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P. E. I. SCHOOL ACT SLATED FOR REVISION

Addresses And Reports Occupy Session Of Teachers' Convention Yesterday.

The Wednesday morning session of the Teachers Federation opened with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. The President then called upon the first speaker, Hon. Mark R. MacGuigan, Minister of Education.

In opening his address Mr MacGuigan congratulated the Federation on its attendance, and on it being a real live body.

The body of his address consisted of a review of the educational progress made in P. E. I. Up to 1930 it is difficult to find very much in the records concerning education. However from then on, the interest in the development of education on P. E. I. steadily increased. In the early part of the 19th century and at intervals following, the government of the Province took an increasing amount of interest for the development of this major question. Acts providing for inspectors of schools and etc., were passed. In 1852 the important Act of Free Education was passed by the government. Mr. MacGuigan, during the course of his address, compared the school act of 1861 to that of the present day. In 1910 the School Act was again consolidated, and up to the present time remains as such. However the School Act again comes up this year for revision. Mr. MacGuigan assured the teachers that anything was being done for the betterment of the present act. In conclusion, the speaker said that any suggestions from School Inspectors and teachers in regard to the Act would be warmly received.

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Manion Expects To Sweep Country

OTTAWA, March 20 —(C—P) —Conservative leader Manion came to Ottawa today for a political meeting and, speaking to reporters of his followers in the dominion election, said: "If we don't sweep the country on Tuesday then signs don't mean anything."

Coming Events

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Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

"Cake Sale in aid St. Vincent's Orphanage, Saturday at Holmans. L-211-3-20-21.

"Carnival Cornwall Rink Saturday night. Get a costume and win a prize. L-255.

"Carload Island hay at Hunter River. Unloading this week. Inquire R. L. Dickieson or Ben Pinsent. L-225-3-20-21.

"Unloading Albion nut coal at Milton Wednesday and Thursday, B. C. Webster. L-223-3-20-21.

"Buying live hogs at North Wiltshire Friday, March 22, 10.30 a. m. to 1 p. m. Reagh Bagnall, Mervin Bulman. L-222.

"Pork Meats—Ground Meat 5c. Spare Meat 5c. Beef Tripe 3½c. Hog Plucks 2½c. Island Cold Storage Company.

"Hunter River Club loading hogs Tuesday, March 26. L-249-3-21-31.

"Buying live hogs at Albany March 21st, Friday, March 22nd at Emerald until noon. Signed G. C. Green.

"Come to Concert in Rustico Hall on Easter Monday night. L-103-3-16-19-21.

"Meet the Ladies with a smile when they call Saturday. L-220-3-21-23.

"Have your money ready for a Paw on Saturday and send the Ladies away rejoicing. L-220-3-21-23.

"Dance Orwell Hall Wednesday, March 27th. Drawing of lottery. L-226-3-21-11.

"Dance— Morell Hall — Easter Monday night. Good music. Study Clubs. L-227-3-21-11.

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"Dance in C. M. B. A. Hall, Vernon River, Easter Monday night. Good music. L-169-3-21-11.

"See Hampshire Young People present 3 one act plays in Kingston Hall, March 28th. L-198-3-20-27.

"Emerald Hall — Easter Monday night. Variety Concert and Dance. Under auspices of Catholic Women's L-26-3-2-20-23.

Scores Liberal Neglect Of Farm Cost Problems

Exorbitant Feed Prices And Likelihood Of Higher Fertilizer Costs Call For Government Action, Says Mr. McLure

Strong denunciation of the King Government's failure to protect the interests of Island farmers and fishermen was made in the course of a vigorous campaign speech, broadcast last evening by Mr. W. Chester S. McLure, one of the National Government candidates for Queen's County:

Following is the text of Mr. McLure's remarks:

"Ladies and Gentlemen:

"As you sit around your radio, it is my privilege to talk with you on some of the issues of this campaign. The very kind and complimentary remarks made about my radio address remind me of the words of Oscar Wilde—'After a good dinner one can forgive anyone, even one's own relations.' So I feel in a very generous and forgiving mood to those kind friends who have said and written so many nice things. I regard all these compliments you have paid to me as tributes which rightly belong not alone to me as an individual, but to the great National Conservative Party of which we all are justly proud. To me there is no greater honor than to be your standard bearer of the Manion National Party; except one, and that is to be your representative on and after the 26th of March

"The big issue of this political campaign is: "The Mackenzie King's Government record in peace and in war."

