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Eastern And Central Districts

COMMISSION EVIDENCE PILES UP

An aide to the Dorion commission (far left) carries away new piles of evidence, presenting in Ottawa Tuesday while key witness Pierre Lamontagne (centre) and his lawyer Y.E. Fortier (right) discuss the hearings. Andre Letendre (background) executive assistant to justice minister Favreau, looks on. (CP Wirephoto)

LOCAL BRIEFS

IN MEMORIAL HOSP.
Angus Mathieson, Montague, is a patient in the King's County Memorial Hospital.

IN P.E.I. HOSPITAL
Mrs. Effie MacLeod, Montague, is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Charlottetown.

DAUGHTER IN HOSP.
Linda Yearwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Yearwood, 17 Spring Street, is undergoing treatment in the P.E.I. Hospital.

FINED $10
Lloyd D. Wellner, Jr., of Charlottetown was fined $10 and costs in traffic court yesterday for driving a motor vehicle with inefficient equipment.

QUILTY FUNERAL — The funeral for Walter J. Quilty took place Tuesday morning from the Hennessey Funeral Home to the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Cameron MacDonald, CSsR. Pallbearers were Alex MacKenzie, Allison MacMillan, Clifford Hogan, Richard Griffin, Joseph Doyle, Edmund Handrahan. Interment took place in St. Martin's cemetery, South Shore service being conducted by Father MacDonald.

TRENHOLM FUNERAL — The funeral for Robert Trenholm, who died in Amherst, N.S., Dec. 20, and formerly of Cape Traverse, P.E.I., was held at the Chisholm Funeral Home, Tuesday, Dec. 22, conducted by Capt. Linder of the Salvation Army, Amherst. Hymns sung were Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross, The Lord's My Shepherd and Abide With Me. Organist was Mrs. Sheldon Dixon. Pallbearers were: Eldon MacWilliams, Hazen MacWilliams, Frank MacWilliams, Roy Cutcliffe, Cedric Campbell and Gordon Norring. Interment in the People's cemetery, Tryon.

CRASWELL FUNERAL — The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Craswell was held Tuesday afternoon from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home to St. Mark's Anglican Church, Rustico. Service was conducted by Rev. A.E. Piercey assisted by Merle W. Zimmerman. Hymns were Lead Kindly Light and Abide With Me. Miss Margaret Coles was organist. Pallbearers were, Albert Boswall, Victor Buntain, Roland Buntain, Paige Nunn, Athol Craswell, Heath Houston. Interment was in the church cemetery.

HELP FOR AGED
DUDLEY, England (CP)—A large department store in this Worcestershire town stayed open an extra three hours so that 100 old - age pensioners could do their Christmas shopping in peace.

Consumer Spending Is Economic Spark

By DON HANRIGHT

OTTAWA (CP)—Higher consumer spending and a build-up of inventories, especially by manufacturers, powered a moderate advance by the Canadian economy in the third quarter of this year.

The bureau of statistics said Tuesday the gross national product, the value of all goods and services produced, was estimated at a seasonally - adjusted annual rate of $46,700,000,000 in the quarter, the July-September period.

This is a gain of 1.4 per cent from the $46,100,000,000 level of the second quarter. Most of the gain was in real terms, in volume; prices are estimated to have increased during the quarter by about one-half of one per cent.

The latest GNP estimate puts it ahead 30 per cent by value and 22 per cent by volume from the starting point of the current economic expansion, in the early part of 1961.

DBS said if there is nothing except the usual seasonal change in output in the current fourth quarter, the year 1964 will close with a 7½-per-cent increase in the value of Canadian production.

RISE PREDICTED

However, most economists have forecast rising activity in the current quarter and DBS said if the advance is 1½ per cent over the third quarter, the year's total increase will be about eight per cent.

These were the outstanding developments:

Personal spending jumped ahead by two per cent, rising at about the same rate as last winter.

Expenditure on durable goods —notably new and used cars—advanced by nine per cent, after a minor slump in the second quarter.

Purchases of new and used cars rose by more than 15 per cent. Buying of household durable goods, such as furniture and appliances, showed increases ranging up to two per cent.

SPENDING DOWN

Business capital spending meanwhile, was running at an annual rate, seasonally - adjusted, of $8,220,000,000, down about two per cent

Wages and salaries advanced almost three per cent, one of the biggest gains since 1956.

Corporation profits declined by about two per cent between the second and third quarters. They still were relatively high, 42 per cent above the profit levels of early 1961.

Included in the quarter-to-quarter profits reduction was a seven-per-cent decline in profits in the manufacturing group of industries. This was partly offset by gains in mining and retain trade.

For the first three-quarters of this year, corporate profits are 13 per cent ahead of a year earlier.

This includes gains of 18 per cent in the transportation, communications and storage industries; 19 per cent in the mines, quarries and oil wells; 13 per cent in manufacturing; 25 per cent in petroleum and coal; 15 per cent in metal industries; and 12 per cent in chemicals.

