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1958 Tax Collections in Richmond $179,675.00---1959 Tax Rate 6.5

Municipal Council News

The Annual Session of the31st Council of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, convened at 10 a. m., on Tuesday, January 27th and the following elected Councillors were sworn into office by Municipal Clerk E. C. Doyle:—

Dist. No. 1—Simon LeBlanc, Arichat.

District No. 2—J. H. LeBrun, Arichat.

District No. 3—H. E. McDonald, D'Escousse.

District No. 4—Alex Marchand, Louisdale.

District No. 5—R. J. Urquhart, Grand Anse.

District No. 6—Walter Fougere, Cannes.

District No. 7—John Currie, St. Peters.

District No. 8—Colin Campbell, Johnstown.

District No. 9—John Cameron, Grand River.

District No. 10—Frank Mombourquette, West L'Ardoise.

District No. 11—Vincent Doiron Port Royal.

District No. 12—Dan J. Holmes Loch Lomond.

District No. 13—Hector MacCormack, Framboise Intervale.

District No. 14—Byron S. Langley, Point Tupper.

District No. 15—Leo Gracie Lower L' Ardoise.

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The first order of business was the selection of a new Warden to preside over the next term of Council. The names of Coun. Byron S. Langley and Coun. Walter Fougere, were placed in nomination and voted on, resulting in the election of Coun. Langley.

Warden Langley declared elected, took the chair and thanked the Council for the confidence placed in him and gave assurance that he would carry out his duties to the best of his ability and in the best interest of the Municipality.

Warden Langley said that the future for Richmond County looked bright and that with open winter ports along our coastline made our position more favourable to industry, while other ports in the province were frozen over.

Warden Langley congratulated the Clerk-Treasurer on his efforts during the past year, which showed a substantial surplus on a cash basis over the estimated budget for 1958.

Warden Langley called on all Councillors to co-operate in every way possible in the interest of their respective districts and the County as a whole.

Warden Langley's address was favourably received by the Council.

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The next order of business was the appointment of a Deputy Warden. Coun. Frank Mombourquette of District No. 10, L'Ardoise, was the unanimous choice of Council. Other names were placed in nomination but declined.

Deputy Warden Mombourquette thanked the Council.

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Dr. G. R. Deveau, medical health officer presented his report for 1958 which was adopted by the Council and was again re-appointed Medical Health Officer for 1959.

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The matter concerning the appointment of an Assistant Clerk was discussed at length. On motion it was decided to call for new applications and at a later date a special session of Council would choose a qualified applicant for this position.

Mrs. Martin Boudreau, of Pondville, who held the position of Assistant Clerk, for the past several years, has resigned after giving faithful and efficient service to the Municipality.

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The appointment of a new Assessor to replace Joseph Mury, who resigned recently would also be taken up in Special Session.

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U. J. Harrington, Commissioner from the Department of Municipal Affairs, was in attendance at the Council, during the latter part of the Session and assisted the Finance Committee in finalizing tne budget for 1959. Mr. Harrington addressed the Council on matters pertaining to Municipal finanzing. Before leaving for Halifax he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

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Members of the Finance Committee comprise: Warden Langley, Coun. John Currie, Coun. J. H. LeBrun and Coun. H. E. McDonald. In presenting the 1959 budget, it is encouraging to note that a rate of 6.5 was struck as compared to a $7.35 in 1958.

New government services such as hospital and welfare has relieved the Municipality from these heavy financial obligations.

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The following members of the Council were appointed to the Municipal School Board for the term of the 31st Council:—

Warden Langley
Deputy Warden Monbourquette
Coun. Walter Fougere
Coun. Colin Campbell.

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George Wood, Field Secretary, for the Cape Breton Division, of the National Institute for the Blind, addressed the Council, on the work performed by the Institute. The Council as usual voted a grant to this worthy organization.

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A motion was presented by Coun. LeBrun and seconded by Coun. McDonald that a committee be appointed to consider the redistribution of seats for Isle Madame in the Municipal Council. Motion Carried.

The committee appointed redistribution of Isle Madame seats are as follows:—Coun. LeBrun, Coun. McDonald and Coun. Cameron.

