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Premier Campbell Pleased With Trip

"My trip to Ottawa was made, it should be understood, not solely as the Leader of the Prince Edward Island Liberal Party, at the head of the island delegation to the National Liberal Conference, but had the far more extensive purpose of affording me, as Premier of Prince Edward Island, an opportunity to engage in top level discussions, on a number of topics of vital importance to the Province, with the appropriate Federal authorities," said Premier Campbell on his return from Ottawa yesterday.

"While in Ottawa," Premier Campbell continued "by far the greatest portion of my time was spent in conference with federal cabinet ministers, the chief executives of various federal governmental agencies, and with certain private groups who are expressing an interest in certain phases of our Island's economic development. I had a very valuable private discussion with Prime Minister Pearson, as well as detailed discussions with Finance Minister Sharpe, Agriculture Minister Green, Fisheries Minister Robichaud, Rural Development Minister Sauve, Public Works Minister McLraith, Defence Minister Helmyer, and of course, and perhaps of most importance of all currently with Transport Minister Pickersgill. I also engaged in lengthy and productive conference with five of the top-level specialists from Acres Consultants, during which we discussed, among other things, the final phases in the preparation of Acres' preliminary report on a Comprehensive Island Development Plan."

"Concerning the National Liberal Conference, which, quite understandably, received far more publicity than my private business, as Premier, in Ottawa, I was kept constantly informed of the progress of the Conference, and of its accomplishments, by continuous and detailed reports, directly to me, from our Provincial Party Policy Chairman, Frank Sigsworth, together with similar personal reports from W.R. Jenkins, our Provincial Liberal Association President, Mrs. Kussel Roper, President of our Provincial Liberal Women's Association, as well as from Mary Cullen, reporting for our University Liberal Clubs and Leo Brodick, our Provincial Young Liberal Association spokesman."

"I was, of course, particularly heartened by Mr. Sigsworth's report to me of the delegation's success in giving such an articulate voice to our Island's unique problems of transportation and communication with the mainland, as well as with the other problems associated with possible solutions to our basic problem of continuous and uninterrupted communication and transportation generally."

"In general, then, all reports to me, at this time, indicate that our National Liberal Conference was an unqualified success, and accomplished a great deal, in a comparatively short time, in affecting a searching look at the problems facing Canada as it enters into the second century of its national existence, and, in the Conference's endeavours to evolve solutions to these problems, to re-examine Liberal Policies, and, where necessary, to formulate new ones. All in all, our National Conference achieved much in all of these areas."

Transport Minister Replies To Question

OTTAWA — Transport minister J.W. Pickersgill said here this week that a date for hearings into proposed increases in the ferry rates on the Borden-Tormentine run will be announced in due course.

He was replying to questions on the Commons' order paper from Heath Macquarrie, MP for Queens.

Protests about the increase in rates had been received from then premier Walter R. Shaw and from the present Premier, Alex B. Campbell and M.F. Schurman Co. Ltd. A resolution had not been received from the P.E.I. legislature, although premier Shaw's telegram of April 6 referred to such a resolution that had been passed by the legislature. Premier Shaw had been notified of the suspension of the increases in rates of May 6.

The government said that no representations had been received favoring the increase. There had been changes in fares on Atlantic ferries in the past three years, Mr. Macquarrie was informed. Some increases and some decreases were made on the Yarmouth — Bar Harbour service. The passenger, auto and truck rates were increased in the summer peak season, but decreased for passengers and autos in the off-season of November to April.

In addition a number of local people contributed to the program. They included: Omar Cheverie, Souris; Earl and Emmett Hughes, Fort Augustus; George Weatherbie, Alex MacLean, Judy MacKinnon, Patsy MacLean, Mary MacQuarrie, Evelyn Fraser, Bernard Campbell and Darlene Rush, Charlottetown and the Doyle Sisters from Savage Harbor.

The program is scheduled to be repeated tonight at Souris High School auditorium.

Fifty Members Attend Meeting

MONTAGUE — Approximately fifty members of the Montague Branch Royal Canadian Legion were present for the regular monthly meeting held recently in the Legion home.

The President Stewart Dewar presided. Also at the business desk was the secretary, Mrs. MacKay, the lone lady member of the branch and the new treasurer Athol Robertson.

Mr. Robertson was recently appointed to fill the vacancy left by Peter Sinclair who was unable to finish the term. Mr. Sinclair has returned to University at S.D.U.

Mr. Robertson presented the financial statement which included the previous ten months. This statement showed the branch to be in a sound financial position and all dealings carried on in a business like manner.

Discussion took place on assistance to comrades who require financial assistance, a donation to the cripple children and retarded children auction, the poppy campaign, and a decision was reached to paint the men's club room and the entrance to the home immediately with other rooms to be considered on a basis of a room a year unless otherwise deemed necessary.

Following the meeting lunch was served by the ladies auxiliary of the legion.

