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CHURCH PARADE MARKS OBSERVANCE

Approximately 275 active members of the permanent and reserve forces of the Royal Canadian Navy, Naval veterans, Sea Cadets, Wrens and Sea Rangers, turned out yesterday morning for the annual church parade marking

"Battle of Atlantic Sunday" and also the start of "Navy Week" in Canada. The large turnout, which started at 11:00 a.m. services at St. Paul's Anglican Church and St. Dunstan's Basilica. Here the head of the parade, led by Surgeon

Commander L. E. Prowse, VRD, commanding officer HMCS Queen Charlotte, is shown passing the saluting base, on Richmond Street in front of the Provincial Building, with Premier Walter R. Shaw talking the salute.

Silent MP Dies At 85

NEW GLASGOW (CP) — Henry Byron McCulloch, member of parliament for Pictou for 22 years and a man who never spoke in the house until his last year there, died here Saturday. He was 85.

Mr. McCulloch was elected consecutively from 1935 until 1953 and made his first speech in the Commons in January 1957. Well known for his work in committee, and in connection with railways, he once was quoted as saying "my job is to look after my 40,000 constituents in Pictou County, N.S., not to make speeches in the House of Commons."

When he finally did speak it was on behalf of a coal mine in his county where mines closures over the last few years have claimed hundreds of jobs.

Premier To Receive Honorary Doctorate

Premier Walter R. Shaw will be conferred with an honorary doctor of laws degree at convocation exercises at Mount Allison University, Sackville, on Tuesday, May 15.

He will be one of six persons to receive honorary degrees. Those to get honorary doctorates are Hon. Campbell L. MacPherson, lieutenant-governor of Newfoundland; Mrs. R. V. Bennett, Sackville, a member of the executive committee of the Mount Allison Board of Regents; Hon. John Keiller MacKay, lieutenant-governor of Ontario; Dr. Frank L. West, Sackville, vice-president of Mount Allison University; and Premier Shaw.

H.N. Frye, principal of Victoria College, will receive a doctor of literature degree. Lieutenant-Governor MacKay is to be convocation speaker. Principal Frye will give the baccalaureate sermon in Charles Fawcett Memorial Hall at 8 p.m. on May 13.

On Monday, May 14, Walter L. Gordon will address the Mount Allison Alumni dinner, Mr. Gordon was chairman of the royal commission that examined Canada's economic prospect in 1956.

BORN ON FARM

Premier Shaw who was born on a farm that was settled by his grandfather was educated at St. Catherine's public school, Prince of Wales College and the University of Toronto where he received the degree of bachelor of science in agriculture.

He has been prominent in the farm life of the Island all his life, being one of the founders of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture. He is past chairman of the Canadian Horticultural Society and from 1934 to 1954 was deputy minister of agriculture.

In 1958, following his retirement as a civil servant, he was elected leader of the Conservative Party and in 1959 in his 71st year won a decisive victory at the polls, becoming premier, president of the Executive Council and served for a time as minister of agriculture. Premier Shaw is married to the former Margaret MacKenzie. They have three children.



HEADS COUNCIL

Douglas Black Weldon of London, Ont., has been appointed chairman of the Canada Council. He is chairman of the board of the University of Western Ontario and chairman of Midland Securities Corporation. (CP Photo)

Island Officer Named Equerry To Princess

OTTAWA (CP)—Appointment of three army officers to serve the Queen Mother and the Princess Royal during their Canadian visit next month was announced Saturday.

Brig. James A. Nesbitt of Montreal has been appointed Canadian equerry to the Queen Mother and Col. P. A. Costin of Montreal and Quebec will be her medical officer.

Maj. L.G. Doiron of St. Charles, P.E.I., will be Canadian equerry to the Princess Royal.

The Queen Mother will be in Canada June 7-16, visiting Montreal, Ottawa, Morrisburg, Ont., and Toronto.

The Princess Royal will present regimental colors in Toronto, June 16 and at Victoria a week later.

