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Reds, Police In Battle At Le Havre France

LE HAVRE, France (Reuters) More than 5,000 Communists battled with 800 police Tuesday night after they lost the city's majority to a Socialist by one vote. Socialist Robert Monguillon was elected by 19 votes against 18 votes for the former Communist mayor, Rene Cance. Several demonstrators and police were injured in a running battle that spread into neighboring streets. Le Havre, scene of violent Communist riots in 1947, is the only large city in France which has been under the control of the Communists.

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AT THE P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture public meeting at the Clover Club last night are guest speakers and prominent agriculturists. From left to right are Stewart Wright, deputy minister of agriculture; David Kirk, secretary of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture; George Cheveries, supervisor of insurance at the local Unemployment Insurance office; Kenneth MacLean, president of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture; and J. Lincoln Dewar, Federation secretary.

Fox Bounty Hike Aim Of Institute

Old Brer fox, that long time enemy of the farmer, better stay close to his den this year if a resolution adopted by the Central Farmers Institute is acted on by the government. The resolution, passed at the 71st annual meeting of the Institute yesterday, asks that the government be approached and requested to raise the bounty on foxes to at least \$5.00, so that hunters will have more incentive to lower the numbers of this menace. The present bounty is \$3.00. Earl Ings of Hazelbrook was re-elected president of the association. J. Lincoln Dewar, Charlottetown, was re-elected secretary and Heber Myers of St. John's R.R. 2, was elected vice-president. Directors elected were: Irving MacLean, Breadalbane R.R.; and Alex Hamilton, New Perth; W. MacLean, Souris; He-

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Prize Edward Island is a long way from its markets and its sources of supply, "to survive it must excel". David Kirk, secretary of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, told a public meeting at the Clover Club last night. The meeting was called by the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture and was presided over by its president Kenneth MacLean. He added that the province must adapt its agriculture to types of production, or the processing of them. Noting that P.E.I. is in a good deficiency area, looking at the Maritimes as a whole, he felt that this province should fully exploit this market. Mr. Kirk also remarked that the island is relatively favourably located in relation to United States and West Indies markets and it should try to sell those markets the things they want and will pay for — as it has with seed potatoes. While mentioning Prince Edward Island's pride in its identity as a province he remarked that it is the province in Canada which can least afford a decline in population. Since it is so dependent on agriculture the speaker felt it should look in the future to agricultural production and the packaging and processing of farm products.

External Affairs Minister Smith Dies Unexpectedly

British PM Is En Route To Ottawa

LONDON (Reuters) — British Prime Minister Macmillan early today left here by plane en route to Canada and the United States for crucial talks on East-West strategy in dealing with Russia. The prime minister, who was accompanied by Foreign Secretary Lloyd, is due later today to confer with Canadian Prime Minister Diefenbaker before going on to the United States for four days of talks with President Eisenhower. Their plane was due to arrive in Gander, Nfld., at 4:50 local time (4:20 a.m. AST) today.



THE LATE DR. SMITH

Succumbs At Ottawa Home

OTTAWA (CP)—External Affairs Minister Sidney Smith died in his apartment here Tuesday as he prepared to attend the afternoon opening of the Commons. He was 62. Word of his death was conveyed to the Commons by Prime Minister Diefenbaker, almost speechless and in tears from shock and grief. Both the Commons and the Senate immediately adjourned for the day out of respect.

Police Rumors Are Current

GRAND FALLS, Nfld. (CP)—Superintendent A. W. Parsons of the Newfoundland RCMP detachment Tuesday declined comment on reports that he was considering resigning from the force because of a dispute over reinforcements. "I have no comment on that angle at the moment," Supt. Parsons told a reporter. There were widespread reports Tuesday that Supt. Parsons, Inspector A. A. Argent of the Corner Brook detachment and Inspector E. H. Stevenson, chief of criminal investigation in the province, would follow Commissioner L. H. Nicholson and tender their resignations.

