

The Central Guardian

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A SHIPMENT of ladies' dresses just arrived at Kennedy's, 154 Great George Street. L-734-4-9-21.

COOKS FOR Easter Photographs. L-562-4-2-101.

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FINED FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF LIQUOR.—Two men appeared in police court yesterday morning charged with illegal possession of liquor. One was fined \$50 and costs or 60 days, the other \$25 and costs or 30 days. A drunk was given 60 days suspended sentence.

REGULAR DANCE HELD.—There was another large crowd of army, navy and air force men present at the regular Tuesday night dance of the Canadian Legion War Services last night. The dance was held in the Legion Recreation Rooms. Music was supplied by Bill Moreside's Orchestra. The dance was under the direction of Mr. Arthur G. Bruce.

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LADY TO REST.—The funeral of the late Bertha E. Carter was held from the residence of her daughter Mrs. and Mrs. Isaac Carter, Brighton Road, yesterday afternoon. Services at the house and graves were conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller and Rev. Donald Boothroyd. Interment was in the People's Cemetery. Pall bearers were: Messrs Stanley Hardy, Harry Hardy, G. P. Hutchison, George J. Tweedy, Malcolm Irwin and E. T. Higgs.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.—The funeral of the late Frederick Wagner took place from the MacLean Funeral Home yesterday afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller and Rev. Donald Boothroyd. Interment in the People's Cemetery. Rev. Donald Boothroyd officiating at the grave. Pallbearers were: Messrs Vernon Burke, George Tweedy, Frank Bell, D. L. McKinnon.

FAIRVIEW OPENS SERVICE.—After two days of battling harbor winds the ferry Fairview opened the channel to Rocky Point yesterday, inaugurating the summer service on the same day as a year ago. Monday Captain Jerry Duncanson drove his boat to within a few feet of the Rocky Point wharf but was unable to dock because of fog. Yesterday, however, he accomplished the feat. The service will be irregular while ice remains in the harbor, it was learned.

TO OBSERVE ST. GEORGE'S DAY.—At a meeting of the executive of the Charlottetown Branch of the Canadian Legion yesterday afternoon a committee was appointed to see what steps will be taken in connection with the greater observance of St. George's Day, April 23. In Ontario and in other parts of Canada as well as the United States, special observances are being held this year as a tribute to the people of England in their great fight for democracy. It is understood the province of Ontario is making possible the circulation of a paper dealing with St. George's Day and its special significance this year.

IRISH TOWN SCHOOL.—Report of Irish town School for the month of March: Grade X—Lloyd Johnston, 2 Eileen Campbell, 3 Emma Campbell.

Grade IX—1 Enid McLeod, 2 Layton Profit, 3 Gladys Mann, 2 Earle Campbell. Grade VIII—1 Leman Davison, 2 Earle Campbell. Grade VII—1 Clap Campbell, 2 Anne Campbell, 3 George McLeod. Grade VI—1 Gladys Mann, 2 Elizabeth Johnston, 3 Jessie Profit, 4 David Campbell, 2 Alfred Simmons. Grade III—1 Leith Mann. Grade II—1 Lloyd Mann, 2 Leona Campbell, 3 Francis Campbell. Grade I—No examinations. Highest average: Leith Mann 93. Doris Johnston 86. Perfect attendance: Gladys Mann and Muriel Reeves.

DEATHS.—HOWARD—At 36 Upper Hillboro Street, on April 8, 1941, Mrs. George Howard aged 89 years. Funeral notice later.

MITCHELL—At Village Green on March 8, 1941, Mrs. John P. Mitchell, aged 86 years. Funeral from her late residence Thursday, April 10th, service starting at 2 p.m. at the home. Interment Pownall Cemetery.

GAY.—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, April 8, 1941, William A. E. Gay in his 81st year. The remains are resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home until noon today, then at the home of his sister, Mrs. Adella Barrett, 18 Felling Street, Thursday, April 10, service starting at 1 p.m. Remains will then be forwarded by train to Mount Stewart for interment.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Hugh B. MacKay, who entered into rest, April 9, 1939. In our hearts your memory lives sweetly, tender, fond and true. There is not a day Dear Father, That we do not think of you. Lovingly remembered by the family.

