

LIBERALS FORESEE ELECTION

Shaw Considers Speech Solid Development Plan

While Premier Walter R. Shaw viewed yesterday's Speech from the Throne as "a solid, sound program of development," Opposition Leader Alex Campbell said "the man who will be happiest with this Throne Speech is Prime Minister Pearson. It is an endorsement of federal policies."

Mr. Campbell maintained that the speech "could very well be interpreted as an election speech." He said it indicates "full participation with Ottawa in a host of beneficial programs."

bell that "apart from participation in federal programs, the government offers the farmer and fisherman little more than crackers and cheese and very little meat."

Education, Welfare Stressed

Education, welfare and the province's municipalities appear to be the main beneficiaries of the government's forthcoming program as forecast in the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the 1966 session of the provincial legislature yesterday afternoon.

assistance categories: an increase in the minimum wage for laborers and the appointment of a provincial economist and a director of guidance and special education.

Former opposition leader A.W. Matheson said the Speech from the Throne contained "more promises than any election campaign I have seen in 25 years of politics."

The 47 paragraph speech, read by Lieutenant-Governor W. J. MacDonald, promised aid to education in the form of grants to universities, capital cost construction grants for schools in Charlottetown and Summerside, increased vocational training facilities; aid to municipalities in the form of increased per capita grants and a family housing program; additional spending in a host of social welfare

The traditional pomp and ceremony of a House opening was evident with the honor guard, drawn from P.E.I. militia units, formed in front of the Provincial Building.

Municipalities will benefit under the forecast program. Legislation is to be introduced to provide for a "comprehensive" family housing program in municipalities throughout the province. In addition, the government plans to increase the per capita grants to Charlottetown and the towns and villages throughout the province.

NO VIET NAM PROGRESS

British PM Improves Contacts At Moscow

By ARTHUR L. GAVSHON
LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Wilson returned Thursday night from a three-day visit to Moscow and acknowledged he had gotten nowhere with Soviet leaders on moves to end the Viet Nam war.

diplomat in Moscow that Hanoi would clarify its approach to peace negotiations. This followed a 4 1/2-hour meeting in Moscow Wednesday between Chalfont and the diplomat, Charles d'Affaires, Lee Chang.

But he added: "We did not make any progress on Viet Nam, however, and nothing seems to be immediately forthcoming in the Viet Nam setting."

Wilson professed himself well pleased with the outcome of his exchanges in Moscow. "We have made a beginning on establishing more intimate contacts," Wilson said. Kosygin accepted an invitation to visit London and Wilson said he expects him before the end of the year.

House Meets On Monday

The current session of the Legislature resumes sitting at 2:30 Monday afternoon. It is expected that debate on the Speech from the Throne will be the order of business.

Tide Has Turned, Humphrey Says

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice-President Hubert Humphrey, reporting to U.S. congressmen on his mission to Asia, said Thursday American and South Vietnamese soldiers are going to intensify their assaults on the Viet Cong.

Lord Thomson Plans Gift To University

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Lord Thomson of Fleet, chancellor of Memorial University here, plans to donate \$500,000 to the institution for medical and law libraries. Premier Smallwood said on his return Wednesday from a week-long trip to London.

The premier said half this amount will go toward a medical library since "there appears to me to be some probability that the university will decide to have a medical college on the campus."



NEW MACE CARRIED

Following the close of the yesterday's Mace presentation ceremony, Sergeant-at-Arms Samuel Condon led the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Hon. Frank Myers, from the Chamber for the first time carrying the Mace, the symbol of the Speaker's authority. The Mace was presented to the P.E.I. Legislative Assembly by

METER CREDIT SAID POPULAR

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (AP)—Parking fines by credit card have 1,000 "established and satisfied customers" officials of this Ohio River city say. For an initial deposit of \$5, the police department issues a motorist a window decal permitting deductions for overtime parking violations.

Regular parking fines are 50 cents if paid within 48 hours, \$1 after two days and \$2 after seven days. While non-credit card drivers could have their autos towed in after failing to pay two tickets, "customers' cars are never towed in."

