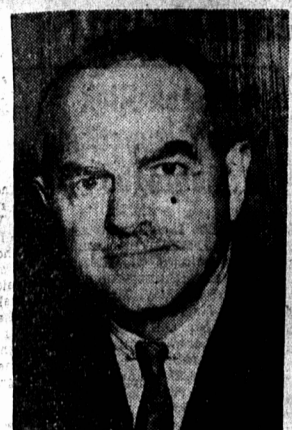


Brigadier Price Visits Ch'town



Brigadier John H. Price who has been in the Province since his nomination as Conservative candidate in Prince County left yesterday afternoon by air to join his family in Montreal. He expects to return shortly to attend organizing meetings...

Railway Pensioners Form Association

Upwards of fifty percent of the retired Canadian National Railway men of the city met in the Railway Veterans Hall last evening, and before the meeting was closed a branch of the Canadian Railway Pensioners Association was organized.

ARMY BENEVOLENT

Meeting of the Board held in Ottawa January 8th and 9th. During the visit to Charlottetown the officials of the Benevolent Fund Board conferred with Lieut. Col. F. B. Conrad, District Administrator of the Department of Veterans Affairs...

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS: MACFARLANE—At the Charlottetown Hospital, February 19th, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. MacFarlane, North Rustico, a daughter, Maxine Brenda. DEATHS: PETERS—At the Charlottetown Hospital, Friday, March 4, 1949, Isaac Peters in his 76th year...

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FIREMEN CALLED—The Fire Department answered a still alarm at 3:45 last evening to Notre Dame Convent. No damage was reported.

SILVER WEDDING - Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Tremere, Hampshire will be receiving congratulations and best wishes on Sunday, March 6th, the occasion being their 25th wedding anniversary.

LEAVING FOR BERMUDA - Mr. A. L. Wright of Charlottetown is scheduled to sail today from New York on the Queen of Bermuda en route to Bermuda. He expects to be away six weeks.

ENTERTAINED AT BRIDGE - On Thursday evening, Feb. 24, Mrs. J. B. Fleming entertained at three tables of bridge. Again on the following Monday evening she was hostess to her Bridge Club at two tables. She was assisted in serving by her two daughters, Mrs. Alban Murphy and Mrs. Maurice Goodwin.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH Lenten Services: Old-time Evangelistic services will be held in St. Paul's Church each Sunday evening during the season of Lent. Special music and singing will be presented by the organists and the Laymen's Association Choir. On this Sunday evening Rev. T. Abbott will speak on "The Reality of Sin." Everybody welcome.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY - The funeral of William Manderson was held yesterday morning from the Frank Hennessey Funeral Home to St. Dunstan's Basilica where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. David McTague who also conducted services at the graves. The pallbearers were: Thomas Creighton, Bruce Pound, Rupert Chandler and Ernest Chandler.

GUESTS OF HONOUR - Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Trainor (nee Joan McCreary) who arrived home from Newfoundland where they have resided for the past two months were the guests of honour at two social gatherings recently. Saturday evening Mrs. Trainor was given a post-supper shower at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McCreary, Grafton St., and on Monday evening a jolly party was given both Mr. and Mrs. Trainor also at Mrs. Trainor's parents home.

WEEKLY MEETING Y'S MEN'S CLUB - The regular meeting of the Y's Men's Club was held in their Y.M.C.A. quarters Thursday evening with president Walter Cox in the chair. After the reading of the minutes secretary Ray Barrett presided. The business of the past month was disposed of with reports from the following committees. Treasurer's report, Eric Wilson; attendance, Jack McNeil; bowling, Fred Small; world outlook, Ern Bell. The stamper competition trophy donated by the Woodstock Y's Men's Club for the Maritimes, was won by Ern Bell. International Philatelist. Bennett trophy won by the club for competition in the Maritimes. Former members Ron Lawson and Frank Storer were welcomed by the president as guests. Fifteen new members were ballotted for. The meeting closed with the National Anthem and the members adjourned to the bowling alleys.

PERSONALS: The many friends of Mrs. H. E. Hyndman will be pleased to know she is doing well after her recent operation in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

Among the hostesses entertaining this week were Mrs. Orin Simons, Mrs. J. W. Cahill, Mrs. W. A. Rix, Mrs. Walter Sharpe, and Mrs. L. H. Coffin.

Mr. N. A. McLellan, City, has returned after several days in Montreal attending the annual sales conference of Building Products Ltd.

Mr. E. B. Rogers of the Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, was a visitor this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Rogers, The Palmer Apartments.

GOV'T MOVES: Continued from page 1 the contractor until completion of the sale and delivery to the buyer. To get advances on his National Housing Act Loan, the builder must produce paid bills for materials.

