

SEVERE FIRE LOSSES IN N. S. & P. E. I.

Phenomenal Series of Destructive Fires Within Few Days of Each Other

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 4. (By the Canadian Press)—Fire losses in Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia continued to mount...

By far the most serious was the razing of Falconwood Hospital at Charlottetown, on December 14...

On December 3 the Elman block, Sydney, was destroyed with a loss of \$250,000. A few days later the Eden bottling works burned down at Amherst.

The fire in the Riley Block, Charlottetown, caused damage to the extent of some \$100,000 last Wednesday night.

On Monday, December 28, Barkers' department store and the London Fruit Store were gutted at New Glasgow, and the E. G. Scott store damaged, loss more than \$100,000.

The cableship John W. MacKay caught fire at Halifax on Friday night, flames damaging the ship to an extent not yet determined by survey, but believed to be about \$50,000.

SEE PROSPECT

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 4. (By the Canadian Press)—Officials of the Dominion and Provincial Governments, business leaders and industrialists, writing in The Year End Financial and Business Review of the Toronto Globe, today held out hopes that Canada would see its way out of the business depression during 1932.

Hon. Percy C. Black, acting Premier of Nova Scotia, said his province had come through the past year in a relatively better position than most other countries. He concluded: "Conditions throughout Nova Scotia are such that this province will quickly respond to any general improvement in business. The outlook for the coming year, while presenting many problems which must be solved, has encouraging features."

Hon. W. A. Gordon, Minister of Mines in the Dominion Government, said Canada can be assured of her position as one of the world's leading producers of metals and non-metallic minerals for a long time to come. He stressed the importance of gold production during the present period of world economic depression.

Sir William Clark, High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in Canada said: "We can now begin to look forward and see rising out of the smoke and dust of this economic earthquake which has so shaken the world, the walls and pillars of a new edifice of empire, an edifice whose foundations will be based on a new and closer cooperation between our peoples. If this new edifice emerges as we hope, the British Empire and its component countries will be greatly strengthened both for grappling with the difficulties of the times and for progress in the better days that will come as world conditions begin to improve."

Prominent Firm In New Offices

The well-known firm of DeBlols Bros., Ltd., are continuing their Wholesale, Export and Insurance Business in the offices formerly occupied by Clarke Bros., at the head of Prince Street Wharf. Nothing is daunted by their recent serious fire, DeBlols Bros. are carrying on their business, and are in a position to look after their customers as usual. This is fortunate indeed, as this firm is performing a real service to the province—not only as a distributing house, but through their export business, in finding world wide markets for farm produce and fisheries. The Province could ill afford to lose such a firm as DeBlols Bros. Ltd.

"Men make money by looking after themselves, not by looking after the public."—George Bernard Shaw.

CENTRAL GUARDIAN Regular Meeting Of Gyro Club

GRAND NATURAL ICE—Arena tonight. Special skate, 15 cents. 11332

ROVERS VS. GRANITES, High-field Rink tonight. Skate after match. 11330

PRINCE STREET SCHOOL Literary Society will meet this afternoon at 3.30. 11333

DO NOT miss seeing the fine display of Office Furniture at Reduced Prices at R. T. Holman Ltd., Charlottetown. 11331

KINDERGARTEN re-opens Wednesday, January 6th, at 9.30 in Trinity Social Hall. 11333-1-3-21

TO BE TRIED IN SUPREME COURT—Yesterday two men, Richard Keefe and Christopher Keefe, arrested some time ago in connection with the robbery of McLean's store, Wiltshire, were sent to the Supreme Court for trial.

FUNERAL SERVICES—The funeral of Edward Gillis was held yesterday morning to St. Dunstan's Basilica, where a Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. C. McCarthy. The pall bearers were: Messrs D. A. Head, Chas. Burke, Cahil Russell, C. Sherren, Bern rd Cobb and Warren Gallant. Service at the grave was conducted by Rev. Father Farrell.

SPECIAL SKATE—Grand ice, Arena tonight. 11332

ISLAND LADY DEAD—Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Archibald McDougall of this city announcing the death of their daughter-in-law Annie E. (Annis) wife of Charles M. McDougall, at Providence, R. I., on Dec. 28th. The funeral was held on Dec. 30th. Interment at Dodgeville, Mass.

PRESENTATION TO MINISTER—The members of St. James Young Men's Bible Class on Sunday afternoon presented their instructor, the Rev. R. Moorhead Legate, B. D., with a New Year's gift in the form of a handsome W. German fountain pen, accompanying the gift with the good wishes of the class for a happy and prosperous New Year. Mr. Legate appreciated the good wishes and gift very highly and informed the young men that when he was writing his sermons and preparing his studies for the class he would ever remember their kindly action in presenting him with this pen.

