

BUCHAN NEXT GOVERNOR GENERAL?

Celebrated Scottish Novelist and Historian Reported Successor of Lord Bessborough.

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, March 26—Although no official confirmation was obtainable in parliamentary circles tonight it was taken for granted that the report John Buchan, celebrated Scottish novelist and historian, would be Canada's next Governor-General, is an accurate forecast.

The nomination occasioned some surprise inasmuch as Buchan, a Conservative member of parliament for the past eight years, is one of those members who move about their parliamentary business without attracting much notice. His political work and influence have been men behind the scenes than in the chamber itself.

Associates

Among his close political friends are Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald, Stanley Baldwin, L. C. Amery, a former Secretary for Dominions, and many of the most prominent members of the House of Commons.

His speeches in the House have been few, but his close interest in all Dominion and colonial affairs is well known and his appointment to a governmental office in connection with the Dominions or colonies would not have caused surprise. His interest dates from his experience, early in his career, as private secretary to Lord Milner when the latter was High Commissioner for South Africa from 1901 to 1903.

If his appointment is confirmed, Buchan will be the first Governor-General of Canada not chosen from among the ranks of the peerage, or of the Royal Family itself.

For the past two years he has represented His Majesty as Lord High Commissioner for the Church of Scotland Assembly at Edinburgh.

Private Interests

A son of the manse, he is 59 years of age, married, with three sons and a daughter. He has written nearly 50 books and among his novels have been many best-sellers, such as "Greenmantle" and "The Thirty Nine Steps." Many of his novels deal with intelligence activities during the war. He is fond of outdoor sports.

Most members of the House refused to make any comment pending official announcement of the appointment and Mr. Buchan himself declined to say anything. George Lansbury, leader of the Labor opposition, said he thought the appointment of Mr. Buchan would be a very good appointment. Earl Winterton said that if true, it would be "a most admirable appointment—it couldn't be better."

Japanese Diet Adjourns

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) TOKYO, March 26—(C. P.—Havas)—With the passage of the government bill on the Okada shiken and 11 important bills submitted by the government still under discussion, the 67th Imperial Japanese Diet was adjourned here today.

This is the first time in history that the session has been ended with such a large number of government measures unpassed. It had been generally expected that the session would be prolonged for three days to permit passage of these important measures but at the last moment it became obvious that the government was lacking sufficient support to permit passing the bills in that short space of time and they decided to adjourn the session.

Solution To Tuber Problem?

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) EDMONTON, Mar. 26—The Edmonton district Market Gardeners' Association thinks it knows what to do with the present surplus of potatoes. A committee will investigate the possibility of distillation of fuel alcohol from low grade spuds.

Cartoonist Passes

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) ELMIRA, N. Y., March 26—Eugene Zimmerman, noted cartoonist, whose scintillating "Zim" at the bottom of his cartoons was familiar to thousands of magazine readers for more than 40 years died suddenly today at his home in Horseheads, near here.

DEATHS

SMITH—In Somerville, Mass., March 25, 1935, Thomas J., beloved husband of Mable Smith (nee Larkins).  
MCKAY—At 150 Prince Street on Tuesday, March 26, 1935, Clara McEwen, widow of the late George C. McKay, aged 90 years. Funeral from the Presbyterian Church, New London, on Thursday, March 28th, at 3 o'clock. Interment New London Cemetery.  
COLE—At New London, March 26, 1935, David Cole, aged 74. Funeral ready at 2:30 p. m. from the Presbyterian Church, New London.

POTATO

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asked for information about licenses and as to who is required to obtain a license.

He also claimed that the small schooners were being adversely affected by the "S. E. Enterprise" which calls at Montserrat, Lower Montague and Georgetown. This boat is subsidized and can thus carry cargo at a low rate.

Mr. Trainor replied that schooners engaged only in the carrying trade do not require a license. Anyone buying or selling more than five car loads requires a license under the Food and Honey Act. This license costs \$25.00. Anyone buying or selling potatoes up to five car loads requires a license costing \$1.00. Continuing, Mr. Trainor pointed out that the object is to protect and foster the small schooners and at the same time maintain the price to the farmers.

Discuss Sales

Mr. Frank Clark, Charlottetown, suggested that if schooners are exempted from firm sale the whole marketing scheme will fall through as there are many markets in Canada that may be reached by schooners. He suggested that the price be fixed to schooners at buying potatoes in the case of potatoes going by the "Enterprise" the price should be fixed higher, he thought. He also pointed out that brokers cannot sell in small lots. They must sell in car load or steamer load lots.

