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NOTES DECLINE IN T.B. CASES

Tells Legislature Of New Advances In Health Dept.

The "Heaf" method of testing for tuberculosis was described in detail yesterday afternoon by Hon. M.L. Bonnell, Minister of Health who spoke in the Legislature on the Draft Address.

He said that up until August of last year the P.E.I. T.B. League operated a mobile X-ray unit throughout the Province. As time went by it was found that the most of the people being x-rayed were of the younger age group, that is from 16-18 years.

He said the Department had found that 50 per cent of the new cases were in the over 40 years of age group. In the year 1955 the x-ray unit did not find a single new case of T.B. in all the schools visited.

With these facts in mind the Department of Health felt that some new method was necessary to find the active case that were not coming to the mobile clinic.

T.B. LEAGUE CO-OPERATES

So it was that in August of last year the Department started with the co-operation of the T.B. League the "heaf" testing of entire communities and x-raying by the mobile unit all positive reactors. Dr. Bonnell said the T.B. League looked after all the advertising and publicity of the program and the cost of maintaining the mobile x-ray unit. The Department directed the unit to the different sections of the Province where tubercular testing is being carried out.

The Minister described the new method as a very simple procedure and reported that over 80 per cent of the population are turning out for testing. It is also found that 39 per cent of the population has reacted to this method. This reaction varied from 10.6 per cent in some areas to 80 per cent in others.

SPEEDY REPORTS

He said two days after people are tubercular tested the reaction is read and if they react to the test they are x-rayed by the mobile unit which is moved to the

area. Dr. Bonnell reported that four new cases and one re-activated case has been discovered by this method from August to Dec. 31, 1956.

He said one great advantage of the new survey and probably one of the reasons why they were getting such a large turnout was the fact that if they do not react to the "Heaf" test they are given a card stating that there is no evidence of their being infected by tuberculosis.

If the person has a positive reaction, they are x-rayed and a card with their name, the date of test and the result of the x-ray is mailed to them within a couple of days.

The Minister noted that this was a big improvement over the method used by the mobile unit, since a person never heard from the x-ray unless it was shown that T.B. was present. It relieves the suspense of waiting for a report wondering whether or not they had T.B.

Dr. Bonnell reported there were 57 new cases of T.B. in 1955 and 43 new cases in 1956, a reduction of 25 per cent. The death rate in 1956 was 3.7 per 100,000 compared to 5.6 in 1955.

Of 81 admissions to the Sanatorium in 1956, forty-four of these were over 40 years of age, or 55 per cent. 74 were over 20 years of age. Of 70 admissions in 1955, 29 were over 40 years. 42 of the admissions were male and 39 female.

NO RELAXATION

When you hear these decreasing figures in new cases and a new low of 2.9 in the death rate you might feel that we have tuberculosis conquered in this province, but let me assure you that this is not the case, because at the present time there are about 200 tubercular patients who are receiving treatment at the Sanatorium and another 100 are unable to work at home due to this disease. And in spite of the fact that our death rate was so low in 1956 there were 1,500 deaths from this disease



HON. M.L. BONNELL

in Canada, or of still more significance is the fact that 15,000 Canadians today occupy sanatorium beds.

So you can see that in spite of the fact that we might feel optimistic toward this dread disease we must not stop now, but must continue the fight against it with increased enthusiasm and look forward to the day when tuberculosis will be a disease of our ancestors as smallpox is at the present time.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Minister reported that the Division of Mental Health has made great progress during the year 1956. "Our new Active Treatment Centre which was completed last year was opened unofficially in October, at which time we were able to procure the services of a half dozen nurses. "Because of the lateness of the

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Hammarskjold May Go To Middle East Next Week

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (CP) Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold may fly to the Middle East next week to supervise the taking over by the United Nations Emergency Force of the Gaza and Akaba areas which Israel may start vacating today.

Word that the UN chief will probably make the visit came after he conferred Tuesday with representatives of Egypt, Israel, the United States and a number of other countries. External Affairs Minister Pearson of Canada talked to Hammarskjold for half an hour before leaving for Toronto.

Expect Irish Returns Today

DUBLIN (Reuters)—Republican Ireland voted Tuesday to elect a new lower chamber and determine the leadership of the next government.

A total of 282 candidates contested the 146 seats at stake in the Dail (parliament).

The Fine Gael party of outgoing Premier John A. Costello held 48 at dissolution and combined with smaller parties in a coalition government.

The main threat to Costello was the Fianna Fail party, headed by veteran Eamon de Valera, which made a determined bid to increase its last standing of 67 seats into an over-all majority.

Voting was by proportional representation and although first results will be known today, a clear-cut picture of the new lineup may not emerge until later in the week.