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The following members of the Board of Revision and Appeal were appointed:—

Alex Theriault, Arichat
John N. Morrison, St. Peters
Bert MacIntosh, Dundee.

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A County grant of $700.00 was voted to St. Anne's Hospital Arichat.

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D. J. Coulter, Director of the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton addressed the Council, pertaining to the work of the organization in the caring of unfortunate children in the various Counties of Cape Breton.

M. J. Bourinot, an Advisory Committee member for Isle Madame for the Childrens' Aid Society, also spoke in support of this organization.

A donation was again granted this Society by Council.

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A delegation from St. Peters headed by Rev. Father MacNeil and Rev. Parker Matheson, both of whom addressed the Council on the urgency of additional class rooms for the St. Peter's School. Other members of the delegation were:—R. J. O'Leary, Alex Morrison and Val Kyte.

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Angus Rankin, Agricultural representative for Richmond County addressed the Council on Veterinary services and pointed out the great value such a service has been to the farmer and cattle owners in the county.

Ernest MacNeil, Secretary of the County Federation also addressed the Council and outlined the work that had been done by their organization and called on the Council for continued support and thanked the past Councils for their efforts and goodwill toward the farmers of the County.

Collections Good in 1958

E. C. Doyle, Clerk-Treas. Presents Annual Report

Mr Warden and Councillors:

We welcome you to this, the first Annual Meeting of the newly elected 31st Council of the Municipality of Richmond. This meeting marks another mile stone along the corridors of time, glancing back to the far off years in which was conceived and fostered the Municipal Incorporation Act.

As your Municipal Clerk-Treasurer for almost a quarter of a century, we have experienced the coming and passing on of many Couucils. All were graced by men of the highest integrity, with the ability and vision to serve well their day and generation at the Council Board. Of the men who manned those Councils most have been "Bourne to that land from whence no traveller returneth." All in all they were of that valiant and God-fearing type who pressed the primeval forest back from our shores and with stout hearts and willing hands and out of its natural resources firmly built the Social, Cultural and Financial foundations of this County. It is now our duty—should be our purpose—to build wisely and well upon these pillars and with a mind convinced that in reality, this is a Rural County—and as such a high degree of rural pursuits must pervade its economy and the atmosphere of our schools.

Eight of you have been on past Councils and your council record assures us of your continued devotion to your Municipality.

Seven have not returned. Amongst the latter were men of the highest Municipal calibre. James Johnston, warden of the Municipality for the past twenty-five years, rendered able services, the benefits of which will long endure upon the pages of our Municipal history—likewise that of W. D. Morrison and M. J. Bourinot—all three were able members of the Finance Committee.

With regret we look at the vacant seat of the late John Doiron. He was one of Richmond's valiant sons of the old school—a direct decendent of our lovable pioneer people. Endowed with a wealth of natural talent and ability, his thirty-five years as a councillor were filled with a never ending devotion to our best Municipal interests. His resonant voice was always raised in behalf of the struggling poor and the ideal of having a reasonable tax rate—not one that imposes a hardship upon the underprivileged. His memory with us all, will long abide.

To the seven new councillors, here for the first time, we extend our congratulations and the assurance of our hearty co-operation as we together move on with the Municipal work. Of the three levels of government the Municipal is the nearest to the people. But its main source of revenue—direct taxation—will at times confuse and confound those newly elected to serve in the Council.—After viewing its operations from the outside only—they had likely concluded it harboured but gleams of joy.

Coming to the meat of this Annual Meeting — our Financial field — all things considered we had a good year. Our total tax collections for the year now under review climbed to the record total of $179,675. the highest in our history — and in a year clouded by depression and a scant labor market. On the spending side we have succeeded in keeping within our budget by a small margin—$5,000.

During the year the new school at Lakeside was completed and classes therein are now in session. But the Bond issue to pay for its construction has not as yet found a buyer. Tenders were called for building an additional class room and providing modern convenience to the Little Anse School — same were considered high by the Building Committee—another call for tenders will be made in the approaching March month. A downdraft coal furnace was installed to serve the Municipal offices and Municipal Hall—this is now doing effectively. The exterior of the Municipal Building and the annex were repainted. The matter of painting and repairs to the court house await the coming of Spring weather.

