County Meetings Likely This Month Or Early Dec.

This week sees meetings being held by the boards of directors of the three county Federations, the county annual meetings and

ACROSS THE ISLAND

Several Looms Reported Here

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We still have looms on P.E.I., I learned this week. And there's a great deal of interest in the Phantom Ship, both of which I mentioned in last week's column.

A Kilmuir lady has her grandmother's loom, a couple of the many blankets she has seen woven on it, and she has a bundle of "white warp" although I gather she doesn't weave. She still spins yarn though, which she cards from wool with the old fashioned "hand cards."

Joe Mooney, Iona has a loom. I was told at the tobacco meeting this week by Doug Robson and Albert Pauley, Ocean View, and a Sackville, N.B. man, Earl J. Bowser, described his loom as six and one-half feet tall — that would be at the centre cross piece, I imagine — about the same length or perhaps a little longer, and not quite as wide.

AND I learned with pleasure only yesterday from Mrs. Mary Brehaut, Charlottetown that the historical society has one stored away, which they received from Miss Josie Blanchard. This one was made at Rustico by Miss Blanchard's father many years ago, and "it is all wood with no metal," and that's the way I remember the one my mother used. The loom was used until recently by Mrs. James E. Harris, Charlottetown, Miss Blanchard's sister, Mary. I understand, wove many hundreds of yards of blanket cloth on this loom for family and friends.

This and many other items, I hope, will find a permanent home in our new museum when we get one — I have seen many things in my own travels across the Island that should be preserved — and it's not to our credit that we haven't provided a provincial museum long ago. No, I'm not forgetting your interesting museum at Montague which I visited with a great deal of interest a couple of years ago.

Phantom Ship Called "Storm Light"

THE KILMUIR lady — she asked me not to use her name — recalls seeing the Phantom Ship off White Sands as a girl and says her father used to call it the "Storm Light". She adds "The little Carruthers gurl—Judy Carruthers, O'Leary—is right about seeing men in the decks and in the rigging."

The lady tells me that Blue Stone was used in former days to treat "shoe boils" on horses and a letter from Retired Pharmacist Clyde C. Rimmer, Hunter River recalls it was used on his father's farm in Saskatchewan to treat wheat before sowing, to prevent smut developing in rainy weather.

"THE AMOUNT of wheat to be sown next day would be made moist the night before by sprinkling, and stirring with a shovel". He knows, he tells me, because he had to treat several hundred bushels every spring. No smut was ever found on wheat that was treated, and they called the job "pickeling the wheat," he adds.

The former pharmacist tells me that the Blue Stone—it is really Copper Sulphate—was used in a variety of prescriptions, from eye drops to hair tonic."

Good Neighbour Spirit In Action

NEIGHBORS AND friends from his own and surrounding districts gathered to harvest the potato crop one day last week for Kenneth MacNeill, Clyde River whose wife died a few days earlier. There were something more than a half-dozen there in the morning but there must have been close to 40 there in the afternoon. Richie MacPhee of nearby New Haven said. It reminds me of the days when neighbors gathered almost automatically to help someone who was in unusual difficulties. The volunteer harvesters cleaned up the patch of close to five acres, I was told.

I recall that Clifford Holmes told me several years ago that neighbours from miles around were in his woods the afternoon of the day his barn burned at Kingston, to cut lumber to build a new one. Some evidence of the kindly spirit of neighbours of other years remain with us, which is all to the good.

Hon. Walter Jones' Feats Recalled

HONOR CAME to this province early this week when a painting of the late Hon. Walter Jones was unveiled in the Agriculture Hall of Fame at Toronto. As noted in a newspage story recently the Abegweit Holstein herd which he developed at Bunbury achieved many notable records, including no less than four world records. Two of them, I recall, was made by Abegweit Milady in successive years which is most unusual.

