

Large Attendance At Studio Party

REEFER CAR (Continued from Page 1) provided rail transportation was required. "Statements which shippers might desire to check are: "1. Greatest number of cars provided (top average) 225. "2. On day Mr. Chevier made his statement, December 14, 1947, 197 cars had been provided while 28 additional cars were on their way over to the Island. "3. Average number of refrigerator cars shipped from the Island—75 per day. "As stated, the number of cars available for the Island is dependent upon the number reaching the East with meat for export. There has been a decline in the export shipments during the past two months but he assures me these shipments are being accelerated greatly at the present time and there should be a noticeable increase in the number of refrigerator cars available for Island potatoes almost immediately. "In addition, I think he realizes that the Island is very serious in its view that satisfactory provision is not being made and there must be some action by the Department of Transport. "In addition, I have an appointment to discuss the question further with Hugh Wardrop, K.C., Deputy Chairman of the Railway Commission. "I have reason to believe your shippers will get some real action."

An appreciative audience of more than four hundred and fifty people, including members and out-of-town guests, witnessed a fine performance by the Little Theatre Guild of Charlottetown last night at the Empire Theatre when they presented their third Studio Night of the current season. The first play of the night "Dark Brown", was a melodrama written by Philip Johnson and was directed by J. A. Lawson. The second play "Ring Once For Central", written by Carl Allensworth was directed by Sydney J. Jeffrey. During the intermission between plays the Hon. Frederic A. Large, President of the Guild, addressed a few words of welcome, then introduced the chairman of the local Adjudicating Committee Judge H. L. Palmer, who reviewed the three plays of the previous Studio Night held in January, explaining to fellow members the purpose of the Guild in encouraging talent along cultural lines. Judge Palmer gave a general outline of the results of the Adjudicating Committee and invited the actors, if they wished further detail, to meet the Committee at a later date when they would be pleased to discuss further points noted for an improved performance. The following are the casts at last night's performance: "DARK BROWN" Mrs. Tasker—Margaret Collins. Mrs. Collins—Mrs. Geoffrey Fitzgerald. Jenny Brown—Mrs. Elyon Darach. Bella Crew—Mrs. Sydney Jeffrey. Fred Whitworth—Bert Foster. Mrs. Persophelous—Mrs. Herbert Pletch. Arthur Brown—Stuart Dickson. Properties—Mrs. J. A. Lawson. Stage Management—Bert Patterson. Costumes—Mrs. R. A. DeBlolis. Script—Lola Thompson. "RING ONCE FOR CENTRAL" Emma Corbett—Ruby Smallman. Martha Gains—Eth Bell. Henry Corbett—P. S. Fielding. Ed. Hogan—Alfred McKearney. Tom Evans—Wallace Scantlebury. Properties—Barbara Pickard and George Anderson. Stage Management—George Abbott. Costumes—Mrs. Ira Brown. Script—Mary Wright. Make-up for both plays—Bessie Conrad, Florine Evans, Joan M. Graham, Carol MacDonald, Marion Matthews and Jeanne Moore. Properties were kindly loaned to the Little Theatre Guild by Aylward's Exchange Store, Fenell and Chandler, Miller Bros. Pure Milk Company Ltd., and West End Nurseries. Miss Louise Cox was pianist for the performance.

3,600,000 Bushels Premier Jones added that there are about 3,600,000 bushels of potatoes on the Island to move, and they should be moved within the next seven-to-eight days. "It will be absolutely necessary to get cars or boats to move them," he said. Mr. C. W. Delaney, Fifth Prince, gave the following information with regard to reefer cars while speaking at the Deaf Address: "On February 21 there were 22 empties ferried from Tormentine to Borden. On the 22nd, nineteen; on the 23rd, twenty-two; on the 24th, twenty-five. There are now thirty reefer cars at Borden and 70 at Tormentine, making 100 available. There are as many cars coming over loaded as there are empties to go back with potatoes. This season 4,700 cars of potatoes went by train and 950 cars by water."

In Memoriam

JOHN T. MCKINNON The death occurred on Tuesday, February 24th at his residence, No. 66 Dorchester Street of Mr. John T. McKinnon, age 70 years. The late Mr. McKinnon though in failing health for the past number of years kept in close touch with the happenings of the day and his death though not unexpected was a shock to his wide circle of friends. Of a quiet and unassuming disposition he was best known by those with whom he came in contact as a true Christian friend. There are left to mourn besides a sorrowing widow, one daughter, Mary with the Department of Public Works and one son John with the C. N. R. The funeral will be held on Friday morning, February the 27th at 8:45 a.m. from his late residence to St. Dunstan's Basilica. Interment will be in the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Charlottetown. LONDON — (C.P.) — When an American soldier asked Mary Carey, 19, to marry him, she took a month's holiday to think about it—then decided she would.

