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AN ANGLO-CANADIAN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS

Replying in the House of Commons on April 13 to a suggestion that he provide "a short summary of what transpired during the visit to Ottawa of the...Prime Minister of the United Kingdom", Prime Minister Diefenbaker said that, although he did not feel at liberty "to reveal the substance of the various private discussions" that had been held between himself and Mr. Macmillan, nevertheless "some general indication of the topics...covered" might be of interest. His outline of the topics discussed follows:

"One of the most important was the United Kingdom's relationship with Europe. This is a matter of major importance not only to the United Kingdom and the countries of Europe but to Canada itself, and indeed the whole Western world. It should not be seen in purely economic terms, but as a broad development of much consequence in which there must be a careful weighing of both short and long term considerations and of political as well as economic factors. The United Kingdom Government has these broad considerations in mind in examining the question of its relations with Europe.

ATLANTIC SOLIDARITY

"Reference has been made to the conception of an Atlantic Community. As I indicated yesterday, these relations among groupings in Europe and groupings in other regions of the world will take a very long time to develop

and mature. It is well to recall, however, that to some extent the Atlantic Community already exists, not in an institutional form but in a degree of spiritual fellowship and also in the various forms of co-operation in the military, political and economic spheres. It is naturally desirable, if not mandatory, in the interests of reinforcing the collective strength, stability and understanding of the Western world, that co-operation should be expanded and intensified as practical possibilities permit.

CONCERN OVER COMMON MARKET

"I took the opportunity to restate the concern of the Canadian Government regarding arrangements which the United Kingdom might work out with Common Market countries, that full account be taken of the trading interests of Canada. I made it clear that this would be particularly necessary in the field of agricultural products in which Canada has a substantial interest, and in respect of which the Common Market treaty has not yet led to specific trading arrangements. The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom left me with a clear impression that the United Kingdom Government intends to make every effort to work out a satisfactory means of participating in the economic organization of Europe without detriment to Canadian or Commonwealth interests. In this connection discussions will continue from time to time, and my hope is that, through

continuing consultation, arrangements will be arrived at in keeping with Canada's wishes in this regard.

"NATO is one subject which was discussed at some length, and the imperative need for greater efforts than have been made heretofore to bring NATO into a strong, flexible and understanding partnership was underlined. In addition, the need of moral, military and political capacity if NATO is to pursue its objectives successfully was emphasized.

POLITICAL CONSULTATION

"The Leader of the Opposition, with his knowledge of the operation of NATO from its foundation, will realize that the importance of political consultation has been a subject of consideration throughout the years. Indeed, he belonged to the group known as the Three Wise Men which made recommendations in this regard. I think Mr. Macmillan would agree that what requires development is the will and the readiness to consult well in advance. The machinery is there, and it cannot be blamed now for any shortcomings in consultation.

"The question of a meeting of NATO heads of government was discussed. I feel such a meeting is necessary, but I am equally convinced that it should not be held until there has been thorough preparation and investigation in advance of the likely areas of agreement.

LAOS, CONGO AND CHINA

"In the international field we reviewed the current situation in Laos and the Congo, but I do not think there is anything to report to the House, since the position in both these areas has been adequately reported in the press and in this Chamber.

"The problem of China is one to which attention was devoted. In particular, Mr. Macmillan and I discussed the question of Chinese representation in the United Nations and agreed that it was important to continue to work on this problem in preparation for the next regular session of the General Assembly later this year.

"The House is aware of the fact that the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom visited The West Indies before coming to the United States and Canada. During the course of our discussions he gave an account of the political situation in The West Indies and the outlook for the establishment of a federation when complete West Indies independence has been attained. The economic problems of The West Indies and the relations of Canadian aid and other such programmes to these problems in the Western Hemisphere were considered.

"We discussed the question of low-cost imports from Hong Kong, a matter of very salient interest to Canadians at this time. As a result I believe a better understanding of the problems was arrived at, and further discussions will be continued by representatives of both governments...."

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UN BUDGET

Canada has sent to the United Nations cheques totalling \$3,781,407, representing payment in full of all Canadian contributions to the Regular Budget and Special Accounts of the United Nations to the end of 1961. The payment also included the Canadian pledge to the United Nations Fund for the Congo, which was announced during the first part of the fifteenth session.

The total amount paid was made up in the following way:

Balance of Canada's UN Regular Budget contribution for 1960 - \$382,595.

