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-VARIETY CONCERT, Darnley Wednesday, January 28th. Guest, and local talent.

-BEDEQUE Jr. Hockey League tonight, Tuesday, starting at 7.30. Travellers Rest versus Kinkora, at 9.00 o'clock. Freetown versus Bedeque. Admission 25 cents.

-THE EMERALD variety concert with the two comedians, Messrs. Ralph Emery and Roland Sheen will be in King George Hall, Kensington, Friday, January 30th.

-SAD NEWS RECEIVED. - Mr. Ovide Martin, Tignish, has received the sad news of the death on Monday, January 19th, of his sister, Mrs. Laurette Gauvin of Baltimore, Md., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Martin of Tignish. The people of this community are extending their sympathy to all the bereaved family and relatives. -CL.

-FUNERAL AT TIGNISH. - The funeral of Timothy A'Hearn took place on Wednesday morning, January 21st, from his late residence in St. Roches to St. Simon's and St. Jude's Church, Tignish, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by his pastor, Rev. J. A. MacDonald. The pallbearers were Herman Gillis, Ignatius Gavin, Gerald Proff, Oville Chaisson, Bernard Keefe and Oville Buote. Interment was in the Roman Catholic Cemetery where services were conducted by Rev. Dennis Galant. -CL.

-PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY. - Mrs. James Stewart of West Point passed away suddenly Sunday morning at her home. She was sixty-nine years of age. Mrs. Stewart was apparently in her usual good health and had been caring for her invalid husband for the past number of years. Besides her husband a brother, Mr. Herbert Avery, resides at Alberton South. A funeral service will be held Tuesday morning from the Brae Roman Catholic Church. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

-Mr. Heath Warren was elected Chief of the Summerside Fire Department last evening at the adjourned annual meeting.

-Mr. Enor Bowness was elected assistant chief. They replace the retiring Chief Fred MacLeod, and Mr. George Hog was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the department, a position to which he has been re-elected for 42 consecutive years.

The opinion was expressed that in this respect he may hold a record unequalled by a member of any Fire Department in the Maritime Provinces. Considerable discussion took place regarding the dismissal of eight men recently, and a motion was unanimously supported that a letter be forwarded to the incoming Town Council requesting them to reconsider the dismissal of the eight men in question, as it was felt that they were needed in the department.

Following is the list of other officers elected:
Salvage - Captain, Malcolm Steele, 1st Lieutenant, Harry Horton, 2nd Lieutenant, Leo Wood.
Hook and Ladder Company - Captain, Jerry Doucette, 1st Lieutenant, Arthur Corbett, 2nd Lieutenant, Cyril Kennedy.

No. 2 Company - Captain, John Watson, 1st Lieutenant, Albert Woodside, 2nd Lieutenant, Charles Cahill.
No. 1 Company - Captain, Earl Sudbury, 1st Lieutenant and 2nd Lieutenant to be appointed at a later meeting. -S.

No plebiscite in relation to the Water and Sewerage Commission will be held at the forthcoming civic election in Summerside.

A special meeting of the Summerside Town Council last evening held to consider the advice of the Town Recorder, decided that there was not sufficient time for notice of such plebiscite which was to have been held on February 3, 1953, the date of the civic election in Summerside.

They also decided that the matter of setting a date for such a plebiscite be left to the discretion of the incoming council.

The decision of the council last evening, rescinds a motion passed at the meeting of the Town Council on Friday, January 23rd, whereby a plebiscite would have been held on civic election day to determine whether the citizens of the town of Summerside desired the Water and Sewerage Commission to continue on as a separate body or be disbanded with its powers transferred to the Town Council.

Mayor Wedge presided at this special meeting, and all council members were present.

The motion to rescind the previous resolution regarding the plebiscite was moved by councillor J.L. Driscoll, and seconded by Councillor W.E. Jenkins. - S.

KENSINGTON RINK
TUESDAY, JAN. 27th
North Shore League
Summerside
versus
Spring Valley
Game 8:30 sharp

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28
Jr. North Shore League
Spring Valley
versus
Reserve Army
Game 8:45 sharp

HOCKEY
BORDEN RINK
TONIGHT
O'Leary Sisters
vs.
Borden Sisters
Admission 20 and 35 cents
Game starts at 8:15
Skate after game

Board Wires Ottawa For Ferry Service Guarantee

Mr. A. S. Hopkins president of the Summerside Board of Trade said last evening that so far no reply has been received from the Hon. J. G. Bennett, minister of transport, in answer to a telegram forwarded to him on Saturday asking for a guarantee that the car ferry service to and from this province would be maintained in the event of a railway strike.

