

Prince County Begins To Dig Out Following Storm

Winter struck Prince County with a screaming, howling vengeance early yesterday morning with Summerside and surrounding districts blanketed with roughly 16 inches of snow, according to the Meteorological Office at the R.C. A.F. Station. The weather observers stated that winds reached a high of 68 M.P.H. about 7.30 a.m. with an average north east wind of 55 miles per hour over a period of several hours. Fortunately the temperature was hovering around the 30 degree mark. Vehicular traffic was at a standstill, although several of Summerside's main streets were plowed yesterday morning but filled in quickly again as winds continued to howl fiercely throughout the morning.

Schools and most business houses remained closed all day with

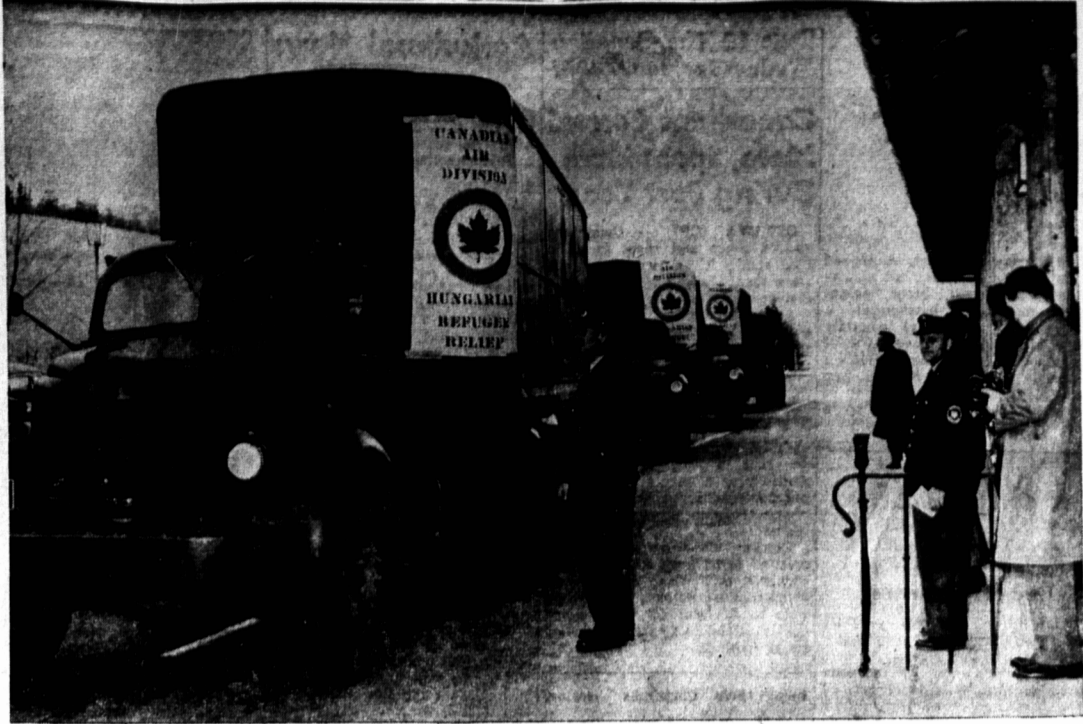
milk deliveries cancelled as roads heavy going for traffic on most streets remained impassable. The week of Prayer service scheduled for the Baptist Church last evening was cancelled as were air mail flights and plane service generally.

Last evening plows began the enormous task of opening up Summerside streets after the wind had abated to less than 20 m.p.h. No damage was reported by the Summerside Electric Light Department or the Island Telephone Company, which was quite a different picture from conditions this time last year. Monday was the anniversary of the sleet storm which caused such widespread destruction to telephone and power lines in Summerside and Prince County generally last year.

