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Section Of Booth Fisheries Plant At Petit de Grat Destroyed By Fire
Exterior Cold Storage Damaged--Re-Building Will Get Underway Shortly

Speech By Earl W. Urquhart, M. L. A., In Legislature

Mr. Speaker: I should like to add a few remarks to what has already been said by way of tribute to the memory of His Late Majesty King George the Sixth. His passing was a great shock to us all. We felt it as a personal loss. Although the late King was in failing health for quite some time we had hoped that Divine Providence would see fit for us to benefit from his wisdom and goodness for a longer period.

The late King was loved and revered by all his peoples throughout the British Commonwealth and Empire. His sterling qualities of character and leadership and devo ion to duty equipped him to perform his duties and uphold the traditions of Constitutional Monarchy. The Crown was never held in such high esteem in its History as it is at the present time. That, of course, did not come about by chance.

I recall very vividly the Canadian Royal Tour in 1939 of King George and his Queen and I remember clearly the moving and touching scene at the pier when they bid farewell to Canada from the shores of this City and Province.

For the second time in this Century we have a Queen on our Throne. By reviewing the pages of History we find that the greatest peaks of the progress and development of the Commonwealth and Empire were reached during the reigns of two Queens-Elizabeth the First and Victoria. Is it too much to expect that the reign of Queen Elizabeth the Second will be equally illustrious? I think not. No heir or heiress to the Throne was better trained or possessed to a greater extent the virtues necessary to assume the onerous responsibilities of Sovereignty.

Little did we realize that when we were honoured some four months ago with a visit from Her Majesty, as Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and her Royal Husband that she would be called on within so short a period of time to take her Royal Father's place as our Constitutional Monarch.

It is our hope and prayer that the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second may be long and bountiful and that it will leave an everlasting mark on the already glorious pages of British History.

I commend the recent decision of the Government of Canada in recommending the appointment of an outstanding Canadian as our Goveror-General.

I see nothing wrong with this move at all-in fact it was a move in the right direction. Such action strengthens, rather than weakens our ties with the Crown as did the granting of Responsible Government over one hundred years ago.

I should think that, on some future occasion, it would be a capital idea to have a distinguished citizen from one of our Sister Realms serve as Her Majesty's Representative in Canada.

This would, in my humble opinion, strengthen and cement the ties of the Commonwealth to an even greater extent.

I should like, also, to associate myself with Honourable Members who have so eloquently and so copiously expressed admiration at the excellent manner in which the Junior Members for Lunenburg and Inverness, respectively, acquitted themselves on the opening day of this session.

Their task, although pleasant, was not an easy one, yet, on no occasion was there evidence of hesitation or nervousness on their part. On the contrary, they became more resolute, more convincing and more commanding as the minutes passed bringing their truly inspiring and highly enlightening addresses to an end.

Indeed, it is not surprising that these two Junior Members performed their duties so well because the Senior Members of these constituencies have already left a lasting imprint on the Public Life of this Province which shall serve to a guide for them in the years to come.

You will recall, Sir, that during the last session I made reference to a Base Metal mining development which was taking place in my constituency at Stirling. I reviewed, at that time, the history of previous operations at Stirling and expressed great hope that the new work under Mindamar Metals



Corporation Limited would be most fruitful.

I am pleased to inform the House that presently there are nearly 300 men employed at the mine doing construction work preparatory to the production of the metals themselves. Construction is nearly completed and mine Officials expect to have the mine in full production within a few weeks. There were some delays on construction work due to a shortage of steel and other much needed materials. Generally speaking all phases of activity progressed favorably.

If it had not been for the Mobile Mining Plant of the Department of Mines, the Stirling Mine would never have been considered by any mining company because commercial operators would have hesitated to invest the necessary capital to purchase and install this plant which was required to pump out and explore the old workings.

Thus, if it had not been for the vision of the Macdonald Government this phase of industrial development would never have become a reality.

The whole undertaking was described appropriately by the Honourable the Minister of Mines in his yearly report as "one of the major mining events of recent years....and..once in steady production it is believed that Stirling has excellent prospects for a long and prosperous life." The Honourably Minister has given every possible assistance and encouragement to ensure the advancement of this project.

The Municipal Council of Richmond last October passed by-laws relating to building operations in the Stirling Townsite area. The construction of dwellings, stores and other establishments necessary to round out a community is proceeding without delay.

The invasion of Mindamar Metals into the mining fields of Nova Scotia is indeed welcomed by all. Let us hope that their sojourn with us will be lengthy and most enjoyable.

The cold storage and fish processing plant at Petit de Grat is in its final stages of completion. Already the far reaching effects of this steadying influence on the fishing industry in Richmond is being felt in many ways by our fishermen-the chief factors being a good price at the shore and an unlimited demand for fish.

This project was assisted immensely by our Liberal Government which contributed by way of a subsidy, improved highways in that area, an adequate water supply and an additional supply of power.

