

P. E. I. Art Association Enjoy Keppoch Meeting

On Tuesday afternoon, July 9th a number of members of the P. E. I. Art Society motored to Keppoch where they met at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Davies and enjoyed a relaxing afternoon of sociality and sketching.

The evening brought additional members and the regular meeting was held. The main topic of the evening was the annual exhibition, and in particular, the section allocated to copied paintings. Mrs. Davies outlined the pros and cons of this step and called for general discussion.

Mrs. Gass noted that while such procedure could be advantageous, up to a point, it certainly could do no harm. Mrs. Creelman presented the spiritual satisfaction derived from creating one's own painting.

entirely. Both, in their speech, made an interlocking and satisfactory composition of the picture as a whole.

On motion by Mrs. Creelman, seconded by Mrs. George, Mrs. Gass was chosen to represent the P. E. I. Art Association on the jury of selection at the Maritime Art Association exhibition to be held in St. John, Sept. 14th.

Mrs. Davies spoke of the great pleasure her work with the P. E. I. Art Society has given her, but in spite of its inspiration and stimulation, she felt she must offer her resignation as president, as she planned to return to the states to make her home.

The resignation was regretfully accepted and meeting adjourned.

Balcer Has Responsible Job As Solicitor-General

By BERNARD DUFRESNE
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OTTAWA (CP) — Soft-spoken Leon Balcer, Canada's new solicitor-general, has one of the most ticklish and secretive jobs in the new Progressive Conservative administration.

His main duty is to deal directly with the commutation of death penalties to life imprisonment in murder cases.

The 39-year-old Trois-Rivières, Que., lawyer hasn't the final word. But his recommendations to the cabinet — which, as a body, reviews every death sentence before execution — undoubtedly carry considerable weight. The solicitor-general's recommendations are never made public.

Since he took office June 21, Mr. Balcer has not had to bring any such case to the cabinet, but there now are five death sentences in various stages of appeal to higher courts. If they are maintained by the courts they will come to his desk for study.

His position precludes Mr. Balcer from making known his views on the question of abolition of the death penalty, subject of a long study by a Senate-Commons committee in the last Parliament. The committee recommended retention of the death penalty as a deterrent to murder.

SEVERAL STUDIES

It was one of a number of special studies on various aspects of criminal law instituted by the former Liberal government.

One of them, the Fauteux committee report on the remission of prison sentences, directly concerns Mr. Balcer who is in charge of the justice department's remissions service.

Mr. Balcer said in an interview the committee's report, which recommended a complete overhaul of Canada's system of detention and rehabilitation of prisoners was "an excellent report."

He has given it some study already, he said, but the government has made no decision yet on how to implement the committee's recommendations.

Most of the suggestions by the committee headed by Mr. Justice Gerald Fauteux of the Supreme Court of Canada, would require co-operation of the provinces. The former Liberal government had planned a full-scale federal-provincial conference to discuss the Fauteux and other reports. A preliminary meeting of federal and provincial civil servants to gather background information has been held.

UNDER STUDY

What the new Conservative administration will do, Mr. Balcer said, still is under study.

Mr. Balcer was the only French-language cabinet minister from Quebec appointed when Prime Minister Diefenbaker formed his new government June 21. As such he has had to deal with many problems arising in his home province.

However, Mr. Diefenbaker has said he will soon appoint another French-speaking minister from Quebec. The province has one other cabinet member—Postmaster-General William Hamilton.

Since the formation of the new government, Mr. Balcer has also been acting mines minister and a

member of the treasury board, a committee of the cabinet which reviews and passes on government spending.

Mr. Balcer was born into politics. He comes from an old family of Conservative supporters. His wife, Genevieve, is the daughter of Elizee Theriault, Liberal member of Quebec's legislative council. They met at Laval University, where Mr. Balcer studied law, and he converted her to his political cause.

THREE STRAIGHT

Mr. Balcer has been elected as Commons member for his native Trois-Rivières in three straight elections—the 1945 Quebec Conservative to win three times running in more than 45 years. He was first elected in 1949.

He has been national president of the young Progressive Conservatives and was elected in 1955 national president of the Progressive Conservative Association.

Mr. Balcer announced, and later withdrew his candidature for national leader before the convention that chose John Diefenbaker. He played a role in the Quebec group that was labelled "anti-Diefenbaker" at the convention. However, he has since become a supporter of Mr. Diefenbaker and spoke in the prime minister's riding of Prince Albert, Sask., in the last election campaign.

His term as national PC party president is for two years and a national convention is expected to be held next year in Ottawa.

Mr. Balcer, who lost his father at the age of seven, worked at various jobs to help earn his way through school. One of the jobs was as a youthful longshoreman.

He served with the Royal Canadian Navy during the Second World War, becoming a lieutenant-commander after four years of sea duty in the North Atlantic.

SUCCESS W.I.

The monthly meeting of Success W.I., Graham's Road, was held at the home of Mrs. Layton Burgoyne on June 11th, with 22 members and 3 visitors present. Meeting consisted of the opening Ode, creed in union and roll call answered by impression of the annual convention. One new member was welcomed.

A discussion was held on school improvement, re-rural beautification etc. President reported blankets had been shipped. Correspondence was read and dealt with accordingly. Treasurer reported \$45.27 proceeds from pantry sale. Delegates for provincial annual convention are Mrs. Ralph Wigmore and Mrs. John MacGregor.

An ice cream social is planned for July 1st. Miss Mary C. Campbell donated horse-chestnut trees for school grounds. Fun and nonsense put on by Mrs. Earle Murray, won by Mrs. George MacLeod.