However, a card holder can be fined \$25 if he overdraws on his deposit and a pink slip bounces.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR INSPECTS GUARD

Captain Thomas Davies of 5 Signals Regiment, accompanied Lieutenant-Governor W.J. MacDonald as he inspected the Guard of Honor prior to the opening of the P.E.I. Legislative Assembly yesterday.

Normally the Governor inspects the Guard before entering the House and takes the salute when he comes out, but yesterday, due to the Mace presentation ceremony lengthening the time he would be in

the Assembly, the Governor both inspected the Guard and took the salute before he went into the Chamber. The Guard was made of men from the Prince Edward Island Regiment, 5 Signals Regiment and the 5th Medical Company.

Probe Of Bribery Changes Is Called For By Tory MP

OTTAWA (CP)—Conservative MP Eldon Woolliams Thursday called in the Commons for an investigation into "serious charges, such as bribery, against members of Parliament" made in the last election campaign by Dr. Guy Marcoux.

Raymond Laplante (Crested Auk), who is suing Dr. Marcoux for libel, rose on a question of privilege and said the subject is sub judice and cannot be discussed.

Mr. Woolliams, member for Bow River and Conservative justice critic, replied that the affair had been brought up by Mr. Langlois' own house leader, Gilles Gregoire.

He said Dr. Marcoux made serious allegations against six former Creditiste MPs and against a cabinet minister sitting in the Liberals' front bench, but the charges had been swept under the rug by Justice Minister Cardin.

Was it true that Dr. Marcoux, former Social Credit MP defeated in the Nov. 8 election in Quebec-Montmorency, and two other men had extracted signed statements under false pretences?

Was it true that one of them had been the executive assistant of a Conservative justice minister? Did his man have an RCMP identification card and had he used it to pose as an RCMP officer?

INQUIRY NEEDED
A royal commission inquiry was needed to "clean up the whole sordid mess" of crime in high places.

Earlier, Mr. Gregoire (Lapointe) asked whether the RCMP had investigated allegations that Dr. Marcoux, the former executive assistant of a Conservative justice minister and a third man posed as RCMP detectives to extract affidavits from certain persons in Montreal.

Mr. Cardin said the RCMP completed an investigation in the last few days in this connection, but he would need more time to study the report. He promised to make a statement later in the debate on justice department spending estimates. The debate was adjourned until today.

Mr. Gregoire placed several allegations on the Commons record in the form of questions to Mr. Cardin.

ON PEACE MISSION
The self-styled "redeemer," who had himself designated president for life after Ghana won independence from Britain, left Accra three days before for talks in Cairo, Bangkok, Peking and Hanoi. He was believed on a peace mission to North Viet Nam on his own initiative. An entourage of 71 is with him.

A frequent supporter of the Communist line in world affairs while accepting Western aid, he had assumed almost dictatorial powers.

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Accra radio did not specify any reason for the revolt in the sixth military coup in Africa in the last three months, but said all persons jailed for dissenting with Nkrumah's regime would be freed.

Four hours after the announcement of the coup, fighting between troops and the presidential security guard still was reported around Nkrumah's residence.

Paul Comtois Funeral Held

QUEBEC (CP)—Paul Comtois was buried Thursday at Pierreville, the community of his birth, about 85 miles southwest of here.

The funeral mass for the former Quebec lieutenant-governor was sung in the Basilica of Quebec by Maurice Cardinal Roy, Archbishop of Quebec and Roman Catholic Primate of Canada.

In one of the front pews was Hughes Lapointe, named to succeed Mr. Comtois who died Monday in a fire that destroyed his official residence, Bois de Conlonge, in the Quebec suburb of Shillery.

Rebel Regime Takes Over In Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (CP)—Syria's new rebel regime appeared in firm control Thursday, backed by army troops stationed in the capital, Damascus, and throughout the country.

