Awarded Plastering Contract At S. D. U.

Mr. John J. Campbell, formerly of Cardigan, P.E.I., and now of Saint John, N.B., has been awarded the contract for plastering the new building under construction at St. Dunstan's University. Work on the interior of the four-storey structure will begin next week, Mr. Campbell announced last night.

Mr. Campbell has had several large plastering contracts on the mainland quite recently. At present he has a large one, a new school building, at Saint John.

NEWS GATHERERS

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one expert, "and hats will be more severely tailored." Gold trimming, discreetly used, bright scintillating ornaments and nail-heads will be favored.

Skirts Two Inches Longer

Skirts will be only two inches longer, and will not be exaggerated in length contrary to earlier predictions. In fashion language, "hips will be visible," though that apparently refers only to the line. "Pencil skirts," will be favored, too, featuring straight lines, severely parallel with a two-inch slit in front to afford greater leg manoeuvrability. Last year's drape skirt will still be good.

Suits are tending to fish-tail backs, said to slope back something like men's swallow-tails.

They predict a rage in boleros—particularly the great, melon-sleeved type which can be caught up at the wrist and worn full, or pushed up into three-quarter length sleeves.

Shoulders will be padded still, but will be smoother and not so severely angled.

From Coast To Coast

Fashion highlights from coast to coast show:

Halifax — More color and longer dresses. Increasing popularity for Nova Scotia-woven frocks and sweaters, featuring pastels and lighter shades.

Montreal — Tailored suit season predicted in grey and navy blue, while the matching coat is added in various lengths for the complete ensemble.

Ottawa — Grey spring suits popular, especially with straight skirts, while the matching coat is added in various lengths for the complete ensemble.

Ottawa — Grey spring suits popular, especially with straight skirts, while matching, three-quarter length top-coats are being shown.

Winnipeg — printed silks and one-toned crepes are being shown, while gabardine and light wool suits are also favored.

Vancouver — "Hats are as frivolous as ever with straw models popular." Skirts are longer by from one to two inches, with lighter shades predominant.

HOLD SECOND CONGRESS

QUEBEC — (C P)—The second industrial relations congress sponsored by the Faculty of Social Sciences of Laval University will be held here April 14-15.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS
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BIRTHS

DIXON—At the P.E. Island Hospital, Feb. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Dixon, a son.

WRIGHT — In the City Feb. 17, to Mr. and Mrs. James Wright, a daughter, Eleanor Pern.

DEATHS

MacMURDO — At North Bedeque Feb. 18, Mrs. Thomas MacMurdo. Funeral from her late residence on Thursday at 2 p.m. Interment North Bedeque Cemetery.

MULLINS—In Charlottetown Feb. 18, William D. Mullins, aged 79 years. His remains are resting at his late residence, 230 Fitzroy Street, from where the funeral will take place Friday morning at 8.45 to St. Dunstan's Basilica, thence to the Roman Catholic cemetery.

MacDONALD—In the City Tuesday, Feb. 18th, Wilfred L. MacDonald of McNeill's Mills in his 38th year. His remains are resting at the A. A. Hennessey Funeral Home until this (Wednesday) afternoon when they will be transferred to his home. The funeral will take place on Friday morning at 9.00 a.m. to St. Bridget's Church, Lot 11. Interment in the Church cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of MRS. ROBERT KERWIN who passed away February 19th, 1945.

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Of a dear one gone to rest
And those who think of her today,
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Imperial Life Assurance Co's. 50th Anniversary Meeting In Charlottetown

On the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary Year of The Imperial Life Assurance Company, a meeting of the representatives of the agency under the management of Mr. A.R. McInnis was held in Charlottetown yesterday. The meeting was attended by Mr. Paul H. Dubar of Toronto, Superintendent of Agencies, and Mr. F.G. Shurly also of Tironto, Assistant Secretary of the Company.

The meeting dealt with agency matters and Mr. Dubar complimented Mr. McInnis and his associates upon the splendid results secured during the year 1946, when an all-time record of business was attained both by the entire Company and by the Prince Edward Island agency.

