

Ottawa Report

By Patrick Nicholson

A National Conservation Plan was called for by 18 delegates representing nearly 100 public service organizations meeting in Ottawa last week.

The convention discussed the conservation of our renewable natural resources, with special reference to soil, water and wild life.

Whether it was an equal success in impressing this need on governments at the federal, provincial and municipal level, the sponsors are less sure.

United Provinces?

Canada, like many other nations, has succeeded in submerging her national independence sufficiently to join in international organizations such as the United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Resources Conference showed that there is an acute need for some superior authority to regulate exploitation of our renewable natural resources.

Times Have Changed

The haphazard exploitation of the Red Indian era and even of the Lumber Barons era is not tolerable today.

Dean J. W. B. Stearn of the University of Toronto, explained that pine lumber production in Ontario has dwindled from its peak of 800 million board feet in 1908 to less than one-sixth of that in recent years.

This threat to our forest industries which is today our greatest employer, and the threat to our farmers through the denuding of our watersheds and consequent soil erosion, and the destruction of our salmon industry and of the other fish species which are the backbone of our tourist industry, call for urgent government action.



James Johnston: Jimmy was born at Central Bedouque, P.E.I., in 1933, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnston.

Denys Dufresne: Denys was born at Shawinigan, Quebec, in 1930, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Dufresne.

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Deterioration is an element in the nature of natural things. The flowers of the field and the leaves of the trees inevitably wither and decay.

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Inverness And Vicinity

Mrs. Daniel MacDougal, was a business visitor to Summerside on April 20. Mrs. Harold MacFayden, Portage, was in Summerside on April 17.

Mrs. Austin Maynard, Portage, was a business visitor to Summerside on April 20.

Mrs. and Mrs. Hugh Ramsay, Richmond, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel MacDougal.

Miss Deletra Milligan, who is a patient at the Provincial Sanatorium, Charlottetown, spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Emma Milligan, Inverness.

Mrs. Clifford Biggar, Alberton, was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Biggar, Portage, on April 15.

Mrs. and Mrs. Elmer Gallant, and daughter, Eneth and one of Mr. Alberton, were visiting at the home of Mrs. John Costain, Portage, on April 15.

Mr. Desmond Curley, Richmond, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sharbell, Portage, on April 18.

Miss Theresa Kilbride, St. Eleanors, spent the Easter holidays with her father, Mr. John H. Kilbride.

Mrs. Mary Graham and daughter, Audrey Summerside, spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Biggar, Portage.

Mr. Bowman Milligan was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stenning Williams, Tyne Valley, on April 15.

Mr. William Wilson and Mr. Denzil Campbell were business visitors to Summerside on April 20.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cullen, west Devon were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacDonal on April 18.

Mr. Ervin Biggar, Ellerslie was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Biggar, Portage, on April 20.

Mr. Cecil Kilbride, McAdam, N. B. is visiting friends and relatives at Inverness and Conway.

Mrs. Dewar and daughter Ellen, Miss Faith MacDonald, O'Leary and Miss Charly MacDonald, Portage, were business visitors to Charlottetown on April 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie DesRoches, and daughter Norma, McAdam, N. B., and formerly of Portage, are visiting relatives at Alberton.

Mrs. Alfred Cullen, Portage, was visiting relatives at Alberton, recently.

Miss Isabel Coughlin, Summerside was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacDonald on April 21.

Miss Mary Milligan, Inverness, and Miss Isabel Coughlin, Summerside, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cullen, West Devon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dalton and family, Miscouche, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sharbell, Portage, on April 19.

secondary roads, we would soon have a profusion of wayside blossoms comparable to our sister province's famous Blue Lupin Trail.

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Personals

Mr. Hugh Walker, King Street, Charlottetown is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

Sherritt Gordon Project Costs Exceed Estimate

TORONTO (CP)—Increased costs of the new mining and production project of Sherritt Gordon Mines, Ltd., has run above estimates and necessitated \$9,000,000 additional financing.

