AS RATEPAYERS MET

Special meetings were held last night in some 50 or 60 schools districts around Charlottetown to vote on the department of education's proposal to establish a regional high school district. Although no voting results were available last night, meetings at Sherwood and Parkdale are reported to have been in favor of the plan. Deputy Minister Malcolm MacKenzie indicated that the results might not be known for several days. In top photo three members of the Sherwood board of school trustees, go over material received on the subject. Left to right are David Jardine, M.E. Campbell, chairman, and Wilber McInnis, secretary. Lower photo, shows the Parkdale trustees, seated left to right, J.J. Paquet, board secretary; Richard Carson, Allison West, chairman; Richard Brown, Henry Douglas and Will Fred MacDonald.

Freshet Washes Out Railway Near O'Leary

O'LEARY — Traffic resumed early Tuesday over the Canadian National Railways line at Mill River, two miles west of here after being held up for 12 hours by a washed out bridge approach.

Monday night the west-bound passenger and mail train was held here, as was an extra freight train.

The passenger train left for Tignish at 6:10 a.m. Tuesday. The freight returned to Borden on its scheduled time, without going beyond here.

The washout was on the approach to a steel bridge at a spot known as Hector's Millpond. A bridge and building crew from Charlottetown, reinforced by section men from Bloomfield and O'Leary dug under the damaged area and reanforced the spot with railway ties. Three carloads of rock were dumped on either side of the track as a further support.

The washout was caused by a heavy run off from melting snow. Large quantities of sonw remain in this section of Prince County and warmer weather the past few days has caused rapid thawing.

The Island division superintendent, E. C. Taylor and the trackmaster, G. M. Richards, both of Charlottetown, were here to oversee operations which continued Monday night and Tuesday until evening.

New Civil Service Act To Be Proclaimed Soon

Premier Walter R. Shaw stated in an address to the provincial public servants at their annual meeting last evening at Birchwood High School, that the new Civil Service Act that was passed in the Legislature last April will be proclaimed within the next month and a chairman will also be appointed.

The Premier said that he was happy to see a Public Servants Association formed on the Island and was pleased with the support its members are giving.

He said that the association helped to maintain good relationships between the government and the public servants and it was greatly increasing the benefits for its members.

In summing up he stated that it was the government's desire to extend its full co-operation in dealing with the association and its members.

Dr. James Higgins mentioned in his presidential address the job evaluation, classification and pay scale survey being carried out by the Payne Ross Co.

It was hoped by the members of the association that the recommendations of the survey would be brought down in the Legislature this session, however the report was not completed in time and the changes in the Civil Service Act could not be enacted at this session, he stated.

REPORTS GIVEN

Reports from W. C. Simnott, secretary; J. A. Arsenault, treasurer; chairman of the membership committee Mr. Simnott and the entertainment committee, Stanley MacInnis were heard.

The three fraternal delegates from New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia complimented the association for the tremendous gains in the field of membership, 1,000 members out of 1,200 eligible members, and the relationship with the provincial government.

RESOLUTIONS

A total of seven resolutions to be presented to the government, were passed at the meeting.

These expressed opposition to paying into the Unemployment Insurance fund; strengthening the bargaining position by granting arbitration rights; increase in mileage rates paid; urging the government to give consideration to the Payne Ross report; increase in vacation per year for long service employees and the offering of the full support to Civil Service Commission from the association.

30 Delegates To Attend Conference

Prince Edward Island will send between 25 and 30 delegates to the Maritime conference of Presbyterian Men to be held in Truro, N.S., from May 3 to 5.

Rev. D.A. Campbell, of Zion Presbyterian Church, said yesterday that approximately 25 members would attend. "I expect about eight to go from our church here in Charlottetown," he said.

"The meeting will actually be a laymen's conference with only a few of the clergy there to guide them." Mr. Campbell explained. "The topic and theme will be 'Every man in his place' and the purpose will be to show each man his role in the church."

The guest speakers will be Very Rev. Robert L. Taylor, DD, ex-moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and J. M. Moffatt, elder of the church. They will discuss the importance of laypeople, and the necessity of finding and developing leaders.

Rev. Peter Ruddell, Hunter River, and Hugh Lowry, Marshfield, will represent the local district as well.

Cleroux, Folley Meet May 23

MONTREAL (CP)—Bob Cleroux will meet Zora Folley in a 10-round rematch May 23 in Montreal, promoter Regis Levesque announced Tuesday.

Folley, six-inch-and heavyweight contender for Sonny Liston's world title, won a decision over Cleroux in their first meeting at San Francisco more than a year ago.