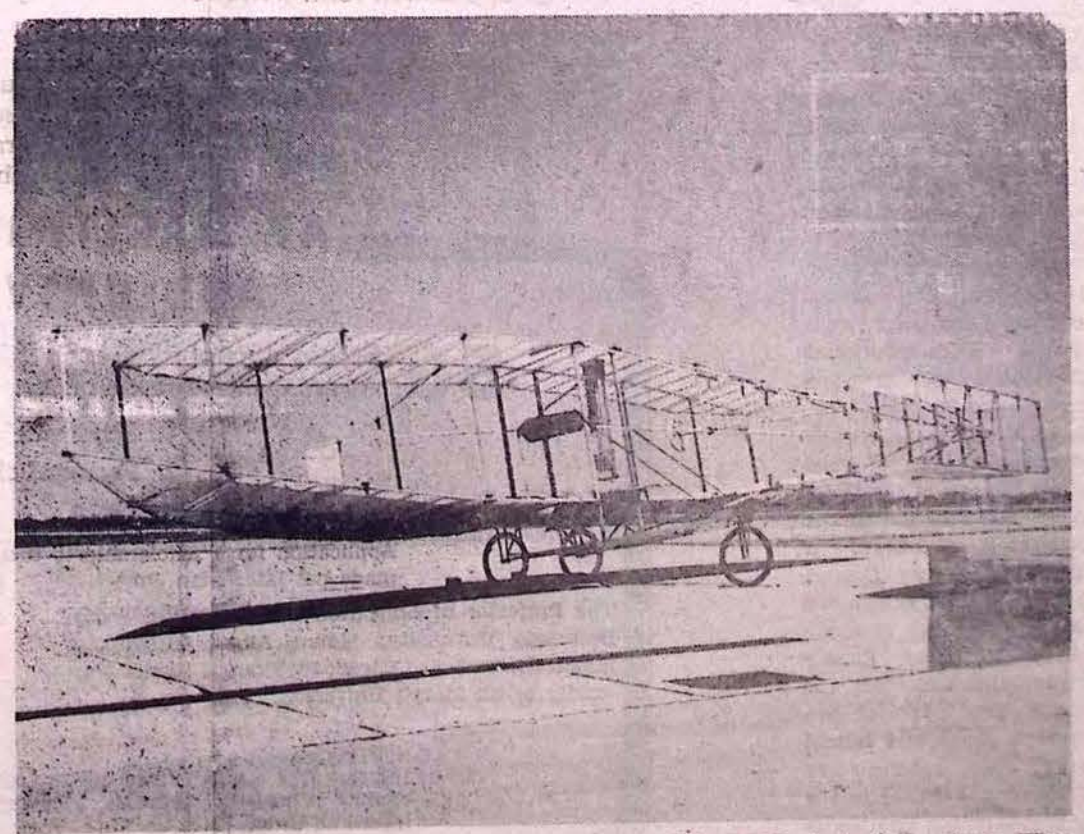
The steady growth of both the Municipal School Board administration has now cramped our Municipal Office space. We advise the providing of more space by the medium of moving the Annex building sufficient to connect it with the main Municipal Building.

Our Receipts and expenditures, on a cash basis for the year 1958, to follow.

E. C. DOYLE,
Clerk-Treasurer

January 27, 1959.

Golden Anniversary to be Celebrated at Baddeck



Here it is, the "Aeroplane of the Year", the Silver Dart, which RCAF test pilot veteran Wing Commander Paul Hartman, Ottawa, will attempt to fly from the frozen surface of the Bras d'Or Lakes at Baddeck to Sydney on the morning of February 23. This year marks the "Golden Anniversary of the First Flight in the British Empire" which took place at Baddeck in 1909. Hon. J. A. D. McCurdy, who piloted the original Silver Dart in the initial, historic flight will be an interested spectator this time when Wing Commander Hartman takes to the air.