Geneva Disarmament Conference Backed

By DAVE McINTOSH

ATHENS (CP)—Canada Sunday won support of the NATO Council for a declaration backing the Geneva disarmament conference.

External Affairs Minister Green said in an interview after conclusion of the council meeting that "we are very pleased with the communique."

In effect, Canada did some horse-trading with France on the draft of the communique. France, which has boycotted the Geneva conference, supported the Canadian call for a NATO declaration backing the Geneva negotiations. Canada dropped its call for a declaration for a cessation of nuclear tests to which France took exception.

France also agreed to drop a statement challenging Russian "intransigence" which the Canadian delegation thought might damage chances at Geneva and of any Berlin agreement. The agreement between Canada and France was worked out in a conference late Saturday night between Green and French Foreign Minister Couve de Murville. Green said the NATO communique refers to the importance and urgency of a disarmament agreement. He said the 17 nations represented at Geneva should and will keep working toward a disarmament agreement. There was no official immediate comment on a meeting between Defence Minister Harkness and British Defence Minister Watkinson Saturday to discuss defence production sharing between the two countries.

Actual bomb-making techniques remain classified. Underlying this U.S. initiative, informed sources said, is the Kennedy administration belief that the tactical use of nuclear weapons would almost certainly "escalate" into general war. Consequently, it is felt old-fashioned infantry, armor and artillery are needed more than ever.

PUSH TO BACKGROUND The emphasis on global nuclear strategy effectively pushed into the background consideration at the present time of a new multilateral independent NATO nuclear force.

While U.S. State Secretary Rusk said he still stands ready to consider proposals for such a force, it was apparent here that pressure for a NATO nuclear deterrent has faded appreciably since last December. The defence and foreign ministers reaffirmed Western support for free West Berlin, supported disarmament with adequate controls and "emphasized" the importance and urgency of reaching agreement on disarmament with Russia.

U.K., U.S. To Maintain Nuclear Shield For West

ATHENS (AP)—The North Atlantic Alliance Sunday enlisted its 15 member countries in permanent consultations on vital nuclear issues of global war or peace.

The Allies ended a four-day cold war strategy review with a communique accepting the United States view that all member states must better understand the frightful nuclear problems involved in military strategy.

To this end, said the communique, "it has been decided to set up special procedures which will enable all members of the alliance to exchange information concerning the role of nuclear weapons in NATO defence."

The new procedure will enable NATO nations to see comprehensive U.S. nuclear studies so far classified as top secret.

NEW DELHI (Reuters)—The Indian government Sunday was reported negotiating to buy the latest super-sonic Soviet jet fighter planes.

Informed sources said an immediate order for at least 24 Soviet fighters was expected to follow up the purchase from Russia of about 16 more Antonov 12 transport planes.

The serial build up comes amid deteriorating relations between India and Communist China over their longstanding border dispute.

Prime Minister Nehru said four days ago that India is preparing for possible war with China. The new Soviet transport planes were ordered mainly to fly heavy equipment in India's mountainous Himalayan border with China.

The type of Soviet jet fighter to be purchased is secret.

3 N.S. Residents Die In Accidents

HALIFAX—Three residents of Nova Scotia died in accidents during the weekend.

Halifax harbor pilot Lester Alton Hickey, 51, died in hospital here Saturday night following a two-car collision on a highway north of nearby Waverly. His wife and the driver of the other car were resting comfortably in hospital.

Leslie Jerry Ross, 12, of East Preston, N.S., is believed to have died when he became entangled in a clothesline in the backyard of his home.

The boy was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Ross of East Preston.

Jack Drake, a Fortune Bay, Nfld, seaman was drowned when he fell overboard from the Lunenburg, N.S. scallop dragger David Francis on Brown's Bank Friday night.

He is believed to have fallen overboard while attempting to free a boulder which the scallop-rake had brought up from the bottom.

Royal Laotian Forces Retreat From Nam Tha

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)—Royal Laotian forces were reported withdrawing Sunday from the long-besieged provincial capital of Nam Tha under a major new Communist attack.