Booth Fisheries are an asset to any community and Province as they continue to give the fishermen the long needed break for which they were waiting for many years. I hope that they will enjoy operating in Richmond County and will find it profitable to remain there for many years to come

The Honourable the Minister of Trade and Industry and his Department gave the most splendid support and co-operation to this undertaking from the very beginning.

It is hoped that the Companies operating the previously mentioned industries will receive some consideration from the Municipal taxing authorties. After all, industrial development should be encouraged and not handicapped by excessive taxation. I am not suggesting that industries should be exempt from taxation, but I am suggesting and recommending that ,in the initial stages at least, consideration should be given in making the load lighter and the path smoother.

Richmond has received a long awaited "shot in the arm" and very shortly it will take its place among the industrial areas of Nova Scotia.

I have every confidence in its future and naturally under continuous Liberal care and guidance its lot will be even greater and more attractive.

Highway construction and paving continued last year throughout the province . This great programme, commenced under a Liberal administration, progresses each year-the total cost of which is borne by the Provincial Treasury. In some provinces of Canada the municipalities pay a share of the cost of road improvements, while in other provinces the expendtures on highways come exclusively out of highway revenues. That is not so in our province. Yet, our network of highways is the envy of many provinces of Canada and some countries as well. I have maintained, and always will maintain that money spent on highway improvements is money well invested on behalf of the people of Nova Scotia.

Last November a significant event was witnessed in my constituency when the newly-paved highway linking Arichat-the shire town of the county--with Trunk No. 4 at Grand Anse was officially opened by the Honourable the Minister of Highways. The paving contract was under the capable management of Tidewater Construction Company Limited of New Glasgow who accomplished the work in record time and most efficiently.

On hand for the official opening was the Girls' Pipe Band of New Glasgow, the members of which carried out their duties in a most capable manner. I should like to commend these girls for their outstanding performance and at the same time express all good wishes for their future endeavours.

The paving of this road needs no defending as Isle Madame possesses approximately one-half the population of the County. Isle Madame is one of the most scenic tourist attractions in the province. Supplies for the Island formerly came in by boat but, today, due to the changes in trade and commerce all supplies come in by truck as there is no railroad on the Island.

This project was directly in line with the development of the fishing industry in that area of Richmond. Highway improvements were most essential in order to facilitate transportation of fish to the American markets.

While discussing the question of highways, Mr. Speaker, I feel that the misstatements made by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition with reference to the Stirling Mine road, should be corrected. He is reported in the press, which corresponds with my notes, as describing the road over which the mining company is going to transport the concentrate to St.

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Manager Grateful To Re-Build Plant

Charles Gordon, manager of the Booth Fisheries plant at Petit de Grat, returned from Halifax on Monday. Due to the snow blockade Mr. Gordon was detained at MacIntyre's Lake for several hours.

Leon Landry, accompanied by several men from Petit de Grat went to Grand Anse by truck followed by other trucks to bring Mr. Gordon to Petit de Grat.

In conversation with our good friend, Mr. Gordon, he remarked "that the kindness and co-operation shown him by so many fishermen, employees and friends was noteworthy and gave him added courage to help recover from the great loss suffered in Sunday's fire and that the Company will re-build as soon as possible.

Mr. Gordon, who is highly respected by the fishermen of Isle Madame, as well as by his many friends, expressed his gratitude on behalf of Booth Fisheries, for the manner in which the men worked to save the plant and notwithstanding working so hard the night before turned out to open the roads the next day in order to convey him to Petit de Grat.

We could give our readers a more detailed report of this big fire, but we feel sure you will all agree that the re-building of the plant at Petit de Grat takes first place in the news at present and although the Booth Fisheries have suffered a great loss in Sunday's fire, their announcement of re-building, bigger than ever, should be received with much joy and satisfaction by our fishermen.

The partial destruction by fire of the Booth Fisheries plant at Petit de Grat, on Sunday, was a severe blow to the fishing industry on Isle Madame. Although first reports of the fire were alarming, a gallant crew of fire-fighters from Petit de Grat, were successful, notwithstanding the gale force winds, to check the fire from completely destroying the cold storage building as well as keeping intact the power house which houses four large diesel engines. The fish cutting building was completely destroyed.

The glad tidings came Monday when it was announced that the plant would be re-built and plans are now being prepared to start building as soon as possible.

The plant of A. B. Martell will be used as temporary quarters, while building operations will be in progress at the Booth site. At Mr. Martell's plant, fish cutting and docking facilities will be provided.

Col. K. J. Partington of the Fire Marshal's Department, Halifax, was in Petit de Grat during the week to investigate the cause of the fire, but up to this date no report has been issued by Col. Partington.

Insurance appraiser F. M. Francis of Sydney, was also at Petit de Grat during the week making an inventory of the loss.

The effort put forth by the fishermen of Petit de Grat , in fighting the fire on Sunday is ample proof of the support which the Booth Fisheries are receiving not only from the fishermen but also from the grateful employees of the company.