Sees Leadership Problem Challenge To 4-H Clubs

AMHERST (CP)—D. C. Foster, extension director of the Manitoba agriculture department said Tuesday Canada's 4-H Clubs should encourage young people to take university training in agricultural sciences to meet a shortage of trained farm personnel.

Mr. Foster told the annual conference of the Canadian 4-H Club Council that concern should be felt about the decline in farm population and the exodus of youth from rural areas.

He said between 1951 and 1951, the farm population shrank from 31.7 per cent to 20.8 per cent. "Today," Mr. Foster said, "20 per cent of the Canadian population is expected to produce the food and fibre for Canada's rapidly increasing population."

Frank E. Wolf of Toronto, Canadian Pacific Railway agricultural agent, was elected president for 1957, replacing Mr. Foster. Charles A. Douglas of Truro, head of the Nova Scotia agriculture extension division was elected vice-president. Secretary manager is James D. Moore of Ottawa.

DRUNK HORSES?

DEGGENDORF, West Germany (Reuters)—Bavarian police are making a blood test on two horses they think were drunk when they caused a fatal accident. After villagers at Fischendorf near here had celebrated a carnival last Sunday, the horses bolted with their cart into a crowd, killing a woman and injuring several other bystanders. Police suspect they may have been given beer by some revellers.

STOLEN POLICE CAR

TORONTO (CP)—Police had an embarrassing experience Monday night: some stole inspector of detectives John B. Nimmo's car. The car later was found, abandoned and undamaged, in suburban East York Township.

FROM CANADIAN COMPANY

US Beats Canada To Punch In Ordering New Aircraft

Urges Gov't To Consider Health Insurance Program

"Serious omissions" in the Throne Speech were noted by Dr. L. G. Dewar, M.L.A. (Second Prince) speaking on the Draft Address in the Legislature yesterday. At six o'clock yesterday evening he adjourned the debate which he is expected to resume when the House meets this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

He said there was no mention of Health and Hospital Insurance which he described as one of the liveliest questions of the day. He observed that nothing had been said about Labour and no talk of increased taxation at a time when it was obvious that the Province was in need of additional revenue.

PEOPLE INTERESTED

In regard to Health and Hospital Insurance Dr. Dewar said the people of the Island were very much interested in it. Many people, he said, were being seriously burdened by hospital and medical expenses.

Hon. Mr. MacDonald: "Who will pay for it?" Dr. Dewar: "The same people who are paying for it now and in addition to this the Federal Government will pay 65 per cent of the cost."

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PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Tuesday, March 5, 1957—The Commons passed a bill to increase lending powers of the Canadian farm loan board to \$80,000,000 from \$60,000,000.

Fred Robertson (L.—Northumberland) said the board's evaluations of farms for loan purposes is too low.

George McLeod (SC—Okanagan-Revelstoke) said red tape is delaying the handling of farm loan applications.

Trade Minister Howe indicated that Prairie wheat producers will bear the cost of the Canadian wheat board plan to cut prices of some flour exports.

Resources Minister LeSage withdrew a bill dealing with the national museum after the opposition claimed it went beyond the terms of a permissive resolution already adopted.

The Senate gave second reading to the government's bill to set up the Canada Council to promote the arts.

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Minister Reviews Problems Affecting Education In PEI

In resuming the debate on the Draft Address in the Legislature yesterday Hon. Keir Clark said the Federal Government was profiting immensely by drawing the surplus off the higher incomes of higher trained Island people, educated almost entirely at provincial expense while at the same time they hide behind what he termed the out-moded section 83 of the B.N.A. Act and thus avoid any possible conflict with Quebec's Premier who, he said, had raised grave doubts in his Province about accepting "tainted" money for education.

"I wonder how long Ottawa will continue to dance to Duplessis' tune," he asked.

"For several years now Canada has been depending on imported skilled technicians, engineers and trained personnel. It would seem to me a much sounder policy to train our own Canadian people," said Mr. Clark.

"We have not been utilizing more than a quarter or a third of the talents of our gifted young men and women to the greatest efficiency," continued the Minister. "We are extremely wasteful of our resources of human talent!"

Mr. Clark felt that the proper approach toward the development of youth talent should be as a national project. He emphasized the need for large sums of money distributed in more adequate salaries for teachers, high standards in the teaching profession, regional high schools, or centralized instruction for the higher grades in

rural, modern transportation and a greater depth and enrichment of the curriculum.

In making reference to the teacher's superannuation fund, Mr. Clark stated that the large portion of this fund has been used for building or remodeling schools. He felt that this arrangement was not fair to the teachers and said the Commission has taken a serious view of the default in principle of the fund. He said that while the Commission would regret the necessity of foreclosing a mortgage on a school, it will not hesitate to do so in order to safeguard the fund entrusted to it.

