

THE SUMMERSIDE GUARDIAN

and PRINCE COUNTY CHRONICLE

Western Locals

—BUY quality boneless beef at Braze's. L-3847-3-26-21.

—LADIES AID ENTERTAINED—The Ladies Aid of the Summerside Baptist Church were entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Major Schurman. This took the form of a quilling party and refreshments were served by the hostess, S.

—JASMINE FACE POWDER—Taylor Drug Kingstons.

—ONE used motor bench grinder for quick sale, at Braze's. L-3847-3-26-21.

JUNIOR BAND—A Junior Band has been organized in Summerside under the leadership of Mr. Walter McClure. At present there is a membership of about forty.

—FUNERAL NOTICE—The funeral of the late Stanley A. Compton, St. Eleanors will take place today at 2 o'clock. A short service will be held at the home followed by service at church.

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Carleton and Vicinity

On Saturday evening Mr. Norman McWilliams motored to Summerside from Carleton, accompanied by his wife and Messrs. Stanley Howatt, Ernest Deegan, Mark McCarville, Hazen Gillespie and Aden McCarville.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Heath Howatt of Tryon on the birth of a daughter March 23rd.

The silver fox which escaped from the ranch of Mr. Daniel Ross of Carleton about ten days ago, was caught on Tuesday morning by Messrs. Penton Howatt and Heber Sherren with the assistance of a hound.

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ATTACKS N.S. SYSTEM OF EDUCATION

Liberal Member For Pictou Calls For Reform In Administration.

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

HALIFAX, March 25—Nova Scotia's educational system "is in worse than the ox-cart stage" Don F. Fraser (Lib. Pictou) told the Legislature today in calling for reform not only in the system but also in the administration.

The New Glasgow newspaperman ended the budget debate with a vigorous attack on the department after congratulating the government on its "progressive legislation" and efforts toward balancing the accounts of the province.

The system of education was planned almost entirely for the urban districts, where the scholar and the pupil were surrounded with every advantage and convenience, while the rural school was neglected and in many cases started to the extent that the rural teacher repeatedly had to go without pay.

"You may turn up the reports of the school inspectors and see what they say with respect to the pay of teachers, and those gentlemen are inclined to smother and cover up things in the interests of their superior, their boss," he said.

"A prominent attorney" in this province told me that "on behalf of a teacher of the year 1932 he had garnished the municipal grant for 1934-1935-1936, and the teachers for these latter years would not receive a cent."

"I met during the summer holidays a young woman who had been teaching in a rural school, in an isolated section with 57 pupils, and she had not received a cent of pay. I spoke to the inspector regarding such a condition, and the inability of one teacher to handle such a school embracing all grades from one to 12 and pointed out that such would only lead to illiteracy."

"My information was that in that section there were 25 fine young men who could not read the newspapers for lack of learning."

"He put on a wry face and said he did not think things were so bad in the section I had named where he said he did not object when they elected one school trustee who could not read and write but when they elected two trustees who could not read and write he went to the section and told them he would not stand for that."

"Estimating illiteracy in Nova Scotia at 'over eight per cent,' Mr. Fraser said there was little wonder the Superintendent of Education (Dr. H. P. Munro) had publicly stated the educational system is in the ox-cart stage."

"That after he has had the sole administration of the system backed by an apparently unlimited treasury from which he extracted a larger salary than the Prime Minister of this province—the ox-cart system under which he doubled the costs of administration, surrounded himself with a high salaried group, out of all proportion to the ability of the people of this province to pay, and had a free hand to alter, change and improve that system as he chose. Still despite all his unbridled extravagance, the net result of his operations is that the system is in the ox-cart stage."

It was a system in worse than the ox-cart stage, the member for Pictou declared. It was a system that failed to meet the actual needs of the youth of the province. He advocated reform to provide a system tending toward a university course but toward useful citizenship, for rural children as well as those in the more favored areas.

"From grade one to grade 10 it should be given by the state, and there the state should stop in its public school education. Why should this province at large maintain a school in engineering for the very few who attend; a technical college for only those who have behind them a two years course in a university? Why should this province concentrate in public payments on high schools in congested and favored sections while the rural schools are starved?"

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Irish Lilt, under 21—1, Annabelle Lawson; 2, Frances Reay.

Tap Dancing, under 12—1, Mary Walsh; 2, Paula Arsenault; 3, Marie Davis.

The first part of the musical competition was held. Prof. Noel Brunton, dean of the Faculty of Music, the Athol University, who was the judge, announced that all the prize winners in the music section will be announced Friday night.

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In the original poetry class the prize winners were: Edith MacKay; 2, Frances Reay; 3, Anna Hughes.

HOBBIES

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Mayors, in officially opening the exhibition said in part:

"You are to be heartily congratulated on the varied and splendid display of your work, your art and your ability, which I trust will be fully demonstrated to a very appreciative audience during the days of this exhibition."

"I bring you greetings from the citizens of Charlottetown on your undertaking, and the assurance that our citizens are desirous of the continuance of this exhibition with the sincere hope that you may show improvement in your various callings for all future exhibitions."

"One year ago the Girls' and Boys' Hobbies Exhibition was held in Charlottetown, in this Y.M.C.A. building. The large measure of success attending that exhibition was a warrant for holding a second event, and we are assembled here tonight to open the second Hobbies Exhibition."

