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## WESTERN LOCALS

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**VISITORS TO S'IDE**—Mr. Wardrope and his daughter, Mrs. Allan, accompanied by Mr. Roland Allan of Toronto were visitors to Summerside last week.—S.

**LEFT FOR SPOKANE, WASH.**—Mr. C. Earl Clark, who has been visiting his father, Harry Clark of Augustine Cove, who is seriously ill, left on Monday morning on return to his home in Spokane, Washington.—S.

**DIRECTORS MEETING**—An executive meeting of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders Association was held last week at their head office in Summerside. Directors attending were Dr. A. Lockhart, Summerside, president; W. H. Tidmarsh, Charlottetown; Mr. Charles Fremont, K.C., Quebec City, superintendent of fish and game for the Quebec Government; C. C. Baker, M.L.A.; Major A. S. Robertson, Merial, P.E.I.; F. H. Copp, Port Elgin, N. B.; F. G. Kennedy, Southport, P. E. I.; and Geo. A. Calbeck, Summerside.—S.

**FUNERAL OF MRS. PATRICK MULLIGAN**—The funeral services for Mrs. Patrick Mulligan were held on Monday morning in St. Paul's Church, Summerside, many old friends being present to pay their last respects to an old and dear friend. Rev. Father Murray celebrated the Requiem Mass, and Rt. Rev. Mgr. G. J. MacLellan, V.C., performed the last rites at the grave. The pallbearers were Messrs. W. B. MacNeill, D.F. MacNeill, Felix Gallant, Abel Arsenault, Henry Perry and Ernest Deighan.—S.

**RETURNED HOME**—Miss Ethel Strong is being welcomed back to Summerside from Montreal, where she underwent a serious operation. It is pleasing to report that Miss Strong is very much improved in health.—S.

**MOTORED FROM HALIFAX**—Messrs. Louis Murray of Vernon River, and Austin Jardine of Wilmet, students at Dalhousie University, Halifax, and Mr. Miller of Halifax motored to the Island for the weekend. Mr. Murray sang very acceptably in Trinity United Church, Summerside, on Sunday.—S.

**DEATH OF MRS. WILLIAM LEONARD**—Friends will regret to learn of the very sudden passing of Mrs. William Leonard, on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Compton, St. Eleanors. Mrs. Leonard had complained of a pain in her side during the morning but did not think seriously of it and about two o'clock in the afternoon she had gone upstairs to dress to go out. Shortly afterwards Mrs. Compton found her fully dressed crumpled up on the bed in her room. Dr. W. B. Howatt, coroner, Summerside, was called and pronounced death due to a sudden heart attack. Mrs. Leonard was 65 years of age and belonged to Alberton. She leaves her husband, one son, Claude of Tignish, and several daughters. The remains were shipped on the noon train yesterday to Alberton for burial.—S.

**DEATH OF MR. JOHN A. STEWART**—There passed away in the Prince County Hospital on Sunday Mr. John A. Stewart of Portage. Mr. Stewart had been in failing health for some time and was brought to the hospital about two weeks ago. The deceased was a native of Lot 48 and was in his 70th year. He had resided in West Point for over forty years, first at the Brae and afterwards at Portage. There are left to mourn, three daughters, Mrs. Stanley Carr of Tryon; Miss Estelle Stewart of Brighton, Mass.; and Miss Katie Stewart of Summerside; and one son, Sinclair, on the homestead. Also one brother, D. H. Stewart of Brighton, Mass., and one sister, Mrs. J. P. MacLeod of Dundas, P. E. I., to whom sympathy is extended. Mrs. Stewart predeceased her husband two years ago. The funeral is taking place this afternoon from the Brae United Church. Rev. Mr. Baker officiating.—S.

**PERSONALS**

—Mrs. Mussen of Summerside is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hegon of Charlottetown.—S.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holman and their little daughter Helen, were visitors to Summerside over the weekend.—S.

—Miss Mary Dawson, Albany, is visiting in Port Hill, the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. D. C. Ramsay, and aunt, Mrs. Jos. E. Vale.

—Mrs. Wilfred Connolly, Bedouque, has returned to her home after spending the past week in Boston, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leonard Wilcox.

—Mrs. Robert Gordon of Summerside spent the weekend in St. John, N. B., with Mr. Gordon, who was recently transferred to that city. Mrs. Gordon will not be leaving Summerside permanently until some time in July.—S.