Mr. Charles Toombs thought that there should be some differentiation in price between schooner and car load lots at the point of selling. He suggested not less than seven cents per bag in order to protect the schooner trade.

Mr. Leith Poole, Montague, claimed that potatoes shipped by the "Enterprise" did not bring as high a price as those shipped by rail. Speaking later he suggested that the price for outside vessels coming here for potatoes be fixed at the point of loading. Several other speakers also suggested this, some advocating that the price be fixed here for local craft as well.

Mr. Frank Clark also suggested that the trade discontinue shipping in bulk to Canadian points. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are discontinuing shipping in bulk, he said, and thought this province should do the same.

Mr. George Poole, Lower Montague pointed out that many small schooners could not carry enough potatoes in bags to pay the freight. He thought that cutting out shipping in bulk would cut out most of the small craft.

Captain White claimed that many who buy from the schooners are fishermen and often they do not want to pay the extra price for the bag. Many of the schooners load in bulk in the fall and in bags in the spring. He pointed out that the small schooners do not usually come into competition with rail traffic.

Marketing Scheme Protects

It was suggested by Mr. Wellington MacNeill, Southport, that Quebec potatoes were going into Nova Scotia in competition with Maritime potatoes. He asked if they could undersell Maritime potatoes since Quebec is not at present a member of the potato marketing scheme.

Mr. Trainor said that under the provisions of the Marketing Act he did not think that Quebec dealers could undersell Maritime dealers in the Maritimes.

In connection with the Quebec shipments of potatoes it was pointed out that the freight rate on the "Belle Isle" is the same from Quebec to Sydney as from Charlottetown to Sydney.

Mr. Peter Murphy, Cardigan, said he was in favor of a seven cent per bushel reference price at the point of selling in favor of schooners. He was not in favor of refusing small schooners the privilege of shipping in bulk.

Mr. Montague Annear, M. L. A., Lower Montague, referred to the number of difficulties confronting the marketing scheme and suggested that as new difficulties come up an attempt be made to adjust them.

Mr. Wade Huxes, Cardigan, Mr. Howatt, Charlottetown, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Willard Jordan, Charlottetown, Mr. Leonard Wood, Mermad, Mr. Louis Burge, Five Houses, Mr. P. Morris, Kinkora, and others also took part in the discussion.

Commander III Favorite

(C. P. Cable By Guardian's Special Wire)

LONDON, March 26—Final call-over of betting odds tonight on the eve of the Lincolnshire handicap showed Commander III was the lukewarm favorite at 100 to 15. First important event of the new flat racing season, the race is over the mile distance.

Other odds were as follows: Flemenco, 10-1; Overcoat, 21-2; Llarnarnon, 15-1; Makila, 18-1; Gay Centre, Lost Soul, 22-1; Peppino, Snooker, Celadon, 25-1; Spirituelle, 28-1; Circular Saw, Bendix, Man's Pal, Heavyweight, League, 33-1; Blackmail, Fleet-foot, Gallops, Bow and Arrow, North Devon, 40-1; Generous Gift, Grey Carey, 45-1; Barred Umber, 50-1; Patrimony, The Blue Boy, Adriatic, Waxhall, Rydon Fairy, Marathon, Golden Bow, 66-1; Main Chance, Big Bad Wolf, 100-1.

Stevens' Plan Accepted?

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, March 26—A majority of the commission on price spreads and mass buying has accepted the plan of Hon. H. H. Stevens to establish a national trade and industry commission according to a report circulated here today. This commission would exercise wide powers of regulation over trades and profits by corporations.

Central Guardian

This column is reserved for news of local interest but advertising of a serious nature may be inserted at a special word strictly payable in advance.

MRS. JOSEPH DAVISON of Kensington, P. E. I., will hold her first post nuptial reception in her new home on Friday afternoon, March 29, from three to five o'clock and in the evening from eight to ten. L-5739

JUVENILE COURT—A young lad, who entered the Elite Beauty Salon one night last week and stole \$7.00, appeared in the Juvenile Court yesterday and was sent to the Industrial School in Halifax, where he had spent some time previously. Other young boys, who were also implicated, were allowed to go with a reprimand.

TROJANS DEFEAT SENATORS (C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 26—(By Bee). Malcolm, veteran star basketball player, returned to his old center position on the lineup of Saint John Trojans tonight and led the team to a 46-33 victory over Woodstock Senators in the first game of the final round for the New Brunswick senior title. Malcolm shot 13 points, the margin Trojans will carry into the deciding game at Woodstock Friday night.