Cost of the chemical metallurgical plant at Fort Saskatchewan, Alta., which will produce nickel from the company's new mine at Lynn Lake, Man., now is estimated at \$24,004,000, an increase of \$3,513,000 over the April, 1953, estimate, and \$7,149,000 over the 1951 estimate.

Nickel production at Fort Saskatchewan, scheduled for May, million are made unhappy through divorce, crime and other unsatisfactory behaviour which stems to a large extent, at least, through unshared emotional problems.

Over-all cost of the entire project, originally estimated at \$35,029,000, now is estimated at \$46,799,000, an increase of \$11,770,000.

Contingency reserves of original financing will take care of approximately \$6,300,000, but the remaining \$5,500,000, together with some \$2,500,000 required to finance the mine operation until Fort Saskatchewan is operating at capacity necessitated the new financing.

PAYMENT DELAYED—The complicated, says the report, by the fact that payment of the final \$3,000,000 of the \$22,000,000 first mortgage bond money was held up pending completion of arrangements for the additional financing.

An amendment to the contract for sale of nickel to the United States government was negotiated so that the company can get an advance payment on the recoverable nickel content of concentrate from Fort Saskatchewan.

Total of such advance is limited to some \$5,000,000 and the stock-piling period limited to this year.

To provide the remaining \$3,000,000 the company has agreed to sell at par \$3,000,000 series C bonds which will rank equally under the mortgage with series A and B, to the lenders and Newmont Mining Corporation. They will bear a fixed five per cent interest rate, payable quarterly, and a three per cent deferred interest rate, payable at the time all series C are retired.

Deferred interest may then be converted into common shares at 75 per cent of market value of the stock, but at not less than \$2.50 a share.

To insure against unforeseen contingencies, provision is made for sale to the lenders and Newmont Mining of an additional \$3,000,000 series C at the company's option, at any time prior to March 31, 1955.

LONG RIVER W. I.

The April meeting of Long River Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Murdoch MacLeod on April 6. Roll call was answered by 12 members, one visitor present.

The president presided. The school committee reported that the school had been scrubbed and the sick committee one call had been made.

New committee was appointed as follows:—School, Mrs. W. E. Johnston, Mrs. Murdoch MacLeod, Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Francis Paynter; sick, Mrs. Edwin Bernadine, Mrs. Mas Found and Mrs. W. J. Proffitt; lunch, Mrs. Elmer MacLeod, Mrs. Murdoch MacLeod, Mrs. Nelson MacLeod and Mrs. Andrew Johnston; program, Mrs. Murdoch MacLeod and Mrs. Allan A. Campbell.

Letter of appreciation from Mr. Reid for promptness and donation to Red Cross, also one from Miss Robin about the Mysore Project. An interesting letter from the convener of Agriculture, Mrs. Neil MacLean and one from Mr. Chandler about Rural Beautification, was noted that the district convention is on June 24.

Mrs. Francis Paynter reported that the government grant had been received. Mrs. Andrew C. Johnston that she had invited the Kensington play to come at soon as roads were fit. A committee was appointed to entertain same.

Mrs. Oscar and Mrs. Ralph Johnston invited the Institute for May meeting, roll call to be an evening of flower slips or seeds. Mrs. Oliver Paynter had a contest for program.

EDUCATION THE KEYNOTE IN MENTAL ILLNESS PREVENTION

(A statement by Dr. J. C. Theriault, M.D., Assistant Director, Department of Mental Health.)

As everybody knows there are only 52 weeks in a year but this number will soon be insufficient to look after all the "weeks" that are on the horizon.

Advertising being what it is, we now find that we have "baby week," "ham week," "cheese week," "wash week," "door week," etc., etc. All these seem to have one thing in common, that is, there is an attempt by interested parties to make the public aware of these various products and these various persons.

It would therefore seem fitting that for 1 week during 52 we should pause and concentrate our thoughts and efforts on our biggest public health problem, mental illness.

