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RETURNING FROM MONTREAL—Dr. J. C. Simpson who has been in Montreal for the past few days is expected home this evening.—S.

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OUT OF HOSPITAL—The many friends of Miss Brehaut will be pleased to learn that she has recently recovered from her recent accident to be able to leave the hospital, and is the guest of Mrs. J. S. Hinton. Miss Brehaut was struck by a horse at the crossing by the Town Hall several weeks ago and badly fractured her arm at the shoulder.—S.

BAPTIST SOCIAL—A most enjoyable time was held in the Baptist Hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the Promotion and Goodwill Committee of which Mrs. Colin Stewart is the convener. Mrs. Robert Palmer had charge of the program which opened with "O Canada" by the audience led by Mr. George Bowness. A humorous song by Mrs. Currie and Mr. Edgar Clark followed. Corp. Stone and Mr. Hobbs of the R.C.A.F. put on a delightfully funny sketch which brought much applause. Mrs. Ernest Morrison and Mrs. Chester Palmer gave readings. Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Jack MacLeod and Mrs. John Hogg which were much appreciated. After refreshments the evening closed with The King.—S.

Personals

—Miss Norma Calbeck left by plane on Friday for Halifax, where she will visit relatives.—S.

—Mr. James MacDonald has returned from a short visit with friends in Montreal.—S.

—Mrs. McGuigan of Charlottetown was a recent visitor to Grand River the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leonard at the Parochial House.—S.

—Dr. W. B. Howatt of S'ide left on Saturday for New York to continue his research in X Ray. He expects to be away about four weeks.—S.

—Mr. Linus MacDonald of Boston, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augustine MacIntyre at Grand River. The many friends of Mr. McIntyre will regret to learn that he is quite ill at his home.—S.

Many shocked as Well known S'ide Citizen passes

Citizens were shocked to learn on Saturday evening of the sudden death of Mr. Alexander P. Jamieson who passed away about 7:30 p.m. while on his way to his home. Mr. Jamieson had been in poor health for the past three years and suffered from heart trouble. He was returning about 7:15 from the marine wharf and had called in at the railway station as was his custom to rest a bit and remarked that he had never felt better. A friend offered to drive him home but he said it was a fine evening and he would just as soon walk. When about at the intersection of Fitzroy and Granville Streets he collapsed. Dr. MacPhee was called and went immediately to the sick man but he had passed away.

The late Mr. Jamieson was born at New Annan on February 23, 1879, and was the youngest son of Robert Jamieson and Susan Thomson as Jamieson. He was christened Alexander Pope. When three years of age he moved with his parents to Summerside and spent his childhood there receiving his education at the Summerside school. As a young man he went to the United States and carried on a blacksmith business there for 17 years.

While in the States he married Fanny Campbell formerly of Campbell's Cove near East Point. He and his two children, Keith and Ronald were born in the States. Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson and their children returned to Summerside to live during the last war. Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson making their home in Summerside ever since. Mr. Jamieson was one of Summerside's best citizens. A man of sterling characteristics and pleasing personality, he carried on a blacksmith business in Summerside since his return from the U. S. A. and was well known to the travelling public.

He was a Past Grand Master of the Masonic Lodge of Summerside and at the time of his death was the Worthy Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church but joined the United Church at the time of the union. He had a wide circle of friends who will sympathize with Mrs. Jamieson and the family in their sudden bereavement.

Besides his widow and two sons Keith and Ronald there are left to cherish his memory two brothers, Dr. Bruce Jamieson and Frank Jamieson both residing in Boston also three grandchildren, Ronald and Keith are at present in Hereford, Conn. Ronald and his wife and two children are expected to arrive home on Tuesday. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.—S.

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Increased travel by railroad and by air was in prospect, he believed.

The Public Accounts for last year, he said, showed a surplus on ordinary account of \$2,848,223 after including sinking funds—the first surplus since 1928.

Hon. Dr. MacMillan: "The Federal Government didn't believe that."

Premier Campbell: "We didn't try to impress it on them."

The total estimated expenditures for 1941, exclusive of sinking fund provisions, he continued, were \$1,977,407.34. The total actual expenditures were \$1,991,990.38 or a difference of \$14,583.04, and of this excess \$13,007.44 was for interest on the sinking fund.

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Interest Accounts

"Off the record," said the Premier, "we might be inclined to say that the Dominion Government should reimburse us the substantial interest amounts which we were obliged to pay for that reason. But it will be seen on the other hand that by the delay we obtained a substantial benefit because the Dominion Government (although there was considerable delay in carrying the agreement into effect) made a fiscal year retroactive to the beginning of 1941."