"The entries received last year from 250 girls and boys numbered 275, and your directors have informed me that we have for this second exhibition, 394 entries. For this increase I wish to heartily congratulate you, girls and boys, and not only you but also your parents, for I believe they are as anxious as you yourselves, to encourage and bring out that talent of which you are possessed and I feel that it is by a united effort of parents and children, that your success can be attained."

"In that old Confederation Room of our Parliament Building there is a motto and it is this: 'They builded better than they knew.' To you girls and boys who are starting on this Hobbies Exhibition there may be said, and I feel there will be, talent awakened that will lead you on to higher and nobler things than you are displaying to us during this exhibition, and I would ask you to follow on in your various callings, and in the years to come it may be said of you, as it was of those who assembled in that Confederation Room, 'They builded better than they knew.'"

"The classes of the exhibition cover a wide range of hobby interests, and the purpose of the exhibition has been to afford opportunity for the displaying of creative hobbies, and to express all talents which contribute to the development of a wholesome personality and to the enrichment of life."

"I would like to assure you that your efforts are not alone, for you have in addition to the board of directors of this exhibition, the hearty support of the following Charlottetown organizations, the Y.M.C.A., the Women's Music Club, the Art Society, the Y's Men's Club and the H-Y Grads, together with the individual support of many of our citizens. In view of the large supporters you have, I feel you will go forward to make the future exhibition a greater success than those we have been privileged to see."

"It is now my happy privilege to declare this Second Girls' and Boys' Hobbies Exhibition duly and formally opened."

Following the official opening the first program of competition in the exhibition with the exhibition was held. The prize winners announced last night are as follows:

Prize Winners

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FURTHER FUEL FOR POST WAR CONTROVERSY

Son of Late Marshal French Replies To Haig's Biography And Diaries.

(By Thomas T. Champion)

(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, March 25—Further fuel was added tonight to the long-sustained fire of recriminations over the respective reputations of the two British commanders in France during the Great War, Marshals French and Haig, with publication tomorrow of "French Replies to Haig," by Major Gerald French, second son of the late Marshal.

The book, provoked primarily by recent publication by Alfred Duff Cooper of Haig's biography and diaries, reviews exhaustively the relations between the two generals. Major French asserts Haig throughout his career had a tendency to criticize his superiors.

The author alleges there is no room for doubt that Haig considered himself the right man for supreme command in 1914. Major French is severe on Haig for having in September, 1915, written directly to Lord Kitchener, Secretary for War, criticizing his superior.

The late Marshal Robertson also was in the intrigue, according to the author. His father knew his own action in exposing the shell shortage meant the end of his career as commander-in-chief.

"When Haig attained his ambition and succeeded in the command, he inherited what might be called a comfortable legacy," Major French writes. "Whilst there yet remained much to be done, victory was only a matter of time."

The book includes a letter Marshal French wrote the late Lord Escher soon after leaving France.

"I have tried hard to fight against bitterness and have attempted with all my strength to throw aside prejudice and consideration of self. The bitter pill is not that: What happened (I since discovered it all) was due entirely to the lies and treachery of the man whom I had always regarded as one of my best, most intimate friends."

In a foreword to the book David Lloyd George asserts the publication of Haig's diaries revealed "a Haig plunged in squalid intrigues not pleasant to contemplate."

"In my judgment," Lloyd George writes, "French was a bigger man than his successor. Haig had many admirable qualities, but not the breadth and instinct of military vision which French possessed."

PROVIDES

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to exceed 6.1 inches. Cruisers are restricted to 3,000 tons and a six-year holiday is declared on construction of present maximum 10,000 tons cruisers; guns limited to 6.1 inches. Submarines are limited to the present 2,000 tons; guns to 5.1 inches.

The treaty will be open to signature at any time by any country which signed the London Treaty, Japan and Italy, who were signatories to these more comprehensive treaties, refused to sign the new one. Of the British Dominions, South Africa and the Irish Free State declined to sign on the grounds neither possessed navies.

The signing ceremony was unexpectedly enlivened by a vehement attack on Great Britain by Dino Grandi, the Italian representative.

The concentration of the British Fleet in the Mediterranean was "openly designed to give military support to those very sanctions the inquiry and injustice of which the Italian people so deeply resent," Grandi averred.

Speaking for Canada, Vincent Massey, the Dominion's High Commissioner at London, said: "None of us desire to magnify unduly the achievements of the conference but the mere fact that we are met here today to sign a treaty under the limitation of naval armaments is in itself a source of no small encouragement."

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Temperance Meeting Held In Freetown

A most interesting and enthusiastic temperance meeting under the auspices of the Freetown W.C.T.U. was held in Birch Grove Hall on Thursday evening, March 19th.

Mr. George Jardine, Worthy Patriarch of Freetown Division, occupied the chair. The meeting opened with a hymn followed by Scripture reading by Rev. Carlisle Waterworth, Educational Secretary of the P. E. I. Temperance Federation who was also the special speaker of the evening. Rev. J. W. A. Nicholson offered prayer. The well-rendered programme consisted of a piano duet by the Misses Dorothy Auld and Winnifred Burns and a solo (encored) by Mr. J. B. Lewis. A reading "Laica" by Mr. Waterworth was much enjoyed by the audience as well as his humorous enco.

Rev. Mr. Waterworth in a challenging address made a strong appeal for the maintenance of the prohibition law, and urged the people to stand solidly behind its enforcement. A careful survey of conditions in the United States,