

No Room For Complacency Declares QHCS Principal

"We still have a long way to go before we should feel at all satisfied that we are on a par, educationally speaking, with the most of Canada," said J. A. S. Williams, principal of Queen Charlotte High School, as the three-day teachers convention wound up yesterday.

Mr. Williams, as moderator, was summing up the findings of a panel of teachers which was discussing the advances made in education during the past 25 years.

The moderator noted that while the results were gratifying there is no room for complacency.

More than 725 teachers registered for the convention, the largest number to attend in the history of the province.

PANEL MEMBERS

The panel was composed of J. R. Murphy, Summerside High School; J. W. F. MacCallum of Birchwood High School; Mrs. J. A. Hickox, Montague High School and Miss Helen Yeo, director of Teacher Training at Prince of Wales College.

Mr. Murphy dealt with administration; Mr. MacCallum with finances; Mrs. Hickox with physical facilities and public relations and Miss Yeo with curriculum and the teacher.

Points brought out showed that salaries for first class teachers have increased during the last quarter century by three fold and the total payment for education six fold.

Equal pay was granted to male and female teachers; summer school assistance given; grants for transportation of pupils; assistance for building, remodeling and painting; poll tax range up to \$20; potential survey by Dr. LaZerte and equalization grants of \$35,000 to districts needing assistance.

Among the improvements in school facilities noted were: Carnegie libraries established; indoor toilets; film libraries, radios in majority of schools; improvement through government assistance; visual education service; dental clinics; electricity in most schools; transportation for Grade 9-10 students in many districts.

In the field of public relations it was seen that a greater active interest is evident by the public participation in Education Week, educational conferences, Home and Schools, etc. Pupils are seeing a greater need for education as evidenced by increased attendance.

CURRICULUM

The curriculum has developed according to the child's interests and needs. Teachers are taking an important role in its development. Musical training and interest in the drama were also noted as favorable. Mentally retarded children are receiving special instruction. Correspondence courses are available to those who cannot have access to a qualified teacher.

Uniform courses have been established throughout the province for Grades XI and XII. In teacher training it was revealed that the academic and professional training had advanced from the lowest in Canada to parity with other provinces.

The teacher's status has been improved through a good pension act, cumulative sick leave, workshops and summer schools. Problems noted were loss of personnel during the war and the increase in the number of permit teachers.

INCREASE DUES

Before concluding their sessions, the teachers voted almost unanimously for an increase in their membership fees. The increase will require those in the \$2,000 bracket and over to pay 50 percent more while those over the \$2,000 salary will be required to pay 70 percent more.

James Cople, who presented the motion on fee increases said more finances were required if the Federation was to carry out the job expected of it. He noted that teachers' salaries since 1946 have increased from 50 percent to 200 percent in certain instances.

Quoting from Shakespeare and using the words of Brutus, Mr. Cople before putting his motion said, "Then none have I offended." Only five teachers registered a nay vote.



ART WORK ON DISPLAY

An exhibition of the Maritime Art Association is being shown by the Prince Edward Island Art Society at the store of the T. Eaton Co. until April 13th. This display has been arranged to illustrate the work of five prominent artists. New Brunswick is represented by Jack W. Humphrey and Fred Ross;

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GOLD PIN WINNER

Miss Brenda Stewart, left is receiving her gold pin for perfect Sunday School attendance for three years at the Sturgeon. Presenting the pin is her Sunday School teacher, Mrs. John D. Sorrie.

AMONG THE FARMERS

Federation of Agriculture Newsletter

CARDIAC CONSOLATION

Farmers of course have their share of troubles but in one respect they fare off better than other classes of society in that they are less likely to have serious heart attacks.

The facts are that only half as many farm people suffer severe heart attacks or death, as those in other lines of work. There is not so very much difference so far as the milder forms of heart trouble are concerned.