—Miss Blanche A. Noonon, the efficient night operator of the Bedouque Telephone Exchange, has returned home from a most enjoyable visit to Boston where she was the guest of her uncle, Dr. Henry E. Smith.

**THIEF BLAMES MOTHS**

Because his excuse was not quite convincing Dorozya Makimovitch, a Serbian peasant, must spend another period in prison. When he was released it was found that his civilian clothes had been destroyed by moths, and he was allowed to keep his prison suit. Arrested for robbing a clothing store, he was taken before a judge in Belgrade. "What was I to do?" he asked. "No one would give me a job while I was wearing prison clothes. I was forced to steal. You should blame the moths."

**MINISTER FINED FOR THROWING BRICKS**

FORT SMITH, Ark., April 19—Accused of smashing two liquor store windows, Rev. William D. Gray, 59-year-old Methodist Minister of nearby Vesta, Ark., told Municipal Judge J. Gallagher today that "a brick was there and I felt the Lord wanted me to throw it."

The Minister testified he was "seized with a desire to destroy a liquor store every time I see one."

Gallagher fined the Minister \$100 for malicious mischief.

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**New Sanitary By-law Passed By Council**

Sanitary conditions came up for discussion last night at an adjourned meeting of the Summerside Town Council, which was presided over by Mayor Robinson with all the Council present.

Dr. Farrell, provincial health officer was present and discussed with the Council Board a new by-law, which would require citizens adjacent to water and sewerage to have the conveniences in their own houses. Mayor Robinson thanked Dr. Farrell for his advice on this important matter and said that with the Home Improvement Plan now available for Summerside, it should not be a hardship for anyone to install sanitation in their homes. He asked the councillors to express their opinion on the matter and whether they wanted to pass a motion to put the by-law into effect.

Councillor Grady said that it was very necessary that the sewerage at the west end be extended out another 100 yards as at low tide the condition around the sewer was most unhealthy. He thought that the town should see to this at once. Mayor Robinson said the suggestion was very timely in view of the fact that the oyster areas in the vicinity of Summerside have just been closed on account of the sewers, depriving fishermen of their means of a living. He asked that the matter receive immediate attention.

Councillors McKay, MacNeill, Carruthers and Schurman all spoke to the motion and it was moved and seconded that the new by-law be put into effect and that the matter of the west end sewerage be taken up at once with the water and sewerage commission.

Two bills were passed as follows: paid bills \$1234.00; unpaid bills \$779.48. Electric light paid bills \$833.94. Unpaid bills \$3375.27.

The police report showed 2 arrests for drunkenness. One vagrant given one month in jail. One assault case dismissed. Six juveniles were up before the court on charges of theft. Five were on probation and one sent to St. Patrick's Home in Halifax. Meeting adjourned.—S.

**FEAR BLOCKADE**

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opposition, said he would raise the question formally again tomorrow night.

The position of both the British Admiralty and Foreign Office to remain just as hazy on some points as how the neutrality patrol would carry out its duty.

Ships flying the flag of any of the 27 non-intervention nations will be required to convince the patrol they are carrying no contraband before they are allowed to enter any Spanish port.

But the patrol authorities are not sure what to do about ships of other nations. Officials explain the patrol can "hall" those merchantmen but cannot force them to halt or submit to inspection of their papers without permission of their masters.

Shipping of the United States and other non-member nations, it was said, would be entitled to complain to their governments if they were halted or searched by the patrol.

One spokesman said the plan still is "fuzzy around the edges," but expressed belief its stipulations would be clarified by precedents established under actual operation—which is the basis of international law.

**President Of Gyro Club**

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year was announced.

The report of the treasurer, Mr. Carl R. Tibert, showed that the Club was in good financial standing.

The following committee chairman submitted their annual reports: Messrs. F.A.S. Jones (membership and attendance); J. Gordon MacDonal (entertainment); P. A. Creelman (speakers and public affairs); W. Earle Reardon (fines); D.T. Waye (club welfare); R. Earl Taylor (audit); H. W. Pletch (club entertainment); S. P. Paull, Jr. (juvenile work); Alex. J. Murchison (sports and recreation); W. J. Monaghan (publicity and advertising); D. T. Waye (dental clinic); F. A. Creelman (P. E. I. Tuberculosis League).

Pleasing features of these reports were the amount of charitable work accomplished, the success of the Christmas Seal sale campaign, the giving of Christmas presents to the children of both Orphanages and the splendid financial returns from the various dances; together with the increased interest manifested in Club affairs, both locally and in the district.

