

Gives Details Of Defence Dept. Lumber Business

OTTAWA, (CP)—Ralph Campney, associate defence minister, says the Defence Department went into the lumber business at Camp Bay, Ont., for a couple of winters because of rising prices of lumber.

He got out last year.

He replied Monday to two questions about the activities of a government-owned sawmill and the disposal of its products.

His replies didn't satisfy questions Douglas Harkness (P.C.—Ontario) and Percy Wright (C.P.—Ontario) but the speaker (C.P.—Ontario) must be satisfied that the questions must be answered since the minister said he had replied fully to them.

Mr. Campney said the department went into the lumber business in the winter of 1950-51 because it was considered more economical to do that than to buy lumber in the rising market. The logs were cut up the next summer and stacked.

In September, Crown Assets Disposal Corporation sold 500,000 board feet of pine logs to A. Amott and Sons of Hull, Que., for \$14,500, a price "in line with prevailing markets". In the same month the same firm rented the sawmill at \$2 per thousand board feet of lumber sawn and cut until Nov. 7 when it closed down the mill until May.

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APPOINTED ASSISTANT — Mr. Joseph G. Campbell has been named to the position of Assistant Clerk of the House for the session of the Legislature which opens today.

THIRICE ELECTED — Mr. Earl D. Sherrin, former resident of Crapaud, was recently elected to serve his third term as Commander of the Legion George Girouard Post 139, Brockton, Mass. His wife, the former Miss Helen Ings, of Charlestown, is the post president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Post.

POLICE COURT — In the City Police Court yesterday morning before Magistrate K. M. Martin, a resident of Cornwall found guilty of having a motor vehicle in his care and control while his faculties were impaired by alcohol was fined \$100 and costs or 20 days. Four city drunk and incapable were each sentenced to 10 days and costs or 10 days and another sentenced to \$5, and costs or 5 days and one other was remanded until Wednesday. A local man was fined \$15, and costs for operating a motor car through a red light.

FIRST AID CLASS OPENS — A First Aid class was opened yesterday at the Experimental Farm for drivers, and will be conducted each afternoon during the week in order to speed up its completion. The classes are under the direction of Mr. John McInnis and Mrs. Henry McInnis. The class, which is being conducted in a more leisurely manner will run into a longer period as instruction will be given twice weekly only. This latter class has a membership of 25 and consists of members of the Science Laboratory Staff. Mrs. Hazel Roland is giving instruction to this group.

CAMERA CLUB MEETING — A meeting of the Charlottetown Camera Club was held last night at the Y.M.C.A. A table-top photography contest was judged by Mr. Gerry Gray. The prize, a book on photography was presented by Barrie McInnis with his picture of a miniature duck. Following the judging, an interesting showing of color slides was given by Roland Taylor. It was decided that the next meeting would be held at the Experimental Farm. It will be on portrait photography. Roland Taylor, president, presided last night.

ATTENDED TRAINING COURSE — Constables Russell Downe and Lloyd Archer of the City Police Force returned from Halifax Saturday evening after attending a general course of Police training in Halifax. Sixteen Maritime Police officers attended the school which provided instruction in various branches of police work under the direction of highly trained men of the R. C. M. P. and Maritime officials of experience. An address on Civil Defence by Rear Admiral Houghton and one on criminal procedure by Lt. Col. G. M. Graham, M. B. E., assistant crown prosecutor, highlighted the proceedings. Constables Archer and Downe both passed all examinations successfully and each was awarded an efficiency diploma from the school.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT — In Queen's County Court before Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet a resident of North River pleaded guilty of having liquor in his possession in a place other than his residence and was fined \$20 and costs 30 days. A city resident found guilty of operating a motor vehicle while his faculties were impaired by alcohol was fined \$75 and costs or two months in jail. A resident of Mt. Abillon found guilty of being intoxicated in a public place was fined \$20 and costs or 30 days. A resident of Charlottetown Royalty was found guilty of keeping a bawdy-house and was sentenced to six months imprisonment. A young woman found guilty of being an inmate of the house was sentenced to two months imprisonment.

PERSONALS

Lieut. Col. F. I. Andrew has entered the P. E. Island Hospital on Saturday for observation following a slight indisposition.