Head-On Crash Injures Three

One person is in hospital and two others suffering lesser injuries as the result of a head-on collision Monday on the Brackley Point Road near the airport.

In hospital with a broken nose, fractured rib and facial laverations is Mrs. Raoul Reymond, passenger in a car driven by her husband.

Mr. Reymond is at home suffering from two broken ribs. Mr. and Mrs. Reymond were travelling towards Brackley School to prepare for a Christmas concert.

Their car was in collision with a car driven by Brent Diamond of Brackley, throwing Mrs. Reymond against the windshield.

Mr. Diamond had several teeth knocked out when his face struck the steering wheel at the time of the collision.

The front end of the Reymond car was extensively damaged.

COLONEL DAN

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set a world's record for the quatrer-mile run with salvage wagon. It was on Dominion Day in Charlottetown his team set the mark of 1.02 2/5 minutes in 1901.

That same year he joined the Militia as a gunner and his natural ability quickly came to the fore with the old 4th Regiment Canadian Artillery. He rose quickly through the ranks and within three years was captain of No. 4 Battery. On reorganization of the regiment the following year he was named captain of No. 2 Battery Heavy Artillery—a battery which won the Governor General's cup on several occasions.

WON SHOOTING CUP

Capt. MacKinnon was section commander of the Canadian won the Londonderry Cup at Petawawa in 1907 in competition with a visiting British team. His team had 11 effectives in 15 rounds at 6,700 yards. He was also a member of the All-Canadian team which won in England in competition with British teams in 1911.

Rifle shooting was another of his strong interests. He took up the sport in 1907 and that same year qualified for a distinguished certificate from the Canadian School of Musketry at Ottawa. It was also in 1907 he qualified for an instructor's certificate in signalling.

On four occasions from 1907 to 1914 he was a member of the champion team taking part in the Inter-Maritime Rifle Matches. Returning from the First World War he won the Dominion Rifle Association Medal and the Governor General's Medal for rifle shooting at Charlottetown in 1920.

A longtime member of the Provincial Rifle Association, he served as its president from 1935 to 1939 and finally retired from the assosiation in 1957.

In 1915 Capt. MacKinnon was appointed to command the Ives Point Battery, Halifax, with a P.E.I. Heavy Brigade personnel. His battery set up the Figure of Merit for Halifax coastal defense batteries and also in that same year his interest in siege artillery began.

OVERSEAS IN 1916

In January, 1916, he organized the 11th Brigade Field Artillery Ammunition Column, and took it overseas in April. Shortly thereafter he was appointed Major in command of the 36th Battery, C.F.A., by Lieut.-Col. A. G. McNaughton. This Battery took part in all the Canadian campaigns in France and Flanders from July 1916 until the end of the war.

The 36th Battery achieved a particularly good record of performance in the battles of the Somme, Hill 70 and Passchendaele. In the latter engagement they handed over a complete set of guns in action to the relieving battery. The 36th was honored by being selected as a "sacrifice" battery at Vimy Ridge on March 26, 1918, when the Germans attacked on the right of the Canadians The Battery was at Jamappes, outside Mons, on Nov. 10, 1918, and entered Mons on the morning of the 11th.

In 1918 he commanded the 9th Brigade as a major with acting rank of lieutenant-colonel. Previously he had been awarded the Distinguished Service Order for outstanding services during the Battle of the Somme in 1916 and was Mentioned in Despatches for his work at the battle of Vimy Ridge in 1917. In the same year the French government awarded him the Croix de Guerre with Palm for gallantry at Passchendaele.

After the war he continued in military circles, organizing the P.E.I. Heavy Brigade Artillery in 1921 and that year won the Governor General's Efficiency Award and Governor General's Cup with his No. 2 Battery.

In 1923 Col. MacKinnon transferred from the active militia to reserve of officers and shortly after was appointed Aide to the Governor-General and continued in the post during the term of Lord Byng.

INTEREST IN FOXES

His interest in fox breeding had been long standing and in 1919 he organized the Vimy Silver Fox Ranch near this city where he bred many prize winners including world's champions in 1922 and 1927. In 1923 he formed a partnership with the late W. Chester S. MacLure and the expanding business had a big export trade in foundation stock with Norway, Sweden, Belgium, France, Germany and Switzerland as well as with Western Canada and the United States.

In 1927 the Hudson's Bay Company, London, England, bought large holdings in the Vimy ranch and a great expansion in pelt production followed with Messrs. MacKinnon and McLure buying hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of Island pelts each year. They made regular trip to England to advise on auction sales.

The original pair which founded the ring-necked white face foxes came from the Vimy Ranch on consignment to Fort Qu'appelle, Sask.

He also reorganized the Charlottetown Hotel Company in 1919, becoming secretary-treasurer and financial manager of the company operating the city's leading hostelry of the day, the Victoria Hotel.