Canada paid \$1,500,000 on account for the 1961 Regular Budget on Christmas Eve 1960 in order to alleviate the serious cash position with which the United Nations was faced at that time. Payment before Christmas was possible because constitutional arrangements have been worked out so that the Canadian contribution to the Regular Budget can be paid as soon as the assessment notice has been received.

Contribution to the United Nations Emergency Force Special Account for 1961 - \$581,916.

Payment representing a further contribution to the 1960 UNEF account following rejection of the rebate offered under the resolution assessing these costs - \$310,764.

(Canada paid its assessed share of this account early in 1960)

Contribution to the Congo Ad Hoc Account for the period July-December 1960 - \$1,506,232.

Voluntary contribution to the United Nations Fund for the Congo - \$1,000,000.

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CANADIAN FILM AWARDS

J. Alphonse Ouimet, President of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, will present the thirteenth annual Canadian Film Awards in Toronto on May 13. The Canadian Film Awards are sponsored by the Canadian Association for Adult Education, the Canada Foundation and the Canadian Film Institute to bring public recognition to the best of current Canadian film production. They will be presented at a luncheon for members of the Association of Motion Picture Producers and Laboratories of Canada, the Canada Foundation, the Canadian Association for Adult Education, the Canadian Film Institute, Canadian Film Award judges, the press and others. This year's presentation has been advanced from June in order to coincide with the annual meeting of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, the first to take place outside the United States, and the annual meeting of the Association of Motion Picture Producers and Laboratories of Canada.

BY-ELECTIONS ANNOUNCED

Prime Minister Diefenbaker has announced that writs for the election of new members to the House of Commons for the electoral districts of Esquimalt-Saanich, British Columbia, Leeds, Ontario, Restigouche-Madawaska, New Brunswick, and Kings, Prince Edward Island, were issued on April 13 and that the date of polling would be May 29.

SIERRA LEONE INDEPENDENCE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, has announced that the High Commissioner for Canada in Nigeria, Mr. T. LeM. Carter, who is also to be High Commissioner for Canada in Sierra Leone, will lead the Canadian delegation to the Sierra Leone independence celebrations on April 27.

It was announced recently from Naval Headquarters that the destroyer HMCS "Algonquin", commanded by Captain A.F. Pickard, RCN, would make an official visit to Sierra Leone at the time of the independence ceremonies. It is expected that members of the ship's company will participate in the official celebrations.

VISIT OF GREEK PM

Prime Minister Constantin Caramanlis of Greece and Mrs. Caramanlis recently concluded a three-day official visit to Ottawa as the guests of the Government of Canada, at the invitation of Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker. Mr. Caramanlis was accompanied by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece, Mr. Evangelos Averoff-Tossitsa, and by senior officials of the Greek Government.

The two Prime Ministers expressed their satisfaction that Greek-Canadian relations were guided by sincere friendship and close co-operation based upon a community of ideals, of civilization and of political interests. Their conversations, in which the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece and the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, participated, covered a wide range of international subjects and examined various means of furthering Greek-Canadian co-operation both in the United Nations and in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The Prime Ministers agreed that they should continue their efforts to achieve controlled general disarmament together with the peaceful settlement of international disputes.

EMPHASIS ON NATO

Mr. Caramanlis and Mr. Diefenbaker also agreed that, pending the conclusion of a disarmament agreement, the best guarantee of Western security lay in the North Atlantic alliance. The fullest co-operation of the members of NATO and the strengthening of its defence capacity were urgent requirements. In

this connection they maintained their previously-expressed views on the desirability of convening, after due preparation, the North Atlantic Council at heads-of-government level.

In the fields of bilateral relations, they agreed that every effort should be made to broaden economic co-operation and increase trade. They also exchanged views and information on Greek immigration to Canada.

On his arrival in Ottawa, Mr. Caramanlis laid a wreath at the National War Memorial and inspected a guard of honour. During his visit, he was shown the establishments and laboratories of the National Research Council.

At the end of the discussions, Prime Minister Carmanlis invited Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker to pay an official visit to Greece. Mr. Diefenbaker expressed his warm appreciation of this invitation and his desire to accept. It was agreed that the timing of the visit would be arranged at a later date.

NEW JOB FOR JOHN FISHER

Prime Minister Diefenbaker has announced that the well-known broadcaster and authority on *Canadiana*, John W. Fisher, will join his staff as Special Assistant at the end of May. Mr. Fisher, 48, has resigned his position as Executive Director with the Canadian Tourist Association.