The meeting was followed in the evening by a banquet at the Charlottetown Hotel attended by the representatives and their wives and by members of the office staff. During the banquet Mr. Dubar described the complete welfare measures taken by the Imperial Life for the benefit of its representatives, their wives and their dependents. He dealt with the progress of the Company throughout the past fifty years, when the yearly volume of business increased from year to year from one and one-half million in 1897 to sixty-one million in 1946, and described conditions which salesmen had to face in the early days of the Company.

Mr. Shurly spoke of the early founders of the Company and of the progress made throughout the years.

Reviews Achievements

"In the Imperial Life we have looked forward to this celebration of our Jubilee Year for many months past," Mr. Shurley said. "Canada and the rest of the world, were in the horse-and-buggy days when the Imperial Life was founded. An Act to incorporate the Company had been passed by the Dominion Parliament on the 23rd day of April, 1896. It was not until the following year, however, that the Company's founding actually took place with the appointment of staff and agents, the opening of a little upstairs office at the corner of King and Victoria Streets, Toronto, and the writing of Imperial Life policy number one."

The new Company was not long in making itself felt among the life insurance companies in Canada. In 1900, its third complete year, it wrote practically three million dollars. Two years later it reached the $4,127,000 mark, the highest amount produced by any Canadian life insurance company in that year being $4,640,000.

"Over the years to fellow, and coincident with the great development of Canada," said Mr. Shurly, "the business of the Imperial Life has developed to the point where those early figures are unimpressive. Today as we look at the Imperial life we see an organization comprising 360 full-time members of the sales force and 481 official and clerical members. We see a company whose operations extend throughout Canada, in Great Pritain, Newfoundland, California, the West Indies and Central America — 42 branches in all. We see a Company which has grown in stature, serving over 100,000 policyholders whose stake in financial security with the Company now exceeds $437 millions — a company which each working day sends out cheques totaling over $30,000 to policyholders and beneficiaries, and which in fifty years has already disbursed $164 millions in benefit payments while at the same time accumulating assets of $137 millions which, together with further future premiums and their accumulations are required to meet the obligations involved in the 437 millions of business now on the books."

Gave Leadership

Among other things Mr. Shurly recalled that the Imperial Life had pioneered when it adopted a 3 1-2 per cent interest basis in the calculation of its reserves; also that it was one of the first to adopt the even more conservative rate of 3 per cent. In 1912 when a movement to draft uniform life insurance legislation for the various Provinces first took concrete form it was an Imperial Life man — the late G. Cecil Moore — who sat as one of the original committee members and who was himself chiefly responsible for framing the Uniform Life Insurance Act, adopted first by British Columbia in 1924 and by every other Province except Quebec in the following year.

"It is perhaps in the field of merchandizing of life insurance, however," said Mr. Shurly, "that the Imperial Life has demonstrated its pioneering spirit to the most marked extent. It was the first life insurance company in Canada and one of the first on this continent to develop a salesmanship course, conducted by correspondence, for its sales organization. It was the first life insurance company in Canada to use outdoor poster advertising, and the first to use newspapers in any form of consistent continuous advertising campaigns."

Compliments Local Salesmen

Following the banquet, Mr. A.R. McInnis spoke of the development of the local agency since 1908 and complimented the salesmen on the splendid job which they had done in 1946.

The following were present at the banquet: Mr. and Mrs. A.R. McInnis, Mr. F.G. Shurly, Mr. Paul H. Dubar, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. D.J. MacKinnon, Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold McIver, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Roy MacGillivray, Mr. Arthur F. McInnis, Miss Elizabeth Murnaghan, Mr. Clarence Redmond, Miss Mary Redmond, Mr. J. Wilfred MacAleer, Mr. Clifford Simpson, Mr. Alyre M. Gallant, Mr. and Mrs. F.J. McWade. Entertainment was provided by Mr. Charles Chamberlain, accompanied by Mr. Jackie Doyle at the piano.