Mrs. R. G. Fleming, North Rustico is spending a few days in Charlottetown and is the guest of the Walsh family on Orlebar Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter E. Rogers and their young daughter left for Valleyfield, Que., yesterday morning where Mr. Rogers has accepted a position with a large industrial corporation. They were accompanied by Mrs. Rogers' mother, Mrs. Armstrong, who has been living here for several months.

Renowned Book Auctioneer Dies

LONDON, (AP)—Charles Geoffrey Dea Graz, 60, renowned British book auctioneer whose sales included a collection of Napoleon's letters, died Monday. Dea Graz, chairman of London's historic Sotheby's auction house, conducted nearly every important sale of books in London in the last 30 years.

The president of the Republic of Ireland is elected directly by the people for a seven-year term.

Pianist Gives Fine Concert Last Evening

A brilliant young New Zealand pianist drew a warm ovation from Community Concert goers last evening at Prince of Wales College for a magnificent concert which was thoroughly enjoyed from beginning to end.

Mr. Farrell, born in New Zealand, went to the United States in 1945 to study with Olga Samoroff but his musical gifts were evident from the early age of four. He has toured Australia, New Zealand, and North America, appearing with leading orchestras and in chamber music concerts. He has made frequent appearances in England, playing with such groups as the London String Quartet and the London Symphony.

His concert last evening opened with the moving "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach, and the Appassionata Sonata, Opus 57 in F minor, by Beethoven. Mr. Farrell's sparkling performance of the Allegro movements, and the warm, sympathetic manner in which he interpreted the Andante variations, were equally fine.

Four compositions by Chopin followed—the Ballade in G minor, two mazurkas, and the Scherzo in B minor. The ballade is a fiery composition inspired by a Polish folk song, embodying a highly patriotic theme. The soloist's fine performance of the stormy passages of the Ballade, as well as its more thoughtful ones, made this one of the most popular numbers on the program. Two delightful mazurkas created a change of tempo before the dramatic and melancholy Scherzo, which concluded the first portion of the concert.

Compositions by two modern composers furnished a refreshing change, as the concert resumed with two songs by Ravel on a Spanish theme, Alborada del Gracioso, and Pavane pour une Infante Defunte. These were followed by the Suite Bergamasque by Debussy, comprising a prelude, menuet, the familiar Clair de Lune and Paesepied.

The final number on the scheduled portion of the program, a flashing rendition of Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 6, was received with great acclaim, and rounds of applause brought the artist back for three more numbers: the Waltz in C sharp minor by Chopin, a lively arrangement of waltzes from Die Fledermaus by Strauss, and a waltz in E minor by Chopin.

No Heavy Movement Of Cattle To U.S. Expected

Canada-U.S. Renew 30-Year Halibut Treaty

OTTAWA, (CP)—Representatives of Canada and the United States toasted their excellent relations Monday with the halibut as the symbol of what they have been able to do through understanding and co-operation.

Headed by Prime Minister St. Laurent, they signed a 30-year renewal of the halibut treaty, which was first signed in 1923. The treaty provides for a new lease on life 30 years, ago and blazed several diplomatic trails to boot.

The only thing missing was the hero of the occasion; there wasn't a halibut to be seen.

Thirty years ago the two countries signed a treaty for the protection of the endangered halibut fishery in the Pacific. Their representatives signed a convention Monday renewing the bargain and making some modest changes in it.

The original 1923 treaty was the first bilateral treaty a Canadian ever signed for Canada. In honor of this new convention as the son of the man, the late Justice Minister Ernest Lapointe, who set that precedent 30 years ago, the other Canadian to sign was Fisheries Minister Sinclair.

The 1923 treaty was important, too, in that it was the first international fisheries treaty. It turned out to be an off-followed model not only in new fisheries treaties between Canada and the U.S. but between other countries as well.

The bargain was a good one for both countries, Mr. Sinclair said. The halibut has not only been preserved; it has grown greatly in numbers. Fishermen of the two countries landed in 1952 four times the take of 1923 and they did it in one-sixth the time. The 1952 catch for Canadians was worth \$1,200,000.

PRICES DOWN

Officials said the recent decline in U.S. cattle and meat prices offered Canadian little incentive to send cattle and meat to the U.S. In recent weeks, prices of some types of cattle have been higher in Canada than in the U.S.

Canada has in the past sent both cattle and beef as well as small amounts of other meats to the U.S. but they never amounted to more than three or four per cent of the U.S.'s own production.