THE REGULAR B. I. S. SOCIAL evening, as usual, was well attended with upwards of one hundred and fifty people, and needless to say enjoyed by all. The winners of the auction forty-fives are as follows: Ladies' first, Miss Mae Power; Ladies' second, Mrs. M. McKearney; Gentlemen's prize, equally merited by Mr. Patrick Trainor and Mr. P. B. McFague, and drawn by Mr. Trainor; Lucky table, Miss Rose Chapel, and concluding the cards, the old-time dance was set in motion, floor director Peter Morrison taking charge, the music being supplied by the society's four piece orchestra.

YORK AND VICINITY—Mr. Albert Ravenhill, Union Road, met with a severe accident this week while working at the bottom of his well.—Miss Helen Drake, teacher, Melville, and Mrs. Laura West Bustin, City, are spending the week in Moncton.—Mr. Wilfred Boothroyd, Mt. Allison, was a recent visitor to York.—Miss Verna Vessey has returned to York, after a pleasant visit with relatives at Hunter River.—Miss Edith Keltzer, Grand Tracadie, was operated on for appendicitis yesterday.—Mr. Edison Hardy has returned, to Mt. Allison after spending Christmas at his home at Pleasant Grove.—Mr. James McCabe, Stanhope, is spending the week in the City.—The child of Mr. and Mrs. Eph. MacMillan, Covehead, sustained a fractured limb while skating on the ice.

AT ROTARY—At the Rotary luncheon yesterday the speaker was Past President Harold Palmer, who took as the subject of an interesting address "Libel and Slander." He clearly explained the law relating to these, pointing out that words must be written, or printed to constitute a libel, but spoken words may constitute a slander. Three elements are necessary to prove libel: first, that the words complained of are defamatory; second, that they refer to the plaintiff; third, that they were published by the defendant. He gave examples of various ways in which this offence may be committed, and also touched on the defences which may be put up to an action of defamation of character, mentioning the absolute and qualified privileges which are admitted under the

WOLVES SWAMP KENTVILLE CATS

KENTVILLE, N. S., Jan. 1. — A rushing attack and an unflinching defense carried Halifax Wolverines through to a 9 to 2 victory over Kentville Wildcats tonight. The visitors ran wild in the first period, scoring five goals. Leopold in the Kentville cage reversed his form in the third period and held the Wolves to a single counter in that frame.

Rotarian Health MacIntyre was in the chair.

PERSONALS

Mr. James T. Cummings, of New Glasgow, N.S., who is a director of the C. N. R., is a guest at the Canadian National Hotel.

Mrs. Elizabeth McLeod, who has been visiting for the past six months in South Portland and New York, returned last week and is at present residing at 267 Grafton Street.

Cuban Visitors Praise Quality Of Island Tubers

Depressed Sugar Prices Cause Of Much Anxiety In Cuba, State Prominent Week-End Visitors

The splendid quality of Prince Edward Island potatoes and the high reputation which Island tubers have established in the Cuban market, were referred to enthusiastically by two distinguished visitors to Charlottetown over the week end, Dr. Manuel Piedra de la Concha, a leading lawyer of Havana, and Mr. Antonio Bacardi, also of Cuba.

Dr. Piedra is the son of the Cuban ambassador to China and he himself has acted for the Chinese Government in his native country. His father and grandfather were prominent in military matters and took a distinguished part in the revolutions which led to the independence of Cuba.

Mr. Bacardi is the grandson of the founder of the celebrated Bacardi distilleries of Cuba.

These gentlemen have been in the United States and Canada since last October, and during that time have visited twenty-four States of the Union and have been through parts of Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

They decided to visit Prince Edward Island before proceeding to Quebec, Toronto, Niagara Falls and thence to California, Victoria and Alaska. They will sail some time in February for China.

Their visit to the United States and Canada is to get acquainted with conditions, and as a good-will tour.

While in Charlottetown the visit—

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Nationalist leaders who feel so disposed. As for Gandhi's arrest, I have no statement to make.

The arrest of fifty Congress leaders was expected today. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, ranking second to Gandhi in importance to the Nationalists was today sentenced to two years at hard labor for violating one of the new ordinances.

Will Take Drastic Action BOMBAY, India, Jan. 4.—During the trouble of 1929 tens of thousands of Nationalists were arrested and placed in prisons and cantonments throughout the great sub-continent. Today preparations for similar handling of the situation were made by the Government of India at New Delhi, which strengthened its hand with four new ordinances. The most important of these empowered the Indian Government to declare the whole Nationalist Congress an illegal association to be dealt with as such. They are emergency measures in a general way similar to the wide powers assumed by the British Government during the general strike in 1926.

In taking a strong hand in dealing with Gandhi, the British authorities contend that the National Congress claim of the people of India as a whole was "emphatically repudiated at the round table conference by representatives of large sections of the Indian community."