Need For Greater Facilities

Clergy Present Brief On Education

(The following brief was presented to the Municipal School Board and later to the Municipal Council at their Annual Session, by the Catholic Clergy of Richmond County.)

We thank you for the opportunity to meet with you this afternoon. Father MacNeil, of St. Peters; Father Power of Lower River Inhabitants and myself have been delegated by the Catholic Clergy of this County to appear before you to tell you that we have become alarmed with conditions with regard to education in this Municipality.

Because of no well defined program of planning since Bill 66 was enacted, we feel that Richmond County has now come to the cross-roads in education and is probably facing the most serious crisis ever experienced in this regard in this Municipality.

Our children must be educated and it is up to us to provide a standard of education at least comparable with the standards in other Municipalities in this Province; but how can the standards of education in this Municipality compare with that of other Municipalities when we find inadequate class-room facilities and overcrowding in so many school sections of the County.

There is need now or within the very near future for 26 additional class-rooms, we are told; because of this lack of proper class-room space and too many grades in one class-room, our children are suffering and are not getting the educational training they should and must receive to fit them to enter High School —being ill-prepared in the lower grades means that the mortality rate in our present High-School system is far too high.

We are sure that you will also agree that our High Schools in the County are not of the high standard that we find in other Counties; as a matter of fact a recent survey revealed that the Grade XI pupils in this County placed the lowest in the Province in all subjects tested.

Richmond as far as we know is the only County in the Province with no Rural or Regional High Schools — with no well equipped High-Schools to prepare our students to enter University.

It is our firm conviction, Gentlemen, that immediate steps should be taken to build two Regional High Schools in this County especially now that the Provincial Government is ready to contribute 86 percent of the cost of building these schools—one on the Mainland and one on Ile Madame sufficiently large and sufficiently well equipped to enable our High School students to receive the kind of High School education that is being shared to-day by other High School pupils throughout the Province. The adoption of this plan would also make many class-rooms available for the lower grades and would thus eliminate at least a good deal of the overcrowding which we find in too many of our Schools.

This plan we feel should not be more expensive, and would do much more to raise the standard of education in the County, than the supplying or building of 26 additional class-rooms here and there in the Municipalty to meet the pressing needs of our growing school population.

You may think our request an extraordinary one, but we of the Catholic Clergy, who are interested in the future of this County—who have the welfare of our children at heart, feel that conditions with regard to education in this Municipality have come to such a pass that some extraordinary measures must be taken immediately to face what we term a most serious situation.

A. P. POIRIER, Dean

January 22, 1959

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Mrs. Paul White, General Chairman of the March of Dimes for Richmond County, has made the final details of the March of Dimes drive in Richmond County.

Mrs. White,, who is a Dirtctor of the March of Dimes, briefly reviewed the activities of the Organization during the past year. She said that the work of rehabilitation for which the Chapter is so well known was continued throughout the whole year. She said that all the services required by any of the 4 Polio patients in Richmond County or the over 1,000 polio patients in the Province of Nova Scotia were made available to them.

In addition to the work of the Chapter in rehabilitation, in 1958 a series of Free Polio Inoculation Clinics were held throughout the whole Province. 1050 citizens of Richmond County availed themselves of this service. A total of 126,004 inoculations were given in this programme. Mrs. White pointed out that the financial resources of the Chapter had been completely expended and the Inoculation Programme was completed on borrowed money.

To continue the work of the Chapter and to provide rehabilitation services for all those requiring it, to make available to all the people of Nova Scotia a necessary third round of free polio inoculations, the March of Dimes this year urgently needs the support of every citizen of our County. The Campaign is now on for funds, receive your canvasser with a generous donation.

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James P. Mauger Laid to Rest

James P. Mauger one of Cape La Ronde's oldest and highly respected citizens, passed away at the home of his niece, Mrs. M. J. Bourinot, Arichat, on Monday January 26th, after a brief illness. He was in his 91st year.

Born at Cape LaRonde, the late Mr. Mauger during his early life was a builder and erected many homes in the Cape LaRonde area and throughout the County. He was employed as a carpenter on the present St. John's Church, Arichat, in 1895 and was also employed in the construction of St. John's Anglican Church, at North Sydney—incidentally this church burned the day the late gentleman passed way. He was also employed in the construction of St. Andrews Church, Mulgrave.

