

Britain OK's Wide Powers Against Rhodesians



'We Have No Governor' Premier Ian Smith

LONDON (AP) — Both houses of Parliament approved early Tuesday the British government's emergency bill...

The bill gives Prime Minister Harold Wilson power to rule by decree in Rhodesian areas.

It is intended to establish Britain's sovereignty in the colony and to authorize sanctions or whatever other action the British government may feel necessary.

Wilson's decrees will take effect as soon as issued. But he must give Parliament a chance to disapprove them within 28 days.

Conservative critics in the

Commons complained that the bill is a blank check that allows Parliament far too little control.

But after 4 hours of debate only one Conservative was prepared to press opposition and the bill passed without a formal vote.

Gen. Evelyn Jones told Commons that Queen Elizabeth II, acting through her governor, Sir Humphrey Gibbs, heads the only legal government in Rhodesia.

Smith thought otherwise. He told reporters Rhodesia "no longer has a governor" but he failed in two confrontations with Gibbs Monday to evict him from Government House in Salisbury.

In the House of Lords two of the bill's most prominent critics, Lord Coleraine and the Marquess of Salisbury, leveled their attack less on Wilson than on their Conservative colleagues of former administrations.

Coleraine and Salisbury joined in pressing the govern-

ment to bring its boycott of Rhodesian tobacco and sugar within scope of the bill.

The boycott, which took effect Monday, is a blow at the lifeblood of the Rhodesian economy.

Others give formal effect to Rhodesia's exclusion from the sterling area, thus reducing the Rhodesian pound to a minor currency which must find its own level on world markets and the loss of Commonwealth preferences in trade.

Expulsion from the Commonwealth itself is not an issue. The British line is that Rhodesia still is a colony under rule of London, and its Commonwealth status remains unchanged.

During debate in Commons, a man identified as Colin Jordan, leader of Britain's small Nazi party, was dragged off after he

staged a white supremacy demonstration in the gallery.

Commons was started in anger when Jordan, who has been the center of numerous public disturbances on racist matters, got up in the gallery and shouted "do not impose sanctions on the white people. Wilson is betraying the interests of our race in Britain by colored immigration."

Officials said Jordan probably would be charged with "insulting behavior."

The Conservative opposition agreed in caucus to help Prime Minister Harold Wilson speed the bill through.

In the House of Lords, the Marquess of Salisbury, who has been intimately associated with Rhodesia, called Smith a man of "rectitude and honor." But he bowed to the basic principle of sanctions. He took the unusual position of withdrawing as

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He Won't Quit Sir Humphrey Gibbs



Honored At Reception

Mrs. Jean Gannett Arnen, Portland publisher (arrow), is among those at a reception in Washington Monday night given by the National Press Club and the Women's National Press Club in honor of Britain's Princess Margaret.

Margaret and her husband, Lord Snowdon. At right of Mrs. Arnen, black hat showing, is Mrs. May Craig, Press Herald Washington correspondent.

Princess Margaret Begins Washington Social Whirl

WASHINGTON (AP) — Britain's Princess Margaret began her four-day visit to Washington Monday night by expressing to a press reception gratitude for "such wonderful" hospitality given her and her husband, Lord Snowdon, in this country.

Describing her travels to the West, she said "the view of the Grand Canyon was the best of all."

"And now," she said, "we're glad to be in Washington, to meet again our old friends, President and Mrs. Johnson. And we're happy about seeing Washington and its historic buildings, which until now we have just been able to read about."

The princess wore a royal blue dress with short sleeves and a jacket topped with an off-fade colorful beret-type hat she said was made of peacock feathers. Her handbag and gloves were blue suede. Her jewelry: A double strand of pearls, a large sapphire and diamond bracelet and a pearl clip on her left shoulder.

William Blair, president of the National Press Club, presented the royal couple with a volume titled "Fictorial and Written History of Our Town."

Mary Gallagher, president of the Women's National Press Club, presented Princess Margaret with two coloring books for her children, complete with crayons.

