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JAGGED SEA CRAGS GIANT'S WEAPONS? HALIFAX, April 17 - (CP) - The mighty Glosceap - Indian Paul Bunyan of the Maritimes - may actually have lived in his storied home on the red cliffs of Blomidon, overlooking Minas Basin on Nova Scotia's western shore.

HOPPER PEST DYING EDMONTON - (CP) - Alberta government pest control officials believe that damage to crops caused by grasshoppers this year will be the lightest in many years.

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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HAZELBROOK Baptist Church, Services Sunday, April 20th, Preaching service 3 P. M. Sunday School 2 P. M. Rev. I. A. Corbett, B. D., Minister.

GOT HIS FISH - Montague's largest trout for the opening day three pounds was caught by Mr. Stewart Sorrey, Montague.

TAKING SPECIAL COURSE - Dr. Eric M. Pound, assistant medical superintendent of the Provincial Sanatorium will be absent from the city until May 10th during which time he will be in Toronto taking a post graduate course in general chest conditions.

ATTENDING BOY SCOUT CONFERENCE - Provincial Commissioner Bill Reid, Vice-President Bill Burnett have gone to attend the annual meeting of the Boy Scouts Association at the Seigniory Club, Quebec. Matters of internal organization will be discussed. Provincial executive Scout commissioners met with heads of departments from Dominion Scout headquarters, Ottawa, with Maj-Gen. D. C. Spry, chief executive commissioner presiding. Yesterday, Provincial Scout Council presidents and Provincial executive committee members met to consider the findings of the conference of the executive commissioners during the previous three days. The conference will end tomorrow with a morning meeting of the Dominion executive committee of the Canadian general council of the Boy Scouts Association and, in the afternoon, the annual meeting of the Canadian general council.

Preparation of Estimates At the beginning of each year, estimates must be prepared. These are done by each committee with the help of the paid officials of the department concerned, who, when they have completed them, submit their expenditures to the Finance Committee, who compare them with the estimated revenue for the year. A municipality can neither estimate for a surplus nor a deficit. If the estimates cannot be cut down to meet revenue, then you have an increased rate. Now how is the rate arrived at? Well, the Assessor has given in the value of real estate and personal property, which at present is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Valuation, Taxable personal property. Values range from \$7,255,700 to \$2,817,908.

Mr. Whitfield Yeo, Kingston, is progressing favourably after an operation in the P. E. I. Hospital.

Mrs. Ray Lidstone, Freetown, has returned home having spent a very pleasant week with relatives and friends in Saint John and Moncton N. B.

Mr. J. B. Fleming, Mrs. Dolph Fleming and Mr. Claude Murphy left by car yesterday morning for St. Paul, Minnesota, where they will visit Mr. Neil Fleming. The party expect to be absent from the province about 8 weeks.

HEALTHIER PROVINCE HALIFAX - (CP) - Health of Nova Scotians is better today than at any time in history. Government statistics for 1945 show a lower general death rate, while tuberculosis deaths were down, and infant and maternal mortality rates showed "important decreases."

City Clerk Speaks On Local Problems

Mr. J. A. Fulerton, City Clerk, was the guest speaker at last night's meeting of the Y's Men's Club. The meeting, held at the Queen Hotel, was presided over by Mr. R. W. Manning, C.A.

Following is the text of Mr. Fulerton's address:

A little more than a year ago, I spoke as a Rotarian to the Rotary Club, on civic affairs. At that time I thought I had pretty well exhausted all that I knew on the vexed problems which our citizens were discussing.

Now, probably because I am intensely interested in the City's problems and definitely because I am anxious to see every citizen interested in them, I have accepted your kind request to speak once more on this subject. However, before going any further, I should like to recommend to you the excellent brief presented by the Board of Trade on this subject. It is worthy of study and many of its recommendations are worthy of implementation.

Thanks to this brief, to the various studies and discussions carried on by our church groups, ex-councillors, councillors and others, the average citizen must now have an infinitely clearer grasp of the financial standing and operation of civic government than was true a year ago. This is a promising condition and the great hope of our City's progress rests in the amount of effort you and your group of citizens are willing to exert in its behalf.

