

### Singapore Self-Government Due

LONDON (Reuters) — The framework of a new constitution to give the British colony of Singapore internal self-government was completed here Friday.

Three weeks of talks between the two sides ended with agreements in principle to end 130 years of British colonial rule by allowing Singapore to run her own internal government. But Britain still will be responsible for external defence and diplomatic relations for the island.

Work will start now on drawing up a conference report which is expected to be signed in about a week's time.

"We are all very happy," said Singapore Chief Minister Lim Yew Yock. He headed the five-man all-party delegation which on March 11 reopened the talks that had ended in deadlock last year.

Full details of the decisions reached will not be revealed until after agreement on the report now being drafted.

The internal self-government which this new constitution will bring to the 27-square mile island—centre of southeast Asian trade and commerce—is, however, only regarded by the delegation here as a first step.

Their eventual goal, repeatedly emphasized in and out of the conference room where Colonial Secretary Alan Lennox-Boyd presided, is union with the Malayan Federation which achieves full independence in August.

### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS TABLED IN LEGISLATURE

The following answers to questions were tabled yesterday in the Legislature:

**TEACHER LICENSES**  
Mr. Prosper A. Arsenault asked the Minister of Education the following questions:

1. How many teachers received a license to teach in Prince Edward Island schools as a result of taking Summer School work at Maritime Universities during 1956?
2. During each of the years since 1950?

**ANSWERS**

1. 5.
2. 1951-7: 1952-16; 1953-12; 1954-17; 1955-16; 1956-5.
3. 1950-7; 1951-10; 1952-10; 1953-15; 1954-14; 1955-3; 1956-3.

### Compares Proposed NS-NB Power Link-up With Pipeline

OTTAWA (CP) — A Nova Scotia Liberal Friday compared the budget proposal for linking Nova Scotia and New Brunswick power systems to the trans-Canada natural gas pipeline.

A. J. MacEachen, MP for Inverness-Richmond, said the proposal is "fraught with the same consequences for Nova Scotia as the gas pipeline holds for other parts of Canada."

Speaking in the Commons budget debate, he said the resulting cheaper electric power would attract industries and stimulate Nova Scotia's coal industry which needed wider markets.

Mr. MacEachen, former university professor, said the budget's proposals on Maritime power and transportation "will have fundamental repercussions on the economy of Nova Scotia."

**BUDGET WELL RECEIVED**  
The opposition had belittled the suggestions. But if there was any

disappointment in other groups in the House, it could only come from the knowledge that the budget had been received well by the people in Nova Scotia.

The budget had proposed a review of Maritime transportation problems and a boost from 20 to 30 per cent in the federal freight subsidy on goods moving from the Maritimes to other parts of Canada.

He suggested that special freight aid to Nova Scotia's steel industry to help it compete with central Canada's steel plants might be one means of employing more usefully the present level of federal aid.

Finance Minister Harris had suggested the federal government would pay the cost of linking Nova Scotia and New Brunswick power systems into a single grid, if the provinces agreed, and would build supplementary thermal power plants.

**NOW UP TO PROVINCES**  
That had been based on the report of Prof. A.G. Christie, who said a linking of the two provincial systems would require real statesmanship. Mr. Harris had provided the statesmanship and now it was up to the provincial governments.

Prof. Christie, who carried out a Maritime power survey in 1954-55 for the Dominion Coal Board, had said Nova Scotia and New Brunswick power systems were complementary and a linking could bring economies.

Mr. MacEachen also urged cooperation between the federal and Nova Scotia governments in a project to build a food-processing plant in eastern Nova Scotia. It would provide a marketing outlet for farmers in the area. The provincial government should declare its support first.

### 4-H Calf Clubs Appoint Officers And Plan Activities

Mill Cove 4-H Calf Club was reorganized in a Dunstaffnage School on Tuesday evening, March 12. New officers appointed for the coming year are: John R. Thompson, Club Leader, with Wilfred Thompson and Aeneas MacIntyre as adult directors. Officers appointed from the club members are: President, Marie MacIntyre, Vice-President, Wayne Dover and Secretary-Treasurer, Guy Thompson.