Card of Thanks

Mr. Hugh John Melvor of Kinkora wishes to thank friends and neighbours for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy in his recent sad bereavement. L-734-4-9-1.

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Attend C. T. F. Conference During the month of August it was the privilege of Mr. Daniel Mac-

P.E.I. Teachers' Federation Head Reviews Year

The following is a complete report of the President's address delivered by Mr. G. Edmond MacDonald at the afternoon session of the P. E. I. Teacher's Federation yesterday afternoon. Once more we have met in Annual Convention to discuss our progress in the past, and make plans for the future. It is my privilege at this time to report the chief activities of your executive during the past year. You will probably remember that at our last convention we submitted to you for your approval a Salary Brief which we intended to present to the Government at a later date. This Brief was presented to the Government and some of the points emphasized are as follows: The recommendations of the 1929 Royal Commission re sliding scale of salaries for teachers should be adopted; report advocated an initial increase of approximately fifty dollars with subsequent increases of varying amounts at the end of three, six, ten, and fifteen years respectively. We believe that, if the need was urgent ten years ago, it is even more urgent today. Supplements have been drastically reduced and increased demands are being made upon our teachers. We reminded the Government that a preceding Government had promised that when additional subsidy was received from Ottawa, the teachers would receive first consideration. The additional subsidy was obtained, but the Government at the present have received none of their share.

Hardly A Profession We stated that we believed that teaching could hardly be rated as a profession in Prince Edward Island until the graduation of salaries was adopted. Persons beginning teaching could then look forward to teaching as their life work knowing that they would eventually be able to earn a reasonable livelihood. The Government received us courteously enough, but we have not, as yet, received any tangible proof of their cooperation. One thing, however, they did do for which we should commend them. They have made it necessary for a student to attend Prince of Wales College to obtain a Teachers License. This step will tend to make teaching a real profession on Prince Edward Island.

Another matter which engaged the interest of your executive was the revival of the Educational Horizon. We believed that through this column we could be given to the teachers and to the public in general. Accordingly we appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. J. C. MacKay and Messrs. Ernest Reid, H. N. Murphy, and Ralph MacLean. Mr. Lawton, who had recently been appointed Director of the Personal Services Department, was asked to take charge of the Educational Horizon. During the month of June there were issues each Saturday until Entrance. At the time we pressed particular Entrance work as we felt most of the teachers would be keenly interested in such matters in June.

Educational Horizon With the coming of the New Year the Educational Horizon again became a weekly feature. Additions were made to the committee in the persons of Miss Zilpha Linklater, Mr. Allan MacPadyen, and Mr. Daniel MacKay. Much interesting material was given by Mr. Stewart Williams. I have not time in this report to mention all the important matters taken up in the Educational Horizon. I shall, however, mention a few which may awaken your interest in this column if you are not already familiar with it. A summary of general education is being given for the benefit of both teachers and pupils who have already read the book. An excellent column on current events is being given every week. Correspondence which has been received by the Director of the Personal Services Department is often answered through the medium of the Horizon when it is felt that the answers would be of interest to teachers in general. Model answers to previous Entrance questions are being given. At the present, I believe, most of the answers have been to the English papers, particularly in Analysis. However, the answers to the other papers are also being given. In short, as the Chief Superintendent remarked to me what we are really doing is giving a Correspondence Course to the people of Prince Edward Island. We are very grateful to M. Lawton, and those who have co-operated with him for the very fine job which they are doing. I know that it has meant a very great sacrifice of time and energy on their part, but I think that they must feel that the effort is well worthwhile.

