

Says Many Best-Qualified Students Quitting School

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TORONTO (CP)—Many of the best qualified students are dropping out of school and many of the less qualified are going on to college, says the Educational Foundation on Education in a report issued Wednesday.

The report is based upon a study in Ontario and here are some of its figures:
In 1951 the 15 to 19 age group numbered 316,000.

According to estimates, about 105,000 of these could have profitably continued their educations beyond secondary school.

However, only 111,000 of them enrolled in grade 9; only 35,133 reached grade 13; and only 16,620 graduated from grade 13—or about six per cent of the original age group of 316,000.

Only one-fifth of the students in the "top - intelligence" bracket are included in the six per cent. Thus, about 80 per cent of the brightest students end their education before getting senior ma-

trication. The report makes a number of recommendations, including establishment of several research projects.

One such project would be aimed at identifying capability (i.e., intelligence, industry, determination, effective work habits etc.) in grade 9 or earlier, and at determining the action required to ensure that all those qualified, continue their education.

Another research project would aim at an analysis of the characteristics of those who now drop out of secondary school and their reasons for dropping out.

Under another recommendation scholarship funds would be established to an extent sufficient to ensure that one could be earned by all students of superior academic standing.

In its various comments, the report says:

"If it were determined early in the secondary school life of the student that the chances of completing a university course were

poor and action were taken to divert the student into other types of training, this would improve the utilization of university facilities. The value of the service to the individual as well as to society would be inestimable."

The report is entitled "the case for increasing motivation of intelligently qualified secondary school students," and was prepared in co-operation with the teacher recruitment and service council for Ontario secondary schools. It makes wide use of a recent study financed by the Atkinson Foundation.

This is the third major report by the Industrial Foundation on Education since it was set up with industry financing—following a conference on engineering, scientific and technical manpower held at St. Andrews, N.B., in September, 1956.

Previous reports were entitled "the case for corporate giving to higher education," and "the case for increasing student aid."

Make Recommendations For Improving Salmon Stocks

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal-provincial co-ordinating committee on Atlantic salmon Wednesday approved specific recommendations for legislation to improve salmon stocks in the four Atlantic provinces and in Quebec. The committee said in a statement after its two-day annual meeting that recommendations will deal with regulations concerning netting, open seasons, control of poaching in certain areas, the stocking of streams from salmon hatcheries, and steps to cut damage caused by spraying forests with DDT to wipe out the spruce budworm.

Chemists To Meet In Montreal

MONTREAL (CP)—An international chemical engineering conference is scheduled for Montreal April 20-23.

The conference, sponsored by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Chemical Institute of Canada is expected to attract 800 chemical engineers. Speakers will include representatives from Great Britain, West Germany, France, Italy and the Soviet Union.

ALERT SENSES

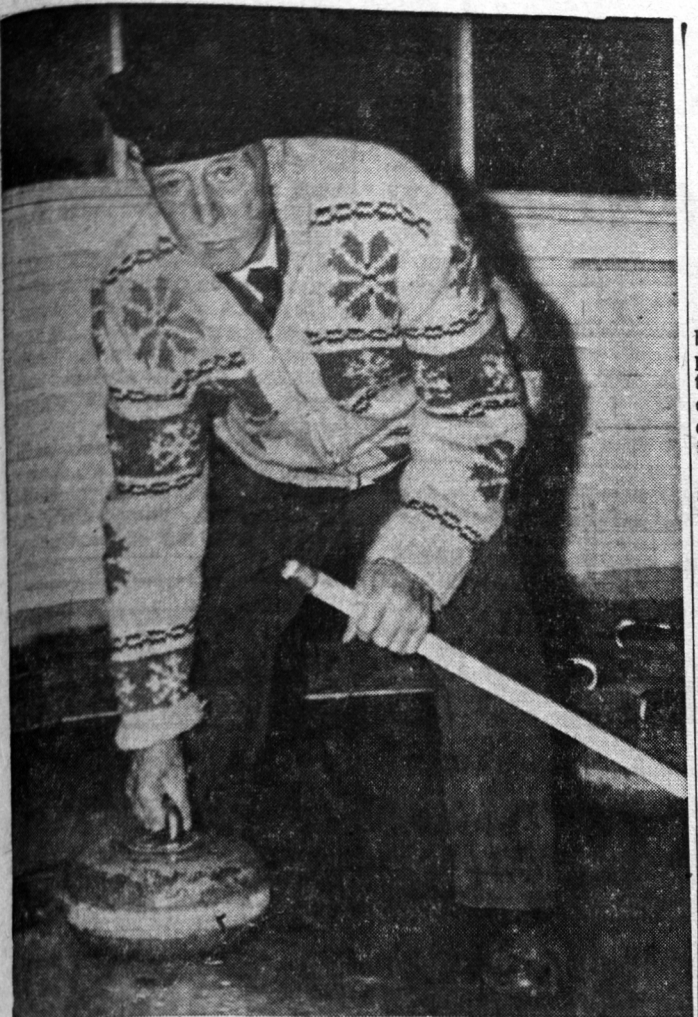
Keen hearing and a sharp sense of smell make up for poor eyesight of Alaskan brown bears.