COMMITTEES

At a recent meeting of the Provincial Board of the Federation two committees were named to deal with matters of some importance. The first committee has for its concern possibilities of developing industry related to agriculture, and more particularly the possibility of producing and processing in a commercial way, flax in this province. The second committee will have under consideration matters related to Soil and Water Conservation. This committee plans on seeking a discussion with the Minister of Agriculture on the various aspects of this matter.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of individual farmers and their financial support is of course of prime importance to the federation. The plan used last year produced an encouraging increase in individual membership and this in spite of the fact that it was not applied to all dairy plants. It is planned to seek the co-operation of the dairy plants on the same basis this year and in addition to do everything possible to enlist the complete support of all plant operators.

JUNE SET-ASIDE

The annual meeting of the Dairyman's Association agreed that the June set-aside for this province would be handled in the same manner as last year. The plan used was that each dairy plant in the month of June would lower its paying price to the farmer by 1 cent per pound of butterfat.

It is provided of course that the farmer has the right to refuse payment if he so wishes. The total amount deducted by the plants is then remitted to the Association in trust for the Dairy Farmers of Canada. The plan outlined reduces very considerably the amount of bookkeeping involved by the factories as compared with actually showing the deduction on each patron's statement. The contribution by the dairy farmer is a voluntary one but the response for the past two years has been close to 100 percent.

POTATO PLANTINGS

As of March 1 the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that Canadian farmers plan to plant fewer potatoes than was the case last year. This province is going to cut back from last year's 46 thousand acres to something over 40 thousand or 88 percent. For the Maritime Provinces intended plantings are 91 percent of last year for Central Canada 96 percent for Western Canada 106 percent and for all Canada 97 percent.

MARKETING VOTE

Until this session of the Legislature a marketing Board could not be set up in Ontario without holding a vote on it. An amendment to the Marketing Act at this session removes this compulsory feature but provides that a vote on any plan may be ordered by the Farm Products Marketing Board.

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Auction "45" Score Cards for sale at Guardian-Patriot Central Printing.

any regulation made by a Local Products Board.

ONTARIO DUES

For a number of years under the Ontario Municipal Act it has been possible to have dues for the Federation of Agriculture collected by the Township Treasurer. This privilege was confined to the Federation of Agriculture. This year however, a change has been made in the act which give the township — where the proper authorizations are provided — the authority to collect dues for any farm organization. In some Counties the Municipal Council dispensed with the tax collection system and merely voted a grant to the Federation. Of course the general tax rate would be adjusted.

HOG AND PORK PRICES

The farmer who sells a hog and then goes into a meat store to buy some pork products is apt to make a mental contrast in the prices which may justify some wonderment on his part. It may, however, help him in part to explain this situation if he understands that even the entire hog carcass does not command these high prices. A 210 pound hog will produce a hot weight carcass of approximately 157 pounds. This carcass in turn yields 93 pounds of cuts which fall in the high price category. There will be 34 pounds of low value products which normally fetch about half the carcass prices of hogs. To finish off the picture here will be 30 pounds that has little or very low value. While all this may not make the purchaser much happier and while it doesn't completely explain price spreads yet it does point out that something less than half the hog falls in the high price category.

NEXT MONTH

While it may be a little difficult to realize the fact at the moment the next month is May and that means possibly in six weeks or less cropping and also it is hoped, pasture for cattle. We have a long winter feeding season in this province and both man and beast look forward with keen anticipation to the time when there is release from the routine of carrying feed to the livestock and the endless chore of cleaning stable. While at the moment there is not much evidence of warmth or growth yet the miracle of spring can come quickly and produce a tremendous release of both energy and growth.

DRY ROADS

At the moment of writing many dirt roads in the country are showing, even with very little frost out of the ground a surprising tendency to dry up. Generally the expectation had been for a very muddy season but apparently the frozen ground has been exposed so long to wind and sun that much of the moisture has evaporated out of it. The result is that once the frost comes out the drying takes place very rapidly.

LORNE VALLEY

Mrs. James MacNeill and Mr. Cecil MacNeill, motored to Strathcona on Wednesday, where they were the guests of the former's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Grover MacKay. A. C. Louis Callaghan arrived home from Greenwood, Nova Scotia, on Friday morning, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Callaghan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuyler Dingwell, Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Morrison, Orwell Cove, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis MacIntyre. Mrs. Alexander MacIntyre is spending a few days with relatives in Elmira.