COUNTY COURT—Several cases were tried before His Honor Judge Duffy in the March term of the County Court which opened yesterday. In the case John A. MacKenzie, plaintiff, vs. Hugh MacPherson, defendant, an action for debt, judgment was given for the plaintiff and costs. Mr. Norman W. Lowther appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Malcolm MacKinnon for the defendant. In the case James A. Gesner, plaintiff, vs. Thomas E. Dunphy, defendant, an action for debt, judgment was given for the plaintiff with costs.

FISHERMEN'S UNION EXECUTIVE MEET—A meeting of the executive of the Prince Edward Island Fishermen's Union was held yesterday afternoon at the Provincial Union, which was formed last October, when the President, Mr. John MacDonald, Rice Point, presided. A committee was appointed to interview both political parties with a view to obtaining information as to what they propose to include in the platform of a constructive nature, aimed to benefit the fishermen. In addition to the President, the following officers and members of the executive were present: Edwin Murphy, Sea View, Vice-president; C. P. McCarthy, Tignish, Secretary; and Joseph Renault, Tignish, members of the executive.

PLANES CHARTERED—A Canadian Airways plane, piloted by Mr. Walter Fowler took off at 4:45 p. m. yesterday for the Magdalen Islands with two passengers and a load of mail. The return flight will be made this morning if weather conditions are favorable. Pilot H. S. Jones flew Mr. J. McKinnon, insurance adjuster, to Montague yesterday morning in connection with the recent fire in Two's Mill. They left Charlottetown at 8 a. m. and returned at 12:30 p. m. After the arrival of the regular plane from Moncton last evening a charter flight was made to Hermanville by Pilot Jones with Miss Frances McIsaac, who was returning from Boston, Mass., to attend the funeral of her brother.

BUDGET DEBATE—In yesterday's summary of the Premier's budget speech in the Legislature, it was erroneously stated that the estimated total expenditures for the current year were \$1,599,259. The reference (as was obvious from the text) was to estimated ordinary expenditure. The estimated capital expenditures for the current year are: Permanent bridges, \$25,000; Steel culverts, \$15,000; new ferry steamer to replace Hillsboro, \$30,000; plus a sum sufficient for necessary repairs to the Provincial Building and \$130,000 for permanent roads under the Unemployment Relief Act, 1934.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Michael Dunphy, Souris, entered the Charlottetown Hospital on Tuesday.

Masters Augustine and Richard Aylward, Tignish, are patients in the Charlottetown Hospital.

Miss Margaret MacLennan, Charlottetown, returned home Monday evening from spending the weekend in Sackville, where she was the guest of her sister Adele at Mt. Allison University.

Miss May Chandler has returned to her home in North Milford after spending a pleasant week visiting friends in this city. She was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Ford.

Mr. Neil McNevin, M.L.A., returned home Saturday after a week's visit to Charlottetown, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Neil MacDougall, Upper Prince Street.

FURTHER LOAN FOR MANITOBA (C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, March 26—A further loan of \$275,000 to the government of Manitoba for relief purposes, has been authorized by order-in-council made public today.

Minister of Finance, H. Rhodes obtained passage of the order on the ground that such further loan was in the national interest. Treasury bills of the province issued for a period of one year at 4-1/2 per cent interest, will be accepted as security for the loan.

COL RALSTON

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and clean up the work on the session. It was apparent they had no more speakers to offer.

DEBATE ADJOURNED

It was a few minutes to six o'clock and, at the suggestion of J. H. Myers, Prince Edward Island Conservative, debate was adjourned temporarily but whether the government was ready for an immediate division was not apparent at the moment.

Creation of a public finance council representing municipalities, provinces and the Dominion to supervise public financing and lead the way in reducing debt changes in Canada, was urged by Col. Ralston. He placed the combined public debt of the country at \$6,714,000,000 a mortgage on every man, woman and child.

"I submit," he said, "it would be good common sense, good business, good government, for all concerned to apply their mind to the formation of some organization which I have suggested, for want of a better name, be called a public finance council."

PROVISIONS

"In that respect, I am not suggesting the setting up of any super-board. I am speaking of an organization formed of representatives of those concerned. This council ought to have first the power and opportunity of considering the great problem of refunding and lightening the burden of loans already affected. Secondly, of considering the wisdom of further borrowings and the capacity of the citizens to carry the burden; Thirdly, the effect of further borrowings on the credit of the constituent members of this council; Fourthly, and this is most important, the orderly arranging of public issues."

