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836 CANDIDATES IN LISTS

A total of 836 candidates will seek election to Parliament when Canadians go to the polls March 31. Of these, only 265 will be successful in gaining seats in the new Parliament.

The final figure of 836 candidates was the lowest since 1940 when there were 672 contestants for 245 seats. The 1957 election last June 10 drew a field of 862. The record high was 954 in 1945.

The entire Progressive Conservative Cabinet, headed by Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker, was nominated as all but two of the Government Members of the last House sought re-election. Missing from the list were Angus R. MacDonald, Antigonish-Guysborough, and Nereé Arsenault, Bonaventure.

Mr. Diefenbaker, nominated two weeks ago in Prince Albert, has Liberal and CCF opposition, while Liberal Leader Lester Pearson will be opposed by Progressive Conservative and CCF candidates in Algoma East.

PRINCE BERNHARD'S ITINERARY

The Office of the Prime Minister has announced that when His Royal Highness Prince Bernhard of The Netherlands makes an informal and brief visit to Canada early in May, he will visit aircraft factories in Montreal and Toronto, see some of the installations of the St. Lawrence Seaway, and spend two days in

CCF Leader M. J. Coldwell has Progressive Conservative and Liberal rivals in Rosetown-Biggar and Social Credit Chief Solon Low faces a four-way contest in Peace River.

COUNTRY-WIDE LINEUP

This was the country-wide lineup of candidates, with the 1957 figures in brackets:

Progressive Conservatives 265 (265); Liberals 265 (265); CCF 169 (162); Social Credit 82 (114); independents and other 55 (65).

Standing of the House at dissolution Feb. 11 was: Progressive Conservatives 113; Liberals 106; CCF 25; Social Credit 19; independents 2. There were no vacancies.

Twenty-one members of the last House are not seeking re-election. They include 16 Liberals, two Progressive Conservatives, two Social Credit Party and one independent.

The Communist Labor-Progressive Party, headed by Party Leader Tim Buck in Toronto Trinity, has 18 candidates in the field, compared with 10 in 1957.

Vancouver. He will be accompanied throughout his tour by Mr. Thomas A. Stone, Ambassador of Canada at The Hague, and by two members of his suite.

Following his arrival at Dorval Airport on Saturday, May 3, His Royal Highness will immediately proceed to Ottawa where he will be the guest of His Excellency the Governor General at Government House. On Sunday morning,