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SDU Debaters Gain Tie In Battle For Crown

St. Dunstan's University debaters won their way to a first place tie in the Maritime Intercollegiate Debating League here Saturday night when they won a unanimous decision over Memorial University of Newfoundland. SDU upheld the negative side of the debate: "Resolved that the Canadian Senate should be abolished."

SDU debaters were Phil MacDonald, Kensington, and Tom McMillan, Charlottetown, both sophomores arts students.

The win gave SDU debaters three consecutive wins, thus putting them in position to battle for their fourth consecutive Maritime title against Kings College and Acadia who also ended with 3-0 records.

Earlier in the year SDU lost a split decision to Mt. Allison, but the local university protested the decision on the grounds that one of the Mt. Allison speakers spoke only three minutes and thirty seconds in his main speech. One of the MIDL rules states specifically: "Each team will consist of two debaters, each of whom will deliver a main speech ranging from a minimum of nine to a maximum of fifteen minutes."

The SDU protest was upheld and the two teams were scheduled to meet again tomorrow night, but word was received Saturday from Mt. Allison that they were conceding the debate.

It is expected a playoff will be staged to decide the MIDL winner with one team drawing a bye to the finals. Details have not yet been completed.

In the playoffs SDU will be represented by Dave Campbell and Tommy McMillan. The coach and moderator is Rev. Dr. Frank Bolger.

Judges for Saturday's debate were Lt. Col. L.F. Macdonald, Ron Irving and Reg MacDonald.

TRUST FUND ADDITIONAL

Churchill Estate Reported Near Half-Million Dollars

LONDON (AP)—Sir Winston Churchill bequeathed an estate worth £156,961 (\$470,883) mainly to his wife and three children in a will made public here.

A far greater sum is thought to have been poured into a trust fund which Sir Winston, the will disclosed, set up for his children and grandchildren in 1946.

Associates believe the former prime minister's income from his writings since the Second World War alone exceeded £1,000,000 (\$3,000,000). Virtually all of it went into the trust fund, which is exempt from estate taxes in Britain. The fund is known as the Churchill Literary Trust and is named after Churchill's country home in Kent.

A lawyer who handles it confirmed that Churchill's children—actress Sarah, Mrs. Christopher (Mary) Soames and journalist Randolph Churchill—and grandchildren are "provided for" by the trust income. He declined, however, to give any hint as to the total amount of the trust.

The estate held by the 90-year-old statesman when he died on Jan. 24 included his London residence at 28 Hyde Park Gate and the valuable New Chapel stud farm near the Lingfield race track in Surrey. Sir Winston sold Chartwell to a group of friends in 1946, but retained life tenancy. Soames, Mary's husband, was granted an option to buy the stud farm.

The gross estate, before payment of debts and estate taxes, was £304,044 (\$912,132), the net after payment of debts £266,054 (\$798,162). The estate tax was £109,093 (\$327,279). A third goes to the widow, Lady Churchill, and the other two-thirds is shared equally by the three children.

Sir Winston remarked in the will that he had given many of his paintings to his wife and urged her to "feel no reluctance or hesitation in selling any of the said pictures either with or without copyright." Just how many paintings were involved is not known, but there are about 250 of Sir Winston's works at Chartwell alone. A London art auction house estimated that a Churchill would fetch £1,000 (\$3,000) and up at any public sale.

The will left £10,000 (\$30,000) to Anthony Montague Browne, Churchill's private secretary since 1956 and bequests ranging from £200 to £650 (\$600 to \$1,950) to seven other secretaries and household employees.

OIL THE LEADER

Oil constitutes more than half the total tonnage of all goods transported by sea.



CITY FIREMEN are seen extinguishing a fire in three mattresses in front of Firestone Appliance and Furniture Department. The fire broke out at approximately 7:10 last evening. The cause of the fire is unknown, but the fire began in a pile of mattresses in the rear of the store.

Fire Strikes Furniture Store For Second Time

Fire broke out at approximately 7:10 p.m. last evening in the Furniture and Appliance department of Firestone, Home and Auto, 173 Great George Street, Charlottetown. This was the second fire in less than a week to occur in this section, as a basement fire caused extensive smoke damage last week.

The fire broke out in a pile of mattresses located in the rear of the store, directly behind the King Kohn Laundromat. Firemen were forced to enter the Laundromat and remove a door at the rear of the building to bring out the flaming mattresses, and extinguish them on the sidewalk.

