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ISLAND CAUSEWAY MENTIONED

Atlantic Development Board Seen Great Boost For Region

OTTAWA (CP)—The Liberal Social Credit New Democratic Parties Tuesday night rallied to the support of the government in introducing legislation to set up the Atlantic Development Board, a federal advisory agency.

Yet spokesmen for all opposition parties warned in the Commons that the board will be valueless unless the government is willing to implement its recommendations. NDP Leader T. C. Douglas criticized Conservative MPs for "eloquent exaggerations" of what the board will do.

Steering the legislation through the House will be self-proclaimed Revenue Minister Hugh John Flemming, former premier of New Brunswick. He said the board will advise the federal government on policies, measures and projects to help uplift the Atlantic economy.

Describing the proposal as "the most important ever taken in his lifetime for the benefit of the Atlantic province," Mr. Flemming said the board would have tremendous possibilities which should help bring about higher income levels and greatly increased employment.

He spoke before the House approved the resolution preceding formal first reading of the legislation itself.

The bill, which then became public for the first time, showed that the board would have five members appointed by the cabinet, to serve for three-year terms and two for four years. Thus, all appointments would not expire at once.

In general, the board's duties would be "to inquire into and report to the minister upon measures and projects for fostering the economic growth and development of the Atlantic region of Canada."

The report would be made to a minister designated by the cabinet. More particularly, it would be required to advise on:

(A) Prepare on a systematic and comprehensive basis, and revise as required in the light of changing circumstances, an assessment of facts relevant to the economic growth in the Atlantic region;

(B) Keep under constant review appropriate methods of furthering the sound economic development of the Atlantic region, whether such methods involve new measures and projects or the removal or mitigation of existing factors that may be considered to inhibit such development;

(C) With respect to particular measures or projects that may be referred to by the minister, inquire into, assess and report to the minister upon the feasibility of such measures or projects in relation to the economy of the Atlantic region; and

(D) Consider and report to the minister upon any other matters that in the opinion of the board may usefully be considered by it having regard to the need for a continuing sound economic development of the Atlantic region."

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Montague Buys Land For New Food Plant

MONTAGUE — A special meeting of the Montague town council yesterday afternoon, a decision was reached to purchase two properties comprising approximately 100 acres, which had been held on this land for the past few weeks awaiting the completion of negotiations with the Fraser Valley Frosting Food Ltd.

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Mystery Object Found in Bush

MONTAGUE (CP)—Transport department and army experts are being called in to identify a mysterious 400-pound fibreglass object, equipped with radio and camera, recovered from the New Brunswick bush during the weekend.

The unmarked device was found in the Canaan Forest Reserve about 15 miles northwest of here by lumberman David Rutherford. Attached to it was a rotting parachute.

Preliminary examination by RCMP technicians showed three or four radio, two wind-down, and a camera lens protruding from one side of the object which measures about five by four, by three feet.

An antenna was extended to 20 feet after a dynamite cap attached to it was removed.

An army spokesman at Camp Borden, N.B., said the object is being moved into the Montserrat area for examination by experts.

Maj. E.A. Flewelling of the No. 5 Militia Group, Montserrat, said the device was found in a bush at least two years. A small part of it was burned and it showed the effects of exposure to rain and snow.

He said parts of one of the North American or British type of rockets were found.

Mr. McPherson, who said his first impression was that it looked like a refrigerator, found it a week ago. He returned with friends, a bulldozer and a truck to haul it to his home at nearby Lucas Mountain.

Jan. Test Ban on Nuclear Weapons

GENEVA (AP)—Hopes of an emergency nuclear test ban by New Year's Day died Tuesday at the 17-nation disarmament conference here.

Russia and the West both refused to give ground on whether or not on-site inspections of suspicious underground disturbances should be included in any such agreement.

Soviet Delegate Semyon Tsarapkin told a subcommittee of the conference "there will never be any agreement so long as the West insists on on-site inspections."

Dean and British Minister of State Joseph Godber reiterated that a quota of on-site inspections must be included in any system ending tests.

They maintained installation of robot sentry detectors would not abolish the need for such inspections or completely replace robot sentry control posts.