Miss Pamela Hatton was a visitor to Charlottetown on Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parker, Georgetown, were Easter Sunday guests at the home of Mrs.

Parker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Munro MacGrath.

Mr. Wilbur MacDonald and Mrs. James MacNeill motored to Charlottetown on Wednesday, they also visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Isabel MacNeill, Mount Edward Road.

Miss Sandra Ferguson and master Douglas Ferguson, Montague, were visitors to this vicinity during the Easter season. They were guests of the uncle and aunt, Mr. Russell McAulay and Miss Marion McAulay.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hatton and Mr. and Mrs. James MacNeill motored to New Perih on Tuesday, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy MacNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCannell with children Margaret, Bobbie and David, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben McCannell, Montague, were Good Friday guests at the home of the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Munro MacGrath.

Mrs. Anna MacIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Willis MacDonald, Mermaid motored to Lorne Valley on Tuesday to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Alexander MacIntyre.

Mr. Malcolm MacLeod has received word from Prince George, British Columbia, that his sister Mrs. Janie Snell has passed away. Mrs. Snell, a former resident of Lorne Valley, has visited here in recent years and has many friends here who will mourn her passing. The sympathy of the community goes out to Mr. MacLeod at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Cobb, Millburn, were in Lorne Valley on Tuesday to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Alexander MacIntyre.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy MacLeod, Charlottetown, spent the Easter season in Lorne Valley, the guests of Mrs. MacLeod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Nicholson.

Funeral service for the late Mr. Alexander MacIntyre was held at Lorne Valley Church on March 24. Former pastor, the Rev. Donald Campbell conducted the service and brought words of comfort to the bereaved. The hymns were "The Lord's My Shepherd", "Nearer My God to Thee", and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus". A solo "Good-Night, Good-Night" was feelingly rendered by Mr. Sterling MacLeod. Flower bearers were: Mr. Hugh MacLeod and Mr. Peter MacLeod, and the pall bearers were Messrs. R. E. McNeill, James Callaghan, John Mooney, Walter MacLeod and Murdoch MacDonald. Interment was in Lorne Valley cemetery.

FORTUNE

The regular monthly meeting of the Bay Fortune Ladies Aid Society was held at the home of Mrs. Fred MacKenzie on March 25th.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mr. Eddie Burke who passed away on Saturday, March 21st.

Mrs. Frank MacClumpha and little sons Sandy and Ian are visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Claude DeLaney, Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude DeLaney, Mrs. Wesley MacKenzie and Mr. and Mrs. Allison Wood were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Dingwell.

Mr. Claude MacKenzie was a business visitor to Georgetown on Tuesday, March 24.

The many friends of Mrs. John Norton, Annandale, are pleased to learn that she is improving. Mrs. Norton was a patient in the Souris Hospital.

The Souris — Bay Fortune Couples Club held a rummage sale in the hall at Fortune Bridge on Saturday, March 21st.

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Mr. John Francis was a visitor to Charlottetown on Sunday, March 22nd.

Mr. Lester Johnston, Charlottetown was a business visitor to Bay Fortune on Friday March 27th.

NATO Has Preserved Peace, Maintains Queens Member

"In the 10 years of its existence the NATO alliance has preserved the peace and held the line of Soviet expansion," Heath Macquarrie, M.P., for Queens, stated last evening in an interview relative to the 10th anniversary on April 4th of the formation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Mr. Macquarrie emphasized that Canada "has played a significant role in this alliance and our military are in various establishments in Europe."

"For many years," he said, "Canada avoided military alliances but the dangerous Soviet moves of the cold war prompted us to realize the need for closer co-ordination of defence efforts with the countries with which we share a common purpose."

"It was appropriate," he maintained, "that Canada should play such an important part in this alliance since we always regarded the North Atlantic as an area of particular interest."

"Our ties with Britain and the closeness of our relations with the U.S.A. make us a natural link in this chain of alliance," he said.

Looking to the future, Mr. Macquarrie envisioned some possible change of form and emphasis for the organization, but he considered it likely that the relations among the members would become closer and more intimate. He cited the European Market as an indication of this trend.