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Irish Minstrels

St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated at St. Peter's by staging a sparkling Irish Minstrel Show, Monday March 17th in the County Hall. The cast of characters will include Angus D. Rankin as interlocutor and Dr. Joseph Digout, Jack Adams, Cameron Boyd, and Frank MacNeil as end men. A supporting cast of about twenty mixed voices will render a variety of popular Irish songs with Mrs. Patricia Morley as accompanist. Stage dancing and instrumental numbers will also be featured and the parish orchestra is in practice for the occasion. The program is attractive and promises an evening of colorful entertainment for all. This big event will take place on Monday, March 17.

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Red Cross Drive

Ottawa, March 3--One of the last official acts of Viscount Alexander of Tunis, before relinquishing his title as Governor-General of Canada in January, was to endorse the March appeal of the Canadian Red Cross Society of which His Excellency was president.

Praising the many services operated by the Red Cross, His Excellency emphasized the importance of its commitment to secure, process and supply all the blood and blood products required by the armed forces.

"It is always a pleasure to endorse the national appeal of the Canadian Red Cross Society each March," he wrote, "for it must continue its task of serving as a channel for each man's kind and generous impulses in promoting the general health and welfare of our fellow citizens."

He added that Canadians can be "justly proud" of the steady expansion of the free national Blood Transfusion Service, "one of the greatest health ventures ever undertaken by a voluntary organization," the Outpost hospitals and Nursing Stations which bring medical aid to still expanding frontiers, and the Veteran's Services of the Red Cross.

"The Red Cross is well worthy of your generous support for it is truly national and international in service, a living part of the great international organization dedicated to the relief of suffering and distress wherever it may occur in war or peace."

His Excellency's message was dated January 24, just three days before he relinquished his post.



THE CHALLENGE

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Education Week

The purpose of Education Week observed this year from March 2nd to 8th, is to encourage Canadians to examine their educational system, discuss it and help in its development. Criticism by parents, taxpayers and teachers, provided it is sincere and based upon accurate information, can make a very valuable contribution to our schools, our teaching methods and the effectiveness of education in today's changing world.

In these times of high taxes for defense and social security, and a steadily climbing cost of living, it is easy to fall into the dangerous mistake of taking education for granted. Education Week is a time for every citizen to clarify his or her thinking on the real purposes of education--to focus the spotlight on all its aspects and to strengthen this bulwark of our democracy.

Your interest, your ideas, your active participation are vital to the improvement of education in Canada. The home, the church, the school, the farm, industry and commerce, management and labour, all have responsibilities in this continuing process.

Education is Everybody's Business.

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One of the mistakes in the conduct of human life is, to suppose that other men's opinions are to make us happy.--Richard Brown.

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Brown-Holder Company Continues To Show Progress

Moncton, N. B. -- The annual meeting of the shareholders of Brown-Holder Biscuits Limited was held in the offices of the company here Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 12. C. C. Avard, the president, was in the chair and seventy-seven per cent of the capital stock of the Company was represented in person or by proxy.

The auditors report was read by the Secretary-Treasurer of the company, Harold M. Brown. The report showed that while profits were lower in 1952 than they were in the previous year, it was gratifying to know that the company was in a healthy condition with good prospects for the future. Due to a number of factors, notably the shutting off of natural gas for baking purposes, and the increase in selling expenses, the problems have been troublesome; but fortunately the difficulties are gradually being overcome as the result of careful management.

A dividend of five percent--the same as last year-recommended by the directors, was approved by the shareholders who felt that the industry was being well managed.

D'Escousse

Mrs. Bertha Theriault is a patient at Isle Madame Hospital, Arichat. Her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Howard Doyle has been confined at home with an attack of the grippe. We are happy to say she is much improved.

We are sorry to hear of the sudden death at Halifax, of Capt. Auguste M Jambon, former French Consul in Halifax. He is survived by his wife, who is the daughter of Mrs. J. H. Poirier, of D'Escousse. She has the sympathy of her many friends.

Mrs. Jack Poirier and baby boy of Halifax are visiting in D'Escousse, guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bert McDonald.

Mr. Laughlin Poirier is spending a couple of months with his wife and family.

Mrs. Frederick Poirier left for Halifax to attend the funeral of her brother-in-law Capt. Auguste M. Jambon. Funeral took place March 5th at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Halifax.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pertus, Halifax are visiting his parents, Capt. and Mrs. Leonard Pertus. Friends are pleased to see them.

WHAT A WORLD

By R. J. DEACHMAN

Back there in 1926 there wasn't a cloud in the sky, the world was at peace. It was a prosperous world --not a worry, not even a tear. We may have worried about little things but we did not pick up the morning paper with a palpitating heart wondering what new trouble the day might bring.

