



Hard year

If its not one thing, its another struggling Ontario farmers. Picton's Bob Williams (top) drives through now-worthless hectares of corn, killed by a summer-long drought, while Windsor's Norm Drouillard is forced to ride his Clydesdale through his fields which were drenched by 7.5 cm of rain in 40 minutes Friday.

SANDRA LOVELACE CASE

Canada acts on criticism

GENEVA (AP) — The United Nations human rights committee ended a three-week meeting Friday, acknowledging settlement of a human rights case involving a Canadian woman who was born a native Indian.

The case of Sandra Lovelace, who lost her Indian status through the marriage to an American, had been discussed by the 18-member committee since she filed an individual complaint in 1978.

Under Canada's Indian Act, the marriage made her lose the right to live and work on a reserve and vote and speak at tribal meetings. She argued that Canada failed to live up to its obligations under the 1977 United Nations Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

After a series of confidential hearings, the committee ruled last year that to deprive Lovelace of her status and rights as an Indian was an unjustifiable denial of her rights under the covenant and a breach by Canada of the article forbidding discrimination of ethnic minorities.

In an official communication, a copy of which became available Friday, Canada advised the committee that the Indian Act is being amended to ensure that Indian women no longer lose their status by marrying non-Indians. It assured the committee it has responded to the criticism in a constructive and responsible way.

Jet had computer problem

MONTREAL (CP) — A faulty microprocessor in an onboard computer caused a breakdown in an electronic fuel monitoring system on the Air Canada Boeing 767 that was forced to glide to a landing in Manitoba on July 23, a federal safety inspector said Monday.

The processor is being tested by Honeywell Ltd., manufacturers of the computer, said Remy Paquette, an investigator with the Canadian Aviation Safety Bureau.

Honeywell officials would not comment on the breakdown, but Air Canada official Denis Chagnon confirmed that the failure of the fuel monitoring system also paralysed a fuel warning system in the 767's cockpit which should have alerted the crew that the plane was running out of fuel.

However, Chagnon said the airline would not be asking the company to check the computers in Air Canada's three other 767s.

"(Honeywell) is still testing the unit, and we're waiting for the results," Chagnon said. "It was one unit and the computers on the other 767s do work."

The airline has already issued orders forbidding takeoff of its 767s unless the fuel monitoring system is working.

Because the system on the plane involved in the incident was not functioning, manual tank readings were taken by ground crews in Montreal and again when the Edmonton-bound aircraft landed in Ottawa.

The plane's engines finally shut down high over northwestern Ontario when the aircraft ran out of fuel. The 767 glided powerless for 145 kilometres before landing roughly on an abandoned airstrip.

Investigators have determined the 767 left with only half the fuel required for the flight because of a miscalculation during the manual gauging in converting the measured fuel volume into fuel weight in kilograms.

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Election in 1984?

BLACK RIVER, N.S. (CP) — A federal election is unlikely in the next 12 months, but late 1984 would be a normal time for one, Deputy Prime Minister Allan MacEachen said Monday.

MacEachen told reporters he would be surprised if an election were called this year or in early 1984.

He said he had no idea whether the Liberal party would hold a leadership convention soon to choose a successor to Prime Minister Trudeau.

"One in a year is enough, isn't it?" he said, referring to the recent Progressive Conservative leadership convention.

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CONSTITUENTS UNHAPPY

Gregoire's resignation sought

BLACK LAKE, Que. (CP) — After deciding what to do about leaky water mains and next winter's snow removal, municipal councillors in this asbestos mining town voted unanimously Monday to demand the resignation of their Quebec national assembly member.

In a 10-point resolution they accused Gilles Gregoire — sentenced last month for having sexual relations with under-aged girls — of neglecting the interests of Frontenac riding which has been swept by layoffs and economic hardships because of falling demand for asbestos fibre.

"We have not seen Mr. Gregoire in the riding for several months," the resolution said, adding Frontenac now needs more than ever an elected provincial representative "free of all constraints" to back its interests.

An identical resolution also passed Monday in nearby Disraeli, a country market town of 3,000. Councillors in Thetford Mines will examine the resolution next week.