Firemen answered the call and were on the scene at 7:20 p.m. The main door of the appliance store had to be broken

to install blowers to get rid of the heavy smoke that permeated the building. Most damage was attributed to the heavy smoke caused by the cotton stuffing in the mattresses.

The rear portion of the furniture store received the heaviest damage. Many large furniture items were destroyed by fire and smoke. The store contained approximately 10 mattresses which were all destroyed. The laundromat received heavy smoke and water damage, but the washers and driers were not harmed.

The Charlottetown Billiard club, located above the furniture store, escaped with light smoke damage.

Gerry Ready, manager of the store, could not estimate the total damage, but stated the contents were insured.

Fate took a wry hand in the fire. While firemen were carrying out the smoking mattresses, a large sign in the window stated—"Fire Sale Now In Progress".

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LOCAL BRIEFS

INJURED IN FALL

Heather MacLeod, 55 Upper Queen Street, has been confined to her home where she is recovering from hip injuries received in a fall there recently.

TV INTERVIEW

A television profile and interview of Premier Walter R. Shaw will be telecast on "Gazette" and will be seen by television viewers here Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. The interview is to be conducted by Jack McAndrew.

PATIENT TRANSFERRED

Miss Norma Kenny, 132 Mount Edward Road, who was a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital has been transferred to Victoria General Hospital in Halifax for treatment.



HUMPHREY COLLECTS KISS FROM MISS Child Cheryl Wise of Miami, Fla., Cheryl is a victim of the disease. Humphrey is in Miami Beach where he was presented an honorary degree of doctor of laws from the American Jewish Theological Seminary.

Maritime junket resulted from requests to take the show off campus for presentation in other centres.

The cast includes Jerry MacNeil, Antigonish; Sandra Michael, St. John's, Nfld.; Dick Perros, Sudbury, Ontario; Michael Cox, Dorval, P.Q.; James Colby, Wiscasset, Maine; Joe Webb Mulgrave, N.S.; Gerry Clarke, Oshawa, Ontario and Robert Cyr, Alma, P.Q.

Death Sunday Of Mrs. Graham

MONTAGUE — Mrs. W. D. Graham, Gaspereaux, passed away yesterday evening at her home in Gaspereaux. She was in her 87th year.

She was the former Edith Ann MacArthur of Bonshaw, P.E.I. She married in the U.S. in 1898 and moved to live with her husband in Gaspereaux in 1900 where they spent their entire married life.

In 1963 she and her husband who survives her celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at which time the entire family and their children were in attendance.

The late Mrs. Graham had enjoyed good health until a few days ago and on Saturday she took suddenly ill and passed away Sunday evening.

She is survived by the following daughters and sons: Lilly, Mrs. Percy Dixon; Claude of Syracuse, N.Y.; Hilda, Mrs. Cameron Reid; Russell Peters Road; Laura, Mrs. Lawrence Leeco, Kilmuir; Blanche, Mrs. Clarence, Landry, Montague; Olive, Mrs. Harmon Irving; Cambridge; Ralph, Halifax, N.S.; Rhoda, Mrs. John MacDonald, Little Pond; June, Mrs. Cecil Hicken. Also 29 grand children and 49 great grandchildren. The funeral will take place on Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the Murray Harbor North Presbyterian Church. Interment will be in Lower Montague cemetery.

UC Reported 'Booming'

MONTREAL (CP)—Rev. Ernest M. Howse, moderator of the United Church of Canada, says the church is "booming" across the country.

He says an average of one new church is being built every week and the rate may well increase in the near future.

"The church is booming across Canada, as indeed just about everything else is booming in this country."

Dr. Howse, who arrived Tuesday for a three-day visit to the Montreal area, said in an interview an entirely new relationship is emerging among various Christian churches. Its end result should be a new era of trust and understanding which would be better than actual union.

Dr. Howse said he favors birth control and felt current laws on the subject breed disrespect. He said he also felt Canadian divorce laws are "a scandal to a civilized country."

Lost, Damaged Goods Big Bill For CN Railway

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian National Railway has been paying out more than \$1,000,000 a year in the Atlantic provinces to cover the cost of lost or damaged goods, the Commons was told.

In reply to questions by New Democratic Party Leader T. C. Douglas, Jean-Charles Cantin, parliamentary secretary to Transport Minister Pickersgill, said the amount paid out has been more than \$1,000,000 a year since 1959. For the first 11 months of 1964 it was \$1,059,571, and for 1963 it was \$1,389,341.

