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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS-
Advertisers are reminded that their copy must be in the Guardian not later than noon the previous day to guarantee insertion. Out of city advertisers who telephone classifieds, etc., should particularly bear this in mind.

INSTITUTE SPONSORS CARD PARTY - Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodside were among those entertaining under the auspices of Margate W. I. Auction forty-fives were played and the winners were Mrs. Don Baker and Mr. Fred Howard. Mrs. Lloyd Hickox and Mr. Don Baker received consolation prizes. Assisting hostesses were Mrs. Heath Mayhew and Mrs. Chester Howard.-Bur.

BIG NIGHT at Bedeque rink Thursday, March 2nd, double-header, Wilnot, Excelsior team, married men versus single men, and Prince of Wales College girls versus Bedeque Rink All Star ladies team. Skate after. Come and enjoy a good evening's fun. Admission 30 cents.

HOCKEY CLUB SPONSORS PARTY - Mr. and Mrs. Albert Murphy entertained at a card party on Thursday evening, sponsored by Norboro Hockey Club. Nine tables were in play. Mrs. Clark Harding captured the ladies' prize, and the men's high score was made by Mr. Ray Douglas. Mrs. Walter Hughes and Mr. Lloyd Shupe received consolation prizes. The freeze-out was also won by Mr. Ray Douglas. Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by several of the ladies.-Bur.

MARGATE INSTITUTE CARD PARTY - Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Profit opened their home on Friday evening for a card party, sponsored by Margate Women's Institute. Mrs. Leung Chan was the next meeting night. Rev. E. J. Barrass gave an address on "Canadian Baptist Foreign Missions" which was followed by a general discussion. Each competitive team won one point. Games of table tennis and ping pong were greatly enjoyed. Delicious refreshments were served at the conclusion of the meeting by Mrs. E. J. Barrass and Mrs. J. E. Morrison.

HELVIN GROVE ENTERTAINERS - The home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cassidy was the scene of a joyous card party, sponsored by Kelvin Grove Women's Institute on Monday evening. High scores were made by Miss Ethel Callaghan and Mr. Scot Clark. Mrs. Stirling Miller and Mr. Hubert MacNeill received consolation prizes. Mrs. Heath Mayhew assisted the hostess in serving a delicious lunch.-Bur.

INSTITUTE ENTERTAINS - Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dunning entertained on Tuesday evening, February 14th, at a very successful social, under the auspices of Long River Women's Institute. The program developed into a riot of fun and merriment and was staged by popular and well known entertainers, ably supplemented by newcomers, with acts conducive to hilarity. With Mr. Murdoch MacLeod as genial master of ceremonies, the following program was put on before an appreciative audience: Contest, Mrs. James Bernard; reading, Mrs. W. J. Profit; solo, Mrs. Alfred McKay; contest, Mrs. Ralph Johnstone; piano solo, Norma Campbell; piano duo, Jean MacLeod and Earith Dunning; reading, W. J. Profit; auction sale, Leslie Savage, auctioneer; singing; humorous reading, Rev. C. Stevens; violin duet, Andrew Johnston and Alvin Bernard, accompanied by Mrs. E. Dunning; Mrs. Alfred McKay; Mrs. Leslie Savage entertained with a variety of musical and dancing numbers to the keen delight of the audience. Appetizing and abundant refreshments were served by the ladies.-Bur.

PERSONALS
-Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Edwin Bernard, who has been ill at her home at Long River, is making a good recovery.-Bur.

MARGATE W. M. S.
-The regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary of the United Church W. M. S. of Margate met on Tuesday evening, February 14th, at the home of Mrs. Dennis Woodside. Mrs. Wilbur Dennis presided, and the service opened with the Worship service. The theme for the meeting was "The Church, the household of Faith." Hymns sung were, "I have thy Kingdom Lord," and "Rise up O Men of God."

ANNUAL MEETING
-The Annual Meeting of the shareholders and patrons of the Fryon Dairying Company will be held in the creamery on Tuesday, March 7th, at 1:30 p.m. The feed warehouse will be open on Monday afternoon, March 6th. (Signed) C. E. GAMBLE, Secretary.

Says Crash Not Due To Mechanical Failure in Plane

By William Stewart
QUEBEC, March 1 (CP) - A young aeronautical engineer testified today at the murder trial of J. Albert Guay that a plane wrecked Sept. 9 with 23 deaths was "breaking up in the air" before it struck a mountain-top at nearby Salet au Cochon.

