

Love is better for humanity than
hate, and kindness better than vio-
lence.

Vindictiveness is characteristic of
the small mind, giving vent to jeal-
ousy and hatred.

Covers Prince Edward Island Like the Dew

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NFLD. WILL ASK CANADA FOR TERMS OF UNION

Federal Gov't Rejects Latest N. S. Plan

Minister Of Fisheries Says Support Board To Be Established



Hon. H. F. G. Bridges, M.P.,
Minister of Fisheries

Coming Events

- **Dance in Emerald Hall, Easter Monday night. Auspices C. W. L.
- **Dance in Morell Hall Easter Monday. 4-piece orchestra.
- **To arrive, choice double reelected Peace River oats. Book. McGuigan & Boyle.
- **Due to arrive at Bradaire, St. Thomas Bay. Order now. Walter G. MacKenzie.
- **Movies in Hunter River every Thursday. For April 3rd, 8 P. M. Singing Sheriff, starring Bob Crosby.
- **Loading Hogs for Canada Packers Ltd., each Tuesday at Vernon River. G. Lea.
- **Notice - Will start cleaning grain April 1st to 25th. Signed Joseph Blanchard, Hope River.
- **Bingo. Dance auspices Holy Name Society, Town Hall, Georgetown, Monday, April 7.
- **Our store will be closed all day Good Friday. Peters & Gallant Limited.
- **Cake Sale, April 5th, at Marltime Electric. Marshfield Women's Institute.
- **The Kelly's Cross Dramatic Club will present their play in Kelly's Cross Hall, Easter Monday night. Curtain 8.30.
- **Attention Parkdale Veterans. Social evening tonight at 8 P.M. Women's Institute Hall.
- **Loading Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd., Merlin Devine.
- **Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.
- **Loading Hogs at Montague Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean, Phone.
- **To arrive this week at Clyde. Car of Hay. Booking orders now. James L. MacKinnon, Springton.
- **See Vernon Players present "Tommy Takes a Wife" and Variety Concert in Eldon Hall, Monday, April 7th, 8.15.
- **Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at St. Peter's each Tuesday until train time, while roads closed to trucks. Signed David Pratt.
- **Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at Vernon Bridge each Tuesday afternoon, while truck road closed. W. Crane.
- **Loading Hogs for Canada Packers at Mt. Stewart each Tuesday until train time, while roads closed to trucks. Signed Earl Jay.
- **Notice to Farmers - From now on I will be loading hogs for Canada Packers, Ltd., on Thursday of each week until further notice. G. C. Green, Emerald.
- **Now unloading, car of Building Material, Asphalt Shingles, Roofing, etc. Due to arrive car of Quaker Feeds, J. L. MacEachern, Mt. Allison.
- **Expecting to unload car, crushed oats, special price offer on account of shortage warehouse space. Also just arrived car of feeding hay. P. E. I. Livestock Feed Agency.

Fisheries Minister Bridges announced last night at a dinner of the East Coast Fisheries Conference that a Fisheries Support Board would be set up by the Federal Government "without undue delay." He said "as soon as a chairman with the required qualifications is found - which I hope to announce soon - the Board shall be established."

The Minister pointed out that within the fishing industry the Department was "now back pretty much to its pre-war powers. The war orders-in-council are being removed. The Department's responsibilities are much greater, however. One important responsibility laid on the Department is for the Fisheries Prices Support Act."

In the prices field, and in the field of production and marketing of fish products, "there is need, I think, for working out new arrangements between government and industry, arrangements which will be flexible and adaptable to the rapidly changing nature of the problems that will face us."

The Minister arrived yesterday evening by plane from Ottawa and was the chief speaker at the dinner held at the Charlottetown Hotel for the members of the East Coast Fisheries who have been in conference here for the past two days, and who conclude their conference this afternoon.

The problems facing his department at the present time, Mr. Bridges said, may be placed in three categories: administrative, scientific, and economic. The administrative problems were his responsibility as Minister; the scientific were taken care of by the department's research board; and the economic ones would be under the control of his new deputy minister, Mr. Stewart Bates, whom Mr. Bridges said, had been selected by Prime Minister King.

The future problems of the fishing industry are going to be - (Continued on Page 5 Col. 2)

Macdonald Still Hopes For Fair Deal

Presents Budget Which Forecasts Small Surplus.

By JOHN LANGLOIS

HALIFAX, April 2 - (CP) - Premier Angus L. Macdonald, discussing in the Legislature today that the Dominion had rejected his most recent proposals for a taxation agreement, presented a budget which, without the aid of Federal subsidies or increased provincial levies, allows for a surplus of \$122,635 during the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1947.