In another reply, Mr. Cantin said the CNR received \$126,825 during the first 11 months of last year in the sale of damaged or unclaimed goods in St. John's Nfld. There has been an increase each year from 1959 when it totalled \$58,992.

Most of the goods had been purchased by P. Gosse, a salvage dealer of Torbay, near St. John's.

H. Higginbotham Dies In Halifax

MONTAGUE — The death occurred on Saturday, Feb. 19 at Campbell Hospital, Halifax of Harry J. Higginbotham of Montague in his 58th year.

He was born at Cambridge and moved to Montague at an early age. He married the former Annie Richards of Cambridge. He was the son of the late Gladstone Higginbotham and Ida Irving of Cambridge.

EXPERIMENT ON CORN

WINNIPEG (CP)—Four Manitoba farmers are taking part in an experimental program designed to increase corn production in Canada. The farmers are early-maturing hybrid varieties. Dr. S. B. Helgason of the University of Manitoba plant science department estimates there is a potential 100,000 acres of grain corn in the province.

Coast Guard Report Given To Cover Dec. Story Case

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons was told three Canadian Coast Guard ships on the East Coast could not go to the rescue of a fishing vessel Dec. 1 because two were unseaworthy and the other was too small to operate in the conditions that she would have encountered outside the bay.

Mr. Cantin's written reply said the nearest ships to the scene were the naval escorts Terra Nova and Gatineau. They were diverted but could not reach the area in time because of the weather.

In reply to other questions, Mr. Cantin said all coast guard ships are capable of carrying out rescue operations in areas and weather conditions appropriate to their size. Some were being equipped with stabilizers to improve their operation in heavy seas.

The reply said coast guard ships do not have disabled craft when they are in genuine distress but "the government does not have enough ships to provide a free towing service to every vessel which is broken down and is not in any danger or distress."

He said no letters were received during 1964 complaining about inefficiency in the coast guard.

Six Calgary Oil Companies Amalgamating To Form One

CALGARY (CP)—The boards of directors of six independent Calgary oil companies have approved an agreement of amalgamation to form Canadian Industrial Gas and Oil Ltd.

A shareholders' meeting will be held Feb. 26 to vote on the agreement. Parent and major shareholders would be Canadian Industrial Gas Ltd. of Toronto.

Officials decline to provide a net or gross assets figure for the proposed new firm.

Canadian Industrial Gas Ltd., mainly controlled by Canadian interests, has already made successful share exchanges and other acquisitions in the independents, also largely Canadian-controlled.

The merger would also require governmental approval.

Involved are Alberta Pacific Consolidated Oil Ltd., Medallion Petroleum Ltd., Medpath Petroleum Ltd., Mid-Western Industrial Gas Ltd., Pamol Ltd. and Pathfinder Leaseholds Ltd.

The new company would have estimated proven reserves of 20,000,000 barrels of oil and 417,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas.

Canadian Industrial Gas Ltd. acquired about 85 per cent of issued and outstanding common shares of Pamol; 86 per cent of Medallion; and 89 per cent of Mid-Western Medallion owns 72 per cent of Alberta Pacific, 99 per cent of Medpath—the rest is owned by Canadian Industrial Gas Ltd.—and all of Pathfinder.

WORM RAISER

EDMONTON (CP)—Because he found it difficult to obtain live bait here, angler Don Bock decided to go into the business himself. He converted his garage into a worm nursery and now is raising earthworms, mealworms, white worms and maggots for fishermen and owners of tropical fish.

EASTERN FUNERALS

LARABEE — The funeral of Ezra Alexander Larabee was held Saturday afternoon from the Gillis Funeral Home to St. John's Presbyterian Church Belfast. Rev. Donald Nicholson conducted services at the church and grave. Mrs. M.W. MacDonald was organist. Hymn sung was "Abide with Me." Members of the Eldon branch of the Royal Canadian Legion were in attendance. George Boudreau sounded the Last Post and Reveille. Pallbearers were: John W. MacWilliams, John L. Ross, James Holliday, William G. Penny, Sinclair MacTavish and David Gillis. Flower bearers were: Warren Buchanan, Ange Larsen, R. M. Cooper, and Russell Gillis. Interment took place in Belfast cemetery.

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