Next meeting to be at the home of Mrs. J.M. Campbell. Program will be Convention Impression and Fun and Nonsense by Mrs. Layton Burgoyne. Collection amounted to \$2.25. Red Cross Convener reported 4 pantie dresses, 3 pairs overalls, 3 sweaters, 2 nighties, 3 pairs socks, 20 diapers, 2 tunics, 1 pair panties were completed and handed in. Meeting closed with National Anthem.

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Irish Farmer Saves Train

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (Reuters) — A farmer using matches as flares stopped a train early today before it ran into debris blocking the line under a dynamited road bridge.

Terrorists, believed to be members of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, struck twice during the night along the border.

They blew up the road bridge between Dungannon and Coalisland and in another explosion wrecked a drill hall used by police at Castletown.

Dictator Holds Cubans Under Tight Gun Rule

By LARRY ALLEN
HAVANA (AP) — Cubans are riding high, wide and handsome on a wave of lush prosperity. But that isn't enough for a lot of them. It doesn't wash out a burning desire for basic freedoms.

Today only tight gun rule seems to be keeping most of Cuba from bursting into shooting revolt.

In some cities, heavily-armed police, troops, coast guards and secret police clash almost nightly with "rebels." Each dawn brings reports of Cubans killed, tortured, beaten and flung into jails and prisons.

Homes are broken into and searched without warrants. Cuba's "courts of urgency" deal out stiff sentences to political offenders.

HIDE IN EMBASSIES

Cubans opposing President Fulgencio Batista take refuge in Latin American embassies in Havana.

In virtually every one of the six provinces men, youths and even women are stacking away arms and establishing their own factories of homemade bombs.

Batista is vigorously waging a peace offensive.

He is telling Cubans all their political troubles can be solved in general elections next June 1. Anyway, he says, he intends to serve out his four-year term ending Feb. 25, 1959.

Cuba's constitution guarantees basic liberties. But the laws that protect them seem only to be applied when it suits the convenience of the government.

CHARGE FAVORITISM

In the 50-odd years of Cuba's turbulent history as an independent nation, most of its revolts

have been born in the easternmost province of Oriente. It accounts for nearly one-third of the 6,000,000 Cubans and is the biggest in area of the six provinces. It produces about 90 per cent of Cuba's coffee and 26 per cent of its sugar. The people of Oriente say Batista favors Havana with the lion's share of government spending and public works programs.

Nearly 250,000 Cubans live in and around Santiago de Cuba. Her youths sympathizing with rebel leaders Fidel Castro, almost nightly hurl bottled gasoline bombs into bars, cafes, homes and government offices here known as Batista supporters hang out. Killings are common in frequent clashes between rebels and troops and police.

Castro is holed up in the Mountain Fastnesses, perhaps 65 miles from Santiago. He "invaded" from Mexico last Dec. 2 with 81 men and quickly lost most of them. With reinforcements his force now is estimated to number between 150 and 400.

**His Farm Is
Milk Factory**

COTTAM, Ont. (CP) — Wilbur Haggins thinks he has developed the laziest cow in the country but says his profits are higher.

Haggins, who operates a dairy farm on the outskirts of this Essex County community, has stopped turning his cows out to pasture, instead he brings the pasture to them.

"I found when I turned the cattle out to pasture, they tramped down considerably more than they ate. It looked as if the entire farm



EARTHQUAKE KILLS 5,000

An entire Iranian family squats on the stones of their demolished home after the earthquake that shook a large area of their country. Government sources estimate that at least 5,000 persons were killed. Total damage will not be known for sometime because of the remoteness of some of the areas stricken by the temblors.

would be needed for hay and pasture if I continued this method." There are 48 Holstein and Guernsey cows on the farm and by this assembly-line dairying the work has been cut and returns are higher.

The cows never leave the barnyard. Mr. Haggins has designed and constructed a "cowfeteria" which lets the cows select and eat as much feed as they want. They are free to walk into a bunker silo and eat green ensilage or dry hay which is just a few feet away in a feed chute.

Only at milking times are the cows allowed into the main barn. The rest of the time they rest in

a "breezeway" adjacent to the barn. In wintertime the air vents are closed and only the door leading to the feeding area remains open.

There are two silos. One is the bunker silo—two slabs of concrete 12 feet high, 105 feet long and 25 feet apart. The other is an orthodox upright silo.

"The green hay feedings keep cow milking steady for the whole year," he said. "This herd will produce an average of 1,200 pounds of high grade milk every day of the year."

Using the new system it takes only an acre of hay to feed each cow for the entire year. "By not

allowing the cows on the field, I can get as many as four cuttings off one field."

SHERBROOKE W.I.

The June meeting of the Sherbrooke W.I. was held on June 6th, with Mrs. Martin Dechen as hostess. In the absence of the president and vice-president, Mrs. Edward Laughlin presided.

Meeting opened by the singing of "There's a long long trail", followed by repeating the "Mary Stewart Collect in unison. Minutes of financial statement were given also business arising out of the minutes were discussed.

School committee Mrs. Herman Paupit gave her report, Mrs. Fred McDonald and Mrs. Reg Compton reported on the sick committee. It was moved and seconded that \$3 be given to the Salvation Army. 13 members answered roll call by showing their wedding photo. A contest put on by Mrs. Charles Yeo was won by Mrs. Paupit. It was moved and seconded that the Institute buy a treat of ice cream for the school children at the school closing. Collection \$1.35.

The hostess served a delicious lunch assisted by Mrs. Adrian Decher and Mrs. Robert Milligan. Meeting closed by singing "God Save the Queen."

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