Although a reply from Finance Minister Abbott had indicated that "the Dominion's position... remains as it has been for some time," the Premier said Nova Scotia had "never closed any doors."

"I still hope for a fair settlement," he said.

The House recessed for the Easter holiday and will resume sittings Tuesday night, April 8.

The budget, presented by Mr. Macdonald who is also provincial secretary, forecast revenues for the year of \$2,370,483 and expenditures of \$2,247,848 for a surplus of \$122,635. Last year's surplus of \$2,588,648 - made up of revenues of \$19,548,250 and expenditures of \$16,957,611 - had been estimated at \$51,440.

The 1947 budget indicated increased expenditures for education, health and public welfare, and at the same time, increased revenues are expected from highways largely due to provincial assumption of a three-cent-per-gallon tax.

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Jones Gov't Jacks Up Provincial Gas Tax & Makes It Retroactive

Imposition of an extra 3 cents per gallon provincial tax on gasoline, made retroactive as from April 1 when the 3 cents Federal tax was discontinued, drew strong protest from Opposition members in the Legislature yesterday, but passed committee reading by a vote of 11-7.

All the Conservative members voted against the bill, while all the Government members and supporters present, with the exception of Mr. George E. Saville, Fifth King's voted for it. Mr. Saville's objection was that no provision was made for rebating the tax to fishermen.

The effect of the bill is to make the total provincial gasoline tax 13 cents a gallon. The highest provincial tax heretofore has been 10 cents.

A highlight of the discussion was Mr. R. R. Bell's charge that gasoline dealers, under instructions from the Jones Government, were already charging the extra provincial tax, and that until the bill became law the Government was collecting this money illegally.

The bill was moved into committee yesterday morning by Hon. William Hughes, Provincial Treasurer, with Mr. Douglas MacKinnon in the chair.

Diesel Oil Taxed Too

Intituled "An Act to Amend the Gasoline Tax Act", it first provides for the taxation of diesel oil where used as a substitute for gasoline for operating motor vehicles on the highway.

Sec. 2 provides that "from and after the 1st day of April, 1947, every purchaser shall, in addition to the tax imposed under Section 3, pay to the Provincial Treasurer, for the use of His Majesty in the right of the Province of Prince Edward Island, a charge or tax at the rate of three cents per gallon on all gasoline purchased or delivery of which is received by him; but the tax imposed hereunder shall not be subject to the right of rebate provided under Section 5 of the said Act."

It also empowers the Government "to make grants to incorporated municipalities by Order-in-Council during the months of December, January, February and March for the purpose of assisting in the matter of snow removal from paved streets in such municipalities."

No Alleviation

Mr. Strong said he understood that the present provincial tax is 10 cents, and there was a 3 cents tax imposed by the Dominion Government up to March 31.

Hon. Mr. Hughes: "We are going into the field that they vacated."

Mr. Strong: "The people are looking for some alleviation of these wartime taxes. It seems to me that we have had nothing but taxes before this House since the session met. I am opposed to this tax. The Premier the other day in explaining the tax agreement said there was \$150,000 in Federal gasoline taxes we were being relieved of. Now apparently he has changed his mind."

Mr. Francis: "That is because Nova Scotia and New Brunswick put it on."

Mr. Strong: "We don't have to follow Nova Scotia and New Brunswick."

Premier Jones: "I don't think the hon. member should put words into my mouth. I said it would accrue either to the people of Prince Edward Island, or else to the Government."

Mr. Strong: "I will accept your explanation; but it has not accrued to the people of Prince Edward Island."

Premier Jones: "Of course it accrues to the people. As I said before the Dominion Government vacated the gasoline field. Then we either save it for the people or for the Government. Therefore it should be added to the amount that we get from Ottawa."

No Relief

Mr. Strong: "The people were given to understand that once you got this \$200,000 they were going to have some relief from taxation, but instead of that it is..."

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Hospitals Seek Increased Grants

A change in the present system of Government grants to hospitals in Prince Edward Island from "fixed" amounts to one dollar per patient day was requested in a brief presented to the Provincial Government by a delegation representing the general hospitals of the Province on Tuesday.

It was pointed out in the brief that the present grants from the City and Province amount to less than twenty-five thousand dollars a year, a figure estimated not much in excess of twenty cents per patient per day.

The brief stated that "the voluntary hospitals in Prince Edward Island are prepared to face and undertake the heavy expansion program which the Provincial Hospital situation requires, without asking for any capital grant from the Government. However, they do request that the present system of Government grants be altered."

