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U. S. Believes West Has 4 Years To Arm

With their singing of "Fair Canada, our Country," the girls of St. Peter's A. Y. P. A. received the highest marks awarded to date at the Fifth Annual Festival of Music yesterday afternoon. Adjudicator Mr. Lee awarded them 98 marks for what he termed the "loveliest singing heard in the festival. He commented on the purity of tone, and the clarity of the words. The choir was under the direction

of Mrs. Gwyneth Patterson. Earlier in the day the highest mark in the Festival had been attained by the Winsloe Station School's rhythm band, when they received 87 points for their playing in class 75, for 12 years and under. Previous to yesterday the highest mark received was '86 which was given to Judy MacLean of Summerside, for her piano selection "Rosemary." William MacEachern of Cornwall for his harmonica solo, and Ellen Matheson of Charlottetown for her piano selection, "Parkdale School's rhythm band" also received 76 points in yesterday's competition.

QUEBEC, May 5—(CP)—Premier Duplessis said today at his weekly press conference he will appear in Superior Court in Montreal next Wednesday as defendant in a \$118,000 damage action taken by restaurant-owner Frank Roncarelli. The damage action was taken against the Premier personally in 1947 after Roncarelli had been deprived of his permit to sell liquor by Quebec Liquor Commission authorities. Earlier the restaurant owner was in the news for having supplied bail money to a number of Witnesses of Jehovah before Montreal courts for unauthorized distribution of their literature. Premier Duplessis said his court appearance would be as a private citizen and not as attorney-general since the damage suit was taken against him as a private citizen. His counsel will be first of all himself and then Emery Beaulieu and Edouard Asselin.

Work is progressing rapidly on this year's reconstruction programme at the Exhibition grounds and also on the Kensington beach area immediately adjoining, where land approximately 2,200 feet by from 400 to 600 ft. has been levelled off for a new site for the Island Fertilizer Co. plant and also for the new garage for the Provincial Department of Public Works. Hangars from the Charlottetown airport will be placed on these sites. The garage will occupy the western part of the levelled off area, and the two hangars for the fertilizer plant, 150 by 300 feet, will be placed at the east end. The land for the railway spur for the fertilizer plant is being prepared, next to the Exhibition fence stalls on the south end. A double track extending about 1,100 feet will be laid, to permit loading and unloading. As soon as the Goodwill Races are run off in September, the existing stalls at the race track, 115 in number, will be torn down and about 20 feet more of the Exhibition grounds will be taken over to provide a roadway to the fertilizer plant. The airport hangars, purchased by the company from the Provincial Government, will be taken apart and hauled into position this summer.

WASHINGTON, May 5—(AP)—The Defence and State Departments of the United States have decided that the Western Powers have at most about four years to build up their combined military strength for defence against Russia. This conclusion, it was learned today, is based on a careful study of all available information about Russian armament production, including atomic weapons. The study indicates to top officials that Russia will reach a dangerously well-armed state, with a margin of power over that of the United States alone, by 1954. State Secretary Dean Acheson is expected to emphasize this point in his discussion with Western Foreign Ministers at London during the next two weeks. His aim is to get all the Western countries to enter fully into the joint defence program already laid out by military leaders of the North Atlantic treaty countries. He is prepared to insist that the United States alone cannot possibly do the job. He believes that the combined efforts of North American and Western Europe can keep pace with the growth of Soviet military strength now that Russia is manufacturing atomic weapons. In addition some officials contend that German factories should be employed to turn out non-combat types of equipment needed by