War and the fear of war is not now our only difficulty. Great changes have taken place in the minds of men. We are more combative, sharper in our attitude. Never before have we been so anxious to earn more money--to make it in one grand coup. Money seems very important, more so than ever before. It's on the mind of everybody.

What are the basic changes which have brought this about? There is one answer fear. There is fear of war--we are no longer as safe as we thought we were in 1926. We have a far keener acquisitive sense than we had then. Men want to get rich not by creating more wealth, which is the way the mind of man should function but by taking it out of others. This is more in evidence among the workers than among the farmers. The farmers see the crop growing. They can put their hands on the heads of wheat and feel how they are filling but to the worker, the man who simply sells his labor for a price there is a sense of hopelessness. He grumbles about the smallness of his "wad" when matched against his imaginary needs.

Then in this new world of ours there are so many needs--there are the needs of the home with all the modern luxuries thrown in. The ways of spending have multiplied with the years. It is not, however, the things seen but the things unseen which worry him. Day by day his earnings seem to slip away from him. The taxes, all too often, are unseen. We pay our taxes in the things we use. Here a little, there a little. The dollar which we thought was ours is equipped with wings, it drifts away, we wonder how we are to get more.

Then we worry about the constant threat of war. It approaches from every angle. Korea was to be merely a practice action, it has become a major conflict. It may be the beginning of a great war. The poor refuse to remain poor. They seek their own salvation in the looting of others. Iran grabs a billion dollars worth of oil. Where is Iran? We look it up and forget it. Then Egypt by its actions shows that it wants the Suez Canal. What did Egypt do to build that waterway between two seas? Nothing whatever but the hapless fellah, the Egyptian peasant, is willing to fight for it--not knowing what he would do with it if he had it. It might enrich a few but these are not numbered among those who do the fighting.

Then there is the unanswered question: What will Russia do? Nobody knows! We do not know what she has done. Russia does not fight battles. She leaves that task to her satellites. They do it for her. Usually they are very hungry, more hungry than the Russians. So the battle goes on. Every one realizes that back of the troubles of Europe today lies the mighty power of Russia. Her conduct may be impeccable, her soldiers are neither wounded nor killed, the mercenaries do the fighting and the dying but back of it all is the guiding hand of the unseen man in the Kremlin.

Do the people of the world want war? No--there is no reason why they should. A world at peace, men working in smooth co-operation, one with the other, could settle all our problems. We are dominated by the will of the few who have no desire for a prosperous world. They seek their own aggrandizement--not the welfare of the human race.



JIMMIE SHIELDS

Here's Toronto radio tenor Jimmie Shields all togged up for the wearin' of the green on March 17. There'll be a touch of the shamrock in his songs on Sunday night, March 16, when he turns up on his regular page in "Bod's Scrapbook" heard at 10.00 on the CBC Dominion network. Besides his job with Bod he has two other weekly programs. He's one of the stars of "Musical Comedy Time" a new Sunday-night show on the CBC Trans-Canada network at 8.00; and on Wednesday evenings he has his own show at 7.00. He is a frequent guest on other programs, too. Irish ballads and modern love songs are only part of his repertoire--he rounds it out with arias and classics.

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Wedding

LANDRY -- BOUDREAU

A very pretty wedding took place at St Joseph's Church, Petit de Grat, on Wednesday, February 20 when Rev. Fr. Boudreau united in marriage Lorraine daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amedee Boudreau, lightkeeper at Green Island and Conrad Landry, asst. lightkeeper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Landry of Petit de Grat.

The bride looked lovely in a floor length gown of white satin with shoulder length veil and matching accessories. Miss Alfreda Boudreau, sister of the bride was bridesmaid and wore a pink satin gown with matching accessories.

Delphis Landry, brother of the groom was best man.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the groom where breakfast was served to a number of invited guests. After they left on a motor trip around the Island. Supper was served at the home of the bride where an enjoyable evening was spent in dancing with music by Jerry Landry and C. D. Joyce.

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SAMSON -- SKINNER

A beautiful wedding took place at the Immaculate Conception Church on Monday, Feb. 25 when during nuptial High Mass, Rev. Fr. Doucett united in the bonds of holy matrimony, Elizabeth Skinner of Janvrin's Harbor and Francis J. Samson of St. Peter's.

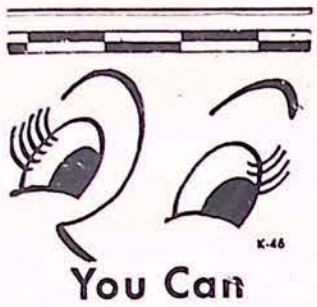
The bride entered the church on the arm of George Wambolt, by whom she was given in marriage. The wedding march was played by Miss Jeannette Girroir. The bride looked charming in a street length dress of heavy slipper satin styled with a lace yoke and long fitted sleeves. Her long veil was arranged with a coronet of tulle and lace. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and maidenhair fern.

Miss Catherine Ann Samson was bridesmaid while Frank Boudreau supported the groom.