A jet plane placed at their disposal by the White House, carried the royal couple from Arizona, where they had been guests of Lewis Douglas, former ambassador to Britain and Mrs. Douglas.

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Princess Pleased By Close Canadian, Maine Ties

By JEAN GANNETT ARNEN WASHINGTON — Princess Margaret said here Monday she is interested in the "easy exchange of Canadian and Maine citizens crossing the border."

The princess and Lord Snowdon, accompanied by her lady-in-waiting and Lady Dean, wife of British Ambassador Sir Patrick Dean, greeted approximately 1,200 men and women of the Washington press corps in the Statler Hilton Hotel.

She expressed delight at being in the United States and said she anticipates visiting President Johnson and Mrs. Johnson, and seeing the historic buildings of Washington.

The princess and her husband walked easily and graciously down the aisle and greeted every member of the press corps.

Princess Margaret was surprised that I had traveled to Washington to see them and it was then she told me of her interest in the exchange of Canadian and Maine citizens.

The princess was wearing a sleeveless, princess style royal blue velvet dress, with two small strands of pearls and a large sapphire surrounded by diamonds.

Her radiant face was framed

State Dept. Admits Hanoi Sought Talks Year Ago On Ending War

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department confirmed Monday that at least one approach for secret talks in Hanoi on ending hostilities was received from North Viet Nam a year ago. It was rejected at the time, the department said.

Press Officer Robert J. McCloskey confirmed that U.N. Secretary-General U Thant relayed a proposal for a meeting of American and North Vietnamese emissaries in Burma in the early fall of 1964 but added: "On the basis of the total evidence available to us we did not believe at any time that North Viet Nam was prepared for serious peace talks."

There is not one word of truth in the remarks made about me or the position attributed to me in the article," McNamara said. "My position has long been known."

"It is that we should search in every possible way for peaceful settlement in Viet Nam and should be prepared for successful negotiations," McNamara said.

In a statement, McNamara declared it was totally false that in the fall and winter of 1964 he had opposed such talks.

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U.S. Try To End War Seen In Mansfield Trip

MOSCOW (AP) — The mystery-wrapped mission of U.S. Senator Mike Mansfield to Moscow and East Europe aroused speculation here Monday of a new American effort to end the war in Viet Nam.

Mansfield and four other senators, including Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine, are traveling to a fact-finding mission. It was personally organized by Mansfield and President Johnson. The group arrived in Warsaw Monday.

Mansfield is Senate majority leader and a confidant of the President on foreign policy matters. He has been particularly close to Vietnam policy-making in Washington.

The Montana Democrat disclosed in Poland that he will come to Moscow Wednesday. It is expected to fly Saturday to Romania and then to Viet Nam.

Asked about Mansfield's trip, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said he could not comment on the senator's plans in Moscow.

It was learned, however, that appointments were requested last week with Soviet leaders — presumably Premier Alexei N. Kosygin and Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko.

Informed observers here speculated that Mansfield is involved in some new American initiative on the Viet Nam war. The very secrecy with which the mission has been organized was cited by the observers.

Mansfield said in Washington and Warsaw that his purpose was "to see, to observe, to note facts and to report them when we return home."

This implied that Mansfield is sounding out the current position of Hanoi on a Vietnamese settlement by talking to those with the best contacts, the observers suggested.

They noted that Mansfield had talked in Paris with French President Charles de Gaulle. Mansfield told a reporter: "Continued on Page 4; 4th Col."

Monday night American troops fought their way through to positions that had been cut off and surrounded for more than 30 hours.

The new offensive launched today by the Communists was despite a murderous pounding by U.S. Air Force B52 bombers Monday that tore great chunks out of the Viet Cong forces and "left them reeling in retreat with an estimated 1,000 dead."

The B52s flew 5,000 miles to

aid the beleaguered Air Cavalrymen in their first direct support of ground troops.

Nearly 500 communist bodies were counted after the eight-jet Strategic Air Force bombers pounded the Communist positions with 750 bombs. The total Viet Cong dead was expected to be over the 1,200 mark.

Military spokesmen said American casualties were moderate.