Mr. Diefenbaker paid tribute to his contributions to Canada, particularly in the United States, where he has spoken in almost every State and before some of the largest conventions.

A graduate lawyer from Dalhousie University and member of the Bar of Nova Scotia, Mr. Fisher has had a varied career in newspapers, radio, television, lecturing and in tourist work. He is the author of two books, the most recent, in collaboration with Yousuf Karsh, published November last.

The Prime Minister said that, as Special Assistant, Mr. Fisher would devote special attention to Canada's Centennial preparations.

HARBOUR BOARD INCOME

Accompanied by a 7 per cent increase in waterborne cargo tonnage, operations at Canada's national harbours earned \$27,139,000 in 1960, \$2,933,000 higher than gross operating income in 1959. The twenty-fifth annual report of the National Harbours Board, presented to Parliament by Mr. Léon Balcer, the Minister of Transport, showed a net operating income for the year of \$9,705,000, compared to \$8,608,000 in 1959. Net income deficit was increased by \$81,000 over the previous year.

Capital expenditures amounted to \$17,243,000 and were financed by \$11,880,000 from government loans, \$1,156,000 from the Board's replacement fund and \$4,207,000 from Board revenue. The 1960 capital programme included

new or improved wharves, new transit sheds, additions and improvements to grain-elevator systems and loading and unloading facilities. Uncompleted work on major contracts at the year end amounted to \$10,950,000. In addition, \$5,304,000 was spent on the maintenance of existing facilities.

Payments to the Government totalled \$4,-202,200, which consisted of \$3,884,000 in interest on loans and \$317,000 in principal. The reserve funds for replacement, fire and general insurance, workmen's compensation and special maintenance were increased by \$1,-861,000.

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NEW NORTHERN MONITOR STATION

Fort Smith, Northwest Territories, has been chosen as the site for a new monitoring station, recently announced Mr. Léon Balcer, Minister of Transport. The station will provide control over radio stations in the northern areas of the Prairie Provinces, British Columbia, and the Western parts of the Northwest Territories. With the accelerated activity in the North during recent years, communications facilities have grown rapidly in these areas -- there are now more than 2,500 communications and navigational-aids radio stations, and the number is on the increase. Mr. Balcer explained that control over these facilities will ensure that approved operating standards are maintained and that a fair sharing of the radio spectrum is available to all those needing radio communications.

The estimated cost of the new station is \$100,000, including approximately \$50,000-worth of specialized electronic devices.

The new station will be the ninth in the monitoring service of the Department of Transport's Telecommunications and Electronics Branch. The service was established in 1930 with one station in Ottawa. Full-time stations now in operation are located at Ladner, British Columbia, Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Melville, Saskatchewan, Lakehead, Strathburn and Almonte, Ontario, Beaumont, Quebec, and Hartlen Point, Nova Scotia, the last-named being moved to Montague, Prince Edward Island.

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B.C. WARS ON DOGFISH

For the fifth consecutive year, the Federal Government is providing financial incentive for fishermen in its efforts to control the stocks of the predacious dogfish in British Columbia waters. Fisheries Minister J. Angus MacLean announced recently.

Mr. MacLean said that \$150,000 had been earmarked to cover special payments to fishermen at the rate of 12 cents a pound for dogfish livers delivered to oil plants and collecting stations. The programme is effective immediately and will continue to the limits of the funds available to March 31, 1962.

This year the dogfish-destruction programme is being started as early as possible; in other years, it did not begin until midsummer. Mr. MacLean pointed out that it was desirable to have the subsidy available earlier in the year, when large runs of dogfish were to be found. An early start would also enable fishermen to supplement their earnings before the main salmon season opened.

DOGFISH A PEST

The dogfish, which is a member of the shark family, has caused extensive damage to fishing nets and gear, and also preys on the more valuable food fishes. In some areas they have become so numerous at times that commercial fishing has been severely curtailed. Tide-water sports fishing, one of the province's most popular tourist attractions, has also been harassed by the ubiquitous dogfish.

The dogfish menace became serious following the end of the Second World War. During the war there was a thriving commercial demand for dogfish in British Columbia waters because oil extracted from their livers is rich in Vitamin A. After the war, with the advent of a synthetic Vitamin A oil and the availability of less expensive oils from other sources, the fishery ceased. As a result of this, the dogfish population multiplied rapidly causing extensive damage to fishing gear and preying on the supply of food fishes.