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hogs.

Mr. J. H. Myers, Hampton, said Prince Edward Island was handicapped inasmuch as it did not have the industrial resources enjoyed by Ontario, Quebec, and some of the other Provinces. Its main sources of revenue were its farming and fishing industries and tourist trade. It would seem to be common sense, therefore, Mr. Myers said, if the people of Prince Edward Island concentrated on making the quality of their farm and fish products as high as possible.

Mr. H. W. Clay, senior livestock fieldman for the Dominion Department of Agriculture, told the meeting that the Island's reputation for quality hogs had extended across Canada and that there were more orders on hand from Alberta and Manitoba than the Island swine breeders could fill.

The refusal of the Island breeders to indulge in breeding fads, and the feredom from swine disease were two factors which, Mr. Clay said, were largely responsible for the Island's present high reputation as a producer of fine bacon hogs.

Mr. Clay cautioned against the practice of some swinemen to import their breeding stock. In such a practice there was a great danger of bringing diseased hogs to the Province and thus destroying the enviable record which Island hogs now possess.

He recommended that breeders of Yorkshire hogs should support the advanced Registry policy. By doing so, Mr. Clay said, Island breeders would be able to have a ready market at a good price for all the livestock they cared to export.

Outlook Bright

The outlook for the hog industry in 1947 is very bright, Mr. Clay said. Whereas there were only ten active breeders of Yorkshires in the Province last year, there will be over one hundred this year.

In concluding, Mr. Clay assured the breeders if they would give the Dominion Department of Agriculture their full co-operation, the Department would only be too glad to support them in every way possible.

The Hon. W. F. A. Stewart, provincial Minister of Agriculture, congratulated the breeders on the large attendance and assured them his Department was at all times available to assist the hog breeders in any way it could.

Mr. Stewart referred to the illness of Mr. W. R. Shaw, provincial deputy Minister of Agriculture, who, Mr. Stewart said, had not been in good health for several weeks.

Before adjourning, the following resolutions were passed:

1. That the P. E. I. Swinebreeders Association extend its deepest sympathy to the wife and family of the late Mr. S. D. Irvine in their recent sad bereavement.

2. That the Association go on record as favouring the erection at the earliest possible time of an elevator suitable for the storing of feed grains for the farmers of the Province.

3. That the Association expresses its appreciation of the efforts made on its behalf by Mr. H. W. Clay as senior livestock fieldman.

4. That the Association extend its thanks to the Provincial Department of Agriculture for its assistance in preparing live hogs for export and for many other valuable services rendered.

During the meeting a film entitled, "Bacon for Britain" was shown.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. C. Campbell returned from Montreal last evening.

The many friends of Mr. George M. Moore, of Moore and McLeod's regret his indisposition in the P. E. I. Hospital the result of a fall.

The many friends of Mrs. Edwin Boyce are pleased to know that she is progressing favourably, after her recent operation in the P. E. I. Hospital.

Frends of Mr. Morgan McGaughey, Bonshaw, will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from tonsillomycosis in Lancaster Veteran's Hospital, Saint John, N.B. Mr. McGaughey is a student of Radio Telegraphy in the Radio Electronics Department of Saint John Vocational School.

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a newsy nature may be inserted at five cents a word strictly payable in advance.

DR. CAMPBELL will be away from the Polyclinic from Feb. 17 to 28.

HOWARD McINNIS' Fitted Footwear now located at 175 Queen Street.

BOY SCOUT — GIRL GUIDE WEEK. — Listen to this evening's address by Major T. E. MacNutt over CFCY at 7.45 P. M.

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TICKETS now on sale for the play "Anne of Green Gables" by all Y. P. U. Members. A limited amount only. Don't be disappointed again. Get yours early.

