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CALLS FOR SHOWDOWN

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be ascertained, there was delay in ordering equipment, and that the order for a turbine was cancelled for the same reason. That is something about which we would like to hear an explanation from the leader of the House.

FLUE FIRE—City firemen were called to a flue fire at 73 Upper Prince Street shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday evening. There was no damage.

Speaks For Unemployed Dr. MacMillan expressed strong disagreement with the statement in the Throne Speech, rejoicing that there are so many opportunities for work, and that the prospect for work in years to come is so bright.

PUBLICITY AT OTTAWA

for honorable mention by Mr. Gardner in the chamber a second time when the Minister referred to the organization in the Island Province fur producers had set up to market furs raised on their ranches in Saskatchewan, the Minister said, has been in correspondence with P.E.I. fur-farmers and with government authorities to find out how best a fur co-operative can be set up in that province.

"So far as this City is concerned the evolution from war to peacetime industry has been a slow process," he said. "There have been war veterans who have not been able to get anything to do, and have very little hope of getting anything."

Prince Edward Island members had social as well as political engagements in Ottawa today. James Lester Douglas, Liberal member for Queen's, was at the gathering of United Church members and Senators who met and lunched with Right Rev. T. W. Jones, moderator of the United Church of Canada and minister of the Crusaders Cavalcade.

"The situation is not satisfactory, and it has been made still worse by the recent disastrous fires in this city. The picture painted in the Speech is altogether too rosy. It does not describe the true situation at all."

W. Chester S. McLaure was among the Progressive Conservative members who this evening congratulated Mr. Phillips (2nd. Prince) on his excellent maiden speech in moving the Address. It was natural for a new member to be ardent in his support of the Government, but he was surprised by the Premier on the commendation of the Premier on his financing.

"I want to warn him, however, that he should be a good man in this House, because he probably he was the most expensive man ever to take his seat here," Dr. MacMillan added.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS TRAVERS — At the Prince County Hospital on March 18th to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Travers, Summerside, a son.

An Expensive Member

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MARRIAGES MACDONALD-JOSEY — On Wednesday, February 19, 1947 at the Charlottetown Baptist Church by Rev. J. J. Levy, Freda Esther Josey to Wilfred Hunter Macdonald both of Charlottetown.

Dr. MacMillan: "Yes, I will give you the names before this debate is over. There was another paid official of this Government 'engineering' up there too. It was a most expensive by-election for the people of this Province, so I warn the hon. member (Mr. Phillips) that he has a high standard to live up to."

DEATHS OLIVE—Suddenly at P. E. Island Hospital, March 19, 1947, Harriet, wife of G. E. Olive. Remains resting at McLean Funeral Home. Interment People's Cemetery. Funeral Friday at 2:30 P. M.

Dr. MacMillan noted the frequent criticisms which had been made in the press and by Liberal as well as Conservative members, about the disgraceful condition of the roads in certain districts. He asked the Minister of Public Works on this point, recalling that his predecessor, the present Senator McIntyre, could at least boast that he tried to be fair in distribution of the road work. The present Minister evidently believed in following a different policy. It was only when the by-election was impending in Second Prince that he rushed road machinery up to that district.

CHOWEN — At Charlottetown, March 19, 1947 William Chowen, formerly of Highfield, in his 86th year. The remains are resting at the Outcliffe Funeral Home where the funeral service will be held Friday afternoon service starting at 2 o'clock. Interment in Highfield Cemetery.

The Opposition leader recalled that the Premier, not being satisfied with the free seat in Summerside with which the Conservatives had presented him, attempted to get a second Liberal candidate elected there. Mr. McNeill, however, had captured the seat held by his father and grandfather before him, his grandfathers' record as well as his family background serving him in good stead.

N. D. MacLean UNDERTAKER EMBALMER

Too Late To Classify In his opening remarks Dr. MacMillan called attention to the lack of courtesy observed in accommodating ladies who were invited guests at the opening of

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The Legislature. "It is not a very flattering thing to say that the wife of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor could not be seated inside the bar but had to find a place away back," he said. "There is an order of precedence in such matters and it should be observed. People have come here with invitation cards to find that there were no seats for them. This is carelessness on somebody's part, and I direct attention to it in order that the proper decorum and courtesy be observed in future."

