parliament Thursday. Dr. Jewett, a political scientist, was elected for the first time at the April 8 general election. Auguste Choquette, right, Liberal MP for Lotbiniere was nominated to second the address. He was also elected to the Commons for the first time April 8. Prime Minister Pearson announced the nominations following a cabinet meeting Tuesday. He also announced that in the Senate the address in reply will be moved by Senator J. Eugene Letarcadis of Montreal and seconded by Senator A. C. Taylor of Salisbury, N.B. (CP Wirephoto).