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Turner gets tough with party opponents

QUEBEC (CP) — With less than four weeks to go before this month's crucial Liberal leadership review vote, a scrappy John Turner came out swinging Sunday against opponents who want to overthrow him.

In a speech to about 300 party members, Turner said the only person who can have his job as Opposition leader is Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

And to those who don't like what's been happening in the party, "I say 'tough,'" he said as cheers rang out from delegates to the general council meeting of the party's Quebec wing.

Turner enthusiastically endorsed a redrafted version of a controversial resolution on the Constitution that was part of the arsenal used by his critics.

The resolution will be the only one on the Constitution to be debated at the Nov. 27-28 national policy convention in Ottawa at which Turner's leadership will also be a major issue.

The revised motion, passed at the weekend meeting, removed a reference to Quebec as the "principal home" of francophones in Canada that angered loyalists of former prime minister Pierre Trudeau who saw it as a betrayal of his vision of a bilingual Canada.

Instead, the new motion called Quebec the "principal but not exclusive source" of French language and culture and said Canada's linguistic duality must be maintained and reinforced across the country.

"The distinctive character of Quebec is still there," Turner, who had supported the original version, told the delegates. But "you have refined and enlarged it to make it more acceptable to the rest of the country."

The redrafted resolution also expanded the veto power that should be sought by Quebec in any negotiations to bring the province into the Constitution, embracing the so-called Victoria amending formula.

That formula — similar to the one proposed by Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa in August and accepted by all 10 provinces in 1971 — would require that any constitutional change have the approval of two Atlantic provinces and two Western provinces as well as Quebec and Ontario.

Turner's speech capped a weekend which contained both highs and lows for the Liberal leader.

On Saturday, an editorial in the Montreal daily La Presse urged him to call a leadership convention. The editorial, signed by publisher Roger Landry, said a leadership contest was needed to halt the party's slide "down the dangerous slope to division."

Students go wild over Rocky

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP) — Police and ambulances were called to the University of Windsor when about 300 students watching the Rocky Horror Picture Show went wild tossing around eggs, toast and toilet paper during the cult movie.

No one was seriously hurt, but police say movie-goers caused thousands of dollars in damage and it took maintenance workers the weekend to clean up the mess in the university's lecture hall to prepare for today's classes.

Audience participation in the rock'n'roll horror cult film about transvestites includes toast being thrown in the air and rice-tossing during a wedding scene.

But fun turned into frenzy as students and guests at the Halloween showing Friday night prevented ambulance attendants and police from entering the hall by whipping eggs, fire extinguishers and rolls of toilet paper at the door.

"Every time we tried to open the door they threw eggs at us," Staff Sgt. Tom Gervais said.

Astro observatory to close

Despite reassurances from minister Oberle

OTTAWA (CP) — An internal National Research Council memo says budget cuts will force the closing of the Algonquin Radio Observatory — one of three astrophysical observatories in the country — and restrict Canada's space research.

The memo contradicts Science Minister Frank Oberle's statement in the House of Commons on Thursday that no national astronomical observatory would be closed as a result of program cuts.

The Oct. 31 memo was sent Friday by Donald Morton, director of the Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics, to members of the institute, which is responsible for observatories, and to the council's associate committee on astronomy and its subcommittee on radio astronomy.

It said that, besides radio astronomy, the area most affected by the cuts at the institute will be space research, which Oberle wants to strengthen by taking part in the U.S. space-station project.

It says that because of the \$20.5 million in budget cuts at the NRC announced last month, there won't be enough money to operate the observatory — in Algonquin Park in Ontario — at a satisfactory level.

"In 1987-88 (the institute) will not have sufficient resources to operate the (Algonquin observatory) at a level required by the astronomy community," Morton said in the memo.

"It is with much regret that I must announce these changes (at the institute) with the loss of dedicated staff with specialized expertise and the need to close a major telescope.

A radio telescope is used to detect the presence of far-away objects in the universe by the radio waves they emit.

The cuts also mean staff at the Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics will be reduced by 11 per cent in April.

There had been rumors for some time that the council budget cuts would lead to the closing of one of Canada's three national observatories: the Algonquin Radio Observatory, the Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory in Penticton, B.C., or an optical telescope at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory in Victoria.

'Mulroney's done enough for the west'

REGINA (CP) — Saskatchewan Premier Grant Devine has presented a glowing report of Ottawa's efforts on behalf of the West while sparks continue to fly over a jet fighter contract.

On Sunday, Devine denounced criticism of the federal government for its awarding of the CF-18 jet fighter maintenance contract to Canadair Ltd. of Montreal instead of to a Winnipeg company.

In a taped statement, Devine said Ottawa has done enough for the West under Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Manitoba shouldn't complain about the \$104-million contract.