I knew Mr. Jones for many years here when he was a member of the legislature and later premier, but it was not until I had the privilege of working with him at Ottawa for a short period, that I realized what a great Islander he was. His constant theme was "What can we do for the Island?" This province lost an enthusiastic and effective booster when death cut short his career in the Senate after only a few months.

Returns 32 Years For Service

I TALKED last weekend with Major D.A. MacDonald, Moncton who came back to his beloved Wheatley River home, as he has done each fall now for the past 32 years, to arrange the Remembrance Day service in honor of the sons of that area who fought and died in two world wars. I believe that must be a record, certainly it is most unusual to find a man who has so consistently returned to the old home district for such a purpose.

Mr. MacDonald was the chairman of the committee that financed the monument that was unveiled by the late Lieutenant-Governor Frank R. Heartz in August, 1925. T.D. Ling and William Carew were the other committee members.

MY OLD friend—I remember working for him as a boy when he was building road culverts in the Rose Valley area some 40 years ago—recalls that the late Dr. W.J.P. MacMillan, a former premier, never missed a service there for 29 years. Others who were at the unveiling included Premier J.D. Stewart, D.A. MacKinnon, Charlottetown, J.H. Buntain, Rev. J.S. Bonnell, Rev. R. Hensley Stavert, and a Rev. Mr. Baiter.

When I asked Mr. MacDonald what prompted his continuing interest in his old home—he's giving the old farm for a park, he told me—he replied "I love my home. I love my people. I love my neighbours. They were brave, kind and gentle."

Mr. MacDonald financed the addition of the names of the heroes of World War Two, and he told me a steel flag pole and flood lights have been added this year, and the monument straightened up.

Many Buyers Want Gordon Buick

I SAW a 1932 MacLaughlin Buick automobile at Montague this week for which owner Stafford Gordon has been offered twice the $2,500 he paid for it 30 years ago and that's a standing offer. There's 29,000 miles on the old car which looks like new, with not a dent or the trace of a scratch on it.

"I have many letters in my desk from people who want to buy it", he told me, and he has had all kinds of requests, but he's not selling.

"I suppose Mr. Gordon", I suggested "a man gets sort of attached to a car he has had for such a long time." And his reply "That old car and I are pretty good friends" showed I was right.

When I asked if he will ever part with it, he replied "I don't know," then indicated he might give it to somebody sometime.

Mr. Gordon has had just three cars since he purchased a Briscoe in 1919. The second was a MacLaughlin Buick touring car.

MacCaull Gets This Lady's Vote

A SUMMERSIDE lady writes that a newspage story under my byline mentioned about all of the Senate applicants "except the man who is really going to get it, Peter MacCaull, Ellerslie." My only reply is that I listed the names top ranking Conservatives in the province suggest are the top choices. I have no pipeline to the Prime Minister's mind ,and he's the one who will make the final choice.

Mr. MacCaull is a close friend with whom I have been working closely in an effort to boost the West Point ferry project, and keep it constantly before the public. I called on him last week in his store and had a most pleasant visit and chat with him as usual. I certainly wouldn't do anything to hurt him. There are many other applicants—I was taken to task earlier for not mentioning several other people—but I reported only what I was told by the people who are in the best position to know.

ment in Sweden in the way of crop insurance known as the Harvest Damage Fund. This is a permanent harvest insurance fund which came into effect in 1961 and which saw 4,200 farmers applying for compensation in that year. The report suggests that considerable strain will be placed on the fund for the summer in Sweden was extremely cold and wet in many parts of the country.

We like the sound of the title "Harvest Damage Fund" because it certainly applies to many of our crops this year.

LIMESTONE

The natural sourness of the Island soil while a handicap has nevertheless been a built in safety factor which prevents complete exhaustion of fertility even under the most rugged treatment. Much of the apparently neglected land in the province can be improved in a dramatic way with ground limestone. While a ton or even less has a considerable value in land that has good treatment the neglected fields require considerable more-two tons perhaps even three tons in order to promote grass and clover. There is probably no more inexpensive way of improving soil fertility than the use of limestone and it can be applied at any time of the year. Fall application gives a quick response in the following crop. If applied on the sod the response will be slower, but the effects will continue for a long period.