In later life he operated his farm at Cape LaRonde where both friends or stranger were always welcomed guests to this hospitable home. He retired from farming about 15 years ago.

His wife the former, Clara Latimer, predeceased him three years ago. For a time he resided with his nephew, Fred Mauger, later taking up residence with his sister, Miss Anne Jane Mauger, Cape LaRonde.

The late Mr. Mauger, was a devout member of St. George's Church, Cape LaRonde and during the building of this church, was in charge of construction.

Surviving is one sister, Miss Anne Jane Maugere, with whom he resided; and one brother, George Mauger, both of Cape La Ronde. An adopted son, John Plimmer Mauger, predeceased him some years ago.

The funeral which was largely attended took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bourinot, to St. John's Anglican Church, where Canon A. F. Arnold, of Louisburg, officiated at the service, assisted by Rev. Logan, Rector of the Anglican parish of Louisburg.

Mrs. J. A. Dickie, of Port Hastings, a niece of the deceased presided at the organ.

A short service was conducted in the house by Canon Arnold. A favourite hymn of the deceased—"Abide With Me", was sung.

Hymns at the Church Service were:—"Rock of Ages", "Jesu, thou Joy of loving hearts" and "The Lord's my Shepherd".

The following were pallbearers: Lennox Mauger, Edward Mauger, Alphonse Samson, Willard Marchand, Irving Latimer and Kenneth Dunphy.

Burial took place in the family lot in St. John's Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of C. A. Boucher, Arichat.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved sister and brother.

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K of C News

COUNCIL TO ADMIT NEW MEMBERS

The regular monthly meeting of the Laurence Kavanagh K of C Council was held in the K of C. Building, St. Peter's on Sunday, January 25th, with Grand Knight J. H. LeBrun presiding.

Besides winning the Membership Honor Roll, this Council has merited the Insurance Honor Roll as well. Both certificates were displayed to the members present.

Arrangements have been made for the exemplification of First and Second Degrees of the Order on Sunday, February 8th in the West Arichat K of C Hall. A team from the Sydney Council will do the honors. It is expected that a large number of applicants from Rcihmond County will present themselves for the ceremony. The ladies of the West Arichat Home and School Association will cater to the Council by serving dinner to the visiting Degree Team, Candidates and members of the Council. The degrees will be exemplified at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and at 7.30 in the evening.

Chaplain A. Doucet commented on the excellent attendance of the members at Memorial Mass celebrated in honor of the deceased brothers from Richmond County and he also feliciated the members who were present at corporate communion on the First Friday of the year, January 2. He praised Brother Norman Samson and the other members of the 6-Point Program Committee for their active interest in promoting Catholic and Fraternal activities in the Council.

Urbain LeBlanc, St. Peter's, gave a report on the Sixth Catholic Social Life Conference held in Winnipeg on November 16, 17 and 18, 1958, which he attended as a delegate of the Extension Department of St. F. X. University. In accord with the general theme of the conference "The Training and Role of Christian Social Leaders'" brother LeBlanc called for a spirit of "closer cooperation" between the Clergy and Laity "so that all concerned may carry ot their duties and live up to their responsibilities in the service of the Church."

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Commissioner Harrington Attends Council Session

U. J. Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Municipal Affairs, Halifax, was a business visitor to the annual session of the Muncipal Council and addressed this body on matters pertaining to finance as well as help the finance committee, prepare the 1959 Municipal Budget. Mr. Harringon is no stranger to Richmond County and has been attending the Annual Sessions of Council, almost regularly since 1940. His assistance and advice is greatly valued by the Council.

Arichat-Sydney Bus Service

Albany Babin, is the new driver of the Arichat-Sydney Bus Service, operated by Gus LeBlanc of Sydney. Bennie is an efficient and obliging operator.

This service connects with Sydney daily, with the exception of Sunday and is a great convenience to people on Isle Madame and points on the mainland of the County.

