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—RECEIVES PAINFUL BURN—Mrs. Jerry Gaudet of Summerside yesterday received a severe burn on her left arm, extending from hand to elbow, when she fell on a hot stove. She slipped on the kitchen floor which was being scrubbed. Mrs. Gaudet is a war bride and has been in Summerside about a year.—S.

—Y.P.U. MEETING—The Kensington Y.P.U. met in the church on Wednesday, April 2nd, with fourteen members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. A committee was appointed to make preparations for a concert which is being put on by the Young Peoples. The devotional period was under the leadership of Jimmie Clark. "All The Way My Saviour Leads Me" was the opening hymn. Scripture reading Matthew 22: 35-39 was read by the president. Subject under discussion was an article entitled "New Canadians. Do We Want Them?" Bible study was Mark 14. Meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. L.M. Murray.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Mann has returned to her home in Kensington after spending a week in Moncton, N. B.

CAPITOL

SUMMERSIDE TODAY (MONDAY) AND TUESDAY

IT'S THE MOTION PICTURE EVENT OF THE YEAR



NOEL COWARD'S *Blithe Spirit* in Blushing TECHNICOLOR. Also Cartoon and Sport Short Shows 7.15—9.15

MATINEE TUESDAY 3.30

—DEAL COMPLETED—The purchase of the residential property of Mr. C.B. Morris on the corner of Spring and Prince Streets, Summerside, by Mr. T.D. Morrison, which was reported in yesterday's Guardian, was concluded yesterday afternoon. Mr. Morrison plans to erect a 20-apartment building on the property. The Morris residence will also be turned into an apartment house.—S.

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Reviews-Problems Of Agriculture At Trade Bd. Meeting

Following is the text of the report submitted by Mr. T. J. Inman, chairman of the agricultural committee, at Thursday's monthly meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade.

"Another year of our activities has come to an end and we have reason to be thankful for a bountiful harvest; and this small corner of the globe, there is no reason for any one to go cold or hungry, if they are able and willing to work for an honest living. "We are glad to note that the Federal Government at Ottawa is beginning to realize that the farmers of the Maritimes have some claims, as well as those in the West; when they established a floor price on potatoes, beginning April 1st of this year; however, just how it is going to work out remains to be seen.

"We view with alarm the agitation by the Railway Companies for an increase in freight rates; for any concessions along this line would hit us doubly hard in this Province, on account of not having any manufacturing centres. We have to export most of our produce, and import the greater part of our machinery, fertilizers, feeds, etc.

"At the present time we are suffering for want of jute for bags, and reefer cars to ship our potatoes; just what will happen when the flood gates are opened the 1st of April? We may have to return to some of our former methods of shipping by small schooners, loading them in bulk. "Let us continue to make our grievances known to the Government, and Railway authorities, with the hope that in the near future, we may receive due consideration, and be given adequate transportation equipment to take care of the shipment of our Agricultural products at the proper time.

Impressive Figures "According to statistics, the current value of farm capital in Canada, including land, buildings, machinery and live stock, amounts to \$5,283,121,063, with a gross value of annual production valued at over \$2,500,000,000 and the farming population is over \$3,152,449. "Now whereas an individual farmer may feel that he is powerless to do anything to lift agriculture from its submerged stratum, he will see that an industry operating with \$5,283,121,000 capital; and with an annual turnover in excess of 2 1/2 billion dollars, can if organized do something in a substantial convincing way, to elevate agriculture to its proper position.

"The combination of five and a quarter billion dollars of capital, and an annual essential commodities production of more than 2 1/2 billion dollars, can achieve any common-sense objective to which the owner operators direct their efforts in a collective bargaining way; and naturally the farmers of Prince Edward Island with their contribution to this production of over \$18,000,000 would have some recognition.

Farm Prices "We cannot build a sound economic structure if we allow wage increases to industrial workers without giving farmers and other primary producers any increase in their share of the national income.

"Primary production is the real base of Canada's economy and it is imperative that steps should be taken to put our economic structure on a sound working basis.

"If the prices of food are to be kept down it means that the producers must go on getting about the same return for their work. But because of increased labor costs, and the higher price of machinery and other commodities the producer has to buy, the result is obvious; primary producers will have less margin between the cost of produc-

ing and the selling price, and the result will be reduced living standards among primary producers; who naturally have a reduced purchasing power.

"About one-third of our Canadian population is dependent directly or indirectly upon agriculture for its livelihood, and yet they only receive about one seventh of the National revenue.

"It is all very fine for industrialists to talk about farmers doing their work because of their love of the land, and because farming is a "way of life." Suppose that farmers do enjoy their work, is this any reason why they should not also enjoy better living standards.

"Plenty of city workers in all ranks of life enjoy their work, but they also expect a reasonable wage as well.

Skill and Knowledge "Besides being a mere "farmer" the farmer must have a sound knowledge of agriculture, with skill in breeding and raising stock, of crops and crop rotation, dairying, mechanics so that he can keep his machinery in repair, an accountant to handle his books and records, a purchasing agent and a keen salesman with a shrewd knowledge of market trends and demands. On top of that he must put in many long hours of physical toil; and yet it is only a very few that receive the equivalent to salary of \$3,000 a year.

"Shall we just keep on working hard for long hours, selling our products at unprofitable prices, and hope that in the near future some Government or some philanthropist will rise up and set all things right, and restore to the agriculturist his just share of the National Income. "Is that what the organized industrial laborers are doing? Is that what the manufacturers of autos and farm machinery are doing? Last but not least is that

ANNUAL MEETING

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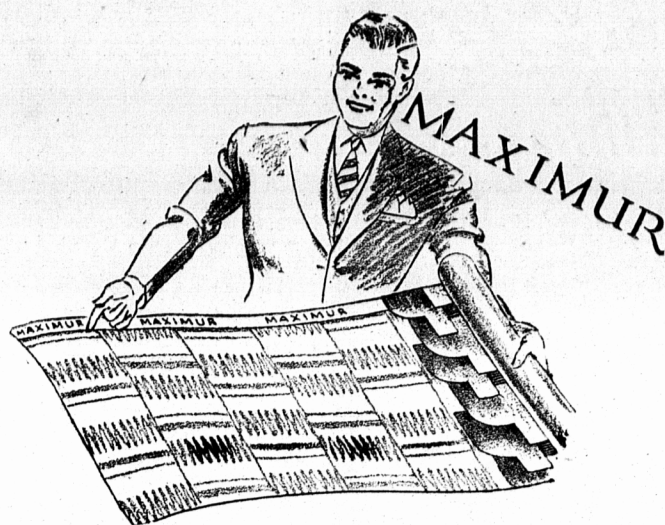
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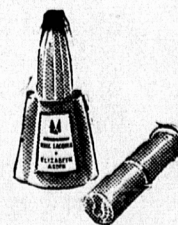
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