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Daily News Photos by Dick Ayres.

FIRST EQUIPMENT for clearing job on Digby Island site of new Prince Rupert airport arrived here Sunday on Union Steamship powered-loading barge MV Redonda. The vessel, skippered by Capt. Arthur Young, with Joseph Walker, first mate, arrived at Armour Salvage dock Sunday morning carrying giant D-8 caterpillar tractor and a 40-ton, yard-and-a-quarter shovel. Equipment belongs to T'Sable River Logging Company and Fletcher Construction Company. Job of clearing will cover some 700 acres of muskeg and trees and contractors will keep ahead of other construction work. Picture above shows MV Redonda sailing for Digby Island where equipment was to be driven off landing-craft type vessel onto a raft and then driven ashore. Picture at right shows, left to right, on board Union Steamship barge, J. E. Fletcher, manager of T'Sable River Logging Company and Fletcher Construction; mate Joe Walker and Capt. Arthur Young. The Redonda is a former navy supply vessel converted to landing-craft type ship at New Westminster.

Diefenbaker Pondering Make-Up Of New Cabinet

St. Laurent Gives Massey Resignation

By JOHN LeBLANC
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—John Diefenbaker, confirmed as Canada's next prime minister but not quite in office, today worked on the makeup of a cabinet nucleus that will take over the federal government Friday.

The tall Prairie lawyer, who Monday night accepted Governor-General Massey's invitation to form a government after the resignation of Prime Minister St. Laurent, was shaping up Canada's first Conservative administration in 22 years. And the Liberals were leaving office after a record-breaking tenure.

The 61-year-old Progressive Conservative leader from Saskatchewan, who put out the long-entrenched Liberals after less than six months at the head of his party, will be prime minister in three days as the leader of a minority group in the Commons.

The 75-year-old Mr. St. Laurent, government chief since 1948, will become Opposition leader.

Heads For London

One of Mr. Diefenbaker's first major jobs as prime minister will be to head for London Monday for the Commonwealth conference of prime ministers starting June 26. There he intends to press for a Commonwealth conference on trade.

Meanwhile, he was concentrating efforts today on building up the core of a cabinet to be submitted to the governor-general Friday, and there were some indications he might reach outside the list of elected Conservatives for some ministers.

Until Friday, Mr. St. Laurent will head a caretaker administration.

The prime minister tendered his resignation late Monday and when the governor-general promptly called on Mr. Diefenbaker to form a new administration, the Conservative leader accepted but held off setting up the new government pending choice of a cabinet.

Neither Mr. St. Laurent nor Mr. Diefenbaker has an over-all majority in the 265-seat Commons, where the party standing now is: Progressive Conservatives 109; Liberals 104; CCF 25; Social Credit 19; Independent 2; Independent-Liberal 2; Independent-Progressive Conservative 1; Liberal-Labor 1; vacant 1; deferred 1.

Informants said there were still some strong misgivings among a number of the re-elected cabinet ministers—nine others were defeated June 10—over giving up power to the Conservatives, especially as both major parties were so close in numbers. But the views of the others, including Mr St. Laurent, prevailed.

To Co-Operate

As he turned in his resignation, including Mr. St. Laurent, pre-statement that he had informed Mr. Diefenbaker he was prepared to carry on if the former Opposition leader wanted it, but was ready to co-operate otherwise.

The outgoing chief said he feels the Liberal MPs will not "attempt by obstructions to prevent the new government from carrying through Parliament the program it has placed before the people."

However, he said, the Liberals will "exercise our right to express our views freely on the measures introduced in Parliament."

Later, Mr. Diefenbaker said he is approaching his new job in a spirit of "tremendous responsibility."

He did not elaborate on previously-enunciated policies after a meeting with the governor-general, but made it clear he still is figuring on a special session of parliament in the fall.

During his campaign Mr. Diefenbaker promised to call such a session to undertake tax-cutting and such measures as boosting old age pensions and other social security measures.

He planned to call the session in September. However, Queen Elizabeth is to be in Ottawa in early October, and the Liberals had expected she would open a fall session. Mr. Diefenbaker said it could be that she might be asked to prorogue a short session called before her arrival.