In the latter part of June, I sent out a letter to all the local secretaries urging them to impress upon the ratepayers the necessity of raising the district supplements. It was pointed out that the raising of supplements was now a very important matter because many teachers were leaving schools for more remunerative positions. The letter had at least one unexpected result. I had replies from some districts asking the Federation to collect the supplements. It was pointed out that on the teacher's request, we could sue only the district and not the individual ratepayers of the district. The reply policy from them is the School Corporation through its secretary. One secretary sent me what he called a "list of shames" wanting me to collect from the parents who had kept their children home, and had thus caused a deduction in the teacher's salary. However, I suppose it was a good thing that the letter was read by someone, and I hope that it was read at most of the Annual Meetings, and that it did some good.

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On the work of the Education Committee, and listed some of its aims and as he is going to speak to you later on this afternoon. It is my privilege to report the achievements of the Education Committee. I must, however, commend Mr. Reddin for the very fine beginning which he has made. He has organized the committee into a number of sub-committees under the following names: 1. School Property and Equipment; 2. Teachers' Salaries; 3. Textbooks; 4. Larger Administrative Units; 5. Course of Studies and Uniformity of Textbooks; 6. Educational Publicity; 7. Membership. I believe that the Education Committee under the capable chairmanship of Mr. Reddin can do much to awaken interest in Education in this province.

Re Spitfire Fund Late in the fall I received a letter from the Secretary-Treasurer of the C. T. F. which contained a suggestion from the Nova Scotia Teachers' Federation that the teachers of Canada should raise money to buy a Spitfire plane as a Christmas present for the Right Honourable Winston Churchill. I consulted the local executive, and they were in favour of the drive. However, there were suggestions from some of the other provinces that money should be used for the purchase of a Spitfire plane. In fact most of the provinces decided in favour of the relief plan. Mr. Woodworth, however, no longer had endorsement from the C. T. F. had organized a Spitfire campaign in Nova Scotia. I wired Mr. Crutchfield and Mr. Woodworth, and I could get the matter straightened out and finally did. The C.T.F. decided to have two funds, one for the Spitfire purchase, and the other for relief purposes. Each province could decide for itself into which fund its contributions should be put. (Your executive favored the Relief Fund.)

In the meantime, we in this province had organized a committee consisting of Mr. McCallum, Mr. Lawton, Mr. MacLean, and myself, to carry on the campaign. We sent individual letters to each teacher and advertised in the press. We wish to thank the press for their cooperation in the matter. It was a hard time of year to put on a drive, and considering this fact, the drive might be counted a success in this province. The situation was another illustration of a country maintaining neutrality to the end in the face of Nazi threats, they said, declaring that the British had refused any British aid in advance of Nazi entry and that air fields cannot be manned overnight. Salomon, Aegian sea port at the mouth of the Vardar, was destroyed officially "no longer necessarily important to military operations" because of its vulnerability to air attack. At the same time, these sources said they were not particularly concerned over the German thrust to the sea through Thrace, severing the railway between the Balkans and the Aegean. Thrace, they said, is worthless without control of the sea. Military circles said that perhaps British strategy would be to make a stand along the Vardar and the Greek troops have been reported fighting valiantly.

SPITFIRE Nova Scotia \$4300.00 Quebec \$1591.60 Individual Subs. \$1.00 \$5892.60

RELIEF OF SUFFERERS Saskatchewan \$ 101.25 Prince Edward Island .. 500.00 Ontario .. 1835.00 Quebec .. 321.00 Individual Subs. .. 5.55 \$2752.80

'The Essential Evil' The essential evil, however, of existing conditions is that tens of thousands of children are being educated in mean surroundings with less than minimum equipment by discouraged or disillusioned instructors who are being paid less than laborers wages.

We can easily see that the aims of the National organization closely coincide with our own and that we can best achieve our ends by working in close co-operation with it. At our Convention last year a resolution was passed to the effect that the Constitution and By-laws of the P. E. I. T. F. be revised and made to suit changed conditions and present day needs. A committee was appointed, accordingly, to draft a new constitution. The next fourteen years had been suggested in the Constitution and By-Laws. The Education Week of 1939 was a success. The Provincial Education Conference, which was held in Charlottetown, was a success. The Provincial Education Conference, which was held in Charlottetown, was a success.

