

JAPAN:

Tanaka Bows Out

The Si'e not I have removal get another Premier.

Kakuei Tanaka is a rare Japanese politician—an Oriental Horatio Alger who overcame both his humble beginnings and lack of education to scramble his way to the top. But recently the Prime Minister seemed to have lost that lean and hungry look. Thus one morning last week, Tanaka rose early, put in a call to his aging mother, paused briefly to feed his prize carp and then drove off to his official residence for a short, stiff-necked meeting with four elders of the ruling Liberal Democratic party. There, he announced his intention to become the first Prime Minister in postwar Japanese history to resign from office under a cloud of scandal. In bowing out, he touched off a complex struggle for the succession.

Backstage maneuvering to oust Tanaka and pick a successor actually started several weeks ago when it became clear he couldn't survive an avalanche of charges against him. He faced an official investigation of his questionable methods of raising political funds, his irregular land dealings on which he built a personal fortune, and even the fact that

he had a tastelessly public way. The threat that such affairs might be exposed in embarrassing detail caused an excruciating family quarrel with his daughter Makiko that apparently tilted him in favor of resignation. "Politicians," remarked a Tanaka associate, "are able to weather trouble outside their homes, but if they also have trouble in their own homes, then it will usually wreck them." In the end, Tanaka acknowledged his "personal shame" and said he regretted bringing "a torrent of rain" on the future of his country.

With Tanaka gone, the most pressing order of business for the Liberal Democrats will be to paper up the cracks in party unity and pick a successor. That will not be easy. Tanaka's bulldozer tactics had left behind a residue of bitterness unparalleled in postwar politics. Among four major contenders for his job (page 57), the most likely candidates were former Finance Minister Takeo Fukuda, who helped bring Tanaka down by quitting the Cabinet last summer, and the current Finance Minister, Masayoshi Ohira, whom Tanaka and his powerful faction are supporting. In years past, liberal dollops of political money and behind-the-scenes horse-trading would have lined up the necessary votes to make one of them a certain winner. But the Tanaka scandal

has made many political moves in Japan. As a result, there seemed a strong chance last week that each man might cancel the other and open the way for one of two aging party war-horses, Etsuhiro Shiina or Shigesaburo Maco, as interim leader.

The trouble is that most Liberal Democrats feel a vital need for strong leadership to cleanse the party's soiled reputation and guide the country out of current economic morass. Party Secretary-General Susumu Nikaido has been drinking many ritual cups of tea at the homes of party elders while he makes soundings for a consensus. The major contenders themselves, NEWSWEEK's Tokyo bureau chief Bernard Krisher reported, are lying low. "Everyone is staying at home or in his office close to the phone," cabled Krisher. "Wives of politicians are calling other wives to try to get them to use their influence on their husbands. And no one is leaving Tokyo for fear that people might think that they are not important enough to be consulted on the succession."

Fire Storm: However the struggle is resolved, no one expects a radical shift in policy. A Fukuda government might move a notch to the right in economic and other domestic affairs and could conceivably cool down Japan's new friendship with Peking. Ohira, on the other hand, would probably continue most of

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Declaration in January

Critical Water Area

NORFOLK—A portion, if not all, of Southeastern Virginia will be declared a critical groundwater area by the State Water Control Board in January, said Arthur Collins, director of planning for the Southeastern Virginia Planning District Commission.

Collins Tuesday said he reached his conclusion through

informal discussions with SWCB staff members.

The board has been considering such a move since it held public hearings on the issue in Norfolk in September.

Mrs. Wayne Jackson, a water Control Board member, said that, based on the testimony she

heard at the hearing, the designation will be made when the SWCB meets Jan. 23-24.

If declared, a critical groundwater area would mean that all wells drawing more than 50,000 gallons per day be registered with the state for monitoring, that there be no increased usage without a permit, and that no new wells using more than 50,000 gallons a day can be dug without SWCB approval.

Collins said he would

See my shortage of water prediction in Modern South is "Predictions for 1974." Also Japan announced recent ban on drinking water in California.

