



**NEW CANADA-UN FORCE VEHICLE**

The Canadian Defence Department is thinking of buying this Armored Commando, built by Cadillac-Gage Co. of Detroit for specific use in United Nations operations. The lightly armed vehicle affords protection against small-arms fire, anti-personnel mines and artillery and mortar fragments. (CP Wirephoto from National Defence)

# Island News Page

Eastern and Central Districts

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## Melvin McQuaid Places Question

OTTAWA (Special) — It is time the federal and provincial governments in Canada got together to revise the Lord's Day Act, Melvin McQuaid, MP for Kings, said here today.

Mr. McQuaid, a former attorney general of Prince Edward Island, has placed a question on the commons' order paper asking if the government intends to consult with provincial authorities on the matter of revision and how soon the revision can be expected.

Outside the house, he said he feels the act is outmoded and should be brought into line with present day conditions. He points out that in many cases the act is being ignored under the pressure of public opinion where people want to engage in sports events, attend theatres and expect to find service stations and small grocery stores open on Sundays. Mr. McQuaid said that perhaps the matter should be left to provincial jurisdiction and the federal government should rescind the Lord's Day Act entirely. But if this was not to be done, then the act should be redrafted to make it uniform across the nation.

He recalled that when he was attorney general a question arose about the operation of late night Sunday movies in P.E.I.

This had been resolved by allowing them to operate for charitable purposes where no admission was charged but a silver collection was taken. He said he does not know what the situation is at present, although the movies are continuing to operate after Sunday night church services.

## Fishermen Hauling Traps

SOURIS — Fishermen in the area have been busy hauling their lobster traps to the wharves at Souris during the past week.

There are about 65 or 70 in-shore boats that fish out of Souris during the lobster season which starts May 1st. Some local fishermen have close to 1,000 traps. The average number of traps per boat is around 400.

A large ice pan is presently in Souris harbor and heavy ice is reported offshore. It is hoped that the ice will move out before the end of April.

## Home, School Present Film

SOURIS — The March meeting of the Souris Regional Home and School Association was held in the High School Library recently. The trophy for Home and School attendance was won by St. Lucius' class.

Since there was no business discussion, the programming committee presented a film entitled "Jamie—the Story of a Sibling." A National Film Board production, this film portrayed the story of a middle child in a family of three. Jamie has an older sister and a younger brother, both of whom demand a good deal of parental attention.

Jamie's demands for an equal share of this attention are often seemingly rebuffed by the parents. Because of the undiplomatic and sometimes rude way in which this is done, Jamie begins to feel neglected and unwanted, as a result becoming quite introverted.

In the discussion which followed the film, the topic most touched upon concerned ways in which Jamie's parents could have prevented the unfortunate result of their thoughtlessness. While many felt that Jamie was certainly loved as much by his parents as were his sister and brothers, they believed that the parents should have shared this love equally with all three of their children.

Since there was no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

able. The RCMP are still investigating.

Both victims were taken to hospital by an ambulance from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home.

Further details were not available.

## Atlantic Acceptance Corp. Was In Used Cow Business

TORONTO (CP)—Atlantic Acceptance Corp. was in the new and used cow business, a royal commission investigating the finance company's collapse has been told.

George Blacklock, now an Ottawa car dealer, testified he sold Atlantic Acceptance President C. Powell Morgan on a method of making money from selling cows — the business eventually failed.

He said the deal was that Valley Farms and Enterprises would arrange for cows to be sold with Atlantic Acceptance financing the purchases and Valley Farms taking 27 1/2 per cent of the finance charges.

If the cow wasn't paid for it would be repossessed, usually by an employee of one of Atlantic's branch offices and resold with Valley Farms paying Atlantic for its loss.

When a assistant commission counsel Ian Cartwright expressed surprise that Atlantic employees would repossess the cows, Blacklock said: "It isn't hard to repossess a cow. Atlantic would hire a truck and the cow would be driven into it. They (the finance company men) would just stand around."

**COWS THEN RESOLD**

The cows would then be taken to Valley Farms' property and resold, either to another farmer or a packing house. The latter usually paid one-half of the amount a farmer would pay, he said.

Mr. Blacklock's business dealings since 1932 included selling cows for his father, selling new and used cars, building gas stations and food supermarkets, and dredging sand.