Coming Events

- **Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- **Rummage Sale, Holy Name Hall, Saturday, May 6th, at 2 P. M.
- **Come to the Cornwall Concert Tuesday, May 9th. You'll enjoy it.
- **Rummage Sale, Trinity Social Hall, Saturday, May 6th, 3 P. M.
- **No grain cleaning after May 7th. Russell Boyce, Bonshaw.
- **Zion Guides cake sale, Rogers Hardware, Saturday, May 6th.
- **Dance, Auburn School, May 12th. Good music.
- **Farmers now booking Clover Seeds. Rush order. McGuigan & Boyle.
- **Film and Variety Concert, Hermitage School, Monday evening, May 8th.
- **Garden Seeds. Send for free catalogue. Arthur Vessey, York, P. E. I.
- **Dance, Fanningbrook School, Monday, May 8th. Burkes Orchestra.
- **Cream Route—Beginning May 9th to Kensington once a week till further notice. David White.
- **Fresh Lobster Supper at the Bonshaw Inn, Sunday, May 7th. Served from 5-8.
- **Reserve May 24th for Lobster Supper and Dance in Tracadie Hall.
- **Dance, Forest Hill Hall, Monday night, May 8th. Turner's Orchestra.
- **Seed Cleaning Plant now open for Grain and Timothy. John Leard, Craupaud.
- **Pantry Sale, Moore & MacLeod's, May 20th. Highfield United Women's Association.
- **The Sale of the estate of the late Joseph J. Doucette will be cancelled until further notice.
- **Positively no grain cleaned after May 10th. Walker Mallett, York.
- **See North Rustico Variety Concert in South Rustico Hall, Monday night, May 8th, at 8.15.
- **Bonshaw tonight at 8.30. "Lee Tracey" in "The Payoff." Also "Laurel and Hardy" Short.
- **C. W. L. Dance, Tracadie Hall, Wednesday, May 10th. Music by George Chappelle and his Merry Islanders.
- **Don't miss that action packed drama "T-Men," playing at MacDonald Bros. Theatre, Mt. Stewart, tonight.
- **Rummage Sale, Massey Harris Building, Saturday, May 6th, at 7 P. M. Group 4, Zion Women's Auxiliary.
- **Meeting Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Queens County Branch P. E. I. Fish and Game Protection Association, Wednesday, May 10th, 8 P. M.
- **See View Hall, May 9th. Malpeque repeat their two one act plays. If not fine, Thursday, May 11th.
- **Don't miss seeing Mayfield's "Dear Departed" and "Hunter Thursday's At Home" one act plays in the Drama Festival in North Rustico Hall, Wednesday, May 10 and specialties.
- **Buying pigs Monday at Fredericton, Tuesday 9 a.m., Brookfield, 10 Milton, 1 p.m., York, 2 Bedford, 3 Mount Stewart, 4 Waterville, 5 Vernon River, 5:30 Pownall, Wednesday 9 a.m. New Glasgow, 10 Wheatley River, 11 Holmes Corner, 1 p.m. New Haven, 2 Bonshaw, 3 Kelly's Cross, 4 Emerald, 5 Clifton, Thursday, May 11, 10:30 a.m. per pair for good pigs over 30 pounds each, will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen.

Mr. Lee stated that he has been very pleasantly surprised this week at the keen interest taken in the Festival, not only by people from the city, but especially by the people who have come from all points of the Province. He said that in larger cities it was quite customary for a Festival to take place without creating too much interest, but that here on Prince Edward Island the event was everyone's concern, and that the enthusiasm behind the week of music was a wonderful thing. He commented very highly on the efficiency of the organization itself, and expressed the opinion that a wonderful work was being done for the Province as a whole (Continued on Page 15 Col. 2)