Guay, 32-year-old jeweler arrested two weeks after the crash, is accused of bringing about the plane's destruction by means of a time-bomb to get rid of his wife, one of the crash victims.

Frank Francis of Vancouver, in the witness box for 2-1/2 hours, told the court parts of the Canadian Pacific Airliner bound from Montreal to Sept-les, were spread along a 2,300-foot distance up to the spot where its main section was found.

There were many references in Francis' long testimony to an "explosion" aboard the aircraft but he had not given his opinion of its cause when the court rose for the day. He will return to the witness box tomorrow morning.

Population Figures

OTTAWA, March 1 (CP) - Canada entered 1950 with a population of 13,728,000, an increase of 149,000 in the last six months of 1949, the Bureau of Statistics reported today.

The 1950 population figure was based on special estimate undertaken by the Bureau and it compares with an estimate of 13,578,000 at July 1, 1949, and 13,549,000 at June 1, 1949.

Special quarterly estimates started by the Bureau in the second half of 1949 indicate increases of 87,000 for the summer months of June-August and 71,000 for the September-November period.

The January 1 figure reflects an estimated growth of 21,000 during December.

EGYPTIAN PORTRAITURE

The earliest attempts at individual portraiture are found in Egyptian cases of the ancient Egyptians.

PREMIER JONES

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lands than Quebec City, Montreal or Mont Joli, Que. Now Mont Joli was being used as a base to fly supplies which would be carried more cheaply from Charlottetown by plane or boat.

Seven Islands would need plenty of supplies. So would the workers building the railway from Seven Islands to the ore fields, the centres along the rail line and the ore workers.

Great Triangular Route

He said he foresaw a great triangular trading route. Ships would ply 400 miles from Charlottetown to Seven Islands, 410 miles from Seven Islands to the important paper manufacturing plant at Corner Brook on Newfoundland's west coast and another 350 miles back to Charlottetown.

"If I ever get to the Senate, I think I should immediately begin to study the possibilities of the Chignecto Canal," the Premier continued. "When I see that 2,000,000 tons of ore are going to be stockpiled in Labrador, ready for shipment up the St. Lawrence to western Ohio, through the canals, it seems to me the height of foolishness. Leaving Seven Islands a boat could sail down to Bale Verte and into Portland just as quick as she could reach Montreal. It seems ridiculous to think of taking all the ore there, because the Bethlehem Steel Company has established a big plant not very far from Philadelphia. Why doesn't the ore go down the Atlantic coast instead of going down the St. Lawrence?"

"What right have they to build locks at our expense? If the bridge goes over the Strait of Canso, there is no reason why Sydney could not become a great steel emporium. And we are in the centre of all this, living in one of the most favorable positions of the whole continent.

"My own friend ever comes into office, I hope he will heed these words, that the Gulf of St. Lawrence is a great potential market for Prince Edward Island, which is the only Maritime Province producing a surplus of farm products."

Trade via "Eskimo"

As the Throne Speech indicated, Prince Edward Island was trying to revive the once large schooner-carried trade with the Newfoundland outports. The motor vessel Eskimo had been purchased for \$75,000 last year by the Industrial Corporation, a Provincial Government company, to carry on this trade.

The outports found that they could get goods much cheaper this way than through water shipments from Halifax or North Sydney, N. S., to St. John's where they were re-shipped. Charlottetown was closer and should become a re-routing centre instead of those two ports with the same subventions granted them to make freight rates lower.

Despite Opposition criticism that the Newfoundland venture appeared to be a losing one there was little indication of that, the Premier said. The loss, if any, would not be great because the Federal Government would help out with a subsidy if requested.

"I think the time has come when Charlottetown should get favours the same as Halifax and Saint John, so that we can route be at the home of Mrs. Arthur Profit. Mrs. Chester Howard will have the Worship Service and Mrs. John Johnson will present the last chapter of Growing with the Years and the programs.

goods in large volume through to those outports," he said.

Draggers

He referred to the numerous Newfoundland communities which depend very largely on sales of codfish. Today there is little demand for salt fish. More than one-third of the Newfoundland product goes out in the form of frozen fillets. This means establishment of filleting plants with refrigerator cars on railway lines in close proximity.

He had been impressed by the change in fishery requirements by salesmen from the United States who had visited here, who had assured him they could handle all the fish caught west of the St. Lawrence in fresh or filleted form. He had had to change his own views after conversing with them.

"The leader of the Opposition says he is opposed to draggers. Why doesn't he stop to think? I am not declaring myself in favor of them; it is not Government policy, but there is no harm in trying out one or two."

