

Highways Closed To Heavy Traffic

Following a cabinet meeting yesterday Premier J. Walter Jones announced that because of the prolonged mild weather, irreparable damage would be done to the paved and other roads of the Province unless heavy traffic were prohibited until such time as heavy frost again sets in.

In the meantime, the published notice states that "all highways in this Province are closed to Motor Vehicle traffic, including tractors and trailers, except in such cases where the total weight of vehicle and load does not exceed 5,000 lbs."

The closing of the roads is the earliest or the latest in history according to how one looks at it. Certainly the roads have been closed to heavy traffic early in the winter season and likewise have been closed down in the Spring break-up. It is, however, unusual to have action taken at this particular period of the year.

The unseasonable Spring-like weather has been causing heavy damage to the roads, especially those surface-treated or where patches were necessary in the pavement. Surface-treated roads are those with a coating of asphalt on a gravel base.

Neither Deputy Minister of Public Works and Highways Gordon White, or the veteran retired Deputy, Mr. L. B. MacMillan, could recall the necessity for similar action being taken at this season in previous years.

Mr. MacMillan, however, recalled that the Province experienced a remarkably mild winter in December 1949 and January 1950. The ferry boat at that time did not cease operation until the 4th of February.

The Charlottetown harbour was completely void of ice at the end of January. A "square-rigger" sailed up the harbour about that time. It is the unanimous opinion that "it never happened before."

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Central Guardian

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a new nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

COOK'S for Photographs.

DR. J. D. MacGILLIVRAY resumes his practice today.

ALL MILLINERY at reduced prices at The Laurette.

TEN ONLY ladies' two piece dresses to clear at 20 per cent off. S. A. McDonald.

POSTPONED Auction Sale of George Ling, Spring Park St., will be held tomorrow (Friday) at one o'clock.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL—Night class in plumbing and pipe-fitting begins Jan. 5, 6.30 p.m.

AUCTION SALE of Stock, Crop and Implements of James Birt, Covehead, postponed until Saturday, Jan. 7, at 12 noon, if clay roads are passable.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL — A night course in drafting will be given, if sufficient applications are received. Address inquiries immediately to the Vocational School.

NYLON HOSE, regular \$1.65, special \$1.29, dark shades only. S. A. McDonald.

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CARS DAMAGED — Yesterday morning a car proceeding east on Fitzroy Street, while crossing the intersection at Prince Street, was hit by a car proceeding north on Prince. The occupants escaped without injury, but considerable damage was done to both cars.

LIBERAL CAUCUS — It is understood that a caucus of Liberal members of the Legislature is being held today for the purpose of discussing with the Government the route of the proposed Trans-Canada Highway in this Province.

CITY POLICE COURT—At the Specially Magistrate's Court yesterday, a man charged with being drunk and incapable was fined \$5 and costs or 10 days in jail while a man convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated was sentenced to 10 days in jail. Two men charged with vagrancy appeared, one being dismissed and the other sentenced to 20 days in jail.

H.I.Y. NEWS — The monthly business meeting of the Beta Chapter of H.I.Y. was held last night in club room B. The devotions were led by Carolyn Clark and Heather MacLean. Reports of the various committees were given: Discussion, Dot Dewar; Project, Mary Bearisto; Membership, Sonja Arnfast; Financial Statement, Heather Lantz. Following adjournment, movies were shown to the club. Anne Woodside, president, presided.

WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE — The Dominion - Provincial Conference for the discussion of constitutional matters, which opens at Ottawa on January 10, will be attended by Premier J. Walter Jones, Hon. W. E. Darby, Attorney General and Provincial Treasurer, Hon. Wilfred Arsenault, Provincial Secretary and Hon. A. W. Matheson, Minister of Health and Welfare. Premier Jones expects to leave by plane on Sunday. Other members of the Island delegation may leave on Friday and Saturday.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT—There were four cases on the docket before Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet in the Queen's County Magistrate's Court yesterday morning. A Eleanore Grove man charged with having possession of spirits had his case dismissed. A Charlottetown man charged with having possession of liquor in a place other than his residence had his case adjourned. One income tax case was adjourned until January 11 and another income tax case was withdrawn.

Personals

Among the visitors to the City yesterday were the following: Angus Blaquiere, North Rustico; Stewart McEachern, Mt. Stewart; Jas. G. McLeod, North Wiltshire; T. L. Savage, New London; Wylie Gibson, Marshfield; Alex J. MacNevin, Bonshaw.

