

MAY CALL AUDITOR

Opposition To Delve Into Public Accounts

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been tabled yet—there hasn't been time to get them printed. Under the Liberals, the accounts were usually ready within a few months after the fiscal year closed.

Particular study has been given by Mr. Matheson to the schedule of debts due Her Majesty which are outstanding loans in the field of tourist development, industrial development, and others. Many of the loans, made by the government, are in arrears. On some, no payment has been made.

The province's net debt will be examined thoroughly. Ac-

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TO LEAD ATTACK
Mr. Matheson announced that George Ferguson (L-5th Kings) will lead the Opposition attack in the budget debate at this session. Usually the Opposition Leader speaks after the provincial treasurer delivers the Budget Speech.

"Mr. Ferguson," said Mr. Matheson, "is quite capable of leading our debate on the budget, and I may not even speak in the debate. It depends on how things go."

The Legislature is scheduled to sit this afternoon at 2:30. Scheduled is consideration of legislation and resumption of the debate on the Speech from the Throne by Highway Minister Philip Matheson.

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No Parking Sign Is Said Too Far Away

Joseph T. MacNally, Bedford; Charles R. Corrigan, Tracadie; and George T. Corrigan, all charged with fishing oysters in a public bed out of season, were fined \$10 and costs or five days by Magistrate J.B. Johnston in Queens County magistrate's court yesterday.

Paul E. Brian, Charlottetown, pleaded not guilty to the charge of operating a vehicle over the legal weight on a paved highway. The case was adjourned until April 10.

Kenneth M. MacNeil was fined \$5 and costs or five days after pleading guilty to the charge of operating a vehicle over the legal weight on a paved highway.

The case against Donald Bruce Simmons, Cornwall, charged with a parking violation, was dismissed because the no parking sign was some distance from the road side it was difficult to see it and it meant no parking on the highway or no parking on the grounds surrounding North River where the sign was located.

Imported Liquor Prices Reduced

TORONTO (CP) — Prices of imported liquor, wine and beer in Ontario will revert to the levels of last June now that Prime Minister Diefenbaker has removed the remaining import surcharges imposed in 1962.

Allan Grossman, chief commissioner of the Ontario Liquor Control Board said Monday the new prices will come into effect about April 15.

METEOR SIGHTED
WASHINGTON (AP)—A meteor plunged toward earth over the east coast Monday night in a short, fiery life in the atmosphere witnessed by hundreds of people in outer space. The visitor from Norfolk, Va., to Long Island Sound shortly after 10 p.m.



FRENCH PASTOR SPEAKS IN CH'TOWN

Rev. Maurice Boutilat, BA, BD, of Moncton, N.B., centre, is shown following his address to the Charlottetown Baptist Men's Association last night.

With Mr. Boutilat are, Rev. Malcolm Harlow, left, minister of the First Baptist Church and S. H. Burbee, president of the Men's Association. The pastor of the French Baptist Church in Moncton spoke on "the religious aspect of a changing French Canada."

Austin Goggin, wanted to search Beaman's truck under provisions of the provincial game act.

Beaman escaped from Goggin but later was re-arrested and convicted under the Criminal Code with escaping custody. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail.

Beaman won an appeal against his conviction in the New Brunswick Appeal Court on grounds that Goggin, as a game warden, was not a peace officer within the meaning of the Criminal Code.

The attorney-general of New Brunswick appealed to the Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court accepted this contention by the Crown—that game wardens are peace officers—but rejected the Crown's appeal on another ground. It said that Goggin was an assistant forest ranger, not a game warden. As an assistant forest ranger, he was not a peace officer.

Birth Control Plan Sparks Court Action

CHICAGO (AP)—Illinois public aid officials started a birth control assistance program Monday and the Republican candidate for mayor in today's Chicago election used to halt it.

A few hours after relief officials began accepting applications from mothers for birth control aid, Benjamin Adamowski, opponent of Mayor Richard J. Daley, Democrat, brought his suit.

Adamowski alleged that the Illinois Public Aid Commission, the relief agency, through its aid to unmarried women is using public funds to subvert the public policy of the State of Illinois. His Superior Court suit said public policy defined by the legislature is to uphold and is based upon the preservation and the strengthening of the family unit.

The suit stated that commission designations to make birth control devices available to "women with spouses" and "women with children" are euphemisms for married and unmarried women.

The controversial public aid program was undertaken to cut the costs of aid to dependent children.

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Court Decides N.B. Wardens Peace Officers

OTTAWA (CP)—The Supreme Court of Canada ruled Monday that game wardens in New Brunswick are peace officers under the federal Criminal Code.

The court made the ruling in a judgment reversing a decision of the New Brunswick Court of Appeal that under the code wardens in the province are not peace officers.

The case, dating back to 1961, involved Hartley Beaman of Middlesex, Westmorland County, who was arrested by

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- subsidy on other fishing vessels over 45' in length increased from \$165 per gross ton to \$250 per gross ton.
- in co-operation with the province, the provision of training courses for fishermen in improved methods of catching and processing fish
- 1.5 million dollar marine agency at Charlottetown
- 7.5 million dollars to P.E.I. in the Roads to Resources program
- completion of the Trans Canada Highway—65 million dollars to the Atlantic Provinces since 1957—double the amount paid by Liberals in their last 6 years.
- tourist industry in 1962 neared \$10,000,000—a 9% increase over 1961.
- \$28,000,000 building boom now under way in Prince Edward Island
- another "first"—small business loans of up to \$25,000 available for expansion and modernization
- housing loans up almost 200%—3,000 loans a year compared to 1,000 loans a year under the Liberals
- lower down payment on homes
- more money available for housing loans—20 times the amount under the Liberals
- repayment period for housing loans increased from 25 to 35 years
- in 1961 and 1962 Canada had consecutive trade surpluses—the first in 10 years
- establishment of an aircraft industry at Charlottetown airport, with a quarter million dollar payroll annually.
- \$2,800,000 grant for Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building in Charlottetown.
- substantial assistance to City of Charlottetown's sewage disposal program.
- in 1962 the cost of living in Canada increased less than any country in the Western world.

... Still More In The Future

- broadening of assistance under the National Housing Act
- further extension of assistance by the Industrial Development Bank
- management training courses for small businesses
- completion of Charlottetown waterfront development, now well under way.
- Atlantic Development Board will assist in development of industry in Atlantic Provinces.
- urban renewal development program will benefit business firms and skilled and unskilled tradesmen.
- increased expenditures for development of National Parks in Queens County.

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