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—THE ANNUAL meeting of the Abegweit Co-Operative Association Ltd. will be held in Seartown Hall, Thursday evening, June 12, at 8 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

—LAUNCH SINKS — A trim high powered motor launch, belonging to a resident of Summerside, filled with water and sank in Alberton harbour sometime Monday. The craft was launched at Malpeque and cruised up the "Narrow" to Alberton and apparently received some damage to the hull en route, in a collision with a submerged object. The two occupants returned to Summerside and left the boat in charge of a local fisherman but it sank while he was out attending to his fishing gear. Local residents beached the launch and attended to the removal of the engine, radio, etc. Repairs are expected to be completed by the weekend.

—HOUSE WARMING AT ALBERTON — On Tuesday evening Mrs. (Dr.) J. P. Kelly, a native of Ireland, was pleasantly surprised when a number of friends and neighbors gathered at her home to tender her a house warming in the form of a shower. The gifts were opened by Mrs. E. E. Larter, and the accompanying good wishes read by Mrs. R. E. MacDonald. The guest-of-honor, although taken entirely by surprise, thanked all their lovely gifts. The evening was spent in social chat and singing, with Mrs. Larter as pianist. Refreshments were served by Mrs. E. A. McCue, Mrs. J. A. Callaghan, Mrs. W. A. Shea and Mrs. J. C. Profit. The evening was brought to a close by singing "For She's a Jolly Good Fellow and The Queen."

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—ELLERSLIE Players will present a three act play "The Poor Married Man" in O'Leary Hall June 12 at 8.30, sponsored by the O'Leary Library.

—ENGAGEMENT — Mrs. Agnes McCaughey of Summerside wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Theresa, to Henry Gallant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Belton Gallant, Summerside, marriage to take place in July.

Personals

—The many friends of Mrs. Harry S. Cannon are pleased to see her out again after undergoing an operation in the Prince County Hospital.

Many Activities

Continued from page 13 year dealing with many aspects of Board activities. The constructive replies received have formed the basis on which your council has carried on your behalf.

Board Activities

The Council during the year was happy to lend support to a number of projects of other organizations including the P.E.I. Branch of the Canadian Citizenship Council, the Y's Men's Trade Fair, the Local Back to Work Campaign, National Tourist Week, and the Provincial Safety Campaign.

Regret was expressed at the deaths of a number of members during the year, including Past President J. P. Crockett who gave many years of service in the interests of this Board and community.

The report lists the following among the varied projects and activities participated in by the Board during the year: Festive Week 1951 and again this year.

The problem of Charlottetown's suburban areas. Removal of the City Weigh Scales to a more appropriate site.

The meeting of a Provincial Research Foundation for this Province. A traffic plan for Charlottetown.

Adequate fire regulations and a Building Code for the City. Equalization of freight rates.

The Island's 1-zone freight case. Borden - Tormentine service and schedules. Wood Island - Caribou service and schedules.

Provincial highway weight restrictions. Provincial representation at International Trade Fair. Uniform Christmas closing hours here.

Retail price maintenance. Provincial Museum and Archives. Proposed Naval Barracks here. Improvements and extensions to Charlottetown Airport.

New Armories for this City. Charlottetown Federal Building. Get Out and Vote Campaign in regard to Civic election. New Peddler's by-laws for Charlottetown.

Proposed City purchase of vacant land between Grafton and Kent Streets. Sprinkler systems for historical buildings here. Lighting of Memorial Field.

Entertainment of Visiting Trade Commissioners. Proposed C.N.R. highway bus franchises. "With regard to the majority of these projects," says the report, "we feel definite progress has been made this year, while with regard to others we must continue our efforts in the year ahead."

"With the survey of our Airport now underway we must press for the long overdue improvements and extensions necessary to enable that airport to properly cope with the greatly expanding air traffic developing there."

"A new and larger boat for the Wood Island - Caribou service remains an absolute necessity in view of the tremendous expansion of vehicle traffic via that route and all our efforts will have to be concentrated in this direction until the same becomes a reality."

