Board urges Inauguration of Ferry service

At a meeting of the King's County Board of Trade held December 4th, it was unanimously agreed that a strong resolution be drafted and sent to the members and others representing Prince Edward Island for the inauguration of the ferry service between Wood Islands and Caribou.

Communications were read dealing with the subject and no reasons could be found why this service was not started last summer. It was further agreed that full co-operation would be given to the Charlottetown Board of Trade in their efforts in this behalf.

Another meeting of the King's County Board of Trade will be held in the near future regarding this matter.

Fascist Empire "Just a dummy"

PORTSMOUTH, Eng., Dec. 6. — (CP)—Citing British and Greek successes in the Mediterranean, Home Secretary Herbert Morrison said today in a speech here that "it becomes possible to hope that the Italian Fascist empire may be a dummy—all canvas and camouflage."

"Our own navy and air force and now spectacular triumphs of the Greek army, have shown up weak spots in at least one of our enemies," Mr. Morrison declared.

"But," he warned, "feather-headed optimism" and "feather-footed pessimism" are two dangers in Britain's path.

He listed "six reasons for cheerfulness," including Italian reverses. Others were:

". . . The way we rose to the occasion with a tremendous spurt in factories and camps in meeting the biggest crisis in our history . . . That our navy is powerful and has already established complete moral ascendancy over our Italian opponent. We are confident it will do the same with the subtler menace of the U-boat.

". . . That our R.A.F. has won one of the greatest and most decisive battles in the world's history by beating its far more numerous opponent out of the daylight skies so that millions of town dwellers go about their work in complete disregard of the boasted Luftwaffe, sitting on its bases 15 or 20 minutes away.

". . . That our army has within a few months multiplied many times over the strength of an island fortress and correspondingly reduced the chance that an invasion, if it came, might succeed.

". . . The splendid resistance put up by the civil defence force, including police and civil population, against the trials and terrors of air bombardment."

BIRTHS

SHEPARD — At the City Hospital, November 26, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. John Shepard, City, a daughter.

McGUIRK — At the City Hospital, November 30, 1940, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McGuirk Dromore a son.

DEVEREAUX — At the City Hospital, December 1, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Devereaux, City, a son (stillborn.)

BRUCE — At the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, December 5, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Bruce (nee Miss Marion Douglas formerly of Georgetown Prince Edward Island,) a son.

MARRIAGES

SHAW- SMITH — At 52 Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown, on Monday, December 2, 1940, by the Rev. Donald C. Boothroyd Bayfield Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guss Shaw, of Elmsdale, to Edythe Irene Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Smith, East Royalty.

MacDONALD-MacRAE — At Zion Manse on Friday, Dec. 6, 1940, by the Rev. G. Carlyle Webster, Miss Florence R. MacRae of Belfast to Pte. Donald Murdock MacDonald of Orwell Cove.

DEATHS

MACNEILL—On Dec. 1, 1940, at her home in Knutsford, Mrs. Sadie J. B. MacNeill, age 75 years.

WEBB—At the Prince County Hospital on Friday, December 6, 1940, Mrs. Keith Webb, nee Margaret Lowther, aged 28 years. Funeral from the Baptist Church, Bedeque, at 2 p.m. Sunday, December 8.

JOHNSON. — At the P. E. Island Hospital, on Dec. 5th, 1940, William Henry Johnson, in his 69th year. Funeral Saturday, Dec 7th. Short service at 1.30 p.m. at his late residence 127 North River Road, thence to Trinity United Church, service starting at 2.30 p.m. Interment People's cemetery

DEVEREAUX—At the Sacred Heart Home, Friday, Dec. 6, 1940, Ellen Devereaux, (formerly of New Haven) aged 87 years. The remains are resting at the A. A. Hennessey Funeral Home until Sunday afternoon when they will be removed to the residence of her brother, Michael Devereaux, New Haven from where the funeral will be held Monday morning at 9 a.m. to the Lot 65 Church. Interment in the cemetery at that place.

Card Of Thanks

The Sisters of Notre Dame Academy desire to thank most sincerely all those who in any way, either by work, contributions or patronage contributed to the success of the High Tea and Bazaar.

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The Central Guardian

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a newsy nature may be inserted at 5 cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE. L-9789-7-21-2i

CIVIC TAXES — City's fiscal year ends December 31st not January 15th as in previous years.
L-81-12-5-7-10-12-14-19-21-23.

KINDLY SEND CHRISTMAS DONATIONS to the Free Dispensary as early as possible.
L-124-12-6-2i.

FREE — 24 BOXES RINSO with your purchase of Northern Electric Washer. $79.50. Tcombs Music Store. L-86-12-7-1i.

ON HONOR ROLL — In the honor roll for Grade 4 at the Model School the name of Miss Betty Beers was omitted.