areas of the upper waters of salmon streams as restricted spawning sanctuaries. Reports to the committee showed:
1. Salmon counting on the St. John and Tobique Rivers in New Brunswick showed a much lighter run of spawners than anticipated.
2. Counting data showed an eight-fold increase in the return of spawners on the Big Salmon River, in New Brunswick.
3. Encouraging—but inconclusive—results were obtained from studies on the LaHave River and River Philip in Nova Scotia.
4. Predator control was continued on New Brunswick's Miramichi and Nova Scotia's St. Mary's Rivers and was extended to the Margaree River on Cape Breton Island.
5. Stream improvement works were conducted on the Big Salmon River, Round Hill River, N.S., and Great Rattling Brook, Nfld. Obstructions on the Upper LaHave River and on Newfoundland's Point Leamington River

were removed.
6. Fishways on a number of Atlantic salmon streams were repaired and rebuilt.
7. Hatchery distributions for the 1957 season totalled more than 11,000,000 fish throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

CARNIVAL SOURIS RINK

Wed. Feb. 19th
GOOD PRIZES
Admission 25 - 35



CHARTER MEMBER

Mr. Joe MacGregor, 89 years old, is a charter member of the Montague Curling Club. He is shown delivering a draw stone to his skip's broom.

SPORT OF KINGS'

First Hockey Game Of Season Played At Souris

On Saturday night the first hockey game of the season was played on Souris Ice. Morell and Souris pitted their skills against one another. The final score was 5-5. With a tie score comes memories of a few years back, when Morell and Souris used to wage many nip and tuck battles.

Rarely was a game decided by more than two goals and the teams pretty well shared the games won. Then Souris improved their team, while Morell lost some of their better players. The games were no longer close, with Souris easily defeating the scrappy Morell squad. As a result Morell dropped down one classification to Intermediate "C".

One of the most powerful lines ever to play on Souris ice was formed last year. This line was composed of the Peters brothers and Rolfe Jenkins. This line is not back this year. New faces have appeared on the scene. Just how well these new faces will fit to the Eastpack style is hard to say. One thing for sure is that Souris will have one of its youngest teams.

Morell, last year, advanced to the Island finals in Intermediate "C". The year previous, they had annexed the Island crown. This year, many of the old faces are gone, and new and younger faces have appeared. Some of the mainstays have hung up their skates. After two years of taking, they've retired from active competition.

Turning to basketball, Souris High lost its second straight Island League game on Saturday afternoon when they bowed to Summersid High. This was also the eighth straight loss of the season for the High School boys. However there is hope for the future. As far as defensive play is concerned, the boys are improving steadily. Their offensive should be better on their own court.

The High School play their first home game in the new league this Saturday. Prince of Wales Seconds will provide the opposition. Previously, these two teams had clashed in a home and home exhibition series, with the college lads taking both games. Prince of Wales are undefeated

both in league play and in exhibition games.

The schedule in the Women's Bowling League has reached its conclusion. The Claim Jumpers finished atop the heap, while Emma MacDonald of the Country Cousins annexed the trophy for the top bowling average. The playoffs start on Monday night and continue on Thursday night. These are best of three elimination rounds. Winning team with the highest pinfall will get a bye into the finals.

Closest series in the first round should be the one between the Claim Jumpers and the Abbies. The Abbies have the distinction of being the only team to defeat the Claim Jumpers during the season. The power-packed Blue Goons should handle the Old Timers, while the Country Cousins should dispose of a team of beginners called the Happy Gang.

Two struggles are still being fought in the Men's League. The Federals, Lobster Kings and Ramblers are still fighting for first place, while the Mathew and MacLeans, Perfectionists, and the Line Riders are struggling for the last two playoff positions. Only two of the three teams will make it. Big game as far as this struggle is concerned will take place on Tuesday night at seven o'clock when the Perfectionists meet Mathew and MacLeans.