Salary Committee The Salary Committee consisting of Miss Jacqueline Macdonald, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Reginald Macdonald, and myself met on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, March 13, at 12:45 p. m. and endeavoured to impress them with the seriousness of the present situation. The meeting was very successful and we pointed out that most of our best qualified and experienced teachers were leaving the teaching profession for other positions. It might be asked, "What can we do to obtain a livelihood in the army, navy, air force, or in industry. We told them that since the first of the school year we have had a steady exodus into this profession. It is not, however, immediately to stay the tide.

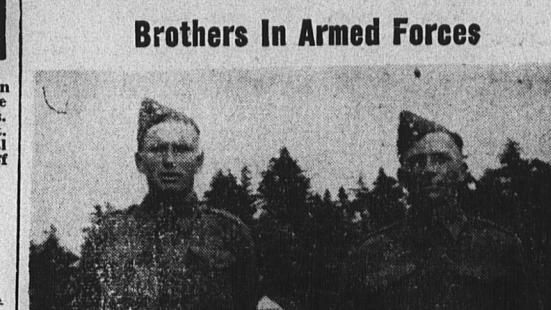
Final figures to show what the rest of Canada is doing about this matter, e. g. The salaries of rural teachers in Alberta have increased from an average salary of \$722.92 in 1934-35 to a minimum of \$840, today, and for all schools from an average of \$970.88 to \$1,034.92 in Manitoba the average salary of rural teachers has increased from an average of \$527, a few years ago to a minimum of \$700. In 1938 only 65 per cent of the rural teachers in Alberta and British Columbia received less than \$700, while 85 per cent of our teachers received less than \$700. In comparing the average pay of one rural teacher in Alberta and British Columbia for 1939 we find: P.E.I.—\$445; B. C.—\$497. So the further west we go the better seem the conditions under which our teachers labor. We stated that the independent press of the Dominion realized what the situation was like and to illustrate our point we read from an article in the May 1940 issue of Liberty magazine written by Leslie Garden. He says: "We expect a big job from the teacher. But for that job we are not prepared to pay more than we pay a truck driver or a barber. Frequently less." The teacher is essentially the human foundation of the education structure. Inequality of treatment is likely to damage the foundation. The governments have taken care to protect the public by as far as possible ensuring a mini-

Overseas



Adding to the already lengthy number of Islanders enlisted with the armed forces are the two shown above. On the left is pictured John Beer of Clyde River serving with the R.C.N. On the right is Pte. John Gaudet of Summerside now a member of the P.E.I. Highlanders stationed at Halifax.

Island Men Serving



Brothers in Armed Forces Sons of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carr, New London, the two boys shown above are at present stationed on the mainland with a Highland unit. Left to right they are Pte. Stanford and Lance Cpl. Earl.

Britain Stoical

Doing his bit "Somewhere in England is O. S. Francis Currie of Charlottetown, son of Mrs. Fred Currie, Weymouth Street, Francis joined up with the local C.N.V.R. here at the outbreak of hostilities.

Prof. Reddin went over in detail the work that had been accomplished by the different committees. Several recommendations had been brought in connection with each committee with Teachers' salaries and tenure being especially treated. In regard to teachers' salaries and tenure the following recommendations were read by the speaker:

Recommendations of Sub-committee on Teacher's Salaries and Teacher Tenure 1. That the salaries of teachers in rural schools be paid entirely by the government. This would give the same advantages to children in the poorer districts as to those in the more prosperous. 2. That all teachers be paid the salary their license calls for irrespective of the number of pupils in the district. 3. That on the recommendation of the Inspector, there be an increase of salary for each year of service until a reasonable maximum is reached.

Teacher Tenure To give the teacher some security we recommended that a committee of which the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Inspector be members, shall be appointed in each district to have charge of the placing of all teachers. We further recommend that some plan be devised by which the people of rural districts be informed of what the Educational Committee in the Department of Education and the poorer provinces in particular. So it can easily be seen that the aims of the National Organization coincide closely with our own and that we can best achieve our ends by working in close co-operation with it.

