T. C. DOUGLAS, president of the New Democratic party is pictured addressing the Montague Regional Board of Trade at Montague yesterday. He was introduced to the meeting by Wilfred Inman, candidate for Queens. Left to right at the head table are: A. Jones, secretary of the board; Mr. Inman; G. A. Wightman, president of the board; Mayor B. H. Yeo, and Ethan Stewart, vice-president of the board.

National NDP Leader Speaks In Montague

MONTAGUE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

T. C. Douglas, New Democratic party national leader, made a brief visit to the town of Montague yesterday where he addressed the students of the Montague Regional High School and spoke at an after dinner meeting of the Montague Regional Board of Trade. He was introduced at both functions by Wilfred Inman, candidate for Queens.

At the High School he was welcomed by John Yeo, vice-principal of the school.

In his remarks to the students he touched on just what democracy meant, stating that he believed in democracy and that it would work only if people will take an interest in government, public affairs and know what is going on. Democracy is comparatively new and still has to be proven, he said.

"I would like to remind you that in just a few years you young people along with thousands of young people all across Canada will be running this country and somewhere on the playgrounds of Canada the future prime minister, future cabinet ministers, future church leaders and business leaders are going to school today."

"The only way you can be ready for this responsibility," he said, "is to work hard, study and be prepared for the time as a citizen in democracy you will have to assume the responsibility of citizenship."

Mr. Douglas was thanked by Miss Dale Dewar, on behalf of the students. Miss Dewar is a grade 12 student.

At the luncheon, Mr. Douglas was welcomed to the regional board of trade by the president, G. Arnold Wightman. He was welcomed to the town by Mayor B. H. Yeo. Wilfred Inman, candidate for Queens introduced Mr. Douglas to the meeting.

On dealing with the 1967 centenial he said, while quite properly, the milestone will be marked with new buildings of various sorts, monuments to great men such as the first prime minister and the fathers of Confederation. "It seems we just can't celebrate with brick, mortar and marble," he stated but that "we should set for ourselves some definite goal—a kind of goal that would give us a sense of national pride, such as to work together for the eradication of TB, cancer research, heart disease, or a great housing campaign.

He spoke of the productivity of the European countries, and a national power grid for Canada.

Mr. Douglas said that our real relationship is somewhere with Britain and the Common Market. This market, he continued, is the most successful experiment of the century, and last year, was the largest importer of goods.

He said that the Atlantic region was the nearest to the ECM and would be he logical source of supply with cheap power and cheap fuel and this area could supply highly specialized products. This is the kind of goal for this region he stated in closing.

He was thanked by C. A. Shaw, one of the board members.

OBITUARY

MRS. GEORGE W. CLARK

The death occured in the Prince Edward Island Hospital on December 28th, 1961, of Mrs. George W. Clark, after a short illness. She was born at Hopedale, June 23, 1907, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. M. MacDonald.

In 1930 she married George W. Clark and came to live in North Wiltshire where she entered into the activities of the community. The deceased possessed a very kind and cheerful disposition, and will be greatly missed in the home that her life has beautified.

She leaves to mourn the loss of a loving wife and mother, her husband, one son, and three daughters: Wendell, at home; Marion, a nurse in the Canadian Army in Petawawa; Sylvia, Mrs. Berman Johnston, Charlottetown; Constance, Charlottetown. Also two sisters: Mrs. Jeanette Matheson, Charlottetown; Mrs. John MacLennan, Hartsville; and three brothers: Alexander, in Sommerville, Mass.; James in Hopedale; and Rev. Ira in Alberta. Her sister predeceased her.

The funeral service was held on Sunday, December 31st, in the North Wiltshire United Church, and was largely attended. Rev. Donald Nicholson conducted an impressive service and spoke words of comfort to the bereaved. The hymns. The Lord's My Shepherd and Rock of Ages, were sung. The pallbearers were: Reginald Clark, Albert Bowman, Sheldon Easter, Barton Boswell, John Mac Gemie and Nelson Hatherley. As the sum was sinking in the west, the earthly remains of a beautiful mother was laid to rest in the cemetery beside the the church which she loved and attended.

Till in the glorious morning light we see,
The angel faces of the blest and thee.