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TIMELY NOTES ON FUR FARMING

Mink continues very strong. At the New York Auction Company sale on Monday, February 3, a collection of 22,598 miscellaneous mink sold with prices extremely strong, compared with December prices. Previous auctions, and the one referred to, gave a total of 220,541 EMBA mink skins, which were 95 percent sold.

Officials commenting on the above tremendous percentage disposal said that low-grade skins showed great strength, and that there had been a continuing trend for buyers to buy not only the high-grade skins, but also the low-grade skins.

The top price for Argenta was \$37, and they came from the Charles Bird ranch.

John De B. Payne, who has been assistant in charge of personnel and industrial relations to the general manager of the Hudson's Bay Company, Winnipeg, Manitoba, has been appointed executive assistant to Lester B. Pearson, head of the Liberal Party in Canada.

MEETING
Canada Mink Breeders will hold its 1958 annual meeting in Edmonton, Alberta, in the MacDonald Hotel. Dates set are September 17 to 19. Ranchers intending to attend this meeting should get in touch with Norman W. Shields, executive secretary, Montreal.

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the offspring of a shipment of 62 mink imported from United States in April, 1955. The climate of the estuary is particularly favorable for mink breeding. Quality obtained is said to be similar to that of Canadian skins. The colors bred are: Dark grey, dark brown, light brown, bluish light grey, and white. Experiments are being made to obtain a violet shade.

Prices paid to the breeders, per skin, vary from 1,000 to 3,000 pesos—equal to \$27 to \$80.

We pretty nearly got into fox farming in Buenos Aires. It happened this way—we were in correspondence with very responsible parties regarding the starting of silver fox farming in that locality. A young German, in whom they had great confidence, was sent up to learn the business and spent a year at the McLure and MacKinnon Fox Farms.

He progressed so well that he passed the examinations and received the diploma of the McLure and MacKinnon School of Silver Fox Farming. We notified his sponsors that he was capable of taking charge of a ranch, and were prepared to ship them 40 pairs of silver foxes, of good quality, for \$20,000 delivered in Buenos Aires, and recommended that shipment be made between the 15th of September and the 1st of October, 1957.

Before we got a reply back, Hitler had started World War II and the German youth was taken into custody here, although we had never heard him express any anti-British sentiments.

Cases Heard At Georgetown
Kings County Stipendiary Magistrate Gilbert A. Gaudet held court in Georgetown yesterday. A resident pleaded not guilty of having a quantity of spirits, unlawfully manufactured, in his possession, which is an offence under the Excise Act. His case was adjourned until Feb. 26th.

A resident of Point Pleasant pleaded guilty to an offence under the Excise Act of having in his possession a quantity of mash. He was fined \$100.00 or three months in default.

A resident of Lower Montague without due care and attention, was fined \$10.00 for driving a motor vehicle without having an operator's license.

Fines of \$500 each were imposed in each case of residents of several Kings County centres for failing to have their vehicles properly equipped.

A resident of Abney and one of Seven Mile Road were each fined \$20.00 for having liquor in a place other than their residences.

A resident of Five Houses and a resident of Black Pond were each fined \$20.00 for being intoxicated in a public place.

Jan M. MacLeod represented the Crown in all cases.

Suggest Sweeping Changes In Quebec Education System

QUEBEC (CP)—Quebec's two major labor bodies, representing 225,000 workers, Wednesday proposed sweeping changes "within the briefest possible delay" to Quebec's complex education system.

The organizations suggested radical changes at the classroom level from first grade to university and at the history-stepped administrative stages from the elected school boards to the supreme public education council.

In a 42-page brief presented to Omer Jules Desaulniers, superintendent of public instruction, the Quebec Federation of Labor (CLC) and the Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor

1. Establishment of compulsory education to the age of 16 instead of 14 as at present.

2. Free state subsidized education from first grade to the highest university level. Normal schools—where teachers are trained—would also be accessible free of charge.

3. That all persons—not only property owners—be eligible for election to school board posts except at Montreal and Quebec where board members would be appointed from representative organizations.

4. Appointment of persons representing various organizations to the Catholic committee of the council of public instruction. Such representative persons should form two-thirds of the lay appointments to the committee. All Roman Catholic archbishops and bishops of the province now are automatically members of the committee and this would remain unchanged.