"That old warrior, the S.S. Prince Edward Island, built around 1917, cannot be expected to last forever and early steps will have to be taken to see that provision is made soon for a replacement by the Department of Transport."

"The Charlottetown suburban areas present a growing health menace to our City, and time marches on with little being accomplished towards correcting conditions there. "Our promised Naval Barracks,

B. C. G. Vaccination To Proceed At Borden

Plans for undertaking B. C. G. Vaccination against tuberculosis which has been offered to the residents of Borden by the Department of Health and Welfare are now completed. The local committee which undertook a house to house canvass reports that practically everyone wants this programme to be carried out as they realize it will be a means of protection for them. They hope that everyone in the community from the youngest infant to the oldest resident will have the preliminary tuberculin skin tests done and those who have negative reactions to the tests will avail themselves of the opportunity of vaccination against tuberculosis.

The programme starts on Friday morning of this week when two teams of doctors and nurses from the Department of Health and Welfare will visit the school to do the skin "patch" test on the school children. In the afternoon and evening the teams will be at the Legion Hall to test the adults and young children.

On Tuesday, June 17th, the doctors and nurses will again be at the school and Legion Hall to read the reactions of the "patch" test. If the reaction is negative, a slightly stronger skin test will be given. The Mobile X-ray Unit will also be in Borden on Tuesday, when it is expected that everyone in the town over 5 yrs of age will report for a chest x-ray. As there is difficulty experienced in keeping the younger children still enough for a successful x-ray plate, the Mobile Unit does not x-ray anyone under 5 yrs. of age. If necessary for any of the tiny tots to be x-rayed, they would have to be taken to one of the hospitals where there are more facilities.

The third part of this programme will be carried out on Thursday, June 19th when those who received the second skin test will again report back to the school or Legion Hall to have the doctors see the result of this test. If the reaction is still negative, then these people will be offered B. C. G. Vaccination.

Coleman Soldier Home From Korea

Sgt. Edward Lockhart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Lockhart Coleman, arrived home on Thursday after a tour of 13 months in Korea.

Sgt. Lockhart suffered a severely broken arm as the result of being wounded by an exploding mine which exploded underneath a jeep in which he was travelling.

Sgt. Lockhart who is on a sixty-day leave, is presently on a week's visit with relatives in Midway, Mass.

He arrived home from Korea in time to visit with another brother, James, who was home on leave from the R.C.A.F. at St. Johns, Quebec. —S

BOARD OF TRADE

Continued from page 1 the Council had been swept away by the promises of the railway without hearing what the Bus Company had to say. However, if he were representing the bus company he would say that private enterprise was giving a good service that had not been complained about by the public except in a recent letter to the press where a number of persons going East from Souris had to wait on the street in unfavourable weather until the bus came along. The bus company, he said, put extra buses on up to any number required, as called for by the traffic daily. He concluded by saying "I do not see to see private enterprise forced out of the Province."

Mr. Charles Bentley was definitely in favour of the action taken by the Council, but regretted that more of the general membership of the Board were not in touch with the substance of the brief before submission. Mr. Ralph Jenkins said that in his opinion the brief should be taken as from the Council, and not the Board. Neither the Railway nor the Express gave the service handling goods he had experienced by his line.

Mr. Walter Cox asked if the Council had authority to make a submission without consulting the whole Board. Secretary Walthen Gaudin in reply read the by-law governing such cases. "On primary interest," President MacDonald said, "to secure a superior service for the people of Charlottetown and the Province. Everything was done on the evidence before the Board. The Railway stressed that all they were doing was replacing trains they are taking off. The brief was asked from the Board of Trade by the Legislative Committee, and if we had failed to submit one, we would have been open for criticism."

The resolution ratifying the action of the council was then put before the meeting and passed.

Armouries and Federal Building remain just that—promises, and no more. "Thus there is plenty of work ahead for your new Council and in their efforts they will need the backing and support of all of us."