Gulf Ice Worst In Experience

SYDNEY (CP)—A veteran of many duels with ice off the Cape Breton coast says conditions in the Gulf of St. Lawrence are the worst of his experience. Capt. J. M. Desrosiers of the icebreaker N.B. McLean says high winds have piled the ice in some areas more than 30 feet thick. Prolonged westerly winds help keep the ice in gulf waters.

HOSPITAL INSURANCE DEBATED

Discussion on the Prince Edward Island Hospital Insurance bill bogged down yesterday when Opposition members took exception to the inclusion of a mandatory section which could provide for collection of Edward Island Hospital Insurance premiums from certain employee groups. Dr. Bonell, Minister of Health and promoter of the bill said as the original act stood there was no mandatory clause in it. He said it was purely a voluntary scheme and he hoped it would remain so. However, the mandatory legislation was being sought as a safeguard in the event the province could not induce enough people to join in the insurance scheme. Dr. Bonnell revealed that two members of the federal health services commission have been in the City for the past two days and it was on their advice that the inclusion of the mandatory provision was made.

Voluntary Status Of Plan Is Queried By Opposition

Dr. Bonnell asked the O'Leary member whether he would suggest paying premiums out of consolidated revenue and run the province another million in debt. Dr. Dewar: You do not establish the fact that insured services will be a reality instead of merely being made available — you are guaranteeing a more frank about it and tell us that they expect difficulty in putting this plan into operation. He was satisfied that those receiving social security and welfare benefits would be looked after, "but there will be a great many others who will not be able to pay the premium," he said. Further quoting from Dr. Taylor's book suggested that payment from individuals was time consuming and difficult to administer. WANTS-FRANK REPLY "The Government should be

N.S. Coal Industry Gets Shot In Arm From Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP) — A special \$4,300,000 program of freight subventions, aimed at putting some 700,000 tons of Nova Scotia's surplus coal on the Ontario market, was announced Tuesday by Prime Minister Diefenbaker. The Nova Scotia government will contribute \$500,000 for the special one-year aid, with the federal government paying the rest, he informed the Commons. For the 4,100 Cape Breton miners laid off by mine closures, Mr. Diefenbaker said Dominion

Youth Remanded To Hospital

EDMONTON (CP)—Stan Williamson, 19, was remanded to a mental hospital for observation when he appeared Tuesday in police court on a murder charge arising from a shooting spree Monday in Ross Sheppard High School. Williamson was charged after 16-year-old Howard Gates was killed as 22-calibre rifle fire swept the school corridor. Five teen-aged girls were wounded. Dr. W. E. Sugurdson, a psychiatrist, said he examined Williamson and found the youth depressed. He recommended further examination. Williamson was charged with Gates' murder within hours of the shooting.

Tracadie Wharf Contract Let

OTTAWA (Special) — A \$26,646 contract for construction of a wharf at Tracadie, P.E.I., to Stanley Reid of Port Hillford, was announced Tuesday by Hon. Angus MacLean and Heath Macquarie, Members for Queens. The contract was awarded by the Federal Department of Public Works. Six tenders were received.

POTATO INSPECTOR RETIRES

Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. McLaren received presentations from the Plant Protection Staff and the Agricultural Research Lab on the occasion of his retirement as District Inspector. An address was read by G.H. Lewis and presentations were made by Gordon Rose and H.S. Campion. Mrs. L.E. McLaren presented roses to Mrs. H.L. McLaren. H.L. McLaren, a former seed potato grower, became a seasonal inspector in 1925, working in Summerside, Montague, Free-town and other districts. He became District Inspector in 1951. He has frequently been asked to advise on the holding of the Maritime Winter Fair and at the Royal Winter Fair.

Three Named To Investigate Fluoridation Issue In Ont.

TORONTO (CP) — Premier Frost of Ontario Tuesday announced he has appointed an appeal court justice, a university president and a leading club-woman to conduct his promised investigation of fluoridation. Chairman is Mr. Justice Kenneth G. Morden of the Ontario Appeal Court. The others are Dr. G. E. Hall, president of the University of Western Ontario and Mrs. Egmont Frankel of Toronto, prominent for her work with the Ontario Cancer Research Foundation. "None of these people have any preconceived ideas," Premier Frost said at a press conference. Mr. Frost said the committee will be armed with the powers of a royal commission with "every bit of technical information and advice" available to it.