Statistics being what they are seldom make enjoyable reading, yet, it is a known fact that mental illness requires more hospital beds than all other illnesses combined. That millions of dollars are lost annually through the emotional illnesses and countless millions are made unhappy through divorce, crime and other unsatisfactory behaviour which stems to a large extent, at least, through unshared emotional problems.

Is it any wonder then that we shudder at seemingly insurmountable problems and turn our attention to discovering the cause of some infective process or some organic change in the body which we can see and handle with a microscope. Mental illness is still looked upon as a shameful condition which affects only the weak and is a disgrace to the family.

As he might think the doctor was quite nice. However, he soon embodies his grandfather's feelings into his own thinking and although he does not know the reason why, he develops a definite hatred towards this doctor; this is a very simple but striking example of how intolerance and prejudice can be transmitted in a family.

In keeping with the same train of thought, recently an article appearing in the newspaper discussed at length the present trends of getting away from city life to where our children could be brought up in the healthy atmosphere of the country. We are all familiar of course with the sunshine, clean clear air, healthy food and wonderful vitamins that the farm can give us; however, most of these attributes are physical and as we started out to say in the beginning, emotional and mental illnesses are by far our great public health problem.

How does this come into effect here? One of the big dangers of isolation is that our views become narrow and constricted. Living in small communities, in small clichés, very often we are unable to see the other person's point of view; we are like the fiddler who plays by "ear" when he hears a reel played note for note, he says the artist is wrong, essentially he has been playing by "ear" so long (although wrong) that he feels he is right and the artist is wrong.

In the same way this danger exists if we become too isolated, people with colored skins or people of different faiths, people with different ideas, people with different beliefs, they become wrong they are foreigners, is it any wonder then that so many country people break down or at least become disturbed when they move into a city where life is so highly competitive and they have to live amongst people with different beliefs, than what they are accustomed to in their own small community.

Mental Health Week begins this year May 2nd and extends to May 8th, let us then look the problem squarely in the face, let us ask ourselves, what would I do if there was mental illness in the family, let us find out what facilities there are in the community for combating mental illness. Take this opportunity to become familiar with your own mental hospital. But, however, let us not meditate on the gloomy side of the picture for this week but let us take a positive approach, let us see what is being done, what can be done, what can be done to prevent it.

Here on the Island, we are privileged to have a very active group of men who are interested in boy's work, boy's recreation, many leagues are organized all over the Province, in baseball, hockey, basketball, etc., this week also is musical festival week, all these activities fostering competition, fostering good-fellowship, channeling our excess energies in a useful and constructive manner, all excellent ways in which mental illness can be prevented but what is more important, mental health can be fostered.

ST. PETER'S LAKE SCHOOL (Senior Room)

Grade X — 1. Jimmy MacDonald; 2. Vivien McLennan. Grade VIII — 1. Francis MacDonald. Grade VII — 1. Jimmy Gunn; 2. Lauretta MacDonald; 3. Joan Gunn. Grade VI — 1. Judy MacEwen; 2. Wayne Sheehan. Grade V (a) — 1. Jean MacEwen; 2. Elva Laybott; 3. Dunstan MacDonald. Grade V (b) — 1. Ray MacEwen; 2. Raymond MacEwen (equal); 3. Deaveux and Viola Roch (equal). Principal, Teresa MacDougall.

Primary Department

Grade III — 1. Sterling Gunn; 2. Jimmie MacAdam; 3. Shirley Gunn. Grade II (a) — 1. Kathleen MacCormack; 2. Loraine Laybott; 3. Reginald MacCormack. Grade II (b) — 1. Brenda MacEwen; 2. Percy MacEwen; 3. Elmer Deagle. Grade I (a) — 1. Audrey MacEwen; 2. Marion MacEwen and Isabel MacEwen (equal); 3. Melvin Laybott. Grade I (b) — 1. William Laybott; 2. Ambrose Laybott; 3. Reginald Laybott.

Perfect attendance for the month, Brenda MacEwen, Marion MacEwen, Sterling Gunn, Shirley Gunn, Audrey MacEwen, Isabel MacEwen, Percy MacEwen. Teacher, Mary Ledwell.