Red forces were said to have thrust into the outskirts of the northwest city 30 miles from the Chinese Communist border.

A spokesman for the U.S. Military assistance advisory group said all 13 U.S. advisers were brought out by helicopter after the attack began. The attack was described by the American as a well co-ordinated thrust against the last government bastion along the Chinese Communist and North Viet Nam border.

News of the new attack came shortly after U.S. military sources said they had information confirming that about 300 Chinese Communist troops took part in the attack that captured Muong Sing, enemy gateway to Nam Tha, last Thursday. Muong Sing's airstrip, 20 miles northwest of Nam Tha, was a main supply route for the city under siege by the rebel Pathet Lao and North Vietnamese troops since January.

PM Pins Election Hopes On Economic Planning

By JAMES NELSON

LONDON, Ont. (CP)—Prime Minister Diefenbaker has pinned the Conservative party's campaign for re-election June 18 to a program of national economic development projects, promising greater equality for all.

He said Saturday night one of the first things his government would do is set up a royal commission of economists to make a comprehensive review of taxation. Its purpose would be to see that the tax burden is borne fairly and equitably by all.

Mr. Diefenbaker spoke to an estimated 5,000 at a campaign kick-off rally in the London Arena. The audience applauded his account of his stewardship in the government since 1957, cheered his jibes at the Liberal opposition and gave him a standing ovation for his picture of the future.

Having campaigned in 1957 on restoring the rights of Parliament, and in 1958 on a program of resources development, Mr. Diefenbaker said his government now is seeking a mandate for "the second stage."

"It's key will be economic growth . . . continually expanding employment . . . greater social justice."

He spoke in rapid phrases reciting the growth of the nation since 1957 when the Con-

servatives ousted the Liberals after 22 years. He envisaged more manufactured goods sold abroad, "regional self-liquidating projects," continuous production of new wealth, and more processing of Canadian raw materials in Canada.

He said the promised construction of a causeway between Prince Edward Island and the mainland and national power grid were part of the program. So was a national integrated program of land use, including the support of federal-provincial water resources boards; the accelerated sale of farm products "in all the markets of the world," international commodity agreements to stabilize markets and prices; and help for those who are "too young to retire and too old to work."

"We must continually update the measures of social justice which make the opportunities of free enterprise freely available to all the people," he said. Included would be portable pensions, for which the federal government has already sought consultation with the provinces on a constitutional amendment.

"What's the alternative?" he asked. "They (the Liberals) say today they have the answers. Their answer was no, before."

REJECT DEFEATISTS "We reject the paltry defeatists, the bureaucrats and centralizers who became arrogant through power and now ask the Canadian people to forget all that after only five years."

He got the biggest cheer when he characterized the Liberal campaigners and their promises as "the flying saucers of politics—you can't make head or tail of them, and you never see them twice in the same place."

"While we worked, they scoffed; while we planned, they condemned; while we held out hope, they whined and whimpered."

He started his speech with an account of his 1957 and 1958 campaign promises and how they had been carried out. He said he was reporting to the party and the public, "not as

your master as in the days of liberalism, but as your servant."

"In honor, consistency and conscience, I kept my promises. I kept the faith you placed in me."

Mr. Diefenbaker said the promises Liberal Leader Pearson has made "so far, and he is just starting," already add up to a cost of \$1,000,000,000 a year. This, the prime minister added, represented an increase in personal income tax of 20 to 40 per cent.

New President Named In Italy

ROME (Reuters)—Foreign Minister Antonio Segni Sunday night was elected president of Italy on the ninth ballot by the country's combined houses of parliament.

The 71-year-old former Christian Democrat premier was chosen by the parliamentarians after failing by four votes to win the office on the eighth ballot.

Segni succeeds outgoing President Giovanni Gronchi after a hard-fought battle lasting five days.