Words of thanks were passed and will be sent to the Canadian National Hotel, Beach Grove Inn, The Patriot and The Guardian, The Pioneer and The Journal, C.P.C.Y., C.H.G.S., the Prince Edward Theatre, and the Island Motor Transport Co. Ltd.

**Arrest Made In Hammer-slaying**

NEW YORK, April 19—After reporting a "vague confession" from Mischa Ross, 30, Inspector Michael McDermott charged the Broadway booking agent today with homicide in the hammer slaying of Julia Nussenbaum, pretty night club musician.

Less than 24 hours after another entertainer stumbled over Miss Nussenbaum's battered form in a sound-proof rehearsal studio in New York's theatrical district, the Inspector announced his prisoner had admitted an altercation with the talented violinist but declared he "didn't remember hitting her—I was drunk."

Ross, estranged from his wife, was found at the Mountandale, N. Y., home of his father-in-law, early today. Still in a drunken stupor, he was hurried back to New York for questioning.

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**WAR SCARE**

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fall sent warships to look for possible bases for air and naval operations in the Arctic.

So grave was the situation considered that parliament's foreign relations committee doubted the advisability of a cabinet proposal to send a warship to protect Norwegian shipping in Spanish waters. The committee hesitated to weaken home defence by absence of a single vessel.

**Sunglo Fox Breeders Meetings**

The annual list of Meetings sponsored by International Fox & Animal Foods, Ltd, appear below.

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April 20th Cape Traverse	April 30th Montague
April 21st Central Bedouque	May 1st Murray River
April 22nd Kensington	May 3rd Crapaud
April 23rd Lot 16	May 4th Tyne Valley
April 24th Freetown	
April 26th Charlottetown	May 5th O'Leary
April 27th Morell	May 6th Alberton
April 28th Vernon River	May 7th Ellerslie
	May 10th Summerside

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## More Illegal Fishing In '36 Witnesses Claim

"I packed in the vicinity of 300 full cases of illegally caught lobsters between August 25 and Dec. 1 in 1936," declared John McInnis, Tignish fisherman, testifying before a Royal Commission probing illegal lobster and smelt fishing in districts 7 and 8 during 1936 at Alberton yesterday afternoon.

McInnis frankly admitted he had bought approximately 65,000 pounds of live lobsters last fall and had used several different places within a radius of one mile of his home for the illegal canning operations, but stated he had made no amount of money other than actual living expenses for himself and family on the transaction.

A total of eleven witnesses gave evidence yesterday before Mr. Justice A. T. LeBlanc, the Commissioner, five being called prior to the luncheon adjournment, and half a dozen testifying during the lengthier afternoon session.

Merle Mackie, Tignish fisherman brought about a diversion in the general evidence submitted since the Commission commenced sitting here on Tuesday last when he told counsel Ron. H. F. T. Bridges he had never poached lobsters in his life.

The first witness called was Percy MacKay, Alberton South fisherman, who stated he had poached lobsters for about seven years. In 1936 he and Ralph Skerry had fished together, and Captain John Skerry, Sr. had canned the fish, the catch being pooled in equal portions. His share was around 17 boxes. He was the biggest for illegal fishing.

Mr. MacKay told of being asked on the water by Patrol Boat Captain Howard Arsenault once last year when he had a number of traps on his boat. This was in the fall season and he had been asked where he was fishing the traps, and he informed the officer he was taking them ashore. He had illegally caught lobsters in the boat at the time but the patrol boat captain had not boarded his boat because it was a rough day on the water, and although Arsenault followed him for a distance he was not chased to shore. Captain Arsenault had quit following him to go to a boat which had a distress signal up.

"That was not just a gag, was it?" asked the Commissioner.

"No, it was not. The boat was owned by Dennis Smith and the engine had stalled."

"After you landed those traps did you put them out again?"

"No sir."

"Were you really bringing those traps to shore?"

"No, I was changing them from one place to another, but took them to land after that."

The witness told counsel he knew Emerson Matthews, a witness on Saturday, and said he was Mayor of the Town of Alberton and had last year, before he assumed office, picked up illegally packed lobsters at his place.

The second witness yesterday was Daniel Gavin, also of Alberton South. He told counsel he had poached lobsters last fall and also assisted Adams in his canning activities.