Gregoire, 57, was sentenced to two years less one day in jail and fined a total of \$2,900 after his conviction on seven counts of sexual immorality with girls aged 12 to 17. He could be released on parole after eight months — a third of his sentence. However, he can retain his national assembly seat because he was convicted under the Juvenile Delinquents Act, not under the Criminal Code.

Gregoire, a former federal Social Credit MP, was a founder of the Parti Quebecois and was re-elected in Frontenac with a strong majority in 1981. He quit the PQ caucus to sit as an independent after being charged.

In the meantime, said Black Lake Mayor Georges-Henri Cloutier, unemployment in the region has topped 22 per cent, largely due to layoffs at two asbestos mines nationalized by the Quebec government. Black Lake has a population of about 6,000.

"It would take a political decision to get things moving again," Cloutier told the seven assembled councillors and about 15 residents. "But with a national assembly member behind bars, residents can't hope to put much pressure on Quebec."

"We probably would not be doing this if he wasn't in jail," the mayor told reporters later. "This is a socio-economic question, not a moral one. It would be hypocritical to judge him on morals."

THIRD IN WEEK

Manitoba Tories walk out again

WINNIPEG (CP) — A sitting by the Manitoba legislature on the August civic holiday was short, but hardly sweet, as the Progressive Conservative Opposition stomped out of the chamber for the third time in less than a week.

The walkout, sparked by the Tories' objection to the government's handling of a controversial pension bill, set the house division bells ringing and tempers flaring.

"I think it's disgusting," said Al Mackling, acting government house leader, following the walkout by eight Conservatives. "It's a very dangerous tactic they have taken."

Mackling said walkouts by the Opposition over bills it opposes are unnecessary.

"Surely one of them could have got up for five minutes to debate," he said Monday, explaining that the government would have granted an adjournment if the Tories had requested one after speaking briefly on the pension bill.

"But they wanted their holiday."

The protest occurred after the New Democrat government refused to allow the Tories to suspend debate on the bill, saying it wanted to get the legislation to the committee stage.

The walkout came on day 123 of the legislature's current session, the longest session on record. Premier Howard Pawley has warned the Opposition that if they don't behave, the house will sit all summer.

The legislature was scheduled to resume sitting today.

The Conservatives, led by Sterling Lyon, say their tactics are necessary because the New Democrats are trying to railroad certain pieces of legislation through the house.

"They want to ram everything through," said Gerry Mercer, acting Opposition house leader. "This is the worst government the people of Manitoba have ever had. They're out of control; they don't know what they're doing."

To which Mackling countered: "The only way that they'll be happy is if we withdraw certain legislation. We didn't present legislation to withdraw it. We're here to present legislation and pass it."

Monday's dispute concentrated on a bill to amend the Pension Benefits Act. The bill, put forward by Labor Minister Mary Beth Dolin, contains several changes opposed by the business community but lauded by labor and women's groups.

The legislation aims at extending coverage to part-time employees, making pensions more portable and recognizing pension benefits in the division of family assets on marriage breakdown.

Last Thursday, the Conservatives walked out of the house to protest the way a proposed farmland ownership bill was being handled. They said the act would restrict the right of some Manitobans and Canadians living outside the province to own Manitoba farmland.

FEDERAL BYELECTION

Six in Central Nova race

NEW GLASGOW, N.S. (CP) — After failing to become mayor of Toronto, leader of the Social Credit party and member of Parliament for Spadina, Anne McBride entered the contest Monday for the Aug. 29 federal byelection in Central Nova.

She filed her papers and paid her \$200 deposit to become the sixth candidate as nominations for the byelection closed.

The three party candidates are national Progressive Conservative leader Brian Mulroney, Liberal Alvin Sinclair, a high-school principal; and New Democrat Roy De-Marsh, a minister.

The other independent candidates are Robert Kirk of Truro, N.S., who is campaigning against increased French-language rights; and John Turnel, who wants to abolish interest rates.

Turnel is an Ontarian who boasts of running in more than 10 elections in the last several years. Turnel and McBride were among the independents in the 1981 byelection in the Toronto riding of Spadina won by New Democrat Dan Heap.

McBride ran for the national Social Credit leadership in 1982 and served for a time as interim provincial leader in Ontario.

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