He said he became deeply indebted to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, the Bank of Nova Scotia and Atlantic Acceptance and its subsidiaries.

"In 1956, I owed the Bank of Nova Scotia \$75,000, Bank of Commerce \$675,000 and Atlantic Acceptance and Traders Finance a lot of money. Now I am only one about \$60,000."

He said Morgan had to approve any dealings of Valley Farms, which went into bankruptcy Aug. 11, 1965, owing more than \$1,300,000 to Atlantic and its subsidiaries.

Morgan, he said, wasn't a shareholder.

**NEVER SHOWED PROFIT**

Valley Farms went into farm-

because the company couldn't get a contract to sell its milk.

"We were promised a milk contract before we got the cows, but we never got it. We got the cart before the horse, we should have got the contract first."

He said he received \$135 a week for running the farm.

Asked how the farm raised the money to buy the 181 head of dairy cattle, he replied: "I thought we got it from Atlantic Acceptance."

## French Decision On NATO Shows Some Ironic Twists

BY DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — There are some ironic twists in France's decision to quit the North Atlantic alliance.

For instance, officials said here that NATO provides the radar warning system—Canadians participate in its control—which would alert France's nuclear force to take off in event of a Soviet attack.

France says it will leave in Germany her air squadrons now stationed there. They are there because they are equipped with American nuclear weapons, which France won't permit on her own soil.

France has said nothing about the disposition of the petroleum pipeline from St. Nazaire, France, which supplies fuel for French squadrons in Germany—and the RCAF air division.

External Affairs Minister Martin has described as "very regrettable" the French decision, which will force Canada to give up its two military installations in France—the air division headquarters at Metz and the bomber and transport base at Marville.

**WILL SAVE MONEY**

The reaction of the Canadian defence department was a little different. "Marvellous, we can save more money on administration," a spokesman said.

Marville is used by the RCAF to supply many United Nations operations in which Canada participates. During the UN Congo

operation, with which France disagreed, Canadian planes on UN missions could neither land at Marville nor fly over France.

The move from Marville will get around any recurrence of this problem. On one RCAF flight from the Congo in 1963, the plane lost an engine when over the Mediterranean and had to fly far out of its way to reach an RCAF base in Germany.

Mr. Martin said Monday in a speech at Windsor, Ont., that France's withdrawal will afford a good opportunity for the alliance to review its command structure, described by Defence Minister Hellyer "in a speech here two weeks ago as 'top-heavy'."

**REJECT FRENCH VIEW**

He also said Canada is not persuaded by the arguments advanced by France to justify the withdrawal from integrated NATO commands.

Referring to France's offer to supply Canada and other NATO allies with bases in wartime, Mr. Martin said: "There are serious doubts as to the real effectiveness of such arrangements under the conditions which would be likely to obtain in modern war."

Meanwhile, the Manchester Guardian in a dispatch from Washington says it has been suggested that the new NATO military headquarters be established in Belgium—at Waterloo.

## Large Audience Attends Meeting

At a recent joint meeting of the St. Jean and Rochford Square Home and School Associations, a large audience of parents and teachers heard a panel discussion on the non-graded school system.

Taking part in the discussion were Dr. K.A. Parker, Superintendent of City Schools, John J. MacDonald, principal of Saint Jean and Elinor MacDonald, guidance consultant for City Schools.

Dr. Parker announced that St. Jean School will undertake a two-year experiment with the non-graded system beginning in September, 1966, and including grades one, two, and three.

Dr. Parker introduced the topic by outlining the need for a recognition of individual differences of children. By the use of testing data, Miss MacDonald showed the wide range of abilities and achievement in the various areas of the skill subjects, arithmetic, language and reading.

Mr. MacDonald indicated that the non-graded or continuous progress organization is an elimination of the traditional grade system and a re-organization of the present curriculum. It is not a new method of teaching but rather an administrative arrangement which makes it possible to provide better for the differences in learning rate in the skill subject areas.