The greatest incentive to the cattle shipped by Canada has been for stocking and feeding purposes rather than for slaughter.

Pork Only Surplus

Officials said no sizable surplus of meat or cattle has backed up in Canada except for some pork in storage. They added it is likely that fewer feed cattle than before the embargo will enter from Canada because of the low price for this type of cattle in the U.S.

Lifting of the embargo reopens a market which in the past gave \$130,000,000 a year to Canadian cattlemen.

Since the embargo was imposed Feb. 25, 1952, Canadian meat has been barred at the border. Even U.S. hunters were prevented from bringing their kills back from Canada.

Last December a chink was made in the embargo when Canadian hay was allowed into the U.S. to help drought-stricken cattlemen of the south and southwest. Both hay and straw had been barred because of fear they would carry the scourge.

In the period 1948-50, imports from Canada to the U.S. of cattle averaged 432,000 head a year annually. Imports were 239,000 in 1951.

Average meat imports in the 1948-50 period were 70,000,000 pounds of beef and veal, 5,000,000 pounds of pork, 3,000,000 pounds of lamb and mutton.

KILMUIR W. I.

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverview Institute of Hunter River was held at the home of Mrs. Chester Whitlock on February 2nd.

Mrs. C. B. Matheson presided and the meeting opened by repeating the Collect and by singing the Institute Ode. The roll call was answered and the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Committees were heard from and new ones appointed were: Sick, Mrs. Hedley Spence; refreshment, Mrs. Allan Smith, Mrs. L. Carey and Mrs. R. Bagnall; entertainment, Mrs. J. R. Murchison.

Correspondence was read and discussed. It was moved and seconded that a pair of blankets be bought for the Gallants whose home has been destroyed by fire, and anyone wishing to send clothing was asked to leave same at Mrs. Matheson's. It was decided to budget \$5.00 toward the van.

A very fine essay on the first settlers of Hunter River and the history of this village was given by Mrs. Frank Bagnall, to whom much credit is due.

Mrs. Ivan Bowman invited the members to her home for the March meeting.

A contest was put on and was won by Mrs. Frank Bagnall. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess assisted by the committee in charge, and the meeting closed by singing the National Anthem.

KILMUIR W. I.

Mrs. E. Farquharson was hostess to the members of the Kilmuir Women's Institute Thursday evening, January 29, when they met at her home for their regular monthly meeting.

The meeting opened with the Institute Ode. Roll call was answered by six members. Six visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

The secretary, Mrs. Colin MacFarquhar, read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved by the president, Mrs. D. Stewart. Miss Anne MacDonald reported on two boxes packed at MacGowan's store having been sent to a former resident of the district now serving in Korea.

A report for the school committee and the book committee was given by Mrs. E. Farquharson. The

Baptist Men Hear Address On Conservation

Mr. Spurgeon Jenkins, for many years a game warden and wild life conservationist, addressed the Baptist Men's Association at their regular monthly meeting in the lower church hall last night. The speaker, writer of the popular weekly feature "Hunter's Corner" and a member of the Men's Association, told of many interesting experiences where the undisturbed nature proved the best state of affairs.

He mentioned in passing the harm of modern insecticides on small birds like the destructive habits of sparrows, grackles and stray cats, the value of toads, and the fox as a mouser and skunk hunter. His talk, as well as being informative, was well aploed with humour.

Marking the 8th anniversary as a society, vice-president Edward MacPhail read the aims of the body as listed in the constitution and a list of the men present at the founding meeting. From that list the following were in attendance: Messrs. R. J. Rupert, M. R. Bethune, Les Gillespie, Harper MacNeill and T. G. Jevet.

At the invitation of Scoutmaster D. Holden, the men voted unanimously to sponsor the Church's Scouts and a collection was taken to back the boys in their work. A motion was further made to put the men on record as being well pleased with the leadership and membership of these Scouts and Cubs.

Ladies of the Martha Group of the Auxiliary, provided a tasty supper. The meeting was under the chairmanship of the president, Mr. Vic Runtz.

Former Islander Prominent In College Of Organists

At a meeting held recently in Windsor, Ont., to form a Windsor branch of the Canadian College of Organists, Mr. Walter MacNutt was among those elected to the executive, as vice chairman.

Mr. MacNutt, organist and choir director of All Saints' Church in Windsor, is a son of Major T. E. MacNutt and Mrs. MacNutt of Charlottetown.