RACING INTERESTS

Harness horse racing, with which Col. MacKinnon's name was closely associated for many years, first took up his attention in 1912. Within the next few years he drove many winners over Maritime tracks, including Helen R. 2.12½, winner of five races in 12 days.

Resuming harness horse racing in 1919, Col. MacKinnon was several times leading drive at Charlottetown and Halifax. In 1924 The Yank, owned by Col. MacKinnon, set a new world record for trotting on ice at Mount Clements, Mich., which stood until 1943. His "Fred Medium" also held the Canadian trotting record on ice, made in 1927 at Dufferin Park, Toronto.

From 1919 to 1937 Col. MacKinnon campaigned some fifty horses, among the outstanding being: White Sox 2.03, Our Colonel, 2.03½, Dan Patchen, 2.15½, Bingen Aubrey, 2.11, Heatherbelle, 2.08¼, Harvest Melody, 2.10¼ and Rollo Rico, 2.04½. He won several trophies in this period as leading driver at Charlottetown and Halifax.

His interest in harness racing led to a connection with the Provincial Exhibition Assocation in 1923 and 10 years later he became its president, a position he held until he sold his interests to the present management. In that time his enthusiasm saw the annual exhibition grow tremendously and the inauguration of Old Home Week in conjunction with it led eventually to the present status as the biggest event in Eastern Canada.

NEWSPAPER FIELD

He entered the newspaper field in 1921 when he and Mr. McLure purchased The Guardian from Sir Charles Dalton. They sold their interests to the late J.R. Burnett and his sons in 1948, but Colonel Dan continued to write a top harness racing column each week and compiled an annual racing review.

Col. MacKinnon became president of the P.E.I. Silver Fox Exhibitors Association in 1943 and was re-elected the following year. He was at that same time a director and member of the executive of the Canadian National Fox Breeders Association. A firm supporter of the United States Trotting Association, he had represented this district at annual meetings for many years.

He was married in 1905 to Miss Edith Louise Bremner, Charlottetown, who predeceased him in 1943. They had one son, Air Commodore Maurice MacKinnon, RCAF retired, Ottawa, who survives. Also surviving are three grandsons, John and Michael, of Ottawa, and Daniel, of the Canadian diplomatic corps, who is now serving in Indonesia.

A private funeral service will be held at the Cutcliffe Funeral

Island Seen As Paradise

Premier W.R. Shaw has received a letter from Edwin D. Lyman, MD, MPH, health director, Omaha, Nebraska, extolling the beauty of the Island and the hospitality of its people.

In commencing on some of the features of the province Dr. Lyman and his wife and two daughters enjoyed during their week's camping trip here in the summer of 1963, the letter states "We were led to comment that P.E.I. will be the closest to paradise we will ever get on earth."

Safe Holiday Driving Campaign Is Underway

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

A four-column newspaper announcement by Ontario Transport Minister Irwin Haskett—underneath an advertisement for gin, beside one for rye whisky and another for scotch warns Toronto motorists about the penalties for drinking drivers.

In Edmonton, teams of safety council members have been buttonholing downtown shoppers and handing out tags and pamphlets urging safety during the holiday season.

Quebec police have been issuing bilingual warnings in public radio announcements against mixing intoxicants and motoring.

In Vancouver, motorists are being stopped at road blocks where police check for safety factors—and impaired drivers.

The Manitoba government published an open letter to business managers uring them to arrange office parties so the chances of drunkeness will be reduced.

Such measures form part of a country - wide drive to cut down Christmas traffic accidents, a cross-Canada survey by The Canadian Press shows.

In many places, special squads of police have been out for more than a week in a drive against traffic violations that they hope will serve to deter reckless or drunken driving at Christmas and New Years.

The safety drive is under way in the face of a prediction by the Canadian Highway Safety council that 76 persons will be killed in traffic accidents in Canada during the Christmas and New Year's holiday weekends.

The toll for the 84-hour Christmas weekend, from noon Thursday to midnight Sunday, may reach 50, the council says. Last year, 22 persons were killed in a 30 - hour Christmas holiday period.

The annual drive against traffic violations at New Year's have made this holiday the safest of all national holiday weekends in Canada, the council says. Even so, at least 26 Canadians will die in traffic during the 78-hour period from 6 p.m. New Year's Eve to midnight Sunday, the council predicts.

Under the slogan Stay Alive for '65, the Toronto safety drive has led to scores of more charges against motorists—up to 600 in a single night the week before Christmas.

Most urban centres report accidents and traffic deaths up over last year.

While many authorities see an increase in accidents as inevitable with the increase in traffic, Ottawa police chief Reg Axcell is more optimistic.

He sees a steady and perceptible decrease in druken driving, thanks to the courts and improved safety consciousness.

ANCIENT FOUNDATIONS

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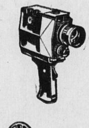
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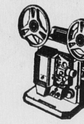
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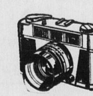
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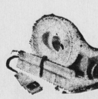
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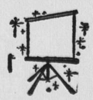
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