

Hoping For New Phone Setup In Early September

Twenty-seven young lady telephone operators were watched yesterday as they sat shoulder to shoulder before the switchboard at "Central," trying to do a good job under adverse circumstances.

"I wish," remarked Mr. D. M. Gass, manager of the Island Telephone Company, "that more people understood how difficult it is to give the service we have in view, and we will be glad indeed when our aim has been achieved."

"We are fully aware of our shortcomings at this time," Mr. Gass added. "These will be overcome when the new board and system is installed, and we are able to allocate to hundreds of patrons the single lines they wish for, instead of the party lines they now share."

55,000 local calls daily constitute the present load as required by 6,000 subscribers in Charlottetown and vicinity.

The annex under construction to house the new system has been bricked in an every side; the roof only remains to be completed to finish the exterior work.

Approximately 100,000 bricks and 8,000 tiles have been laid while 260 yards of concrete have been run so far. A diesel engine will operate a power plant in the basement, capable of meeting the needs for both power and light, in the event of an emergency through failure of the City source of supply.

Work is progressing favourably and it is hoped that the new setup will be in operation early in September.

Baptist Men Hold Final Supper Meeting

The Baptist Men's Association held their final supper meeting for the season in the Church's Hall last evening. The meeting, a father and son (or daughter) get-together was presided over by President Harper MacNeill, who welcomed the young people and their dads.

The toast to the ladies by Paul Nicholson was responded to by Mrs. A. K. MacPhee, to the Church by Paul Oakes, responded to by Rev. J. D. Davidson. To the dads, by Dewar Harper, responded to by Darrel McGuire.

Rev. R. S. Dunn was the guest speaker. A former pastor at New Glasgow, and with the Y.M.C.A. war services previously, Mr. Dunn dealt with matters pertaining to Acadia University of which he is Field Secretary. 500 students are enrolled this year, and 28 buildings are in use.

Coloured slides vividly brought to the audience the beauties before the audience. Rev. W. G. Killam of Tryon closed the meeting with the Benediction. The Ladies Auxiliary provided a dainty supper.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

HERLIHY — at the P. E. I. Hospital on April 19th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Hoston Herlihy, Clyde River, a daughter, Iris Ruth, 5 lbs., 12 oz.

MacLEAN — At the King's County Hospital, April 25, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. George R. MacKay, Montague, a son, Lester Marvin.

FRASER — At the King's County Memorial Hospital, April 27, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur (Joey) Fraser, a son, 8 lbs., 5 oz.

LING — at the P. E. I. Hospital, April 25, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ling, Brackley Beach, a son, Arthur Hubert.

VISSEY — at the Charlottetown Hospital on April 23rd, 1952 to Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Vissey of West Royalty, a son, Gary Maurice, weight 8 lbs. 5 ozs.

MacKAY — At the P.E. Island Hospital on April 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. George R. MacKay, City, a daughter, 7 lbs., 13 1/2 oz.

EDWARDS — At Regina, Sask., on April 25, 1952, William E. Edwards, formerly of North Whitehorse, P. E. I. Funeral, Tuesday 2 P. M., April 29, in Regina.

McMULKIN — At the home of his niece, Mrs. Roy Watson, 85 Fitzroy St., Charlottetown, on April 28th, James S. McMullin, in his 74th year. Remains will be transferred today from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home to Saint John, N.B., for interment.

WALSH — The remains of the late Rev. J. J. Walsh of Regina will arrive on the Borden train Wednesday evening. They will rest at the Sacred Heart Home until 9:30 Friday morning, when they will be transferred to the home of his brother, Gerald Walsh in Ellenville, whence the funeral will take place Saturday morning to St. Joachim's Church, Vernon River, for Pontifical High Mass at 9:30.

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN Makes Presentation At Mass. Institute

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TOWN TAXI—Phone 1800-322 WINDMILL SPECIAL TODAY. Roast pork dinner, 65 cents.

HOME FROM KOREA—Pte. A. S. Pollard, New Haven who has been serving in the Korean war for the past year arrived home on Saturday evening, April 26th for a thirty day leave with his mother.

MUSIC LOVERS enjoy yourselves by attending the sessions of the seventh annual Music Festival next week.

L. P. U. CARD PARTY — Prize winners last night at the regular weekly card party sponsored by the Ladies Social Club of the Laborers Protective Union were as follows: Door prize, Mrs. Charles Gallant. Ladies first, Mrs. J. Revelt and Lillian Hicken, tied.