Cleroux has been stripped of his Canadian heavyweight title for declining a return bout with George Chuvalo.

Levesque said Folley will receive a $7,000 guarantee, or 20 per cent of the gross gate, and $2,000 in expenses. Cleroux gets the same guarantee and $500 expenses.

Gov't Diabetic Assistance Said Exceeding Estimates

Addressing the annual meeting of the Charlottetown and District Branch of the Canadian Diabetic Association, held recently, Charles E. Praught, administrator of diabetic assistance, revealed that the assistance program is costing the provincial government more than was estimated.

In connection with these costs he stressed the following points, the first, that all diabetics should sign their name for all diabetic supplies obtained from a drugstore, and second, that members of the plan should immediately inform the department of health whenever their doctor changes the diabetic prescription.

Mr. Preught said that to date 655 diabetics are receiving assistance. These plus the 24 DVA-assisted diabetics brings the known number of diabetics in the province to 679.

Sister Joan Mary, was re-elected president, and both the vice-president, B. F. Tinney and secretary, Miss Mary Thompson, were re-elected. The new treasurer is Mrs. Helen Dunbar.

The above slate was brought in by the nominating committee, comprising, Mrs. A. B. Cosh, Mrs. June Proude and Mrs. Ian MacLeod.

During the evening Mr. Praught showed a film which was taken of last summer's camp for diabetic children, and afterwards it was decided that letters be sent out to all diabetic children requesting the number interested in a three-week camp this summer.

Following the business session, Miss E. Webster, dietitian, gave a talk on diabetic meal planning, so as to obtain the proper balance between insulin and food stuffs. Miss Webster used a number of charts and posters to illustrate her address.

Famed Hawks To Perform

SUMMERSIDE — The famed Golden Hawks aerobatic team will perform during air force day at Summerside on Saturday June 15 it was announced by commanding officer Group Captain A. G. Dagg.

The program will include an exhibition of flying by various types of aircraft climaxed by the Golden Hawks daring precision flying that attracts thousands of visitors each year to witness their daring aerobatic display.

"Open House" during the afternoon will give visitors an opportunity to inspect ground displays of many type of RCAF equipment. Also planned are a band concert, judo display, movies and the popular mule train for the young set.

STURGEON SCHOOL

Report for April.
(Primary Department)
Grade IV: 1. Paul Jamieson; 2. Marlene Creed; 3. Valerie Creed.
Grade III: 1. Sheila Collings; 2. Beatrice McGee; 3. Douggie King.
Grade II: 1. Blaine Collings; 2. Pat Farrell, 3. Leo McGee.
Grade I: 1. Faye Murphy; 2. Miles Kemp.
Highest average, Blaine Collings 93 percent.
Carmelita Daley, teacher.

IMPORTED FISH

The carp, a native of Asia, was imported into Canada about 1885 when the salmon fishing in Lake Ontario was declining.

FANFANI

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majority, but with a reduced edge over the opposition.

Long holding roughly 24 per cent of the seats in the chamber and Senate, the Communists jubilantly moved up to about 27 per cent in both houses.

For this nation of 50,000,000, which is to play host to U.S. President Kennedy in June, the results signalled a possible upheaval. There was talk in Rome that Fanfani's days are numbered.

It would surprise few people if President Antonio Segni, himself a moderate Christian Democrat, dropped Fanfani and named a known fence-mender such as Aldo Moro, the party boss, or Interior Minister Paolo Emilio Taviani to the premiership.

The Christian Democrats, who led Italy out of Second World War desolation to its greatest economic prosperity, dropped to their lowest share of the popular vote in a parliamentary election since Italy became a republic.

ENJOY BEST SHOWING

The combined vote of the Communists and Marxist Socialists exceed that of Christian Democrats. The left had never before done as well.

In a chamber enlarged to 630 seats the Christian Democrats won only 260, compared with 273 they held in the 596-seat outgoing chamber. In the new 315-seat Senate they won 133 seats against the 122 they held in the previous 246-seat Senate.

The Communists saw their chamber total rise from 140 to 166 and their Senate representative from 60 to 85. The other big gainers, the Liberals, more than quadrupled their Senate seats from four to 19 and more than doubled their chamber seats from 17 to 39.

One thing appeared clear. The Christian Democrats had campaigned with too many voices. Fanfani made his centre-left government the key issue. Christian Democrat rightists, who had opposed the tilt left, campaigned for their party but made no secret of their distaste for the government. Moro argued with a third voice, trying to bridge the gap between Fanfani and the party's right wing.

