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WEEK'S EVENTS IN REVIEW

NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL MEETING: The Department of External Affairs announced on September 13 that the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Pearson, was leaving Ottawa that afternoon to attend meetings of the North Atlantic Council which are to be held in New York on Friday and Saturday, September 15 and 16.

The Minister will be accompanied by his Special Assistant, Mr. D.V. LePan, and the following advisers:

Mr. A.D.P. Heeney, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs;

Mr. L.D. Wilgress, Canadian High Commissioner in the United Kingdom and Canadian representative on the North Atlantic Council Deputies;

Lieut.-Gen. Charles Foulkes, Chief of the General Staff and Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee;

Mr. J.J. Deutsch, Director, International Economic Relations Division, Department of Finance;

Mr. J. George, Defence Liaison Division, Department of External Affairs.

IN PARLIAMENT: When Parliament adjourns upon completion of the current business of the Special Session, it will stand adjourned until February 14, 1951, the Prime Minister, Mr. St. Laurent, announced in a notice of motion on September 12. It could be recalled, in an emergency, before that date.

Progressive Conservative and C.C.F. Party motions of no-confidence, submitted in the Budget Debate, were defeated by 152 to 56 and 147 to 52 respectively on September 12; and the House went into Committee of Ways and Means on Budget resolutions.

The Progressive Conservative amendment would have had the House express regret "that especially at this time, when the people of Canada are suffering from the heavy burden of soaring prices for the necessities of life and are facing extraordinary expenditures for national defence, the Government has failed to take effective steps to curtail non-essential expenditures and improve the general efficiency of Government."

The C.C.F. sub-amendment would have added: "We regret further that the Government has failed to protect the people of this country from profiteering by the imposition of an excess profits tax."

Toward the close of the Budget Debate, Mr. J.G. Diefenbaker, (Progressive Conservative,