Reports from the fighting front said the first two Communist detachments today were destroyed by two companies of "hard-core," well-trained Communist troops — what a military spokesman called a "killing machine."

The Communists first attacked before daylight, lobbing mortar shells and heavy machine gun fire into American positions in a landing zone at the foot of the mountain.

The fighting raged for one hour and 25 minutes before the Communists pulled back and the Air Cavalrymen advanced short distance up the slopes of the mountain side.

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Broken Relay Switch In Canadian Plant Pinpointed As Cause Of Huge Blackout

WASHINGTON (AP) — The trigger that plunged the nation's Northeast into a broken relay last Tuesday was a dark area near Niagara Falls, it was announced Monday.

U.S. and Canadian officials reported their findings after the week of intensive inquiry into the chain-reaction blackout, but said they still don't know the origin of the surge of power that tripped out the automatic relay.

Noe they yet have recommendations to prevent future massive power loss.

Government and industry experts are still digging to find out why so many of the interlinked U.S. systems allowed a high-voltage dominoes an d drought-paralysis to much of the nation's most populous area as well as part of Canada.

The broken relay was pinpointed by Ross Strick, chairman of the Ontario Hydroelectric Commission which operates a system on the Niagara River. It was in his system's Sir Adam Beck plant No. 2 at

Queenston, a village in southern Ontario four miles west of Niagara Falls.

Strick announced the findings in Toronto at almost the same time Chairman Joseph C. Swidler of the Federal Power Commission was issuing a report stating the failure "seems to have occurred" at the Beck plant. He said the FPC will work with Ontario officials to "re-examine these preliminary conclusions."

At a news conference in Toronto following Strick's announcement, reporters asked about the possibility of sabotage. Dennis Duck, public relations officer for the Hydroelectric Commission, replied:

"Any sabotage seems highly unlikely because we have narrowed it down to a piece of faulty equipment." He added that the commission's security director had not been notified of any Royal Canadian Mounted Police investigation "and he

would be the first to be notified." The Canadian and American reports drew this outline of what occurred:

The Beck plant was producing 1.2 million kilowatts and taking 100,000 kilowatts from the United States under the grid system in which power systems are linked together to give each other a helping hand. The 1.8 million kilowatts was being fed northward to Canadian users over five lines.

The relay knocked out was one of the five lines feeding Beck's customers. The relay is a device to measure load on a line and set a limit beyond which it would trip.

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Truman To Seek Demo Nod To Face Sen. Smith

By DONALD C. HANSEN State House Reporter BIDDEFORD — Democratic State Rep. Plato Truman said Monday he will seek his party's nomination for U. S. Senate seat held by Republican Sen. Margaret Chase Smith.

Truman's announcement makes him the first announced Democratic candidate, although a second, State Sen. Roger V. Snow Jr., D-Palmouth, is seriously considering running.

SEN. SMITH ANNOUNCED some months ago she would seek a fourth six-year term. Truman, a 31-year-old York County businessman, is currently serving his first term in the Maine Legislature.

"In seeking my party's nomination," Truman said Monday, "I will devote my full time and energy toward that end. Members of my party may be assured that if they honor me with the nomination, I will enter the campaign with confidence and determination insuring that it will be informative and vigorous."

Today's Chuckle

When it comes to picking up dirt, the vacuum cleaner can't compare with the telephone.

Prayer For Today

Dear Lord, let misery teach to the A B C's of pain and may we be the stronger for such lessons. Let us not waste our days in lonely walling. Let the center be alive with a piece of eternity. Thy companion is a holy truth, thy practice a royal gift from Thy eternal throne. May we make the choice to seek and find the echo there; in Jesus' name, Amen.

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Rep. Plato Truman. "THE OFFICE I SEEK," said Truman, "is one of great responsibility. It is an office which greatly influences the well being of our state. The seal to accomplish and promote this end prompts my candidacy."

Free Diabetes Tests Offered This Week. Free diabetes tests are offered Greater Portland residents this week as a feature of the observance of Diabetic Detection Week. Urine specimens with the person's name and address and area of residence can be left at Merry Hospital or at participating drug stores.

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