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LITTLE CHANGE

TORIES GO AFTER BIG HORN PROJECT

EDMONTON (CP) — Premier Harry Strom, Thursday, rejected opposition charges in the Legislature that his government had displayed "arrogance" by letting a contract for land clearing on the Big Horn river project without approval of the Legislature.

Mr. J. M. Hunter (PC-Lib. Sec. Assn.) said the government had "subverted" the Legislature, after Agriculture Minister M. A. Bette said machinery was at work on the North Saskatchewan River west of Edmonton, 100 miles west of Fort Deer.

During an evening argument, L. D. Hesterman (PC-Edmonton West) called the development an indication of "this government's arrogance."

Mr. Hunter said the project's agreement with Calgary Power to build the \$100,000 dam provided no work was to start until the arrangement had been approved by the Legislature.

Public Works Minister F. C. Colborne said the opposition argument indicated their lack of knowledge in the operation of modern government. He said governments must take action and then proceed to official ratification from the Legislature.

"A government stands or falls on its ability to get such ratification," he said.

Mr. Strom said nothing had been done that was illegal and that the government had acted in concept of the Legislature.

"I suspect the fact that has been raised is purely a political one," he said.

PM To Meet Nixon

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau will visit Washington March 24 to two days with President Nixon.

Mr. Trudeau said the visit will permit him to share the impressions gained by the Prime Minister on his European tour.

Mr. Trudeau said the House is looking forward to the opportunity to discuss with the President a wide range of questions of mutual interest to Canada and the U.S.

Leaders of the opposition parties will accompany the announcement.

Conservative Leader Robert Stanfield remarked that although Canada "seems to feel the great weight of all that is going on, there is very little more important to us than maintaining cordial relations with the United States."

New Leader T. C. Douglas said he hoped the prime minister will take the opportunity to meet the president upon his return. He said that while Canadians want to be friendly with the United States, Canada also wants to be able to stand up for its own interests.

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Agitators Win; Khan Quitting

Pakistani Won't Seek Re-Election

KARACHI (CP) — President Muhammad Ayub Khan, having before four months of massive opposition pressure, announced today he is quitting at the end of the year. He has been president since 1963.

In a nationwide broadcast, Ayub said he will not stand for re-election when his term ends in January.

"My decision is final and irrevocable," he said.

Agitation against Ayub broke out last November during mass rallies demanding a political party of former foreign minister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

The anti-government movement gained momentum following Bhutto's arrest last Nov. 13 on charges of inciting the Pakistan army to violence.

In an effort to end the crisis, Ayub proposed a round-table conference with opposition leaders to discuss proposed constitutional reforms. He also lifted a five-year-old state of emergency and freed political detainees, including Bhutto.

ATTEMPT FAILED — But the conference failed to get off the ground this week when its major opposition leaders, including Bhutto, boycotted Ayub's attempt to convene it.

Ayub came to power in a bloodless military coup in 1963, ending President Iskander Mirza's rule.

The country remained under martial law for 40 months, when Ayub proposed a new constitution. He was elected president twice, in 1965 and 1968. Until a few months ago he had been expected to step down.

Brotherhood Week brought Lieutenant-Governor Grant MacEwan to Red Deer Friday. Among a number of stops he made was one at Central Junior High School where he addressed an assembly and then, accompanied by eight students, he went to the library and signed copies of his books on his shelves. He took of a combined service club luncheon at the Holiday Inn at noon. Host for the luncheon was the Visitation Knights Club. Later, he visited St. Thomas Aquinas School.

An Autographed Copy — (Photo by R. S. Brown)

CLAY SHAW'S DEFENCE BEGINS BY CALLING WIFE OF OSWALD

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Lee Harvey Oswald's wife, named today as a defense witness at Clay Shaw's conspiracy trial, testified that her husband was a married bachelor who shared an apartment with an ex-girlfriend.

Marina Oswald Porter, a slender 35-year-old woman who has resided and lived in New Orleans, Tex., was called as the first witness by the defense after the judge threw out a motion by Shaw's lawyers for a directed verdict of homicide.

Mr. Porter said the only night Oswald spent away from home when they lived in New Orleans was one night in jail.

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U.S. Says Soviets Will Deploy FOBS

KANSAS CITY (AP) — U.S. defense officials say they think the Soviet Union has decided to deploy a system of launchers which would be used to launch nuclear missiles from the Soviet Union and fired before completing their first orbit.

They indicate that accumulating evidence, primarily gathered from Soviet test launches, gives the alarm that the Soviet Union is developing a system that can "ret" over the horizon, giving the alarm shortly after such a warhead is launched.

Despite the surprise potential of an orbital launch, the United States has been developing a system that can "ret" over the horizon, giving the alarm shortly after such a warhead is launched.

As FOBS would be housed in a low orbit, generally about 100 miles above earth, and would be fired by remote control, at ground targets, before completing its first orbit.

The low altitude would enable the orbital launch to avoid detection by U.S. early warning radar.

Official refuse to discuss details, but it is known that the Russians have conducted at least 13 FOBS tests. The first seven reported flights, but the next six were said to have failed.

The site for the building and surrounding plant covers a four-block area bounded by 30th and 35th Avenues and 10th and 15th Avenues.

Mr. Colborne said the building is expected to cost \$10,000,000.

Four floors, in the upper level, will be devoted to court and administrative offices. In addition to the district court, Judge Justice Bruce Smith, at new conference, said he was exceptionally pleased by the building designed by the architectural firm of Bell, McLaughlin and Spence.

The structure will replace the present superior court building at 10th Street and 10th Avenue. An addition was completed in 1965.

That said last week the West would have to reckon with Soviet harassment in the Atlantic by the Soviet navy and interference with merchant ships in the North Atlantic.

This assumption was based on extensive information the government had, he added.

Red Army Threatens

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Russia and East Germany will hold joint military maneuvers on the Polish border, Soviet officials said today. The maneuvers are being held in the area of the city of Szczecin.

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Pepper Fogger Lays Down A Screen

Police and 2,000 demonstrators clashed in a cloud of tear gas on the University of California Berkeley campus in the worst outbreak of violence thus far in the current epidemic of student unrest on the United States. When the battle was over Thursday, 28 students and 13 officers were injured and police laid down a screen of pepper fogger to clear the area.

WEATHER

Sun sets tonight at 6 p.m.; rises at 7:37 a.m. Saturday

Forecast

Red Deer — Cloudy with more rain; becoming sunny this afternoon with fog patches in morning. Little change in temperature. Light wind. Low high 3 below and 15 above.

Edmonton — Cloudy becoming sunny this afternoon. Light rain tonight and early Saturday. Little change in temperature. Windy light. Low high 3 below and 15 above.

Grande Prairie 3 below and 15 above. Peace River 3 below and 15 above. Edmonton 3 below and 15 above.

Calgary — Mostly sunny to day and Saturday, fog patches.

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