"The bitter political controversy in this campaign would have been much less had the King Government not scuttled Parliament, but given to the electors some records of their past stewardship. No, Mackenzie King ragged and scuttled Parliament because he did not have courage enough to face Parliament. Their lack of preparedness for this war was too great an indictment of Mr. King's administration from 1935 to 1939, and the conduct of the war since by the King Government.

Scandalously Unprepared

"The plain facts now being revealed to the electors are that Canada was scandalously unprepared when war broke out, because the Mackenzie King Government refused to help Great Britain procure desperately-needed-

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Island Man Released, Still Faces Charge

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S., March 20—(CP)—A coroner's jury investigating the death of James Allen, Leitches Creek resident in a highway accident last Saturday night, tonight recommended further investigation by the Crown.

Six witnesses testified during the three-hour hearing, one of them Norman McLean, Allen's companion when he was injured fatally. McLean also was injured and the jury adjourned to Hamilton Memorial Hospital to hear his evidence.

Clarence Brown, native of Victoria, P. E. I., who has been working in Sydney for the last few weeks and who has been charged with manslaughter as a result of the accident was present at the hearing.

Following the inquest Brown was released on his own recognizance upon instructions from Crown Prosecutor M. A. Patterson to appear before Magistrate T. Williamson whenever needed.

British Troops Take Revenge

WITH THE BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE IN FRANCE, March 20—(CP-HAVAS)—British troops took revenge today for the Nazi surprise raid on one of their Maginot Line outposts two weeks ago. In a savage skirmish five Germans were killed and one was taken prisoner.

The Britons suffered no casualties in their operation which occurred close to the scene of the March 5 clash, the first large-scale encounter between British and German troops on the western front.

Marking Time With Mackenzie King

Three scenes for "March of Time" from the career of Canada's present Prime Minister.

1911

Mr. King, speaking at his nomination meeting at Berlin on August 22nd, said of Sir Robert Borden:

"Are the people of this country going to place at the head of affairs a man who will be precipitated into such a position as this, who will take from the treasury of this country, and who would have taken enough money to build two dreadnoughts and send that money to England to spend it as they pleased? And against what country? He was willing to send money to build warships to fight Germany."

1935

Mr. King, speaking in August to the Central Ontario Liberal Association, denounced "Dictator" Bennett's defense expenditures in the following words:

"There are drill halls, armories all over the country, built at heavy cost. Why is that money being spent?

"It is to build up a great military force, because all dictatorships demand power, and the last word in dictatorship is the cannon and what comes out of the cannon.

"As you think of the election to come, ask yourself that little question, 'Wither are we tending?' Think of what has happened and ask yourselves if we are making Canada a second Italy, a second Germany, or a second Russia."

1939

Mr. King, speaking in Parliament on March 30—six months after Munich—said:

"We must choose between keeping our own house in order and trying to save Europe and Asia. The idea that every twenty years this country should automatically and as a matter of course take part in a war overseas for democracy, or self-determination of other small nations, that a country which has all it can do to run itself should feel called upon to save, periodically, a continent that cannot run itself, and to these ends risk the lives of its people, risk bankruptcy, and political disunion, seems to many a nightmare and sheer madness."

These extracts from Mr. King's past are a revelation of the man who asks for the country's trust in this time of crisis. He has said other things which look better at election times, but these reveal the real man.

Nazis Lose Heavily In Sylt Raid

LONDON, March 21—(Thursday—(CP)—The Daily Herald today said that scores of Germany's most valuable aircraft—seaplanes and bombers—were destroyed in the thundering Royal Air Force raid on Sylt.

"The attack had been delayed so that it should take place when the maximum number of German planes was concentrated on the Island," the Herald said. "For some time the Allied command had known that the Nazi authorities were feverishly building hangars on Sylt—and storing hundreds of planes there.

"Today a number of those hangars are in ruins . . pilots returned told of wrecked barracks, blazing oil tanks, crippled railways."

Summerside Train Service Inconvenienced

The western freight and passenger train to Summerside, due at 1.50 p. m. was very late in reaching the Prince County capital yesterday. It did not arrive until 2.55.

It was held up forty-five minutes at St. Louis while the Liberal candidate, Hon. J. L. Ralston, made a political speech there.

Official explanation for the delay in the train service was that "business was brisk and there was heavy freight."

Passengers complain it was to enable Col. Ralston to make his unscheduled speech in the St. Louis hall. They claim the freight was apparently no heavier than usual.

Berlin Seeks To Bring Moscow, Rome Together

By Louis P. Lochner
Associated Press Staff Writer

BERLIN, March 20—(AP)—Germany turned her eyes eastward today in expectation of an important step bringing Moscow closer to the Rome-Berlin axis, particularly for co-ordinating the Balkan policies of the three powers.