When a house reaches the first-floor joist stage of construction, the contractor must turn the title over to the Corporation to be held until the sale is completed.

Because the builders will lack the working capital provided by down payments, the Corporation will advance them sums equal to about half the amounts of the down payments. These are to be repaid at the time of sale.

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HAMPDEN Pastoral Charge, Service Sunday, March 6th, Bonshaw 11 a.m., DeSable 3 p.m., Hampton 7:30. T. G. Head, Minister.

BEDEQUE UNITED CHURCH Charge, Services Sunday, March 6th, Bedeque 11 a.m., Borden 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Albany 3 p.m. Rev. W. Burton Crowe, B. A. Mr. Reginald Graves, student assistant.

CITY POLICE COURT - At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, a man charged with obstructing a peace officer was fined \$100 and costs or six months in jail. Two drunk and incapable also appeared, one being fined \$10 and costs or 20 days in jail. These were the only cases to appear before Magistrate K. M. Martin yesterday.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT - Ray Little and his American Cowboy Show entertained a capacity audience at Whelan Memorial Hall last night. The audience were treated to music, comedy acts, western songs and a children's contest. The show is composed of four members who wear colorful costumes. They have been appearing in concerts in different parts of the Island and will continue doing so until the end of the month. Prize winners last night were Patsy Sheppard, G. Weatherlie, Jim McTague, and Electa Roberts.

Interesting Concert Is Staged By Scouts-Cubs

Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs from Charlottetown Troops and Packs combined last night to stage an interesting and enjoyable variety concert at Prince of Wales College Hall. It was the first such concert held since ten years and was largely attended.

The program ran the gamut from practical Scout and Cub training numbers, to skits, songs, dances and camp fire. The splendid manner in which the various numbers were carried out reflected credit on the youthful performers, their leaders and instructors.

Charmaine, Chairman and Master of Ceremonies was Mrs. S. M. McInnis of the Provincial Executive. The Cubs who provided the opening half of the entertainment performed interpretative dances of the jungle and group singing.

The second half of the program saw the Scouts take over. They began with a regular troupe opening ceremony followed by a skit "A Grisy Operation" which had the audience in gales of laughter. Solos, group singing and a trio were among the many other enjoyable features and a closing camp fire scene added much color to the entertainment.

Just before the final number, Mr. Elmer Power, 1st Charlottetown Troop (Basilica), was presented with his warrant of Assistant Scoutmaster by Major N. W. Lowther, M.M., past president of the Provincial Executive of the Boy Scout Association.

The concert will be repeated tonight. "O Canada". Opening remarks by the chairman. Jungle Opening by 1st Parkdale were tabled by Premier Jones.

The following bills were given first reading: An Act respecting Judgements and Executions; An Act to suspend temporarily the imposition of Income Taxes and Succession Duties; an Act to authorize the issue of debentures by the City of Charlottetown; an Act to incorporate the trustees of the People's Cemetery, Malpeque.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Large, the Prince Edward Island Corporation Income Tax Act, 1949, was given second reading. A bulky 75-page document, it purports to make uniform similar legislation across Canada and was passed at the request of the Dominion Finance Department.

A committee comprising Hon. A. W. Matheson, Mr. William Hughes and Mr. D. L. Mathieson, K.C., was appointed to amend the text of the prayers read in the House in conformity with the changed status of Ireland.

EXTERNAL AUDIT: Answers were tabled to the following questions on the order paper: 1. Has there been an external audit of the finances of the Province within the past year? 2. If so, under what authority and what were the terms of reference to auditors? 3. If auditors were appointed what time was spent by them on the audit, and what was their remuneration? 4. Was there an external audit on the Fishermen's Loan Board 1947-48? 5. If not, why not? Answers: 1. Yes. 2. Order-in-Council authorized complete audit. 3. Several months; paid \$10,407.00. 4. Yes.

Payments To Hon. Mr. Wright: Mr. D. L. Mathieson: 1. Under what authority was Hon. Horace Wright paid the following amounts: (a) The sum of \$1,525.00 as a salary? (b) The sum of \$228.00 for travelling expenses? 2. What position did Hon. Horace Wright hold to warrant payment to him as a Minister of the Crown? 3. Referring to page 82 of the Public Accounts for the year ending March 31st, 1948, what are the details of the payments of \$1,545.94 for travelling expenses to Ministers without Portfolio? Answers: 1. & 2. The following Order-in-Council was passed on October 2, 1947: "Indemnity - Honourable Horace Wright: Council did and doth hereby approve that the Honourable Horace Wright receive an expense allowance to Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per diem and travelling allowances of a Portfolio Minister while acting as Controller of the Meat Packing Plant at Charlottetown, effective as and from the 27th September, 1947." 3. These are regular travelling expenses, as follows: Hon. T. W. L. Frowse, \$20.00; Hon. Marie Gallant, \$151.50; Hon. J. Wilfrid Arsenault, \$44.00; Hon. John A. Campbell, \$469.44; Hon. Horace Wright, \$331.00. Total, \$1,545.95.

