

Fair Cooperation Is Aim Of New U.S. Ambassador

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WASHINGTON (CP) — Richard B. Wigglesworth, 67-year-old new United States ambassador to Canada, said Wednesday he sees his prime task at Ottawa as achieving Canadian-American economic co-operation "on a basis that would be considered fair in both countries."

The New Englander, a veteran of three decades in the compromise-riddled political wars of the U.S. Congress, also told a press conference that he can see no problem that Canada and the U.S. cannot solve if they'll just sit down and talk it over.

The former Republican congressman from Massachusetts soon will have a chance to put his theory into practice. He leaves shortly for Ottawa to become U.S. ambassador to Canada, succeeding Livingston Merritt, a professional diplomat who is returning to the state department here.

SOLUTIONS POSSIBLE
To his mind, the new envoy told reporters in a press conference at the state department Wednesday, there are no problems, economic or otherwise, existing between Canada and the U.S. that "can't be solved."
"Living so close together, differences are bound to arise between us from time to time but none of them are very fundamental. By sitting down and talking about them they can be solved."

A soft-spoken man with pleasant features and under a thick shock of snow-white hair, Wigglesworth goes to Ottawa with a broad background of political experience that may help him to interpret to Canadians some of the intricacies of the American congressional scene.
He spent 30 years in the House of Representatives—retiring undefeated just before the Nov. 4 congressional election—and built himself a reputation as the hard-working, second-ranking member of one of the lower chamber's most important committees—the House appropriations committee.

SHIES FROM CONTROVERSY
Displaying early evidence of ambassadorial ability, he shied away from press conference comment on such controversial issues as lead and zinc tariffs, oil import restrictions and seaway tolls because, he said, he has not yet presented his letters of credence to Canada's Governor-General.
But his legislative record shows that as representative of a congressional district that takes in the port of Boston he fought long and hard against the St. Lawrence Seaway and, in recent years has advocated high toll rates on the international waterway.
No stranger to Canada, he has visited Ottawa and Montreal a number of times and hopes to visit the country from coast to coast once he has settled in at Ottawa.

He always, he said, has been "very much interested" in Canadians and wants to meet as many as he can.
The date of his arrival in Ottawa still is indefinite but he expects to be there before Dec. 9.

BETTER FOR EVERYONE
"The more powerful Canada becomes," he added, "the better it is for Canada, for us in the United States and for the whole free world."
A reporter asked whether he

planned to use his influence in Congress to persuade other congressmen to give more consideration to Canada.

That might be a good idea, Wigglesworth agreed, but in general terms it was difficult to tell a congressional committee or an individual congressman what he should or should not say.
"I think," he added, "that sometimes other countries don't understand the difficulties here. I have run into it in Europe, where people do not realize that when an individual member of Congress speaks he is not speaking for the American government."

He felt sure Canadian officials

realized this but he did not know whether the individual Canadian was aware of it.

Union Decision Was 'Surprise'

LONDON (Reuters) — Prime Minister Macmillan told the House of Commons Thursday that the intention of Ghana and Guinea to unite "was a complete surprise to us."

He was answering questions about the joint declaration Sunday by the two West African countries that they proposed to constitute themselves as the nucleus of a union of West African states.

United College Professors Let Go After Protest Action

WINNIPEG (CP) — United College announced Thursday it has accepted the resignation of three professors who threatened to quit unless a dismissed colleague is reinstated.

They are: Prof. J. H. Stewart Reir, chairman of the history department; Prof. K. W. McNaught, associate professor of history, and R. M. Stingle, assistant professor of English.

The board of regents said in a statement that the three wrote letters threatening to leave unless the college reinstated history professor Harry Crowe, dismissed in September following a dispute with the college over a private letter which reached the college principal. All three also criticized the appointment of Prof. Gordon

Blake as dean of arts and sciences.

SUPPORTED PRINCIPAL
Prof. Blake backed Dr. W. C. Lockhart, principal, in the firing of Prof. Crowe.

The board said in its statement: "The reinstatement of Prof. Crowe alone will obviously not satisfy the demands of these three professors and would make untenable the positions of both Dean Blake and Principal Lockhart."
"In effect, the real authority in the future administration of the college would become vested in three members of the history department."
It said the conditions they imposed left the board no alterna-

tive but to accept the resignations, effective at the end of the current academic year, Aug. 31, 1959.

ATTITUDE CRITICIZED
Contents of the Crowe letter were not made public but it was said to have criticized the college administration. The board said Prof. Crowe's attitude towards religion as expressed in the letter was incompatible with the traditions and objectives of United College.

The college is an arts and theology institution in downtown Winnipeg supported by the United Church of Canada. It has about 700 students and is affiliated with the University of Manitoba.

The incident was investigated by a two-man committee of the Canadian Association of University Teachers which Monday released in Toronto a 78-page report saying Mr. Crowe was a victim of injustice. It said improper use was made of his letter.
The three professors had threatened to leave before the CAUT report was released.

Two Political Figures Bow Out Of French Scene

PARIS (AP) — Two stormy figures on the French political scene — Pierre Mendes-France and Edouard Daladier — bowed out Thursday.

Both resigned as mayors of their local constituencies — a step withdrawing them from active politics, after their resounding defeat in the first-round elections for the National Assembly last Sunday.

For Mendes-France, 51, a comeback completes a political career that spanned half a century. He headed the French government in the critical years of 1939-40.

For Mendes-France, 51, a comeback is possible and few believe he will be away long from the national political scene. He was first elected a deputy in 1932. Mendes-France was the young,

Canadians To Get Say On Proposed Bill Of Rights

By CAROLYN WILLET
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OTTAWA (CP) — A cross-section of Canadians will have their say on the proposed Canadian bill of rights during the national human rights conference here Dec. 8-10.

A panel discussion on the proposed bill is scheduled for the conference wind-up session Dec. 10. The date is the official anniversary of the adoption of the universal declaration of human rights in 1948.

A university professor, a member of Parliament and a labor leader will discuss the Canadian bill, introduced in the Commons in September by Prime Minister

stormy petrel of the Radical Socialist party, while Daladier had recently become its elder statesman.

Diefenbaker. The legislation has been carried over to the session starting in mid-December. Conference officials said the bill will be the first time it has been discussed before a representative group of Canadians. Some 300 people are expected to attend the conference.

Panel members are: Walker, Progressive Conservative MP for Toronto; Professor Bora Lasker, University of Toronto; and Eamon Park, assistant to the national director of the United States American. The chairman, Professor R. O. Murphy, Ottawa's Carleton College.

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