The Russian Ambassador, Alexander Shkhartzeff left by plane for Moscow, inspiring conjecture that he was carrying an important message to Joseph Stalin and Premier Vyacheslaff Molotoff.

Rumors persisted in Berlin that a marked change in Russian relations with the axis would be marked not later than tomorrow or Friday as a result of German diplomatic efforts to find a common denominator for Russian-German-Italian foreign policy.

NEW FRENCH GOV'T UNDER CONSIDERATION

Daladier Cabinet Resigns After "Moral Defeat" In Chamber Of Deputies.

PARIS, March 20—(CP)—Paul Reynaud, Finance Minister for the last 17 months and an outstanding figure in French political life, tonight consulted colleagues with a view to forming a cabinet to replace that of Premier Edouard Daladier which resigned this morning after receiving a "moral defeat" in the Chamber of Deputies.

Reynaud, former advocate of devaluation, did not definitely accept the offer to form a new cabinet made him by President Le-Brun, but announced he would reply tomorrow after consultations with various party leaders.

Daladier resigned after receiving a negative vote of confidence in the chamber in which 239 deputies supported him, one opposed him, and 303 abstained from voting. The minority vote was taken after a night-long secret session in which the Premier defended his conduct of the war.

Daladier at first refused to take any part in the new government, but tonight was reported to have changed his mind and to have agreed to enter a Reynaud cabinet either as Minister of Defence or of War.

Other reports were that Georges Mandel would remain as Minister of Colonies and that Reynaud himself would take the Foreign Affairs portfolio.

The cabinet crisis was France's first serious wartime political upheaval. Daladier stepped down after being in power almost two years, since April 10, 1938. It was he who as Premier, Foreign Secretary and War Minister guided France through the first 6 1-2 months of war.

One of the main criticisms made was that he held too many portfolios.

Mauretania Sails From N. Y.

NEW YORK March 20 —(CP)—The 35,739-ton Mauretania, fifth largest liner in Great Britain's mercantile marine, sailed from New York at 9.01 o'clock AST tonight.

Few lights showed on the decks of the big liner as she pulled away from the Cunard White Star line pier at 14th street.

Painted admiralty gray, the Mauretania, a new vessel named after the famous old British liner that was scrapped after years of service, was expected to be followed by the great Queen Mary whose 81,235 tons ranked her second only to the brand New Queen Elizabeth in the British fleet. The Queen Elizabeth now is docked along side the Queen Mary.

For several days reports had been current that the Mauretania and the Queen Mary would leave the safety of New York harbor where they had been tied up since the outbreak of war. Talk along the waterfront was that the liners would be pressed into service as troop ships, operating possibly across the Pacific Ocean from Australia.

Fat Fees For Lawyers Under McKenzie King

Farmers' Meagre Wage Contrasted With $200. A Day Counsel Fees Plus Living And Travelling Expenses, All Exempt From Excess Profit Tax.

No "dollar-a-year" man is Hon. J. L. Ralston, present Minister of Finance, who as Government Counsel on the Royal Commission on Wheat Marketing was remunerated by the Mackenzie King administration to the tune of $200.-00 per day, plus living allowance at $20.00 a day, plus travelling expenses as well! The total amount Mr. Ralston received from this one Commission was $29,022.69, made up as follows:

Fees	$25,674.00
Living allowance	2,365.00
Travelling expenses	983.69
	$29,022.69

The foregoing figures, taken from a return made in the House of Commons, March 18, 1938, were quoted in the course of a radio address last night by Hon. George D. DeBlois.

A PAINFUL CONTRAST

Mr. Ralston's $220.00 a day, plus travelling expenses, was contrasted with the treatment our farmers received at the hands of the Mackenzie King Government. They were told "There must be no profiteering," and the price of bacon required for the overseas market was promptly fixed at such a figure as to prevent them making any profit.

"They do not mind paying $220.00 a day to one of their own close friends, and they do not object to their political followers making exorbitant profits in leasing buildings to the Department of National Defense and on Government wartime contracts," said Hon. Mr. DeBlois. "But to you, hard-working farmers, who work from the time the dew is off the grass in the morning until the set of sun,—they refuse to give a living wage."

FINE FOR THE LAWYERS

Mr. DeBlois also pointed out that "the nine or ten shrewd lawyers in the Mackenzie King Cabinet", in framing the Excess Profits Tax Act which came into force last September, took care to include in the exemptions all "profits from any professional activity". This, he assumed, meant that "while the farmer and business man will have to pay the tax on profits over and above the average four years of 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939, the exorbitant fees charged by some of our legal friends will not be liable to taxation, for they come under 'professional activity'."

