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HAYMOUR-WITH VICTORIA NIGHT
VANCOUVER (CP) - CRAZY

OR NOT; EDDY HAYMOUR WANTS TO
MAKE THE BRITISH COLUMBIA GOV-
ERNMENT PAY FOR THE EVENTS THAT
LED TO HIS BECOMING A 'LEBA-
NESE TERRORIST' HOLDING HOSTAGES
AT THE CANADIAN EMBASSY IN
BEIRUT.

THE FORMER KELOWNA, B.C.,
MAN WHO HELD MORE THAN 20
PERSONS AT GUNPOINT IN FEBRU-
ARY, SAID TUESDAY HE INTENDS TO
RETURN IMMEDIATELY TO KELOWNA
TO FILE CHARGES AGAINST THE PRO-
VINCIAL GOVERNMENT BASED ON HIS
11-MONTH CONFINEMENT AT A MEN-
TAL HOSPITAL NEAR VANCOUVER AND
THE 'ILLEGAL' SALE OF SOME
OKANAGAN LAND IN 1974.

HAYMOUR WAS INTERVIEWED BY
TELEPHONE FROM HIS BROTHER'S
HOME IN EDMONTON.

'ALL I WANT IS MY RIGHTS,' HE
SAID.

'NOTHING ELSE-JUST MY LAND;
MY COMPENSATION FOR MY MIS-
ERY AND THE PRIVILEGE OF LOVING
AND SUPPORTING MY CHILDREN.'

HAYMOUR'S COMPLAINTS GO
BACK TO 1972 WHEN, ACCORDING TO
HIS BROTHER BILL, HE WAS TRYING
UNSUCCESSFULLY TO TRANSFORM AN
ISLAND IN OKANAGAN LAKE INTO
AN ARABIAN RESORT.

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SENT TO INSTITUTION

HE BATTLED AUTHORITIES WHO TURNED DOWN A BUILDING PERMIT ON SANITARY GROUNDS AND IN SEPTEMBER, 1974, WAS FOUND NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF INSANITY ON A CHARGE OF POSSESSING A DANGEROUS WEAPON-BRASS KNUCKLES-AND SENTENCED INDEFINITELY TO A MENTAL INSTITUTION.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE CROWN STAYED MORE THAN 30 OTHER CHARGES RELATING TO POSSESSION OF A LETTER BOMB AND MAKING THREATS.

HAYMOUR WAS SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL AND SURFACED IN HIS NATIVE LEBANON IN FEBRUARY WHEN HE AND A NUMBER OF LEBANESE COMRADES TOOK OVER THE CANADIAN EMBASSY IN BEIRUT.

DURING THE SHORT-LIVED SEIGE- IN WHICH NO ONE WAS HURT-HAYMOUR CLAIMED HE HAD BEEN CHEATED OUT OF HIS OKANAGAN LAND BY HIS ESTRANGED WIFE.

HAYMOUR WAS ARRESTED BY LEBANESE AUTHORITIES BUT RETURNED TO CANADA AFTER BEING RELEASED ON \$210 BAIL.

EXPLAINING HIS ACTION TUESDAY, HAYMOUR SAID: "I TOOK MY CASE TO EVERYONE. BEFORE I WENT TO THE EMBASSY I WENT EVERYWHERE. I SHOWED EVERYONE THE TRANSCRIPT OF MY CASE.

"IN THE ARABIAN COUNTRIES, THEY THOUGHT IT WAS SHAMEFUL. AFTER FIVE DAYS IN PRISON, THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF LEBANON SAID: 'I HAVE TO PUT HAYMOUR OUT OF PRISON BECAUSE MY WIFE IS CRYING HER EYES OUT AND SHE WON'T LET HE COME HOME IF I DON'T',"

HAYMOUR SAID THAT WHILE HE LOVES THE PEOPLE OF LEBANON, HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER HE WILL RETURN. IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT HAPPENS WITH HIS CASE HERE, HE SAID.

PRICE AGREED

HE MAINTAINED THAT DURING HIS FIGHT TO STAY OUT OF THE MENTAL INSTITUTE; HE AGREED TO SELL HIS OKANAGAN PROPERTY TO THE B.C. GOVERNMENT FOR \$40,000.

"I WAS DESPERATE TO DO ANYTHING TO STAY OUT OF HOSPITAL," HE SAID. "I ACCEPTED. I SIGNED."

NOW, HE SAID; IF THE GOVERNMENT THOUGHT HIM INSANE; ANY AGREEMENT SIGNED AT THAT TIME SHOULD BE VOIDED.

"THEY CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS. WHICH WAY DOES THE GOVERNMENT WANT ME; SANE OR INSANE?"

"IF THEY WANT ME SANE; THEN I WANT \$2 MILLION DAMAGES FOR 11 MONTHS IN CONFINEMENT. IF THEY WANT ME INSANE; THEN I WASN'T RESPONSIBLE FOR SIGNING THAT PAPER."

"BUT WHICHEVER WAY THEY WANT ME; I'M NOT GOING TO JUST SIT BACK AND LET THEM GIVE ME WELFARE CHEQUES. THAT'S FOR PEOPLE WHO CAN'T LOOK AFTER THEMSELVES."

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