Seeking to make their members more familiar with industrial enterprises in the city, the Charlottetown Board of Trade Development Committee yesterday launched the first of a series of planned tours to city businesses. Yesterday members of the Board made a "guided" tour of the Maritime Electric Plant. The party was divided into small groups and they were given an interesting insight into the activities of the power plant. The tour was arranged by Mr. Hal Bohaker, chairman of the sub-committee of the Development Branch of the Board.

Trade Board Members Begin Series Of Tours

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EXPENDITURE (Continued from Page 1)

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Brokers (200.00), Licensed Fire Insurance Co. (15,786.00), Administration of Prohibition Act (566,801.26), Fines and Penalties (5,206.75), Sale and Rental of Sundry Commodities (27,727.60), Other Revenues and Refunds (40,858.50), Total Ordinary Revenue (93,653,778.37), CAPITAL REVENUE, Fishermen's Loans—Refunds (21,910.82), Refunds on Seed Grain (191.26), Refunds on Automobiles (16,958.22), Youth Training—Dominion Contribution (110,662.23), Student Aid Refunds (675.00), Vocational Schools Assistance—Dominion Contribution (45,000.08), Canadian Vocational Training (56,815.08), Farm Labour Bureau—Dominion Contribution (905.33), R. F. Equipment Sold (521.87), War Assets Sold (115,786.16), Maple Hills Bus Fees (3,238.78), Airport Housing Rents (23,543.10), Interest, etc., on Sinking Fund Investments (117,663.80), Total Capital Revenue (411,609.25), Total Revenue (94,365,387.62), Sinking Fund Provision (322,765.00), Increase in Liabilities (64,698,152.62), Total (94,900,502.41)

ORDINARY EXPENDITURE

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Debt Charges (Interest on Debt: 454,882.55; Sinking Fund Provision: 322,765.00; Total: 777,627.55), Health and Welfare (Public Health: 60,242.67; Vital Statistics: 4,722.07; Falconwood Hospital and Infirmary: 28,750.00; Grants to Hospitals: 11,632.91; Child Welfare: 513,193.33; Old Age and Blind Pensions: 13,729.50; Direct Relief: 18,512.62; Extra Mural Treatment of Tuberculosis: 131,600.00; Grants to Institutions: 4,506.16; Electrical Inspection: 500,089.57), Education (Prince of Wales College: 79,766.88; Prince Edward Island Libraries: 19,051.04; Scholarships: 1,576.04; Adult Education: 12,529.53; Inspection of Schools: 9,996.07; Teachers' Pensions and Superannuation: 362,432.35; Teachers' Salaries and Supplements: 1,380.00; Teacher Training Courses: 2,060.00; School Supply Branch: 3,121.23; Correspondence Instruction: 5,156.50; Less Carnegie Endowment Fund: 4,500.00; Total: 494,812.62)

Administration of Justice

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Supreme Court (16,837.88), County Courts (2,817.12), Magistrates' Courts (6,258.71), Royal Canadian Mounted Police (26,166.87), Gaols (24,830.73), Coroners' Inquests (2,052.94), Administration of Prohibition Act West End Nurseries (32,780.92), Total: 114,344.97

Legislation

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Elections (1,412.80), Government House (3,450.44), Legislative Assembly (26,773.17), Legislative Library (3,288.47), Provincial Auditor's Office (4,553.07), Total: 39,576.97

Agriculture

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Field Supervision (16,430.89), Grants to Farmers' Institutions (923.50), Dairying (324.40), Field Crops and Horticulture (1,775.42), Exhibitions (12,710.70), Women's Institutes (6,879.71), Skunk and Owl Bounty (6,821.90), Livestock and Poultry (14,505.36), Foxes (1,126.88), Other Agriculture (557.84), Fish and Game Development (2,877.22), Agriculture Pathologist's Laboratory (31,609.92), Limestone (26,801.51), Falconwood Farm (21,748.55), Rural Beautification (2,806.14), Farm Radio Forum (1,469.41), Total: 157,947.85

Refunds of Revenue

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Gasoline Tax Rebates (9198,008.06), Tax Abatements (596.67), Succession Duty Refunds (600.00), Total: 129,168.71

