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PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE SWEEP

Carried on the crest of a country-wide wave of votes that decimated Liberal ranks, eliminated the Social Credit party from the federal scene and severely cut the CCF strength, Mr. John G. Diefenbaker's Progressive Conservative Government was swept back into office with an overwhelming mandate in the general election March 31.

With one seat in doubt as this bulletin went to press, the Progressive Conservatives had gained 209 of the 265 seats in Canada's House of Commons in an unprecedented display of election strength. The PC's showed amazing power all across the country, and received solid support from the key province of Quebec, where 50 of their standard bearers were named to office. In the 1957 election, only 9 Progressive Conservatives had won seats in Quebec.

Only 8 Liberals were elected in the Atlantic Provinces, 5 in Newfoundland (unchanged) and 3 in New Brunswick (2 in 1957). Twenty-five Liberals survived the upheaval in Quebec, with

Party Standings:

PC	209
Lib	47
CCF	8
SC	-
Others	-
Doubtful	1
Totals	265

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At Dissolution

113
106
25
19
2
265