Conceals Some Value Of Robot Sentry

RUSSIA said a network of the robots, if made tamper-proof, would have some auxiliary value in recording earth disturbances. But he challenged Tsarapkin's claim that such a network, plus existing national detection systems, would eliminate the need for on-site inspections.

The American-British-Russian subcommittee met for 2 1/2 hours, after which the British Minister of State said that negotiations were stalemated.

Tsarapkin charged Washington with a London treaty and were examined "a cloud of scientific jargon."

Should Have Won Prize City Confederation Float

CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

OTTAWA — "It's marvelous. I thought I should have won the prize in the Grey Cup parade," Prime Minister Diefenbaker said here Tuesday noon while examining the Prince Edward Island Confederation float as it was parked in front of the Centre Block of Parliament.

Mr. Diefenbaker, accompanied by Fisheries Minister Angus MacLean and Mrs. Margaret Macdonald, MP for Kings, inspected the float for about 15 minutes.

The Prime Minister posed for photographers in front of the float and chatted briefly with the Chartered Bank, who spoke in charge of the structure. He commented particularly on the light and the fact that it had been built in the province of Prince Edward Island.

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The chairman was Robert Blackham, speaker of the federation. Presidents included J. Lincoln Dewar, who dealt with beef marketing; and Roland Macdonald, who spoke on farm promotion. George MacDonald, provincial president, also spoke briefly. Here

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France Rejects UN Bill

UNITED NATIONS (CP)—France Tuesday rejected a World Court advisory opinion that all 110 United Nations members should pay for peace-keeping operations.

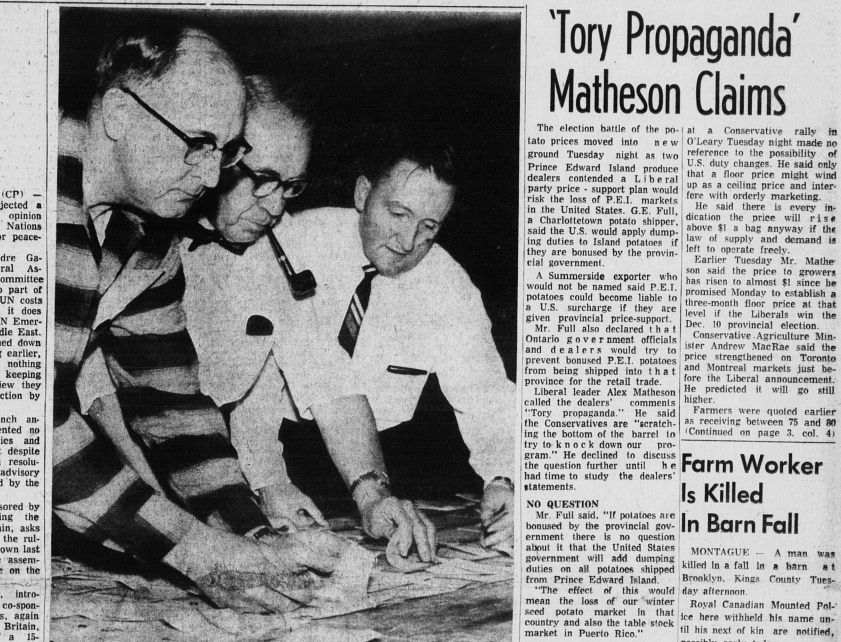
French delegate Andre Gannem told the General Assembly's budgetary committee his country will pay no part of the \$10,000,000-month UN costs in the Congo although it does contribute to the UN Emergency Force in the Middle East.

The Soviet Union turned down the World Court's ruling earlier, protesting its peace-keeping force because in its view they are based on illegal action by the General Assembly.

The Soviet and French announcements were expected to change in their policies and delegates predicted that despite the actions in the Canadian resolution regarding the advisory opinion will be approved by the assembly.

The measure, co-sponsored by nine countries including the United States and Britain, asks the assembly to accept the ruling which was handed down last July in response to the assembly's request for advice on the matter.

A second resolution, introduced by Canada and co-sponsored by eight countries, again including the U.S. and Britain, urges reappointment of a 15-member working group to study allocation of peace-keeping assessments after the World Court's opinion was accepted.