Isle Of Wight Crash Kills 10

NEWPORT, England (Reuters)—A Channel Airways plane with 17 persons aboard crashed in heavy fog near this Isle of Wight resort town Sunday. Ten persons were killed.

Seven survivors were taken to hospital suffering from burns and fractures.

The plane, bound from Jersey to Portsmouth, plowed 300 yards through brush on the St. Boniface Downs before bursting into flames.

MARKETING IS CRITICIZED

Demand Said Boosting Price For Potatoes Here

A report that potatoes advanced 25 cents per bag in price last weekend, released last night by Leo P. McIsaac, was coupled with the opinion that organized marketing could have saved \$2,500,000 to \$3,500,000 to Island producers during the season.

The present price advance has been spurred, he explained, by "fairly heavy movement to Western Canada in the past few weeks"—Mr. McIsaac has acted as broker for the shipment of three carloads per week he said—"and there is a big demand now from the potato-short Caribbean area for Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick potatoes."

The Caribbean people normally depend on Holland and other European countries for their potatoes, but Europe is short of spuds now and has been for some time, observed Mr. McIsaac who suggested "it's not a surplus of potatoes but a failure to stabilize the market" that has been keeping the prices down.

The heavy loss to the industry here from the 1961 crop has resulted, Mr. McIsaac charged, from "the lack of organization behind the marketing of our product."

"The inability to guarantee the purchaser a consistently good grade and package and a uniformity of price have played a big part in our marketing problem," he said.

As proof of his charges, Mr. McIsaac made available to the Guardian a letter signed by "one of the largest buyers in the Toronto area," which written to him in reply to his request for comment on certain marketing details.

The Toronto buyers said in part: "Basically the quality of your potatoes is the best, but more care must be taken in the grading, packaging, weighing and appearance. Your potatoes could demand a premium in this market during the winter and spring months if their presentation were better. The lack of uniformity in quality and package together with the unstable pricing system you have makes buying your potatoes a continuous gamble," the Toronto buyers complained.

"When we want to buy a car of fruit or vegetables from the United States we can be sure of uniform grade, size and package. We can also be sure that the same price is being charged all the trade for that particular grade," said the Toronto spokesman who protested "in your case we can never be sure of uniformity either in price or quality."

They don't favor government intervention, they explained "but we can assure you that we would be happy to support some move by your potato industry to organize itself so that greater uniformity in quality and price could be assured."

"If your industry could organize so that it could guarantee quality, correct weights, clean bags, uniformity in size and a uniform price basis it would make it much better for us, and could greatly benefit both your shippers and growers," the buyers emphasized.

Liberal Promises Studies Of Canal

AMHERST — (CP) — Keith Russell, Liberal candidate for Cumberland in the June 18 federal election, said Saturday that a Liberal government will make an immediate start on the necessary economic and engineering studies for the Chignecto canal project.

He said in a statement that if these studies show that it is possible and advisable, a Liberal government would proceed without delay on the construction of the Chignecto canal and a hydro-electric project.

British Minister Warns UN To Keep Hands Off

LONDON (AP) — A government minister warned the United Nations Saturday to keep its hands off Britain's colonial empire.

"We do not need lessons in the meaning of parliamentary democracy," Colonial Secretary Reginald Maudling said.

"Britain does not need to be supervised, directed or cajoled in her policy of bringing dependent territories towards self-government and independence."

The minister, speaking of the "growing interest" which the United Nations has lately been showing in British colonies, told the annual conference of the Conservative Commonwealth Council.

"We warmly welcome the interest that our friends show in these territories and the help that they are giving towards their development. Economic aid from America and Germany, economic and technical assistance from the International Bank, the United Nations and the many organizations connected with them are of immense value to the people of these territories."

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LONGEST TCH TUNNEL OPENED

China Bar tunnel, longest in the Trans-Canada Highway system was opened near Bon-

ton Bar, recently. The \$5,000,000, 2,600-foot tunnel cuts off one of the most treacherous

sections of the old Fraser canyon highway. These were

first cars through. (CP Photo)

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