The telegram sent to the Hon. Mr. Bennett read as follows: "In view of the impending strike of railway employees may we have your guarantee that the car ferry will continue to operate between Port Borden, P. E. I., and Cape Tormentine, N. B., in the event of a strike of railway employees?"

The decision to ask for this guarantee came as a result of a special meeting of the council of the Summerside board held on Saturday afternoon.

A copy of the telegram was also sent to Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, the member for Prince County.

period, was a man of initiative and a staunch promoter of private enterprise. At this time let us stand and honor their memory by observing a minute of silence.

"Nine general meetings of the Board were held during the past year. Matters brought to the attention of the meetings were well discussed and for present but there is room and need for improvement in attendance.

The following recommendations made by the Board of Trade during the year were carried out:
That the Town purchase the old Post Office; that the appearance and condition of the dump at the west end of Water Street be improved; and that the Provincial Government conduct a Highway Safety Campaign. Also, in connection with the new Post Office, which was apparently in her usual good health and had been caring for her invalid husband for the past number of years. Besides her husband a brother, Mr. Herbert Avery, resides at Alberton South.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday morning from the Brae Roman Catholic Church. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Other Objectives
"Discussions and/or recommendations which have not yet been successfully concluded were as follows:
1. Suggested changes in the Town's fire alarm system to indicate the location of fires.

2. Paving the railway crossing at the West end of Water Street.
3. Erection of fire hazards within the town.

4. Erection of "No Parking" signs on the South side of Water Street from the railway crossing to Harvard Street. The Town Council have agreed to carry out this suggestion.

5. Recommendation that the Summerside-Borden highway follow the most direct route via Central Bedeque Corner to Summerside.

6. Erection of a suitable Summerside sign where the Summerside-Borden highway joins the Trans-Canada highway.

7. Arranging a direct freighting service between Summerside and Newfoundland.

8. In July last a resolution was submitted to the Federal Government requesting that action be taken sufficiently in advance to ensure that the car ferry service between Port Borden and Cape Tormentine would not be interrupted by such a strike. This resolution was supported by the Maritime Provinces Board of Trade and assurance was received from the Minister of Transport that it would receive every consideration.

Last April John Morris and Walter LaPage of Charlottetown addressed the Board meeting on the subject of the formation of a Junior Chamber of Commerce here.

Marine Wharf Improvements
"It has been noted with satisfaction that improvements to the Marine Wharf which were urged by the Board in a previous year are now underway.

"The Tourist Bureau at Read's Corner was again operated throughout the season under our auspices and with financial support from the Town of Summerside and the Provincial Government.

"I now wish to extend my grateful thanks to our Secretary, Harold Rodd, for efficiently handling the correspondence and other paper work of the Board. Also, I greatly appreciate the co-operation I have received from all our members, as well as the good work done by various committees who devoted much time and effort to their respective projects. To the press and radio station CJRW for reporting our proceedings and to the Mayor and Town Council and the Provincial and Federal Government departments for giving consideration to our requests. I express my sincere appreciation.

"In this Province we have advantages and opportunities in fields which we are exploiting profitably and well. In countless ways the Island can be compared most favorably with any other region. It would appear, however, that there is something lacking in our appreciation of fundamental characteristics and that in the field of research and planning the Island, as a whole, is far behind the other provinces of Canada. We might be impatient of self-criticism, but we cannot escape the painful times in which we are living, and like all men, we must face some unpleasant realities, ask some vital questions, roll up our sleeves and get down to work.

Parva Sub Ingenti
"We should, at the beginning, have a look at this Province's geographic position.
"Prince Edward Island's official motto is 'Parva sub Ingenti', the small under the great. These words have traditionally described the position of Prince Edward Island

Nomination Day At S'side

Today is nomination day in Summerside for the civic election which will be held on next Tuesday for a councillor in each of the wards and for one three-year term on the Water and Sewerage Commission and also for a year term on the commission caused by the resignation of Mr. Andrew Perry, who will be a candidate in the West Ward.