BRADALBANE United Church Charge. Services Sunday, February 23rd. Pleasant Valley 11 A. M. Rose Valley 3 P. M. Bradalbane 7.30 P. M. W. B. MacPhail, Minister.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS — Dr. George Inman, Montague, has been appointed Coroner for Kings and Queens Counties, replacing Dr. Lester Brehaut, Murray River. The appointment was made necessary due to the resignation of Dr. Brehaut. Two other recent appointments were those of John Kirby as Electrical Instructor at the Vocational Training School, replacing Edward P. Donnelly, and Ambrose Seller as butcher at Falconwood Hospital replacing the late Patrick Fitzsimmons.

CITY POLICE COURT — At the City Police Court yesterday morning there were two drunk and disorderlies. One was fned $10 and costs or 20 days and the other sentenced to 20 days. The accused in two cases of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor were remanded until today and the 24th. Bail in one case was set at $100. A drunk and incapable was remanded until the 24th. A remanded drunk was sent to Falconwood Hospital. The accused charged with breaking and entering a shop was further remanded until the 25th. The case against a woman charged with assault was adjourned until today.

Y. P. S. MEETS—The Cornwall Young People's Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Willis with Lennis MacFadyen as leader. The president, Margaret Lowther presided over the business period and it was decided by the Society to collect for the China Relief Fund. Gordon MacMillan conducted the Bible questions which were taken from Samuel, and the members answered them correctly. The next lesson will also be taken from Samuel. For the recreation period the members enjoyed a grand skating party, after which bountyeous refreshments were served by Mrs. Willis and committee. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Willis and Auld Lang Syne brought a pleasant evening to a close.

JUNIOR AID OF P. E. I. HOSPITAL — The regular meeting of the Junior Aid of the Prince Edward Island Hospital was held at the Cundall Home on Monday, February 17th, with 29 members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted, after which the secretary read an invitation from the Ladies' Aid Society of the Prince Edward Island Hospital to the members to attend their "White Elephant" Sale. A League of Mercy committee was appointed and plans completed and tickets distributed for "A Parade of Spring Fashions" and luncheon to be held at the Charlottetown Hotel. After the meeting adjourned, tea was served by Mrs. Robert Large, Mrs. Don Ross and Mrs. Bill Henry.

CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING — A very agreeable evening was spent at Rustico Sunday, February 9th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doucette where their many friends and relatives gathered to congratulate them on their long and successful married life. The aged couple, who are still enjoying good health, wished to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day by assisting at the holy sacrifice of the mass Saturday morning and there in presence of their Divine Master renew their promise of fidelity. Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Doucette's children, who live in the whereabouts, gathered at home with their wives to have a family supper. In the earlier part of the evening, after a great number of friends had gathered, two very appropriate addresses were read, one in English by Mr. Cornelious A. Doucette, the other in French by Mrs. Felix Pineau. The celebrating couple were greatly touched by the words addressed them by the people of their beloved parish and also by the lovely gifts presented them. Mr. and Mrs. Doucette had their family life blessed by a good number of children. Four of them have preceeded them to eternal life, one of whom had consecrated herself to God in the religious life with the Sisters of the "Congregation de Notre Dame." Four boys and ten girls are still living and doing honor to their parents. Their friends join hands to wish this happy couple many more years of wedded life.

MALDON, Essex, Eng. — (CP)— Emily Smith, 84-year-old widow, died of burns when her clothes caught fire as she stood over a stove preparing dinner.

STORE BROKEN INTO — A break was reported at S. A. McDonald's Monday night but as far as it could be ascertained nothing had been taken from the premises. Police investigating found that a small window in the Office at the rear of the building had been broken.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY — The funeral of the late James Dennis 89 Gerald St., was held yesterday afternoon. A short service was held at his late residence followed by service in the Salvation Army Citadel conducted by Major McLean. The pallbearers were, Percy Downe, Archie Gillis, Fred Chandler, J. L. Lockhart, Neil McKinnon, Clifford Keenan. Interment People's Cemetery.

FUNERAL SERVICES — The funeral of Mr. Arthur Gallant was held yesterday morning from the A. A. Hennessey Funeral Home to St. Augustine's Church South Rustico where Requiem High mass was celebrated by Rev. Clarence Pitre, parish priest, who also conducted services at the grave. The pall-bearers were: Messrs Alyre Doucette, Clarence Gallant, Wallace Gallant, Eugene Gallant, Louis Doucette and William Aylward. Interment took place in the church cemetery.

