



CUTTING THE ribbon to symbolize the opening of the new elementary school yesterday in Montague are Harold Hynes (left) and Miss Elsie Watterworth. Hynes is superintendent of schools in the district and Miss Watterworth is the principal of the new school. Education Minister L. G. Dewar was the speaker for the official opening.

Another Fine School Opened In Montague

MONTAGUE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
Hon. Lloyd George Dewar, minister of education officially opened the new elementary school at Montague yesterday afternoon. Harold Hynes, school superintendent assisted by Mrs. Elsie Watterworth cut the ribbon and were the first to enter the new building.

Following these ceremonies officials and visitors proceeded to the assembly room to hear a short address by Dr. Dewar. In his remarks he said there seems to be three great explosions in the world today, a population explosion, a nuclear explosion and a school explosion in Montague.

A few years ago Montague was mourning over the loss of its school by fire; today it is an education centre as well as the centre of a tobacco industry of great potential. He said, the end is not yet, as the regional high school already has a request in for the use of the old school for classes while it adds an additional ten classrooms to its own building and "we are told today that as this beautiful new school opens it will be filled to capacity. You have schools par excellence to cultivate the three R's," he said, "however we must convert to arts, science and vocational education.

"You have a fine new clean building here to do this, but your teachers are the crux of the situation. They with the family support and with Christian principals throughout can do the job."

More education he said can do considerable to assist the unemployment situation. He pointed out that there are many jobs in Canada but the unemployed lack the education to fill these jobs. He congratulated the ratepayers, school board and all who made it possible to have this beautiful school building.

"You are providing opportunity for all. The returns from your investment will far exceed the cost," he said. This school must be a pride to the community, a comfort to the children and a treasure to the teachers," he concluded.

Chisholm, who took such a personal interest in the job you could not help but have an excellent building.

RETARDED REMEMBERED
Judge J.S. DesRoches, congratulated the board on such a fine report and expressed his pleasure at seeing a classroom in the new building was for retarded children.

Malcolm MacKenzie, deputy minister of education, congratulated the ratepayers on voting the funds to build such a school and said that he was very pleased to note that Montague had taken the lead in providing space for retarded children and hoped that other communities would follow.

He stated "we must not forget about our clever children and supply advantages for each type of child." He also touched on things for the future in education; first you must have the physical plant ready for new techniques which are coming, such as closed circuit television.

CONGRATULATES BOARD
Mayor B.H. Yeo, congratulated the chairman, Gilbert Clements and his board for providing such a beautiful building for the elementary school children.

"Montague, the town which supports education with the assistance of the rural districts and the provincial government, would be considered pioneers in this field, and feels confident that greater prosperity and happiness will follow."

C.A. Shaw, acting chairman, welcomed the guests and read a letter from Mr. Clements, board chairman who is attending a civil defence course at Arranport. Mr. Shaw then outlined the classroom situation which prevailed prior to the construction of the new building, saying the board was very pleased with the fine new school, its excellent construction and its excellent staff.

Others on the platform were: Mrs. Keir Clark, Paul Kingsbury, Harold Smith, Peter Clary, Archie Hickey, Harold Chisholm, Lester MacLeod, A. Fraser, Garnet MacIntyre, Dr. A.E. Inge.

Major Douglas McGowan, M.L.A. was unavoidably absent.

ATTRACTION INTERIOR
On entering the building, the ornamental brick stairway offers an attractive approach to the corridors and the classrooms which are decorated in pastel tones with contrasting tile floors. All corridors and utility rooms are floored with terrazzo tile, and an attractive assembly room with a low stage, will be the focal point of all extra-curricular activities.

A cherry and sunny classroom on the first floor has been especially planned for the retarded children's classroom and the pastel pink powder room will be a delight to all the young ladies in the elementary school. It is expected that the efforts put into the construction of the school by the MacDonald Construction Company of New Glasgow will be greatly enjoyed by the teaching staff, students, physical instructor, Robert Mills and building superintendent, Peter Clary.

Mrs. Elsie Watterworth, school principal, stated she was proud to be among the teachers making up the initial staff of the new school but had nostalgic memories of the past in the Memorial School.

H.J. Hynes, superintendent of schools, expressed a feeling of gratitude at cutting the ribbon for the elementary school and said that no school opening he had participated in could parallel the ceremonies yesterday afternoon. He also outlined the opening of the Memorial School in the early 1920's. He congratulated the community and said it would be amply compensated for their efforts.

Keith Pickard, architect, handed the keys over to board member, C.A. Shaw getting as chairman in the absence of chairman, Gilbert Clements. Mr. Pickard said that when you have a foreman such as Harold

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Orderly Basis Sought For Potato Marketing

Orderly marketing of potatoes to maintain the premium on main Canadian markets was urged yesterday by the Provincial Potato Marketing Board which met here to study the situation.