Ends Uncertainty

The 22-year-old Liberal government finally toppled in a day of swift-moving developments after days of uncertainty following the close election.

Mr. St. Laurent phoned Mr Diefenbaker in the morning and told him there was to be a cabinet meeting later in the day but Mr. Diefenbaker said without telling him whether or not he would be resigning.

Meanwhile, the Conservative leader and a group of colleagues got down to shirtsleeves in 86-degree heat in Mr. Diefenbaker's Parliament Hill office to dope out the next moves and, apparently, to work on the new cabinet's makeup.

Among them were several prospective ministers including Maj-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, VC, Esquimalt-Saanich, Donald Fleming, Toronto Eglinton, Gordon Churchill, Winnipeg South Centre, George Nowlan, Digby-Annapolis-Kings, and George Hees, Toronto Broadview.

B.C. NEWS ROUNDUP

Youth Wounded by Shot Through Back of Auto

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — Harvey Walter Young, 18, was wounded in the back Sunday when a .22-calibre bullet ripped through an automobile seat.

The wounding of Young was said by police to stem from the brutal beating of an elderly man by a gang of young hoodlums last winter.

Victim of last winter's attack, who refused to report the case to police, was Frank Ney, in whose Uplands Street home Harvey is said to have been living.

Police said Ney had asked Harvey to come and live with him because he feared a recurrence of trouble with the juvenile gang.

Gunfire broke out Sunday night after Young and a number of companions had visited Ney's home.

Police were not notified of the shooting until the youth was admitted to Prince George and District Hospital bearing a gunshot wound.

Investigation into the shooting is continuing.

BURNS LAKE (CP)—Metal reinforcements for the Skins Lake Dam near here will arrive shortly from Montreal by rail, it was learned Monday.

The dam is running open after workmen failed to block an outlet last Monday. One man was drowned as rushing water plowed into the empty Nechako River basin.

The metal pieces being brought here are 40 feet long and weigh 15 tons each.

VANCOUVER (CP)—A majority of Vancouver grocery operators favor selling beer and wine to the public, it was indicated Monday in the return of a mail questionaire by the B.C. branch of the Retail Merchants Association.

At present, grocers cannot sell beer and wine. But if the majority of grocers is in favor of selling the goods, the RMA is expected to ask the provincial government to amend the liquor regulations.

In Vancouver the survey showed grocers 90-per-cent in favor of the sale. About 680 grocers were questioned.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Members of a jury who acquitted a man of rape last month were released Monday by Mr. Justice A. M. Manson from further duty at the current assize.

The judge's action, taken at the opening of a criminal negligence trial, was described as unique in the memory of veteran legal observers here.

CASSIDY, B.C. (CP)— A man injured in a two-car collision here late Monday died four hours later. Three others who were injured, including Nanaimo Timbermen lacrosse goalie Alf Shuker, were reported in good condition. Name of the dead man was withheld by police.

VICTORIA (CP)—Polio is taking another holiday in B.C. this year, provincial health authorities said Monday, with only nine cases reported to date compared to 19 at this stage last year. Officials regarded 1956 as a low-incidence year.

There have been no deaths from polio this year compared with one a year ago.

Mao Against Force For Communism

By TOM OCHILTREE

LONDON (AP)—Communist China's leader Mao Tse-tung admits that "contradictions" exist in a Communist society — and thereby differs with Soviet ideologists who maintain such a thing is impossible.

In a speech made public today, Mao declared that any attempt to deal with such contradictions by "coercive measures will not only be ineffective but harmful."

"We cannot abolish religion by administrative orders, nor can we force people not to believe in it," he said. "We cannot expect people to give up idealism, any more than we can force them to believe in Marxism. In settling matters of controversial issues among the people we can only use democratic methods, methods of discussion, of criticism, and not coercive nor high-handed methods."

DIFFERS WITH KREMLIN

Mao, who appears to have taken over as the ideological high priest of world communism since Stalin's death, denied the often voiced claim of Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet Communist party chief, that leaders and the masses can never find themselves in contradiction in a Communist state.