"Support for NATO won overwhelming support in the Canadian Parliament in 1949," Mr. Macquarrie emphasized. "And there is every reason to believe that Canadians strongly endorse our membership in this friendly group today."

SOUTH LAKE SCHOOL

Following is the honor roll for South Lake School for the month of March:

Grade VII: 1. Margaret Stewart; 2. Charlie MacDonald; 3. Stirling MacDonald.

Grade VI: 1. Blair MacDonald; 2. Heather MacDonald; 3. Elmer MacDonald; 4. Bernard MacDonald.

Grade III: 1. Jay MacDonald; 2. Paula MacDonald; 3. Gail MacDonald and Gary MacDonald (equal).

Grade II: 1. Roger Bruce; 2. Allen Bruce; 3. Jim Cheverie; 4. Glen Fisher.

Grade I: 1. Barbara MacDonald. Mrs. Marguerite McMahon, teacher.

LITTLE SANDS

Mrs. Ivan Gordon, Abney, spent a few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Munn, Little Sands.

Mr. Lloyd Wheeler, Little Sands left by car for Picton on Monday, March 9th. He is employed on the Charles A. Dunning. Last Sunday he spent the week-end at his home here.

March 6th. was the early arrival of the wild geese this year. Residents here were sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Adam Clark in Hamilton, Ontario. Mr. Clark was formerly Pearl Robinson of Murray Harbour. Sincere sympathy goes out to her family.

Fishermen are busy reheading traps and building new ones. Several truck loads of lobstertraps have been seen passing to Wood Islands from adjoining districts. The fishermen are endeavouring to get their traps where needed before the roads break up.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Blue and Lila, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Coas Stewart, Little Sands, on Sunday, March 15th, to visit Mrs. Blue's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Rowan Sincabough, Oak Valley. On their return they visited Mr. John Sanders, Mrs. Stewart's father, at Murray River.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Burhoe, Abney on Sunday March 15th, were Mr. and Mrs. Mack

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SOURIS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Wish to express their sincere thanks, to Morell and Charlottetown Fire Departments, also to the very many people who rendered valuable assistance during the recent fire. Also to the ladies and others who donated and served refreshments to the Fire Departments and workers.

Signed, C. E. LaVIE, Fire Chief, Souris Fire Dept.

Second Round Of Curling Draw

This is the second round in closing bonspiel at Montague Curling Club.

West Ice: L. H. Poole vs. Section "B" winner of Yeo competition.

East Ice: L. Johnston, O. Poole, Dr. W. MacIntyre, E. Watterworth, vs. E. Shaw, L. MacDonald, G. Worth, D. MacDonald.

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East Ice: R. Knox, E. Clay, E. Duvar, S. Westaway, vs. R. Machon, D. Nicholson, R. MacLean, G. Murphy.

Tornadoes Hit In Two States

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Killer tornadoes and hurricane-like blasts smashed Texas and Oklahoma today and Tuesday night. Six persons perished and at least 61 suffered injury.

A U.S. Air Force tanker plane crashed in central Texas during the storm. Its four crew members died.

Storm damage ran into millions of dollars. The main storm erupted 70 miles south of Dallas late Tuesday night at the village of Vaughn and the town of Bynum.

The tornadoes took six lives and injured 31 in and around the two communities.

HITS OIL FIELD From the Bynum - Vaughn area, the storm front lashed down with a tornado northeast of Gainesville in north central Texas, injuring 17 persons. The funnel destroyed or damaged 20 oil derricks, 12 oil storage tanks, a refinery and several homes.

At Silver City, Okla., 30 miles west of Tulsa, the storm dropped a tornado, blowing away at least six homes and damaging dozens of others.

The storm raged on into Kansas and Missouri, setting off a 15-minute tornado alert in Kansas City.

Several hours later, tornadoes struck Henderson, Athens and Marshall in far east Texas, while bursts of wind reaching nearly 75 miles an hour lashed the area.

SHIPYARD STRUCK About the same time east Texas underwent its storm, a tornado struck a shipyard on Galveston Bay on the Texas coast, 200 miles

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