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Cabinet Changes Slated For Today

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Premier Walter R. Shaw has stated that he will announce changes in his cabinet today.

The Dec. 10 provincial general election made two portfolios vacant with the defeat of Attorney-General and Provincial Treasurer Melvin McQuaid. The premier said "I am 99

per cent sure now what the changes will be, but there are a few details in our front I make my announcement."

There has been a great deal of speculation on the new appointments that the premier will make, and the most consistent has been that Allan Farmer, Conservative member for Charlottetown, will receive

the post of attorney general. SEVERAL MENTIONED Several members have been suggested as treasurer. Among them are Provincial Secretary J. David Stewart, Education Minister Dr. George Dewar, House Speaker John MacLean, and Welfare and Labor Minister Henry Wade.

With present regulations limiting the number of the cabinet to nine, including the premier, another possibility is that Mr. Farmer might also take on the portfolio of treasurer.

Asked about this possibility, the premier said "that sounds like a good guess, but my mind won't be made up until Wednesday and I'll announce things then."

AVOID SHUFFLE By doing this, the premier would avoid a large-scale shuffle in the cabinet. This would seem desirable as he said recently "present cabinet ministers are doing an excellent job in their respective departments."

This kind of move is not heavy for Mr. Farmer as the premier pointed out recently, the govern-

ment's centralized accounting system is starting very well, and much of the work load of the attorney-general's department may be handled by the deputy attorney-general.

Another suggestion heard Monday is that Mr. McQuaid may be retained by the government as treasury advisor. There is precedent for such a move. In the mid-fifties, Liberal provincial treasurer William Hughes lost the combination to run in the next election and was retained in a non-cabinet post as financial advisor.

A Conservative party member pointed out Monday that Mr. McQuaid has a valuable knowledge of treasury policy, knows the mechanics of operation of the department, and has excellent financial contacts with the federal government.

In Alberton was sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Legion. A large attendance enjoyed the dance program which included several novelty dances. Music was provided by the Shamrocks which is comprised of Wayne McKinnon, piano; Henry O'Malley and John O'Malley, guitars; Ronnie Turner, drums and Alice Faye Barrett, soloist.

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SCOUTS CAMP IN THE SNOW

A group of 18 Scouts from the 8th (Trinity) Charlottetown Troop bivouacked outdoors at the troop's Riverdale camp headquarters last week-end. The scouts were qualifying for their winter camper's badge. Here three of the boys, left to right, Robert Stewart, Larry Jones and Roddy Diamond, are shown as they prepare a meal in front of one of the woodstoves. The boys set up their camp Friday morning and remained there until Sunday afternoon. ASM Lloyd Coffin, ASM Stanley Warwick and Scoutmaster Dr. A. L. Saunter were in charge of the camp.

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As work progresses on the outdoor rink at Tignish, impatient children took to their skates in between flooding operations but it will be a few days yet before the hockey schedule will start, in order to avoid accidents the children have been requested to not skate on the rink until it is officially open. Writing of the outdoor lights was completed Saturday and William Pedersen, treasurer of the Tignish Sports Recreation Association (left) is shown presenting the electrician, Frank Sillier, O'Leary, with the full amount of his bill.

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IS PATIENT
Harold Howard, New Annan, is a patient in the Western Hospital.

AT ALBERTON
Miss Sandra Ashley, Saint John, N.B., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ashley, Alberton.

IS GUEST
Miss Brenda Perry, Moncton, is a New Year's guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Perry, Alberton.

IN MONCTON
Michael, Alberton, is spending a few days in Moncton before going to Halifax where he expects to be employed.

VISITED PARENTS
Marceline Hasen and sister Mary of Charlottetown and her brother, Edmund, Toronto, have returned to their respective duties after spending the festive season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hays, Emerald.

CAROLS ENJOYED
Christmas carols were enjoyed by many of the sick and shut-in folks in the village of Tignish over the weekend. On Friday evening a group of teenagers with Theresa Gallant and Patsy Richard as their leaders visited homes and sang carols.

CHURCH YARD PLOWED
Members of the Tignish United Church expressed appreciation to Hector Gallant, snow plow dispatcher for the Tignish area, for having the churchyard cleared out in time for church services last Sunday. This is the first time this courtesy has been extended, allowing the congregation to worship in their church.

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Pea Crop Insurance Will Be Investigated

The feasibility of setting up a four-year scheme of crop insurance on peas grown for processing plants will be investigated by Agriculture Minister Andrew MacLean.

Mr. MacLean plans to go to Ottawa early next month to meet with federal department of agriculture officials. "I will see whether or not they are interested," he said "in participating in a pea insurance plan. It might be possible to set up a plan among the federal and provincial governments, the processing plants and the growers."

This province now has a post-harvest crop insurance plan in which the two governments and the growers participate.

While in Ottawa, Mr. MacLean will also discuss federal participation in a plan to pay island grain growers compensation for grain that could not be harvested in the past crop year because of weather conditions.

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