The first thought I have, which might be of interest to you, is respecting the various committees of the Council. There are eight standing committees: Finance, streets, public property, markets, police, fire, light and tender. As there are eight Councillors, each Councillor is a chairman. All committees, with the exception of the streets committee, which has a Council member from each ward. No committee can make any expenditure of more than \$25, without the authority of the whole Council.

Revision of Tax Assessments The policy of making a gradual revision of our assessment, over a period of years, has been undertaken by our assessor, Mr. Seller, so that a more equitable valuation will be given taxable property. This is a much needed reform. However, owing to the exaggerated costs of building materials today, it is somewhat of a task to really put a true assessment on a new property. It certainly cannot be arrived at based on present day costs, or on the selling price of real estate at the present time.

Your present Council has also undertaken a revision of the Acts of Incorporation and the by-laws, to bring them up-to-date. This was last done in the year 1931. In this regard I suppose one can really believe that things move in a cycle. This much needed revision of our Acts of Incorporation and consolidation of by-laws was last made sixteen years ago when we had a retired Judge as Mayor of our City. Our present Council is fortunate in having at its Board two lawyers. Although this revision is being done by

Depreciation on equipment 3,000 O/D Interest 1,800 \$488,553

Total estimated revenue 1947 is \$444,042. The above expenditures amount to \$288,553, which leaves \$155,489 of the City's total estimated revenue and which, I again wish to emphasize, are uncontrollable. This leaves only 30 1/3 cents out of each dollar in revenue on which to run the City.

City Debt Reduced During the last six years the debt of the City has been reduced by \$340,738.17, the present net debt being \$1,867,177.23. What do I mean by net debt? Simply this: debentures issued, bank overdrafts payable less sinking fund, cash in hand and cash in the bank. The reduction of \$340,738 has been brought about by the fact that money has been paid in war times and people have paid their current taxes and, the City has not had to pay out its arrears. Maturing debentures have been paid off and it has not been necessary to provide work through capital projects, as there has been no unemployment. In this respect may I say that, previous to the war, many projects were carried out for the purpose of providing employment for the needy of our City. However, now that our Dominion Government has set up unemployment insurance, it must needs be their responsibility, and which work must be supplied. This City should never again provide work for unemployment relief without first having assurance from the Dominion Government that it will be reimbursed 100%, nor should direct relief be provided by the City, and if it is necessary it should never be capitalized as was done in the past.

Assuming the population of this City, an amazing percentage of debentures issued have been floated to pay off civic overdrafts and overdrafts for direct relief. The remaining debt is accounted for largely by the following: Airport, City Hall Annex, building Pownall wharf, Lord's wharf, Park breastwork, Public Library, School, and your asphalt streets and concrete sidewalks, storm sewers, and catch basins. These are the assets against the liabilities.

As the population of this City is 15,500, the net debt of the City is now \$120.50 per capita. If the debt is to be reduced then we must refrain, except where absolutely necessary, from capital expenditures. By paying off maturing debentures we reduce our sinking fund requirements and cut down on our debenture interest. It is unfortunate that our bonds are non-callable. If they were callable we could re-issue a much lower rate of interest, proof of which is a recent sale of City debentures bearing interest at 3 1/2% sold over par. For example, we have bonds issued in the early 30's bearing interest at 6%, 5 1/2%, 5%. Some of these do not mature until 1955 and one 30 year issue of 5% not maturing until 1962.

Need of New Industries Mayor MacDonald, late last Fall, appointed an industrial committee to not only encourage industries, but also to select business sites. If we are to help our young men rehabilitate themselves, and a little casual labor is not sufficient, then we must establish industries. Only in this way can we hope to provide them with the responsibility of providing their own livelihood. Your Council is vitally interested in this, and every citizen should also be interested in every possible way at his disposal.

Charlottetown, too, is vitally interested in the tourist trade, from a financial standpoint, but do we not also leave this matter to the paid officials to carry on?

Our School Improvement League has done much for the betterment of our schools. Why not a Civic Improvement League? In other cities, the civic improvement leagues do not only look after the beautification of their City, they are interested in everything that has to do with their City, such as welfare rehabilitation, tourist trade, new industry, etc.

