

# INCREASE IN CITY BUILDING DURING 1936

Building permits involving the expenditure of \$163,875 for the construction, remodeling and repair of buildings in Charlottetown were issued this year by Mr. W. P. Doull, building and electrical inspector. Similar work involved an expenditure of \$126,260 in 1935 and \$86,500 in 1934.

The above figures do not include extensive repairs to the Provincial Building which were spread over both years.

Construction of new dwellings, remodeling and repairing of old houses accounted for at least \$125,000 of the total amount expended for building during the past year. Of the amount expended on business establishments all except about \$15,000 was spent in reconstruction work of old buildings.

Twenty seven dwellings costing in excess of \$1900 were built during the year as well as a number of smaller houses. Nine houses cost in excess of \$5,000 each. A number of houses were built under the Dominion Housing Scheme.

During the year Charlottetown has ranked about 25th in a list of 60 Canadian cities in the value of building permits issued according to statements prepared at Ottawa, Mr. Doull said.

## Gov. DeBlois

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of this Province, this is particularly cheering news for all of us.

Early in the year the hearts of the people of the Empire were sorrowfully stirred in the passing of our dear late sovereign, King George the Fifth. Much has been written and a great deal has been said regarding his late Majesty. I can only add that during his rule of twenty-five years he served his people wisely and well, and although he has passed from our sight "He lives on in the hearts of the people he loved."

This Province and Dominion suffered another severe loss in the passing of the Honourable Walter M. Lea, late Premier of this Province, who, through his sterling qualities and devotion to the call of duty, won for himself the confidence and admiration of all our people.

Within the past few weeks our hearts have been saddened by the regrettable happenings that have taken place in the Mother Country, but, true to the great traditions of the British people when any great crisis arises, they never fail to rise to the occasion with the result that the Empire triumphantly conquered the difficulties facing her and she stands before the world stronger than ever.

To our new King His Majesty George the Sixth and our gracious Queen Elizabeth we pledge our affection and unwavering loyalty and faith, and in union with his millions of subjects throughout the world we join in a prayer to Almighty God that He will abundantly bless the reign of King George the Sixth and that under his rule the Empire, with its stabilizing influence, may be united solidly in the preservation of the high ideals and great principles that have made the Empire what it is today—the bulwark of our Christian civilization.

My sincere wish is that the year 1937 will bring to you all an abundant measure of good Health, Happiness, Peace and Prosperity.

GEORGE D. DEBLOIS,  
Lieutenant Governor

## BIRTHS

**TRAINOR**—At Albany on December 23, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. William Trainor, a son.

**HENDERSON**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 25, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henderson, Union Road, a son.

**ALLAN**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 26, 1936, to Dr. and Mrs. Wylie Allan, Charlottetown, a son.

**COLES**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 29, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coles, North Milton, a daughter.

**SELLER**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 29, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sellar, Charlottetown, a son.

**WHITLOCK**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 30, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. George Whitlock, Charlottetown, a daughter.

## MARRIAGES

**PROUDE**—At the Parsonage, Winsloe, December 24, 1936, Rev. Thos. Paethorpe, officiating, Stanley George Proudé to Olga Matheson, both residing at Milton, P. E. I.

**MARTIN-BRYNTEON**—At the Parsonage, Winsloe, December 25, 1936, Rev. Thos. Paethorpe, officiating, Eugene Russell Martin, of Cardigan, P. E. I. to Amy Jane Brynorton of Brackley, P. E. I.

## DEATHS

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## DANCE

There will be a big dance in the Laborer's Protective Union Hall New Year's night. Chipman's Orchestra. Come and enjoy yourself.

## Opening Session Of Leadership Training School

On Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock in Heartz Memorial Hall was held the opening session of the Leadership Training School of the Eastern Young Peoples Union, of the United Church of Canada.

This school is a regular feature of Young People's work in the Eastern Union and this year two courses are being conducted, for which certificates will be awarded completing the course.

The first on "Group Discussion and the Project Method" is being given by Rev. H. E. Campbell, B. A., of Stewiacke, N. S., formerly of Pownal, while the second on "Worship" is under the leadership of Rev. W. A. Paterson, M. A., B. D., Cavendish.

The school is under the general direction of Rev. Edwin Aitken, St. Peter's, who is Dean and is conducting the devotional exercises as well as supervising the recreation. Delegates are meeting for the sessions in Heartz Hall and Social Hall on the invitation of Trinity Y. P. U. and are being entertained in various homes in the city.