CIVIC TAXES — Fourth installment discounts until December 31st.
L-81-12-5-7-10-12-14-19-21-23.

WOMEN'S MUSIC CLUB — Christmas Program postponed until December 17th. Baptist Church Hall at 8.15. L-15-12-3-i.

AIR SERVICE RESUMED.— Air service between this province and Moncton, N.B., was resumed yesterday. The late flight Thursday was cancelled because of freezing rain.

CONGRATULATIONS. — Special congratulations go to Mr. Thomas McAvinn, B.A., representative of the Great West Life Assurance Co., Charlottetown, who led the Island agency in new and placed business in a recent contest held in honor of the president. For his achievement he received the president's souvenir, —a silver carving set.

APPRECIATED MR. PAOLI'S SERVICES.—At a special meeting of the Trustees of the Charlottetown School Board, it was resolved that the Board place on record its appreciation of the faithful and valued services of the late Simon P. Paoli who has been a member of the Board for several years, also that sincere sympathy be extended to his family in their bereavement.

DRIFTING PIT PROPS ARE MYSTERY — Residents of Beach Point about three miles from Murray Harbour are puzzled by the discovery of pit props on the shore following a recent storm. It is believed by some of the older men that they were the cargo of a vessel or steamer that was shipwrecked. The props bore evidence of having been many days in the water and showed signs of having been bumped on many rocks. Another theory advanced is that they may have been piled on a shore and floated away with the tide. A young boy, Fred Stewart found a number of them on the shore a short piece from his home and was at a loss for a time to know what he had found. The pit props found were about five feet long and numbered about 35. They are not cut in that part of the province which adds to the mystery.

COLD WEATHER AGAIN —Another cold wave appeared in the making last night. Early last evening the thermometer had dropped to 12 above zero and was going lower. The weather changed shortly after midnight, rain giving way to snow. Just before the change the thermometer touched 38 degrees above, a swift climb from the one above recorded 24 hours earlier. Warren Burns, weather observer at the Charlottetown Experimental Station said one-fifth of an inch of rain fell Thursday night. It was followed by four inches of snow. The weather was clear last night. Paved roads in the province were open to motor traffic. City streets were rough with ice and snow and motorists were having difficulty at times with their vehicles breaking through into soft snow under a frozen crust.

SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED — Over 100 members of the Veteran's Guard of Canada paraded to the Holy Redeemer Hall last night where they were entertained by a group of Charlottetown artists known as the Amateur Comedy Company. Members of other military units stationed in the city were also present at the peformance. A 3-act play, "The Haunted House" was cleverly presented to the appreciative audience. Specialties which included songs readings and dances were staged between acts. Mr. Robert Compton was Master of Ceremonies for the entertainment. The hall was donated free of charge by Rev. A. MacDonald, C.SS.R., Rector of the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer.

Mrs. A. J. McLaine is the guest of her son, Mr. Rankin MacLaine and Mrs. MacLaine, Charlottetown. She is leaving shortly for Vancouver where she spends her winters,

RED CROSS BRIDGE

Much interest is being taken in the Red Cross Bridge to be held at the Queen Hotel, Charlottetown, on the evening of December 10, when a delicious lunch will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown have put in a lot of time and effort to make this an outstanding event. The bridge is not a progressive one and those who attend can, if they wish, make up their own tables. Many prizes have been donated by firms from the mainland, and from local firms.

Tables are being provided for 200 players, and no doubt every table will be taken up.

Seek Readmission Of U. S. Oysters

BALTIMORE, Dec. 5. — (CP) — Gov. Herbert R. O'Connor acted today to keep the oyster a "neutral" in war.

Oysters, and other seafood, were among "luxury imports" banned on Monday by the Canadian government from the United States and other non-sterling countries to save needed foreign exchange.

The oyster, O'Connor said in a telegram to the Canadian finance ministry, is a "basic food," not "a luxury."

Some Maryland oyster packers estimated the ban would cut their sales 50 per cent. Others put their Canadian business at 10 per cent.

O'Connor declared the ban would have "serious effect" on this state's oyster industry, and added he also had asked Secretary of State Cordell Hull to "make a formal plea to the Canadian government."

Jardine's Tea Rooms

opens tonight, Dec. 7th, 211 Queen St. Your patronage will be appreciated.

MILDRED JARDINE, Prop.

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He listed the Dominion's wartime army accomplishments as follows:—

An army of 167,000 men on active duty.

A reserve of 100,000 men.

Training for 30,000 men a month at the present time under the National Resources Mobilization Act.

More than 60,000 men already overseas.

As for the navy, Mr. Brockington outlined the progress : as peacetime—1,700 men, 15 ships; now—13,000 men, 155 ships and soon to have 200 ships.