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PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, May 5—(CP)—A fish famine threatened Trinidad today as fishermen refused to put out to sea following the disappearance of seven seamen within the last three weeks off the coast. Rumors of pirates operating a high-speed cutter off Trinidad spread terror among fisher folk. As police dragged the Gulf of Paria for the bodies of two fishermen missing for more than two weeks, reports reached here today that three seamen who left Port of Spain three weeks ago had failed to arrive at their home in Eastern Venezuela. The fishermen's fears were not allayed when police found cloth that had been purchased by the Venezuelans before they sailed, in a building here. The small vessel manned by a father and his two sons carried a \$3,000 cargo, including cloth, when she sailed. Police, working on the theory that the motor boat pirates are looting vessels, killing off the crews and weighting the bodies with iron bars before dumping them into the sea, are dragging the gulf in search of clues. Two fishermen who left here April 16 failed to return. Four days later two more fishermen disappeared. Panic spread when police located a boat, outboard motor and seine belonging to two of the missing fishermen and charged a local youth with unlawful possession of the gear. Then a body was found in the water near the Trinidad Yacht Club and a second, tied hand and foot and weighted with iron bars, was found on a nearby beach. Police said it was murder, and the fishermen haven't gone to sea since.

Exchequer Court Due To Sit In Ch'town June 12

OTTAWA, May 5—(Special)—The Exchequer Court of Canada, tribunal which hears suits against the Federal Government, will visit and hear evidence at centres in the Maritimes in June, it was announced here today. The court is scheduled to sit at the courthouse in Charlottetown for some days beginning Monday, June 12. Other centres in the Exchequer Court's itinerary of the Maritimes are, Sydney, beginning June 1; Halifax, beginning June 5; Moncton, beginning June 8, and Saint John, beginning June 19.

Schedule For Cadet Inspection

Brig. W. W. Reid, D.S.O., E.D., Officer Commanding, 21st Armourment Brigade, announced yesterday the following schedule for the annual inspection of the Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps on Prince Edward Island for 1950. Also included in the announcement were the officers who will be in charge of the inspections. No. 84, St. Dunstan's University, May 11, Lt.-Col. G. R. K. Peake, inspecting officer. No. 2320, Prince of Wales College, May 8th, Lt.-Col. A. W. Rogers, inspecting officer. No. 20, West Kent School, May 30th, Brig. W. W. Reid, D.S.O., E.D., inspecting officer. No. 148, Queen Square School, June 9th, Brig. W. W. Reid, D.S.O., E.D., inspecting officer.

Field Ambulance Says Farewell To Col. Shaw

A medical unit said farewell to its Commanding Officer last night when the 21st Field Ambulance, R.C.A.M.C. held a smoker to honor Col. Harold Shaw, M.D., Commanding Officer of the unit until his appointment to a Command post. He was recently appointed Assistant Director of Medical Services on the Eastern Command Advisory Staff Reserve Force. High compliments were paid Col. Shaw by members of the unit who spoke of the excellent work he had done. He was congratulated on being the first full Colonel from the Medical Corps in many years. It is believed that there were only two previous colonels in the unit's medical Corps history, Dr. S. R. Jenkins and Dr. Harry Johnston. Chairman for the evening was Major J. K. L. Irwin, acting Officer Commanding. Introducing the guests was Lt. J. P. McCarville adjutant of the unit. Among those present were Lt. Col. W. H. Soper, Capt. O. R. Simons, and W. O. 2 D. G. Lewis of Brigade H. Q., Lt. D. B. Nicholson and R.S.M. Everett Tombs. Approximately 70 members and guests were present at the enjoyable function. The first Canadian steamboat the Accommodation, was built in 1899.