Other members joining the club are: Georgina Thompson, Francis Hill, Elizabeth Hill, Robert Hill, Bernard MacIntyre, David Thompson, Anna Dover, Donald Thompson and Patricia Hill.

It was moved by Georgina Thompson and seconded by Guy Thompson that a hearty vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Aeneas MacIntyre for his leadership in the 4-H club work during the past eleven years.

Mr. C. Keith Clay of the Department of Agriculture explained the 4-H program to the parents and club members and stressed the importance of public speaking in training boys and girls for the future. With this in mind a debate was organized with the selection of the following teams: Pro, Guy Thompson, Marie MacIntyre, Frances Hill; Con, Georgina Thompson, Elizabeth Hill, Wayne Dover.

The topic in this debate will be, "Resolve that men should discontinue shaving and hair cutting." It was felt that humorous topic would facilitate the composition of speeches and prevent tension in the speeches.

Since it is advisable for as many club members as possible to participate in the activities of the club, a lunch committee of three club members and three adults were appointed, these are: Georgina Thompson, Frances Hill and Wayne Dover. It was also felt that someone should be appointed to act as 4-H club news reporter to report the activities of the club each month. On the approval of the meeting Georgina Thompson was appointed for this position.

The past president, Georgina Thompson, then distributed the prize money to the members for the past year work. It was then decided that the next regular meeting to be held in Dunstaffnage School on April 11. Georgina Thompson, 4-H Club News Reporter.

**Alexandra and Districts 4-H Holstein and Beef Club** held its second regular meeting for 1957 at Alexandra School on Tuesday, March 12th.

The meeting was called to order by the president with members repeating and acting on the 4-H club pledge. One new member, Osborne Wood and a former member, Gerald MacMillan, were welcomed. The minutes of February meeting were read and approved. Roll Call was answered by ten members and the club leader.

Committees in charge of the crokinole party planned for March 1st were very disappointed with the weatherman's behavior but decided to take another chance and selected Friday, March 22nd as the new date to hold this party with the same committees in charge.

Correspondence was read and discussed. Club members waiting for their beef calves were very pleased with the letter from Mr. Clay regarding mixed beef classes and also expressed keen interest in obtaining handbooks for beef calves. Three members reported having their Holstein calves. The members voted unanimously to have collection taken at each regular meeting to help swell their funds. Collection for the evening was 30 cents.

An oral review was conducted on the lesson for the month. Lesson number two was set for the April meeting which will be held at the school on April 9th at 7:30. Roll call to be answered by "A project you would like four club to undertake." An impromptu debate will be held at the next meeting.

Janet and Phyllis Jones were appointed to provide refreshments. A short period was spent reviewing club work with three first year members.

**Seaside 4-H Calf Club** held its third regular meeting of the Brackley Point and Harrington club on March 13th at Howe's Hall with eighteen members and five visitors present.

The president called the meeting to order with the 4-H pledge. The roll call was answered by eighteen members and the minutes were read and approved.

Mr. MacFarlane asked questions on the first seventeen pages of the manual. For the next meeting the members were asked to study to the end of page thirty-three.

Two debates were held in which all the members took part. The subjects were: "Which is better to a man a wheelbarrow or a woman," and "Should a girl wear makeup or not."

For the next meeting the subject of the debate will be "Country life against city life." The meeting was then adjourned and lunch served.

**New Glasgow 4-H Calf Club** rejoicing in the deliverance that they found in Christ without as yet clear knowledge of the price which Christ had paid for it.

No doubt they would in time be brought to recognize the deep realities behind their experience of release, but it was in their personal union with the living Saviour that they found salvation.

In the meantime, this stupendous truth faces us: It is through the self-giving of God that we enter into life.

God has in Christ accepted responsibility for our deliverance from everything that holds men down. Because of what He has done, nothing in our own past can darken our future.

Between us and all evil stands the victorious Son of God. This should not be treated as a dogma; it is one of Jesus' vivid figures of speech in which He sets before our eyes what His personal intervention on our behalf means to our present condition and future destiny.

Above all else, it reveals the Heart of God in whose love we live forever.

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### PLAN NEW SEMINARY

Results inspect architects' plans for new Seminary to be built in the Toronto area. Scholastics come from all provinces in English-speaking Canada. To finance the new Seminary, the National Jesuit Fund for \$1,349,000 has been organized. This is the first general public appeal for funds ever made by Canadian Jesuits.