Although it is too early to evaluate the effect the programme has had in reducing the dogfish population, there are indications that over the past two years the predation by dogfish in the Gulf of Georgia is not as extensive as had occurred before the introduction of the control programme.

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VANCOUVER FESTIVAL

At least five "firsts" will be included in the six-week programme of Vancouver's Fourth International Festival. The Festival's will feature the North American *première* of Benjamin Britten's latest opera "A Midsummer Night's Dream", which will be performed at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre on August 2. The famous New York City Ballet will make its Canadian debut when it opens the Arts Festival in Vancouver. Irmgard Seefried, celebrated soprano from the Vienna State Opera, will forsake the Salzburg Festival for the first time since 1946 to make her first appearance in Vancouver.

A new figure in the conducting field will make his first Vancouver appearance at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre on August 18. Zubin Mehta, 24-year old Indian-born music director of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, will conduct the Festival Symphony Orchestra in Walton's 2nd Symphony and Brahms's 1st Piano Concerto. Glenn Gould will be the soloist.

The 1961 Festival starts with the Vancouver International Film Festival, to be held from

July 10 to 22. Herman G. Weinberg, creator of English subtitles for over 300 foreign-language films, will judge the 100 documentary and short subject films entered in the Festival. Other judges will be announced shortly.

Vancouver's seventy-fifth anniversary will be the theme of the giant military searchlight tattoo beginning August 14 at the Empire Stadium. Brigadier Alasdair Maclean, producer of this and many other spectacular tattoos at Edinburgh, New York and elsewhere, describes the forthcoming show as the largest he has ever organized. In 1958, Brigadier Maclean produced Vancouver's first searchlight tattoo, which drew a hundred and twenty-six thousand people.

UBC AID TO MALAYA, SINGAPORE

Under the Colombo Plan and at the expense of the Government of Canada, the University of British Columbia has contracted to establish and develop courses in accounting and business administration in the University of Malaya. Initially members of the UBC staff will teach there but Malaysians will be trained, both at home and in Canada, to take over.

IMPORTANT ENGINEERING BOOKLET

An indication of the scope and diversity of Canadian engineering techniques and their practical applications is contained in a booklet just published by the Department of Trade and Commerce for distribution from the Canadian stand at the Engineering, Marine, Welding and Nuclear Energy Exhibition that opened in London, England, on April 20 and will last until May 4. Entitled *Engineered Products From Canada*, it describes in word and picture the outstanding engineering developments of 14 Canadian firms displaying their products in London.

Visitors to the show will be able to examine a unique and extremely popular new method of precision assembly of small component parts for use in electric meters, clocks, speedometers and other intricate measuring devices developed by a manufacturer from Peterborough, Ontario.

The booklet also describes a hydraulic tracer developed by a Galt, Ontario, company, which has proved to be a highly economical way of reproducing component parts on almost all types of metal-working machinery.

REVOLUTIONARY METHOD

A major Canadian contribution to structural engineering, in the field of joints and connectors, is explained in the booklet. This is a revolutionary new method of joining metals of virtually every sort, which some experts have described as the most significant development in connectors since the creation of the rivet.

The Canadian display at the London exhibition, coupled with the striking booklet which complements it, will indicate conclusively to British and other European visitors that the days when Canada contributed only raw materials to the economic life of the world are long past. As the booklet clearly shows, Canadian-designed and developed engineering products include important innovations in a multitude of industries, including the production of technical testing and measuring devices, machine tools and die-casting equipment, formwork and structural framework, railway track maintenance equipment, resistance welding and control equipment and conveyor-belt vulcanizing equipment.

ACADEMIC PEACE CORPS

An organization called Canadian Overseas Volunteers has been formed at the University of Toronto and l'Université Laval to arrange for young graduates to serve in under-developed countries for periods of a year or more. The World University Service of Canada in Toronto is providing secretarial assistance.

POLYMER EARNINGS

Mr. Raymond O'Hurley, Minister of Defence Production, recently announced that the 1960 net earnings of Polymer Corporation Limited were \$9,850,000 after income taxes.

The Company's annual report showed that Polymer's 1960 operations were at record levels. Rubber production reached 157,000 long tons with sales and other income totalling \$85,915,000. This was achieved despite lower prices and stiff competition, particularly in export areas where 70 per cent of Polymer's product is marketed.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Polymer's capital expenditure on new plant and equipment in Sarnia totalled \$4,166,000, bringing the full investment to over \$100 million at cost. Construction was started on facilities to produce black masterbatch rubbers and on an expansion of the styrene unit. A large warehouse was added and several smaller projects were completed.