MAKING SUMMER TIME — Despite heavy drift ice which has clogged the waters of Northumberland Strait recently the car ferry M.V. Abegweit has encountered little difficulty in the past couple of days. The piers at Borden and the various wharves have been left relatively free of the ice following last week's heavy going.

HEADS SABRE SQUADRON — When the squadron of Sabre Jets flies over this city tomorrow morning they will be in command of Sgt. Ldr. J. D. Lindsay, Airpilot, Ont. Sgt. Ldr. Lindsay probably set some kind of a record in the late war when on a July day in 1944 he was fighting over Caen, France, and personally downed three Messerschmitt 109's in less than 60 seconds. In all he was credited with seven and one-half enemy aircraft destroyed, three probably destroyed and eight damaged.

W. A. BRANCH CLOSURE — The evening branch of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Peter's Cathedral held their annual closing last evening. The Rev. Canon E.M. Malone pronounced the Benediction and spoke briefly to the members and visitors, emphasizing the extreme importance of missionary activities.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT — Seven cases were disposed of by Magistrate Gilbert Gaudet in Queen's County Court yesterday morning. An offender from Ulig found guilty of being intoxicated in a public place was fined \$20 and costs or 30 days in jail.

AVONLEA W. I. Avonlea Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. George Gough, Cavendish, on April 26th with the Cavendish vice-president presiding. Meeting opened with Ode and Reading "Fred in Union".

NEW GLASGOW W.M.S. The regular monthly meeting of New Glasgow W.M.S. was held in the church parlour on Wednesday afternoon, April 9th. Mrs. Reginald MacNeil acted as devotional leader, and the program was prepared by Mrs. Horace Ling.

Compliments City Police On Good Work Done

Congratulations on the excellent job they were doing were offered yesterday by Mayor J. D. Stewart as he performed the annual inspection of the City Police Force. Mayor Stewart remarked that the force compared favourably with any he had ever seen.

The Chief Magistrate reminded the members during his brief speech that this City was judged by the actions of its Police Force and called on all members to exercise thought in their treatment of both visitors and residents.

The inspection was held yesterday afternoon in City Hall and present with His Honor were members of the Police Committee, Councilmen M. A. Farmer, Elmer MacDonald and F. J. Storey. The full Police staff was present for the occasion with 16 Policemen on duty. They included Police Chief Charles MacArthur, a desk sergeant, two plainclothes men and 12 uniformed men.

P. E. I. Branch of Acadia Alumni Is Organized

Last evening a group of 25 former students of Acadia University organized a P.E.I. branch of the Associated Alumni of Acadia University.

Rev. R. D. Dunn, field representative of the University, whose special interest is in working with alumni groups, gave an illustrated address on "Acadia of Today". The beautifully colored pictures portrayed the campus, some of the buildings and work in some departments as well as campus personalities. He further described the ways in which the alumni can assist the university to accomplish its work.

Mr. Dunn was introduced by Dr. J. A. Clark. The interested group then organized their branch of the Alumni with the following officers: honorary president, Hon. J. Walter Jones; president, Gordon Bennett; vice-presidents, Miss Helen Yeo and Mrs. James E. Burnett; secretary, Mrs. J. D. Davison; treasurer, Stewart Veale.

At the meeting's close refreshments were served by the ladies of the Y.M.C.A. in whose banquet hall the meeting was held.

Looks Back As Jap Peace Treaty Becomes Effective

By J. M. Roberts, Jr. Associated Press News Analyst

So ten years ago at peace with Japan. Ten years ago the Japanese had just launched their drive toward Australia, moving south from Truk the famous secret base which they had been permitted to build up after the First World War.

Around the world, Rommel was about to capture Tobruk and drive British troops to within 70 miles of Alexandria. Hitler's legions were ranging across Russia toward Stalingrad. British and American convoys, trying to save Russia, sailed to Murmansk through a sea of bomb, torpedo and shell-tilt flame.

Allied power and Allied hopes were at a depression ebb. Men of good will feared for everything they held dear.

But an air-sea fighting combination overtook the Japanese at Midway a little later than this in 1942. They were never to get past Guadalcanal and New Guinea. The Germans would never capture Stalingrad, and Rommel was not to see Alexandria.