Scholarships Awarded & Festival Stars Heard In Impressive Concert

Nine scholarships were awarded to outstanding contestants in the Fifth Annual Festival of Music at the "Stars of the Festival" concert, held last evening at the P. W. C. Auditorium. Presentations were made by Mrs. J. Walter Jones and Mrs. J. A. Lawson of the Scholarship Committee. Scholarships were awarded to the following: Judy MacLean, Summerside; Dorothy Crockett, Charlottetown; Dorothy Baxter, Ellerslie; Barbara Phillips, Spring Park; Enid Mill, Summerside; School Unit No. 1; Merle and Carole Elderkin, Summerside; Bethany MacDonaid, Charlottetown; and Winsloe Station School who also received the Women's Institute Trophy, awarded to one or two room school chorus. Dr. G. D. Steel opened the program with a word of welcome to the large audience in attendance, and thanked all those who had given so generously of their support towards making the Festival the outstanding success it proved to be. Asked to say a few words, adjudicator Mr. Lee began by saying that everyone is searching for knowledge and peace of mind. "In the past 20 years," he continued, "people have been turning more and more to music, and other things of the spirit, in their search for beauty." After listening to the singing and playing this week, Mr. Lee made the plea that more pupils would take up other musical instruments in addition to the piano. "This wonderful growth of music that is taking place right under your very nose must be guided," he said, "urging the parents to assist their children by enabling them to see and hear good musicians whenever possible. Listening groups, in order to widen the knowledge, and encourage the love of good music. Mr. Lee also stated how much he had enjoyed the wonderful community spirit which he had encountered in the Province, and (Continued on Page 15 Col. 5)

Rapid Increase In Employment Noted

OTTAWA, May 5—(CP)—The Labor Department reported today that thousands of Canadian jobs are returning to work as the country's industries gear themselves for heavy summer production schedules. Unemployment, which soared to a peak of 434,700 at April 8, dropped rapidly to 424,300 at April 20. In a periodic review of the employment situation, the Department said that a "rapid seasonal increase in employment in most industries now is under way." The number of unemployed by regions at April 20 with corresponding figures for April 6 in brackets, were: Newfoundland 22,800 (22,200); Maritimes 57,200 (55,400); Quebec 156,800 (153,800); Ontario 88,400 (84,700); Prairies 54,100 (57,100); Pacific 46,000 (48,500). Looking to the future, the Department said prospects are that the total number employed in most industries and regions will exceed last year's records.

Four Delegates From P. E. I. For Legion Convention

Four representatives from Prince Edward Island will attend the sessions of the Dominion Command of the Canadian Legion, B. E. S. L., opening next Friday in Winnipeg. Major T. B. Rogers, provincial representative and member of the Dominion Council leaves by car this weekend. He will be followed by Lt.-Col. L. T. Lowther, chairman of the Educational Committee of the Legion, and Messrs. Peter McLellan, Souris, provincial president, and Earl Cannon, representing Summerside Branch. Major Rogers will extend an invitation to the Dominion Command to hold their 1952 convention in Charlottetown. High tide today at 2:06 A. M. and 1:14 P. M. Sun rises at 4:56 A. M. and sets at 7:23 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Outlook for Sunday—Showers.

Extensive Program Of Federal Public Works

Extensive wharf building operations, breakwater construction, repairs and dredging will be carried out in various harbours throughout the Province this summer by the Dominion Department of Public Works, it was learned yesterday from Mr. H. E. Miller, district engineer. A new wharf is to be built at Anglo Rustico, the contract being let to Messrs. John M. Quinn Stanley Bridge and Charlottetown, and John E. MacPhee of Clyde River and Charlottetown. The railway wharf at Souris is scheduled to be reconstructed. A frost-proof shed is to be built and the outer end of the breakwater is to be repaired. The approach to the dock is to be dredged as well as both sides. This will be a two year project. The contract for the building of the frost-proof shed has been let to W. J. McMullin and Son, of Gagetown, New Brunswick. "Hot Supper, Uigg School Hall, Wednesday, May 10th. Supper served 6-9 P. M. Adults 60c. Children 40c. Sponsored by W. I. "Young People's concert in Fredericton Hall, Wednesday evening, May 10th. "Come to New Glasgow Hall on Monday evening, May 8 and enjoy a good variety concert. Sale of candy. "Don't miss seeing Mayfield concert in Wheatley River Hall, Tuesday, May 9th. Sponsored by Wheatley River Institute. "Be Prepared for the grand Variety Concert in New London Hall, Tuesday, May 9th. Sponsored by the New London W. I. "Kinkora Hall, Seven Mile Bay will present their 3 act comedy in Kinkora Hall, Monday, May 8th. Curtain 8:30. Lottery of quilt. "See Kensington Adult Group present their play "Bringing Up Mother", Long River Hall, Monday evening, May 8. "Pownal Y. P. U. will present the three act play "Meet the Husband" in Pownal Hall, Wednesday, May 10th. Curtain 8.15. "Be prepared for the Variety Concert in Mt. Stewart Legion Hall, Monday, May 8th, sponsored by Montague talent. "Notice—Bring your sawing to Milton Mills. 65c a cwt. Also buying logs delivered at Mill or at woods. "Come to Card Party and Dance at Sandy's, Monday night, May 8th. Cards 8 to 10. Dancing after. Admission 50 cents in aid of Dunstaffnage W. I. George Chappelle and his Merry Islanders. "After May 1st our stores will remain open every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings. Thursday and close Wednesday afternoon. B. C. Wood, C. A. Crosby, P. E. Canfield.

