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## Prime Minister Addresses Can. Authors Ass'n.

OTTAWA, June 24.—(By The Canadian Press)—The sober-minded people of this country have a true appreciation of what Canadian writers have done, the Prime Minister told the members of the Canadian Authors Association today. The literature of a people plays a large part in forming a nation's mind, and he himself was proud of all that Canadians had achieved. He hoped that opportunities would increase for widening the proper appreciation earned by the literary men and women of Canada.

It augured well for the country, Mr. Bennett said, that writers should come to the Capital in order to exchange ideas. While those who were actively engaged in the political life of Canada might be more vociferous than the authors and might be more in the public eye, nevertheless many of the works of the writers would survive when the politicians had been forgotten.

The Association today was the guest of the Prime Minister, those present including also members of the government, the British High Commissioner, Sir William Clark, and other notables. Early sessions today were taken up with discussing the "mechanics" of authorship. Papers were read by W. A. Deacon, Toronto; Hugh B. Eayrs, President of the Macmillan Publishing Co. of Canada, by Leslie Gordon Barnard and Leslie Roberts.

To expect Canadians to purchase books just because the writers thereof were natives of this country was to invite disaster, several speakers asserted. Canadians were no more disposed to buy bad books because they were Canadian than they were disposed to ignore good Canadian books. The quality of the product was the essential factor in the appeal of a book.

"If the Canadian writer can not stand upon his own merits, he should get out of the business," was the dictum of Mr. Roberts. Present day tendencies were towards cheap editions, Mr. Eayrs said.

"I must confess that the publishing business has shown less aggressiveness and worse organization than any other business in existence," he said, answering a question with regard to advertising. One of the drawbacks in creating public demand was that the publishing house was always dealing with a new product with each new book.

A number of speakers deplored the lack of competent Canadian writers. The tariff on magazines was criticized. The Canadian writer was necessarily an exporter, Mr. Roberts told the members, and he could see no reason why foreign magazines should not enter this country free of duty.

The Association today extended welcome to James Hopper, President of the Authors Guild of the United States. The afternoon was spent in sight seeing, while tonight the Association repaired to the Archives Building where they were shown the literary treasures of the Dominion by Dr. A. G. Doughty and Gustav Lanctot.

## SCORES FRAUDULENT CRITICS

OTTAWA, June 24.—Declarations that "critics who do not read the books they review are frauds," and that the tardy progress of Canadian literature is partly due to "the deplorable state of editing and publishing" were made today by William Deacon, of Toronto.

Mr. Deacon, addressing the 11th annual convention of the Canadian Authors Association, warned the authors to "pay no attention to critics, whose business is with the public."

"I wish to say that I know that the tardy progress of Canadian literature is partly due to the deplorable state of editing and publishing in this country," he said. "But I also must tell you that if any of you had anything vital to say, and the courage to say it, you could revolutionize editing and publishing in Canada in 10 years." Mr. Deacon concluded.

Dr. Pelham Edgar, of Toronto, objected that Mr. Deacon did not lay sufficient emphasis upon the opportunity of creative work by the critic nor of the value of the critic in showing the author whether he had succeeded or failed.

Warning against "self-conscious Canadianism" was given by Leslie Gordon Barnard, of Montreal. He declared the author should not be tied down by restriction of locale. The Association decided today, in view of the present economic conditions, to make no appeal to the Federal Government for assistance for the Authors' Foundation Fund.

## Scopie Trial At Amherst

(Canadian Press)  
AMHERST, N. S., June 24.—A statement of Mrs. Francis Scopie that she struck Philip Landry on the head with a rolling-pin to repulse him when he made unseemly advances was admitted as evidence today when Mrs. Scopie faced a charge of manslaughter before Mr. Justice W. L. Hall in Supreme Court.

The statement was presented by Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who said Mrs. Scopie had signed it after Landry's death, on New Year's Day.

Previous to his death, Landry was found in a dazed, condition wandering about the streets of River Hebert, where the tragedy occurred. His skull was fractured and he died shortly after he was carried to his home.

The schoolmaster, having completed his lesson on America, asked one of the pupils, "What is a bison?"

The youthful scholar was astonished for a moment. The question was too simple. Then he replied: "A bison. Why a bison is what mudder mikes the puddin' in."

A musical comedy actress has to fight to get to the top, says a critic. And when she does get to the top she continues to show her teeth.