THROAT SORE? For common ordinary sore throat JUST RUB ON MINARD'S THROAT LINIMENT

GRAPAUD THEATRE CRAPAUD Fri. 8.30; Sat. 7.30 and 9.30 "GUNDA DIN" Starring Cary Grant, Victor McLaglan and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. An adventure based on the poem "Gunda Din" by Rudyard Kipling. Fast, furious and fascinating. As running time is two hours, there will be no short subjects.

Borden and Vicinity

Miss Hattie Ross who has been spending two weeks holidays with her sister, Mrs. Hector MacKenzie at Borden, returned to Summerside on Sunday June 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crawford and little daughter Joanne and Susan are visiting in Borden with Mrs. Crawford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald McAleer.

Miss Marguerite Weatherav of Borden left on Saturday, May 31 to spend some time in Toronto.

Mrs. Ed Lynds of Charlottetown was a recent visitor to Borden, guest of Mrs. Nell Darrach.

Miss Eleanor MacIsaac, who for two weeks was a patient in the Victoria General Hospital at Halifax, returned to Borden on Monday, June 2nd. She was accompanied by her mother Mrs. J.J. MacIsaac.

Mrs. Everett McKenna and little daughter Nancy Anne have returned to their home in Borden after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Griffin at Burton Lot 7.

Mrs. Norman Oatway of Borden is a patient in the P.C. Hospital. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Messrs. Charles Sexton of Borden and Dick Wedge of Summerside were visitors to Moncton on Sunday, June 8th.

Mrs. Amos Peters who recently underwent a tonsillectomy in the P.C. Hospital, returned to her home in Borden on Sunday, June 8th.

Mrs. Ernest Pike who recently underwent an operation in the P.C. Hospital, is recovering nicely and is now spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Edgar Ramsay, Summerside before returning to her home in Borden.

Miss Phyllis White, Marjorie Irving and Laura O'Connell, who spent a week-end at their homes here, returned to Moncton on Monday, June 9th.

Mrs. Michael Egan of Borden was a recent visitor to Kensington, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Croken.

The Borden Inn opened for service to the travelling public, on Wednesday, June 4th and on Sunday put on a special five course turkey dinner. Despite the wind and rain over hundred dinners were served to visitors from Charlottetown, Summerside and nearer districts. The hostess, Mrs. Harvey Bernard was assisted by Mrs. Earl Sawyer while the waitresses were Misses Shirley Levy and Anne MacDonald. The tables were prettily decorated for the occasion. Very prominent in the dining room were a dozen beautiful roses donated by Mr. George Williams, Summerside, for the opening dinner.

Gains Summary

Following is the Canadian Press summary of party gains in Saskatchewan: Lib. from CCF 7 CCF from Lib. 1 Lib. from Ind. Lib. 1 Lib. from Lib-PC 1 New Seat (CCF) 1 Unchanged 38 Doubtful 6 Total 58

C. and B.

Continued from page 6 to first base were also worthy of special mention. BOX SCORE Abbies, c 5 ABR H PO A E Hennessey, c 3 0 0 12 1 2 Sheppard, rf 4 1 0 1 0 0 MacKenzie, lf 5 1 2 11 0 0 Whitlock, ss 4 0 1 4 3 1 Goodwin, if 5 1 0 1 0 0 Pryor, cf 6 0 1 1 0 0 Cairns, 2b 6 0 3 4 1 1 Williams, 3b 3 0 2 1 0 1 Ryan, p 5 1 3 4 4 1 xHowatt, 3b 2 0 0 0 2 1 Total 43 4 7 35 6 8

X-Replaced Williams in 8th. A-Nobody out when winning run was scored in 13th. C. & B. ABR H PO A E G. Grady, rf 5 0 2 1 0 1 Whalen, 2b 6 2 1 1 0 1 Purcell, lf & ss 6 1 2 1 2 0 Cannon, 1b 5 0 1 14 0 0 Delaney, 3b 5 0 0 3 0 0 Walker, cf 5 0 1 3 0 0 I. Schurman, c 4 0 1 9 4 0 Simmons, p 1 0 0 3 0 0 xCarson, p & lf 4 0 0 0 1 0 Total 47 5 9 39 15 2 X-Replaced Simmons in 5th.

