

People Of West Prince Have A Common Project

The Alberton and West Prince Board of Trade affords an instructive illustration of what a group of enterprising persons imbued with a sense of public duty can do for their community.

At present, the Board is engaged in the most ambitious project it has undertaken in many years, namely, that of having the Alberton Harbour deepened so that Alberton Harbour may once more become, as it was fifty years ago, one of the busiest small ports in the Maritimes.

Last night, the Board had as its guest speaker, Mr. E. D. Reid of Charlottetown, President of the Maritime Boards of Trade. Apparently, Mr. Reid had given some study to the western Board's project, for he gave a graphic picture of the olden days when Alberton Harbour was filled with hundreds of American fishing vessels before stating that in his considered opinion, there was no reason why the Harbour could not once more be-

come the bustling port it was in the closing years of the nineteenth century. He pledged the full support of the Maritime Boards of Trade to the Alberton project since, as he said, the expansion of Canada's mineral resources along the northern St. Lawrence meant that Alberton, the only good port on the north shore of the Province, could serve as the natural shipping outlet for the great agricultural production of West Prince.

The fact that last night's large meeting was attended not only by prominent Conservatives such as Dr. L. G. Dewar, who represents Second Prince in the provincial legislature, but by such staunch Liberals as Mr. Howard Clark and Mr. Lester Wallace, shows that politics have been subordinated in the common determination to see that this once great port of Alberton is restored to its former importance.

We believe that this project will become a reality within a relatively short time thanks to the unified community spirit which was so much in evidence at last night's meeting.

The Russian Offer

Soviet Premier Bulganin has sent almost identical notes of alleged great importance to the Governments of the United States and Great Britain.

Since this comment is being written without any official, or even unofficial, translation of their contents before us, it is impossible for us to say what Mr. Bulganin, in those notes, may or may not have asked Britain and the United States to do.

However, the fact that the Moscow radio has already reported the Soviet Premier as having, in his notes to Britain and the United States, pledged that his country will abstain from the testing of nuclear bombs after January first, next, provided those countries do the same, gives us reason to believe that these notes could represent a last-minute effort on the part of the Kremlin to undermine the NATO conference opening in Paris next Monday.

Unfortunately, no one can place, with absolute certainty, any such interpretation on those notes. That is what gives them such damaging propaganda value. Moreover, such is the psychological impact of this alleged offer of Mr. Bulganin's to a world feverishly seeking immunity from nuclear destruction, that any abrupt "brush-off" of his offer by United States President Eisenhower or by British Prime Minister Macmillan is sure to add to the force of that psychological impact.

It is true, as we all know, that both Britain and the United States have on several occasions emphatically told the Soviet Union that they would not entertain any A-bomb or H-bomb proposals which did not provide for a cessation of their production and for provisions which

would permit on the part of all parties to the agreement unrestricted investigation at any time of each other nuclear plants. But, instead of receiving this note quietly, the U.S. Department of State has let its receipt be known to the press so that within a few hours, and before the note had even been translated, the press was filled with speculation concerning the possible reaction of Mr. Eisenhower to Mr. Bulganin's offer.

Already, the U.S. press—with possible encouragement from the State Department—has suggested that President Eisenhower will use, as one of his arguments for rejecting Mr. Bulganin's offer, the fact that the United States wishes to make a "clean" bomb before it stops its testing. He may have sound reasons for this argument, but there is little likelihood of its impressing the Western world since it will be sure to rejoin that a "clean" bomb kills just as effectually as a "dirty" one.

The West may feel, as we believe, it has good reason to feel, that there is practically nothing to gain in discussing world questions with Russia. But that attitude does not justify the West in helping out the Russians' propaganda by crude, ill-mannered rejections of their offers.

It should drastically change this policy immediately by courteously informing Mr. Bulganin that the West is deeply interested in coming to an understanding with the Soviet Union on the question of nuclear and all other kinds of military weapons, but that, unfortunately, it can give him no considered reply until after the forthcoming NATO conference has been disposed of. And let it go at that.

CURRENT COMMENTS

There is little sign of ice along the wharves, but across the river ice was beginning to form all along the flats where the vanguard of ice in the harbor arrives first.

More badly needed automobile space on the boats at Borden. — We have written many items on this subject, stating they should have a big drive off and on double end ferry to take about two hundred automobile to drive straight in, put down the flap and let the autos drive off and on — a big powerful, plain, fast boat, and let her go steady

as soon as loaded — then the Abegweit could still run on her railway schedules besides. If we cannot get the causeway give us a big flat top instead of changing over an old boat that is now ready for the junk yard. Anyway our advocating for the big ferry must have been read — we will keep on prodding until somebody gets mad and does something. We can get things when sensible arguments are put up. We first suggested bridges to tie in the National Park and we are getting them — of course that was the Liberal government then who could absorb good suggestions.