High winds and drifting snow

made heavy going for traffic on most streets remained impassable. Cross roads were made impassable but some traffic was moving on the main highways yesterday morning. The I.M.T. bus went through Alberton on time enroute to Summerside. Government snow plows left Summerside for Richmond, and Borden early last evening and plows were working out of Kensington towards Reads Corner and also eastward.

In West Prince government snow plows were operating on emergency runs only waiting a strong ground drift to die down before attempting to clear the highways. Heavy gusts of wind blew down a large 6 X4 sign at White's store on Main Street in Alberton yesterday afternoon. The sign was valued at about \$300.00.



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Closing Exercises of Milo Sunday School

Milo Sunday School held its closing exercises in Milo Hall on Dec. 2nd with a good attendance. The superintendent Mr. W.R. Rogers presided. Miss Faye Milligan was organist. After singing a Christmas carol, the reading of the lesson and a carol by the children, certificates was given for memory work and attendance. Mr. Rogers donated prizes for perfect attendance to Clifford MacNevin, Kenneth MacDonald, Phyllis MacDonald and Fernie MacDonald. A satisfactory financial report was read by the Secretary, Miss Ruth MacKay. The sum of \$20.00 was passed in to Rev. Mr. Kean, O'Leary, to be sent to Dr. Florence Murray for her mission work in Korea. Mr. Rogers gave each child in the primary class a penny for every Sunday they were present.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Rogers for his help and interest in the Sabbath School, also to the secretary for her untiring efforts on the work of the School. It was decided to hold a sing-song before Christmas.

Mrs. Blanchard MacIsaac extended the invitation to meet at her home on Dec. 13th. The superintendent donated money to purchase ice cream for this gathering. In closing another Christmas carol was sung.

A delightful evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard MacIsaac when the teachers, pupils, and superintendent met on Thursday evening. A hearty sing-song of carols, hymns, Scottish music and many old songs were sung and enjoyed. Pianists for the evening were Faye Milligan, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. MacIsaac and Wilbur MacQuarrie.

During intermission candy was passed to those present by Mr. Rogers, followed by more music, then a generous helping of ice cream and cake was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Two duets were sung by Miss Phyllis MacDonald and Miss Morag MacIsaac, Star of the East was sung by Miss Faye Milligan and Miss Morag MacIsaac. A hearty vote of thanks was extended by Mr. Albert Milligan to those who supplied the ice cream, candy and cake, also to Mr. and Mrs. MacIsaac for their kindness and hospitality in offering their home for this occasion.

Mr. Rogers in a few well chosen remarks, expressed his thanks for the continued success of the Sabbath School, trusting all would be spared to meet again when the school resumes its work next May. This happy event closed with "Blest be the tie that binds", "God be with you till we meet again," and, "The Queen."

Beaver Attributes Success To Being Knocked On The Head

FREDERICTON (CP) — Lord Beaverbrook, famous publisher, businessman and politician, has revealed the secret of his rise to fame but he doesn't advise anyone to follow it.

In an article in My Young Days in New Brunswick in the Atlantic Advocate, Beaverbrook says he probably owes his success to a pair of boots and a moving machine.

The Advocate's editor and publisher, Brig. J. M. S. Wardell, says the acquisition of the series is a typical Beaverbrook story in itself. Beaverbrook "wrote it and gave it to me as a surprise birthday gift."

ARDUOUS TASK "I hope you like this present," said Beaverbrook, "because I have worked hard on it. But don't hesitate to read it and base your more work or as a rejected manuscript."

In the series, Beaverbrook explained the mowing machine incident this way:

"In summertime, when the weather was hot, it was the habit of boys in my home town (Newcastle, N.B., although he was born in Maple, near Toronto) to go barefoot. I did so by choice, although the children who continued to wear boots came, on the whole, from the more respectable parts of the village."

"One autumn when I had put on my boots for the first time, a passing mowing machine drawn at the tail of a cart attracted my attention. Along with others, I took hold of the pole (extending from the machine), meaning to run along with it."