Three sessions were held yesterday, two on Tuesday—while the concluding meeting is this morning beginning at 9.30. Following the Tuesday evening meeting a de-jointed by all with Miss Hester Wood presiding at the piano.

Last evening refreshments were served the delegates by Trinity Y. P. U.

Following is a list of the delegates with the name of the Union they represent:—

Cowhead, Miss Gertrude Boyer, Miss Violet Brown, Greenview, Miss Marjorie McEwen, Miss Catherine MacPherson, Miss Leith Sanderson, Marie, Mr. Walter Dingwell, Mr. John Ellis, Dundas, Miss Elizabeth Webster, Lot 40, Miss Beth McEwen, Belle River, Miss Vergene Stewenson, Miss Ruby MacDonald, Mr. Stewart, Hampshire, Miss Frances Larter, Mr. Elmer Matheson, Montague, Miss Edna Coffin, Miss Edna Fraser, Whealy, Miss Edna Coffin, Miss Edna Fraser, Smith, Miss Mabel Linn, North Wiltshire, Miss Lillian Leason, Mr. Arnold Godfrey, Hunter River, Miss Hazel Sellar, Mrs. Edith Bagwell, York, Miss Isabel Brown, Millville, Miss Lila Jenkins, Cherry Valley, Miss Vera Irving, Trinity, Miss Marion Hume, Miss Edith Hume, Mr. Arthur Hearz.

## LIMITATION

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Further to increase naval strength, Britain has retained five over-age cruisers by invoking the escalator clause of the London treaty, but these are to be used as anti-aircraft ships and will not help regarding the goal of 70 cruisers required by the government as the minimum for security.

Britain also has decided to retain 40,000 tons of over-age destroyers, with Japan and the United States matching the tonnage in destroyers and submarines.

In addition to the over-age ships retained, Britain has ordered a personnel increase of 3,500 officers and 97,892 men.

The ultimate naval expenditure for this program is set at £37,000,000, about \$935,000,000.

## FRENCH PROGRAM

PARIS, Dec. 30—France will enter the world naval race of 1937 with a \$72,000,000 program to supplement the "normal" schedule previously planned.

German rearmament and not expiration of the Washington and London naval agreements is responsible for the increased expenditure, official spokesmen declared.

The French program, to be completed in six years, provides for five 35,000-ton battleships, of which two already have been authorized, and ten 10,000-ton cruisers. The normal program is for 51 warships, totalling 47,000 tons, comprising one 7,800-ton cruiser, six destroyers, seven submarines and the remainder in auxiliary craft.

## German Program

BERLIN, Dec. 30—Reichswehr Hitler is keeping the naval shipyards of Wilhelmshaven and Kiel busy in his efforts to build Germany's sea forces up to the limit of approximately 420,000 tons fixed by the Anglo-German treaty of June 18, 1935.

## Death Due To Heart Condition Jury's Verdict

The death of Frederick Walsh, 37-year-old Charlottetown taxi driver was due to "an acute dilatation of the heart brought on by a previous chronic condition of the heart," a coroner's jury found yesterday "after consideration of the Doctors' examination and report of same."

Principal witnesses at the inquest, conducted by Coroner Dr. J. Yeo, were Alex Coughlan, who discovered the body of Walsh, and Dr. J. D. McGuigan and Dr. E. S. Giddings who conducted an autopsy of the body Tuesday afternoon.

Others who gave evidence included Harry Barrett, Stanley Doinon, John Walsh and Richard Howatt.

Dr. McGuigan read a report of the findings of the autopsy. "In our opinion," he said, "we feel that the cause of death was chronic heart disease and a dilatation of the heart resulting from the chronic condition. Apart from that there were some signs that carbon monoxide gas might have played some part in the man's death. The fact that there was practically no clotting of the blood after death, and that a softening of the brain was found would point towards monoxide poisoning. Chemical tests of the blood, however, did not indicate the presence of carbon monoxide."

Dr. Giddings corroborated the evidence of the previous witness. In reply to a question by the jurymen the Doctor said he probably died occurred suddenly, door being Walsh's last act.

Alex Coughlan told of seeing a car with the door open and the lights burning when he was putting his car into the Agricultural Hall shortly after 12.30 Tuesday morning. The car was parked on the south side of Fitzroy Street facing east. The witness found the body when he came out of the Hall. The feet were caught slightly between the door frame and the bottom of the front seat. The head and the left shoulder were on the pavement.