Miss Samson looked lovely in a pink chiffon net over satin with short sleeves. Her veil was held in place by a headdress of flowers. She carried a bouquet of deep pink roses.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY



BIRTHS

Born to Mr . and Mrs. Joseph Goyetche at Isle Madame Hospital on Monday, a baby girl, Brenda Ann.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Madden of Chatham, Ont., recently twin girls. Mr. Madden is a son of Mrs. Alice Madden of this town.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Narcisse Goyetche at Isle Madame Hospital recently a baby boy; a brother for Diane.

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Returns to Duty

Kenneth (Buddy) Latimer, RCAF Greenwood, returned to his duties after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Latimer.

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From Sydney

Allister Beaton, of Sydney, was a week-end guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Latimer. He returned to Sydney on Wednesday.

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To Sydney

Ulysse LeBlanc accompanied by Peter Boucher were visitors to Sydney during the week.

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Speech Festival Elimination Contest

The Speech Elimination Contest for Arichat pupils in grades X, XI and XII was held in the County Hall on Friday, February 29th, 7.45 p.m. The adjudicators were Rev. Fr. Doucette and Mr. J. A. Chiasson, inspector of schools. In the English section, the winners were as follows:

POETRY

Joan Britten 83; Regina LeJeune 75; Mathilda Landry 74; Margaret Morrison 70; Alice Kehoe 65; Franz LeBrun 64; Lydia Binet 60; Marion Latimer (mark to be announced later)
LeRoy O'Hearn 75; Gerald Stone 72.

PROSE:

Dona Roberts 76; Regina LeJeune 75; Ursula O'Hearn 70.

SPEECHES:

Mathilde Landry 82; Viola Landry 80; LeRoy O'Hearn 78; Pauline White 77, Margaret Morrison 65; Alice Kenoe 60.

OPEN CLASS: Dona Roberts 80.

French Section

POETRY:

Viola Landry 80; Annette DeCoste 78; Jacqueline David 75; Christine Latimer 70.
Marc Bonin 75; Claude Poirier 70.

PROSE:

Shirley Bona 78; Viola Landry 75; Jacqueline David 70; Herman Samson 70; Marc Bonin 68.

SPEECHES:

Jacqueline David 74; Annette DeCoste 73; Shirley Bona 70; Nora Theriault 68; Christine Latimer 65.

FRENCH (for English speaking pupils:

Ursula O'Hearn 78; Maisie Dort 76; Norma Collison 75; Virginia Johnson 70; Margaret Morrison 74

The results for the remaining classes will be announced as soon as elimination takes place. Because of bad weather it was postponed on Sunday last to March 9th in the OLA Hall at 7.45 p.m. All are invited to attend.

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Snow Blockade

The large snow plow from St. Peter's operated by Douglas Morrison and Dan Dawson cleared the highway from Grand Anse to Arichat and Petit de Grat on Tuesday. This new plow is performing a splendid service this winter and the operators, both experienced men are kept more than busy battling the frequent storms.

The roads from Rocky Bay via the North Side of Isle Madame through Cape La Ronde and Poirierville are blocked with snow, to such a height that the small plow operating in that secion is having great difficulty to cope with the situation.

The same applies to the plow operating out of Port Royal where snow is also reported to be of great height in many places along the route. To allow a plow to operate efficiently fences along the route should be moved back and the road widened so as to give the operators more room to wing out the drifts. If this was done heavier and more powerful units equipped with a side wing could replace the smaller plows and give the residents of Isle Madame and other parts of the County a much better service.

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He that never changes his opinions, never corrects his mistaks, and will never be wiser on the morrow than he is today.
Tryon Edwards.

From Korea

Cpl. Alfred Landry of the American Army who was in service in Korea for the past year arrived in Seattle, Wash., on Feb. 29th. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albany Landry, of Petit de Grat. His wife, the former Irene Boudreau, resides in Boston, Mass. Friends are happy to hear of Alfred's arrival and are looking forward to seeing him when he visits his parents in Petit de Grat in the near future.

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PETIT DE GRAT NEWS

Fred G. Gagnon, of Arichat, spent a few days here as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Boudreau and son Clary. He renewed acquaintances and found the village had made much improvement in the construction of new houses. He reports a pleasant visit.

Lubin Samson who was employed with the Scotia Flour Feed Co, Halifax, has resigned his position and joined the RCAF in Ontario as an office typist. Two of his brothers are serving in the Canadian army.

Alfred Landry, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Albany Landry has returned from Korea and is now visiting his wife in USA. He will visit his parents in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Albany Landry arrived from Halifax during the past week where they were visiting members of their family for the past three weeks.

Chas. P. Boudreau is on the sick list. He celebrated his 86th birthday on Feb. 2nd. His friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Leonard Landry, the former Pearl DeYoung returned from Arichat where she spent a week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. DeYoung.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry D. Boudreau left for Arichat to look after her mother's store while she is in Halifax receiving medical treatment.