ARGUE SPEAKS

MOOSE JAW, Sask. (CP)—Hazen Argue, who resigned from the New Democratic party two weeks ago, says the control of the NDP is completely outside the hands of party leader T. C. Douglas. Mr. Argue, former CCF-NDP leader in the House of Commons, said in an interview Sunday that a small labor clique "controls the program, the platform, the constituency and the money." Mr. Argue now is a member of the Liberal party.

WESTERN BRIEFS

IS PATIENT

Arnold Hill, employee of the MV Abegweit, Borden, is a patient in Prince County Hospital.

IN HOSPITAL

Hillard Moase, Breadalbane, is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

NAMES OMITTED

In the obituary for Mrs. Albert Boswell which appeared Feb. 5, the name of her daughter, Minnie, Mrs. James Harris, Summerside, and son Albert of Marshfield were omitted from the list of survivors.

SHERREN FUNERAL — The funeral for Robert Ernest Sherren, Cape Traverse, was held Tuesday afternoon from the Church of Scotland, Cape Traverse. Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Gillies and Rev L. R. Graves. Hymns sung were "The Lord Is My Shepherd" and "I To The Hills." Pallbearers were Stanley Howatt, Fenton Howatt, Frank MacWilliams, Edwin MacWilliams, Edwin Crossman and Alban Gaudet. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Too Late To Classify

RESERVE Monday April 23rd for dance St. Peters Bay Holy Name Hall. Dancing from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30. Cliff Peters Orchestra, canteen service.

AT MONTAGUE rink today: 2:30 to 3:30 beginners skate; 3:30 to 5 skating; 5:30 to 7 Cub and Scouts; 7 p.m. Heatherdale vs. Vernon River, ice permitting.

ISLAND NEWS PAGE

Alberton and West Prince County

2 The Guardian, Charlottetown, Wed. March 7, 1962.

Answers To Questions Given By Government In House

H. P. Smith asked the minister of Agriculture:

(1) How many acres of grain were grown on the Falconwood farm in the year 1960, and what was the average yield per acre?

(2) How many acres of grain were grown on the Falconwood farm in the year 1961, and what was the average yield?

(3) (a) Were any samples of the soil of Falconwood Farm tested for soil analysts during the years 1960 and 1961? (b) If answer to question (3) is "yes", how many samples were taken, and from how many acres?

(4) (a) How many tons of fertilizer were purchased in the years 1960 and 1961? (b) From whom was the fertilizer purchased and what was the price per ton for each mixture purchased?

(5) Were tenders called for the purchase of fertilizer in the years 1960 and 1961?

ANSWERS

(1) 96 acres, estimated 50 bushels.

(2) 99 acres mixed grain — estimated 60 bushels.

(3) (a) 1960 Yes — 1961 No; (b) 2 samples — 25 acres.

(4) (a) 1960 — 23 tons, 640 lbs. — 1961 — 26 tons — 1200 lbs.; (b)—Island Fertilizer Ltd. at suggested retail price less Government discount.

(5) No.

POTATO PAYMENT

C. C. Baker asked the minister of agriculture:

(1) What was the total amount of compensation paid to potato growers for losses sustained due to fusarium storage rot for the 1960 crop year?

(a) Did the Federal Government pay 50% of the above cost? If not what percentage was paid by Ottawa?

(b) Did grower dealers receive any compensation under this policy?

(c) If not — why not?

(2) To what areas were potatoes shipped by air freight from this province since April 1st, 1961? And what was the cost of such air transportation per bushel?

What type and size of containers were used? and on what dates were such shipments made?

(a) Has the 10 lb. carton of which six are enclosed in a master carton come into general use by shippers?

(b) What would be the cost to shippers of such a unit to contain 60 lbs. of potatoes?

(c) At whose warehouses was irradiation by Atomic Energy of Canada Limited carried on?

(2) Was the cost borne by the Provincial Department of Agriculture?

(3) Has this irradiation treatment been tried in any other Province of Canada? If so with what results?

ANSWERS

1. $389,936.52; (a) Ottawa has agreed to pay 50% — 125,000 received, remainder to follow; (b) Yes; (c) No answer.

