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**EMPLOYEES OF THE ISLAND TELEPHONE COMPANY LIMITED** who received five year safe driving awards and officials of the company are shown following the presentation, which took place at the Queen Hotel last evening.

## 21 Telephone Co. Employees Receive Driving Awards

Twenty-one employees of the Island Telephone Company Limited were the recipients last evening of safe driving awards, indicating that they had driven company vehicles from one to five years without being involved in a preventable accident. The awards were presented at the National Safety Council Driving Award meeting, held at the Queen Hotel, by A.H. MacKinnon, general plant manager of the Halifax Branch of the Island Telephone Company Limited.

H. E. Cameron, Charlottetown superintendent. STANDING, Robert MacKay, Wilfred MacLean, Raymond Livingstone, W. S. Bell, and Keith Dunsford.

## De Gaulle's Grip On French Gov't Seen Tightened

PARIS (Reuters)—Premier de Gaulle tightened his grip on French political life Tuesday night when the National Assembly elected Gaullist Jacques Chaban-Delmas as its speaker. The vigorous, 45-year-old Chaban-Delmas, an ardent follower of de Gaulle, won overwhelmingly on the second ballot as the new Fifth Republic's assembly met for the first time.

He won 355 votes to 148 for his opponents, supporting past indications that the new Gaullist party, the Union for the New Republic, is likely to dominate the assembly.

# Freight Rates 'Proposal' To Go Before Parliament

## See Canal Workmen Winning

MONTREAL (CP)—The Lachine Canal's numbed and weary workmen appeared Tuesday night to be winning their plying, prodding fight against ice, zero temperatures and cracking machinery. Thirteen ice-rimmed ocean ships were being methodically moved through the canal's locks although a hinge breakdown late Monday night, the third in 24 hours, held up movement of some ships for more than nine hours.

## HEALTH FACTOR EMPHASIZED

# Plebiscite Seen As Poor Substitute For Initiative

Maintaining that a plebiscite on water fluoridation was uncalled for, unnecessary and a waste of public funds, two citizens prominently connected with the local four-year drive for this modern health aid sharply criticized the decision of Charlottetown's three-man Water and Sewerage Commission in prepared statements issued to the press last night.

City Health Officer, Dr. Wendell MacDonald said that many other important and more costly health measures had been put in effect within recent years without asking for official endorsement by the citizens.

Mrs. Gordon MacDonald who, three years ago, led a Home and School delegation which presented a brief urging immediate fluoridation, accused the civic body of failure to carry out the official responsibilities and leadership they had assumed when elected.

The Commission's decision to hold a plebiscite on fluoridation was disclosed in a letter read at the monthly meeting of City Council held Monday night.

## Three Drowned When Car Skids Into N.S. River

METECHAN RIVER, N.S. (CP)—The bodies of three men were recovered Tuesday from the Metegan River here Tuesday a few hours after their car skidded off a slippery highway into the water.

The victims were Louis Cook, 57, his son, Robert, 21, both of North River, N.S., and Harris Andrews, 45, of Brighton, N.S. The Cooks were trapped in the car. Andrews freed himself but drowned trying to rescue the others.

Two others in the car escaped. Reg Andrews and Harold Gosson were carried down the river by the strong current but made short minnows.

The accident occurred while the men were headed for Carleton, N.S., where they were employed by a Christmas tree dealer.

all favor fluoridation of our City water. "A recent report from Philadelphia on results of fluoridation there reads as follows: 'It costs 7.6 cents per person per year and at the present rate will save 2 million dollars annually for that City in reduced dental care. It has decreased dental decay 50 per cent and tooth extractions 40 per cent—and this, after only four years.'

MRS. MACDONALD'S VIEW Commenting on the Commission's action Mrs. MacDonald said: "It was a distinct shock to the Charlottetown public today to read that the Water Commissioners plan to call a plebiscite on the question of fluoridation of our city's water supply. (Continued on page 2 Col. 3)

## 3-Storey Fall Fatally Injures Ch'town Man

A Charlottetown construction worker 39-year-old Reginald MacDonald, was fatally injured when he fell from the third storey of the steel framework of the new Royal Bank structure being erected on the corner of Richmond and Queen Streets, at approximately 3:45 yesterday afternoon.

He was taken to the Charlottetown Hospital where he died shortly before midnight. Dr. LeMuel E. Prosser has called an inquest at 1:30 this afternoon at the Hennessey Funeral Home.

## Two Children Burned To Death

QUEBEC (CP)—Two children and possibly three were burned to death and their father was seriously injured Tuesday night in a blaze that destroyed a four-storey dwelling in the old lower-town section of Quebec City.

Morgue officials said the bodies of two girls, identified as those of Collette Couture, 7, and her five-year-old sister Carole, were brought to the morgue.

But hospital officials said their report was that three of the 10 children of Henri Couture perished in the two-alarm fire. Mr. Couture was in serious condition in hospital with burns.

## Gov.-General Is Recovering

OTTAWA (CP)—Governor-General Massey is up and "doing very well" following his minor operation in Montreal Dec. 1. "He is up and about and progressing very well," said Lionel Massey, his secretary. "He's taking it very quietly of course." The governor-general returned to Government House Sunday.

## Acting Prime Minister Gives No Details In Statement

OTTAWA (CP)—Acting prime minister Green announced Tuesday night that a "proposal" will be placed before Parliament at the 1959 session to alleviate discrimination in Canada's freight rate structure. Mr. Green made the announcement after a day-long cabinet meeting at which a report by a cabinet committee on freight rates was discussed. He declined to elaborate on the type of alleviation the government has in mind.

## Lord Alexander Has New Attack

WINDSOR, England (Reuters) Field Marshal Earl Alexander of Tunis, former governor-general of Canada, was in satisfactory condition in a hospital Tuesday night after a heart attack—his second in six weeks.