Friends of Robert Martell regret to hear he is on the sick list at D'Escousse and wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

Nectaire Boudreau returned to Halifax to join his ship plying in the foreign trade after spending three weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Boudreau. He was accompanied by his friend Eddie Schnurr of British Columbia.

Leon Landry assisted by forty men from here opened up the roads through to Grand Anse to meet Charles Gordon, manager of the Booth Fisheries Plant which was badly damaged by fire on Sunday. We understand they will rebuild.

Clifford Meunier and Leonard Fougere of West Arichat were guests of Clarence Boudreau on Thursday and of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Landry.

Miss Agnes Boudreau of Boudreauville spent a few days with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Colin P. Paon, Arichat.

Chas. Landry of the tanker Imperial Halifax, it as present on his holidays and will arrive shortly to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albany Landry.

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Fourteen young women from ten nations are receiving specialized training in the treatment of poliomyelitis at the International Children's Center, which is supported by the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF). The center is in the Raymond Poincaré Hospital, in Garches, France. The trainees, including nurses, social workers and physical therapists, attend lectures and take part in the clinics, gymnastic rooms and therapeutic baths. Above, nurses are participating in a demonstration in hydrotherapeutic treatment. The French Government has offered the educational facilities of the hospital to UNICEF without charge.

Help The Red Cross In Their Campaign Drive For Funds

Urquhart's Speech

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Peter's "a disgrace".

This is another typical example of the gross inaccuracy with which my Honourable Friend attempts to describe Provincial matters. It is unfortunate that he was lulled into making such a statement, as such statements are repeatedly belittling his prestige in this Province, which, of course, is not good.

Let us now consider, section by section, the complete route over which this concentrate will be transorted to St. Peters in the near future.

We shall start first of all at the Mine and cover the whole route step by step, the section from the Mine to the junction of the Stirling Road with the Three Rivers Road is approximately 1.3 miles long and during the year 1951 there were $1500.00 spent in repairs. More will be spent this year on this section.

The next section which runs from the junction of the Stirling Road with the Three Rivers Road to the junction of the Three Rivers Road with the St. Peter's--Fourchu Road is approximately 1.9 miles and during the year 1951 $4500.00 were spent. An additional expenditure this year will put section in really good shape. Then we have the section from the last mentioned junction to St. Esprit which is 6.9 miles long. This section is under construction and will be completed this summer. Already $39,000 were spent on this piece of road.

From St. Esprit to Grand River Bridge we have a section which was constructed during the past four years and which is in excellent shape. There is an abundance of gravel on this strip and it will stand heavy traffic. Does my Honourable Friend, the Leader of the Opposition say that this section of road is a disgrace?

Then Mr. Speaker, we have the section from Grand River to the junction of the Lewis Cove Road with Trunk Highway No. 4 a distance of 6.5 miles. This section was constructed in 1951 and is practically completed with the exception of some additional gravelling. Does the Leader of the Opposition suggest that a newly constructed highway is a disgrace?

Finally we have the section from the above-mentioned junction to St. Peter's which is completely paved and is part of Trunk Highway No. 4. My Honourable Friend has also said that this paved road is a disgrace?

Imagine, Mr. Speaker, how ridiculous it was for the Leader of the Opposition to say in this Honourable House that the complete route over which Concentrate will be transported to St. Peter's was a disgrace". I am sure that Honourable Members will have little regard in the future, and the electorate of this Province will have little regard as well, for such statements made by one who occupies a responsible position in this House as the Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition.

At long last, Sir, plans have been finalized for the construction of a permanent crossing at the Strait of Canso and our appreciation in this respect must go to the Honourable the Premier. After all, it was through his efforts and his wisdom is having an independent Board of Engineers appointed to study this matter, that this crossing became a reality instead of remaining a dream. Credit must also be given to the Honourable the Attorney General and the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Labor for sponsoring a resolution in this House in 1943 for a permanent crossing.

It did not concern the people of Cape Breton whether the crossing constituted a bridge, or a tunnel or a causeway. The main point was to have the project realized for all time. I think that everyone was concerned, however, with the permanency of the proposed crossing and the time spent in deciding which type of structure would be the most efficient and durable was time well spent.

It is to be hoped that C. B., Nova Scotia and Canada will benefit materially from this benevolent engineering feat.

There were some, I suspect, who were keenly disappointed to hear that a causeway would be built this time for sure and without any further delays. No doubt, they will be compensated for their grief in some other way. The utter frustration of their ill-conceived ambitions will be the peoples' gain and good fortune.

I venture to say that our Friends Opposite may not have as much trouble in "Holding their own" on Cape Breton Island from now on although any advance, if such a thing is possible, will be purely of a stagnant nature. Not likely there will be such an abundance of "Drift" in the future since Cape Breton will be securely attached to Nova Scotia. Perhaps some will be able to "ride the tide" more effectively and more efficiently.