"The working committee of the Congress," the spokesman added, is responsible for its actions to nobody but itself."

While taking prompt and decisive action against the leaders of the Nationalist movement, the Government is determined to stand by its policy of political advance for India as outlined by Prime Minister MacDonald at the conclusion of the round table conference, the spokesman asserted.

January 15 three committees will sail for India to negotiate with all Indian leaders who will cooperate with them.

A detachment of 100 men from the 2nd battalion rifle brigade left Davenport for Southampton, en route to India, and another small group will leave January 23, but authorities explained it was usual at this time of year to send out a few men.

Rajendra Prasad, who was nominated to succeed Vallabhai Patel as President of the National Congress because Patel was arrested at the same time Gandhi was taken into custody, was himself made prisoner by the government.

Both Mr. Patel and Mr. Gandhi were confined in the Yeroda jail. Bombay still was sleeping at 4 o'clock this morning when the Mahatma was taken from the tent in

Address And Presentation To Mr. B.S. Deacon

On the eve of his departure for New York Mr. B. S. Deacon, manager of the Canadian National Fox Breeders Association for the past two years, was waited upon by Hon. G. Shelton Sharp, President of the Association and the local directors in the directors room at their head office in Summerside and presented with a valuable wrist watch and address as a token of the high esteem in which he was held.

ADDRESS B. S. Deacon, Esq., Summerside, P. E. I.

Dear Sir:—

As the closing day of the old year terminates your presence among us, it was with feelings of sincere regrets that in compliance with your own wishes we accept your resignation as Secretary and business manager of our Association.

During the three years that you have guided the destinies of our organization, you have at all times, discharged those duties with good judgment and good business acumen. Your genius for finance has been a tower of strength at all times and your never failing courtesy in meeting our members and discussing their problems was indeed a valuable asset. Before bidding you farewell, we wish you to accept this gift, as a token of our affection and esteem. May it not only serve the useful purpose of indicating the time, but as it ticks off the hours may it be a reminder to you that with it goes the best wishes for your future success in returning to your chosen profession.

In bidding you farewell, we also wish to extend our compliments to your beloved partner, who has entered so heartily and so admirably into the social life of our Town.

Signed on behalf of the Directors of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association.

G. SHELTON SHARP, PRESIDENT

Mr. Deacon made a fitting reply and assured the members of the Directors Board present, that he would always have very happy recollections of his association with them and of his sojourn in Summerside.

Heartly handshakes and the best of wishes were extended to Mr. Deacon as he left the office of the Fox Breeders' Association.

On New Year's Day Mr. Deacon left for New York, where he will be met by Mrs. Deacon when they will journey south to California for the winter months.—S

The Late Mr. Peter Newsom

Another veteran citizen of Charlottetown has entered into his eternal rest, Mr. Peter Newsom passing peacefully away at his home, 10 Ambrose Street, yesterday morning.

Mr. Newsom, who was in his 84th year, suffered a slight stroke of paralysis last July to which he finally succumbed, having been confined to his house for the past six months.

For many years he has been a resident of Charlottetown, having removed here from Craupad where he formerly carried on business.

He was a partner for a number of years with the late John Saunders in the meat business in this city, the firm being known as Saunders and Newsom. Mr. Newsom retiring in 1912.

He was a man of excellent business ability, of strict integrity, and enjoyed a wide popular life. He was very highly respected and esteemed not only in Charlottetown but throughout the province, wherever he was known.

His wife, Alice Wadman, daughter of the late Henry Wadman of Victoria, predeceased him five years ago.

There are left to fondly cherish his memory two sons, Fenton R. Newsom, formerly of the business staff of the Guardian Publishing Company, Lowman Newsom, manager Canadian Bank of Commerce Branch Elgin, Manitoba, and one daughter, Miss Mabel Newsom, at present at home. She gave up her position as United Church Deaconess to nurse her father during his last illness.

Mr. Newsom will be laid to rest on Wednesday afternoon in the Peoples Cemetery, the funeral service starting at 2 o'clock.

dying for us! Jesus the Saviour we need says "Come Unto Me."

After the singing of "In the Cross of Christ I glory" the benediction was given by the Rev. C. N. Brown of Trinity Church.

To Late To Classified

TWO YOUNG MEN BOARDERS can be comfortably accommodated in private family. Telephone 997-L. 11334-1-5-31

ESCAPED FROM CENTRAL, PORTLAND, ME. Two fox mine female, white, red LOB. Notify 18 Havilar. St.