KEEP DISCOVERING

The number of new animal species discovered annually averages about 50 mammals, 100 fish, 15 birds and 5,000 insects.

CHURCH GROUP HONORS MACNAUGHT

In recognition of his long and loyal membership in the Presbyterian Men's Association, Hon. J. Watson MacNaught, QC, Canada's new solicitor- general, was presented with a Bible at a meeting of the organization held in the church hall Monday evening. Making the presentation is the president, John Ellis.

SNOWBANKS PERSIST

Spring Planting Season Running Late This Year

By NEIL A. MATHESON
Provincial and Farm Editor

The spring cropping season is running 10 days to two weeks late this year over normal seasons, a number of agricultural spokesmen estimated yesterday. The difference is much greater between this spring and some of the earlier seasons of other years.

Livestock Director L.W. Roper observed, for example, that he had most of his garden planted at Southport by April 20, in 1961 and Doug Mellish, Union Road, Kings County had 20 acres of potatoes planted by April 19 that year and a lot of seeding had been done in April in South Kings. The Roper garden hasn't been touched at the end of April this year and no planting has been done anywhere in the province so far as could be learned, although some work has been done on the land in the southeastern sector and planting operations there are not far away.

S.C. Wright, deputy minister of agriculture, said Stewart Ross, MLA, Flat River, has been working on some of his land and expects to plant spuds in a few days time.

Elsewhere in the province the picture is not nearly so good. A visitor from Summerside yesterday told the department of agriculture there are numerous spots along the Malpeque high way where a motorist cannot see the fields because of the high cuttings.

Another man reported in the middle of last week that there was only one-way traffic, for example, in the Mt. Pleasant area of Prince County where the Second World War airport had been located.

10-FOOT BANKS

J. Lincoln Dewar, secretary of the federation of agriculture, said today that there are many places shaded by woods, or high trees or hedges along the fences, where snow banks are 10 feet high, and this keeps the fields cold and wet.

One man said that manure had been spread several weeks ago before the frost had gone out of the ground, but the fields are too soft to carry machinery now.

GRAIN EMPHASIS

Emphasis is being laid on home grown grain again this year. Last year much more fertilizer was used on grain fields than had been applied previously. The same amount of fertilizer was sold last year as in 1961, Mr. Wright stated, though there was a drop of 7,000 acres in potatoes planted.

Mr. Dewar drew attention to the pasture competition which is being staged again this year as a joint effort of the P.E.I. dairymen's association, and the provincial department of agriculture. Entries should be forwarded in May, Mr. Dewar stressed.

Kensington UC Men's Group Told Of Camp Development

KENSINGTON — The president, James Murphy, was in charge of the April supper meeting of the Kensington United Men's Association when meal served by the CGIT from the Summerfield United Church. Grace was offered by Harold MacDonald. A vote of thanks was extended to the caterers on behalf of the men's group by Everett Donald.

A hearty sing-song was led by Verdun Paynter with Rev. L. M. Murray at the piano. The devotional period followed, with scripture reading by Carl Stewart, and prayer by Verdun Paynter.

During the business session, Crawford Sinclair, president of the Central Zone of the AOTS group, announced that the national AOTS men's conference would be held in Halifax in August for three days when each group will be entitled to send one representative.

Mr. Murray gave a report on the meeting that was held in Charlottetown at which the national secretary was the speaker.

YOUTH CAMP

The guest speaker of the evening, David Murphy of Charlottetown who was introduced by Leaman Casseley, spoke on the Augustine Cove young people's camp. He recalled that the camp was started by the Baptist and the United Church in 1946, and told how the men at the Stanhope Men's Conference in 1961, started a movement to improve the camp, by donating money. Since then groups have made donations of money, labor and material.

One new cabin, he stated, had been donated by the Summerside men's group. At the present time there are seven cabins, also a leader's cabin, a cook's cabin, and a kitchen cabin on the site.

ELECTRICITY PLANNED

As the camp has been operating without the benefit of electricity, Mr. Murphy said that plans have been made to have this installed this coming summer, also that a new building is to be erected for toilet facilities for which the men of Summerfield United have willingly donated lumber, and plan to donate labor in the erection of the building. Labor is also being donated by several men's clubs towards cleaning up the grounds.

He said a new recreational building was needed, and plans were being made to have this started in 1964. At the present time, he said, several women's groups, also men's groups, have offered to donate labor and material towards this project.

In conclusion Mr. Murphy showed slides of a boy's camp in session at Augustine Cove camp, which were very interesting.

A vote of thanks was extended to the speaker by Herman Mayne.

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