So the war of the Axis powers brought them only wreckage, defeat and subjugation. Less than seven years later they are all part of the Western Allies against a new menace. The short-lived peace treaty with Italy has been abrogated to permit her to rearm as a friend. Japan formally became an independent nation—and an Allied military base by agreement rather than by force—on Monday.

An agreement with Western Germany which amounts to a peace treaty will probably be signed in two or three weeks.

Former friends have fought and become friends again, but that does not bring back the millions of dead, nor the shot-away resources which might have been devoted to making a better world.

Former friends are the new enemies. Does man, in his lack of wisdom, have to go through the same thing again?

CLYDE RIVER W. I. The regular meeting of the Clyde River W. I. was held at the home of Mrs. Watson Livingston, on April 21st, with an attendance of 19 members and three visitors.

The meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf" followed by the Creed. Roll call was answered by members telling "How we are benefited by meeting together."

May roll call is to be responded to in an exchange of flower slips or seeds.

The minutes of last meeting were read, approved, and signed. The school committee gave their report and it was decided to get a new lock and dustbane for the school. Correspondence was read and several "Thank-you" cards were received from members and friends. A bill of \$4.26 was ordered paid. Collection amounted to \$3.10.

The entertainment part of the meeting consisted of an auction sale of articles donated by the members. The sum of \$13 was realized from the sale.

The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. R. D. Matheson. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess and members and the meeting closed by singing "The Queen."

MONTREAL, April 28 — (CP) — The Canadian Pacific Railway Company today reported net earnings of \$3,536,151 for the month of March, 1952, an increase of \$600,713 over the corresponding month last year when earnings were \$2,935,438.

Gross earnings were \$37,908,000 and working expenses \$34,371,969. In March, 1951, gross earnings were \$34,500,550 and working expenses \$31,561,114.

The world's largest livestock market, the union stockyards at Chicago, employs about 25,000 workers.

Enjoyed Visit To California

A delightful and interesting time was had by Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gordon, city, who recently returned from a two months trip which extended from southern California to the snow-capped Rockies of Canada's Pacific Province and thence through United States mid-west to Washington, the capital.

Away almost two months to the day Mr. and Mrs. Gordon first visited San Diego, Calif., near the Mexican border following a ten day sojourn they moved on to San Francisco, visiting enroute numerous notable places including Hollywood.

Travelling northward they stopped over at Seattle before moving back into Canada and stopping at both Vancouver and Victoria. Spring was well advanced in this part of the country, trees were in blossom and flowers in bloom.

Returning eastward via Chicago and St. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon arrived at Washington where they spent some time visiting the Capital and renewing friendships. There they were welcomed by Mr. Gordon's brother, Herbert F. Gordon.

Mr. Gordon was happy to renew his association with Cyrus S. Ching, formerly of this Province, now chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board in the United States capital.

Before leaving for home they paid a visit to Washington's birthplace at Mount Vernon. It is a mecca for tourists and even this early in the season they were obliged to stand in line half mile long.

In the course of their tour Mr. and Mrs. Gordon met numerous people who had friends and associations in this Province. They were asked to convey personal messages of greetings to these mutual acquaintances on return.

At San Diego, Calif., Mrs. Alfred Heller, daughter of Mrs. MacDonald, and the late Mr. Reuben MacDonald, made their stay particularly pleasant by arranging several beautiful drives.

Miss Gertrude MacAulay, who relinquished her position as teacher at Queen Square School to become hostess at Dalvay, is now head house-keeper at the Empress Hotel in Victoria, B.C. Next to the Royal York in Toronto, this is the largest hotel in the C.P.R. system.

Challenges CNR Method Employed In Ferry Acc'ts.

OTTAWA, April 28 — (Special) — Proper accounting credit is not given by the Canadian National Railways for the long-haul freight originating in Prince Edward Island, W. Chester B. McLure, Progressive Conservative member for Queens, suggested today at a session of the Common Railways and Canals Committee.

The suggestion was made when Donald Gordon, C.N.R. president was questioned by committee members on the 1951 report of the railway and its subsidiary enterprises. Yearly deficit of the Prince Edward Island car ferry and terminals was listed at \$1,280,000.

Mr. McLure questioned the accuracy of this figure. He asked Mr. Gordon if the ferry was given credit for long-haul freight originating in Prince Edward Island to be offset against outlay for maintenance of the ferry. Mr. Gordon said he had with him no breakdown of that phase of the railway's operation.