Coughlan testified that after he caught the feet and moved them slightly the body rolled out on the street. The face was very purple and the witness thought at the time that the man, whom he did not know, was dead. Coughlan went into the hall then and called the police.

The other witnesses told of having seen Walsh Monday night and that he appeared to have been in good health and spirits. John Walsh told that he had never seen Frederick "the worse for liquor."

The following was the text of the jury's verdict:

"We the undersigned jury, empanelled to find the cause of death of Frederick Walsh, of Charlottetown, do find and conclude after consideration of the Doctors' examination and report of same, that the said Frederick Walsh on or about December 29, 1936, on or about his death from an acute dilatation of the heart brought on by a previous chronic condition of the heart."

The jurymen were: A. A. Hennessy, foreman; G. Harold Hennessy, Leaman Saunders, Gordon L. Morris, Jack McAleer, Stephen Saunders and Frank Whelan.

When he reaches that goal, naval authorities believe, he will seek more power. At the present rate of building, Germany will be ready by 1942 to put weight on the power agreement between the United States, Great Britain and France is scheduled to expire.

Already 35,000-ton battleships and two airplane carriers have been laid down.

Other construction under way includes three 2,000-ton cruisers, 1,625-ton destroyers, 2,600-ton torpedo boats and 14 submarines.

## Italian Program

ROME, Dec. 30—Expiration of the Washington Naval Treaty tomorrow midnight will give Minister of the Navy Mussolini the freedom he needs to put weight on the Italian navy, especially to bring it nearer the standard of the British fleet.

The limits imposed by the Washington pact—70,000 tons of capital ships for Italy—virtually will be reached on completion of two 35,000-ton battleships under construction since 1935. This figure is far below the capital ship tonnage of the British fleet.

With all restrictions off Friday it is understood the ministry of Marine is drawing up plans for one or two more 35,000-ton warships, finance or possibly on getting assistance from abroad.

Until now Italy has had a light-weight navy. Its main reliance is placed on 10,000-ton and 5,000-ton cruisers, fast, hard-hitting craft, but no match for first line battleships. It Duce therefore has seen the necessity of increasing the heavy side of his fleet.

Italy has four battleships in commission. The Littorio and Vittorio Veneto, 35,000 tons each, due for completion in 1938, will bring the capital ship tonnage up to 63,000 tons.

That is his contribution to the world naval race of 1937, for which the starting gun will sound with expiration of the Washington and London treaties tomorrow.

## The Central Guardian Sunday School Concert At Baptist Church

A very enjoyable Sunday School Christmas concert was held in the Baptist Church Schoolroom last night.

During the evening a presentation was made to Mrs. Samuel Campbell, a very active church and Sunday School worker, who with her husband and family is moving to St. John's, N. B. shortly.

Mr. R. B. Bethune presided. The following was the program: Opening Chorus, "Joy to the World," Junior Choir. Union Reading, "The Christmas Story," School. Recitation, "Welcome," Pauline Ward. Duets, "Santa's Sleigh Bells," Eddie Cook and Stewart Wood. Recitation, "Christmas," Johnny MacInnis. Trio, "Jesus Loves Me," Mrs. Bell's Class.

Recitation, "Santa Claus up-to-date," Gladys Ward. Chorus, "Away in a Manger," Primary Class. Exercise, "Breaths," Mrs. A. K. MacPherson's Class. Mrs. A. K. MacPherson, "Ring Bells Ring," Mrs. G. R. Starratt's Group, solo part, Alice Dawson. Exercise, "Writing to Santa," Mrs. Vatcher's Group. Recitation and Chorus, "Mary's Song," Mrs. H. L. Denton's class. Carol, "Three Ships," ten girls from Junior Choir, solo parts by Aletha Saunders and Marguerite Burhoe.

Exercise, "Christmas Emblems," Mrs. A. K. MacPherson's Class. Solo, "The Little Lord Jesus and the Infant St. John," Elsie Dawson. Exercise, "The Call of the Christmas Candle," Miss M. Harris's class. Carol, "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen," Three Girls. Motion Song, "Winner to Earth the Shadows Creep," Primary Class. Solo, "Bethlehem," Bernice Ward. Chorus, "Silent Night," Junior Choir.

"The Boy Scouts' Dream," Boy Scouts. Presentation to Mrs. Samuel Campbell. Chorus, "The First Noel," Junior Choir. Arrival of Santa Claus and distribution of Christmas treat.