## EASTERN GUARDIAN

...SOURIS — CHARLOTTETOWN Daily Bus Service, commences Monday, June 27th. For schedule see hand bills. 3941-6-25-31

## WESTERN GUARDIAN

—HELPING THE SCOUTS—Mrs. (Capt.) Basil Kelly was hostess at her lovely home, "The Priory," on Monday evening for a "Bridge" given to assist the 2nd Summerside Troop of Boy Scouts, which is under the capable direction of Rev. Bennett McDonald, Curate of St. Paul's Church. Mrs. Kelly is a charming hostess and her guests thoroughly enjoyed her hospitality. Mrs. Kelly is keenly interested in the Scouts and no doubt will give another little party for them in the near future.—S

—BRILLIANT STUDENT—Her many friends in Summerside and other parts of the Province are congratulating Miss Elaine Evangelina Enck on the high honors she attained at her graduation on June 14th from Notre Dame Academy, Roxbury, Mass. Miss Enck was among the graduates to receive diplomas, conferred by Rev. Charles J. Ring, I. P. P., at the closing exercises of the Academy this year. Miss Enck had the distinction of winning the gold medal for General Proficiency and also the gold medal for foreign languages. This talented young lady is a graduate of Notre Dame Academy, Misconche, P. E. Island, where she received her early training. She is a niece of Mrs. Henry Gaudet of Summerside. Miss Enck plans to enter the Boston University in the fall.—S

—DEATH OF MISS CHARLOTTE SCHURMAN—Many old friends in Summerside and Sherbrooke will regret to learn of the death after a few days illness of the flu, of Miss Charlotte Schurman on Wednesday at the home of her brother Mr. William Schurman of Linkletter Road. The deceased lady was 67 years of age and was born in Sherbrooke. She was the daughter of the late Elijah Schurman and resided in Sherbrooke for many years. The family moved to Summerside where they lived until about 21 years ago, when on the death of a sister, Barbara, Miss Charlotte and her mother, came to live with her brother, William, on Linkletter Road. Miss Schurman although an invalid was a lady with a charming personality, which won for her many warm friends, and her presence will be missed not only in the family circle but by a large number of friends. There are left to cherish her memory, one sister, Mrs. Jiles Crabee in Western Canada, and two brothers, John H. in North Dakota and William with whom she lived, to whom sympathy is extended.—S

—TEACHERS APPOINTED FOR SUMMERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL—At a special meeting of the Summerside High School, extra teachers were appointed for taking care of Grade 11. Miss Georgie McLean, B. A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McLean of Lot 16 was appointed to have charge of Grade 11 with Miss Constance McFarlane, B. A., M. A., of Charlottetown, as assistant. Both these ladies are well recommended and have distinguished records. Miss McLean graduated from Prince of Wales and was a first class teacher for some years. She afterwards went to Dalhousie and took her B. A. degree in 1923. She was leader of the graduating class and received the Avery prize, also a Great Distinction Diploma. She taught for four years at Branksome Hall, Toronto, as head teacher and specialized in History and Algebra. She went from there to Alberta College, Edmonton, where she was Dean of Women and taught Latin, Composition and English. Miss McFarlane, B. A., is highly recommended by Professor Hugh P. Bell, teacher of Botany and Biology. She graduated from Dalhousie in 1928 and was a very brilliant student receiving the Gold Medal and Governor General's Medal. She took her M. A. degree later. Miss McFarlane also took a summer course in the United States and completed very successfully against much older students. She taught for two years at Dalhousie in the Laboratories. She studied and taught at Toronto University and was considered of exceptional ability. The High School is very fortunate in having secured these

young ladies and no doubt many pupils will take advantage of the tuition afforded. Miss Mary McCordie of Kinkora was appointed as an extra teacher for one of the primary grades. S.

—VISITING ISLAND—Mr. J. M. Murchison of Saint John, N. B., secretary of the Bible Society for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island district, was in Summerside yesterday. He is holding meetings on the Island and visited Glenwood on Thursday and Cape Wolfe on Friday. S.

—MADE LIFE MEMBER—At the semi annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary held at Fort Hill on Thursday, Mrs. Holden C. Mills of Summerside was made a life member in recognition of her long and faithful service. Mrs. Raymond, the president, conferred the gold cross upon Mrs. Mills and presented her with the scroll which accompanies this honour. Mrs. White, past president of the Summerside branch, spoke very highly of Mrs. Mills valuable services. She was supported by Mrs. L. A. Moore, president of the Summerside Branch. Mrs. Mills was deeply touched by the honour conferred upon her and made a pleasing reply to Mrs. Raymond's and Mrs. White's addresses. S.

—DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM A. CHING—There passed away at Summerside Thursday night at 10 o'clock Mr. William A. Ching, a prominent merchant, having carried on a confectioners and fruit store there for the past forty years. Mr. Ching's death although not unexpected, came as a shock to most of his friends as he was only ill five days. He was doing business at the store last Saturday evening when he was taken suddenly ill. Mr. Ching was 69 years of age and was born in Malpeque of English parents and was educated at the country school there and later took a course at the Charlottetown Business College. His business career started in the store of the late Reuben Tuplin of Kensington, where he was head buyer. He opened a store there of his own, but after a few years removed to Summerside. His first stand was in the old James McNeill building, but after the fire of 1916 he moved lower down Water Street in a block owned by Mr. Percy L. Bowness, where he has carried on business ever since. Mr. Ching was a quiet, unassuming gentleman and well liked by his business associates. He was a member of the Masonic Order and the Canadian Order of Foresters, but of late years owing to ill health he had not taken an active part in these orders. He married Miss Jennima McNeill, a daughter of the late H. Stephen McNeill of Summerside; they had four daughters and three sons. There are left to mourn besides his widow, his four daughters, Mrs. Daniel Steele, and Mrs. W. E. Daley of Alliston, Mass.; Mrs. J. M. Murley of Charlottetown, and Mrs. Norman McLeod of Summerside, and one son, Erskine at home, to all of whom much sympathy is extended in their sad bereavement. The funeral takes place this afternoon at 2.30 from the home to the People's Cemetery. S.