Text Of Address

Following is the text of Hon. Mr. DeBlois' address:

"May I first of all make it thoroughly clear that my criticisms of the Mackenzie King administration are not personal? I have great admiration for Mr. King as a cultured gentleman, gracious in manner and courteous on all occasions, but the record of his public life is indeed a sad story because he has been unwilling to place the welfare of our people and the national interest ahead of political expediency and, as Dr. Manion stated in Kingston last week, 'the trouble with Mr. King is that he cannot comprehend any leader placing country first and politics second in his thoughts.' His latest action in scuttling Parliament and in depriving the citizens of this country the use of the radio at the political campaign meetings is typical of Hitler and certainly does not inspire confidence.

"The Prime Minister made a definite promise to Dr. Manion last September that no election would be called until another session of

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COUNTRY RINGS WITH PRAISE FOR AIRMEN

Biggest Bombing Raid In History Sees 1000 Bombs Dropped.

(By J. F. Sanderson, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, March 20—(CP Cable)—Britain rang with cheers tonight for the gallant fliers of the Royal Air Force—some of whom were believed to be Canadians—who carried out the mass bombing attack on the German fortified island of Sylt last night and today.

The R.A.F. dropped an estimated 1,000 incendiary and high explosive bombs on seaplane bases, hangars and other military depots of the island.

It was the biggest bombing raid in history with at least 30 planes taking part in waves.

They dropped more bombs in six hours than German planes and zeppelins dropped on London all through the last war.

Take Pictures

Today they flew back to take photographs of the damage they had done and to drop a few more bombs.

While air circles believed some Canadians took part in the raid it was impossible to identify them yet.

The raid had the same effect upon the public as had the Graf Spee battle and the Altmark rescue—everybody had a smile on his face. It was a national tonic to purge lingering regrets over the

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TORONTO, March 20—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	16B	8
Vancouver	36	52
Edmonton	13	15
Regina	2B	18
Winnipeg	5B	15
Toronto	24	26
Ottawa	10	27
Montreal	23	35
Quebec	23	34
Saint John	27	41
Halifax	30	41
Charlottetown	31	36

FORECAST

Maritime East: Strong southwesterly winds or moderate gales with rain or snow.

Synopsis: Moderate snowfalls have occurred in southern and eastern Ontario, but it has been generally fair and cold in northern districts. It has been cold in Manitoba and Saskatchewan with light snow in Alberta.

High tide this morning at 8.48 and tonight at 8.36.

Sun sets this evening at 6.13 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.

Full moon March 23, 3.33 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leaves Border, 9.45 A.M., 1.00 P.M.
Leaves Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 1.05 P.M.

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Contracts Used As Bribes On Eve Of Election

Dr. Manion Charges Barefaced Effort To Purchase Ministers' Seats.

By Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA, March 20 —(CP) — Conservative leader Manion tonight charged the King government with trying to bribe electors in the constituencies of three cabinet ministers by announcing large war contracts during the week before the vote.

Publicity was given these huge contracts at this time to assist these three minsters because they were in danger, he said, naming Transport Minister Howe, Labor Minister McLarty and Defence Minister Rogers. Just yesterday the government had announced $9,000,000 contracts of this sort.

Dr. Manion told 4,000 people in the auditorium he was not criticising the contracts themselves or the war supply board. He had never criticised the board, he said, but he was criticising the government for this "barefaced attempt to bribe the electors during an election."

The same tactics had been tried in a Saskatoon byelection but the electors there had had the "guts" to turn down the government candidate. The people of Canada were not going to allow themselves to be debauched in this way.

"If the government has any sense of decency it won't put out the announcements of any more contracts until the election is over," he said.

The Prime Minister had stated he was not responsible for the way the soldiers' vote was being taken. If the Prime Minster was not responsible, Dr. Manion wanted to know who was.

Mr. King had had the "effrontery" to tell Parliament he was going to make regulations for taking the soldiers' vote by order-in-council despite the fact Parliament was sitting.

The Conservative leader asked why Mr. King had not proposed National Government himself: why he had not risen to the occasion as George Brown and Oliver Mowatt had at Confederation.

When Mr. King asked whom Dr. Manion would include in his National Government, Dr. Manion asserted that if Mr. King had indicated before the 1935 general election the cabinet he would set up nobody would have voted for him.

No one before 1935 would have heard of Mr. Howe "unless they had been in the business of building grain elevators with government money." Nor would they have heard

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Tomorrow Being GOOD FRIDAY the next issue of THE GUARDIAN will be Saturday MARCH 23.