DELIGHTED BY REVOLT

Mao conceded that the Hungarian uprising last autumn caused stirrings even inside Communist China, with some people hoping for a two-party system on the Western model. He said:

"Certain people in our country were delighted when the Hungarian events took place. They hoped that something similar would happen in China, that thousands upon thousands of people would demonstrate in the streets against the people's government."

But this "ran counter to the interests of the masses."

For the first time, Mao made it clear the Hungarian uprising had brought doubts to some Chinese circles. It was impossible to determine how widespread these doubts were.

WAVERING ATTITUDE

"There were other people in our country who took a wavering attitude towards the Hungarian events because they were ignorant about the actual world situation. They felt that there was too little freedom under our people's democracy and that there was more freedom under Western parliamentary democracy."

Metlakatla Man Feared Drowned

A life-long resident of Metlakatla, Cecil Ryan, about 50 years of age, was feared drowned today when RCMP reported that his boat had been found drifting.

The skipper of the Marlo Mack II told RCMP that he sighted Mr. Ryan's small fishing vessel; the Rupert 78, last Saturday at Butler's Cove, south of Stevens Island. He towed the empty boat into Port Edward harbor.

Mr. Ryan had set out on the fishing trip in rough weather Friday night his sister Mrs. Mary Robinson told the Daily News today.

RCMP are still searching for the body.

Mr. Ryan leaves his wife, Dorothy, five children, Gladys, Audrey, Burle, Abby and Francis; two brothers, George and Henry, and three sisters, Mrs. Charles Nelson, Mrs. Mary Robinson, all of Metlakatla, and Mrs. James McKenly of Vancouver.

Kitimat Man Missing

A Kitimat man, Sidney Putnam Radmond, 36, is missing and presumed drowned in a boating accident that occurred just off Kitimat on Sunday, RCMP at subdivision reported today.

Frank Bowers, the other occupant of the small craft with outboard motor, said that the boat hit a log and capsized. He managed to swim ashore while Mr. Radmond drowned in the icy water, police said.

He leaves a wife and five children.

Ex-City Man George Rorie Dies in South

Funeral of George Rorie, a former longtime resident of Prince Rupert, was held this morning from Simmons and McBride Ltd. Funeral Home in Vancouver. Mr. Rorie died on Saturday in a Vancouver hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Rorie came to Prince Rupert in his late teens. He practiced here as a chartered accountant, was a member of the Gyro Club and was well-known in musical circles for his ability to play the drums and xylophone. In 1937 he married Ruby Krivesky, who was born in this city, and he and his family moved to Smithers about four years ago.

In Smithers, Mr. Rorie became a prominent Rotarian and a member of the school board.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby; 10-year-old son David and a sister, Nancy, who lived in Prince Rupert until recently.

Impaired Driver Fined

Arthur Lloyd McKinley, 1083 Ambrose Avenue, was fined $100 with an alternative of one month in jail in default of payment, when he pleaded guilty in City Police court today to a charge of being in control of a motor vehicle while he was impaired by alcohol. The case was heard before Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. Glassey.

Also in court was Gordon Franklin Nicholls, 1424 Sixth Avenue East, who pleaded guilty to speeding in a school zone. He was fined $35 with an alternative of 10 days in jail in default of payment for driving at about 35 mph on Sixth Avenue East.

WEATHER

Cloudy with sunny periods today and tomorrow afternoon. Little change in temperature. Winds south 15 in exposed areas and light elsewhere. Low tonight and high Wednesday at Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert 45 and 60.

STRIKE VOTE FRIDAY

Penticton Hospital Faces Financial Ruin

PENTICTON (CP)—The governors of Penticton Hospital, which faces a strike vote by nurses Friday, said Monday the institution is in danger of financial collapse.

A statement issued by the governing board said the hospital stands by its offer to increase basic pay for nurses to $240 a month from $230, with four increases of $10 a month for each year of service. It said this would mean an average wage of $265 a month.

The nurses have accepted the recommendations of a conciliation board which suggested a minimum of $244 a month. They said an emergency staff will be provided in the event of a strike.

The board said the pay and benefits sought by the nurses are beyond its financial capacity. It said the provincial government has taken "virtually complete control over hospital revenues" and left the governors "responsibility without authority."