Purpose of the proposals, the labor groups said in the brief, is to make education available to more young people and to introduce more democratic methods of administration at all education levels.

The brief said Quebec province is 25 years behind other provinces in the field of education. There were few suggestions made concerning the education of English-speaking Roman Catholics or

Protestants in the brief which dealt almost exclusively with problems related to the French-language education system.

ATTENDANCE IS PROBLEM
Major problem, the brief said, is that of school attendance among young people between 14 and 20 years of age. In this respect, in 1951, Quebec ranked behind all other provinces and stood at the level of the Canadian average in 1925.

"Doubtless, the facts reported do not honor us in the eyes of our compatriots in the other provinces. But instead of trying to hide these things let us make an effort instead to realize their gravity and to find the means to improve the situation."

The most urgent way to solve the school attendance question was to extend compulsory schooling to 16, and to establish free education at all levels.

NOTICE
All taxes due St. George's school must be paid before March 15th.

By order of trustees.
George C. MacDonald, Secretary.

Urge Buying Of Canadian Made Appliances

MONTREAL, "Housewives buying Canadian-made electrical appliances help solve Canada's unemployment problem," T. J. Bell, president of the Canadian Electrical Manufacturers Association, commented Wednesday during observance of National Electrical Day. In the past few months, he explained, foreign manufacturers have increased shipments of electric appliances into Canada, often at distress prices, throwing more and more Canadians out of work.

The electrical industry, he pointed out, is one of the nation's largest secondary industries. "It employs some 40,000 men and women to supply the household market alone," he said. As a result of increased imports of foreign appliances, hundreds of employees have already been laid off the production lines for such items as electric refrigerators, laundry equipment, and to a lesser degree, electric ranges. This in turn has threatened the job security of Canadians in supplier industries such as the steel, copper, aluminum, insulation and plastics industries.

HIGH QUALITY
Mr. Bell suggested that housewives buy Canadian-made electric appliances not only to protect jobs for Canadians, but also to get appliances made to the highest safety standards. "All electric appliances made in Canada must meet the requirements of the Canadian Standards Association, while some of the imported goods do not meet these safety requirements," he said.

BUILD HOSPITALS
A Melbourne firm will design three public hospitals to be built in Iraq at a cost of \$20,250,000.

Moonlight Skate TONIGHT

MONTAGUE RINK
8 to 10 Adm. 35-20
Good Ice, Good Music.

Jerry's at his funniest ever -- in the funniest movie ever!

TODAY
JERRY LEWIS
at his sensational best... a teen-age terror who scares nobody but himself as
THE DELICATE DELINQUENT
DARREN MCGAVIN - MARTHA HYER
Shows 3:30 - 7 - 9

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HOT ROD RUMBLE

ALLIED ARTISTS PICTURES

GET MORE OUT OF LIFE... GO OUT TO A NEW MOVIE!

EASTERN GUARDIAN

THE STURGEON Baptist Church annual Business Meeting will be held Thursday Feb. 13th, 7:30 p.m. at the Church.

VALENTINE DANCE, Friday night, February 14th, Lower Montague hall. Door prizes, good music.

A MEETING of Georgetown, Progressive Conservative polls will be held in the Council Chambers on Thursday evening at 8 p.m.

A CONSERVATIVE meeting of the Montague South, East and West polls will be held in the committee rooms on Mr. Layton's night, February 17th (note change in date). Delegates will be appointed for the forthcoming conservative convention.

WELCOMED HOME — The many friends of Mrs. L. H. Poole, Montague, were glad to welcome her home on Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Poole were returning from the Liberal convention in Ottawa where Mrs. Poole had to remain in Montreal where she underwent a successful operation at the Royal Victoria Hospital. An untiring worker in community affairs, and an ardent curler, she was greatly missed while away.

PERSONALS
Miss Betty Fraser, Summersville, has returned by plane to Montreal where she is employed. While on leave, she attended the wedding of her sister.

Frank Cain has returned to his home in Summersville from Montreal, where he was employed. He has since resumed his course in carpentry at the Vocational School in Charlottetown.



FORMER ISLANDER 102 YEARS OLD

A former Prince Edward Islander, J. A. Foley, celebrates his 102nd birthday anniversary in Vancouver by having a party with his wife, Mrs. Mathias Joe, right, of the

Capilano tribe confer on him the title of chief. Foley was born on the James W. Sheehy farm at Waterford and left this province in the 1890's. His son Vic

Foley, a former champion lightweight boxer, is a silver mine operator in the Yukon.

Yukon.