2. North Shore areas. Sold on f.o.b. basis. (a) Various sizes and types. Shipments made on ten days to two weeks periods. In on old crops after April 1st and again on 1961 crop. Shipments still continuing. (b) Approximately 36. (c) H. B. Willis Warehouse, O'Leary; Simmons & McFarlane Whse., Miscouche; Summerside Co-Oper. Whse., Summerside; R. Champion & Sons Whse., Kensington; Government Whse. Railway Wharf, Charlottetown; Potato Shed Railway Wharf, Souris; Eric Robinson Warehouse, Albany.

2. No.

3. Yes. Not known yet as this is the first year involving any quantity of potatoes and done as a demonstration.

EXPRESS DERAILED

ST. THOMAS, Ont. (CP)—Seven express cars of the New York Central Railway's Empire State express jumped the tracks at Port Burwell here Wednesday, but the passengers and crew felt nothing but a hefty jolt. Twin diesels were hauling eight express cars and three passenger coaches at about 80 miles an hour when the cars in the middle left the rails, tearing up some 600 feet of track.

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Federation Brief Urges Long Term Farm Credit

By NEIL A MATHESON
Provincial and Farm Editor

The year 1961 represents a major disaster from an economic standpoint, says a Federation of Agriculture brief presented to the legislature yesterday which quoted a Dominion Bureau of Statistics report that said the P.E.I. farmer had his income cut in half last year. "In many individual cases the result was even more drastic," the brief observed.

The brief made clear that "this decline cannot in any sense be attributed to the policies or lack of policy of our provincial government," but suggested "we are in an emergency position, and the point of no return has been reached by many farmers unless long term credit can be readily and quickly supplied."

(The accuracy of the BBS statement on farm revenue decline was challenged recently by Agriculture Minister Andrew MacRae.)

NEW LOOK ASKED

The federation asked for a serious new look at the farm marketing situation as it was presented by President George MacDonald, St. Georges.

Mr. MacDonald sharply criticized the press for publishing a story on the brief in issues which appeared on the street before the document was presented in the legislature.

A single marketing agency is suggested as the best means of tendering on export potato sales, and the best means "of eliminating the carpet bagging methods presently in vogue."

The Potato Marketing Board should be the chief instrument in developing improved marketing on behalf of the industry", the brief emphasized.

BARGAINING POWER

The complete absence of bargaining power for the farmer, with the lone exception of bottled fluid milk, was deprecated in the brief, which noted that the loss of five to fifteen dollars on a beef animal over a period of years, or five cents on a bushel of potatoes, or a dozen eggs, amounts to a significant sum over a period of years.

The farmer's survival, in many cases, is in doubt unless a better marketing system is developed, it said.

Need of a "fresh and adequate infusion of capital" is stressed, and the government is urged to give top priority to the problem of agricultural financing.

Approving the government's declared intention of new efforts toward disease control in potatoes, the federation promises solid backing though necessary added regulations and restrictions "will not always be popular."

PULP WOOD PRICES

The brief asked that the marketing director keep a close watch on the pulp wood marketing, as it complained that "for some time the price has covered only the labor and leaves little if anything for the wood".

Prices of up to $22 a cord have resulted in Quebec from provincial legislation and marketing by a board. In adjoining counties of N.B. "prices are little more than half the Quebec figure, and the situation in this province is even worse", the brief criticized.

"Need for improved co-operation by the public with the police" was emphasized if cattle rustling losses are to be eliminated.

Regional high school development was commended, with a warning against "enthusiasm" leading to the construction of more of these schools than are actually required."

Noting that land acquired for provincial parks is not subject to school taxation, the farmers asked for a payment in lieu of taxes, so that an unfair tax burden is not placed on other property in the district.

The importance of the producer having some bargaining power with food processing plants was stressed by the farmers, who "would like some assurance" that contracts will be reviewed by appropriate government departments.

Where possible, local control should be encouraged, and local interests given preference in setting up such plants, the brief requested.

The farmers asked support from the province for the application of freight assistance to Ontario corn moving to the Maritimes — it is now available "cheap" in Ontario and Quebec— and for freight assistance that would put Maritime feeders of Western grain on a base of equality with those in the Montreal freight zone.

MARKED GAS OPPOSED

Complaints were voiced that marked gas sludges carburetors and an adjustment in the registration fee of farm trucks was suggested.