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Tides of Change Engulf Rule of Whites in Africa

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

Events seem to be closing in on the whites in Rhodesia and South Africa, as if an African version of the domino theory were at work today toward the eventual final end of the "white man's burden" on the Dark Continent.

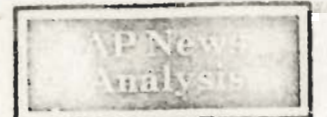
It may take time before a final punctuation mark is in place after centuries of white domination over the continent, but the current is strong and may prove irresistible in the long run.

What began as a landslide of independence in the 1960s gathered such momentum that it reached the proportions of an avalanche, all but burying white colonial rule. Portugal, which had five centuries of uninterrupted rule over vast African areas, is finished now and there's not much white supremacy left.

Remaining in ruling capacity thereafter will be about 4 million whites in South Africa, about 18 per cent of that nation's population, and a tiny minority of 250,000 in Rhodesia, only 4 per cent of its people.

For the Rhodesian regime of Prime Minister Ian Smith, things already look desperate.

So long as there were friendly Portuguese rule in Mozambique



to the east and the regime of Prime Minister John Vorster to the south, it had seemed safe enough for Smith to defy his innumerable critics.

But within six months or so, the Mozambique government will become unfriendly. The Portuguese will leave and Frelimo, the guerrilla organization that fought white rule for years, will take over under independence. There goes the railhead on the Indian Ocean upon which Smith's landlocked economy has relied.

To the south, Vorster seems primarily interested in Vorster right now and in salvaging whatever is salvageable. That means the South African government cannot be expected for long to continue to be a prop under Smith.

Already there are signs that Vorster's government is ready to offer some significant relaxation of the apartheid policy of strict segregation of races that had

seemed so unalterably entrenched. As for his white colleague in Rhodesia, unless Smith himself can salvage something through concessions, he is unlikely to get much more direct help from South Africa. Vorster seems to have made it clear that he hopes to be able to do business with a stable black government in Rhodesia and that he probably would find it preferable to an unstable white one.

The question now is whether Smith can actually salvage anything in the long run. In the

north, he has been fighting a stubborn guerrilla movement that is allied with Frelimo, whence come training and probably arms. He is surrounded everywhere, except due south, by hostile black regimes. Some whites have been leaving with whatever assets they could take with them.

For the Rhodesian white regime, then, the handwriting may already be visible on the wall. Should it crumble, South Africa will be all alone, and perhaps its days, too, may seem numbered.

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eventually restore Africa to
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Colts Count Blessings On Missing Plane Crash

When the Baltimore Colts flew home from Buffalo yesterday on a Northwest Airlines charted flight, "there was no kidding, no joking, you could bear a pin drop," according to a team spokesman. "When the wheels hit the runway at Baltimore-Washington Airport, there was a roar of relief in the cabin," he added.

The Colts, after losing on Sunday to the Bills in Buffalo, had been scheduled to go home on a Northwest chartered flight coming from John F. Kennedy Airport late Sunday afternoon. At 8 P.M., after the players had eaten dinner, the plane had not arrived and General Manager Joe Thomas decided the team would stay overnight in Buffalo.

At 9:30 Colt officials learned that the plane had crashed near Bear Mountain, N.Y. They immediately told all members of the team so they could call their families

and assure them of their safety.

"When Cotton Speyrer called his folks in Port Arthur, Texas, his father couldn't believe it was him," said Ernie Accorsi, the team's publicity director. "They had heard on television that the Colts' plane had gone down and that there were no survivors. Mrs. Speyrer was pretty shook up."

Most of the players were depressed when they learned the identity of the three crewmen who had perished in the crash. They had flown the Colts to Miami for a game three weeks ago.

The team left the Buffalo airport yesterday at 12:30 P.M. with sleet and snow falling heavily.

"It was a bad scene for a takeoff," said Accorsi. "There's not one guy on this team with a hangup about flying, but the atmosphere was pretty tense. There was silence for the whole hour in the air. We're all glad it was our last road game of the season."