ACCREDITED STANDING

Referring to the accredited standing grade X certificate of the Charlottetown School Board, in which students making an average of 65 per cent or higher shall be entitled to enter first year P.W.C. or grade XI public schools in the Province, the Minister said this regulation was adopted at the request of the City School Board. The Board had pointed out that it was a matter of record that all students having reached such a standard have been successful in their grade XI work at college. "I think there is no doubt regarding this statement," said Mr. Clark.

He stated, however, that should the Department have any concern

as to the continued high standard of the certificate, the accredited status is always subject to revision. "I do not believe we shall have to make any change in this regard," said Mr. Clark. On the contrary, I would look forward to the granting of accredited standing on a broader basis, and if this Province could in some way get organized on the basis of a larger school unit, we might eventually be able to discontinue our provincial Grade X examination, which is the only one on this level in Canada."

EXAMINATION BOARD

Another recent development referred to by Mr. Clark was the setting up of an Examination Board for the Province. He stated that this work had been previously handled directly by the Department but under the new arrangement, which will follow the same general system, it is hoped that more efficient work will be done since the members of the Board include those in the teaching field as well as those in administrative positions. Mr. Clark observed that faults could be found with the best of papers and in this connection observed that the papers set last year by the Atlantic Provinces Examining Board were "not good". He said one mathematics paper in particular was entirely too long.

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At Least 17 Killed As RAF Transport Plows Into Houses

DRAYTON, England (AP)—A flaming Royal Air Force transport plane plowed into a row of houses here Tuesday killing at least 17 airmen and civilians.

Tons of fiery wreckage showered over a nearby field where 43 kindergarten children were playing—but they miraculously escaped injury.

The 60-ton Beverley aircraft had taken off from Abingdon airfield, six miles south of Oxford, for the Mediterranean island of Malta. It carried RAF officers, airmen and air force police dogs, six of which also died.

ENGINE TROUBLE

A few minutes after leaving the ground one of the plane's four engines sputtered and stopped. Sensing real trouble, the pilot, wearing the big ship around and headed back to base.

Then, as the crippled plane made its final approach towards the runway one wing tip hit a 120-foot elm tree.

The whole aircraft seemed to catch fire.

"There was one hell of a bang,"

said D. H. Webb, a farmer who saw the tragedy, "and then the aircraft ripped into a brick building and a house."

HOUSES SET AFIRE

It was a misty, almost foggy day. Flaming gasoline from the plane's tanks set the houses afire. Inside one house, Mrs. Muriel Binnington was cooking her husband's lunch. She was killed almost instantly.

J. Ma: Travlers, a 19-year-old electrician who was reading M.S. Binnington's light meter, was trapped by the torch like debris and burned to death.

Meanwhile, the plane spun along its crazy path of destruction to the accompaniment of a series of thunderous explosions.

"The flames were terrific," said John Dawson, another eyewitness. "It was so hot we couldn't get near the thing to help those inside. Three or four men were thrown clear."

The transport carried 18 RAF men, including crew, and nine police dogs in crates.

POPE RECEIVES CANADIANS VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Pope received in audience student priests and faculty of the Canadian Pontifical College in Rome Saturday, led by Paul-Emile Cardinal Leger, Archbishop of Montreal. The Pope recited the Angelus prayer with the Canadian group.

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Caribou Designed For Use On The Atomic Battlefield

OTTAWA (CP)—The United States has beaten Canada to the punch in ordering a new army transport plane from a Canadian aircraft company.

De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd. Tuesday announced that the U.S. Army, through the Canadian defence production department, has placed a \$2,500,000 order for five of its new twin-engine transports.

The plane, to be called the Caribou, is scheduled to be test-flown for the first time by mid-summer of 1958 and deliveries to the U.S. Army for evaluation tests are expected to begin early in 1959.

The aircraft, planned for the last two years, is designed for rapid movement of troops and supplies on the atomic battlefield. It will be capable of carrying 20 combat troops or three tons of cargo and of landing in a space as short as 700 feet—twice the length of a football field.

This is the plane that the Canadian army wants to fit for the age of atomic warfare. It is understood that the defence production

department still is negotiating a price with De Havilland for the company and development of the Caribou was reached when the Canadian Army and defence production department indicated they would be prepared to participate with De Havilland in design and manufacture of the prototype plane, the company said. Details of this arrangement were not disclosed.

The U.S. Army, which already has fleets of De Havilland Otter and Beaver light transports, became so interested in the project that it nipped in first with an actual order. However, the Canadian Army is expected to get its first Caribou for evaluation trials soon after first deliveries to the U.S. Army.

In the Canadian Army, the new plane is known as a "flying truck." It is intended to replace in large part truck convoys which would be prime atomic battlefield targets.