George Bennett, Alberton, told the Commissioner he had been fishing lobsters for the past twenty-five years and had poached for about six years during that time. He had fished with Walter Millman last fall off Tignish and had sold his catch at Tignish Run or Breakwater.

"Did you ever see lobsters landed at Tignish Breakwater when the boat was tied up there?"

"Yes, but I did not see any officers around."

He said the fishermen cooperated with each other when the fishery officers were around, and one boat would go out from land and warn those out fishing not to bring their catch ashore when the officers were at Tignish.

The witness morning witness was Joseph Perry, Alberton South fisherman and light-house keeper. He admitted being engaged in illegal fishing of lobsters for the past thirty years, and said that though he did not fish himself last year his son, Benjamin Perry, had. The witness said he had assisted in the canning of the catch. Mr. Perry said he had secured a loan from the Fisherman's Loan Board last year, but it had not been used to secure supplies to fish illegally. He admitted he should not have poached lobsters while holding a job as light keeper.

Arthur Wilkie, Alberton, was the final witness at the morning sitting. He had fished off Kildare last fall with John C. Matthews and they had caught around 5,000 pounds of lobsters.

"Did you have any gear destroyed last year?"

"No."

"Did you ever try to fish cod-fish?"

"Yes, but I did not make enough to pay for the salt for my porridge."

"Would you say if poaching was stopped, Alberton South fishermen would starve?"

"Well, they might not starve, but they would see plenty of meal times come around with no meals."

Yesterday afternoon John McIn-

nis was the first witness. He said around 200 cases of his illegal pack had been sold to C. F. Morrissey, Tignish, and the remainder to Chester McCarthy and Frank and Angus Shay. He estimated he had received about \$6,000 gross for his pack.

The witness said he had packed in ten or twelve different places but always moved on Monday, and sometimes went back to places he had previously used. Lobsters were bought at Tignish Breakwater by himself and conveyed to where he was canning by truck, mostly in the day time, although he had made trips at night.

Mr. McInnis said he never kept any great amount of canned lobsters on hand, but would usually dispose of them the day after they were packed.

"You were never molested by the officers?"

"No, not while canning, but they would stop me on the road. However, I never had lobsters in my truck when they did."

He said he bought the cans from those he had sold the lobsters to, and although they made no arrangements with him, he felt they knew they would receive canned lobsters in return.

"Did you ever hear of Edmund Melanson?"

"Who is that? Loggie's man?"

"I guess that was him," answered the Commissioner.

"Yes, I heard of him being around last year."

"What did you do with the shells?" asked Mr. Justice LeBlanc.

"I buried them."

"You did not put them on the land?"

"No."

"Yet you went to an awful lot of trouble."

"It was not safe to put them on the land," remarked the witness.

"Well, I think you would have been perfectly safe. That seemed to be the only mistake you made," said the Commissioner.

The witness was of the opinion his illegal pack was as good as the pack of a registered cannery.

Merle Mackie, Tignish, the next witness, said he had been a fisherman for twenty years, but had never poached lobsters. He worked on a farm with his father after the spring season closed. In 1933 he had been a guardian and in 1935 the job was a difficult one. Asked if he thought there was more poaching now than in previous years, the witness said he believed that there was.

The next witness to give evidence was John Handerman, Settlement Board man, who said he had fished three days after the close of the spring season last year and had then gone to work on his farm. He admitted having taken over the duty of Patrol Boat Captain in 1934 with the intention of cleaning up considerable illegal fishing, but said after he got the job he found it could not be done so easily.

"The life of a fishery officer is no easy job. It is an almost hopeless task and I wouldn't want it again," said the witness.

Alfred Pinet, Alberton South fisherman, was the ninth witness of the day. He admitted poaching for about fifteen years and said in 1935 he had canned around 50 boxes of lobsters during the illegal season. He too was of the opinion it was a hard proposition to stop illegal fishing.

James H. Myrick, of Myrick Alberton Limited, was then called. He had operated the business at Alberton only since the fall of 1934, and in 1936 handled but two boxes of illegally canned lobsters and had not handled any in 1935. Prior to coming to Alberton he had been associated with J. H. Myrick Company at Tignish. He expressed the opinion that poaching was worse during the last two years, and said this was partly brought about because of economic conditions. He explained that Alberton South fishermen could make but little money cod-fishing and the lobster fishing seemed to be their only source of income.

The last witness, H. B. Corbett, another local merchant, stated that in 1936 he handled but one case of illegally packed lobsters and only two in 1935.