Warm tributes were paid by Dr. MacMillan to the late Hon. W.H. Dennis and Mr. D.P. McNeill, also to Messrs. J.F. Arsenault and Christopher Metherell, former members of the House who had passed away during the year.

Recalls Great Achievements

Dr. MacMillan also paid tribute to the late Hon. J. A. Matheson, former Premier and Chief Justice of the Province, reviewing his career and describing him in eloquent terms as one of the greatest figures in the public life of the Province. He referred particularly to the late Mr. Matheson's achievements in connection with the secret ballot, the fixing of the Island's representation in the House of Commons, in presentation of Island subsidy claims at Ottawa and later his finding as a member of the White Commission in favor of the Maritime Provinces on the basis of fiscal need.

"It was Mr. Matheson's belief that the Maritimes have never adequately been dealt with by Dominion Governments," Dr. MacMillan said, "and you can see how true that is when you consider the generous treatment which has been afforded to the Western Provinces."

Dr. MacMillan referred to the visits here of two of the Empire's greatest Field Marshals, Viscount Montgomery and His Excellency Viscount Alexander, Governor General. Both had been acclaimed across Canada, and proudly welcomed here as well as elsewhere.

Taxation Agreement

Dr. MacMillan noted that a Bill was to be introduced to implement the provisions of the agreement on taxation revenue between the Province and the Dominion Government. He would reserve his remarks on this subject until information was available. He agreed that the Government would be taking the proper course in urging the necessity of calling a further Dominion-Provincial conference on social security and other matters. He recalled the late Hon. J. A. Matheson's statement that the practice of dealing piecemeal with the provinces was fraught with grave danger to the unity of Canada.

HAMILTON SCHOOL

Monthly report for February. Grade IX — No exams. Grade IX (a) — Lorne Ramsay, 2. Reginald Bryanton, 3. Matilda Morrison. Grade VI — 1. Wilfred Gills. Grade V — 1. Theresa Bryanton, 2. Betty Flora Simpson. Grade IV — 1. Louise Ramsay, 2. Boyce Crozier, 3. Farlie Sinclair. Grade III — 1. Billy Cummings. Grade II — 1. Norma Crozier, 2. Wallace Bryanton, 3. Kathryn Morrison. Grade I (a) — 1. Jackie Crozier. Grade I (b) — 1. Farlie Lockerby. Grade I (c) — 1. Shirley Jordan. Perfect Attendance — Theresa Bryanton, Wallace Bryanton, Billy Cummings. Elythe E. Donald — teacher.

LONDON — (OP) — Assembly of a prefabricated aluminum bungalow, at Wood Green, North London, took 50 minutes, claimed as record.

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DRAFT ADDRESS DEBATE LAUNCHED

The Draft Address was launched in the Legislature yesterday by Mr. Forrest Phillips, who made his maiden speech as junior Liberal member for the Second District of Prince, and Mr. Eugene Cullen, Liberal, Third District of Queen's. Both members paid tribute to the late Hon. W. H. Dennis, D. P. McNeill, J. F. Arsenault and Christopher Metherell, all former members of the House as well as to the late Hon. J. A. Matheson, former Premier and Chief Justice of the Province, who had passed away since the Legislature last met. Both mover and seconder spoke at considerable length, and were complimented by the Opposition leader, who followed, on their able delivery.



Mr. Forrest Phillips

"Never in the history of Prince Edward Island," said Mr. Phillips, "has there been such prosperity among our farmers and fishermen, as there is at the present time. This I attribute partly at least to the sound policies of the Liberal Governments, both provincial and Federal."



Mr. Eugene Cullen

He urged that everything possible be done for overseas veterans and their families, particularly of those who had sacrificed themselves in the war.

He cited the Federal Minister of Rehabilitation as stating that up to Dec. 31, 1946, approximately 95 per cent of the million men and women discharged from the armed forces had found peacetime occupations.