The R.C.A.F., he said, already has two squadrons in the United Kingdom with 72 German airplanes to their credit.

Mr. Brockington said that in connection with the Royal Canadian Air Force and Commonwealth Air Training Plans $600,000,000 will be spent in Canada for aviation material, flying fields and other purposes. Canada will contribute $360,000,000 of this, he said. He disclosed that more than 50 of a proposed 100 flying fields already are built. . . . . .

Break Occured

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London alarm of the night was over by 9:30 p.m.

(Western Union Cable communication with London was broken for some undetermined reason about 4:15 p.m. AST, but other services were operating.)

The night forays followed a day of comparative quiet, during which rescue parties at the naval base at Portsmouth delved into debris left by Wednesday night's three-hour assault.

Numerous homes were levelled in a raid which authorities said was directed at the civilian population. The speed with which residents took cover was said to have reduced casualties below what might have been expected.

Fifty persons trapped in a theatre balcony which collapsed when a bomb fell nearby were rescued. The operator was killed.

Herbert Morrison, Home Secretary, inspected the damaged areas on his arrival for a speech there and commended the city for its "brave spirit with which it has stood up to the attack."

London disclosed hits by enemy raiders on two world-known landmarks, the Greenwich Observatory on the south bank of the Thames and Windsor Castle grounds, west of London.

The revolving globe, the observatory clock by which time pieces around the world are set and parts of the telescope room were damaged by explosive and fire bombs at Greenwich.

At Windsor, a bomb hit the golf course, another fell near the tennis courts and an oil bomb landed and burned itself out on the royal bowling green.

The Air Ministry announced British raids on an electro-Chemical factory at Eindhoven, and airports in Rotterdam and Hammstede, all in the Netherlands. Two British planes were reported shot down.

Bad weather forced cancellation of wider bombing operations.

New Commandant At Port Borden

OTTAWA, Dec 6.—(CP)—Transfer of Brig-Gen. Eric McCuaig, of Montreal, from the post of commandant at Petawawa military camp to commandant at Camp Borden was announced by the Department of National Defence today.

Col. W. C. Hyde, officer commanding the 2nd Montreal Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, has been appointed to command at Petawawa and Col. S. A. Lee, at present commanding at Camp Borden, will remain there with Brig.-General McCuaig for the present.

In announcing the appointments, a departmental statement said Camp Borden now had become the largest camp in Canada, andactivities there warranted the appointment of an officer of brigadier's rank.

In addition to other activities at Camp Borden, the accommodation of the armored brigade, the nucleus of a possible Canadian tank division caused further expansion of that camp.

Brig.-Gen. McCuaig commanded the 12th Infantry Brigade in the first Great War, and has had a long association with the militia. He took command at Petawawa early last summer.

Col. Hyde is an experienced artillery officer and Petawawa is primarily an artillery training camp. He served through the last war in the artillery and afterwards interested himself in militia activities. He commanded the 2nd Field Brigade, R.C.A. from 1926 to 1929, and the 2nd Regiment from 1930 to 1935, again taking command of that formation in May, 1940.

TORONTO, Dec. 6.—(CP) — Leo Dolan, Director of the Canadian Travel Bureau, told a meeting of Trade and Tourist officials here today that the Bureau has been granted $500,000 again this year for promotion of the Dominion's tourist program.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—(CP Cable) — Canadian soldiers, sailors and airmen in hospitals in Britain will receive a Christmas stocking from the Canadian Red Cross. Christmas morning they will find hanging from the foot of their beds a comfortable hand-knitted sock, with another tucked in the toe. Over that there will be candy, nuts, an orange and an apple, a handkerchief, razor blades, a note book and diary, a pencil, soap, a face cloth, and a Christmas cracker. Nurses in Canadian military hospitals will sing carols while the fighting men empty their socks. The Red Cross provided $1,000 for this in addition to $10,000 given the Canadian army in Britain for the provision of Christmas cheer.

Will Command

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a private at Fort George, B.C., and was drafted into the 27th Battalion in July, 1915.

He proceeded overseas with that unit and served in various ranks to quartermaster, up to June 31, 1917, when he received a commission and continued with the unit until demobilization in 1919.

After the first Great War he was appointed lieutenant in the Seaforth Highlanders and continued to serve with that unit until the outbreak of the present war.

Born in 1894, Col. Thomas was a lieutenant in the University of Toronto Canadian Officers' Training Corps at the outbreak of the last war. Joining the 4th Field Brigade in 1915, he was seconded to the Royal Flying Corps and shortly afterwards proceeded to France. At the end of 1916 he was invalided back to Canada and was attached to the Royal Air Force (Canadian) headquarters until demobilized in 1920.