**"FARNORTH" ARRIVES**—The S.S. "Farnorth" arrived in Charlottetown yesterday and began loading produce for Boston and New York. The ship is expected to sail today or tomorrow.

**WATCH NIGHT SERVICE**—There will be a watchnight service at the Baptist Church tonight, opening with a special musical period in charge of Miss Calbeck, organist, and Miss Vera H. MacCallum Campbell, M. S. Bac, choir director at 10.45 p. m. The Rev. S. C. Cooper, minister of the Central Christian Church will be the speaker of the evening. A cordial invitation is extended to anyone interested.

**LIGHT HORSE OFFICERS**—Officers and senior N. C. O.'s of the Prince Edward Island Light Horse gathered at the Charlottetown Armories yesterday afternoon and evening for lectures. In the afternoon, a lecture was delivered by Capt. J. J. Morris, adjutant of the regiment, and in the evening, Lieut.-Col. J. T. Lowther spoke to the assembled officers. About twenty five officers and N. C. O.'s attended.

**WEDDING BELLS**—The marriage of Russell Bruce Collings of Sturgeon, Prince Edward Island, now of the C. G. S. "Annamore," to Christina Kathleen MacKenzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon MacKenzie of Cariboo, Pictou County, N. S., took place on December 24th at Dartmouth, N. S., by Rev. J. J. Armitage of Grace United Church. The happy couple left on Christmas Eve by the S.S. "Lady Rodney" for a visit to friends in Massachusetts and on their return will make their home at 29 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth, N. S.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**—On the evening of Dec. 27th, the patients of the Provincial Infirmary were very pleasantly entertained when a Christmas Concert was rendered them by the members of the Christian Endeavor Society of Z. N. Church. Rev. G. C. Webster presided and a nicely arranged programme, consisting of solos, readings and musical selections were presented. At the conclusion of the programme the patients were treated to home made candy. The evening was brought to a close by singing the Christian Endeavor Fellowship hymn.

**BRIDE-TO-BE SHOWERED**—A pleasant evening was spent recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch Ross, Prince Street, when the graduate nurses of the P. E. I. Hospital tendered a miscellaneous shower to Miss Christina MacPhall, R.N. The living room was tastefully decorated, and the bride-to-be entered as Miss Mabel Burdette, R.N., played Lohengrin's Wedding March. The young lady, which were opened by Miss Ruth Rayner, R.N., and verses read by Miss Olga MacMillan, R.N., to which Miss MacPhall very fittingly expressed her appreciation and thanks. A dainty lunch was then served, and each nurse left after extending their best wishes to one of their class mates.

**POLICE COURT**—At the police court yesterday two men, charged with the theft of a motor car, were remanded until January 4. They were arrested early yesterday morning by Sergeant Dominic Doyle and Special Constables J. W. Boyle and Peter Morrison. Two men, alleged to have been companions of the two who appeared in court, were arrested yesterday afternoon and will appear in court today. A car belonging to Elmer Sharbell, Portage, and parked on Kent street

**LOOK FOR SUBMERGED SAFE**—A diver, Mr. Ceretti, Borden, will descend into the waters at North River Bridge early this morning in an attempt to locate the three in the past four months. An arrangement was made with Mr. McKinnon, Superintendent of the Island Division of the Canadian National Railways, for the services of Mr. Ceretti, C. N. R. diver at Borden. Mr. Ceretti made an attempt to recover the safe yesterday afternoon but strong tide currents made the work impossible. An attempt will be made at low tide early this morning.

## Island Division Of Railways Has Traffic Increase

The following information concerning the movement of freight to and from Prince Edward Island by the Canadian National Railways was supplied through the courtesy of Mr. E. W. McKinnon, Superintendent of the Island Division.