It is gratifying, he said, to note that the S. S. Abegweit will be delivered this Spring. This should prove a great relief in the shipment of Island farm products. He referred to other pending expenditures in connection with ferry terminals, St. Eleanor's airport and installation of diesel electric locomotives on the railway.

Potato Shipments

Mr. Phillips commended the Federal Government in establishing a floor price for potatoes. Through the "Alertness" of the Federal and Provincial Governments a contract for the export of three million bushels of potatoes to Great Britain had been signed. "This to my mind was one of the greatest things that ever struck this Province," he said.

Farm Conditions

The fact that farm incomes continue at a high level was a matter of gratification, Mr. Cullen continued. Really during the past year has been very profitable, especially to those in the hatchery business. The laboratory for the control of mullerium established by the Provincial Government had proved to be the most efficient in Canada and it was largely through this control that Island producers have been able to obtain such good prices.

Disgraceful Roads

He warmly commended the activities of the Maritime Central Airways, and urged the Department of Public Works to do something about the bad condition of the road leading to the M.C.A. building. This was the road over which distinguished visitors were taken after arrival at the airport, and it was nothing short of disgraceful. He understood there was some dispute between the Federal and Provincial authorities over maintenance of this road, but it should be attended to.

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Inquest Will Be Held Into Shooting Deaths

Joseph MacDonald, 21, of West St. Peter's, King's County, and victim of a shooting incident in Dundee, an adjoining district, Tuesday night, died at the Charlottetown Hospital at 3:15 yesterday morning.

Later, the body was viewed by Coroner Dr. J. D. MacGuigan and a jury comprising W. M. Forsythe, foreman; J. M. McPadyen, Alex. McLean, Howard Hobbs, Roland A. McCannell, and Ralph Jenkins.

The inquest was then adjourned until 3:30 Friday afternoon, March 28, at the City Police Court.

The late Joseph MacDonald was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aeneas MacDonald. There are several brothers and sisters. Among the brothers are Cecil, Reginald, and Merlin.

The late Joseph MacDonald was shot in the left shoulder about 9 o'clock last Tuesday night in a little Dundee street by a 12-gauge shotgun during an argument with 64-year-old Leo Roche, proprietor of the store. A few minutes later, with Roche alone in the store, another shot was heard and when neighbors rushed in they found Roche dead in the back room with the shotgun lying nearby.

Coroner P. A. MacLennan, Surin, will hold an inquest into the death of Roche at the Morell Hall next Wednesday evening at 7:30. The jury comprises, Frank Dunn, foreman; Benjamin Keefe, Edward Anderson, James Blaxland, Vernon Anderson, Emery McEwen, and Charles Eldershaw.

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Flash Fire Destroys Ottawa Anglican Church

OTTAWA, March 19 — (CP) — A \$100,000 flash fire, possibly caused by a gas explosion, raged through Trinity Anglican Church at the south edge of the city today, destroying it in a few hours and spreading so rapidly the minister and a woman parishioner were forced to break through a window to escape.

First noticed by a passer-by who saw flames leaping from the roof of the red brick building at Cameron and Bank Streets, the blaze brought three alarms and firemen had difficulty in keeping it from spreading to other buildings.

Rev. G. A. Bender and Mrs. C.S. Paynter, who had arrived to attend a Lenten service escaped with a shake-up and minor burns.

The firemen quickly doused roof-top blazes which broke out on two nearby frame houses and a third roof, 1-1/2 city blocks from the main fire, also burst into flames and had to be extinguished.

The church, built in 1926, was lined with varnished cedar and roofed with cedar shingles which ignited rapidly and could not be put out.

As soon as he discovered the fire, Mr. Bender rushed to the vestry to rescue vestments and the sacred vessels. He was joined by Mrs. Paynter and the two groped through the thick smoke and were able only to grasp a few vestments. As the fury of the fire increased the two were almost overcome by the heat and heavy fumes and the rector, gasping for breath, found a chair and smashed a leaded-glass window. Firemen who had arrived on the scene, raised a ladder, and the rescue was effected.

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