One of the highlights of the organizational meeting was a short talk by Reginald Geen of Oshawa, one of the country's outstanding organists and national president of the Canadian College of Organists, in which he described a recent trip to England, when he presented a cheque for \$30,000 raised by his organization to restore bombed out organs in English churches. Mr. Geen will be remembered by many as one of the adjudicators of last year's musical festival, who will return again this year.

Membership in the C.C.O., of which the Windsor branch is one of the units of organ playing and the promotion of higher standards of efficiency, is restricted to church organists, choir masters, and others interested in organ playing and in church music generally.

Father And Son Banquet At Zion

The members of Zion Men's Brotherhood and their boys got together in their annual Father and Son banquet in the church hall last evening, presided over by Mr. Wendell Phillips, president of the Brotherhood.

Rev. G. C. Webster asked the blessing as approximately 110 sat down to an excellent turkey dinner, prepared and served by a number of ladies, representative of the several ladies' groups in the church.

President Phillips in a brief address of welcome to both fathers and sons, stressed to the latter their responsibility and duty to carry on the work of the church in the future. Mr. Phillips called on Master Roddy Hickox to propose a toast to "The Fathers" which was responded to by Mr. A. A. MacDonald.

Mr. MacDonald urged the young people of the congregation to prepare themselves to be useful citizens in the community and to be ever mindful of their responsibilities in the church.

The chairman called on Mr. E. D. Reid to propose a toast to "The Sons", which was responded to by Master Keith Beaton.

Rev. Mr. Webster in speaking to the assembly urged closer fellowship between father and son and the house of God. He emphasized that some fathers neglected the spiritual education of their children in providing for their physical well-being.

Mr. R. C. Parent drew attention to the fine cupboards built for the Cubs, Brownies, Scouts and Guides and thanked the Brotherhood for their work. A sing-song was carried on under the direction of Mr. Frank Johnston at the piano.

A vote of thanks to the ladies for their sumptuous repast was responded to by Mrs. MacFadyen.

Daily Mail Drops European Edition

PARIS, (CP)—The continental Daily Mail, European edition of the London Daily Mail which since 1906 has imparted a British flavor to the French scene, has ceased publication.

It left the European edition of the New York Herald Tribune as the only English-language daily published here.

The Mail's dropping circulation apparently prompted the action Monday.

Police Search For Cigarette Thieves

A carton containing 160 packages of assorted cigarettes picked up by Detective Sgt. Tony Lund and night watchman Hugh MacKinnon in an alleyway on Sydney Street at 2 a.m. Sunday led to a search of the immediate vicinity for a break and entry job. Their progress was retarded when all the steel shutters in the rear of the buildings appeared to be carefully locked and intact. On trying the shutters at Reddin Brothers drug store however, they were found to be carefully closed over a broken window from which several bars had also been removed. The men remained on guard over the loot for some time but finally returned it to the Police Station without having been able to identify anyone with the theft. Police are continuing the investigation.

C.C.F. Says Go

It might not have if the minister had frankly admitted it was a business man's budget and not try to dress it up as a gift for all. Mr. Abbott didn't make a very good Santa Claus.

His distribution of gifts was poor because there was virtually nothing in them for the average man. And what there was in the way of an income tax cut had been badly overplayed. The alleged 11 per cent cut had been cut to 5-1-2 per cent by being dated July 1 but it was even lower than that because an increase in social security payments took a lot of the benefit.

More Taxes This Year

In fact, Canadians would pay more taxes this year than last because federal revenues would be up.

If Mr. Abbott had really wanted to help people he would have slashed sales taxes, he would have effected economies in government, would have done something for young people trying to establish a home and he would have done something for the farmer whom he had completely ignored.

Mr. Nowlan said the Maritime provinces are quite capable of standing on their own feet as well as any other part of Canada. They sought no special federal aid, but they did expect government guidance and help in meeting such marketing problems as those facing the fishing and apple-growing industries.

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calves and heavy cattle at a preferred rate of duty.

The preferred duty of 1-1-2 cents a pound is allowed on up to 200,000 calves a year weighing less than 200 pounds and up to 400,000 heavyweight cattle weighing 700 pounds or more. Cattle sent to the United States in excess of these numbers are subject to duty of 21-2 cents a pound.

However, government officials said the ceilings are at such a high level that they have no practical effect on Canadian export.