Last night it was announced that Mr. William Pritchard, owner and operator of the Assets Store in Summerside, has decided to contest the Centre Ward. Mr. Hillard Clark had previously announced his intention of running in this ward. Up to last evening it looked as though there would be a contest in both the West and East Wards as Mr. Andrew Perry was the only candidate to announce his intention of nominating in the West and Mr. Donald Lidstone the only name in the East Ward.

These candidates will be in the running for the two wards in the Water and Sewerage Commission. Mr. Roland Sheen, Mr. Cyrus Poirier and Mr. Robert Dewar. Mr. Dewar is at present a member of the commission and states that he will nominate for another term today. -S

Basic Difficulties
" Naturally, one of the basic economic difficulties of the Island is the problem of communication with the mainland. Under the Confederation agreement it was arranged that the Dominion should provide efficient steam service for the conveyance of mails and passengers to be established and maintained between the Island and the mainland and summer, thus placing the Island in continuous communication with the Intercolonial Railway and the railway system of the Dominion. It is as obvious today as it was at Confederation that Prince Edward Island cannot be an effective part of the Dominion unless efficient transportation is constantly maintained.

The effect of transportation difficulties on Island commerce is obvious. Every truck and automobile, every bag of potatoes, every bush of fish, must bear the cost of transportation across the miles between Borden and Tormentine. Consequently, it costs more to ship Island produce from producer to consumer with the result that produce is handicapped in the competition of the market.

Financial problems are always present in any form of federal union, but they are most serious to the smallest partners. The basic source of public revenue in Prince Edward Island is agriculture and fishing. There are no agriculture and industries and resources of property and capital and no public lands, consequently, the field for personal and corporation taxation is limited. As a result, governments who have the resources for economic and social development and it's not easy to keep abreast of the other Provinces in this respect. The Confederation arrangement made provisions for this difficulty of public finance and these have had to be renewed or adjusted through the years to meet the ever increasing costs of government enterprise. Since 1873 the Island has had to rely on federal grants for a great proportion of its public revenue.

Production Problem
"Commercially speaking Prince Edward Island is in a position of producing and consuming in very small quantities. In most activities we deal in commodities which are produced and consumed elsewhere in large quantities by vast industries and enormous markets. The effect of production on working conditions, production price structure, market possibilities and consumer demand is obvious. Because we cannot possibly consume all we produce we are very dependent on fluctuations in demand elsewhere where competition is stiff. Consequently, successful industry in Prince Edward Island must maintain the closest contact with industry elsewhere so that it can maintain easy entrance to the markets of the continent. Moreover it must keep up to date on such vital aspects of merchandising as maintaining top quality, careful grading, effective packaging, and adequate advertising. If we are careless others can easily under-sell us in a competitive market.

There are a number of Island businessmen and livestock producers who are fully aware of this need for constant study, methods and markets. These people have brought far more prosperity to the Province than the general public realizes and some of them are among the top men in their fields in Canada. Yet there are still many possibilities for Island resources and industries to be developed by more research and by more understanding of what goes on in other provinces. There are many mistakes which can be avoided by watching the experience of others; there are many lessons which can be made by examining developments elsewhere. One need only look at the enormous strides being made in the exploitation of industry and resources in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland since the war to appreciate the possibilities. In Prince Edward Island keeping up with the trend in other provinces, Parva sub Ingenti presents a challenge.

Ingens sub Parva
"The Island's motto can be reversed to read 'the great under the little' so as to illustrate another

Declining Population

"These problems and questions in the economic and cultural field are dramatically illustrated by what seems to be by far the biggest and most encouragingly serious weakness in Prince Edward Island today. This weakness is a steady and continuous drain of young people to other provinces. It is a significant fact that the population of Canada has risen steadily since Confederation. The Atlantic population has declined sharply since the last century; it is 14,000 less today than it was in 1891. Prime Minister St. Laurent commented only recently that the end of this century would see upwards of forty million people in Canada; we should pause and ask what the population of Prince Edward Island will be. This is the only Province in Canada with such a situation. Why? It is a disturbing fact that young people from every walk of life are leaving this Province and are being replaced by others coming in. Boys and girls of the farms, sons and daughters of fishermen, school and college graduates, technical and clerical employees, both city and rural are looking to the mainland for opportunities. Indeed other provinces are making every effort to secure them.