Shown in the picture, left to right, are: Rev. J. Elliott MacGuigan, S.J., Son of late Dr. and Mrs. J.D. MacGuigan, Charlotte-

town, P.E.I.; Rev. Austin Johnston, S.J., Son of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Johnston, Central Bedouque, P.E.I.; Rev. Francis M. Nelligan, S.J., Son of late Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Nelligan, Tignish, P.E.I.

### Bard Of The Yukon Has New Poem For Reunion

VANCOUVER (CP) —Robert Service, famed bard of the Yukon, saluted the Vancouver Yukoners' Association annual reunion here Saturday night with another of his down-to-earth poems.

More than 200 members including 16 survivors of the trail of '98 gathered to talk over old times, made reunions with Yukon pioneers after many years of separation.

A highlight of the event each year is the reading of a poem by Mr. Service, dedicated especially to the group on this occasion. Now living in retirement in Monte Carlo, the former Dawson City bank clerk wrote:

What'er your brand of hooch may be,  
Mum'm's extra dry or barley  
Dree,  
Or vulgar beer;  
Sourdoughs, across the sea to-night  
To you I raise a beaker bright,  
Of joy and cheer.

Far in my sunny southern home  
I stare across the fair foam  
In pensive mood;  
In spirit, at the very least,  
I'm with you at your merry feast  
Of brotherhood.

And here, in seven years from now,  
I'll still be one of you, I vow,  
A wise old guy;  
I'll prove that Yukon hearts  
are stout;

With you at ninety and not out  
Age I'll defy.  
Old timer I don't want to boast,  
But let me offer you this toast:

May never dawn  
Find you faint-hearted on the trail,  
The guts God gave you never fail,  
Sourdoughs, mush on!

### Major Drew Line

OTTAWA (CP)—Along Ottawa's diplomat who has written seven volumes of poetry and a series of essays.

His poetic works include The Voice of the Four Winds, Signo, Between Shadows and Light and Betigma of the Body and Spirit. He now is preparing two volumes of criticisms on Venezuelan writers.

Senor Castillo, after assignments in Europe, came to Ottawa four years ago as Venezuela's first ambassador to Canada.

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It was a conviction burned into the soul of every devout Jew by fiery trials that been the penalty for the sins of their nation's past and on their return to their own land they were pledged to the observance of their law in its entirety. So they refused to conform.

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appalling; every cruelty that fiendish ingenuity could devise was inflicted on them.

One old priest, Eleazar by name, was the object of special attention, they literally tore him to pieces, and as he was dying in agony he closed his prayer with these words: "Make my blood their purification, and take my life to ransom their lives." (Rawlinson's translation)...

### RELIGION AND LIFE

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#### NOTHING IN PAST CAN DARKEN FUTURE

"For the Son of Man also came not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

Professor W. Wyckoff once called this the greatest verse in the Bible, and that means the greatest in the world's literature. Amid so many passages that are great, it is hard to make comparisons, but the soul is silent in adoration when we reflect on all that is involved in such an affirmation.

The idea of a ransom comes out of a country where slaves were bought and sold.

The "ransom" was the price paid for a man's freedom.

A story is told of such a price being paid for a prince's ransom in the old days of slavery in Egypt. A group of slaves was put up at an auction sale, among them the son of a chief. He was a splendid specimen of manhood.

There was an Englishman in the crowd who began to bid when this youth's turn came. The young man fixed on him a look of deadly hatred. Well he knew that such a man could not hold anyone in slavery in his own land. The Englishman saw through it all and went on bidding until this young slave was his.

Carefully he got all the papers drawn up, and led his captive away. When well out of the reach of the slave-dealers, he turned to the young prince, handed him his papers and set him free.

The effect was terrific. The youth flung himself at his "redeemer's" feet, begging for the privilege of serving him anywhere and always. But the "ransom" had been paid, and the young prince's life was his own.

**PERSECUTIONS**  
This illustration of the suffering of the innocent being a ransom for the guilty came out of the sufferings of the Maccabean martyrs. This was one of the fiercest persecutions of all time.

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