Under this system the first three grades will be divided into 12 units of work and each unit will have specific skills to be mastered. The teachers will use skill cards to record progress in the skill subjects. Promotion to a may take place as soon as a child has acquired the required skills for the particular unit he is doing. The above average child will follow an enriched program which will allow him to enter junior high school with a broader knowledge rather than just the required minimum. On the other hand the slow child will require much more repetition, therefore, it will be necessary to use specific materials to insure the acquisition of the re-

quired skills. This will mean that the slow child will move much slower than the average. A general discussion, taking the form of questions and answers, both from the panel members and the audience, discussed such things as report cards, promotion, teacher involvement and the advantages of the system.

It was felt that the big problem to be faced by parents and teachers with regard to the non-graded system was that of grade-mindedness and flexibility. It was also felt that this system would eliminate pressures on both teachers and children and would indicate an atmosphere more conducive to good mental health.

Accompanying the letter will be a post card, on which is a reproduction of the Square, as it will appear on completion of the project.

The committee have been meeting with enthusiastic support, as evidenced by the attendance and co-operation of the citizens at various fundraising functions recently held.

## Committee Task Near Complete

GEORGETOWN — Officials of the Georgetown Centennial Committee announced early in the week that their special committee delegated the task of compiling a list of names and addresses of former Georgetownians to whom letters will be mailed soliciting donations towards the Town's Centennial project of beautifying Kent Square, have completed the task of obtaining the names and addresses of several hundred former residents. This week will see the committee complete the final phase of their work, when the letters will be mailed out to all parts of Canada and the United States.

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## Garment Club Is Organized

Mrs. Bertha Blanchard, supervisor of women institutes, Charlottetown, institute members and teen-age girls from Whit Road, Kilnair and Albion met at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Stewart recently to organize a 4-H Garment Club.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Blanchard, who gave a talk on club work, the meaning of 4-H and the responsibilities of the members in order to have a successful club.

On display were various articles of sewing, knitting and crocheting.

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## Injured Released

Norman Larter, South Milton and Cornelis Boelhouwer, Milton, were released upon examination from the P.E.I. Hospital last night after they received injuries in a car-truck accident near West Royalty Tuesday afternoon.

The Charlottetown detachment of the RCMP said Mr. Larter and Mr. Boelhouwer were involved in a collision about 5.15 on the Lower Malpeque Road near West Royalty.

Mr. Larter, suffering a lip laceration, and Mr. Boelhouwer, who suffered scalp lacerations, were treated by Dr. Malcolm Putnam, reported a spokesman at the hospital.

Further details were not available.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

**IS PATIENT**

Mrs. Preston Richards, Clyde River, is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital, where she has undergone surgery.

**IN HOSPITAL**

Mrs. Dan MacDonald, Upper Montague, is a patient in Kings County Memorial Hospital. Mrs. MacDonald entered hospital last week.

**EGG PRICES**

Dealers were quoting producers for ungraded eggs yesterday morning as follows: Grade A large 42 cents per dozen, A medium 38 cents and A small 25 cents.

**WORD RECEIVED**

Word has been received of the death of John R. MacKay, formerly of Wood Islands. Relatives on the Island include two brothers, William of Wood Islands and Harry, North River. Burial took place at Brookdale cemetery, Dedham, Mass., U.S.A.

**HERE NEXT TUESDAY**

Internationally known Japanese pantomimus, Yass Hako-shima, will appear at the Confederation Centre in a special engagement to mark World Theatre observances Tuesday night, March 29. It was erroneously reported in yesterday's edition of The Guardian that Mr. Hako-shima was scheduled to appear last night.

## CITY AREA FUNERALS

**GARDHAM FUNERAL** — The funeral for Tom Gardham was held Tuesday, March 22 from St. Paul's Anglican Church where service was conducted by Rev. F. Louis Elias and Arch-Deacon J.T. Elliott. Honorary pallbearers were: Donald Samson, R.E. Kemp, Fred Younker, Ernest Bell, Harry Bartlett, M. J. MacMillan, Daniel Tweel, Blanchard Mahon, Bonar Dalziel, Ernest Worth and Dr. Frank Jelks. Active pallbearers were: James Haslam, Gordon Roper, Robert Currie, Thomas DeBlois, H.E. Miller, Robert Giggiey. Attending in a body were members of the church laymen. Hymns sung were There is a Green Hill Far Away, and The Lord is My Shepherd. Interment took place in the Sherwood Cemetery.

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