700 ARTICLES SOLD AT AUCTION

Upwards of 700 articles, donated by merchants and individuals, fell under the auctioneer's hammer at the Clover Club last night, as the Rotarians conducted their annual Rotary Radio Auction.

It is the 30th year the auction has brought donors and buyers together in a joint effort in fund raising on behalf of the crippled children of the province. The final sales were not available at press time. During the evening a coffee break was catered to by Rotary Annex. Mrs. Roy MacGillivray, Mrs. Allison MacRae, Mrs. Alfred Hennessey and Mrs. David Scates. Here Rotarians Sidney Logan, W.R. Peape and Brian Cromie check bids.

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Britain Bit By Fog, Frost

LONDON (Reuters)—Much of Britain was blanketed under a choking fog which brought air and sea traffic to a standstill Tuesday while the rest of Europe shivered in one of the coldest Decembers on record.

The fog over Britain disrupted airline schedules all round the world.

Roads were the scene of countless accidents. Visibility was as low as 15 feet, and the hazard was increased in some areas where freezing temperatures from the mist to windshield and created perilously slick driving surfaces.

The weatherman called for more fog and frost in Britain today and Thursday.

On the continent, fog and frost gripped Paris, although milder weather was forecast.

General Support Urged For Development Board

OTTAWA (CP)—An opposition MP said in the Commons Tuesday night there should be general support for the government's proposal to set up an Atlantic Development Board.

Andrew Brown (NDP-Toronto, Greenwood) noted that few MPs from Quebec and Ontario were speaking on the resolution.

All members from Central and St. John's East and only Ontario's MP from Newfoundland, said the people of the Atlantic provinces still haven't forgotten the 22 years of Liberal administration when their pleas fell on deaf ears.

He recalled that Liberal Premier Joseph Smallwood of Newfoundland, once threatened to lead his province out of confederation at a time when "Liberal was in office in Ottawa" (Continued on page 3, col. 4)

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Farm Worker Is Killed In Barn Fall

MONTAGUE — A man was killed in a fall in a barn at Brookton, Kings County Tuesday afternoon.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police here withheld his name until his next of kin are notified, possibly early today.

It is understood the man came to this province from Nova Scotia about seven years ago.

He was employed with Jack McKinnon's farm near the potato harvest and had remained working for him since. He was killed when he fell from a loft to the floor of the barn, striking his head.

Coroner Dr. G.S.A. Inman of Montague did not make an immediate decision on an inquest. He ordered an autopsy.

Fluoridated Water For One-Third Ont.

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

More than a third of Ontario's 6,342,000 residents will drink fluoridated water in future as a result of Monday's election.

Before the plebiscites only one person in 10 lived in an municipality where the water was fluoridated.

Despite this apparent victory for proponents of fluoridation, 15 of the 23 municipalities which voted on the question Monday were opposed.

The big increase results from Metropolitan Toronto's narrow acceptance of fluoridation by 126,576 votes to 170,416—a majority of 6,160.

The city of Toronto rejected the question, along with seven of the suburban municipalities, while the other five suburbs voted in favor. But, since Metro communities receive their water from a common supply, the result is taken from the overall vote.

Only three other municipalities—Windsor, Amherstburg and Prescott—approved fluoridation Monday, all by fairly substantial majorities.

REJECTED PROPOSAL

Besides the eight Toronto-area municipalities, Ottawa, Belleville, Chatham, Peterborough, St. Thomas, Sarnia and Hamilton all rejected the question.

Despite support from many Ontario municipalities, doctors, and other professional groups, only 30 of the provinces 900-plus water utilities are now fluoridated.

But anti-fluoridationists have artificially fluoridated water.

Other municipalities, such as Stratford, Tillsonburg and Aylmer, have natural fluorides in their water.

Observers in Toronto noted a trend in which municipalities with a heavier concentration of young parents with small children voted in favor, while those with a higher proportion of older people voted against.

"The results in the different communities reflect the different age groups," said Dr. Gordon Nikiforuk, professor of pediatrics from the University of Toronto.

But anti-fluoridationists apparently have not accepted defeat and said they are considering the possibility of court action to nullify the vote.

One of their major arguments is that fluoridation is a violation of democratic rights because those who do not want it can't avoid taking it.

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