New Storm Threatens Winnipeg; 10 Towns Are Isolated By Floods

WINNIPEG, May 5—(CP)—City engineer W.D. Hurst said today that rain holds the key to Winnipeg's flood fate. He made the prediction as the Red River valley felt the lash of a wind and rain storm described by Weather Bureau officials as "intensive." The Bureau predicted winds up to 50 miles an hour and said the rain would continue until Saturday morning. Mr. Hurst said the storm will decide whether scores of dikes in the greater Winnipeg area will hold or whether the billions of gallons of water penned up behind them will be unleashed. Engineers said several square miles of the city would be flooded to a depth of four feet if the dikes give way. Mr. Hurst said flood waters might remain at their peak in greater Winnipeg anywhere up to 10 days. Today 300 business blocks in downtown Winnipeg were without heat after city hydro was forced to cut off steam heating service when rising river waters flooded underground pipes. Company officials said it might

Better Lighting Facilities

On the track, the electrical power will be increased by 25 to 50 per cent. Three new transformers have been purchased to make this possible. Thirty-two poles are being put up to carry the additional lights, which will improve the night visibility very considerably. The building to serve meals to the drivers and grooms stationed at the track has been moved to the east end near the new stables and a competent caterer will be in charge. Work is being rushed at the Exhibition grounds in order to provide for the entertainment by Grace Fields, who is being brought here early in June by the Kiwanis Club, and also for the night races which start on June 24.

At Summerside

A two year project for the repair of Summerside harbor will begin shortly. The head block of the breakwater and the railway wharf will be replaced.

Charlotteville Wharf

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THE LONGER A WOMAN LIVES THE FEWER BIRTHDAYS SHE HAS!

HALIFAX, May 5—(CP)—Official forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax. Synopsis: Friday was a fine sunny day over the Maritimes and Quebec. It most inland localities temperature rose to the 60s. A storm centred just south of Winnipeg is moving north-north-east. Rain is occurring as far east as Central Ontario. On Saturday increasing cloudiness is forecast for the Maritimes and Eastern Quebec, with rain spreading to the western regions. On Sunday the weather will be improving, but showers are likely in most regions early in the day. Regional forecasts, valid until midnight Saturday, with an outlook for Sunday: Prince Edward Island: A few clouds becoming cloudy in the morning. Intermittent rain beginning in the afternoon. Not much change in temperature. Light winds becoming southeast 15 Saturday afternoon. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 35 and 55. Outlook for Sunday—Showers.

BORDEN — TORMENTINE FERRY SERVICE

WEEK DAYS Leave Borden at 9:10 a. m., 1:00 p. m. and 4:50 p. m. and Cape Tormentine pier at 10:55 a. m., 2:40 p. m., 7:30 p. m.

SUNDAYS Lv. Borden Lv. Cape Tormentine 6:45 P.M. 8:00 P.M. One sailing on Sunday. All times are Atlantic Standard.