CHURCHILL BUSY

FUNCHAL, Madeira, Jan. 4 (AP)—Winston Churchill, vacationing here, is putting in some long hours with his brushes and paints. Britain's Opposition leader is out early and late painting Madeira landscapes. Yesterday he journeyed to Ribeirofrio Peak and started another series of landscapes. The Churchillian plan to return to Britain about mid-January.

IN MEMORIAM

In Loving Memory of MRS. THOMAS HOGAN who passed away January 5th, 1920. The Joys that she missed on Life's Highway, May she find in God's Garden of Rest. Inserted by the Family.

Former Ch'town U. S. War Hero Fired By Hynes

Of interest locally is the following reference to Mr. Charles MacGillivray, formerly of Charlottetown, from a recent issue of the Boston Post:

Mayor-Elect John B. Hynes last night made it plain that he does not intend to retain Charles A. MacGillivray of South Boston, Congressional Medal of Honor winner, appointed yesterday by Mayor Curley to the city's Board of Assessors just four days before Hynes assumes office.

"I already have named the five men I expect to have serve under me as assessors," the incoming Mayor asserted.

The breach between Curley and Hynes widened as persons close to the Mayor-elect expressed the conviction that MacGillivray's appointment was made by Curley for the purpose of embarrassing Hynes and placing him in a predicament where he either would have to hold a Curley appointee or remove Boston's only Congressional Medal of Honor holder.

Ordinarily, they pointed out, an outgoing Mayor would not fill a vacancy that occurred in his cabinet when his term was virtually at an end and other department heads were submitting their resignations.

Hynes himself called attention to the fact that MacGillivray was appointed to the Board of Assessors by Mayor Curley after the Mayor-elect had announced the proposed makeup of his Board of Assessors.

Won't Keep Him

He made it clear that he does not propose to change his plans as a result of Curley's maneuver and that he will appoint the assessors he has selected.

Earlier, the incoming Mayor, in response to a question by reporters, said he expects the Curley department heads to send in their resignations, pointing out that it is customary for a new Mayor to fill the key places in the municipal government with men of his own choosing.

If MacGillivray does not resign next week, Hynes can either remove him or allow him to serve until Jan. 31 when his term automatically will expire under the lame duck law.

MacGillivray was one of Mayor Curley's active supporters in last fall's campaign and headed the Curley veteran caravan. MacGillivray is the proprietor of a restaurant.

Hynes pointed out that one of the men he intends to place on the board of assessors, Huntington W. Frothingham of the Back Bay, was wounded twice in World War I and was personally decorated by General Pershing and that another, Edmund J. Burke of West Roxbury, was cited for meritorious service in the South Pacific in World War II.

MacGillivray's appointment to the board of assessors was made after Mayor Curley approved the retirement of former State Senator Edward C. "Edso" Carroll of South Boston from the board of assessors on a pension of \$3200 a year for the rest of his life.

Week Of Prayer Service In The Kirk

A large congregation last night in the Kirk of St. James, consisting of representatives from all the Protestant congregations in the City, worshipped in the second service of the Week of Prayer.

The Minister, the Rev. T. H. B. Somers, conducted the service, assisted by the Rev. J. T. Ibbot and Rev. J. C. Davison. A thought-provoking sermon was delivered by the Rev. E. A. Piercey of St. John's Church, Milton. The choir under the direction of the church organist, Miss E. Lillian MacKenzie, provided the music, which included the anthems, "Lift Up Your Heads, Oh Ye Gates," and "Softly and Gently Jesus is Calling." The service this evening will be held in St. Paul's Church at 8 o'clock, when the preacher will be the Rev. J. C. Davison.

QUEBEC FISH LANDINGS

QUEBEC, Jan. 4 (CP)—Landings of salt-water fish in Quebec Province in November totalled 1,179,000 pounds, a decrease of 396,000 pounds from the corresponding period last year, while landed value decreased \$32,464 to \$43,621. It was announced today, The Quebec Bureau of Statistics monthly report on maritime fisheries said the lower catches of codfish in Gaspé South and Bonaventure Counties due to bad weather conditions, are responsible for the decline. Cumulative figures for the first 11 months of 1949 of 104,429,000 pounds are 6.7 per cent higher than the total for the corresponding period of 1948. Landed value was \$2,746,893 compared with \$2,880,709 last year.

Retired C. N. R Employee Dies

SAINT JOHN, N. B. Jan. 4 (CP)—Herbert H. James, retired Canadian National Railway employee, died at Pocolong today after a prolonged illness. He was born at Lawrencetown, N.S.

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Boy Scouts Ass'n Campaign Announced

OTTAWA, Jan. 4 (CP)—The Boy Scouts Association today announced a campaign to raise funds for "development and expansion of scouting in Canada."