Regarding war work the speaker stated that the Prince Edward Island Federation had raised \$600.00 toward the relief of war sufferers. Since then \$25.00 additional has been received and this will likely add to much more as the campaign is open until the end of June. Before concluding the president touched upon several other vital matters concluding by pointing out the grave injustice which the system is working upon the boys and girls of our province. How can any pupils expect to make satisfactory progress when they have three teachers in almost as many months? Anybody who has teaching experience knows that it takes from one to two months at least to find out what the child knows before you can add much to his store of knowledge.

If the government refuses to take any action they have only themselves to blame if they soon find themselves in the midst of an Education Week which the system is presenting a still greater exodus in the very near future if something is not done immediately to stay the tide. Final figures to show what the rest of Canada is doing about this matter, e. g. The salaries of rural teachers in Alberta have increased from an average salary of \$722.92 in 1934-35 to a minimum of \$840, today, and for all schools from an average of \$970.88 to \$1,034.92 in Manitoba the average salary of rural teachers has increased from an average of \$527, a few years ago to a minimum of \$700. In 1938 only 65 per cent of the rural teachers in Alberta and British Columbia received less than \$700, while 85 per cent of our teachers received less than \$700. In comparing the average pay of one rural teacher in Alberta and British Columbia for 1939 we find: P.E.I.—\$445; B. C.—\$497. So the further west we go the better seem the conditions under which our teachers labor. We stated that the independent press of the Dominion realized what the situation was like and to illustrate our point we read from an article in the May 1940 issue of Liberty magazine written by Leslie Garden. He says: "We expect a big job from the teacher. But for that job we are not prepared to pay more than we pay a truck driver or a barber. Frequently less." The teacher is essentially the human foundation of the education structure. Inequality of treatment is likely to damage the foundation. The governments have taken care to protect the public by as far as possible ensuring a mini-

General Secretary's Report Mr. Reginald Macdonald in giving his report stressed the fact that teachers should have more interest in the Education Horizon. It was very important that the teachers' education horizon be studied carefully and well. Teacher's salaries were also treated and the speaker congratulated the teachers who have bettered their position by going to Ottawa. Value of broadcasts and local radio was also stressed highly and he urged the teachers to make a thorough study of department reports. In regard to increased salaries the speaker said "if we are going to achieve anything in increased salaries we must stand united and fight."

Educational Committee In giving the report of the Educational Committee, Prof. Reddin stated that the committee was now composed of 28 members divided into six sub-committees. The sub-committees were listed under School Property and Equipment, Teachers' Salaries and Tenure, Larger Administrative Units, Course of Studies and Text-book Publicity, and Membership.

Former Ch'town man

Sends donation To war services

The Charlottetown Committee for the Canadian War Services Fund have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of \$11.00 from Mr. H. J. Brady, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Brady is a former Islander and will be well known to many. His brothers George R. Brady of the Telephone Company and James A. Brady reside in Charlottetown. He feels that many Islanders in the United States would be glad to contribute towards the fund if they only knew something about the campaign. Needless to say Capt. N. W. Lowmead, the Charlottetown Chairman would be very glad to hear from any former Islanders who may hear of the campaign for funds for the Canadian War Services Fund.