Summary Runs batted in: MacKenzie 2, Pryor 2, C. Grady, Delaney, Cannon. Stolen bases: Pryor, Hennessey, Ryan 2, G. Grady, Whalen, Purcell, C. Grady. Sacrifice hits: Sheppard, Hennessey. Triples: C. Grady, MacKenzie. Doubles: S. Pryor, I. Schurman. Double plays: Ryan to Cairns to MacKenzie. I. Schurman to Cannon. Hits: Ott Ryan, 9 in 13 innings; off Simmons, 5 in 4 2/3 innings; off Carson, 1 in 4 2/3 innings; off Grady, 1 in 2 2/3 innings. Struck out: E. Ryan 12, by Simmons 8, by Carson 5, by Grady 7. Bases on balls: Ott Ryan 3, off Simmons 2 (1 intentional). Hit by pitcher: By Simmons 1, by Grady 1. Earned runs: Abbies 4, Curran & Briggs 1. Left on bases: Abbies 8, C. & B. 6. Umpires: Plate, R. Phillips; bases, H. Landry and F. Savidant.

"PEI Looks Good After Korea!"

Gunner Stephen MacDonald who arrived here from Korea on Tuesday night and is staying with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid MacDonald, 151 Cumberland Street has been granted the customary 62 days leave.

"The Island looks good to me," he remarked yesterday. Gunner MacDonald who will not be 21 until July, left here to join the 2nd Field Regt. R.C.H.A., and after training in Shilo, Alta., was sent to Korea on April 21 of last year, arriving at Pusan, where he was moved up country and into action in 4 days, as the push was just starting to recover ground after the big retreat. The Canadians supported the Americans in this advance.

"I had five days leave last October which I spent in Tokyo," said Gunner MacDonald. "Then I rejoined my unit where 12 of us Islanders were together. Coming home we were ten days at Hiro and then took train for Yokohama where we boarded the American troopship M.M. Patriot for the 13 day trip to Vancouver."

Speaking of conditions in Korea Gunner MacDonald said, "The hills and paddy fields, the later very much like our swamps, were tough slogging when on the move, but the food was fair with plenty American cigarettes, and above all we received mail from home quite regularly." At the end of the 62 days leave, veterans may stay in the service or check out, as they desire.

IMPORTANCE

Continued from page 1 area and so it should reconcile itself to a different role in the scheme of things, economically and nationally.

Essential Foundation

What I have just said does not, in any way, imply that such an area would be necessarily inferior to another. Quite on the contrary, it might well be that the apparently less endowed district would, in reality, be more important, for what can say what ultimately constitutes the most desirable status of any section.

"If, for example, a district is fundamentally and essentially agricultural, then let it by all means be proud of the fact and work toward the end of perfecting itself along such lines in the certain belief that a more and better place will be made for it and the foodstuffs and that, in the long analysis, the soil and its produce is the foundation of our whole economy."

There is not the slightest doubt that our greatest resource as a nation is the character of our people and it is this, above everything else, that has made of Canada what it is today, with the eyes of the whole world upon us as never before. This is particularly true insofar as our American neighbours are concerned, who are now so loud in their praise of us.

"In many respects, these encouragements are well merited but we can admit to ourselves that there is much room for improvement. So let us organize ourselves, individually and nationally, in such a way that we may be everything which others think we are and that our beloved country may deservedly attain the destiny which is undoubtedly in store for it and that you here in Prince Edward Island and in Charlottetown will have the satisfaction of knowing that you have played your part nobly and well in the achievement of this glorious objective."