Meanwhile, Canada greeted the end of the American embargo with jubilation. Members of the Commonweal applauded when the announcement was read in the chamber by Agriculture Minister Gardiner.

Trade Minister Howe, whose job was to search for alternative markets for heavy meat surpluses piling up in Canadian warehouses during the embargo period, said he is "very delighted".

Report Holland

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commission considering anti-flood measures in the light of the disaster which took 1,487 Dutch lives.

14-Year Project

Plans to join the island could be drawn up in about two years. Actual construction might take 12 years.

The history of the scheldt estuary islands for the last 1,000 years is one of repeated breaches of the sea defences, followed by a period of poverty, deprivation and hard work to rebuild the dikes.

A government survey said more than 100,000 persons have been forced to evacuate their homes as a result of last month's flood. Total damage was estimated at about \$350,000,000.

A total of 400,500 acres of Holland were flooded, including 332,500 acres of farmland. Some 9,000 houses and farms were destroyed or damaged beyond repair. Nearly 25,000 cattle, 15,000 to 20,000 pigs, more than 2,000 sheep and 1,500 horses were drowned.

U.S. Prices Lower

But while American buyers were ready to take dairy cattle, others were finding no Canadian bargains in slaughter cattle generally.

Prices in Canada were slightly higher than in the U.S. and reports from border points, such as Morrisburg, Ont., were that sellers must cut prices slightly if they want to attract American customers.

In Washington, American officials said they do not anticipate any great movement of supplies from Canada in the immediate future. The recent decline in U.S. cattle and meat prices offered Canadians little incentive to send cattle and meat to the U.S.

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because the fire burned through the main cable carrying power to the hydro lines.

Months For Repairs

Mr. Luney could not estimate how long it might take to get the plant back in partial operation. It might be months.

The plant is about a mile from this settlement 30 miles west of Ottawa and is jointly owned by the Ontario hydro-electric commission and the Ottawa Valley Power Company.

Two plant employees, Tom Tripy, 42, and Jack Ross, were credited with preventing costly electrical damage to equipment by quickly throwing the switches cutting all eight turbo-generators when the fire flashed from the circuit-breaker and spewed burning oil.

The ice patrol scheduled to begin yesterday morning was deferred until this morning or even later if weather conditions continue to be unfavourable. Snow flurries which would destroy visibility for a survey of this kind, was the cause of the cancellation. Captain C. A. Shaw is the observer for the Department of Transport and Captain Godfrey will be in charge of the flight with Wm. Bruce as First Officer and Mr. Ted Shaw as Navigation Officer.

Premier Contributes Article On Agriculture To Monetary Times

The excellence of the year just past is stressed in an article in the Monetary Times annual review. It was prepared for the magazine by Premier J. Walter Jones and emphasizes the splendid growing weather which gave the farmers crops in abundance.

The Premier stated that the farmers expected to end the 1953 crop season with a greater dollar value than ever before; and in spite of the record \$26,800,000 taken from the good earth in 1951. At the same time the article points out that nearly everyone here is dependent on the soil to some extent and mentions that Charlottetown serves a rural buying population of approximately 50,000 people.

It is noted that the vast territories being opened in the Seven Islands district of Quebec should provide a new market for this Province which is the only one in Eastern Canada with a food producing surplus each year. Prince Edward Island is nearer by water to the development than Montreal and fresh foods can be landed by air in a matter of a few hours.

The fishing industry brings an annual return of over \$3,000,000 with lobsters accounting for practically two-thirds of it.

The value of the tourist industry is mentioned, but it is also noted that large numbers of would-be visitors are lost to the Province each year through the inadequacy of the ferry communication systems. The article concludes with the statement that "Our economy could suffer a serious setback in the near future should we be denied further expansion in our transportation services."

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— G. H. M. —

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BABY wants a new dress! And the Youth Centre has an array of the sweetest wee frocks, in sizes 6 months to 1 1/2 years, that we've seen in a great long while. The tiny DRESSES for Baby are made in the daintiest of nylon (puckered or plain), fine crepe, servicable broadcloth and film dimity. You first notice the rack of them and then when you pick out each individual Baby Dress you will be enthralled with the darling smocking and embroidery that adds the final touch of decoration. These littlest Dresses are in charming "ice-cream" colors — they're priced from 1.98 to 4.98 in the Youth Centre at Holman's.

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