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In a letter to Mr. Justice Morden outlining the committee's terms of reference, Mr. Frost said the committee has "a broad and general power to enquire into the whole problem of fluoridation." The premier said in his announcement: "On one hand we have those who very conscientiously believe fluoridation is beneficial to the people. On the other hand there are those who express the strongest opposition for varied reasons to fluoridation in principle and effect. "In between is a great body of citizens, no doubt, comprising by all odds the majority of the people, who simply do not know the answers. The government has determined therefore to set up the committee."

Shock, Sadness Expressed In Death Of Hon. Mr. Smith

By THE CANADIAN PRESS With expressions of shock and sadness, people in many walks of life paid tribute to External Affairs Minister Sidney Smith who died Tuesday, apparently after a heart attack. Opposition Leader Pearson said he had been shocked and saddened beyond words by the news. Sidney Smith, whose untimely passing we so deeply mourn, was a man who served his country all the days of his life; as a soldier, a teacher, a university president and a minister of the crown. HAPPY, GENEROUS He was a happy, whole-souled and generous person who made friends and kept friends easily. The country and the government will greatly feel the loss of a devoted and accomplished public servant, and his friends of whom I have been privileged to be one for a long time — will not forget the warm companionship that such friendship brought with it. Hazen Argue, CCF House Leader, said I am sure all Canadians will be shocked at the news of the sudden passing of the Hon. Sidney Smith. This is especially so for those of us who have come to know him well for Sidney Smith was a man who did not allow partisan considerations to stand in the way of personal friendship. GREAT EDUCATIONIS: He had an outstanding career in the field of education and even after becoming secretary of state for external affairs retained a very special interest in matters such as federal aid to education. His stay in Parliament was all too brief and he will be sorely missed. His tragic death has cut short his life of service to the community, to his own nation and to the world. He was a man of peaceful instincts anxious to maintain peace for the world as a whole.

IWA Has Nfld. Strike Funds

OTTAWA (CP)—United States headquarters of the International Woodworkers of America (IWA) is ready to throw in \$50,000 a week indefinitely to win the IWA's strike in Newfoundland, the union's eastern Canadian boss said Tuesday. H. Landon Ladd, in Ottawa briefly from fighting a tough scrap in the island province, said when asked how far his union will carry on the strike: "Indefinitely." However, he indicated at a press conference that the IWA is willing to look over the cabinet's proposal for a two-week "cooling off" period mentioned by Prime Minister Diefenbaker in the Commons Monday.

Big Step Seen Towards Unity Among Allies

By WARREN ROGERS Jr. WASHINGTON (AP) — Western diplomats agreed Tuesday that President Eisenhower has taken a big step toward achieving Allied unity in the approach Berlin showdown with Russia. They said his speech Monday night, endorsing a summertime summit conference if developments justify it, will ease the way for this week's talks with Prime Minister Macmillan. In fact, these diplomats said, it has virtually assured the success of Macmillan's mission. The prime minister, with Foreign Minister Selwyn Lloyd, arrives in Washington Thursday in what is generally regarded as an effort to achieve solidarity in the Western camp.

SDU Rector Pays Tribute To Mr. Smith

"The news of the sudden death of Hon. Sidney Smith brings to St. Dunstan's University a striking sense of a great loss not only to Canadian public service but particularly to Canadian University life." Rt. Rev. J. A. Sullivan, president-rector of St. Dunstan's University said last night. "Dr. Smith will be long remembered by all engaged in the field of higher education in Canada as a brilliant scholar, a masterful administrator, and a Christian gentleman. His contribution to the Canadian Universities Conference, as president of the University of Toronto, was always unrestricted. In his vision of the role of the university in Canadian life all Canadian universities were included, from the largest to the smallest, from those on the Atlantic to those on the Pacific. "In his annual autumn addresses to the students of his own university there were words of wisdom, born of intellectual insight and profitable experience, for all university students. In union with all Canadian universities we pay this final tribute of appreciation and affection."