The brief noted the good long-range prospects for beef cattle production, commended the government for its promotion of a more vigorous livestock program, and suggested that cross-breeding produces animals of "superior economic efficiency" and it produces commercial grades of beef that, "are popular with the customer."

The brief backs the Canadian Federation of Agriculture stand that the CBC should be the main instrument of broadcasting and televising in Canada, that it be given assurance of freedom to operate free of political pressures, and asked for guarantees that the CBC will continue to operate as an independent national service responsible to parliament.

HOSPITAL INSURANCE

The farmers backed a Women's Institute request that a thorough investigation be made into the work of the Hospital Services Commission, and some satisfactory set of rules drawn up so that "all members will know where they stand." It also recomended "the system of premium payments be abolished, in the interest of economy of administration and efficiency."

Particular objection was expressed to making dairy plants collect the insurance premiums.

The farmers added their voice to other groups asking for a new ice-breaking ferry that will carry railway cars, while a decision is pending on the causeway proposal.

It asked that the waiting rooms at Borden and Tormentine be kept open around the clock. "In too many cases, especially in winter, the rooms are locked after nine o'clock, and the travelling public spends long hours in their motor vehicles," the brief complains.

BACK NEW FERRY

The farmers back the efforts of the West Prince people to get a ferry service to New Brunswick, to the extent of recommending "most serious and careful study."

The farmers endorsed the idea of "rural development," but urged efforts to co-ordinate and have some central direction of the "great variety of adult education programs."

It repeated previous suggestions that unemployment insurance for farm labor should be made available on a voluntary basis. (This is a federal matter but the backing of the legislature was asked.)

The brief commended efforts to place bottled milk in schools, thanked the government for abolishing the tax on gas used on the farm, and asked consideration for lower registration fees for large trucks which are used mostly on the farm and "only incidentally on the highway."

It asked for some protection against the policy of farm machinery setting up distributing outlets and then moving out and leaving no servicing available to farmers who have purchased equipment.

WEATHER

TORONTO (CP) — Temperatures:

	Min. Night	Max. Day
Dawson	10	11
Vancouver	38	47
Victoria	39	52
Edmonton	-1	17
Calgary	-1	29
Regina	-7	20
Winnipeg	-13	13
Toronto	34	36
Ottawa	29	31
Montreal	29	33
Quebec	26	33
Fredericton	25	36
Saint John	21	37
Moncton	23	34
Halifax	23	37
Charlottetown	24	32
Sydney	25	33
Yarmouth	25	41
St. John's	27	33

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office says mild weather will continue and some sunshine is expected.

Regional forecasts:

Halifax and vicinity, South Shore, Eastern Shore — Cloudy with a few sunny intervals; continuing mild; east winds 25 with gusts to 40. Low-high at Halifax 22 and 38, Yarmouth 25 and 40, Goshen 25 and 35.

Annapolis Valley, Northern Nova Scotia: Mostly cloudy; continuing mild; east winds 20 with gusts to 30. Low-high at Kentville and New Glasgow 25 and 35.

Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, Eastern N.B. Counties: Variable cloudiness with a few snowflurries; continuing mild; east winds 30 with gusts to 50. Low-high at Sydney, Charlottetown and Moncton 20 and 35.

Upper St. John River Valley, Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with a few sunny intervals; continuing mild; east winds 20 with gusts to 30. Low-high at Fredericton, Edmundston and Campbellton 20 and 38, Saint John 23 and 38.

Bay of Fundy: East winds 25 increasing during morning to northeast gales 35; cloudy with a few snowflurries; visibility 10 miles lowering in snow to three miles; temperature in the low 30s.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 11.47 a.m. and 11.53 p.m. At Rustico at 6.56 a.m. and 7.03 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 6.26 and sets at 5.57.

Maritime Tel Has Good Year

HALIFAX (CP) — Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co. Limited, announced Tuesday net profit in 1961 was $2,859,864, or $1.33 a share, compared with $2,418,821, or $1.16 a share, in 1960.

The company, which operates a telephone system in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, said telephones in service at the year-end rose to 176,853 from 167,274 a year earlier.

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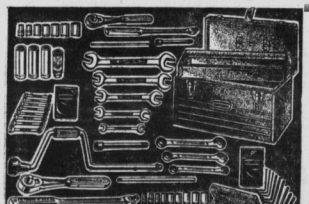

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