The Bennett Government was accused of strangling Canada's trade in its five years of office and of drying up industrial wells. The budget reduced liquor taxes but retained the 25 per cent tax on sugar and its surtax was a mere pittance on big incomes. The Liberal financial critic predicted a net deficit of \$185,000,000 next year, to add to the \$312,000,000 increase in the debt since 1930.

WHEAT OPERATIONS

Turning to wheat operations in the Winnipeg pit through John L. McFarland, head of the central selling agency of the wheat pools, Col. Ralston said it had resulted in Canada losing markets in the United Kingdom. McFarland, he said, started operations in 1931 with 75,000,000 bushels of wheat. Instead of selling, he bought and today his holdings hung over the market like a dark cloud.

In 1933, he said, McFarland started to buy wheat—"a transaction which I submit, had the effect of rank speculation on the part of the wheat speculator with the money of the people of the country." The McFarland operations, Col. Ralston charged, were not initiated to help the western farmer "but for the eventual glorification of Mr. McFarland and this government. In 1933 a pegged price was instituted with the result Australia and Argentina captured the United Kingdom market from Canada and the government, through its holdings of wheat, became a market competitor of the farmer.

ADMISSION OF FAILURE

The budget, Col. Ralston declared, was an admission by the government its previous tariff and fiscal policies were failures. "They are only fooling themselves if they believe the last-minute recantations are going to make the Canadian people forget."

"There is no escape from the issue," he continued. "We on this side of the House believe we express the views of the great mass of citizens throughout the country when we say that what the people of the Dominion are waiting and anxious for is a chance to register at the polls their opinion regarding the record of this government in the past five years and the grotesque attempt it has made to obscure that record by these eleventh-hour professions. We call upon the government to finish the business of the session, dissolve Parliament, let the people speak at the polls and to make way for an administration fresh from the electorate with a mandate to undertake the task of repair and reconstruction on the principles of Liberal economics and Liberal ideas."

but Promoted to Incorporate Bridge Club

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) HALIFAX, March 26—A contract bridge club bill of incorporation provided the Nova Scotia Legislature today with the unusual spectacle of its government sponsor speaking in support of the Opposition to explain the bill.

It so happened that Opposition Leader Gordon S. Harrington was listed as a member of the "Bronze Club." But that, he submitted to a smiling house, did not ameliorate the fact that the Conservative leader's assent to the bill was to explain the bill he introduced.

He suggested there had been a "carefully-laid train of gunpowder" aimed at bringing him to his feet on the measure. Dr. Logan and Gordon Inor (Lib. Halifax North) denied the Conservative leader's assent charge of "collusion."

As for the club, Col. Harrington said he knew little of what it sought. He did not think a clause in the bill empowering it to receive "licences or privileges" would "interfere in any way with the liquor stores."

OBJECT TO FILM ADS BOMBAY—(C. P.)—Objections have been lodged with the Board of Film Censors in regard to pictures published with advertising of Indian and foreign films.

OPPOSITION

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The Bank manager "carry on," there would not have been the criticism that there has been of the organization because members of the House know that when a disaster overtakes an organization somebody looks for a goat."

JUST "HIMSELF"

Hon. Mr. Sharp: "Are you speaking for yourself or your party?" Mr. Lea: "I am speaking for myself as a representative and I submit that I have been in his place I would not have hesitated. The responsibility was not mine, but there was not one government in Canada that would not have done that."

Continuing, Mr. Lea said he could read "pages" such guarantees having been given by governments.

Premier MacMillan: "They were not guaranteeing debts." Mr. Lea maintained that they were. This Government, he said, should have approached the Dominion Government for assistance in the matter.

The Opposition leader prefixed his remarks on the Potato Growers Association with the complaint that Mr. J. W. Boulter, manager of the organization and former Deputy Minister of Agriculture, had been dismissed from his government position "for partisan reasons." He commended Mr. Boulter's record as a government official, as well as in his connection with the Potato Growers Association and the Provincial Exhibition.

Mr. Lea's 1934 Suggestion

In 1923, he complained, a competent official in the Agricultural Department had been dismissed by the Conservatives who had put "a party supporter in his place," and the same thing had happened in Mr. Boulter's case.

Premier MacMillan: "And you advocated his discharge at the last session of the Legislature."

Mr. Lea: "I did nothing of the kind, because you are not saving the Conservatives who are not filling the position it would be a different thing."