Eliminating interest account and calculating the difference between the current administrative and departmental expenditures and the estimates provided for those expenditures, there would be found a difference of only \$1,575.60, representing the amount by which the Government has exceeded its estimates. On over-all accounts, the sinking fund provision "for purposes of reconciliation" to the total revenues, the figure would be \$2,565,000—a deficit on over-all account (or an increase in outstanding liabilities) of \$30,170.67.

"Three unavoidable projects," the Premier said, "have started the 'failure to balance' budget for last year. The first might be called the 'protective continuation of partly completed highways.' It was found in the previous year that certain highways had not been completed and it was not possible to complete them. In order to prevent serious loss of materials and work which had been done, it was necessary to continue the amount of protective continuation."

The second item was seal coating. A certain amount was provided for in the estimates last year, but it was found that more could be obtained more cheaply than was thought, and the work done gave even better results than had been anticipated. It was deemed desirable to increase the amount of seal coating to protect the road surfaces, including some portions of the Borden highway, from deterioration."

The third item on which capital expenditure was necessary was the reconstruction of certain highways leading to the air training school at Charlottetown and Beach Grove Army training centre. There was also the construction of some sub-grade gravel highways leading to other military training centres.

Apart from these expenditures, a policy of limiting capital expenditure to a minimum was followed, and this year the same policy would be carried still further, the aim being to postpone for the duration of the war any capital expenditures which are not absolutely necessary.

BUDGET SPEECH

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cheese board. This year it will continue policies of assistance and encouragement, especially in connection with production associated with the national war economy. There is also the Dominion arrangement announced recently with regard to fertilizer and the encouragement which is to be given to sheep breeders.

Farmers, it was pointed out, have received greatly improved prices for the past year's products and they face the coming season with renewed confidence in respect to markets.

The principal difficulty facing the farmers at present is the shortage of help available. This, he pointed out, was due principally to the great number of voluntary enlistments in the armed services by P. E. Islanders, and to the attractive remunerations available in industrial employment. It is hoped this situation will be remedied by the Dominion Government's new war labor policy.

Fishing Industry

The fishing industry had also enjoyed a greatly improved scale of remuneration for the catch. Market conditions appear likely to continue favorable for some time.

The Province had enjoyed a record year in the tourist industry and this in spite of gasoline curtailment during the latter months of the year. 93,534 passengers came to the Province in 1941 as compared with 64,056 in 1940. 16,564 automobiles came to the Province last year as against 12,603 automobiles in the previous year. Of these 13,857 passengers and 4,067 automobiles were transported on the Wood Islands Ferry.

Glancin at the prospects for the 1942 tourist season, he saw a decrease in automobile traffic due to gasoline and tire restrictions. But

vincial funding operations are concerned, but we considered that it had a great deal of merit and that it was an experiment well worth trying. I think it will have three advantages. In the first place it guarantees to the province a return on our sinking funds equal to the interest rate of the outstanding debentures.

Mr. McPhee: "The bonds are made subject to 'call'?"

Premier Campbell: "Subject to call to this amount."

Mr. McPhee: "At a certain definite time?"

Premier Campbell: "In September, I think of each year the Treasury Board has to advertise the conduct of a lottery and certain shares are drawn and those shares which are drawn in the lottery are redeemed and cancelled."

Mr. McPhee: "It might be difficult to trace the bonds, just where they are. Suppose the holder is not aware of the lottery?"

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Other Advantages

Continuing, the Premier said the second advantage was that by the time these bonds mature, almost one-half the original amount of the debenture issue will have been redeemed, and there will be a renewed confidence on the part of the investors for the refund of the remaining part of the bonds, if that is found necessary.

In the third place, he added, it is stated by the bonding companies that this periodical withdrawal of a percentage of outstanding issues removes a considerable number of provincial bonds from the market for other issues.

At the end of 1941, the Premier said, the sinking fund was \$56,209.72 in excess of the statutory requirements. In this connection he referred to the sinking fund guarantee, an annual revenue of \$61,000 on the 1940 basis will be guaranteed by the Dominion Government.

New Revenue Sources

He cited the Health Tax passed at the last session of the Legislature. The Dominion Government was in force for a part of the year, and produced \$27,686. For the full current year the estimate of liquor tax is \$40,000, and of the "d" fund for protective continuation \$50,000, making a total estimated health tax this year of \$90,000.

"Another thing calling for special comment," he said, "is the effect of the Dominion Provincial agreement. In 1941 the grant due from the Dominion was \$691,811. From this was deductible the tax reserve of \$208,572 which is retained by the Dominion to be paid to the province in the year following the termination of the agreement. Under the general terms of the agreement there would therefore be payable to the Dominion of \$483,239. Added to this would be the amount due by the Dominion under the special section of the agreement relating to the gasoline tax guarantee, \$25,204, making a total amount payable by the Dominion of the Province of \$508,443.