Lime is the foundation for good grass and hay, and if bought in bulk cost is under $4.00 per ton and this seems to be a cheap way to turn a poor acre into a good acre.

An order by the Board of ing the CBC to carry a CTV broadcast of a football game the right to broadcast which is a commercial property acquired by CTV on an exclusive basis, is not a sound or satisfactory form of regulation, according H. H. Hannam, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

An order to require the CBC to carry advertising as part of a program declared to be in the national interest is even less defensible, he said.

There has been no unwillingness on the part of the CBC, over the history of the Grey Cup broadcast controversy, to either carry the game as a broadcast of its own or to pay for the rights to broadcast it, on an exclusive or non-exclusive basis, Mr. Hannam noted.

A clear position by the Board of Broadcast Governors at a much earlier date, before commercial commitments for the Grey Cup broadcast were entered into, could in our view have avoided the present unsatisfactory impass, Mr. Hannam said.

Remembrance Day Banquet Held By Kensington Legion

KENSINGTON — The Remembrance Day banquet was held Monday evening in the Legion Home, Kensington with a large attendance of veterans and their wives.

The president of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch, Kensington, James Evans, was master of ceremonies, and introduced the guests at the head table, Rev. L. P. Callaghan, padre, and speaker of the evening who also offered the grace; Deputy Mayor Robert Carruthers, representing the town and Mrs. Carruthers, Lynn Murphy, grade 11 Legion scholarship winner; William Cousins, grade 10 scholarship winner, Vice President James Clark and Mrs. Clark, and the president's wife, Mrs. Evans.

Mrs. Earle MacKay responded to the toast to the Queen, by playing the National Anthem. The toast to the ladies was responded to by Mrs. Earle Todd. Arthur MacLean proposed a toast to the Ladies Auxiliary, responded to by Mrs. Stuart Peppin, past president, who thanked the men for their kind co-operation, especially the secretary-manager, W. G. Blakeney, and his assistant, Joseph Thibeault, who assisted in every way to make the year a successful one for the Ladies Auxiliary.

Richard Kelly proposed a toast to the Royal Canadian Legion, to which Earle Carrier made response speaking on the aims and purposes of the Legion, and making an appeal for more and stronger membership.

Mr. Carruthers thanked the legion on behalf of the town for the hospitality extended. Lynn Murphy and William Cousins each expressed their appreciation for the interest taken by the Legion in education, and thanks for their scholarships and invitation to the banquet.

Stuart Peppin, chairman of the Red Cross blood donor committee, made an urgent appeal for donors at the Legion Home on Nov. 29, and suggested a competition between the men and the women, losers to sponsor, prepare and serve a pot luck supper.

Clinton Glydon thanked the Irishtown WI for an excellent dinner, and Mrs. John E. MacLeod responded.

Father Callaghan, with his well known wit and humor, kept the audience in a state of hilarity as he recounted various aspects of his recent trip to Europe when he for the first time visited the "Ould Sod," (Ireland) which he described as the most beautiful of all the countries, and many other famous spots such as Guiness' Brewery, the largest in the world, covering 300 acres.

Father Callaghan was greatly impressed with Lourdes, where thousands visit the world famous shrine. Attending the Ecumenical Council in Rome was a great experience for the Island clergyman.

Father Callaghan's experiences in gaining admittance were humorously told. Once he was evidently mistaken for a Protestant clergyman attending as an observer, and once he joined a group of colored clergy entering in an official capacity.

A visit to Northern Italy, Southern France and Paris rounded out what he described as an intensely interesting 13 days.

The speaker was thanked by the president. Dancing was enjoyed for the remainder of the evening.

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