HUNTING SEASON CLOSED — The season on rabbits and foxes closed on February 15th. Now is the time to go over the snare lines, whether for rabbit or fox, and take them all up. Snares left set are a menace to game birds and animals all through the breeding season. Possession of rabbits in close season leaves one liable to a minimum penalty of $20.00. After an open season of 3 1-2 months its time trappers and hunters called it a day. The season on mink and muskrat closes on March 31st.

P. E. I. Man In U. S. Immigration Case

BOSTON, Feb. 18 —(CP)—John E. Finnen, 42, of Salesbury, Mass., a native of Prince Edward Island, was ordered removed to the U.S. District Court at Burlington, Vt., by Commissioner William C. Rogers today. Finnen allegedly entered the U.S. illegally at Norton, Vt., in October 1945 after he had been deported to Canada. Bail was set at $5,000.

Family Allowances For Last Month

OTTAWA, Feb. 18 —(CP)—The Health Department announced today that 1,553,998 Canadian families received family allowance cheques in January, an increase of 56,570 over the previous month. Total payments amounted to $21,215,305.

Payments by provinces:

Prince Edward Island, $180,495; Nova Scotia, $1,150,022; New Brunswick, $974,579; Quebec, $7,077,787; Ontario, $6,184,126; Manitoba, $1,213,011; Saskatchewan, $1,528,045; Alberta, $1,481,346; British Columbia, $1,395,965; Northwest Territories and Yukon, $29,929.

York And Vicinity

Mr. Leigh Misner, York, spent Sunday at his home in Stanhope.

Mr. Earl Ling has recently installed electric lights.

Mrs. Roscoe MacDonald, York, was a visitor to the City on Saturday.

Friends of Mrs Minto Foster, York, are glad to see her out again after a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis, and daughter Marlyne, York, were visitors to the City Saturday.

Misses Jean and Ruth Nicholson City, spent the weekend at their home in York.

Friends of David Taylor, York, are sorry to hear that he is confined to his home with the measles

Service was held in York Church on Sunday morning wish a large attendance.

Friends of Mr. Gordon Crockett are sorry to hear that he was confined to his home with the cold.

Miss Winnifred Hayter, primary teacher at York School spent last week-end at her home in New Glasgow.

Mrs. Elby Hardy, Pleasant Grove, is spending a few days in York the guest of her niece, Mrs. Robert Chappell.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rynes, Dunstaffnage were visitors to York on Friday evening the guest of Mr and Mrs. Harry Lewis.

Mr. Bobby Barwise, York, spent a few days in the city last week, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Barwise.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Howards, Cornwall, spent Sunday in York, the guest of Mrs Howard's parents, Mr and Mrs Herbert Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Proud, York, were visitors to Covehead on Thursday evening the guest of Mrs. Proud's mother, Mrs. George Bearisto.

Mr. and Mrs Frank Vessey and daughter Beryle, York, spent Sunday in Covehead the guest of Mrs. Vessey's mother, Mrs. Frank Bovyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Vessey and son Sterling were visitors to the City on Sunday, the guest of Mrs. Vessey's parents, Mr and Mrs. Crawford Jay.

Mrs. Alex MacEachern and her sister, Florence MacMillan, have returned to York after spending a few days in Covehead the guest of their sister, Mrs. Orr MacCann.

Miss Fern Vessey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vessey had the misfortune of falling out of the truck last week, but was not very seriously hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison West and son Blair, City, spent the weekend in York, the guest of Mrs West's parents, Mr and Mrs. Horace Vessey.

On Friday afternoon the children of York gathered in the school house to take part in a Valentine Party. They spent the afternoon in playing games and distributing valentines. All went home very much pleased with their valentines.