In 1922 he joined the Toronto Scottish Regiment with rank of captain, becoming major in 1924, second in command in 1928 and Lt.-Col. in 1931. In 1936 he was transferred to the reserve of officers, and in March, 1939, was appointed Colonel of the 6th Infantry Brigade.

During the three years he was on the reserve list, Col. Thomas was hon. lieut.-colonel of the Toronto Scottish, president of the Infantry and Machine Gun Associations of Canada, and chairman of Conference of Defence Associations. He successfully passed the militia staff course in 1926 and was on the directing staff for the courses of 1930 and 1934.

Lieut.-Col. Hodson was born in England in 1884. He received his first commission as lieutenant with the 16th Light Horse in May, 1911, and was subsequently appointed to the Royal Canadian Regiment, in which unit he was serving when mobilized for active service in September, 1914.

Address And Presentation

On Sunday, November 24th, 1940, the parishioners of the Little Flower Church, Morell, presented their pastor, Rev. Joseph Rooney, with a purse and an address. The Altar Society and Altar Boys also presented him with gifts, and the children of the parish gave him a spiritual bouquet.

Following is the address from the parishioners:

Rev. Joseph Rooney,
Morell.

Rev. and Dear Father, — Words cannot express the profound feeling of sorrow and regret which prevailed throughout the Little Flower parish when your devoted parishioners learned that His Excellency, our beloved Bishop, had seen fit to remove you from our midst to another field of labour.

We all fully realize the loss this parish will sustain in your departure, but we humbly submit to God's Holy will, knowing full well that which is our loss is another's gain.

Twenty years ago, dear Father, you came amongst us, a perfect stranger, but it was not long until, by your piety and good example, you had won the love and respect of young and old.

At that time you had charge of only St. Lawrence's parish, but 12 years ago, the late Bishop Louis O'Leary deemed it necessary to erect a church in Morell village and you received the order from him to have one built there. This work, under your guiding hand, was performed in a most excellent manner. You asked the assistance of your people, and on January 2nd, 1928, the parishioners, all to a man, answered your call, and began to hew down the forest in order to have a place to erect our church. During that spring and summer, a place was cleared out of the wilderness, and on July 22 of the same year, we had the great joy of having you celebrate mass in our little church on the hillside, for the first time.

Since then you have built a beautiful parochial house, and also a barn, and by your wonderful system of financing, you have built up a splendid parish here. You are leaving to your credit, a parish free of debt, and a substantial sum in the bank.

Now, dear Father, all this could never have been accomplished if you were not that noble leader and spiritual Father that you are.

You have planted the faith deeply into the hearts of your people. Your kindness to the children, your good example and noble sense of duty, will always be an inspiration to us. You have truly been the Good Shepherd, who so carefully tended his flock.

Now we ask you, dear Father, to please accept this small gift, not for its intrinsic value, but as a token of the love and esteem in which you are held by your parishioners; and we ask you to please remember us in your prayers, as we will remember you. We hope and pray that God will send down His choicest blessings on you and that good health may be yours, in order that you may carry on in your new field of labour the good work which you have begun here.

In conclusion, may we express the heartfelt wish of each and every member of this congregation, that if our beloved Bishop should ever see fit to give us a pastor of our own, that you may be the one chosen.

May God bless you.
Your Devoted Parishioners of The Little Flower Parish.

U. S. Officials Shown British Balance sheet

By RICHARD L. TURNER
Associated Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Sir Frederick Phillips, British Under-Secretary of the Treasuury, was closeted for 73 minutes today with high United States fiscal officials in the first of a series of conferences which may lead to loans to Great Britain to help her fight the Nazis.

Telling reporters as he left, however, that the stage of talking directly about loans had not been reached, Phillips summed up the conversation with a statement that he was presenting "a balance sheet on the state of our resources and the cost of supplies in the United States."

A brash newsman asked if it included any reference to the unpaid British war debt of the first Great War, and the Briton unperturbably replied in the negative.

Company Tax

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tain United Kingdom products.

Driving toward adjournment for the Christmas recess that will last until Feb. 17, the House sat through the dinner hour hoping to dispose of its business.

Replying to Mr. Hanson's comment on taxation of business, Mr. Ilsley said that last spring the Conservative House leader had argued for a 100 per cent excess profits tax, instead of the 75 per cent tax which was imposed.

"People in this House cannot take two stands," he said. "I am not talking about the Honorable gentleman particularly," he added.

"The feeling last year was that business interests were not to be allowed to use the war or war period as a means of making profits in excess of normal.

"Now a new doctrine has arisen. I am not prepared to condemn it now but it is certainly contrary to that (former) doctrine. We find it in the financial press. Today one hears it from the lips of the opposition leader. The sentiments he now expresses are very different from his stand last spring when he was in favor of taking from these companies all the excess profits they earned during the war."