In a statement by Jackson Dods of Montreal, Dominion Scout Commissioner, the association said the Scout movement now had a membership of more than 100,000—an all-time high.

Funds were needed to ensure proper supervision of Scout programs and for maintenance of Dominion, Provincial and district Scout headquarters.

"Canada has 10,000 untrained volunteer leaders and 25,000 untrained supporters who serve on Scout councils and group committees," Mr. Dods said. "These 35,000 men and women contribute over 1,000,000 hours of their time each year in Scout leadership; there are only 55 paid Scout leaders in the whole of Canada."

"Now we are asking the people of Canada to show their interest by providing the necessary financial support to enable Canadian scouting to carry on and expand its work on behalf of the boys of Canada."

Kiwanis Club To Present Orphanages Movie Projectors

The regular weekly meeting of the Kiwanis club of Charlottetown was held on Tuesday at the Charlottetown with president, Mr. Lawson Jenkins occupying the chair.

Two main items of business were discussed—the presentation of a movie projector to each of the two orphanages and the feasibility of a reforestation project for the club. In the first item it was decided to leave any arrangements in the hands of the steering committee and the reforestation project would be further discussed at future meetings.

Guests included two brothers, Mr. N. D. McLean of Charlottetown and Mr. H. B. McLean of Vancouver, B. C., a past president of the Kiwanis Club of that city, also Mr. Robert Szanella of the Provincial Department of Agriculture whose remarks on the reforestation topic were very timely and appreciated.

PRESIDENT IS

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creased about \$1,200,000,000.

New Deficit Likely

With the Treasury taking in about \$38,000,000 a year, the budget points to more red ink—a deficit of more than \$400,000,000 in the fiscal year, which begins next July 1.

Truman himself said he was "proposing that federal expenditures be held to the lowest levels consistent with our international requirements and the essential needs of economic growth and the well-being of our people."

While he proclaimed new and "wholehearted support" for the United Nations, the President promised to keep a shotgun in the closet in the form of "a strong and well-balanced defence organization."

In the House of Representatives, Republican leader Joe Martin of Massachusetts circulated a statement saying the presidential report should be labelled a message on "the state of socialism."

In contrast with the Republican blast, Democratic leaders praised the Truman message.

DESABLE W. I.

The December meeting of Desable Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Duncan MacKinnon.

The meeting opened by singing the Institute hymn, followed by the reading of the Creed in unison. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Thirteen members answered roll call with a Christmas card which was sent to the Junior Red Cross.

The secretary reported \$8.56 had been made from the sale of candy. The sick committee reported one sick call. School committee had no report.

Appointment of new committees; sick, Mrs. Nicholas Gillis and Mrs. Clifton Ince. Program, Mrs. Myron Shaw and Mrs. Walter Gould; lunch, Mrs. Harold Gould. Mrs. Bordon Walton and Mrs. Clifton Ince.

\$250 was voted to buy treat for school children at Christmas. It was decided that the Institute purchase a curtain for the school, paying half the cost of same. The secretary was to write to Miss Boswell about organizing a sewing club for the school girls early in the new year. Mrs. B. Walton and Mrs. W. Gould to be in charge of sewing club work.

Collection tented to eighty cents. The programme committee put on a very interesting contest. Mrs. N. Gillis invited members to her home for January meeting. Roll call to be answered with exchange of recipes.

Meeting closed by singing O Canada. A dainty lunch was served by committee in charge assisted by the hostess.

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"Fish" said old-timers. "Remember Warren Andrews? He landed a 600-pound sturgeon from the lake in 1919."

Junior Farmers Hear Informative Address On Foreign Trade, Exchange

An interesting explanation of the essence of Foreign Trade and Exchange was given by Mr. J. N. Lewis, Ottawa, last night to the Junior Farmers attending the short course at St. Dunstan's University. His remarks were made at an open meeting which climaxed the course by filled second day of the course.

Mr. Lewis explained the principles of foreign trade and exchange by drawing a parallel between the farm and the nation. "The essence of understanding foreign trade," he stated, "is understanding productively while the understanding of exchange or currency requires the understanding of the purchasing power of one country in relation to another."

Today for the first time, he stated, foreign trade and foreign exchange were affecting everyone. He cited Canada and the U.S.A. as being the two nations enjoying the highest amount of foreign trade.

The United States dollar, he stated, was the basic currency in the world today because of the American productivity. He explained how the United States had increased her productivity and value of currency since 1900 while the United Kingdom had decreased in both.