Hockey and skating is the order of the day and the games played on Covehead rink during the past week were much enjoyed, in fact the whole countryside is one vast open air rink and young and old are enjoying themselves skating and playing hockey, while the condition exists.

C. C. F. BROADCAST

Hear M. J. Coldwell, M.P., National Leader of the C.C.F. on
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Other broadcasts in this series on April 2nd and May 7th.

British Miners Not Consulted On Labor Imports

Suggestion Heard Britain May Use Displaced Persons From Continent.

(By Stuart Underhill)

LONDON, Feb. 18—(CP)—Prime Minister Attlee met tonight with his "coal cabinet" and it was understood that the emergency committee hoped to fix a provisional date for restoring production in at least a part of the United Kingdom's crippled industry.

Earlier, Attlee told the House of Commons that the Government was considering the possibility of bringing displaced persons from continental Europe to work in British coal mines and other vital industries.

Fresh from a cabinet discussion of the critical fuel shortage and dismal economic picture, the Prime Minister told Parliament that an organization was being set up to classify displaced persons in British zones of Germany and Austria "against the opportunity of employment in Britain."

A spokesman for the National Union of Mineworkers said Attlee's statement was made without prior consultation with mine union officials. He added that the union was not in any way committed to the general introduction of foreign labor, although it had agreed to the employment of some Irishmen and members of the Polish resettlement corps in the mines.

Informed government sources said the importation of labor would be dealt with in a white paper on the economic situation, to be issued late this week.

The Fuel Ministry reported that stocks were still rising as every effort throughout the country was directed to this purpose. It said that power station stocks now average 11 days' supply—nearing the two-week goal which is the unofficial objective.

The ban on the use of domestic electricity for five hours daily was extended today to Northern Ireland due to "the continuing and increasing gravity of the fuel situation" there.

Despite the improvement in the general picture in England, Wales and Scotland, there appeared to be some likelihood that the average household coal ration of 100 pounds a week might be reduced next month because of all-out efforts to reopen factories and keep electric power plants running.

Unemployment continued to mount because of shut-downs caused directly or indirectly by the power cut-offs.

The Labor Ministry announced that 1,212,400 persons had applied for unemployment insurance between Feb. 8 and last night.

80 p.c. Of "Y" Objective Raised On First Day

The success of the "Y" Maintenance Campaign was assured last evening when reports received at the supper meeting of campaign workers in Zion Church Hall showed a total of $8000.00 collected of the $10,000.00 objective. Chairman Roy Cudmore announced that there was still a large number of cards to be turned in and the campaign executive was optimistic of the final results.

The winning Division for the first day was Division No. 4, commanded by Andrew Likely with 100 per cent of their objective. The winning team was team no. 22 of the same Division with 313 per cent of their objective. This team was captained by Lloyd (Kyber) Grant with the following team members: Edith Acorn, Allan Forsythe, Aubrey Found, Walter Goss and Clarence MacInnis.

Competition has been very keen among the five divisions and each one promises surprises for the final meeting which is to be held in Zion Church Hall on Thursday evening. At the meeting last evening B. Frank Tinney, president of the Y.M.C.A. personally thanked the chairman and workers for the fine job they were doing for the youth of Charlottetown.

A special word of thanks was also extended to the Ladies Auxiliary of the "Y" who are preparing the delicious suppers served each night to the workers.

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come from investment and steamship earnings.

Sees 48 Million Surplus

M. A. MacPherson, Saskatchewan counsel, said the company actually was looking for a surplus of $48,000,000 this year, since it had listed an item of $16,000,000 income tax in a statement of 1947 estimates it filed with the Transport Commissioners in connection with this application.

Mr. Walker did not comment on this suggestion, saying railway accountants would have to answer it.

Mr. Walker underwent cross-examination after presenting a lengthy introductory statement in support of the 30-per-cent application in which he said a "prompt" increase in rates was necessary if "sound economic conditions in transportation are to be restored."

If the increase was not granted, the service of the railways would degenerate into inadequacy and inefficency. The effect of lowered revenues and rising expenditures on the C.P.R.'s net earnings was causing "utmost concern."