"There may be a middle ground" the Minister continued. "I pleaded for moderation last spring in this House. I said that in view of the fact that a great deal of our capital in this country had come from the outside and the fact that a great many of our people would do better if the profit incentive were left.

"I pleaded for moderation but our CCF friends said 'No, take it all away from them' and my Honorable friend (Mr. Hanson) and many of the members of his party joined with them.

"I knew that at every session we would have more and more members who would rise in their places and say 'be a little easier on those companies.'

"I am prepared to listen to all requests but I am not prepared to abandon the principle we laid down at the beginning —namely that companies during this war period shall not be allowed to strengthen or buttress their positions or to build up reserves and make themselves prosperous thinking that later there may be a loss of prosperity."

Mr. Hanson said he wanted no one to think he was "championing the bondholders of these companies." He feared that that would arise in the minds of some and said he had "even heard that the whole basis of the Rowell-Sirois report was to protect the bond-holders of the provinces at the expense of the dominion."

He said he had never thought that to be "the genesis" of the report and he did not think so now "but there are people who will say it and the Minister will hear it before this session is over."

M. J. Coldwell, CCF house leader, asked the government to disclose the basis on which it was financing wartime extensions to private industry.

J. J Kinley (Liberal-Queens-Lunenburg) said as far as he was concerned he would not expect to operate without a profit.

Leonard O'Brien (Con. Northumberland) asked the Minister to consider the situation of those farmers and others who supply pulpwood to the big companies and exert whatever influence he could to make sure the better profits accruing to companies would be passed on in equable proportion to the primary producers.

Plaunt plans for CBC Shakeup Tabled in House

OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—(CP) —Failure to secure adoption of his proposals for revamping the internal organization of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation led to the resignation of Alan B. Plaunt as a member of the Corporations Board of Governors, according to documents tabled in the House of Commons today.

The bulky volume of documents contained Mr. Plaunt's letter of resignation to Munitions Minister Howe, Mr. Howe's reply, a report made by Mr. Plaunt on the C.B.C. organization, a report by James C. Thompson, member of a Toronto firm of auditors, and a letter by Mr. Plaunt to Rene Morin, chairman of the Board of Governors, in which he set out in detail his reasons for resignation.

In his report Mr. Plaunt said the salaries paid to members of the corporation staff were out of line, that incompetent persons were retained, that the effect on the morale of the whole staff was bad.

Mr. Thompson suggested the centralization of headquarters departments of the corporation—now distributed between Ottawa, Toronto and Montreal—in Montreal or Toronto, and Mr. Plaunt said Montreal was the logical place for them.

Plaunt-Thompson Inquiry

In his letter to Mr. Morin, Mr. Plaunt said he was assigned to make an investigation of the organization and report to the Board of Governors. He obtained the services of Mr. Thompson to go into financial questions.

"A bad announcer can leopardize a good program," he wrote.

The Plaunt report said he had given "verbal illustrations" of positions which should be elliminated, positions which should be vacated because of incompetence, and positions which should be vacated by transfer.

He also said he had intimated, verbally, action which should be taken "because of the practices disclosed at Vancouver."

While he agreed that Gladstone Murray, general manager of C.B.C. needed a wide measure of discretion in employing staff, he thought there should be more system of selection established, and that periodic surveys of the staff should be made.

Serious Charges

"The result (of not making such surveys) is that the majority of the staff which consists of conscientious, capable and hard-working people, cannot help but feel discouraged to find demonstrably incompetent persons retained," he said.

"Worse than this, the spectacle of persons retained who have been guilty of misconduct, insubordination and even irregularity is not calculated to improve the morale of the organization as a whole.

"If one looks to the causes of this situation—which I do not wish to exaggerate—one is obliged to conclude that it lies in the inability of the general manager to take firm action in this regard."

Mr. Thompson's recommendations, summarized, were:—

1. That all administrative and executive departments be centralized in Montreal or Toronto.

2. That the head office at Ottawa be confined to the general manager, assistant general manager and a liaison officer.

3. That the duties of the assistant general manager be enlarged; all department heads to report to the general manager; the treasurer to be designated financial controller with enlarged duties and responsibilities.

4. That a special survey of requirements of the program department be made, and plans formed for getting more revenue.

5. That there should be clear definition of duties and responsibilities of the staff; a review of basis of remuneration of the staff; abolition of the secretarys' department, and placing of its duties under an executive secretary and the financial controller.

Mr. Plaunt's letter to Mr. Morin said the investigation by himself and Mr. Thompson indicated directly and by implication "serious deficiencies in the executive direction of the corporation," but added that this observation was not intended to apply to the assistant general manager, Augustin Frigon.