"My boots, to which I was not yet accustomed, brought me down in the road and the wheel of the mowing machine passed over my head, the cogs making a mark on my ear which I carry to this day."

to work. "By 30 I had established for myself a good place in the business world of Canada and retired with a fortune."

In the next 10 years he became a leading figure in British politics. "The turning swiftly aside from Fleet Street at the age of 40, I started with the bankrupt Daily Express on a journalistic career, created The Sunday Express, and added The Evening Standard."

Somewhere along the way he found time to write two volumes entitled Politicians and the War, and a series of essays on Good Fortune.

"Many epithets, favorable and unfavorable, have been applied to my career, but the word 'interesting' is not one of them," he said.

WHEN WRITING PAYS On the subject of writing, Beaverbrook told of the following conversation between himself and Winston Churchill.

"What are you doing?" Churchill asked.

"Writing," Beaverbrook replied.

"What about?"

"Me."

"A good subject," Churchill conceded. "I have been writing about me for 50 years, and with excellent results."

Earlier in the article, Beaverbrook confessed he lives "on the bonus system. I am now seven years beyond the allotted span of life."

"It may be interesting to many with a missing heart-beat to know that for just this reason my application for a 20-year endowment policy was rejected. . . on Dec. 9, 1901, 55 years ago."

HANDY COWMAN Beaverbrook also finds time to do a little farming.

"Just recently I surprised my guests at Cricket Malherbie, my principal farm in Somerset, by taking the place of a missing cowman from our Guernsey staff."

"Many readers will say 'What, no milking machines?' No! No milking machines for first-class pedigree Guernsey stock. Each cow personally attended and positively treated with individual care and attention. That's the way to milk records."

Beaverbrook said his knowledge of farming didn't help further his political campaign for Empire free trade—a plea for the exclusion of foreign food products in favor of Empire production.

"At Douglas in Ayrshire. . . I was one dark winter evening engaged in making a plea to an important local audience during a by-election."

"Let us bring to the Empire the employment given to milkmaids who work for us in Denmark and Holland and Belgium," Beaverbrook argued. To fortify his claim to farming lore he told his audience how he used to drive his father's cow from pasture to barn twice daily in New Brunswick.

A Scot in the audience asked: "And what did ye dae wi' the cow when ye bricht her tae the byre?"

Beaverbrook answered: "Milked her, of course."

"That's what ye'll dae tae us gin (if) ye get your Empire preference plan," the Scot replied.

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Highlights Of Throne Speech

OTTAWA (CP) — Highlights of the speech from the throne read Monday by Governor-General Massey:

Extension forecast of federal grants in lieu of taxes on federal property in all municipalities where the property receives normal municipal services.

Government to increase grants to provinces for technical and vocational training.

Consideration to be given to revision of narcotics control laws.

Government to assist the CPR and firemen's union to settle the rail strike.

Approval to be sought for establishment of a Canada Arts Council.

Legislation planned to assist universities in capital construction and to double the annual grants to universities.

A government pledge to contribute effectively to achievement of a lasting settlement of Middle East problems.

Government financial policy aimed at countering inflationary tendencies.

Proposal to establish a Senate committee to consider measures for better use of land for agriculture.

Improvements in the scale of

benefits to disabled seamen and dependents of deceased seamen.

More Hungarian and British immigrants expected to enter Canada.

S' side Service Station Entered

During the night or early morning of yesterday's storm a break was made at the Crystal Service Station on Water Street West operated by Mr. William Corney. Entry was made by smashing through a window in the rear of the building and the lock on the office door was broken and papers scattered around, but nothing is known to have been stolen.

In the garage, however, trucks belonging to Holmans and the C.N.R. had been moved and the Holman truck was found outside the garage with the front damaged.

All three, large garage doors were found unlocked and one was partly open. The break was discovered early yesterday morning by the driver of the Holman truck when he went to the garage for the vehicle.