**Tentative Agreement In Montreal Strike**

MONTREAL, April 19—(CP)—Leaders in a strike of 5,000 dress-makers here said tonight they had reached, in parleys with employers of half the strikers, tentative agreement on all but two of their 20 demands.

Agreement was reached on the vital question of recognizing the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, though the "Insurgent" manufacturers fell short of meeting the strikers' demand for general 20 per cent increases. The two points were the main factors in preponderantly feminine walkout that opened last Thursday.

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seat, succeeding Stanley Baldwin, who has predicted his own resignation soon after the Coronation.

Chamberlain was expected to advise the House of Commons of the need for \$150,000,000 in new revenue, necessary for rearmament.

Britain's new 1937-1938 budget has been built against the background of her \$2,000,000,000 a year rearmament program. Closely guarded as are budget plans, common sense tells the Briton he is going to pay higher income tax and will have to dig deeper for other direct and indirect taxes.

The gasoline tax may be increased. It is now 16 cents a gallon, making the cost 34 cents a gallon. The horsepower tax on automobiles, reduced now to \$3.75 a year per horsepower, would be returned to the old figure of \$4.75 or \$4.85 which ruled for many years.

The general expectation is that the tax rate on incomes, now 22.50 per cent, will be increased by 1.25 per cent. A boost of 2.5 per cent is discussed by some observers.

Were it levied taxpayers would pay automatically for the Government one dollar of every four they earned—five shillings per pound. Exemptions, such as for married men, families and dependents are subject to minor changes when budget figures are altered.

**Reject Proposals**

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In separate statements, John P. Bickell, president of Hollinger Consolidated, declared their opposition to the John L. Lewis Committee for Industrial Organization which has started organizing mine workers in northern Ontario.

**Would License Unions**

TORONTO, April 19—Licensing of all international trade unions as a means of controlling the activities of unions affiliated with the C. I. O. is under consideration by the Government, Premier Mitchell Hepburn announced today.

Convinced that John L. Lewis C. I. O. head, "is only interested in the fees he can collect from Canadian pay envelopes," the Premier declared that if the sending of dues "across the line" could be stopped, present industrial troubles in Ontario would end. Every possible means of preventing the spread of the C. I. O. organization campaign in Ontario is being studied, he said.

While Mr. Hepburn professed no antipathy toward American Federation of Labor Unions, local International Trade Unionists were solidly opposed to the licensing proposal.

**Doukhobor Probe Is Considered**

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

VICTORIA, April 19—Premier T. D. Pattullo announced today Prime Minister Mackenzie King had informed him he was considering appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the Doukhobor situation in Canada and recommend a permanent solution.

Mr. Pattullo wired the Prime Minister last week after he had interviewed Peter Verigin the younger, spiritual leader of the Doukhobors in Canada. Verigin told the Premier he would welcome appointment of a commission to study problems caused by residence of the Russian religious sect in the Dominion.

The problem was aggravated by a wave of incendiarism which blazed through the Doukhobor-populated settlements around Nelson leaving a trail of 11 burned buildings.

NEW YORK, April 19—Amy Johnson Mollison, renowned British aviator, said tonight that any flight by her from the United Kingdom to Canada was, so far as any rate, purely in the idea stage.

She said she was asked in Montreal last week what she would do with her new plane should the Lindbergh commemorative flight from New York to Paris not materialize.

"The idea flashed across my mind," she said, that a Canadian flight might replace it as a goodwill gesture in line with the projected opening up of an airline across Canada and the stimulated interest that has developed in its activities in the Dominion.

However if the French-sponsored Lindbergh race is not cancelled or postponed indefinitely, Mrs. Mollison said, she would certainly take part in it. Her commercial plan being fitted with large tanks, already is entered in the race.

**C. I. O. Organizes Metal Trade Workers**

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

TORONTO, April 19—More than 7,000 metal trades workers here are expected to be organized by the middle of the summer and will be affiliated with the Committee for Industrial Organization, Dick Steele, voluntary C. I. O. organizer, claimed here today.

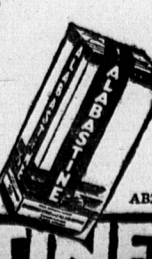
He said six metal plants here already had been organized and said the C. I. O. would likely appoint a Toronto man as official organizer. He said the steel workers' organizing committee in Hamilton had instigated organization work in Toronto.

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