The Colts finish the National Football League season at home against the Dolphins and the New England Patriots.

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LAST NIGHT'S GAME
at Miami

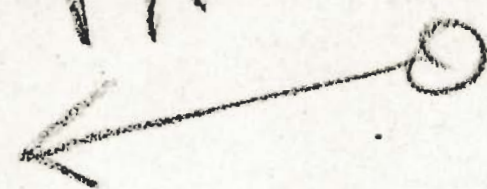
Bad Weather Is Linked To Small-Plane Crashes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (Reuters)—A Federal safety panel said today that bad weather was increasingly to blame for fatal crashes of small planes.

The National Safety Transportation Board said that this trend developed since 1967 even though plane accidents from other causes were on the downswing. The finding was shown, the board said, in a special study of general aviation—nonairline—accidents from 1964 through 1972.

During the eight years, 4,714 persons died in 2,026 general aviation accidents involving bad weather—36.6 per cent of all fatal mishaps among nonairline planes. Such crashes have occurred "with disturbing regularity despite improvements in aircraft, instrument, training, training facilities, the air traffic control system, weather facilities, weather services and navigational aids," the board said.

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Peruvian Premier Escapes Assassins; 2 High Aides Hurt

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LIMA, Peru, Dec. 2 (AP)—Peru's Premier and two other men prominent in the military Government escaped assassination last night, the Interior Ministry announced today.

The announcement said that unidentified assailants had fired from a vehicle that drew alongside the car carrying the three officials.

Premier Edgardo Mercado Jarrin, who is also War Minister and Commander in Chief of the army, escaped injury, the statement said.

But Gen. Javier Tantaléan Vanini, the Minister of Fisheries in President Juan Velasco Arvarado's leftist Government, and Gen. Guillermo Arbulo, General Tantaléan's brother-in-law, were wounded.

They were taken to the military hospital in Lima, where they were reported in satisfactory condition.

General Mercado's brother-in-law, Guillermo Neuman, who was driving the car, was uninjured.

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Oakland Team to Beat: La

Virginian-Pilot Wire Reports

Dallas coach Tom Landry predicts Oakland is the team to beat for the Super Bowl.

"Oakland is the only consistent team going right now," Landry said.

For the first time since 1966, the Cowboys are not in it.

Washington put the Cowboys out of the playoffs by defeating Los Angeles Monday night.

Landry refused to criticize the Rams for less than a sparkling performance against the Redskins.

"I believe you ought to be in control of your own destiny," he

said. "We should have won some crucial games. We didn't earn the right to be in the playoffs."

Although Dallas won seven out of its last eight games and owns an 8-5 record going into Saturday's finale with Oakland, there will be no playoff money this year for the Cowboys.

The Redskins' 23-17 victory over the Rams put Dallas in the position of still being able to tie the Redskins and St. Louis but trailing both teams in the important tie-breakers.

Landry said he was proud of his team's comeback from a disastrous 1-4 start.



TOM
LANDRY
Proud
OF
Comeback

"It was important that we came back from where we were ... we had a chance every game ... it was a credit to our players," said Landry, adding he

doesn't feel his perennial powerhouse took a step backward this year.

"Some may disagree," he said. "We, of course, didn't have a good training camp and had some tough going early. But we showed a lot of pride."

As for himself, Landry said he was going to get in some Christmas shopping right after the Oakland game.

"For the first time in nine years, I can take all the time I want."

BILL KILMER said he didn't think the Rams played up to

Some of my critics say I "imagine" my connection... working connection... with the Si's (WFO). Well, before this pro season began... I notified Ed Busch, of Radio WFAA in Dallas... that in payment for his and his station's mean treatment of me and the Si's... I would stop the Dallas Cowboys from the playoffs and the Superbowl (all the markers). (See your files... you have this.) Above is the documentation. For the first time in nine years... the Cowboys were stopped cold. "Imagination" cannot stop one of the most powerful... best... pro football teams millionaires money can buy. Only PK Man... can.

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