"For the current year the estimate of revenue under the agreement is \$5,400,000. Starting with the same basic amount of \$691,811.46 for the purpose of convenience we have eliminated the amount due to the municipality of Charlottetown, \$100,000, and the amount of the suspended tax reserve which in 1942 will consist of arrears only, \$20,000. We have a net payment under the general provisions of \$4,779,713. The suspended revenue of the province as against that payment are the suspended subsidy, \$275,000, and suspended taxes \$241,000, or a total of \$516,000. So that for the current year the estimated fiscal benefits from the agreement amount to \$2,263,713, together with the \$20,000 which will be placed in reserve for the year following the termination of the agreement; or total benefits accruing during the year of which the \$20,000 is not immediately payable, of \$2,283,713."

In reply to a question by Mr. McPhee, the Premier said the estimated motor vehicle license revenue was \$130,000.

Public Welfare

The grant to the Provincial Sanatorium, he said, is to be continued at the increased scale of \$48,000. On extra mural treatment for tuberculosis, on which \$5,641 was expended last year, there is an estimated expenditure this year of \$10,000. Old age and blind pensions show an increase of from \$288,000 to \$317,000. In the Department of Health it was necessary to employ a full time assistant to the laboratory technician, \$600.

In the items of unemployment relief and fishermen's relief there is a reduction shown. Last year the total amount expended was \$26,000 of which the Dominion contributed \$9,000. The estimate for the current year is \$15,000. There is no Dominion contribution as the expenditure is limited entirely to unemployables.

In education there is an increase in the district school teachers' salaries from \$266,000 to \$289,500, the increased schedule of salaries being effective for a portion only

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This, the Premier explained, is following the original intention of the Dominion-Provincial agreement whereby fishermen's assistance was inaugurated. The Dominion gave a large contribution to our annual expenditure on that score and they did not keep any strings on the amount which they paid us. They did make it a condition of the grants, however, that the amounts which were collected back from the fishermen on account of were in liquidation of the loans which were from time to time made to them. It should constitute a revolving fund which would continue from year to year to be used for the same purpose.

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Summerside Contact Club's Activities

The Summerside Contact Club lost two valuable members this week namely: Club president, Mrs. Al Compton, and Mrs. John Stewart, the Secretary. They have been devoted members of the Contact Association of R.C.A.F. wives since the Club was young, and in January 1942 they succeeded to the most responsible positions of office in the Sorority.

The departure of Mrs. Compton and Mrs. Stewart from Summerside is much regretted by all contacts. The best wishes of the Club go with them.

The local association of Contacts organized in regular weekly sessions on Wednesday afternoon, March 25th, with Vice-President Mrs. G. W. Kane in the chair. She was assisted by Vice-Secretary, Mrs. Robert Dewar, who read the minutes of the last meeting. The Club treasurer, Mrs. Donald Axtworthy, presented a comprehensive report of Contact finances for the past three months, and submitted her resignation from office.

In appreciation of her fine work, Clubs accorded Mrs. Axtworthy a hearty vote of thanks which was proposed by Mrs. Gordon Chikofsky.

Mrs. Cooper reported for the Mending Corner and Mrs. Chikofsky outlined hospital visiting activities at the Airport on March 24th. Mrs. J. S. Hinton, Mrs. P. E. Page, Mrs. J. Hopkirk, and Mrs. Herman offered their services.

Mrs. G. W. Kane, Mrs. R. Dewar, and Mrs. C. Stevens consented to act in the capacity of a Nominating committee in charge of preliminaries to the election of officers which will take place at the next meeting in the Summerside Town Hall, on April first.

Corporal John Stewart, R.C.A.F., and Mrs. Stewart departed Summerside last Tuesday morning. Mrs. Stewart proceeded to Port Erie for a visit and will later join her husband who has been posted to Ottawa.

A.C. 2 Paul Tovey and Mrs. Tovey leave shortly for Victoria, where Mr. Tovey will receive further training with the R.C.A.F.

Mrs. Al Compton, President of the Summerside Contact Club, has gone to Yarmouth, N.S., where her husband, L.A.C. Compton has been transferred.

Mrs. Charles Stevens captured the High Single of the week in the Contact Club Bowling League with a score of 210. Mrs. John Stewart leads the list triple counts with 568. Capital Theatre Ticket awards went to Mrs. Robert Dewar, and Mrs. McLachlin.

The Contact Bridge club was entertained last Friday afternoon by Mrs. Cooper. Honors went to Mrs. Nadon. Mrs. Russell received the consolation. Tea was served by the hostesses.—"C"

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