Manitoba Premier Howard Pawley, the only NDP head of government in Canada, is to meet with Mulroney in Ottawa today to discuss why the contract wasn't awarded to Bristol Aerospace.

Ottawa has admitted the tendering process was changed in awarding the contract to Canadair, based in Mulroney's home province, Quebec.

"The spirit of co-operation and the positive attitude of reconciliation between the provinces and Prime Minister Brian Mulroney has paid real dividends for Saskatchewan and indeed for Western Canada," Devine said.

He added that a good working relationship between the provinces and Ottawa has resulted in billions of dollars flowing to the West.

Toronto catches Hansen fever

TORONTO (CP) — Thousands of well-wishers gave Rick Hansen a rousing and emotional welcome Sunday as the wheelchair athlete's world tour to raise money for spinal cord research came to Toronto.

Preceded by a vanguard of motorcycle policemen and followed by a queue of hero worshippers in wheelchairs of their own, Hansen brought his Man in Motion marathon to the grounds of city hall in the brisk autumn afternoon breeze.

Police estimated the city hall crowd alone at about 8,000 and many hundreds of others lined the streets from suburban Scarborough where he made his first official stop of the day, attracting about 600 people at a Variety Club centre.

Tots in wheelchairs, young parents with children in tow or perched on their shoulders, as well as older folks pressing against barriers for a closeup view outside city hall, seemed collectively touched by the paraplegic's appeal.

"There have been a lot of lonely roads, but I can see now it's all coming together," Hansen said. "This response is beyond my wildest dreams."

"Just because you have a disability doesn't mean you can't reach your goals; do the best you can with the abilities you have. There's nothing a person can't achieve if he puts his mind to it."

Hansen, 29, of Williams Lake, B.C., who was paralysed from the waist down in a car accident when he was 15, has wheeled through 33 other countries to raise money for spinal cord research and awareness of the potential of disabled people and wheelchair sport.

His efforts have raised more



Well-wisher hands bouquet to wheelchair hero.

than \$2 million towards his \$10-million goal.

He was presented with a plaque at city hall by 13-year-old Don Barrie, confined to a wheelchair with a severe case of brittle bones he has suffered since birth. The plaque was on behalf of the Boy Scouts of Canada, of which Barrie is a proud member.

Seven-year-old Andrew Spencer, smiling in his wheelchair despite his cerebral palsy, is unable to speak because of his handicap. But his parents, Keith and Margaret Spencer from nearby Markham, said he was well aware of Hansen's message.

Following the city hall gathering, Hansen told a news conference he's "on a tremendous high" in Toronto.

He'll be in the city until Nov. 12, when he leaves for a spin through southwestern Ontario before heading north and northwest and on across the Prairies to Vancouver,

where he started his worldwide marathon in March 1985.

He expects to reach the West Coast by mid-May.

WCC decides to go federal

EDMONTON (CP) — The Western Canada Concept party has decided to form a federal wing to put the fight for western independence in a national arena.

"We're intending to give people of Western Canada a chance to vote for something other than an eastern-based party catering to Ontario and Quebec," party leader Doug Christie said in an interview Sunday. "Our target by 1988 is to have candidates run in every riding in Western Canada."

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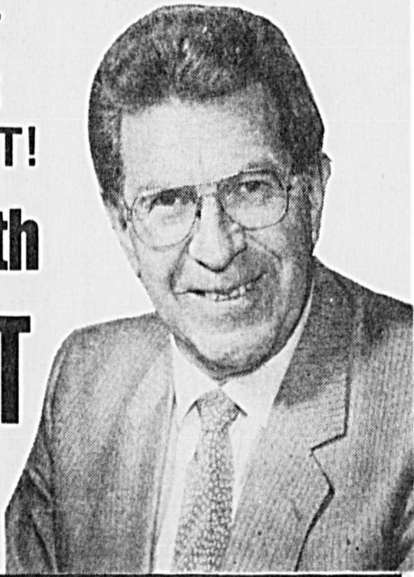
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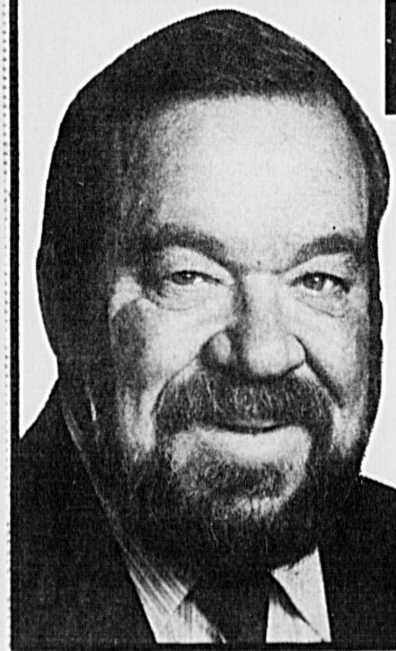
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