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Bright Young Man



One of Britain's "brightest young business men," Sir Edwin Plowden, 40, seen here, was named by Clement Attlee as the country's supreme economic planner at a ceremony of \$26,000 a year. He is charged with the task of producing Britain's great recovery plan, the most responsible job ever given to a man outside government and service circles.

Delegation Is Named To Go To Ottawa

OTTAWA, April 2 - (CP) - External Affairs Minister St. Laurent told the Commons today that the Canadian Government will be "happy to receive" a delegation coming from Newfoundland to discuss terms under which the Island might enter confederation as a 10th Province.

He made the statement after announcing that the Newfoundland national convention appointed a seven-man delegation yesterday to come to Canada later this year to discuss terms with the Canadian Government.

The 45-man national convention was elected last June to recommend a future form of government for Newfoundland, which has been ruled by a commission of government since 1934. The commission, composed of three United Kingdom and three Newfoundland representatives, was appointed after the Island's responsible government could no longer carry on because of financial difficulties.

Mr. St. Laurent said that recently the convention had expressed a desire to send a delegation to Ottawa to ascertain "what fair and equitable terms may exist for Federal union of Canada and Newfoundland."

The convention's desire was transmitted to the Canadian Government.

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Silver Fox Pelt Sale Continues

MONTREAL, April 2 - (Special) - The Canadian Fur Auction Sales Co. Ltd., sale of silver fox and mutation pelts, continued here today with the following results:

Platinums, 23 per cent sold at an average of \$33.87; inferior platinums, 26 per cent sold at an average of \$18.61; pearl platinums 40 per cent sold at an average of \$33.98; white marked silvers 16 per cent sold at an average of \$19.71; regular full silvers 28 per cent sold at an average of \$16.30; inferior silvers 39 per cent sold at an average of \$12.79.

(The above information was furnished by Mr. George A. Callbeck, manager of the fur marketing department, Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association, Summerside.)

Gold Bricks Stolen In Quebec Town

VAL D'OR, Que., April 2 - (CP) - Gold valued at \$24,300, destined for the Royal Canadian Mint at Ottawa, disappeared from an express truck on the Val D'Or station platform late today.

The gold had just been brought from Sigma Mines for shipment. It was in the form of two solid bricks, with a total weight of 137 pounds, packed in an iron safety box.

Sgt. Gustave Massue of the Quebec Provincial Police, who questioned employees of the Canadian National Express Company at the station, would not say how he thought the gold disappeared.

Delivery had been made to the Express Company, he said, and the iron box placed on the express truck, which was wheeled along the platform to await the train.

Sgt. Massue said he had not yet been able to ascertain whether persons had been loitering about the station.

Members Depart Light-Hearted From Chores In Commons

OTTAWA, April 2 - (Special) - Light-hearted and noisy as school-boys at the end of the term, members of Parliament today trooped down to railway station and airport in droves for the 12-day Easter recess. They will reassemble on April 14.

Early this morning, a full planeload of Wests members took off for the Prairies and the Pacific coast in a new North Star machine of TCA. Fisheries Minister Frank Bridges was one of the first to go east, taking a plane to Charlottetown to attend the east coast fisheries conference.

James Lester Douglas, Liberal member for Queen's and J. Watson MacNaught, Liberal member for Prince, locked the door of their office and boarded the train for Prince Edward Island, leaving W. Chester S. McLure and Dr. T. V. Grant to hold the fort at Ottawa.

Mr. McLure has personal business at both Montreal and Toronto and hopes to fit a visit to Sorel where the P.E.I. car ferry is nearing completion into his Easter time table. Dr. Grant plans to visit

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British Atomic Plant To Open Next Fall

LONDON, April 2 - (AP) - The Ministry of Supply announced today that a wartime chemical factory near Preston, Lancashire, is being converted into an atomic energy plant for the manufacture of uranium metal.

Scheduled to begin production next fall, the plant will refine pitchblend concentrates, reduce them to metal, and machine and finish uranium metal rods for use in atomic piles.

STELLARTON, N.S., April 2 - (CP) - Fire resulting from an ember from a stove falling into the Ford Street McColl-Frontenac service station operated by W.P. MacDonald. There was no immediate estimate of the loss.

Delegates To Fish Conference Attend Dinner

Premier J. Walter Jones was toastmaster at last night's dinner held at the Charlottetown Hotel in honor of the members of the East Coast Fisheries Conference.