With the Official Opening of the Canso Causeway, which will be presided over by the Honourable the Premier in his present capacity, one of the greatest bottlenecks in the annals of transportation in Eastern Canada will have passed into History.



One of Canada's
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BLENDS

Much has been said, during the past year, by Opposition Members with reference to the subject of Teachers' Salaries. In practically all cases the problem was connected with a lack of initiative on the part of the Government. The Government was ridiculed and abused for its failure to immediately grant the requested increase.

Yet, Mr. Speaker, when the House was in session last winter the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition was asked whether the increase requested should be granted and paid for out of the Provincial Treasury. Honourable Members will recall the answer "that he was prepared to let the Government work out a solution". As usual there was no clear-cut statement and no definite commitment.

This session the Leader of the Opposition changed his tune from that of a year ago. When questioned extensively last week, he finally committed himself and his party to the proposition that a "further financial contribution should be made at this time from the Provincial Treasury for payment of higher salaries".

On being questioned by the Hon. the Premier as to how far the Province should go by way of a further financial contribution, he replied, "I'm not going to tell the Government how far it should go but I do say the matter should be solved as quickly as possible, regardless of how far the Gov't has already gone, or how far it has gone in comparison to other Provinces". Perhaps next session, after having the benefit of a year of meditation and reflection, my Honourable Friend will be in a position to say definitely how much further he expects the Government to go.

In this House and on various platforms, he said that Education was a matter for the Provinces, which, of course, is true in so far as it is a field of legislative jurisdiction reserved exclusively for the Provinces under the provisions of the British North America Act. Surely, he will not admit that the Municipalities have no duty or responsibility in this connection whatsoever.

My Honourable friends have proclaimed from the roof-tops that Teachers' Salaries should be increased in an attempt, in some cases I submit, to solicit favor with our electorate by the mere making of such a statement. Every one agrees that salaries should be increased in the majority of cases. It is easy enough to make that allegation but the problem is deeper than that. If salaries are to be increased it means that additional funds must be made available from some source to the particular government, whether it be provincial or municipal, confronted with the task. An additional burden must be imposed somewhere.

While our Friends Opposite have been lamenting the plight of our teachers, not one of them has offered the slightest suggestion, and for good reasons politically, as to how this new money can be made available, with the exception of the Honourable Leader of the C. C. F. Party. With his usual sincerity and his usual consistency, he outlined last session how he thought the additional money could be raised for granting the increases and that was by imposing a royalty on gypsum and increasing the present royalty on coal. His stand was clear cut; he did not ride two horses; he did not walk on the fence; he offered a concrete suggestion as to how this matter could be partially solved to his satisfaction at least.

The Government has repeatedly stated that any further increases must come from the Municipalities Certainly, there can be no doubt as to the full intent and meaning of that decision.

Education has now reached the top as the largest spending Department of Government and the present Liberal Government pays a higher portion of the cost of Education than any other province in Canada. I fail to see how any increase can emminate from the Provincial Treasury, at this time, without imposing a tax for this purpose.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition expressed strong opposition to a Sales Tax being imposed last session. He has continually criticised the Government for increasing taxes last June on amusements, gasoline, long distance calls, and I believe, liquor. He is in favor of somebody granting an increase to teachers but opposed to any increase in taxation to take care of this additional expenditure on the part of the Province. I hope, Mr. Speaker, that in the very near future the Tory party will outline and explain its policy on Teachers' Salaries.

By always attempting to achieve Political Capital out of a matter so vital to the very life of Nova Scotia the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition is rapidly destroying his chances of becoming the most distinguished of all the Leaders of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition during this century which, naturally to me is a sad thought.

Before leaving this subject, I should like to record that I was not in favor of the strike action employed by some of the teachers of this province. I regre, as a former member of that profession such action on the part of those who are to instruct and guide our youth along the lines of honor and loyalty.

Their act was not courageous; their conduct, in breaking a solemn contract, was anything but honourable; and their example to our youth was anything but desirable. Their usefulness is greatly imperilled and their dignity is largely impaired for a time.

On every occasion I have supported the Teachers of Nova Scotia in their requests for increased salaries and I shall continue to do so as long as I am a Member of this House until they receive higher salaries. It is a question as to who should pay the increase. Again I repeat that I cannot see how the Province is financially able, at the present time, to pay the requested increase.

Some municipalities and towns have increased teachers salaries while others have given little or no heed to their representations in this respect.

But, whether heed is given or not I still say that a strike is not the proper medium through which our Teachers should hope to enforce their demands. At this point I would suggest to the teachers of this province to move cautiously and not resort hastily to measures which might cast reflection on their noble profession.

It was most unfortunate that the Executive of the Cape Breton Rural and Village local of the N. S. Teachers Union sent a letter of a most abusive and unjustifiable nature to the Honourable the Premier. Surely the Teachers of this local union are ashamed to be associated with the tenor of such an utterance.