ELLERSLIE AND BIDEFORD Week Of Prayer At Alberton

On Monday evening the first Week of Prayer service for Alberton district was conducted in Alberton Presbyterian Church by Rev. A. S. Weir, D.D.

Rev. Dr. Weir read Psalm 121, which has been called the "Traveler's Psalm," and based his message on the last verse. As a traveler set out in olden times there was often expressed for him the wish that God's journeying mercies would be with him. Through the coming year many people will go on journeys for various reasons and many who are not going on journeys will travel through unfamiliar experiences. We should pray that God's "journeying mercies" will attend us and our friends through all of life, to its very end.

The choir sang "In The Garden".

Mrs. Coughlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Coughlin, Ellerslie.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Millar, Summerside, spent Christmas with relatives in Ellerslie.

Mr. Albert Barlow was a train passenger to Summerside Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. England, Charlottetown, attended the funeral of their uncle, the late Aldred England which was held at St. John's Anglican Church, Ellerslie on Friday, Dec. 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gillis, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barlow, Mrs. Ellsworth Gillis and son, Arnold, were all visitors to Summerside recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gillis and daughter, Jeanetta, were overnight guests with friends in Summerside during the holidays.

Mr. Ronnie England who is attending Kings College, Halifax, and Mrs. Roger Burleigh who is a student at Mount Allison, Sackville, N. B., are both enjoying the holidays at their respective homes in Ellerslie.

Mr. Bertram Phillips who is employed in Halifax, spent the holidays at his home and among relatives and friends in Ellerslie.

Mr. Vernon Grant and small daughter is spending the holidays with Mr. Grant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Grant, Ellerslie. Vernon is with the Canadian Army in Manitoba.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Courhlin, Summerside, were visitors to Ellerslie on New Year's Day.

Master Billy Cooke, has recently returned home after spending a few days vacationing with his sister, and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Phillips, Halifax, N.S.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison and daughter, Kathleen, were train passengers to Charlottetown recently on business.

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Mrs. Vernon Grant who has been a resident of Manitoba for quite some time, has returned home to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Ellerslie.

Mrs. Pearl McGovern, Ellerslie, left recently for Charlottetown where she will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Elsie Hayes.

Friends of Mr. George Jelly are sorry to learn of his recent illness. All wish him a speedy recovery back to health.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Phillips and small son, Halifax, N.S., spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Phillip's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cook; they also visited other relatives and friends in Ellerslie.

Mrs. Jeanetta Ogden, Alberton, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gillis over the festive holidays.

Miss Louise Gillis, P.H.N., Alberton, was also a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gillis.

The children of the Ellerslie-Bideford Schools are enjoying the Christmas holidays after they presented their Christmas concert in the L.O.L. Hall on Dec. 21st. The three schools joined together to hold their closing exercises, which were enjoyed by a large audience. Santa paid a visit and gifts were exchanged and distributed to all the children. The proceeds from the concert will be used for school purposes.

Friends of Mr. E. L. MacDougall of Bideford and now residing in Ontario, regret to learn that he has undergone surgery. Mr. MacDougall is now convalescing at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne MacDougall, Scarborough, Ont. All hope him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hayes, Bideford, motored to Halifax, N.S., to spend the Christmas holidays with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gillis, Ellerslie, accompanied by their daughter, Jeanetta, Alberton, have just returned home from Saint John, N. B., where they visited with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hutchinson; also their granddaughter, Susan, who has been a patient in Saint John's General Hospital.

Mr. A. E. Ross who has been employed in Toronto, Ont., has returned home to spend the winter months with his family in Bideford.

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WESTERN GUARDIAN

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REGULAR Thursday night dance, Kensington Legion Home. Music by Mellowares Orchestra. Dancing from 9:30 - 12:30. Admission 50 cents.