He insisted that what was being done in New Brunswick, where they fish for five and one-half months and last year brought in an average catch of 800,000 pounds for each dragger. Each fisherman received between \$3,000 and \$4,000, and the captain twice as much. As a result, fishermen on the New Brunswick coast are better off today than the lumbermen.

Start in King's County

The Dominion Government is willing to bonus fishermen in this connection, provided the Provincial Government assists. Apparently they would like to see the system worked out in this Province. The start should be made in King's County, the Premier believed, where the harbours are open longer, and operations might be continued for nine or ten months of the year.

The setup should be in deep water, at places where there is railway communication and where labour can be procured. In Massachusetts and elsewhere there is a good deal of labor trouble today, and the absence of such trouble here is a strong inducement to the industry.

"Things are perfect in this Province for a setup of this kind," the Premier said. "If something is not done, what are we going to do? Where would the inshore fishermen fit in?"

Dragger catches come in fresh and are of high quality, he added. A 59 ft. dragger could slip through the gut of Canso and into the Atlantic. He had inquired as to the chances of over-fishing in the Gulf, and had been assured that a hundred draggers would not make any impression on this huge fishery resource.

The Government had sought advice from the representative men comprising the Fishermen's Loan Board, and the question was being studied from every angle with a view to forming a sound policy of fishery development.

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The Premier said that as Minister of Agriculture he had located a 200 acre area of marshland which could be easily dammed. He had brought reclamation engineers here and they agreed to dam it next summer. This area was at Johnstone's River. The residents have all agreed to have the tide shut out, and an effort will be made to have this area turned to profitable uses. It will cost the Province nothing as the Dominion finances the project.

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Trans-Canada Highway

Reporting progress in trans-Canada highway negotiations, he said the standard requirements were for a minimum width of 120 feet with maximum grades of 6 per cent, either vertical or horizontal. This meant that if a man were lying on the road, one would have to be able to see him 600 feet away.

"The standard requirement is such that if we built one of these roads it would probably cost us twice as much as the roads we build now," the Premier said. "So that so far as this Province is concerned we would make nothing out of it. But when it comes to bridges we would obtain half the price of each bridge. Our Government participated in the agreement and I am advised it is going to go ahead. When I last spoke to Hon. Mr. Winters at Ottawa some weeks ago, he said all the Provinces had lined up excepting Alberta and Quebec.

In all the Provinces there have been heated discussions over the location. The only route in this Province acceptable to the Dominion would be from the Borden to the Wood Islands ferries, connecting with the highways on the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia main and on a population basis, this would be a major improvement over the other Provinces, are obtaining.

The Premier expressed the hope that the 120 ft. requirement as to width would not be insisted on. Grade requirements would also present difficulty, as we have roads here with grades running to 9 per cent.

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The Premier expected the equipment would be resold to the local company within the next few days.

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CAPITOL Summerside

LAST SHOWING TODAY - 3:30-7:15-9:15
M-G-M's "THE BRIBE"
with Ava Gardner - Robert Taylor

FRIDAY - SATURDAY
Friday 7:15-9:15 - Saturday 2:30-7:15-9:15

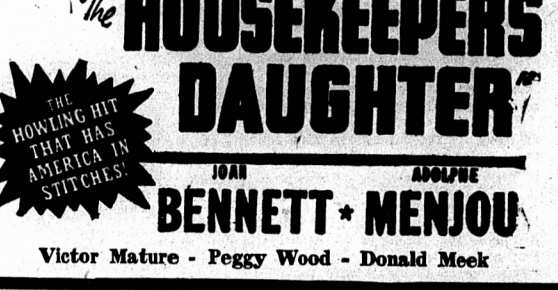


Also Short Subject, "WITCH IS WITCH"

REGENT TO-NIGHT 7.15 & 9.15

Eddie Cantor - Ethel Merman and Brian Donlevy in "STRIKE ME PINK"

FRIDAY & SATURDAY - 2 HAL ROACH COMEDIES
Jimmy Rogers in "PRAIRIE CHICKENS"
with Noah Beery Jr. and Joe Sawyer



Victor Mature - Peggy Wood - Donald Meek

CAMEO Theatre

Wednesday and Thursday 7:15
It's the Hal Roach Production, "BROADWAY LIMITED"
A comedy with laughs galore, with Victor McLaughlin, Dennis O'Keefe, Marjorie Woodworth, Patsy Kelly, Also Leon Errol Comedy Reel.

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