PORT ARTHUR (CP)—Mayor Ernest Whelan said he would be a man who asked for a job but that he didn't get one he would be "back two weeks with a gun." However, he returned quiet during a second meeting which the mayor informed him she had obtained a permit for him with a private company. The mayor did not disclose the man's name.

CHUCKLE

He told her he was a go-getter. But she was looking for an already gotter.



KEEP CHRISTMAS HAPPY

What Others Think

TIP FOR BARBERS know how you may find it, but to me the manners of young people of both sexes are now most unpleasantly and provokingly sufficient, no respect whatever for parents, nor for age, and to hear their language one would be led to suppose them exclusively possessed of all the knowledge, intelligence and human nature are customers waiting. An amber light means that there will be a short wait, and a green one that there is no waiting at all. Mr. Abbott seems to have something there. Maybe the idea could be applied to other lines of service.

FLAMING YOUTH OF 1888. Dublin. I have just been reading a letter from an old gentleman on the subject of "modern youth." There is nothing original in the view which he expresses. Here it is: "I don't

including married and older women—now here in the labor force. And in 1953 women paid over \$147,476,000 in federal income taxes. She predicted that within 10 years, half of all women past school age will be working outside their homes at either full or part-time jobs. The statements were included in a text of the speech issued to the press before delivery.

DOMESTIC PARADOX

Brandon Sun. A woman can't bathe in the morning and talk a husband awake all night.

EXPORTERS' CREDIT

Mr. Ashford suggested serious steps for exporters long-term credit in respect of long-term export credits, or have the government or Bank of Canada do the necessary financing.

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An extremely interesting evening entertainment was presented by all who plan to attend Christmas production on December 12th.

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An original Christmas play written and directed by Charles Willet will carry out a beautiful Christmas theme with a lovely cast to portray it.

The meeting closed with a presentation to Major Reg. Mahar who has worked so cheerfully and skilfully for the physical comfort of P.E.I. A.M.

The Charlottetown Choral Union under the direction of William Keith Rogers will sing a variety of lovely Christmas carols from various committees were heard. Reports from the directors of the two plays to be presented were also heard.

Mr. Lacombe was defeated in his bid for a second term after the Quebec legislature re-elected him to office for a second term.

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Looking Situation In Their Own Hands

NEW YORK (AP)—For better or worse, American youngsters in the Sputnik situation in their own hands. All over the U.S., science-hopefuls are turning their youthful exuberance to launching homemade rockets.

Some authorities are not sure it's a good thing. If the state officials have called a meeting to study whether amateur launching helps science or no, they want to know how the young launchers and their neighbors can be protected.

The explosion of a homemade rocket during a chemistry class experiment at a Florida High School has killed the teacher and injured seven students. Several months ago, a young

would-be scientist in Albuquerque, N.M., suffered severe injuries to his face and hands when a group in the Albuquerque High School Rocket Club tried to launch a homemade rocket. But many of the amateur launchers have been more successful and less hazardous—at least to human beings.

HEROIC MOUSE A mouse gave his life for science in Austin, Minn., recently when the Austin Rocket Society, comprised of 18 youths ranging in age from 12 to 16, used it to launch a rocket over 1,642 feet.

Russia's dog-bearing Sputnik inspired the teen-agers to secure the mouse to their junior-sized rocket. The mouse travelled at speeds up to 215 miles an hour before it crashed to its death. The rocket measured four feet, 10 inches in height with an outside diameter of 1 1/2 inches. Scrap metal was used in the tiny missile cost the youngsters \$3.60.

To Ask Approval Of New Plan

By ARTHUR GAYSHON LONDON (AP)—The United States Press Staff Writer NATO members next week to approve a new plan for Allied consultations on the use of nuclear weapons against aggressors. Washington also wants to give NATO countries joint control over the United States over the triggering of nuclear missiles.

Reviews History Of Y's Men's Clubs

Centennial Y's Men in celebrating their sixth anniversary last night held a charter meeting of the Alpha Y's Men's club. The growth and development of the Y's movement throughout Canada. The guest speaker was John A. MacNeil, who twenty-nine years ago became one of the first members of the Alpha Club which was among the first Y's Men's clubs in Canada.

MAY BE EXTENDED The NATO chiefs of government begin their meeting in Geneva today to discuss proposals for a process for rapid consultations, informed consent and other matters.

Like A Blocked Artery In Brain

By JOSEPH MACWEEEN Toronto Press Staff Writer NEW YORK (CP)—A complete stall of this city's subway system could be almost compared to a blocked artery in the Y's Men's club. Sudden paralysis would result. New York's restless millions would have no way to get between their homes and their jobs.

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Queen Will Open Church On Last Leg Of His Trip

By ALAN HARVEY London Press Staff Writer LONDON (CP)—The blitzed church of St. Bride's in Fleet Street today will open its doors to the Queen on her last leg of her trip to Montreal by way of Vancouver and the United States.

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