British financial difficulties partially stemmed from the loss of investments due to the war. At present British imports have decreased 20 per cent since the beginning of the war while her exports were up 50 per cent and total production had increased by 30 per cent.

He said that Britain had a balanced trade with countries in the sterling area but not with the U.S.A. Before the war a triangular trade existed between Britain, U.S.A. and Canada which easily enabled Britain to purchase American goods.

During the war this trade was cut off, forcing the United Kingdom to buy American goods in either U.S. dollars or out of her gold savings or through the lend of Marshall Aid dollars.

Questions dealing with trade by barter, the dollar crisis, and high tariffs were asked by Rev. M. H. Coady, of St. X. Mr. W. R. Shady, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Mr. Morris Descombes. Dr. Coady in a few despatched remarks told the group that their success depended upon their attitude of mind. He asked that the possibilities of making a living out of building a vast civilization was brighter today than in the time of his youth.

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Hog Grades Explained

Following dinner the students were shown through Canada Packers by Mr. Vernon Fraser who explained the reason why grade A hogs are worth more than lower grades. The group then toured the Vocational School under the guidance of Mr. Ralph MacLean and Mr. Lincoln Dewar.

Next in line were the Provincial Building and the Co-Op Store. To complete the afternoon's excursions the group of rural youth toured the Pure Milk Company building and the Maritime Electric.

This morning the students will hear talks on Community Beautification by Col. E. W. Johnston; the Federation of Agriculture, by Mr. Louis O'Connor and Rural Electrification by Mr. V. A. Ainsworth.

The annual meeting of the Junior Farmers Federation will be held this afternoon and this evening a joint banquet will be held with the Y's Men at which Dr. Coady will be guest speaker.

Hazel Vessey, Joyce Ling, Marjorie Lewis and Fern Vessey. Choruses—by junior pupils. Recitation—Donna Lewis. Fisherman's Luck—by 3 seniors. Dialogue—Mrs. Murphy Isn't Home.

Intermission and sale of candy. Harmonica music by Bennie Watts was much enjoyed by all. Then a big part of all Christmas concerts and a merry excitement for the children was the arrival of Santa.

Distribution of presents and Institute treat to the kiddies. Prof. Johnson, who is teaching singing to the school children weekly, was pianist for the evening. Many thanks are extended to Prof. Johnson who overcame the difficulties of almost unpassable muddy roads to assist in the concert which meant so much to the success of the evening. National Anthem.

Mrs. Ruth S. Nelson Dies in East Templeton, Mass.

EAST TEMPLETON, Jan. 4—The funeral of Mrs. Ruth (Matthews) Stevens Nelson, 66, of South Main street who died in the Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital yesterday after a short illness, was held privately in the Smith Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon at 1. Burial will be in Rural Glen Cemetery, Hubbardsville, Conn. William Osborn, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiated. Visiting hours in the funeral home will be Monday night from 7 to 9.

Born in Elmsdale Prince Edward Island, Mrs. Nelson had lived in East Templeton for many years. She was a member of Templeton Grange.

She leaves her husband, three sons Clarence Stevens of San Mateo, Calif., Wesley E. Stevens of Gardner and Verne Nelson of this town; two daughters, Mrs. David Corey of Gardner and Mrs. Bradford Murdock of Sterling, and seven grandchildren.

EBENEZER W. I.

Mrs. Clifton Matheson was hostess to the members of the Ebenezer W. I. for their annual meeting. Meeting opened by singing the Institute Ode followed by the creed. Fourteen members paid their membership fee. Minutes of the last annual and last monthly meetings were read and approved.

The secretary reported having paid 22 cents for a sympathy card. The sick committee had no report and were re-elected. The secretary reported that \$103.12 was taken in

Among those who spent their Christmas holidays in York at their respective homes were the Misses Margarite Vessey; Helen, Anita, Bernice and Norma Lewis. Aletha Brown, Christine Proude of Rustico and Shirley Cooke of West Covehead; also Marion Murray.

Death at any time is sad but when it comes so suddenly and under such tragic conditions at this merry time of year, it seems as if grief is more unbearable. Much sympathy is extended to the family and relatives of Mr. Allison Watts, Grand Troncadie, and to Mrs. Russell Birt and family of six small children.

The teachers Mrs. William Crockett and Miss Evelyn Underhay of York School, along with the pupils put on a very enjoyable entertainment on Dec. 22 in York Hall at eight p.m. The hall was tastefully decorated in red and green for the occasion and there were two prettily decorated Christmas trees. Mr. Norman Brown, one of the Grade 9 pupils, very capably performed the duties of chairman for the evening.