The threat of civil war apparently collapsed when Radio Damascus announced the support of garrison commanders in Aleppo, the business centre of northern Syria.

The Aleppo military leaders at first denounced Wednesday's dawn coup d'etat that toppled the regime of Gen. Amin Hafez, Syrian president. They threatened to fight.

But in apparent behind-the-scenes manoeuvring, the revolutionaries won the Aleppo troops over to their cause—a cause that will apparently take Syria even farther to the left.

Canada Foreseen As Republic

HALIFAX (CP)—Canada will eventually become a republic and remove the Queen as head of state, Claude Ryan, editor of the Montreal French-language daily Le Devoir, said Wednesday night.

He also suggested adoption of a parliamentary system more closely resembling that of the United States.

He made his comment in reply to a question after speaking at a "French-Canada week" program at Dalhousie University here.

Island Vacancy Left Unfilled

OTTAWA (CP)—Former CCF MP Hazen Argue, who turned Liberal, is among 10 men named to the Senate Thursday by Prime Minister Pearson.

former broadcaster, was national director for the Liberal party and directed the 1962, 1963 and 1965 election campaigns.

Mr. Argue, 45, of Weyburn, Sask., was national leader of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, predecessor of the New Democratic Party, in 1960-61. He joined the Liberals in 1962 and was defeated in the Saskatchewan riding of Assiniboia in 1963 and again in 1965.

Mr. Urquhart, 45, of West Bay, N.S., was a member of the Nova Scotia legislature from 1949 to 1960. He was defeated in the 1963 provincial election.

Mr. McElman, 45, of Fredericton was secretary of the New Brunswick Liquor Control Board from 1946 to 1951, private secretary to former Liberal premier J. B. McNair in 1951-52 and executive secretary for the New Brunswick Liberal Association from 1954 to 1960 when he became executive assistant to Mr. Robichaud.

Mr. Hastings, 44, of Calgary is an employee of Sun Oil Company. He was defeated in the 1962 and 1963 general elections.

Mr. Hays, 56, of Calgary, is a breeder, auctioneer and exporter of purebred cattle. He was elected mayor of Calgary in 1959 and re-elected in 1961. He was elected to the Commons in 1963 and defeated in 1965.

Senators received \$15,000 a year, \$3,000 of it as a tax-free expense allowance.

Mr. Deschatelets, 53, of Montreal, resigning as works minister a year ago for personal reasons.

Mr. Davey, 39, of Toronto, a



HAZEN ARGUE

HARRY HAYS

Early Island Appointment Is Urged By Queens MP

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
OTTAWA—Queens' MP Hon. J. Angus MacLean said Thursday he hopes Prime Minister Pearson will take steps to fill the senate vacancy in Prince Edward Island as soon as possible.

led, one in Newfoundland, two in Quebec, one in Nova Scotia and the P.E.I. vacancy. Since former mines Minister J. Watson MacNaught was appointed chairman of the Dominion Coal Board Wednesday, the two names most prominently mentioned as possible P.E.I. appointees are Thomas Kichham and Eugene Cullen.

Mr. Pearson announced the appointment of 10 new senators yesterday but failed to fill five more vacancies, one of them caused by the retirement last summer of Dr. Thomas Granf. I don't feel it is fair to leave the Island without its full representation and I hope that the Island vacancy is soon filled, Mr. MacLean commented.

P.E.I. is entitled to four senators and the three present members of the upper chamber are J.J. MacDonald, Mrs. Elsie Inman and Dr. Orville Phillips. Under the new senate rules, a senator may retire when he reaches 75 years of age and receive a pension. But if he dies in office his widow or next of kin do not receive such a pension.

Senator MacDonald turned 75 last fall and Senator Inman will reach her 75th birthday this December. So far neither has indicated any intention of retiring. Senator Phillips is only 42 years of age.

He said the Swedish auto firm has agreed in principle to the proposals. Volvo established a plant in Dartmouth, across the harbor from here, in 1963 but last month it might be forced to move from Nova Scotia for lack of suitable factory space.

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