—HOCKEY SPECIAL IN SUMMERSIDE—Double header Amherst vs. Crystals, Cape Traverse Bloodhounds vs. Summerside Hockey Club. These two big games for the price of one. Don't miss them. 11336

Had Narrow Escape From Death In Fire At Roseberry

On Saturday, January 2nd, Mr. J. Garfield Ross, of Roseberry, had the misfortune of losing his residence by fire which broke out at 10.30 a. m. in the ceiling in the sitting room. Mrs. Ross and one of the children were the only occupants of the house at the time and Mr. Ross was in the office at the mill when the alarm was sounded.

The neighbors quickly gathered and with their aid the greater part of the furniture was saved but the house was completely destroyed.

The building, which was one of the finest farming residences in that section of the country, contained eleven rooms and had all the modern improvements including electricity, etc. It was built quite a number of years ago, but was remodelled in recent years. It was valued at least \$4,000 on which there is but a small amount of insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross and children lost most of their clothing and other personal effects.

Mr. Ross had a very narrow escape from death during the fire. He had run upstairs to his bedroom in order to salvage some important articles belonging to his wife. Shortly after that his brother had gone to take down a commode at head of staircase. As he was doing so, he thought he noticed somebody falling. When he got down to notified his brothers and they were asked where Garfield was. They rushed up and found that he had tripped over a roll of linoleum which had been torn from the floor and he was lying unconscious beside this.

The house was then filled with smoke and with considerable difficulty they managed to carry him down and out into the open air into safety.

When the fire was first noticed, there was abundance of water close by, also buckets and axes, etc., but unfortunately the blaze had assumed such progress that nothing could be done to save the building.

That the fire fighters did excellent work is evident from the fact that they were able to save the adjoining building which was only eight feet away from the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross are at present staying with relatives and intend starting rebuilding at as early a date as possible.

ISLAND STUDENTS AT DALHOUSIE

Excellent Showing Made In Christmas Examinations.

Following is the standing of Prince Edward Island students in the Christmas examinations in the Faculty of Medicine of Dalhousie University.

FIRST YEAR

J. E. Donahue, Souris West, passed in Histology, Embryology, Physiology, Anatomy, Biochemistry.

J. A. Donahue, Roseneath, passed in Physiology, Biochemistry.

A. R. Grant, Montague, passed in Embryology, Physiology Practical Anatomy.

T. E. Grant, Montague, passed in Histology, Embryology, Physiology Distinction in Anatomy and Practical Anatomy.

R. E. Hogg, Charlottetown, passed in Histology, Embryology, Physiology, Biochemistry, Practical Anatomy.

C. T. MacDonald, Cardigan, passed in Histology, Embryology, Physiology, Biochemistry, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy.

W. L. MacDonald, Charlottetown, passed in Histology, Biochemistry Practical Anatomy.

J. F. Moore, Summerside, passed in Histology, Embryology, Anatomy.

H. E. Yeo, Charlottetown, passed in Embryology, Physiology, Biochemistry, Practical Anatomy.

SECOND YEAR

J. H. Buntain, Rustico, passed in Bacteriology, Physiology, Neurology Materia Medica, Psychology, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy. Distinction in Anatomy.

F. W. S. Chandler, Charlottetown, passed in Bacteriology, Biochemistry, Psychology.

E. M. Found, New London, passed in Bacteriology, Physiology, Neurology, Biochemistry, Materia Medica Psychology, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy.

G. P. Tanton, Summerside, passed in Bacteriology, Physiology, Neurology, Biochemistry, Materia Medica, Psychology, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy.

F. L. Whitehead, Charlottetown, passed in Bacteriology, Physiology, Neurology, Biochemistry, Materia Medica, Psychology, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy.

F. H. Wigmore, Graham's Road, passed in Bacteriology, Physiology, Neurology, Materia Medica, Psychology, Anatomy, Practical Anatomy, Distinction in Biochemistry.

THIRD YEAR

J. E. Andrew, East Royalty, passed in Pharmacology, Distinction in Hygiene.

M. B. Dockerty, Cardigan, passed in Hygiene Distinction in Pharmacology Pathology.

W. R. Wright, Bedeque, passed in Hygiene, Pharmacology, Pathology.

G. G. Houston, Charlottetown, passed in Hygiene, Pharmacology.

F. L. McPhail, York Point, passed in Hygiene, Pharmacology, Pathology.

C. E. Stuart, Bradalbane, passed in Hygiene, Pharmacology, Distinction in Pathology.

FOURTH YEAR

J. M. McGowan, Kilmuir, passed in Psychiatry.

H. L. Mellish, Montague, passed in Psychiatry.

H. W. Moys, Central Bedeque, passed in Psychiatry.

W. S. Woolner, Rustico, passed in Psychiatry.

NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association will be held in the Secretary's office, Provincial Building, Wednesday, January thirteenth, 1932, at the hour of 2 p. m.

J. W. BOUTLER, Secretary.

It will be necessary to adjourn the above meeting to a later date, awaiting the return of the President.

J. W. BOUTLER

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