FISHERMEN'S LOANS: Mr. R. R. Bell: 1. What was the total of Fishermen's loans to individuals? (a) 1947 to March 31st, 1948. (b) 1948 to March 31st, 1947. (c) 1947 to March 31st, 1948. (d) 1948 to date. 2. Who constituted the Board during the year 1947? 3. How many applications were received from King's County from September 1st, 1947, to December 31st, 1947? 4. Were applications received from Henry Appleton, Lowell Toole, Allan McDonald and William Gillis from the Montague District? 5. Were loans granted to those mentioned in Question 4, and if so, in what amounts? 6. Who recommended the said loans, if granted? 7. Were cheques for said loans forwarded to said Applicants? If not, to whom and when? 8. If the said loans were so granted, were statements sent at the time to the applicants? 9. Were said four applicants fishermen of two years' experience as provided under the regulations by the Board, or at all? Answers: 1. This breakdown will appear in the external auditor's report which will be tabled in due course. 2. Hon. Martin Gallant, Dougald McKinnon, George E. Saville. 3-9. These matters are presently before the Court, and it is not in the public interest that they be answered.

New Bible House Opened in City

The Prince Edward Island Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, on Tuesday last, opened their new Bible House at 100 Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown. It is located in the Palmer Electric Building and is nicely fitted up with new shelving and office furniture. The Bible House will be one of many across Canada, the handiwork being at Saint John and Halifax.

It has been felt for some time by the executive and the Society that such an office was necessary to properly carry on the affairs of the Auxiliary. During the past years the cause of the Society has continued to grow. It is to be noted that the Island Auxiliary has the honor of making greater gifts per capita than in any other part of Canada. The cause of the Bible Society is of the very best and deserves the best that can be given to it. Its mission is world wide.

The Bible House will endeavor to have a complete and up to date range of Bibles, Testaments, Portions, Concordances, etc. This will entail a great deal of care and painstaking work. It will need the support of all the ministers, branch officers, contributors and supporters of the Bible Society to see to it that the Bible House may be well known throughout the Island. To the already large stock on hand, fresh stock is being added daily. Consult the Bible House with regard to your requirements, help make the Bible House serve the purpose it should in this Auxiliary. The Society has secured the services of Mrs. P. D. Williams as office secretary and book keeper. Mrs. Williams has always been deeply interested in the cause of the Society, being a life member.

Remember the Bible House location, 100 Fitzroy Street, in Palmer Electric Building. Hours, each day except Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Telephone 2731.

POTATO PRICES: Continued from page 1 acreage this year. He referred to the U. S. decrease from 18 to 25 per cent and believes Canada may voluntarily follow this closely. He advises growers to grow no more than they can properly handle and store.

Discussing the variety to plant, Mr. Peppin suggests "if you have had good success with Cobblers, plant them again. The demand for Cobblers remains fairly constant. Under no conditions rush into a full acreage change-over to Sebagoes." He warned against too many Sebagoes and Kathadins on the tablestock markets, and drew attention to the popularity and good table qualities of the Green Mountain.

Mr. Peppin reiterated the details of the Potato Price Support Programme. 1. Application must be made before April 30. 2. Only potatoes in growers' bins are eligible. 3. Bins must be levelled off to allow ready measurement by the inspectors. 4. Culls may be removed from the bins prior to inspection. 5. Inspection will be made as soon as possible after sufficient applications have been received in any one district. 6. After inspection and the signing of the contract, the potatoes become the property of the Agricultural Prices Support Board, and must not be sold, used or disposed of, without the authority of the inspector, who is authorized to release immediately any potatoes required for feeding. 8. If any of the above potatoes are required to properly supply the market, the Board will decide how many are to be released and on what conditions, and give due notice. 9. If potatoes are not required on the market, the Board will release them back to the grower for disposal at his discretion, but without cost to the Board. 10. Payment for contracted potatoes will be made as soon as possible after April 1.