Private Stations

Mr. Plaunt criticized the Board's actions in connection with political party broadcasting during and between elections.

The Board had permitted certain private stations to remain on its network when they competed with its own stations, thus neglecting an opportunity to build up audiences for its stations. The net result was to maintain profits of private stations at the expense of the development of the C.B.C.

At a meeting of the Board on June 1, and another on June 27, of this year, the question of news was considered and it was decided the C.B.C. should establish and make available to stations a comprehensive news service.

The news committee then held meetings with private broadcasters and associated interests.

"What I regret," he wrote, "is that the news committee and the Board at its recent meeting wellnigh lost sight of the original purpose in its desire to meet the selfish views of private stations.

"I believe that the arrangement finally arrived at is better than nothing. What I do feel very strongly, however, is that the Board should take a much firmer attitude in defining the public interest in a matter such as this."

Vociferous Private Interests

"I do not mean that all sides should not be heard or that arbitrary decisions should be taken. I do mean that the Board should refuse to allow the public interest to be compromised because of the demands, however vociferous, of private interests.

"The fact is, much as I regret having to say it, that because of its vacillating attitude it already lost a good deal of prestige. The attitude of the representatives of the above-mentioned private interests at the last meeting illustrates only too well what I mean.

"Their attitude was a mixture of arrogance and studied contempt. It is a serious matter for an authority duly established by parliament to fulfill a certain national purpose to be treated in this way. I shall have the Uvelles' fears for the future of this institution if such a result is permitted to continue."

Variety entertainment At St. Paul's Hall

A very pleasing variety entertainment was presented to a large and appreciative audience in St. Paul's Parish Hall in Charlottetown last night. Many of the city's leading artists took part in the performance which was both entertaining and amusing. Solos, choruses, violin and piano duets and tap-dancing made up a most enjoyable program.

The highlight of the evening was a skit entitled, "A Revival of the Village Choir Rehearsing for a Concert." The artists in this number appeared on the stage dressed in rural costumes of many years ago and waves of laughter rolled across the audience as they "took their bows". Mrs. Frances Holl Trainor was especially good as the choir director injecting much humor into the part. Mr. Leigh Dingwell's, "Oh, Oh, Oh, It's a Lovely War," is also worthy of special mention as is also the songs of Charles Earle and the impersonations of "Madam Rosetta Banana."

Mrs. Trainor at the conclusion of the entertainment, announced that the cast would be willing to repeat the performance for the benefit of the Red Cross or Carry on Canada Corps if they were requested.

Following is the program:

O Canada, Audience and the Choir.

Choruses "Forever England"—Lacheur; "A Song of Peace," Sibelius—the Choir.

Violin and Piano Duet—"Angels' Serenade"—Brata. Nan Reay and Mary Bentley.

Duet—"Say Once Again I Love Thee"—Donizetti, Frances Holl Trainor and P. D. Williams.

Duet—"Rose and Lily" F. H. Trainor and W. Holl Trainor.

Soprano Solo—"The Kiss Waltz" —Luigi Arditi", Dilys Owen.

Tap Dance, Mary Welsh.

Male Quartette, P. D. Williams, W. H. Trainor, A. LeDrew Gardner and C. H. Earle.

A Revival of The Village Choir Rehearsing for a Concert

Choruses — "Cousin Jedediah", "The Yeller Gal", "Come Come", The Choir.

Duet—"Madam Will You Walk", Virginia Dakin, Verna Anderson.

Solo and Chorus—"The Yeller Gal", Charles H. Earle.

Solo—"O-O-O It's a Lovely War" Leigh Dingwell.

Reading of Hamlet's Soliloquy, Burleigh Taylor.

Mixed Quartette—"Call John", Mary Lawson, Norma Lawson, Percy Williams, Charles Earle.

Soprano Solo—"Be Mine Tonight", Madam Rosetta Banana.

Choir member with a bad cold, Bessie Compton.

Mother, Jessie Kemp.

Her Children, Ada Harris, Olga Welsh.

Stutterer, Jack Anderson.

Village Choir Members

Sopranos—Dilys Owen, Bessie Compton, Virginia Dakin, Verna Anderson, Mary Lawson, Evelyn Haszard, Olga Welsh, Mary Welsh, June Foster.

Altos—Alexa Prowse, Ada Harris, Jessie Kemp, Enid Gardner, Norma Lawson.

Tenors—Percy Williams, W. H. Trainor.

Basses—Charles Earle, Leigh Dingwell, Ernest Bell, Burleigh Taylor, Jack Anderson.

Accompanist—Lillian Earle.

Choir Director—Frances Holl

Y.M.C.A. Head Reviews war Service work

A decision to continue to offer facilities of the Y.M.C.A. to men in uniform and to increase the facilities as fast as the demand arises, was the result of a meeting of the Board of Directors held yesterday.