Opening Remarks

While I have had occasion to visit several parts of the Maritime provinces assuming the presidency of their largest industrial enterprise some two and a half years ago," Mr. Forsythe said in his opening remarks, "this is the first time that I have had the privilege of visiting your fair Province, so I welcome the opportunity and wish to express my thanks for the invitation so graciously extended to me by your executive. "It is a great pleasure to be in Prince Edward Island — in the first place, for its own sake, since it would be difficult to imagine a more charming or delightful spot; and in the second place, because it is an important division of these historic provinces by the sea which, as a native son of Nova Scotia, are very near and dear to me."

"I am especially gratifying to be in this lovely old capital city of Charlottetown where Canada, as a federal entity, first saw the light of day and where were laid the foundations upon which have since arisen a great national structure which is already the cynosure of the eyes of the world, as time goes on, will inevitably acquire greater significance and importance in the world around us."

"As were the Fathers of Confederation and great as was their foresight, even they could scarcely have visualized what has transpired since their day, so as they stand upon this evening, from the vantage point of the world beyond, they must truly be thrilled and elated by the phenomenal developments which have occurred in the interval."

MAYORS NEAR

Continued from page 1 for about 80 per cent of the revenue of municipalities, the report found. From 1933 to 1949 municipal revenues from real property taxes increased by 60.5 per cent. Value of residential real estate, "which is by no means the only kind of taxable real estate," went up by 209 per cent. The revenue problem is further aggravated because "real property tax revenues have increased by only 83 per cent between 1939 and 1951," while municipal costs — such as wholesale price and construction wages — went up even more.

Members Elected In Saskatchewan

(Canadian Press) Following is the Canadian Press list by parties of members elected in Saskatchewan: X-member of last Legislature: C. C. F. — Humboldt—J. W. Burton, gain from Liberals. Weyburn—X-T. C. Douglas, unchanged. Watrous—X-J. A. Darling, unchanged. Cuthbert—X-I. C. Nollet, unchanged.

The Battlefords—Elling Kraemer, gain from Liberals. Kerbert-Kindersley — X-John Wellbello, unchanged. Rosetown—X-J. T. Douglas, unchanged. Moose Jaw—X-J. W. Corman, unchanged. Moose Jaw—X-D. H. R. Heming, unchanged. Elrose—X-M. J. Willis, unchanged. Biggar—X-W. S. Lloyd, unchanged.

Shellbrook—X-Louis Larsen, unchanged. Kinistone—Henry Begrand, gain from Liberals. Saskatoon—X-A. T. Stone, unchanged. X—J. H. Sturdy, unchanged. Wadena—X-F. A. Dewhurst, unchanged. Touchwood—X—Tom Johnston, unchanged. Cumberland—W. J. Berezowsky, unchanged. Yorkton—X—A. P. Swallow, unchanged. Last Mountain—Russ Brown, unchanged. Morse—X—James Gibson, unchanged.

Regina (three seats, one new). X—C. M. Pines, unchanged. X—C. G. Williams, unchanged. X—Mrs. J. E. Cooper. Lumsden—X—W. S. Thair, unchanged. Prince Albert—X—L. F. McIntosh, unchanged. Melfort-Tisdale—George Willis, gain from Lib. Swift Current—X—Harry Gibbs, unchanged. Shaunavon—X—T. J. Bentley, unchanged. Kelvington—X—P. A. Howe, unchanged. Bengough—X—A. L. S. Brown, unchanged. Rensselaire—Dick Zipchen, gain from Lib. Milstone—X—J. W. Erb, unchanged. Hanley—X—Robert Walker, unchanged. Nottuke-Willowby ch—X—Niles Buchanan, unchanged. Qu'Appelle—Wolsey — Harry Wahl, gain from Liberals. Kelsey—X—J. H. Brockelbank, unchanged. Canora—X—A. G. Kuziak, unchanged. Melville—A. P. Brown, gain from Liberals. Pelly—Arnold Feust, gain from Liberals. Total—40. Liberals: Athabaska—James Ripley, gain from Independent Liberal. Rosthern—X—Walter Tucker, unchanged. Canington—X—Ross McCarthy, unchanged. Souris-Estevan—J. E. McCormack, unchanged. Moosomin—X—A. H. McDonald, gain from Liberal-Progressive Conservative. Maple Creek—X—A. C. Cameron, unchanged. Arm River—X—G. H. Danielson, unchanged. Salfords—X—A. Lopsion, unchanged. Nipawin—T. R. MacNutt, gain from CCF. Meadow Lake—H. C. Dunfield, unchanged. Total—10