Premier MacMillan: "Who was the man we put in his place?" Mr. Lea: "His photograph was in the paper as Deputy Minister."

Premier MacMillan: "And who was the other fellow?" Mr. Lea: "I don't know who the other fellow is, but you put this man out who was manager of the Potato Growers Association. That is the way the Government is taking to help the Association."

Premier MacMillan: "And you advocated it" (Applause). Mr. Lea: "No, no, you are filling the position; that is a different matter. You can't claim this as a measure of economy because you appointed another man in his place."

Thinks Farmers Not Interested

Mr. Lea also predicted that the Government's now-testing policy would "break down" because it was "impossible to promote it in this Province."

Premier MacMillan: "You don't agree with the Dairy Association?" Mr. Lea: "I know they were anxious to have it carried on but the history has been that it is very hard to promote that in this Province because our farmers apparently are not interested enough to carry it on."

Earlier in his remarks, Mr. Lea had criticized the Government for not resuming the cow-testing policy a year ago, rather than on the eve of the election. He then went on to ask how the Government proposed to make it a success. The scheme, he declared, was much more difficult to put in operation than the Record of Performance tests.

The present Deputy Minister of Agriculture, (Mr. W. R. Shaw), he said, was an efficient livestock man but the Government should not have "discharged" his predecessor, Mr. Boulter.

Incidentally, in referring to Mr. Boulter's connection with the Provincial Exhibition Association, he expressed the belief that the Agricultural Department should bear the losses, if any, incurred by the Association. He warmly indorsed the work which the Association is doing.

Mr. Lea, who concluded a speech of over two and a half hours at 10:45 last evening, was followed in the debate by Hon. Thomas MacNutt, Minister of Agriculture, who, after a preliminary 15-minute speech, moved the adjournment, the House then adjourning until 10 a. m. today.

OPENING REMARKS

In his opening remarks last evening Mr. Lea said the Premier had spent an unnecessary amount of time "striking back" at the members of his Liberal predecessors in office. He had been unfair in taking the Liberal election year 1931 as a basis of comparison because there were always a lot of additional expenditures charged up in election years. The Liberals, Mr. Lea said, had taken the initiative by introducing road machinery and had been criticized for so doing by the Conservatives. It was unjust for the Premier merely to compare expenditures over a given number of years without taking into consideration the value received.

Mr. Lea repeated his often-told experience at Freetown and on the Arnet Road as examples of the "almost impossible condition of the roads" when the Liberals took office in 1927. This condition, he argued made necessary the purchase of gravel and road machines. Had the Liberals not done so the present Government would have had to spend hundreds of thousands more than they have done.

Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Lea declared, did more for public works in four years than all the Conservative Ministers of Public Works put together. He defended the Liberal policy of using imported Nova Scotia gravel instead of the Island

material which he maintained was not satisfactory, was "75 per cent clay."

This contention he cited as a logical reason why gravel under the Liberals was charged to capital expenditure while the Conservative road graveling was properly charged to current account.

Liberal "Monuments"

The Liberals could show over a million dollars of splendid permanent works in bridges, etc., which were "monuments" to the Liberal expenditure on capital account.

Mr. Lea commended the "handy summary" of the Public Accounts which was included in the Provincial Auditor's Report this year.

Continuing, he contrasted three years of Conservative expenditure with a three year period under the Liberals. The latter he maintained had almost twice as much to their credit on capital account, while on current account they spent no more in three years than the Conservatives were spending in four.

The Government he figured had received \$458,000 more money last year than it had used to reduce bank overdraft or replace burned buildings. They had \$711,000 over last year when they borrowed, above what they paid for these things. Add these two amounts and they had \$1,170,186 of new money. Probably this was to pay the debt, to reduce the overdraft last year was good business, I am not objecting to that but it shows that this borrowing was not all being done to pay off Liberal overdraft and borrowings.

Ordinary expenditures Mr. Lea said had increased "to an alarming figure" under the Conservatives. He referred to the last election campaign and to his own platform contests with the present Premier, when "no quarter was asked or given." "He was a game fighter. He could give it and he could take it, and we both gave and took it," the opposition leader said.

Repeats Bond Issue Charges

He credited the Conservatives with having spent \$85,000 more than the Liberals on unemployment relief, but cited figures to show that even considering unemployment and old age pensions payments, the Liberal financial record was the better of the two.

He reviewed his previous criticism of the Government with respect to the \$1,000,000 bond issue in 1932. Had the Liberal Opposition's advice been taken with regard to that bond issue and the question of purchasing the old Prince Edward Island Hospital, many thousands of dollars might have been saved, he maintained.