—FIRE PREVENTION—We appreciate the splendid work that is being done by the Boy Scouts Association in furthering the cause of Fire Prevention and Fire Protection. We recognize that their activities and their interest in this work do much to lessen the hazard of fire in the homes, particularly to the lives of children. May we express our appreciation of the co-operation we have received in the past and at the same time solicit the continued interest of the various units throughout your organization.

Yours very truly,  
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2nd. A Scout sometimes does his "Good Turn" by warning someone



1st Bedoune and Freetown Troop

The regular weekly meeting of this troop was held in Birch Grove Hall Friday, June 17, with 12 Scouts present.

The meeting opened with a game of soft ball followed by the usual exercises.

The instruction period was taken up in test work especially signaling and first aid. During council fire the S. M. read comments on Scout Laws by Baden Powell.

## Holy Redeemer Troop

The Asst. Prov. Commissioner visited this troop Monday and invited Mr. F. A. Driscoll as Scoutmaster and who later invited Leo Connors, James MacDonald, Jack Coyle, Jack Strain as Scouts.

## Camp—Camp

Mr. Eddie Burns has again been secured to do the cooking for the camp and all those who have attended camp before, know of the good things that come from the cook tent when Eddie Burns is in charge.

As in former years the Patrol system of company will be followed and Scouts will be required to do a small amount of simple cooking. There will also be ample opportunity to pass 2nd and 1st class cooking tests.

The Camp Chief, Mr. Wm. Warren, is planning many new features including plenty of hikes, treasure hunts, stalking games, and competitions.

## A Guessing Competition for Scouts

How far is it from the bathing houses in the Park to the black buoy in the harbour?

On Monday night four Scouts from the 4th Charlottetown Troop (Baptist) measured this distance by the triangular method as given in the First Class Scout Book. Three Scouts from St. Pauls will check the distance.

Scouts are asked to send their answer to the Prov. Secretary before next Saturday, July 2nd. The correct distance and winner of the competition will be announced in this column in the next week's news.

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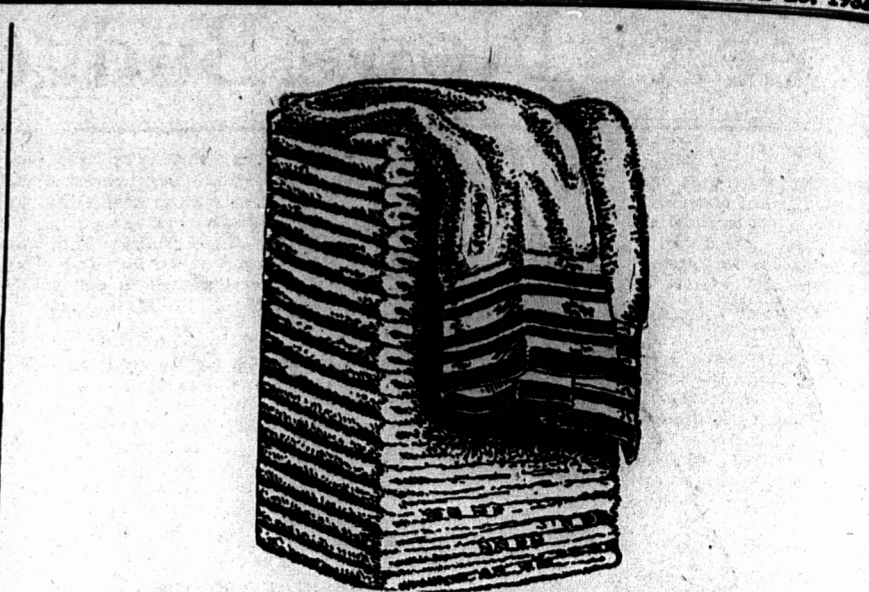
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people who may be unable to escape from the building. This accomplished try to put the fire out, or prevent its spreading. Get ladders, blankets, etc., from the neighbors. Further instructions are given in this book on how to place a ladder use of a net, how to jump from a building into a net, entering a burning house, to rescue an unconscious person, to lower a person from a window, fireman's lift clothing is on fire, treating burns how to rescue animals. This book should not only be in the hands of every Scout, but in every home.

7th. See that fire-escapes and halls are kept clear of obstructions.  
8th. Experimenting or playing with electric wiring of a house is dangerous, and may result in fire from broken insulation and wires.  
"Fire." The following instructions are given. First warn the occupants of the building. Send in a fire alarm, by telephone, or from the nearest alarm box. If the latter have someone remain at the fire box until the arrival of the fire apparatus, to direct the firemen.  
In places where there are no fire brigades, or where it takes the firemen some time to reach the fire, much can be done by Scouts, especially by a properly organized patrol.  
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