City Hall is the pulse and directing force in any urban community, dealing as it does with the administration of local affairs. Yet, not many taxpayers visit City Hall to attend the meetings of the Council and therefore can know very little of how their money is being spent, or what problems confront their representatives.

Streets Need Repairs Before closing, I must say a word on another angle of civic affairs. When you gentlemen are driving home this evening or tomorrow, and you hit some of the ruts in our pavement, stop and have a look at them. You will find that the surface covering is very thin, a great many of our streets are getting worn out. The first pavement was laid in Charlottetown in the year 1919. Within the next few years a re-surfacing of these streets must be done if we are to keep them from breaking up. However, I thought

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outside lawyers, nevertheless the City benefits by the advice of these two Councillors.

This brings to mind a question which has often been asked: Why is it necessary to apply to the Provincial Legislature every time a new by-law is to be enacted? This form of municipal government, while democratic, is not a sovereign body, that is - it is not presided over by a direct representative of His Majesty. Consequently authority must be obtained from His Majesty's government before any law can be passed.

And now may I remind you, gentlemen, that your duty as a citizen and taxpayer is not over when you mark your ballot on election day.

Charlottetown, like every other City, is confronted for a large number of our young men now out of the forces. I have said that employment to provide work is the responsibility of the Dominion Government, which is quite true, but projects do not guarantee permanent occupation.

May I state here that the paved streets as done by our own men under the supervision of Mr. Messery have stood the test of heavy traffic far better than any street put down under contract. As a matter of fact, there have been no repairs necessary to any streets laid by our own men. The proportion of sand, dust and asphalt are continually checked by our engineer, so that the mixture will contain enough asphalt to hold together the other ingredients of which river bed sand comprises the largest part.

I have just mentioned this because patching of the streets this year will necessitate very considerable expenditure.

These are just a few ideas I had, which I thought might interest you. I am not a speaker. As your City Clerk, and secretary of the Council, I listen and record the speeches of others, rather than speak myself. I have spoken to you tonight with the kind permission of His Worship Mayor B. Earl MacDonald, and Councillor Y's Man Reuel LeFevre, chairman of your finance committee of the City Council.

Best Work Done By City Employees

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DOVER, England - (CP) - Men at Snowdown Colliery beat their target of 9,500 tons during the last week in March by more than 50 per cent.

I would just mention a word about the patching of our streets and the material necessary for it. First of all, river bed sand must be procured. This is put up at low water and is obtained at the channel's edge. It is hauled by horse and cart to the river bank and allowed to dry and then taken by truck to our plant. Souris or Belle River sand is also brought to Charlottetown to our plant, where it is stored until dried out. Mineral dust is purchased from the Deschambault Quarries in Quebec, while our asphalt is obtained from Imperial.

The old asphalt cut out around the part to be patched is also hauled to the plant and used over by heating and adding some fresh asphalt. These materials are mixed in a steam operated plant, equipped with oil burners. The mixture is heated to a temperature of approximately 450° Fahrenheit. When ready it is loaded and hauled to the street. When the mixing is going on at the plant, the men on the street are preparing for the patching. The patch must be cut back until the depth of thickness of about 1 inch is obtained, to which the new asphalt can be bonded. The sides and bottom of the cut are painted with pure asphalt. On the street is a salamander or firebox, in which tampers and smoothers are heated. These hot irons are used to weld or bond the new patch to the old street. The patch is then given compression by a tandem roller. When the material thus placed cools, the patch is then completed and the traffic may drive over it.

Why Russia Bars Exit Of Service Wives

LONDON, April 16 - (Reuters) - Two reasons Russia has cited for barring Soviet wives of British ex-servicemen from leaving Russia were given to the House of Commons today by Alice Bacon, Labor, who visited Moscow last year.

She was told, she said, that Russian wives who had been allowed to go to Britain had been ill-treated by their British husbands.

Another reason for the Soviet ban was that the Russians were anxious that the best type of Russian women should go to Britain, but Britons had failed to pick the best type.

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