The following figures tell the story of rail freight movements to and from the province during the year. The figures for December are complete to the 28th:

### CARLOADS FERRIED

Less Than Carload	1936					Total
	Coal	Flour	Meats	Gas	Misc.	
January	187	156	46	34	11	414
February	159	180	38	24	11	448
March	198	109	59	20	11	417
April	186	83	35	12	11	317
May	182	73	65	30	59	479
June	187	70	79	27	34	407
July	200	75	60	26	53	414
August	191	111	70	36	41	449
September	200	257	40	28	43	568
October	206	305	53	40	38	642
November	168	280	46	44	30	468
December	168	212	60	44	23	407
Totals	2268	1896	640	354	384	3688

### BORDEN-TORMENTINE (CARLOAD LOTS)

Less Than Carload	1936					Total
	Live Stock	Potatoes	Tur-	Misc.	Total	
January	98	22	138	223	78	609
February	74	23	302	201	62	662
March	79	39	359	150	61	680
April	86	35	270	101	61	577
May	99	31	286	21	154	571
June	106	35	120	88	340	649
July	95	21	40	73	112	340
August	103	55	15	97	128	398
September	106	90	47	225	129	598
October	96	75	381	183	147	791
November	80	52	221	112	117	661
December	1121	510	2524	1101	105	4603
1935 Totals	483	3424	1090	1442	674	6703

### STATEMENT SHOWING AUTOMOBILES FERRIED (1935-1936)

Borden to Tormentine	1935		1936		Total
	1935	1936	1935	1936	
March	3	1	3	1	8
April	1	1	1	1	4
May	308	489	384	158	528
June	682	874	56	158	948
July	1281	1561	1579	1874	1374
August	2121	2472	1945	2321	1244
September	1144	1653	978	270	295
October	706	888	710	35	37
November	459	353	408	38	37
December	51	58	38	37	37
Total	6884	8354	9770	8127	

Last year 2424 carload lots of potatoes left the Province via Borden and 1090 carloads of turnips. In 1934 the figures were: potatoes 3639; turnips 985.

## TOURIST TRADE UP 17 PER CENT IN 1936

An increase of more than seven per cent in Prince Edward Island's tourist trade is believed to be indicated by the number of cars that came to the province by way of Borden during the tourist months, July, August and September, this year. In the three months period 5439 cars entered the province as against 4502 in 1935. Figures indicating the number of passengers were not available.

According to reports from hotels, over night cabins and the number who called at the Travel Bureau Office, Mrs. J. M. McFay, Bureau manager, placed the tourist trade increase at approximately 20 per cent. Overnight cabins did particularly well during the season, according to reports reaching the Travel Bureau Office.

Much of the increase is attributed to the new paved highways. Miles of main highway under construction in New Brunswick during the summer is believed to have caused many tourists to eliminate this province from their proposed itinerary.

**Personals**  
Mr. J. S. Sutherland, Ottawa, arrived in Charlottetown yesterday via Canadian Airways. He is staying at the Canadian National Hotel.

The many friend of Mr. J. P. Bradley, Grafton Street, will regret to learn that he is still confined to the house through illness.

Mr. Gilbert Henry who spent the holiday with his mother, Mrs. Robert Henry, South Devon, has returned to Charlottetown, P. E. I., to resume his duties in the Bank of Nova Scotia.—Frederick Gleaner.

Mrs. G. R. Keefe is a passenger this morning to Amherst, N. S., Miss Dorothy Keefe, who is a nurse in training in the Highland View Hospital.

was stolen late Tuesday night. The police recovered the car and arrested the two men about an hour and a half later. Two men appeared on a charge of obstructing a police officer. One was fined \$25 and costs or thirty days in jail and the other \$50 and costs or 60 days in jail. A woman, charged with a breach of the Prohibition Act was fined \$200 and costs or in lieu of payment three months in jail. Two drunks were fined five dollars each.

## Arrests Made by City Police

Arrests made by City Police totalled 513 this year, 35 more than last year's figure, of 480, Chief of Police Birtwistle said yesterday. Arrests were made on the following charges:

Charge	Number
Common assault	1
Assault on Police Officer	1
Breaking and entering	1
Drunk in charge of a motor vehicle	1
Drunk and disorderly	11
Drunk and incapable	50
Juvenile delinquency	209
Non support	1
Obstructing police officer	1
Stolen goods in possession	1
Uttering forged checks	1
Vagrancy	1
Contempt of court	98
False pretenses	1
Assault	1
Robbery with violence	10
Theft	8
Breach of the Highway Traffic Act	1
Wild damage to property	5
Escaping from lawful custody	4
Manslaughter	1
Breach of the Prohibition Act	1

In addition to above mentioned arrests, 18 arrests for minor offences were made by city police bringing the total arrests for the year ending yesterday to 515.

## Christmas Concert At Saint Paul's Last Evening

St. Paul's annual treat and entertainment was held in the Parish Hall last evening. A delightful supper was served to the scholars and staff at 8.30 which was followed by games and the programme. At 7.00 p.m. Santa Claus