BEDEQUE RINK tonight, Wed. Jan. 9th: Junior Hockey, Bedeque versus Freetown 7:30; Fernwood versus Albany 8:45. Free school skate, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

BEDEQUE RINK, South Shore Hockey League, Thursday, Jan. 10: Wilnot Monarchs versus R.C. A. F. Flyers. Game time 8:30. Skate after.

CRAPAUD Rink, 2nd game of the Frank Myers Hockey League tonight Crapaud Heartbreakers vs Argyle Shore Beavers. Admission 25 cents to all. (This game postponed Tuesday).

Summerfield Held Candlelight Service

The annual meeting of Summerfield United Church auxiliary of the W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. J.A. and Mrs. Clarke Harding on December 17th with the President, Mrs. J. Sutherland McKay presiding. The meeting opened with singing hymn 72. The worship service took the form of a candle lighting ceremony based on the theme "His Constant Light" conducted by Mrs. Harland Daye, leader. Mrs. Elmer Stewart took the solo parts and Mrs. Norris Sinclair, Mrs. Crawford Sinclair, Mrs. Sutherland McKay, Mrs. Keith Mayne, Mrs. Lindsay Sharpe, Mrs. Herman Mayne and Miss Harriet Glover took candle lighting parts representing the different churches in Asia. Christmas carols and prayers closed this period.

Business period opened with roll call answered by 12 members. Minutes of last annual and regular meetings were read and approved. Correspondence consisted of a letter from Mrs. Thompson regarding the Presbyterial which is to be held in Summerside on Jan. 22-23rd.

Various secretaries gave their reports on the years work. Showing much activity in all departments. The newly organized C.G.I.T. will hold a Vespers Service in the church December 23rd. The community friendship secretary, Mrs. Elmer Stewart, reported 23 home calls, 4 hospital calls, 6 books read and 28 cards sent during the past month. The president gave a report and thanked members for their kind co-operation for past year.

The following officers were elected for 1957: President, Mrs. Sutherland McKay, re-elected; vice-president and supply secretary, Mrs. Harland Daye, re-elected; secretary, Mrs. Crawford Sinclair; treasurer and christain stewardship secretary, Mrs. Elmer Stewart; associate members and community friendship secretary, Miss Harriet Glover; Baby Band Superintendent and C.G.I.T. Leader, Mrs. Keith Mayne; Literature secretary and M.M. and World Friend secretary, Mrs. Lindsay Sharpe; Temperance secretary and organist, Mrs. Clarke Harding;

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U. S. President Held No Press Conference For Seven Weeks

By GEORGES KITCHEN Canadian Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON (CP) — The United States is suffering from a presidential news blackout. President Eisenhower has held no press conference since Nov. 14 and a host of questions of great import on national and international affairs, most of which can be answered only by the president himself, have been hanging fire since that time.

In that seven-week period, covering some of the most turbulent international developments in recent years, there has been nothing in Washington to correspond to the series of parliamentary debates, all affording question-and-answer sessions, which have taken place in London, Paris and Ottawa.

AIR CLEARED In those three Western capitals, governments have been subjected to, and survived, votes of confidence arising from their policies toward the Middle East crisis. Prime ministers and their cabinets have undergone intensive and often critical questioning about their actions. The issues have been debated and, though differences may not have been resolved, the public air has been cleared.

Washington, in the absence of any similar mechanism for parliamentary inquiry, has seen nothing like that.

With Congress in recess until

the regular 1957 session now getting under way, there has been no parliamentary debate. Generally speaking, there has been only debate in the press, a large segment of which has criticized the Eisenhower administration for its attitude towards Britain and France in the Middle East crisis and called upon the government to live up to its responsibilities of world leadership.

The situation points up some of the weaknesses of the American political system, a relic of 18th-century horse-and-buggy politics which permits the president to appear before Congress only by invitation and then only to deliver some formal message. There is no provision for the rough-and-tumble questioning periods which give vitality to the British parliamentary system.

CAPITOL — SUMMERSIDE

TONIGHT 7:15-9:15 THURS. 8:30-7:15-9:15