MOSCOW GIVES: high command astounded foreign diplomatic circles. Stunned diplomatic circles in London speculated as to whether the promotion of Vishinsky might have some connection with the current move by Western Powers to formulate a North Atlantic defence pact. They also were trying to figure out the significance of the switch which found Menshikov, formerly vice-minister of foreign trade, taking over the post of his boss, Mikoyan. Vishinsky established himself in the U. N. as a shrewd diplomat and one of the most fiery of all Eastern debaters. Those who attached some significance to the Molotov dismissal pointed out that only today Russia was openly but firmly told that she would not sign a non-aggression pact with the Soviets. Norway served notice she was casting her lot with the Western European powers, the United States and Canada. A big question was what will happen to Molotov now. No one knew, from the terse Moscow radio announcement, whether he had been given another job. All that was known was that today Molotov was made of Molotov's second post, that of deputy premier. The Moscow report did not clarify whether Molotov had been retained in that post, or whether in his dismissal from the job of foreign minister he also was relieved

Encouraging Progress In Tourist Activities Shown

The overall picture of automobile and passenger traffic to the Island bears out the contention that many more tourists came to Prince Edward Island in 1948 than in 1947, states the annual report of Brig. W.W. Reid, supervisor of the Travel Bureau, which was tabled in the Legislature yesterday by Premier Jones. In spite of the fact Maritime Central Airways inward traffic shows a decline, they were much busier than in 1947 in that they had numerous charter flights which, although not entering into the entry figures, definitely did give them a boost in total business. Following is a comparison of traffic figures to the Island for the years 1947 and 1948:

Table with 4 columns: Route, 1947, 1948, Passengers, Automobiles. Borden-Tormentine Route: Passengers 87,803, Automobiles 19,522. Wood Islands-Caribou Route: Passengers 27,302, Automobiles 7,870. Maritime Central Airways: Passengers 13,041.

"Enquiries for the 1949 season are so far up to normal," the report states. "It would appear that with the slight increase in accommodation that we have to offer for the coming season that once again the traffic should go over the top in surpassing number of visitors in any year in the past." The report emphasizes, however, that still more good tourist accommodation is necessary and it is hoped that more of the Island's citizens will enter the industry with a determination to provide a really good type of accommodation for visitors. As in 1947, the Fund established by the Government for the promotion of the industry has given a start to helping those in the business, and others entering it, to get more and better facilities. It is hoped that during the present year the Government will see fit to appoint an inspector to check on accommodation, both sleeping and eating, and see that the provisions of the Innkeepers' Act are followed out to the letter. In 1948 the Department of Public Works and Highways took over the marking of the highways. The only marking done by the Bureau was through the City of Charlottetown, and a few replacement signs between New Glasgow and Caribou, and Aulac and Tormentine on the Mainland. It is hoped that the Department of Public Works and Highways will continue the sound road-marking policy adopted during the past year.

Pier Facilities: "We are pleased to report that Canadian National Railways officials assure us that modern rest room facilities are being provided on both the Tormentine and Borden piers," the report says. "In addition to this we have also, as previously mentioned, been assured that a modern rest room will be provided on the Wood Islands pier. The provision of these facilities is certainly long overdue but when made available they will certainly do much to increase the feeling of goodwill among our visitors. "During 1948 the Wood Islands-Caribou schedule was maintained by the two ferries "Prince Nova" and "Charles A. Dunning" on the same times as in the previous year, with six return trips per day being made. The approach to the Wood Islands pier particularly is still quite unsightly to the visitor and although we have been more or less assured by Dominion Government officials that the shacks cluttering up same are to be moved, it would certainly be appreciated if your Government would intensify in an effort to have these shacks cluttering up the pier moved elsewhere and a general clean-up made." As usual Maritime Central Airways rendered modern transportation service to the travelling public. Many ships visited the Island last year from Montreal, St. John's, Nfld. and the United States. About 3,000 visitors came by this means. Tribute is paid to the high standard of bus transportation and to the good work done by Maritime Central Airways. The National Park also reports an outstanding year. Lifeguards from the duties of deputy prime minister - a step down the scale from Stalin. There even was speculation that the sudden transfer of command might, in fact, mean a promotion for Molotov.

Zion W. M. S. Holds Monthly Meeting: The regular monthly meeting of Zion W.M.S. was held on Thursday evening at the Manse with the president, Mrs. Webster in charge of the devotional period. The meeting opened with the singing of a hymn, followed by prayer by Mrs. Webster. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Messages of appreciation were received from Mrs. Helen MacLean and Mrs. Roberts in appreciation of cards received. Forty visits were reported for the month. Mrs. Webster reminded the members of the World's Day of Prayer, at St. James Church yesterday. Mrs. Darrach then took the chair for the study period on chapter 111 of Enter China. She was assisted by Mrs. Larler, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Ballingall. Two hymns followed by a closing prayer brought this part of the meeting to a close. Mrs. MacDonald will have charge of the study for next meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Ballingall, with Mrs. Kings, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Larler in charge of refreshments. Lunch was served at the close by Mrs. Darrach, Mrs. MacMillan and Mrs. Martin, assisted by the hostess. (Patriot please copy)

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