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BAKER APPOINTED

minister of highways

Premier Alex B. Campbell today announced the appointment of Ronald J. Baker, B.A. M.A., L.L.D., and form er President of the University of Prince Edward Island, as the new Minister of Highways for Prince Edward Island. In keeping with tradition, Premier Campbell appeared at a press conference in the Charlottetown Hotel where his niw minister was introduced to the press corps and an elequent address was delivered by the Premier in presenting the credentials of his new appointee.

In this address, Premier Campbell stated that "...in view of the outstanding contribution made by Professor Baker to the overall development of the new system of highways created at the University of P.E.I. during the past summer, the cabinet could think of no other man who so richly deserved this position. Anyone who was in anyway familiar with the university campus could not help but be amazed at the extraordinary amount of pavement which is now available for the convenience of all concerned. In a province that has the highest concentration of paved roads per capita in Canada, the ability to more than double this amount in the span of four short months, and in such a confined area, must be looked upon as one of the greatest achievements in the history of the development of our Island home".

The Honorable Mr. Baker, in a short speech outlining his role at the University, stated that he was happy to say that with the addition of its new parking facilities, U.P.E.I. was fast-becoming the leading university in Canada in Parking lot Development.

He also went on to point out that the province was planning to install toll-booths at strategic points throughout the university and thus, in the end, the new system would pay for itself. The new minister closed his address by remarking that he was looking forward to his new position and was confident that his university background would be very useful in his next assignment the paving of Cavendish Beach!

The Cadre, in recognition of Professor Baker's contribution, is creating a new award just for this occasion. One year's free subscription to the Cadre will be given to the first Freshman presenting our editor with one blade of grass -- of any species!