PREMIER DOUGLAS

Continued from page 1 J. E. Cooper went in with two other C.C.F. candidates in Regina City. But Mrs. A. M. Caldwell, a Liberal, lost out to C.C.F. opponents in the double-seat riding of Saskatchewan.

All members of the C.C.F. cabinet were elected. The last to be conceded election was resources Minister Brockelbank in Kelsey, about three hours after the close of polling. A Liberal opponent gave him a long run.

Sharpened Anti-combine

Continued from page 1 decide if a report of illegal practices warranted. Commissioner MacDonald himself now reports directly to the Minister after directing such a report is warranted.

Mr. Garson said the new commission will be composed of experienced lawyers, economists and others, appointed for 10 year periods. The bill passed clause-by-clause study and will receive third and final reading later.

Other Business

Members also gave first reading to a bill to empower the government to underwrite insurance against risks or loss or damage in connection with ships, planes and cargo arising out of war risks.

Finance Minister Abbott explained that all Canadian shipping companies will form a mutual association for insurance of all Canadian shipping to the value of about \$150,000,000. The government's bill will underwrite the risk.

Details have been worked out for shipping. In the case of aircraft details remain to be decided. Also introduced and given first reading was a measure to increase government subsidies on construction and equipment of cold storage plants to 33 1/3 per cent from 30 per cent. Robert McCubbin, parliamentary assistant to Agriculture Minister Garson, said the increase will be available to co-operative as well as to private construction.

Says Not Enough Contributing To Church Support

TORONTO, June 11 —(CP)—James Dutton of Peterborough, Ont., chairman of the board of administration of the Presbyterian Church in Canada said today 60 per cent of the church members "are giving nothing" to its support. Addressing the church's 78th General Assembly, he said some of "our people's savings should be withdrawn from the banks and invested in the church."

If another 40 per cent of the parishioners would give in the same ratio as those who are supporting the church, "we would have no worries," he said. Estimates for 1953 had to be trimmed by \$76,602. It is no time to retreat," he said.

The General Assembly decided that stipend payment by augmented charges will be raised from \$1,400 to \$1,700 annually. Last year's assembly recognized an augmented charge as one contributing \$1,400 in stipend payments with a man for a married man. Such charges may call their own ministers and the congregation is expected to raise two-thirds of the minister's stipend.

Today's action followed an earlier decision by the assembly to raise the minimum stipend for ministers from \$2,000 to \$2,600.

Changes In Rail Schedules

HALIFAX, June 11 —(CP)—Changes in schedule for the continuation of the summer tourist trade, were announced today by the Canadian National Railways here.

Special tourist train service between Boston, Montreal and Prince Edward Island will go into effect, June 23. To conform with the revised schedule, eight additional daily crossings will be made by the Cape Tormentine-Borden car-ferry—the connecting link between New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

Also going on new schedules are bus, steamship and connecting train services.

Canada Halting Grade B Potato Imports From U.S.

OTTAWA, June 11 —(CP)—Canada is halting imports of Grade "B" potatoes from the United States immediately, Robert McCubbin, parliamentary assistant to Agriculture Minister Gardiner, said today.

He added, however, that there are no restrictions on grade "A" potatoes from the U. S.

Replying in the Commons to Claire Gillis (CCF—Cape Breton South), Mr. McCubbin said that Canada has always had restrictions on grade "B" potatoes because of a spud shortage, the regulations were relaxed temporarily in mid-April to allow the "B" into Canada from the U. S.

