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Britain Seeks Canada's Support In Trade Drive

OTTAWA (C)—Britain has enlisted the support of Canada to make sure that highly-confidential Commonwealth proposals to expand world trade are not side-tracked in Washington.

Richard Butler, chancellor of the British exchequer, emphasized in a party speech that the proposals will have a tremendous impact on the ability of the Western world to defend itself against the Communist menace.

He had placed these proposals before the new American administration two weeks ago, but Washington couldn't make any snap decisions.

Mr. Butler was told the Americans needed time to think the proposals over. Meanwhile there was a great need for maintaining the "momentum" of the drive to get American support of the Commonwealth economic plan—and that's where Canada came in.

SUPPORT WITH U.S.

Mr. Butler told an Ottawa Canadian Club audience that he had received confirmation from the Canadian government "that in the weeks and months ahead the influence and support of your statesmen will be with us."

Canada had a key role in developing the Commonwealth plan, Mr. Butler disclosed. When the Commonwealth prime ministers met in London last December, the problem confronting the Commonwealth was whether it should build trade fences around its boundaries or seek expansion of trade with the world.

"We decided to look outwards," said Mr. Butler, "to expand and to seek to work towards a single system of freer trade and freer means of payments."

"One of the greatest influences in this direction was that of Canada... it was no wonder that when the Commonwealth as a whole decided to turn in this direction, your prime minister, on his return, was able to speak with satisfaction of the result."

Mr. Butler's speech climaxed a three-day visit to this capital—his first official to Canada as chancellor. During the three days he informed the Canadian government of his accomplishments in Washington and talked over Anglo-Canadian trade and financial problems with Finance Minister Abbott and Trade Minister Howe.

TENDERS

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By any method of valuation, Mrs. Keen had about one-third of the high cards and a five-card suit—plenty to make up a sound opening bid.

Mr. Champion had about the minimum strength for an overcall at the one level. The chances of his getting doubled and hurt badly were negligible. One of his principal reasons for overcalling was the fact that his bid made it impossible for Mr. Abel to respond at the one level. It made no difference on this hand but sometimes it crowds the opponents' bidding seriously.

Mr. Abel had a good hand but he needed it all to make a response which would force his partner to rebid at the three level. Mr. Dale didn't have too much and his spade raise was inserted as possibly the last chance to tell his partner that he had some support for a spade contract in case partner was interested in sacrificing at that suit later on.

Mrs. Keen's three heart bid showed ample trump support in hearts and verified a sound opening bid. Mr. Champion declined his partner's suggested sacrifice and Mr. Abel, with a little in reserve, properly went on to game.

While the bidding was sensible enough, Mr. Abel's play of the hand left something to be desired. He won the spade opening with dummy's ace and promptly took three rounds of trumps. Now everything depended on the clubs breaking 3-3. When they failed to do so, he was able to win only nine tricks.

Picking up all of the enemy's trumps is a laudable practice but sometimes you cannot afford that luxury and the odds favor another line of play. The best play in this deal was to cash the ace and queen of hearts at tricks two and three. That would leave just one trump

North dealer
Neither side vulnerable

North (Mrs. Keen)
S-A 2
H-K 9 2
D-7 6 5
C-A Q 9 6 4

East (Mr. Champion)
S-K J 10 8 7
H-6 4 3
D-A J 10
C-7 2

South (Mr. Abel)
S-6 5
H-A Q J 7 5
D-Q 8 4 2
C-K 5

The bidding:
North East South West
1 C 1 S 2 H 2 S
3 H Pass 4 H All pass

outstanding and an entry on the board in the form of the king of hearts.

Now lead the king and ace of clubs, then a small club and ruff it in the closed hand. A heart to the king would put dummy in to cash two more clubs. Following this line, Mr. Abel would have won one spade, five hearts and four clubs for 10 tricks in all.

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