Other Current Expenditures

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Insurance on Public Buildings (12,604.20), General Government (Executive Council: 21,387.96; Departmental Offices: 113,865.01; Registry Offices: 11,648.28; Pensions of Public Servants: 1,707.41; Provincial Survey: 12,386.26; Miscellaneous Grants: 9,200.00; Inspection of Credit Unions and Co-operatives: 319.10; Office Equipment: 6,794.07; Miscellaneous—General: 16,347.13; Trade Representative: 2,848.08; Reconstruction: 4,889.27; Multigraph Branch: 3,950.00; Cold Storage Plant Expenses: 135.73; Total: 306,447.94), Total Ordinary Expenditures (94,913,188.67)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Public Works and Highways (Rights-of-Way: 7,149.10; Permanent Bridges: 43,728.30; Culverts: 40,799.87; Road Machinery: 96,436.06; Automobiles: 9,819.38; Total: 198,092.61), Highway Construction (Surface Treatment of Highways: 94,466.73; Provincial Sanatorium: 17,988.61; Fishermen's Loans, Buildings, Etc.—(Appendix B): 25,888.61; Vocational Schools, Assistance Vocational Wing: 58,439.12; Youth Training—(Appendix B): 21,369.82; Total: 218,153.89), Total Capital Expenditure (94,900,502.41)

DAIRYMEN DISCUSS (Continued from Page 1)

aid said. Mr. Profit said the question of the sale and manufacture in Canada of oleomargarine was a difficult one for farmers, especially dairymen, to handle. It would be a mistake on the part of the dairyman, Mr. Profit said, to give the consumer the impression that the sale in Canada of oleomargarine was opposed by the farmer solely for selfish reasons. Such an impression would not be in accordance with the facts. "If I thought for a moment," he said, that the sale and manufacture of oleomargarine in Canada would be of benefit to the Canadian consumer, I would vote for it but I believe it to be worse "if". Comparing the Canadian consumer's present consumption of fats with those of the American, Mr. Profit said the United States consumed 10 pounds of butter per person and four pounds of oleomargarine. Including the use of oils and fats, United States consumed 42.7 pounds per person. On the other hand, each Canadian used 28 pounds of butter and 14.5 pounds of shortening, vegetable and animal, so that the average Canadian consumption of fats was 42.6, over half of which was butter. The Canadian consumer was therefore, Mr. Profit said, much better off today so far as his consumption of butter was concerned than the consumer in the United States where the sale and manufacture of oleomargarine was allowed.

Subsidized Oils

Moreover, the Dominion Government was now subsidizing the importation of foreign oils for the manufacture of vegetable shortening. It would be unreasonable to suppose that the Government would continue such a policy for the manufacture of oleomargarine. In the meantime a black market on the subsidized oils would result as the "oleo" manufacturers would pay more for the oils and the present shortages would necessarily advance in price. The sale of oleomargarine in Canada, since it would have a devastating effect on the country's dairy industry would have serious repercussions on the whole economy of the nation. The decrease in the dairyman's purchasing power would result, Mr. Profit said, in a general decline all along the business scale so that the laocuring man would also suffer.

Resolutions

Six resolutions were passed: (1) that the Provincial Government supply additional inspectors for the cheese factories during the summer months; (2) that the check testing system be extended to cover adequately all dairy plants; (3) that in future the dairymen's meetings be divided into cheese, butter, and fluid sections; (4) that the Provincial Government be urged to institute a bonus bull policy; (5) that veterinarians be encouraged to set up practices in the Province; (6) that the importation, sale, and manufacture of oleomargarine be prohibited in Canada.

Other Factors

Mr. Holm said one way to build up butter production might be for the dairyman to try to raise more feed. Another factor was local support to the local factory. It was bad business to transfer one's business to another factory just because that factory happened to be paying a little more for the time being. He thought there should be a "levelling off" in prices paid by the various creameries. Colonel McLeod of Hantsville thought there was something wrong with some of the co-operative factories when the two large private creameries could pay two or more cents per pound for butter fat. If companies in the business for profit could pay 72 cents per pound butter fat, Col. McLeod thought the non-profit organizations ought to be able to meet that price. Mr. MacDonald's dairy report stated there was a 16.6 per cent decrease in the production of butter in the Province during the first five months of 1947. In the month of June last, when the cows got out to pasture, the production sharply increased. The total production of butter last year was 3,650,135 lbs. which was 286,010 lbs. less than the previous year. The report also showed a decrease in the production of cheese. Last year's production was 61,984 pounds as compared to 744,312 lbs. in 1946. Mr. MacDonald predicted that the Province might have to import butter before the end of the year as there were only 148,566 lbs. in storage on Jan. 1st of this year. Others who contributed to

Production Decline

Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, told the afternoon meeting that livestock production had seriously fallen in the Province during the last 50 years. Mr. Shaw said he would not care to attempt to give a satisfactory reason for the decline but he thought farmers were buying too much fertilizer and too much imported grain at the expense of the maintenance of the livestock population. Mr. Roland MacDonald said he did not wish to infer that the scientific men at the agricultural stations did not know their business. But it was an easy matter to tell farmers to put plenty of limestone on their farms and to grow more grain. The trouble was that the average farmer did not have the money to do those things. If the agricultural officials could tell the average farmer how to get the money to make all the investments he was told he should make, farming would be a more pleasant occupation for more farmers.