Increased costs of wages and materials had been "startling." Last year, wages of $36,500,000 were up 36 per cent from 1939. Costs of materials and supplies were $20,400,000, or up 34 per cent in the same period.

For 1947, further increases in the costs of essential materials would have to be met, Mr. Walker declared.

Under questioning by Col. J.L. Ralston, Maritimes counsel, Mr Walker declared wage increases granted by the Prices Board last year for C.P.R. employees should not have been ordered until the present case had been disposed of.

Questioned on C.P.R. stock prices, Mr. Walker said the Common had a range of between 11 3-4 20 1-2 in 1946, against 5-8 1-2 in 1939, and a range for the preferred of 63 3-4-76 5-8 in 1946 compared with 25-42 1-2 in 1939.

Col. Ralston calculated this meant an enhancement of $160,000,000 in the market value of C.P.R. securities over that period, and Mr. Walker said he was prepared to accept the counsel's calculations.

In the face of that figure, Col. Ralston said, the company was claiming its credit was impaired

Col. Ralston questioned him about a $19,000,000 "equipment issue" of C.P.R. stock last June, which bore interest at 1.15 per cent.

When Col. Ralston suggested the low interest rate was an indication the company's credit was strong, Mr. Walker said equipment itself was first-class security, regardless of the company's credit position.

Questioned by Wilson McLean, Manitoba counsel, on how a 30-per-cent increase would be applied, Mr. Walker said he had no doubt it could be applied levelly across Canada and this would be done.

Godbout Urges Quebec Agreement With Ottawa

QUEBEC, Feb. 18—Liberal leader Adelard Godbout said in the Quebec Legislative Assembly today that he was convinced the Dominion Government's financial proposals were advantageous to Quebec providing a compromise were reached whereby one government only would collect any one tax.

Speaking for two hours and 10 minutes in the Throne Speech debate, Mr. Godbout saw the Dominion proposals as constituting no threat to Quebec autonomy. An accord was imperative, both for the country as a whole and for Quebec, and the Duplessis Government did not have "the right to close the door arbitrarily" on the Federal terms.

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Prize Winners At Hope River Drawing

Following are the prize winners at the drawing at Hope River last night: First prize, $20, Betty Ann Sinnott, 209 King St., Charlottetown; second prize, $10, Dunstan Doyle, Hope River; third prize, $10, Ada Duffy, 93 Pownal St., Charlottetown; fourth prize, William Causer, 91 Pelham St., Waltham, Mass.; fifth prize, $10, Doreen Reid, Stanley Bridge; sixth prize, $10, William McInnis, Bradalbane; seventh prize, $10, Mrs. Lawrence Kelly, 200 Sydney St., Charlottetown; eighth prize, $5, Albert Hackett, North Cape, Tignish; ninth prize, $5., J. Alfred Doyle, Longworth Ave., Charlottetown.

Ottawa Confirms Floor Prices For Fox Pelts

OTTAWA. Feb. 18 —(CP)—An Agriculture Department spokesman today confirmed the Federal Government had undertaken to guarantee minimum prices for fox pelts provided they are delivered by ranchers before May 1.

The agreement, which will be submitted to the Governor-in-council for approval, was made with the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association under the Agricultural Products Co-operative Marketing Act of 1939.

The act permits the Agriculture Minister, on approval of the Governor-in-council, to make annual agreements with co-operatives guaranteeing minimum payments for their produce.

"Any marketing organization can make application to the Minister," the spokesman said. "The act normally is meant for use when markets are depressed. Some associations avail themselves of the offer and others find they can get along satisfactorily without it."

Several other co-ops, including the Prince Edward Island Fur Pool, had made similar application.

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Borden	8.00
Alberton	15.45
Tignish	18.10
O'Leary	16.00
Miminegash	17.60
Egmont Bay	12.80
Chatham	33.35
Amherst	16.00
Truro	17.10
Kentville	29.85
Fredericton	44.80
Sydney	45.35
Bathurst	42.70

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