Mr. James M. McFadyen, president of the Y Board, was in the chair, and Donald McPhail, of Amherst, supervisor of Y.M.C.A. war service for the Atlantic area was present.

Mr. McPhail acquainted the Board with the extent and nature of Y.M.C.A. war service now being carried on in this area.

In Cape Breton a Y secretary, equipped with automobile, portable moving picture machine, games, athletic supplies, stationery and reading material, gives weekly attention to units of troops at many points.

In Truro the Y War Service Committee has taken over the Y Building and adopted it as a Red Triangle Club for soldiers. Teams of women totalling fifty persons, representing churches and other organizations, serve as vounteers in this building, of which Norville E. Luck, formerly of Charlottetown, is secretary.

At Debert, the Y has been serving the troops since the first group went there, providing a full service even before the buildings were up. Two weeks ago the large new Y.M.C.A. building was officially opened in the camp. Brigadier Colquhoun was present, and praised the work of the Y, which he had recently experienced in England. He heartily led hundreds of troops in three cheers for the Y.

This Debert building has a large lounge, games-room, auditorium to seat 900 with stage, and a chapel. C. G. MacKenzie, a native of P. E. Island, who served as Y secretary in France in the Great War, is in charge of this large Y.M.C.A. building at Debert. Mr. MacKenzie has three other secretaries on his staff.

Serves at Three Points

At Yarmouth the Y serves at three points, the air station, the trainees camp and in the Red Triangle Club, which is really the second floor of the regular Y building which has been given over to serve troops. Sanford Scott is the Y war service secretary in Yarmouth. Fifty women of the churches and other organizations are serving here as volunteer workers.

In Halifax the Y maintains a large recreation building and hostel for naval, air, and military men. A paid staff of 20 persons and 150 volunteer women and men carry on the service. 640 beds provide for the men on overnight leave from ships or ports. Over 60,000 service men have slept in this hostel and over 200,000 have used the recreation rooms since the beginning of the war.

A Y war service secretary carries a weekly program to units on service at many points in the Halifax area.

A Red Triangle Club is also in charge of the work at the Dartmouth air station. In Saint John, C. H. Graham is in charge of Y war service, assisted by John Walker. A program is carried to many units each week at their posts in the same manner as indicated in Cape Breton and Halifax areas. A large Y recreation hut with a daily program is operated in Saint John.

A very large Y building has just been completed and opened at Sussex, where R. J. Smith is the senior secretary in charge.

Brig. Anglin, D.O.C., M.D., No. 7, was present at the opening, and thanked the Y.M.C.A. for its service and for the magnificent building and equipment.

Extensive Work

Mr. McPhail referred to the very extensive work of the Y throughout Canada — it is established at 230 points with troops. Overseas the "Y" is carrying on a tremendously large and important work; it moves by means of its mobile equipment, rapidly, from place to place with troops. A corps of strong experienced Y men supported by civilian helpers, perform ceaselessly the task of serving wherever the troops go. Mr. McPhail commended the Charlottetown Y, and Mr. Morris, the secretary, for their action in welcoming men of the forces to the use of the Y Building here, and assured them of the support of the national Y.M.C.A. war services committee in extending the service to fully meet the need of all troops that come to the city.

The Board decided to let the troops know more definitely that the Y.M.C.A. is their club in town. The reading and writing room, ping-pong, bowling, shower baths, all these things the fellows like and want, are available to them. The Board was assured of assistance from the national Y War Funds to equip a larger section of the Building for a soldiers' Red Triangle Club when the presence of a sufficient number of troops warrants the expenditure.

All Possible Service

Mr. McPhail said there were good reasons why the Y.M.C.A. should render all possible service to the troops. First, because they are Canadian youth; secondly, the government of Canada was counting on the help of the Y with all its experience in work with boys and men; again, parents by the thousands have expressed their happiness that the influence of the Y is to go with their boys, and finally, because the Y has nearly 100 years' experience in this work. It has hundreds of Christian men who have trained and are giving their lives to this work as a profession: it has 75 buildings across Canada in addition to the ones it has built for war work; and overseas it has in addition to the 20 Canadian secretaries sent over, all the resources in buildings and equipment and leadership of the British Y.M.C.A. All these are at the service of Canadian boys in England.

While in the province, Mr. McPhail conferred with Mr. W. A. Currie, president of the Summerside Y's Men's Club, relative to their program for service men.

FAMILY AFFAIR

CUMBERLAND, Md. -(CP) — Three pairs of brothers signed up for U.S. Army service in two days then came a pair of twins. "Brother, you're in the army now."