The title "Minister of Excuses" should be attached to the Public Works Minister for his endeavour last year to pass the responsibility for this bond issue on to the late Liberal Government, Mr. Lea declared.

The Conservatives were going back to 1921—a "post war year"—to show that he, Mr. Lea, as Provincial Treasurer, had borrowed \$125,000 at 6 per cent. But this, Mr. Lea insisted, was the rate that all Governments were borrowing for at that time and the amount was very small. The Conservatives "showed their lack of business ability" by borrowing such a huge sum at once.

Citing from the Public Accounts Mr. Lea said there seemed some disparity between the Government statements and the Auditor's statement regarding the date of making the two issues of \$1,000,000 and \$250,000 respectively.

He criticized the Government's short term borrowings on the ground that at that time when the market was favorable they should have negotiated for a longer period.

The \$150,000 subsidy increase from the White Commission was "a considerable sum of money but it would not go very far with this Government," Mr. Lea predicted.

Neglect on the part of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to cooperate was given by Mr. Lea as the reason for the Liberal failure to obtain subsidy settlement before the Audit Board in 1930.

THE "ECONOMICAL" ALIBI

"Further than that we were approached by a Government at Ottawa that was economical," Mr. Lea added, amid considerable laughter. The Federal Liberal administration had been concerned about reducing the debt while the Bennett Government had given millions to the Western Provinces, he declared.

The present Government was budgeting this year for the increased subsidy under the White Commission which has not yet been voted by the Federal Parliament. Even with this amount the Premier was budgeting for an increased liability of \$94,000. Where was this going to end? Mr. Lea feared it would end in a commission government, like Newfoundland. The Premier, he said, was "too costly a man" for this Province. He knew how to spend money, it was true—

Voice: "And he knows how to get it!" (Applause).

Mr. Lea: "It is not voted yet." Premier MacMillan: "It is more than goose-eggs, anyway." Mr. Lea: "You will need more than goose-eggs, mind, I'm telling you."

Continuing, the Opposition read from an article by Mr. W. H. Moss, M.P., stressing the need for governmental economy and lower taxes.

The Premier, he claimed, was "too ambitious of building monuments" to his administration and he had contracted "squandermania" from his visits to Ottawa.

Premier MacMillan: "So that is what I caught from my contact with four Liberal Premiers, was it?" (Laughter).

Continuing, Mr. Lea commended the Public Library and services introduced under this Government. He objected, however, to future generations being taxed to pay for such services.

The weakness of our provincial administration," he said, "is that we



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quite convinced that this direct method of meeting was the right thing and we are justified in bi-lateral meetings."

Further Negotiations In April

Only at Stress, where Italian, French and British representatives will meet next month, "will the picture begin to take shape," the spokesman continued.

"What we are doing here is getting one piece of the picture. Eden now proceeds to Moscow, Warsaw and Praha where he will get more pieces.

"Then at London he will piece all his information together and this together with what Premier Benito Mussolini and foreign Minister Pierre Laval of France will have to offer at Brussels, will constitute a complete picture of the international situation."

The spokesman, who made it clear that the British delegation leaves Berlin with nothing in the way of any general agreement, added they "never for a moment expected to reach such an agreement here."

MARKETING BOARD

That there was disappointment with regard to the operations of the Marketing Board, was Mr. Lea's next contention. The object had been to protect the producer. This did not mean that the Act had to be operated by producers. Admittedly in forming something new, governments have to feel their way, and he did not wish to be understood as criticizing any particular person in connection with the Act in Ontario, he contended, the deal-ers are not playing fair and we in this Province are losing our market through the operation of the Act.

There had always been a doubt in his own mind, Mr. Lea said, as to the possibility of pegging prices, which the potato marketing scheme had attempted to do. The regulation works Minister for his endeavour last year to pass the responsibility for this bond issue on to the late Liberal Government, Mr. Lea declared.

Too great a differential in the pegged price of Island potatoes, as compared with New Brunswick and Ontario had been established. This had been the advice of the Agricultural Department of the Canadian National Railways, and the government is awakening to the value of this trade as a source of national wealth in line with other governmental. Rehabilitation and extension of hotels is under way in six new hotels under construction in Mexico City, 21,406 tourists are said to have visited Mexico during the past year, mostly Americans, who left 16,420,750 pesos, or roughly \$66,232 in Canadian funds.

MEXICO HAS INCREASED IN HER TOURIST TRADE