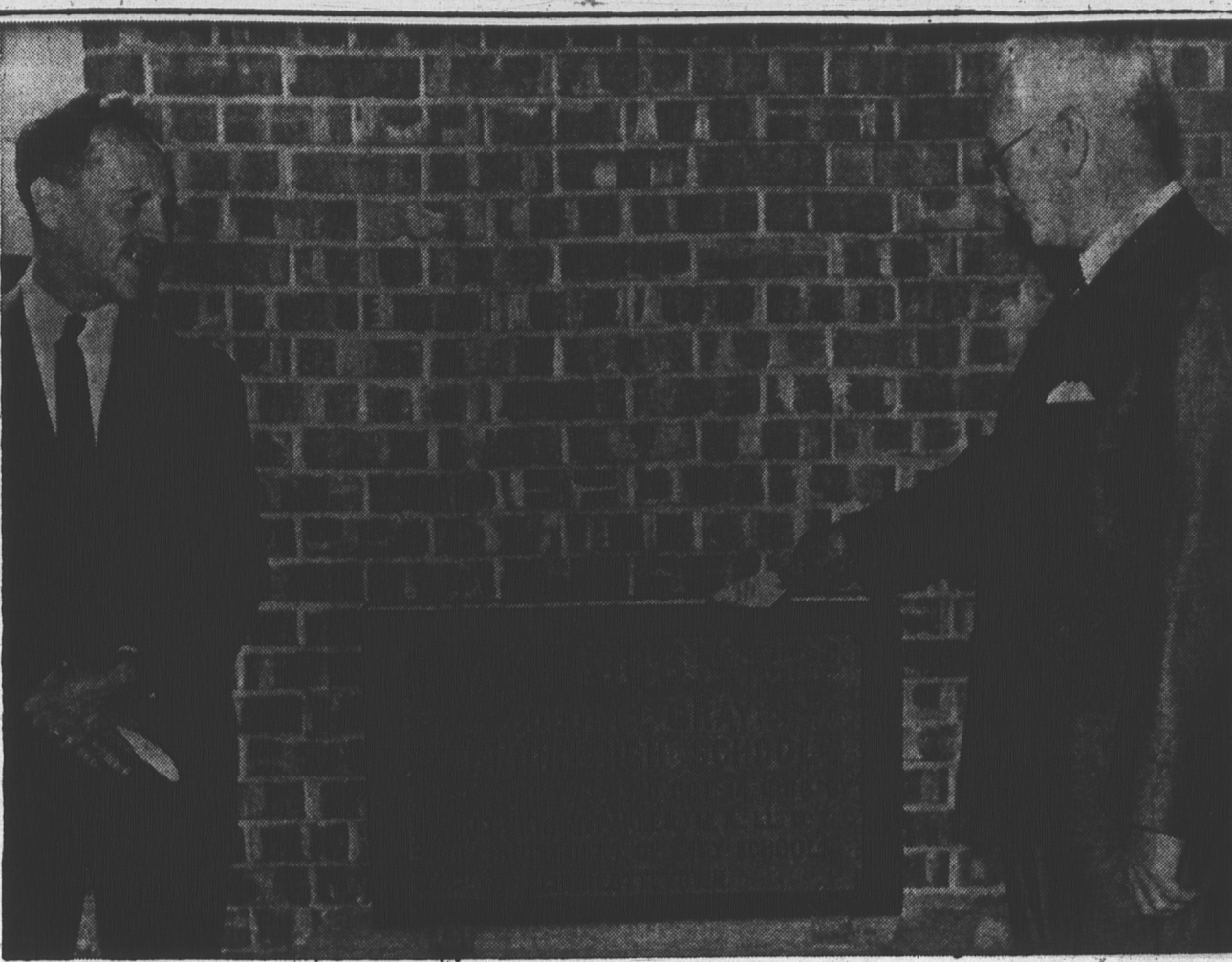
Concert Features Fiddlers

An overflow audience last night attended a Scottish concert at the Basilica Recreation Centre. The program featured two Nova Scotia old time fiddlers, Winston (Scotty) Fitzgerald and Joe MacLean. Scottish songs were provided by Charles MacKenzie, from Cape Breton.

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DR. KENNETH Parker, superintendent of Charlottetown schools, RIGHT, lays cornerstone for Colonel Gray Senior High School which had its official opening yesterday. Looking on is Dr. R. Gordon Lea, chairman of the board of school trustees, Charlottetown.

Dr. Parker Gives Address At Official School Opening

A formal handing over of the keys yesterday afternoon signified the taking over from the contractor of the new Colonel Gray High School in ceremonies held in the presence of a large number of dignitaries. Dr. R. Gordon Lea, chairman of the City School Board, presided.

Guest speaker at the formal opening of the city's new prestige high school was Dr. K.A. Parker, superintendent of city schools. He said Canadian society has not provided the share of taxpayers dollars for education so important in today's world of constant change.

During the ceremonies yesterday a highlight was the presentation of paintings to the school by Mrs. Guy Fichaud, chairman of the Women's Committee of the Confederation Centre Art Gallery and Museum. The presentation to the school will mark the start of a new program that will see the Women's Committee give to the city schools on a loan basis paintings and other works of art that will be interchanged among the schools.