Adjustments made in the hospital's budgets by the British Columbia Hospital Insurance scheme for the years 1953 to 1956 have been $31,000 less than its actual net loss, the statement said.

It said this process "gradually plunges the hospital deeper into an overdraft position." While the government had taken away all effective control over funds available, it still insisted that labor negotiations were the responsibility of the board.

"The board does not feel that it has any quarrel with the nursing or any other staff, but it does think that in the circumstances it has gone as far as it dare without risking financial disaster."

Top Price Of 18.9 Paid Laredo

Highest price paid this season to a Canadian boat—18.9 cents a pound for medium halibut—was bid at the Prince Rupert Halibut Exchange today by Pacific Fisheries Co. Ltd. The firm bought the 70,000 pound catch landed by Laredo at 18.9, 17.4 and 11 cents a pound for medium, large and chicken sizes.

Other catches brought in today, with prices for medium, large and chicken halibut in brackets are as follows:

Northern Light (U.S.)—50,000 pounds (19, 17.6, 11); sold to B.C. Packers Ltd.

Atli—21,000 pounds (18.2, 17.2, 12); sold to Atlin Fisheries Ltd.

Twinkle—17,000 pounds (17.5, 17, 11); sold to Atlin Fisheries Ltd.

Sleep Robber—60,000 pounds (18.3, 17.5, 12); sold to Babcock Fisheries Ltd.

Three boats landed halibut at the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-Operative Association. They were: Kyriello 8,000 pounds, Neptune 2,200 pounds and Margaret I 46,000 pounds.

H. A. McConnell Funeral Held

Funeral services for Herbert Arthur McConnell, whose body was found near Haysport June 4, were held yesterday from Ferguson's Funeral Home with Dean A. E. Hendy officiating.

The hymns "Abide With Me" and "Lead, Kindly Light" were sung.

Interment was at the Veterans' plot in Fairview Cemetery.

Pall bearers were:

Norman McGlashan, Arthur Murray, Peter Knox, Charles Nicholson, Charles Barker and Jack Lindsay.

VICTORIA (CP)— No cases of the influenza virus sweeping Southeast Asia have yet been reported in B.C., Deputy Health Minister Dr. G. F. Amyot said Monday.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH VERDICT OF JURY IN BOATING MISHAP

A verdict of accidental death was returned by a coroner's jury Saturday at an inquest into the death of William Cooley, drowned in a boating mishap at Dennis Army June 9.

The jury, called by city coroner George J. Dawes, added a rider to the verdict that the operator of the boat, Leroy Becker of Prince Rupert, had neglected to install adequate life saving equipment in his boat.

The accident occurred while Mr. and Mrs. Becker were on a fishing trip with Mr. Cooley and his three and a half year-old son David.

The small craft capsized when a crabnet was pulled in and all occupants were thrown overboard. Mr. and Mrs. Becker swam the 100 yards to the shore but Mr. Cooley was unable to save himself or his son. The boy's body has not yet been found.

Jail Terms Handed Out After Assault

Jail sentences of two and five months respectively were passed on Albert Henry Stevens, 20, and Edward Rufus Watt, 17, by Police Magistrate S. D. Johnston when he convicted the two youths of assault with intent to steal in city police court Monday.

They were both found guilty of attacking and trying to steal money from the complainant Hubert Barton, 47, of Kincolith, in a city rooming house on May 26 of this year.

Barton's left forearm was severely cut with a broken whiskey bottle wielded by Stevens. Watt pulled a knife during the fight but wounded no one with it.

In imposing the sentences, Magistrate Johnston called the assault on an unarmed man "despicable and cowardly."

Watt received the longer term in view of an extensive police record, the magistrate said.

Prosecutor was A. Bruce Brown. Appearing for Watt was Willa Ray and for Stevens W. N. Poole.

Drink in Cafe Proves Costly

Consuming liquor in an unlicenced restaurant cost Wilfred Sonnenberg $50 in City Police court today.

Police stated that they had found Sonnenburg in a city restaurant drinking hard liquor. A bottle of rum and one of whiskey were seized. Stipendiary Magistrate H. F. Glassey imposed the fine of $50 and set an alternative sentence of 14 days in default of payment.