"To take just one example, we hear many complaints of a shortage of nurses in Prince Edward Island. There is no shortage of prospective nurses; each year they are going away in large numbers for training in other provinces. Can anything be done to attract young Island ladies into our own nursing groups? Can they be encouraged to come back after training elsewhere? Can anything be done to attract nurses from outside the province to come here?

"Again why is the migration of rural youth taking place while the number of vacant farms in Prince Edward Island is increasing rapidly? For an agricultural province this question is basic. What is the significance of salaries, and working and living conditions? Moreover, this trend is not confined to young people alone. Within the past year Charlottetown has lost a prominent lawyer and a respected doctor who have practiced here for many years, as well as two deputy ministers. There is cause for alarm when senior people are tempted to leave.

Immigration
" It should also be noted that Prince Edward Island is the only Province in Canada which tends to discourage young people from entering it. Every Province puts itself out to encourage people to come in; there are few jobs offered to outsiders here. Other things which encourage people to leave are the fact that the Island should favour local people, but such pro-favour cannot be carried too far and the other things must be equal. And yet, with all our preference, our own young people are not staying. Moreover, few Islanders who are trained elsewhere are being encouraged to come back. Some would like to come back; what would bring them?

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Notice

"It is sometimes thought that education for local life, concentration on local affairs, and cultural and social self-sufficiency will encourage local loyalty and develop local industry. They will, but only to a very limited extent if a thorough knowledge of the outside world is not cultivated as well. It is significant to note that the golden era of Prince Edward Island - trade, industry, population, cultural local and political influence coincided with a period of intense interest in national affairs and constant economic and cultural association with Great Britain and the New England States.

"It is very easy to blame governments, both local and federal, for regional difficulties. We often look to them for too much. Undoubtedly, governments have made mistakes as well as successes, but they can't be expected to do everything without a substantial backing of public opinion. This point is obvious with respect to provincial government, but what of the federal government? Where does Prince Edward Island stand with respect to federal public opinion, not just on local issues, but on national matters? Moreover, it is easy to blame the Central Government for neglect of local problems, and it is easy to become too dependent on Ottawa for the solution of those problems. But must there be an Ottawa solution for all of them? Will relations with Ottawa become easier if the population continues to decrease proportionately? The answer may be 'yes'; perhaps it's 'no'; it will be worth a bit of study to find out.

"Again, it is easy to become enamoured with outside people and ideas without considering the questions: 'who people?' 'ideas?' It is easy for an isolated area to find itself importing people who have been unsuccessful elsewhere and ideas that have proved unworkable and obsolete elsewhere. Again, the remedy is an understanding of practice and personnel, in both the local area and other places. Do we encourage sufficiently that understanding?

No Easy Answer
" No one should suggest that these questions have easy answers, but at least some careful study should be given to any possibilities which might exist to make this Province more attractive to its youth. The unpleasant fact is that the exilt has reached unreasonable proportions and that the future of the Island is in a growing Canada will not be bright if it continues.

"Somewhat young people must see that things happen in Prince Edward Island; that there is every opportunity for and recognition of their talents and ambitions; that a large contribution is being made to the national effort, not just by Islanders abroad but by Islanders at home; that Islanders will not have to go elsewhere to know the rest of Canada; that Prince Edward Islanders will look on Prince Edward Island as offering opportunities, not just during the two tourist months, but all year; that the best Islanders elsewhere will want to return; that the Province participates fully in the cultural activities of the nation; that progress and experience and the good life are not necessarily the prerogatives of big places.

"In other words, the physical conditions of living are excellent on the Island; are the economic, social, and cultural conditions to be compared? Is there anything basically wrong? There is, then there is an obvious need for research into the basic problems and for appropriate action, not by governments alone, but by groups and individuals as well. Those who love Prince Edward Island and want to see it thrive should be satisfied with nothing less."

Perley Hardy, President
J. R. Rochford, Secretary

Notice

The Regals Hockey Club, Alberton, will not be responsible for any bills unless authorized by an order signed by the secretary.

Notice

All accounts not paid by Feb. 1st, 1953 will be handed to a lawyer for collection.

Notice

This store will be closed Wednesday morning and all day Thursday for alterations. Will be open for business on Friday morning.

Notice

Maurice Mill Men's Wear Summerside