Dr. Frank MacKinnon, principal of Prince of Wales College, presented to the new school a portrait of Col. John Gray, who headed the island delegation and chaired the meetings on Maritime Union that led to Confederation on September 1, 1864, and for whom the new school was named.

During the afternoon program two choral selections "Ash Grove" and "All Through the Night" were presented by the Col. Gray Vocal Group and a member of the school's staff, Basil Phillips, entertained with two violin solos, "Sarabonde" and "Gege". Mr. Phillips was accompanied by Royston Murgford.

The Invocation was given by Monsignor P. F. MacDonald, Diocesan Chancellor, and the Benediction pronounced by Rev. Ewen MacDougall, president of the Charlottetown Ministerial Association. Among special guests were Mayor Walter Cox and members of City Council, Provincial Government representatives, former Mayors of the City and members of the clergy.

In his speech to the gathering Dr. Parker emphasized how important it was to the future well-being of the nation that more money should be spent on educational facilities and perhaps less on social security as is now being done in this materialistic age. He said the future of this province was directly dependent on what all levels of government here contribute to the education of the Island's boys and girls.

"The governments of the day can set up trade commissions, industrial commissions and what have you in ever increasing numbers, but it will be largely a wasted effort if at the same time the citizens of tomorrow, who remain here to share and develop our good life, are not provided with the kind of

education which meets the needs of our type of society."

"However," the superintendent paid tribute to the City of Charlottetown and its people for the great contribution to education made here. He noted that since 1952 five new schools and a substantial \$250,000 renovation to Spring Park Elementary School have been built. Dr. Parker said the antiquated School Act, written in 1872, forced the city to bear the heavy cost itself and termed the situation one "without precedent in any school district on this continent."

In formally opening the new \$1,125,000 school Dr. Parker expressed appreciation of the effort of the immediate past government for providing substantial capital grants towards the construction and said it was no secret the present government was further considering for furnishings, equipment, etc., on the same basis as pertains to Regional High School Districts.

Referring again to Charlottetown's contribution to the education of its youth he said this district "in a very tangible way has given priority to its education needs" and went on to show the results obtained by doing so.

The School Superintendent told the large gathering of the gratifying results of the City's efforts. He said in 1952 only 51 per cent of pupils who had entered 10 years before completed Grade 10. But in June 1966, 82 per cent of the youngsters who entered school in 1956 finished the 10 grades. He then asked "where could there be greater return on an investment of the taxpayers' dollars?"

"Noting this first year of operation was by necessity a transitional period, he told of the new courses to be introduced as electives next year and said "as time goes on the student body will be divided into two main streams, with the help of our Guidance personnel. One will lead to the final examinations as set by the Atlantic Provinces Common Examining Board for university entrance and the other leading to a High School Leaving Certificate at the end of the Grade 12 general course."

The reasoning back of this was shown when Dr. Parker said "with these minimum standards for this day and age all graduates will be enabled to seek further vocational and academic training as best suits their ability."

Dr. R. Gordon Lea, chairman of the School Board, presided at the opening.

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\$250 Fine Is Levied

SUMMERSIDE — Carl David Nicholson of Montague was fined a total of \$250 and costs after he pleaded guilty to five charges under the highway traffic act in County Court here yesterday before Magistrate W. Chester S. MacDonald.

Nicholson pleaded guilty to three charges of driving while his license was suspended, one for displaying a license not his own, and another charge of having the care and control of an automobile while impaired.

On the three charges of driving while his license was suspended, he was fined \$50 and costs on each, the alternative being 30, 20, and 15 days in jail, respectively. On the displaying a license not his own, he was fined \$25 and costs or 15 days, and for care and control, he was fined \$75 and costs or 15 days. If a jail sentence is elected rather than the fines, terms will run concurrently.

Pauline MacLean pleaded not guilty to impaired driving and was remanded to Wednesday for trial. Bail was set at \$125.

Premier Arrives Home

SUMMERSIDE — Premier Alex Campbell arrived back on Prince Edward Island Friday afternoon after caucusing in Ottawa earlier this week.

In a brief comment, Mr. Campbell said that he is almost assured that there will be no grant made available under the Winter Works Program for the proposed swimming pool centennial project in Summerside.

The construction of the swimming pool does not qualify as a project under the winter works program, it was stated.

The swimming pool qualified for a grant as a centennial project and also a special \$8,000 grant is being made available from the provincial government.

The premier said that the cabinet plans a tour of Alberta next Wednesday, leaving Summerside at 10.30 a.m.

Tees, the Russian news service, collects news in 85 countries and has subscribers in 60.

PYPs Elects New Officers

The 27th annual Conference of the Maritime PYPs was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Moncton, N.B. from October 7th to 10th. Dr. Arthur VanSeeters, theme speaker, of Port Elgin, N.B. presented addresses of "Faith on the Go".

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Past-President — Murray Alary; President — Shirley

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