The 67-year-old military leader was taken to the hospital Saturday, the day after his return to Britain from a visit to Canada.

He had a heart attack in October while in Canada and spent nearly five weeks in an Ottawa hospital.

The latest attack occurred at his Berkshire home, Cranbourne Grange.

A member of his household staff, announcing the attack, said: "Lady Alexander is spending most of each day at his bedside. No other visitors are permitted."

## Caledonian Club Is Meeting Objectives, Members Told

The P.E.I. Caledonian Club is meeting its objectives of fostering Scottish tradition on P.E.I., members of the club were told by retiring president Bruce MacLaren at the annual meeting held last night.

In his report the president said that the objectives are being met through the encouragement of dancing and piping at Highland games and ceilidhs. Gaelic singing, he said, is also receiving great encouragement.

However, the group was told that there is a need to keep the younger people interested in these matters.

Vince MacIntyre of Charlottetown was elected president of the club succeeding Mr. MacLaren, who now assumes the role of chief.

## College Of Cardinals Boost To Record 80 Is Speculation

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Speculation increased Tuesday that at next week's consistory Pope John may increase the Sacred College of Cardinals to 80.

If he did this, it would be the second time since his coronation five weeks ago that the new pontiff increased the number of cardinals, fixed at 70 by Pope Sixtus V almost four centuries ago.

Ansa, Italian news agency, said Pope John probably would set the size of the college at 80 in the secret consistory Dec. 15 when he explains his reasons for having increased the number of princes of the church to 75.

Since he nominated 23 new cardinals Nov. 17 to bring the Sacred College to 75, the 92-year-old Archbishop of Santiago, Jose Maria Caro Rodriguez, died in Chile.

Many of the foreign cardinals will not make the long return trip to Rome for the ceremony. Most of them went home only a few weeks ago from the funeral services for Pope Pius XII and the conclave for election of a new pope.

Paul-Emile Cardinal Leger of Montreal plans to attend. He now is in northern Italy, coming here for the ceremonies.

# Hot Anti-Combine Battle Looms Over Spreading 'Beer Empire'

OTTAWA (CP)—A government move to block the reported spreading power of E. P. Taylor's beer empire is to be fought before the Ontario Supreme Court in January.

Informed opinion is that it will be one of Canada's biggest anti-combine battles. It may be some years before it ends.

Justice Minister Fulton said in an interview Tuesday that government prosecution will be launched on the basis of a restrictive trade practices commission report made three years ago

# Russia Can Toss Missile 8,000 Miles, U.S. Hears

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate sources said Tuesday Premier Khrushchev told Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (Dem., Minn.) the Soviet Union has an intercontinental ballistic missile capable of delivering its warhead more than 8,000 miles.

Informants said this was one of the Soviet secrets relayed to President Eisenhower from Khrushchev by Humphrey.

The other was that the Soviet leader claimed development of a small five-megaton nuclear bomb.

# Adenauer Has Cold, Cancels Proposed Meeting In London

BONN, West Germany (Reuters)—A severe cold Tuesday forced Chancellor Konrad Adenauer to cancel his requested meeting in London Friday with Prime Minister Macmillan.

The 82-year-old chancellor had hoped to confer with Macmillan before the British, U.S., French and West German foreign ministers meet in Paris Sunday to consider the Berlin situation.

Britain has been reported at odds with West Germany on how to handle Russia's proposal for making West Berlin a demilitarized free city in six months.

Speculation about differences arose when Adenauer said in Berlin last Saturday the East-West dispute over the city should be settled before tackling the German problem as a whole.

## Rail Operating Income Higher

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian railways report higher operating income for September compared with the corresponding month a year earlier. Both revenues and expenses dropped but the reduction was sharper in expenses.

Bureau of statistics figures Tuesday listed September operating revenues down 6.3 per cent at \$97,098,000 and expenses down nine per cent at \$92,387,000. September net income was \$4,711,000 against \$2,113,000 in September, 1957.

# Serov Transfer Sparks Widespread Speculation

LONDON (AP)—Moscow followed up the transfer of Gen. Ivan A. Serov from his job as Russia's secret police chief with a fresh blast Tuesday at disgraced former leaders it calls the anti-party group.

Pravda recalled the downfall of a half-dozen one-time strongmen chased from power by Premier Khrushchev and said the Communists have consistently smashed those who "opposed the measures which had become due through the exigencies of life."

The attack by the Soviet Communist newspaper lent color to a belief growing among diplomats that Serov, 53-year-old veteran of party purges, is booked for relegation to the bleak frontier of Soviet life—if nothing worse.

The opinion was widespread that he was being kicked downstairs. But this opinion was not unanimous.

A dispatch from Moscow said various observers in the Soviet capital believe the former chief of state security is perhaps heading for an even more important job, though there was nothing in the announcement to pinpoint it.

## Six Killed In Crash Of Tanker

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—A U.S. Navy tanker plane attempting an emergency landing smashed two houses Tuesday. Its 4-man crew and two babies in one of the homes perished in the wash of flames from the fuel-filled tanker.

Two other persons suffered burns and shock.

One of these is Mrs. Joseph E. Tondora, mother of the two babies. She was taken to a naval hospital. Her husband, a navy lieutenant, is at sea.

Also burned was Charles Shepard Jr., driver of trailer-truck struck by the plane as it bounced across the street, in a residential area near the Norfolk naval air station.

No one was in the other residence.

The North American AJ-2 twin-engine plane had taken off from the Norfolk naval air station less than 30 minutes earlier on a refueling mission. It turned back from its position over Chesapeake Bay because of engine trouble, a navy spokesman reported.

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