Polymer has moved to meet the competitive challenge in the important European market by forming a subsidiary company, Polymer Corporation (SAF), to construct and operate a plant in France to produce special purpose rubbers which will augment the production from Sarnia facilities.

Polymer's success in selling its total output in domestic and overseas markets enabled the Company to maintain full employment in Sarnia, and earned for Canada valuable export dollars.

BUOY-SHIP FOR MACKENZIE RIVER

A shallow-draft buoy vessel, designed to meet the peculiar needs of buoy-tending operations on the Mackenzie River system, was launched on April 15 at Vancouver, the Department of Transport announces. The CMS "Eckaloo" will help to meet the growing task of buoy tending and related duties imposed by increasing navigation on the Mackenzie system. It will operate from the Transport Department Marine Agency at Fort Smith, Northwest Territories.

The vessel, which is 84 feet long, was designed in Montreal by a firm of naval architects, and was planned to cope with the special requirements of the Mackenzie River's currents and shallows. It has a draft, fully loaded, of only four feet and is a twin-screw vessel, which provides the manoeuvrability needed in the waters where it will be in service.

The vessel was constructed to meet the requirements of the Department of Transport Board of Steamship Inspection by Allied Builders Limited, Vancouver, and is the third craft of its type to be built for the department for the Mackenzie River system.

CMS "Eckaloo" is powered with two eight-cylinder Rolls Royce turbo-charge marine engines, each rated at 350 RHP at 1,800 RPM. The twin screws operate in propeller tunnels. Four rudders provide steering control.

The craft is fitted with the most modern navigational devices, including radar, radio telephone, depth sounder, gyro compass and other necessary equipment. A 4,000-pound hydraulic buoy crane is located on the forward deck.

Following its sea trials, the vessel will be transported by rail to Hay River, Alberta, in "knocked down" fashion and will be reassembled there for duties in the Fort Smith agency during the coming navigation season.

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TUNISIAN ENVOY INSTALLED

His Excellency Habib Bourguiba, Junior, presented his Letters of Credence on April 18 as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Tunisia to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. Henry F. Davis, presented the Ambassador to the Governor-General. Mr. G.P. de T. Glazebrook, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, and Mr. Esmond Butler, Secretary to the Governor-General, were in attendance on the Governor-General.

Mr. Bourguiba, born in 1927, is the son of the President of Tunisia. He has served recently as Tunisian Ambassador to France and is at present Ambassador to the United States of America.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY MEET

Mr. George Hees, Minister of Trade and Commerce, recently announced that a Trade and Industrial Promotion Conference had been arranged under the joint auspices of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Federal Department of Trade and Commerce and the Alberta Provincial Department of Industry and Development.

The conference will be held in Calgary on May 16, and will be divided into two sessions, one on domestic commerce and the other on export trade.

Businessmen and manufacturers in both primary and secondary industries will be invited to meet with senior officials of the Federal Department of Trade and Commerce and the Provincial Department of Industry and Development to discuss the promotion of trade in export and domestic markets. Business organizations will be requested to give consideration to their ability to enter the export field or to expand the value of their sales at home and abroad.

The services available within the Department of Trade and Commerce designed to assist domestic industries to develop and expand will be discussed at this Conference. The discussion of these services will include such topics as assistance to small business, notably guaranteed bank loans for small business enterprises, accelerated capital cost allowances available for assets to produce new products, federal-provincial programmes to assist in industrial expansion, the manufacture of products in Canada under licensing arrangements with foreign manufacturers, the importance of industrial design as a factor in the competitiveness of Canadian products, industrial standards, and the objectives and programmes of the National Productivity Council.

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WHEAT FOR INDONESIA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, announced on April 19 that agreement had been reached with the Government of Indonesia for the provision of \$350,000-worth of Canadian wheat flour under Canada's Colombo Plan programme. The Government of Indonesia has undertaken to set aside funds in Indonesian currency in an amount equivalent to the grant, to be used in Indonesia for economic development purposes to be agreed between the two governments.

The present grant raises to \$1,200,000 the value of Canadian foodstuffs that have been made available to Indonesia during the past three years under the Canadian Colombo Plan programme.