The recent drop in potato prices was said to have been more a loss of the high premium P.E.I. spuds normally enjoy, than an actual price drop. The statement released by Board Chairman R.L. Burge, Five Houses said: "The greatest handicap in maintaining or increasing our premium on island potatoes is the supplying of an adequate amount to satisfy our consuming public and yet not ship more than the market can absorb."

"By not supplying a sufficient amount we lose the market as our competitors step in and fill the demand. It is then difficult for us to regain these customers when we decide to ship an increased amount at a later period. Such has happened in the past 10 days with the result that we have lost a portion of our premium."

"If we are to market the entire crop it would appear necessary for growers and shippers to make every effort to supply in an orderly manner the requirements of the market to a maximum but not further."

relations committee, with the co-operation of the Provincial Travel Bureau, had completely revised the tourist map. "We have been thinking, too," he said, "of publishing some form of small pamphlet on our city, and with the approach of 1964 and its activities, this coming year would appear a most logical occasion to carry this project through to completion."

PLANS FOR 1964
Regarding plans for the big Confederation Centennial in 1964 he said the city was making efforts to have the dining room of The Charlottetown expanded to adequately handle the convention traffic expected.

Mayor Gaudet said the latest word on this was that the CNR, which operates the hotel, will send officials to investigate it. He said the aim of the city was 100 conventions for that year. "All of which brings up a, important aspect of this valuable and growing convention business here, namely, the immediate need of a city convention manager to seek out, go after, invite, secure and service conventions for our city."

He said that appointment would be one of the first items he would take before the incoming Council if he be re-elected because "such an investment by this Council, to my mind, based on the experience of other centres, could be one of the most valuable investments made by this Council in many a year."

40 Farmers Attend Meet On Tobacco

MONTAGUE — Approximately 40 farmers attended a tobacco growers meeting held last night at Montague. Speakers were David Peacock, David MacLean and Keith LeLacheur of the department of agriculture.

A film, "The Back Breaking Leaf," was shown by David Ward also of the provincial department of agriculture. Roy Gibson, tobacco supervisor of the Greenfield operation was present, and answered many questions on the handling of tobacco from the seedling stage to the selling stage. Also present were H. M. Smith of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Angus Jones of the Bank of Nova Scotia and Roderick Martin of Veterans' Land Act.

The meeting was called by the Montague Regional Board of Trade to provide information to all persons interested in the growing of tobacco. Following the meeting doughnuts and coffee were served. The city paying \$285,577 compared to \$275,122 spent on public works.

In the latter field the biggest item was street maintenance costs of \$239,468. Under the heading of "protection to persons and property" the city spent \$211,330 with \$114,450 of that for the police department and \$59,000 for the fire department. Lighting the city cost \$32,000.

General government, which includes everything from tax collection costs to the printing of reports, ran to \$119,783 and encompassed such other matters as assessing, auditing, City Hall maintenance, insurance, parking meters, superannuation and pension fund contributions. Health and welfare costs last year were \$53,093 with recreation and community services (this included the library, city squares, Victoria Park and Government Pond) costing \$26,338.

Of real interest to those who can look behind surface figures is the capital funds balance sheet unfolded last night. It showed that while Char-

lottetown has liabilities of \$8,063,586 its assets are a whopping \$10,014,204 for a capital surplus of \$1,950,617.

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CBC Cameramen To Record Events

A CBC camera team will be in the province next week to record a number of events for Country Calendar and Country Time programs.

The official opening of the co-operative housing development at Souris on Feb. 6, and the graduation of the community development course Feb. 7 will be recorded. The team will be in Summerside Feb. 8 for a look at the tri-milk development.

Frank Nicholson, Toronto will be the producer and Peter Hamilton will be here from the Halifax bureau.

Vapor Lights Are Installed
The year 1961 saw a total of 164 mercury vapor lights put into service as part of a program to replace the entire incandescent street lighting system with the new type lamps, Allison Gillis, chairman of the light committee said in his report presented last night.

He observed that the number might have been much larger if Maritime Electric had not encountered difficulty in obtaining sufficient funds with which to purchase the number of units that the committee would have liked to see installed.

"We have been informed that this year they have budgeted for extra money and that our program will not again be held up for this reason," he said. The street lighting system now includes 152-100 watt lamps, 108-200 watt lamps; 26-300 watt lamps; 13-100 candle power lamps; 18-250 candle power lamps; 39-400 candle power lamps; 162-250 watt mercury vapor lamps and 97-450 watt

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