Stands Opposed

He wondered if the Canadian Press interpretation of the Government's liquor policy was correct. If so, it meant going the whole way by ditching Prohibition and substituting an out-and-out Government control measure. "If that is the case, I am opposed to it," Dr. MacMillan declared. Dealing with the reefer car shortage, he said that undoubtedly the Railway Superintendent, Mr. Montgomery, is doing his best, but the problem seems to be one of a general shortage throughout the continent. He indorsed references made by previous speakers to the importance of the dairy industry, and the need of assisting the fisheries in every way possible. He quoted an optimistic statement by Premier Jones in the Monetary Times, to the effect that "financially the outlook for Prince Edward Island never has been more hopeful since Confederation." How, Dr. MacMillan asked, could this statement be justified? He cited the huge surpluses being built up in other provinces. "Take our increase in debt and you will have to admit that the Province is not better off than it has been since Confederation," he said. "It has never been worse off."

Denounces Sales Tax

Referring briefly to Federal matters, Dr. MacMillan strongly denounced the continued imposition of the sales tax, which bore with unjust severity upon the poorer classes. He urged the Provincial Government to get solidly behind Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in pressing for funds for rehabilitation at Ottawa. There had been an awakening among the Maritime members of the House of Commons in this connection, which he trusted would extend to the local administration. He expressed approval of the additional accommodation supplied at Falconwood, but said the most important need had not been met, namely, for a proper treatment centre and convalescent ward. He commended the Government on appointing city doctors to look after the Infirmary patients, but said the situation would not right itself until another qualified man was obtained to assist Dr. Murchison. Dr. MacMillan referred to the "unique spectacle" of armies of men working on the roads in the months of November and December. No doubt this had gone on "right up till election day."

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OPPOSITION LEADER (Continued from page 1)

Opposition, with 45.56 per cent, were only able to elect six. "If it had not been for that 'nuisance group', the C.C.F., who took 4-4 per cent of the votes, we probably would have had some more members elected. The difference between the Government and the combined Opposition was only .30 votes. That is your majority! It is pretty slim, and you are very lucky to have 24 members here today." The voting strength of Charlottetown and Royal, Dr. MacMillan pointed out, is one-fifth of the whole Province. "We have just 150 voters less than they have in the whole of King's County, and as many as they have in the rest of Queen's County put together. If we had our just dues we would have three more members in this House."

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questions." He expressed the hope that the hon. member from Georgetown was taking all this in "Mr. Saville" "I am". Dr. MacMillan: "Because there is a nigger in this woodpile, just as sure as anything." He pointed out that in the Canadian Press report the six months scrips were incorrectly referred to as being provided "for medicinal purposes only," also that Hon. Horace Wright had "threatened to resign" from the Government two years ago when the Cullen amendment was introduced. "He is not threatened, but he did resign, right on the floor of this House, Dr. MacMillan said.

ISLANDER WINS CONTEST

From the Quebec press it is learned that Mr. Edgar Gallant, an Island student at Laval University was one of the team of two who carried off the oratory contest between Laval and Bishop's University. The contest took place at Lennoxville, P.Q. Mr. Gallant is a student with Mr. H.F. McPhee, K.C. and is taking a three year's course in political economy at Laval. He will receive his Master's degree in this branch next year. He is a son of Mr. Cyrus P. Gallant of Urbanville, Prince County.

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REPORTS TABLED — Tabled in the Legislature yesterday were the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 1947, also the annual reports of the Department of Education, the R. C. M. P., and the Prohibition Enforcement Act. The House adjourned until 3 p.m. today, Premier Jones having the floor in the Draft Address debate.

ATTENDING MEETINGS — Dunk River Creamery, of Be-Beque, was represented by the following patrons at the farmer meetings this week: William Sherry, Harold Lefurgey, John Myers, W. M. Hogg, the secretary Jack Green, and manager, John S. Wright, Frank Jardine, T. J. Inman, Hudson Lowther, Lloyd Waugh, Roy Campbell, Edwin McFarlane, Allison Profit, Everett Schurman, Robert Jardine.

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