American potatoes now were coming into Canada at the rate of about 100 cars a week, and Mr. McCubbin believed that high spud prices in Canada soon will drop. Grade "B" are potatoes measuring about 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Grade "A" measure 1 7/8 inches or more.

Gets Big Bargain In Turkey Platter

BERKELEY, Calif., June 11 —(AP)—It was only a turkey roaster that Mrs. Tami Tanabi, 29, wanted when she went to an auction of used kitchen articles. She got one, for only \$1.50. But when she lifted the roaster lid she found—

Two small pots. She lifted the lid of one and found— Five hundred dollars in bills. The auctioneer said he'd take the money, but if the owner didn't show up for it Mrs. Tanabi could have it.

On advice of the police she filed a claim.

Explorers Seek Traces of Ark

PARIS, June 11 —(Reuters)—Six French explorers leave Friday to look for traces of Noah's Ark on the Turkish flank of Mount Ararat, legendary resting-place of the ark. The expedition, led by Jean de Riquier is the first to beat the Russian blockade on Ararat explorers since Dr. Aaron Smith, dean of the Peoples' Bible School of Greensboro, N.C. failed to find the Ark in a 15-day search in September, 1949.

Several other explorers have tried but Russia stopped them by protesting to Turkey that they were Western spies.

The 17,000-foot peak, highest in the Caucasus is situated close to the junction of the Russian, Turkish and Iranian frontiers. The Ark's remains are thought to be on the southwestern flank, in Turkey. Authority for looking on Ararat, is in the Bible, which says, in the book of Genesis: "And the Ark rested in the seventh month upon the mountains of Ararat. And the waters decreased continually." Skeptics point to the Bible's own words to kill the story: Genesis VII, verse 20, records, "Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered." A cubit is the length from elbow to fingertip—18 inches. But 23 feet could not cover a mountain.

Farm Land Boom Slowing In U. S.

WASHINGTON, June 11 —(AP)—The farm land boom in the United States is slowing down, the Agriculture Department said today, because it takes more money to buy and equip a farm than most young men and tenants can scrape together. The average U. S. farm is worth between \$17,000 and \$18,000, and that doesn't include machinery, equipment and livestock.

B. C. Electors Vote Today

VANCOUVER, June 11 —(CP)—British Columbia's marathon election campaign ground to a halt tonight and tomorrow it will be up to the voters.

It is expected that about 80 per cent of the 798,376 eligible voters will cast ballots between the polling hours of 8 a. m. and 8 p. m. PDT. (11 a. m. and 11 p. m. EDT). At the last general election in 1949 73.65 per cent of the eligible voters used the franchise.

Running for the 48 seats in the legislature are 212 candidates: 48 Liberals, 48 C.C.F., 47 Progressive Conservatives, 47 Social Credit, eight Christian Democrats, five Labour Progressives, Labor, one Socialist Party of Canada and six Independents.

The election is probably the most unpredictable in B.C. history. Not only are there a record number of candidates but there will be a new system of voting two plebiscites and the Social Credit Party making its first major bid for power.

Alternative voting, to be used in B.C. for the first time will enable electors to mark their preference for all candidates on the ballots rather than putting down a single "X" for one candidate.

Only the first choices will be counted election night and observers predicted the party gaining power will not be determined until July 3, when second or further choices are counted. Under alternative voting, a candidate must have a majority of votes to win the seat. If he lacks a majority or first count, a second—or further counts—is held.

Observers say it is probable the vote will close in mid-ridings and that few candidates could be declared elected on election night. The two plebiscites ask voters whether they are in favor of the sale of liquor by the glass and the retention of daylight saving in summer months.

Air Marshal W. A. Curtis To Retire Shortly

OTTAWA, June 11 —(CP)—Air Marshal W. A. Curtis, sparkling plug of the R.C.A.F.'s post-war expansion and a man who still loves to fly at 58, is expected to retire this year as chief of the air staff Air Vice-Marshal