Among those who spoke at the dinner were His Honour Lt.-Governor J. A. Bernard; Hon. H. F. G. Bridges, Minister of Fisheries, (a summary of whose address appears elsewhere); Hon. C. E. Poulton, Minister of Fisheries for Quebec; Mr. H. J. Robichaud, director of fisheries for New Brunswick; Mr. C. F. Morrissey, M.L.A., Mr. Stewart Bates, deputy-minister of fisheries, Ottawa; Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan; and Dr. A. M. A. MacLean.

Lt.-Governor Bernard extended a cordial welcome to the visiting delegates and expressed the wish they would return to the Province in the near future. Commenting on the importance of the fishing industry to the Province, His Honour said he felt sure the whole industry in Quebec and the Maritimes would benefit as a result of the conference's deliberations which have been going on in Charlottetown.

The Hon. Mr. Poulton said he had no alternative but to come to the conference.

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Emphasize Need For Quality Fish Products

Emphasis on a better quality of fish product was the main theme of yesterday afternoon's discussions at the East Coast Fisheries Conference at the Canadian Legion Hall.

Mr. Ross Homans, of the fish inspection laboratory, Halifax, gave an optimistic tone to the meeting when he said the outlook for foreign markets for Canadian fish was not so gloomy as some people were inclined to believe. There was an extreme shortage of protein food in the world, Mr. Homans said, and the Maritimes were in a position to assist in filling the requirements.

However, he said, the important thing to remember was that in order to secure an outlet for the Maritimes' surplus fish, there would have to be quality production. Two handicaps which confront the Maritime fishing industry today are its lack of marketing knowledge and its failure to appreciate good labelling. Everything being equal, the fish product with the most attractive label sells while the rest covers.

Postmaster General Bertrand said the Government was not in a position to waive revenue derived from postage on parcels to the United Kingdom.

Debate was continued on Government control legislation before the House, adjourned until April 14.

Monday, April 14.

The Commons will resume consideration of Government control legislation. The Senate will not sit.

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Counterfeit Ring In Toronto Is Smashed

TORONTO, April 2 - (CP) - The vigilance of a 26-year-old Toronto motorcycle policeman and the further conduct of a motorist negotiating a set of traffic lights combined early today to crack open a counterfeit ring police said was equipped to turn out hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of fake money in \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills.

Under arrest already are Johann Rudolph Larsen, 39, of Sudbury, Ont., and James Sharpe, 46, Toronto, while continuing investigations are expected to produce further arrests, police said.

Equipment confiscated was the "finest and most complete ever discovered in this province," Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers collaborating with Toronto police said.

Crown Counsel Henry Bull said "there will be no bail owing to the magnitude of the information at hand."

Rookie Constable Walter Heaslip, who already has two outstanding arrests to his credit since his enlistment in the Toronto force last year, was suspicious at the slow movements of a high-powered limousine in negotiating traffic lights early today and trailed the vehicle.

Ordered to follow the constable, Larsen made an escape bid. The constable then left his motorcycle, got into the car and, ordering Larsen to the police station, took a look around.

In the car he said he discovered plates for making counterfeit bills, while at the station, when the vehicle was examined, a hand printing press, photographic equipment, flash bulbs and a split \$10 bill were found. Larsen tried to escape a second time at the station.

On information they gathered at the station, police before dawn raided a West-End rooming house, arrested Sharpe, who did not resist, and seized two bundles of special paper, inks, dies, floodlights and numbering machines.

High tide this morning at 9.30 and tonight at 9.20.

Sun sets this evening at 6.29 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.36.

Full moon April 5th, 10.28 A.M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND" Daily except Sunday. Leave Borden at 9:05 A.M. Leave Tormentine at 3 P.M.

Small Powers To Have No Voice In German Treaty

MOSCOW, April 2 - (CP) - The question of participation of other major Allied powers including Canada in the drafting of the German peace settlement has been shelved by the Big Four foreign ministers at the Moscow conference and nothing more will be heard of it here apart from some possible inconclusive discussions by the deputy ministers, it was learned reliably late tonight.

This is an anti-climactic finish to a hard fight put up in London and Moscow, particularly by Canada and Australia, to obtain an adequate voice in the treaty making. These Dominions will continue to press for a voice at later stages of these complicated negotiations, after the Moscow conference adjourns but all hope is lost here of any agreement at this time.

The Quality Tea

"SALADA"

ORANGE PEKOE

Tomorrow being Good Friday and a public holiday, the next issue of The Guardian will be on Saturday, April 5.