Canadian Army Casualty list

OTTAWA, April 8—(CP)—Death of four members of the Canadian Active Army overseas, together with a list of seven seriously or dangerously ill, was reported tonight by National reference headquarters in an official casualty list. Tonight's list brought the total number of dead and missing in the active army to 209 since war began. Following is the list of casualties, with regimental numbers and next-of-kin: Dead: Royal Canadian Engineers: Devenish, Robert Graham, Lieut. (father), Winnipeg. Royal Canadian Engineers: McKenzie, Richard Muir, Spr. H-3045, Mrs. Albertina Martha McKenzie (wife), Kline Heights, Armdale, Ont. British Columbia Regiment: Havemeyer, Theodore Augustus, Pte. Mrs. Alleen Jennette Havemeyer (mother), New London. Royal Canadian Army Service Corps: Spearman, Charles Wilson, Pte. C-1858, Mrs. Lillian Spearman (mother) Stittsville, Ont. Dangerously Ill: Royal Canadian Artillery: Scrambler, Alan James, Gnr. E-4377, Mrs. Jenney Scrambler (mother), High Barnet, England. Seriously Ill: Headquarters Units: Dawson, Harvey Alexander, Maj. Mrs. Edith Laura Dawson (wife), Belleville, Ont. Royal Canadian Artillery: Pearson, Rodney Arnold, Gnr. D-9138, Charles Wilfred Pearson (father), Verdun, Que. Canadian Engineers: Holden, Roy Patrick, Spr. K-9820, Bernard Holden (father), Vancouver. Resent de Quebec: Patey, Georges, Pte. D-61491, Robert Patey, (brother) Parent, Comte de Lavollette, Que. Manitoba Regiment Engineers: Forbes (father), H. E-10826, John Forbes (father), Kewatin, Ont. Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps: Stanford, Hiram Willard, Pte. L-17176, Mrs. Janet Stanhouse Hoisford (wife), Grenfell, Sask.

AUGUSTINE COVE

Augustine Cove School report for the months of February and March: Grade X—1 Francis Murphy, 2 Alice Sherron. Grade IX—1 Lorna MacPadyen, 2 Georgina Dawson, 3 Gerald MacPadyen. Grade VIII—1 Marion Cameron. Grade VII—1 Margaret Murphy, 2 Doris Newcome, 3 Mervin Murray. Grade VI—1 Errol Cartwright, 2 Aletha MacPadyen, 3 Eleanor Cameron. Junior Room: Grade IV—1 Margaret Cartwright, 2 Betsy Peters, 3 Terrance Peters. Grade III (a) 1 Charles Peters. Grade III (b) 1 Ruth Murray, 2 Clarence Peters, 3 Phyllis Murphy. Grade II—1 Lillian Murray, 2 Bessie Burke, 3 George Murphy. Grade I—1 Elaine Murray, 2 Gerald Murray, 3 Shirley Peters and Gladys Cartwright. Perfect attendance: Lorna MacPadyen, John Murray, Gerald MacPadyen, Aletha MacPadyen, Kathryn MacPadyen, Charles Peters, Gerald Murray, Elaine Murray. Principals, Georgina Burleigh, Assistant, Margaret Macfarlane.

Jack and flag pole, picture of the King and Queen, plasticene. And the following equipment for teaching Rural Science, bulletin board, posted flowers, window boxes, and table. Collections of types of leaves, of fruits, seeds and of woods. Collections of corn noxious weeds, of insects pests of plants, of birds, of mammals, of eggs of animals and birds of the farm. Geonitans, etc. for cuttings (propagation).

Larger administrative units were also dealt with and it was the consensus of opinion that small schools should continue on as at present but that they should become consolidated. Hiring of unsuitable teachers made for irregularities and if this were corrected there would be more permanency the speaker said. Inquiries had been made to regular the Rhodes Scholarship for the Province the speaker also told the meeting. In relation to the course of studies Prof. Reddin suggested that the Grade 7 course was at present overcrowded he thought it would be a good idea if Geography, History and Hygiene be written off at the end of Grade 6. Also that Physics and scientific facts of agriculture be introduced to Grade 8.

One of the highlights of the afternoon session was the demonstration given by Mrs. Harrington's Grade 7 pupils of the Model School. Grouping of grades suitable for one room school with the teaching of different types of subjects were demonstrated with the demonstration showing that one pupil could learn more work than practical one grade. The demonstration was recently followed by the large audience and was one of the big features of the opening day's sessions.

Outdoor Closets 6. Closets should be separate and at least 30 ft. apart and screened from observation. They should be well lighted and the seats and pit should be covered with mats and emptied frequently. The seats and floors should be scrubbed once or twice a month.

Additional Equipment 7. Regulation water container or covered cresser with faucet; individual drinking cups, towels, soap and wash basin; hand bell. Union