Tinfoil Collection

Two weeks ago, we described the containers which were prepared by the Scouters of Charlottetown for the collection of tinfoil, and we mentioned that two of these trenchmortars had been placed. Since then, four more of these camouflaged cannons have been placed in the remaining depots from which we have been collecting. We hope, as time goes on, to be able to put out a few barrels each week until we have 15 or 16 throughout the city. Although a great amount of foil has not been turned in to our central collection, we feel that each Group must have a large quantity in their own headquarters. We again ask each Group to pass in to us the material which they have sorted, and also to remember that it is necessary to make regular collections from their own depot. So, Scouts and Scouters, keep at it and help to FOIL the enemy!

Toy Shop

The Toy Shop, during the past two weeks, has been a very busy workshop. Every evening from 7.00 to 8.30, Scouts from the different Troops were present, all trying to do their bit to make some child happy at Christmas. A great number of toys have been repaired and now need only painting to make them look like new.

The Girl Guides have already received about 60 dolls, which are to be dressed. These dolls had already been repaired by the lady Scouters.

We feel that the Scouts of Charlottetown have done their part in this generous Christmas "Good Turn." The committee in charge has decided that the painting of the toys will be done by the Scouters of Charlottetown, so Scouts are not required at the Toy Shop until further notice.

Alberton—P. L's Training Course

On Saturday, November 30th, Rev. S. J. Davies, Field Commissioner, assisted by Field Commissioner Harry Pineau, Charlottetown, and A.S.M. Jack Rochford, of Alberton, conducted a short Training Course for Patrol Leaders. Due to weather conditions, boys from O'Leary and Elmsdale were unable to attend. The program consisted of lectures, games and demonstrations of Scout work.

The following boys attended and showed a keen interest in the whole course: Fox Patrol, Dewey Doyle; Tignish, Frank McQuaid, Claude Wallace, Keith Wells, Alberton. Beaver Patrol, Jack Clarke, Lawrence Callaghan and Alfred McQuaid — Alberton. Cyril Arsenault, Tignish.

Charlottetown Scouters' Club

Due to the Rotary Radio Auction, it was felt that our Scouters' Club Meeting should be postponed until the following week. This meeting will take place at 2nd Group Headquarters (Saint Peters) on Thursday, December 12th at 7.30 p.m. We hope to see a full attendance of Scouters at this meeting.

5th Troop (Zion)

This Troop held its regular weekly meeting on November 26th. The meeting opened with Flag Break and Scout Silence. The boys then went to their Patrol corners for inspection. Following inspection S. M. Yeo gave the 2nd Class boys instruction on the uses of the compass, A.S.M. Kerr instructed the recruits on the Scout Law and the Tenderfoot knots. Rev. Mr. Webster then led the boys in a very interesting game. Following this game it was decided to have a bowling practice on Saturday night at the Y.M.C.A. when a bowling team will be chosen. Boys were appointed to help at the Toy Shop each night of the week. The meeting then closed with Scout Silence.

Donald Tinney and Jackie Cairns of the 5th Pack have been admitted to the Troop.

Good scouting!

8th Pack (Trinity)

Two Cubs from this Pack, Arthur Avard and Harold MacPherson, have gone up to the Troop and we wish them every success in Scouting. John MacMillan, Maynard MacMillan, Norman MacDougall, Robert Nash and Cermen Thompson came into the Pack this year, and expect to be invested soon. A hike is planned for today, and all Cubs are asked to meet at the church at 2.30.

Good scouting, "Tall Timber!"

MRS. HANNAH C. INMAN HONORED ON 92nd BIRTHDAY

Mrs. V. E. Backus observed open house Tuesday in honor of her mother, Mrs. Hannah C. Inman's 92nd birthday. Many old friends called to pay respects to the charming lady. Mrs. Inman received a large number of lovely cards and gifts.

The Baptist Sunday school sent a beautiful basket of gladioli and daisies and the T.E.L. class with Mrs. S. F. Cain as teacher, sent a potted blooming plant. The Missionary Society of the Methodist church gave Mrs. Inman two boxes of stationary.

Mrs. Inman calls herself a "jolner," because of the fact that she belongs to the missionary societies of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches, and the W.M.S. of Victoria United Church, P. E. Island.

She has been coming to Lake Wales for the past 14 years where she spends part of the year with her daughter, Mrs. V. E. Backus, and family. This year was the first time that she did not take the trip back home to Prince Edward Island and visit many points in the United States.

She has been a member of the Methodist Church of Prince Edward Island for more than 70 years—Lake Wales Daily, Lake Wales, Florida.

(The Mrs. Hannah Inman referred to is a native of Hampton, P.E. Island, and lived many years both at Hampton and Victoria, where her husband, the late C. Inman, was a prominent farmer. He passed away in December, 1911. Mrs. Hannah Inman is a sister of Wm. A. MacQuarrie, of Hampton).