Actual operation of the "Abegweit" did not form part of the Canadian National Railways financial report, the C.N.R. president said. The railway simply weighs actual revenue against operating costs and sends the bill for any deficit directly to the Government.

"As I have said on previous occasions," Mr. McLure remarked, "I think the word 'deficit' is the wrong word to use in this instance. I also think the ferry is not given the credit to which it is entitled for long-haul freight. Instead of using the word 'deficit' I think the C.N.R. and the Government should use the word 'service' as it does when listing the accounts of the St. Lawrence River ship canal or federal canals. The C.N.R. is not running this ferry at a deficit. It is merely acting as an agent or contractor for the Federal Government in carrying out a clause of the Confederation Pact."

Mr. McLure hopes to question Mr. Gordon shortly on the paragraph in the C.N.R. report relating to establishment of a trucking service on Prince Edward Island highways.

Prince Philip

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relieve in fond memory. The entire Commonwealth joins in the gala celebration.

So many people came to London for the coronation of King George VI that the Port of London Authority had to arrange for ocean liners to berth outside in the River Thames.

London subways carried an estimated 22,000,000 people during coronation week and 60 per cent of them were believed to have come from overseas.

It cost the Works Ministry more than £300,000 to prepare Westminster Abbey and to erect stands for 95,000 people along the royal processional route. To do the same today it would cost \$265,000,000 to duplicate them.

If there is no further decline in the value of the dollar, Mr. Hilton added, "under existing tax regulations, the amount of depreciation which may be included in costs over the useful life of the plants, will be short by at least \$135,000,000 of the amount required to provide replacement when it may become necessary."

Mr. Hilton said that for every dollar retained by the company, \$2.20 must be earned to provide taxes of \$1.20. "These figures emphasize the difficulty of providing the necessary new capital Canada needs so badly to develop its resources and provide employment for the growing population."

While this condition creates a serious handicap for large public stock companies, the growth of hundreds of small businesses, upon which our over-all prosperity depends so heavily, is rendered even more difficult."

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the said meeting by John H. Myers, and by Gordon Macmillan, Secretary.

Says Profits Of Companies Are Misleading

HAMILTON, April 28 — (CP) — Company profits are overstated and misleading because, under present tax regulations, not enough money is put away to replace worn-out plants, H. G. Hilton, president of Steel Company of Canada, Ltd., said at today's annual meeting.

He gave the following example: At Dec. 31 last, excluding land and mining properties, the original investment in Stelco was over \$129,000,000. Using the dollars of today it would cost \$265,000,000 to duplicate them.

Stockholders of the company approved a proposal to increase Sears' capital by sale of 500,000 shares of unissued stock to the employees savings and profit-sharing fund.

It was planned at the annual meeting to sell 200,000 shares this year to raise \$10,000,000 and save \$400,000 in taxes, Wood said.

Strongly Worded Resolution Re Bonshaw Area Road Work

The hard surfacing of the road from Clyde River to Bonshaw, and immediate action this summer to improve the road from Cornwall to Charlottetown, are strongly urged upon the Provincial Government in a resolution presented yesterday to Premier Jones and Hon. Dougald MacKinnon, Minister of Public Works, by a large delegation headed by Mr. John H. Myers and Mr. Gordon MacMillan.

The delegation was accompanied by Mr. B. Earle MacDonald, M.L.A., Mr. W. F. A. Stewart, M.L.A., and was unavoidably absent due to a recent accident.

The resolution, which was the result of a largely attended meeting held at New Haven on April 22, reads as follows:

"Whereas the Provincial Department of Public Works is presently engaged in the construction of the Trans-Canada Highway in this Province;

"And whereas the route of that Highway has now been apparently established from Borden as far as Bonshaw on the main route to Charlottetown;

"And whereas the route of that Highway from Bonshaw into the City of Charlottetown may take quite some time to be settled;

"And whereas the Department of Public Works to assist the Charlottetown so that the residents of the above named communities may enjoy the same privileges as residents of other sections of the Province."

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No Agreement By Sears and Simpsons

NEW YORK, April 28 — (CP) — Gen. Robert Wood, chairman of the board of Sears, Roebuck and Company, today said no agreement has yet been reached on possible joint operations in Canada by Sears and Simpsons, Ltd., Canadian retail chain, and "there may be no agreement."

Discussions are still under way, Wood said, however, there will be no major expansion this year because excess profits taxes make a fair return impossible.

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