I lay the blame directly at the local union and recommend that they immediately send a telegram of apology to the Honourable the Premier.

No doubt when the water of truth and common sense finally seeps through the thick top soil of their logic and reasoning, they will appreciate the utter folly of their action, and regret it for years to come.

Since we have last met, I have read in the press that some of the Honourable Members of the Official Opposition were greatly annoyed at frequent references, by Government supporters, to the record of the Conservative Party while in office from 1925 to 1933. Such consternation, I must confess is beyond my ken.

Surely, the only logical manner in determining "the worth" of a political party seeking office is to bring under review, from all aspects, this party's record of achievements while it served as Her Majesty's Government. What other yardstick can an electorate employ?

It is a matter of common knowledge that, in the majority of cases when one is interested in acquiring a particular make of care one will look to the record of that car to its performance and durability before buying. Likewise, a farmer who is buying a milk cow, will look to the milk production record of that cow before purchasing. And so on in any other example which may be taken to illustrate this point.

Thus, when an appeal is made, by various political parties, to an electorate for support, the chief means of determining in which channel that support should be directed is the record of the parties themselves. A supporter of a party should not flinch under a just criticism, supported by reasonably accurate fact of that party. If one does, then, it is hypocracy to profess to be a loyal supporter of that party.

I am certain that if the late Hon. E. N. Rhodes (who incidentally represented Richmond at Ottawa in the early '30's) and the late Mr. Harrington were alive they would not become agitated and hostile when references were made to their administrations. They would defend their record if possible, every time it came under review whether it would be 5 times or 500 times. The fact that these two former leaders and Premiers have passed to their eternal reward should not, in any circumstance, relegate their party and their administrations to a position where criticism would be prohibitive and undesirable.

I fought and won my election in 1949 solely on the record of the Liberal Party and everyone will agree that it is an outstanding and a creditable record for any party.

I will be the first to admit that the Party which I have the honor to represent in this House is not perfect in every respect. I doubt whether a perfect policital party has ever existed in any country at any time.

But, it is a matter of record and history that the virtues of the Liberal Party will eclipse, in every respect, its professed faults. If some of our Honourable Friends Opposite adopted a similar attitude they might enhance slightly the fortunes of their party and endear themselves, to a greater degree, to the electorate of Nova Scotia.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I should, at least, clarify my position with reference to one particular matter. Perhaps, by this time some Honourable Members may have formed the opinion that I have very little regard for the Tory Party. No statement could be more untrue--no thought could be more unkind.

I have said before, and I repeat it again, that the Tory Party has, and always will have, an honoured and a rightful place in the Public Life of this province--that place being, of course, as Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition. It can fill that position in a most generous and in a most exacting manner for the simple reason that it has occupied that position for the longest period of its history in Nova Scotia since Confederation

The truth of this statement is revealed by the fact that during the 85 years since Confederation, the people of Nova Scotia have only entrusted the handling of their affairs to the Tory Party for a grand total of 13 years. Imagine, Mr. Speaker, only 13 years out of 85 years! What a record for any party seeking support from an electorate!

I hope that the Honourable Leader of the Opposition will not feel perturbed by these figures. There is nothing dishonourable about being a Member of a party in opposition, because, under our Democratic system of Government provision is made for both a Government of the Day and an Official Opposition.

The Honourable Leader of the opposition has without reservation my best wishes for a long tenure of office, distinguished though it may be, in the capacity as Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition in this House. By serving in that capacity he will be demonstrating and executing a loyal and emminent service to his native province. It is a truism widely accepted in Nova Scotia that he will disgrace his responsibilities in this respect without fear and with full courage of his convictions, so long as it is politically advantageous for him to do so.

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The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kyte, River Tillard and a valued employee of the Government Fish Hatchery, and the bride a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bushie, River Bourgeois.

Down at "The River" they obviously have but one mould for fashioning their fair sex, for if they produce other than nice girls we have never met any of them.

Thus congratulations are in order to the groom.

Complimetary reference is in order to him too. Always a citizen of his native community except for the years of World War II in which he was an active participant we had occasion to know Charlie Kyte since the days when he was one of our exemplary pupils in Seaview school; and our unfeigned felicitations mingle with those of the many others which follow the popular couple as they launch out upon the matrimonial sea.

It was nice to look at the old-fashioned north-east snow storm, Monday, but it obstructed transportation on Sporting Mountain, and we were isolated throughout the week.

Whilst the storm was pending in the morning Leonel LeBlanc transferred a capacity load of hardwood to St. Peter's, but on his return had some difficulty in making the grade on the School-house Hill.

Travelling by Gordon Bus, Mrs. Samuel Boudreau was a business visitor to Sydney the other day.

Miss Boudreau of Sydney and another representation of Child's Welfare were recent visitors to Seaview.

We are indebted to a friend in Sydney for successive issues of the "Cape Breton Mirror".

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