MONTAGUE W. I.

Mrs. A. D. MacLure was hostess to the members of the Montague Women's Institute at their monthly meeting Tuesday evening, Mrs. Lorne Wigginton, presided.

Fourteen members responded to roll call and there were two members present. The financial report was read by the treasurer, Mrs. Lyle Boehner. Mrs. Boehner also reported that the annual Government grant had been received. A letter regarding the Mysore project in India was received from Miss Mary Robin and this matter was left over until the May meeting.

Mrs. William MacLean, convener of the Red Cross committee, reported that most of the work given out at the last meeting had been completed. It was decided that the Institute would give prizes to the children who win awards during book week. Mrs. Arnold Van Idersdine and Mrs. George Nicholson were appointed on a committee to look after this matter. Plans were discussed for holding a party sale in April. The proceeds to be given towards the Nurses' Residence. Mrs. J. C. MacLure and Mrs. Boehner were appointed in charge of the sale.

An invitation to meet at the home of Mrs. George Nicholson in May was accepted, and Mrs. D.

Canadians From Germany



Almost any day will find a full complement of members of the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group at the Nuffield Centre Canteen at 8 Adelaide Street, London, Photographed relaxing around a table while on leave from the Soest area in Germany are (left to right): Pte. L. C. Harper, Smith Falls, Ont.; Pte. E. B. Riggs, Charlottetown; Pte. R. F. Ollitt, Toronto. (Photo by Barney Cross.)

Plan Assault On Red May Day Propaganda

LANCASTER, N. B. (CP)—The Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada will launch a country-wide counter-assault on the May Day propaganda tactics of the Communists Saturday.

Under the slogan "May Day—Pray Day," Canadian Jaycees will join sister organizations in the United States, Mexico, the Philippines and other countries in a drive to make May 1 an international day of prayer for world peace.

The program for 270 Canadian junior chambers and junior boards of trade has been arranged by a national committee headed by members of the Lancaster branch.

The committee says all churches and synagogues throughout Canada have been asked to hold services for world peace in support of the program on the first sabbath in May.

COME-TO-CHURCH MONTH

The observance also launches "come to church" month. Jaycees are urged to attend religious observances with their families regularly during May, and encourage others to do so.

President Harry F. Smith of Toronto said that through the program the Jaycees would "exert the most powerful force at our command—prayer—toward the search for peace."

Work of the "national faith and religious exercises committee" is directed by co-chairman V. Dexter and James T. Gramman, and Lyman F. D. Furlong, national vice-president, all of Lancaster.

BRADALBANE W. I.

The monthly meeting of Bradalbane Village Institute met at the home of Mrs. Allan Hickox on April 12.

Roll call was answered by buying cards with 10 members and four visitors present. Several articles from Red Cross work were handed in. The Government grant was received. The sick committee reported several calls made and the following new committees were appointed: Sick, Mrs. William Graham and Mrs. Stanford Glover; school, Mrs. Millage MacLeod and Mrs. Guyler Matthews; lunch, Mrs. Millage MacLeod, Mrs. Lorne Seaman and Mrs. William Graham.

It was decided to enter the Bradalbane Cemetery in the Rural Beautification. It was also decided that the sick in hospitals and at home receive a treat for Easter, and that a gift be purchased for a new baby in the district.

Next meeting it to be at the home of Mrs. Stanford Glover. Roll call to be answered with an exchange of flower slips. A delicious lunch was then served by the hostess and committee in charge.

D. MacLure and Mrs. Frank Dewar, were appointed on the lunch committee. At the close of the meeting, lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by a committee of the ladies, and a social hour was enjoyed.

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NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH WEEK May 2 — May 8

You are cordially invited to attend the opening of the Mental Health Clinic at its new location, in the Palmer Building, 100 Fitzroy Street, Charlottetown, Monday afternoon May 3rd, at 3:30 o'clock.

THE MINISTER AND STAFF, Division of Mental Health, Department of Health and Welfare.