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Week-End Visitor

Major Mike McTague, of Aldershot was a a week-end visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Malzard, where his wife and baby daughter, Anne are spending a holiday. Friends here are always happy to see Major McTague.

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Pansy in Full Bloom

Mrs. Joseph Samson, picked a pansy from their lawn, during the week which is in full bloom and can be seen at the Record office. Notwithstanding the sub-zero weather of the past several weeks this little pansy raises our hope that Spring is coming even if the ground hog saw his shadow to warn us that winter is not ready to flirt in the lap of Spring.

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Finds Caterpillar

If we continue telling our readers of the many signs pointing to Spring in the midst of a cold winter, they may be inclined to shed their fur coats and drain the prestone, however, the driver of the school bus, Raymond Stone, brought a caterpillar to our office which he noticed crawling near his bus during the week. The little furry creature was much alive and brought a ray of hope that our predictions of an early Spring may prove right.

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Annual Meeting

N. S. Well Drillers Assn.

The Annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Well Drillers Association was held at Truro on Saturday with the following officers and directors elected:—

John Cameron, President, of New Glasgow.

Floyd Weaton, Vice-President, of Halifax.

Syd. Trask, Secretary-Treas., of Cambridge.

Directors: — Ron Hopper, St. Peter's; Harold Verge, Halifax; George Reid, New Glasgow and Frank Baird, of Truro.

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HORSE RACE AT ST PETERS

A full report on a recent horse race at St. Peters will appear in our next issue. We thank the party who so kindly sent us this bit of news. We are always happy to publish news from every district in the County.

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ST. JOSEPH'S CREDIT UNION HOLDS MEETING

On Tuesday night, January 27th, the doors of the new parish hall in Petit DeGrat were opened to the members of the St. Joseph's Credit Union who were present at the annual meeting of the organization which for the year under review showed a net increase in savings of $4,263., a marked improvement over previous year's operations. Mr. Alphonse Landry presided and Louis A. Samson, Treasurer of the Credit Union was secretary. Mr. Abel LeBlanc reported for credit committee and stated that 48 loans had been granted during the 12 month period. Dr. C. J. Forest, P. P., reported for the Supervisory Committee. It was pointed out at the meeting that this credit union now has approximately $90,000 of life insurance on its members by the very fact that these members have over $45,000 in shares, and the $35,000 out on personal loans is also covered by CUNA loan protection insurance.

Dr. C. J. Forest, P. P., Petit De Grat, and Urban LeBlanc, St. F. X. Extension Department, St. Peter's, addressed the meeting. The film "Forgive Us Our Debts" was shown. Based on true life cases this film clearly pointed out the advantages of Life Savings Insurance which means that at no extra cost to the member the savings in the credit union are matched with life insurance dollar for dollar to a maximum of $2,000. In other words, in the case of the death of a member who had $2,000 in savings—Cuna will match these savings and his beneficiary will receive $4,000. Loan Protection Insurance means that at no extra cost to the members loans are insured up to a maximum of $10,000. In other words, if a member should die or become totally disabled, the loan would be paid in full. No collection from the members family, co-signers or friends.

2 percent dividend on savings was recommended by the board of directors and approved by the members present at the meeting.

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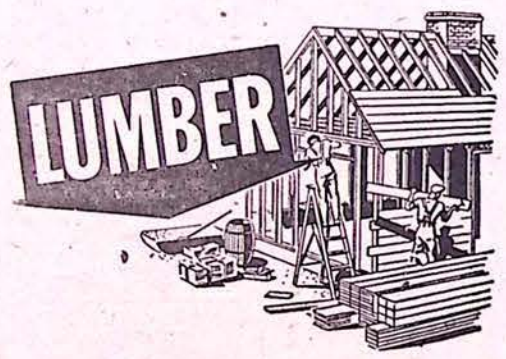
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In making this announcement, S. R. Kennedy, CBC's Maritime Regional Program Director, said that because of the interest in the Maritimes on this program, the CBC had begun negotiations with the CBS and the sponsor as soon as it became known that a drama on this subject would be carried. This series is not normally available in Canada.

"Approval has been received from the Columbia Broadcasting System and the sponsor of the Armstrong Circle Theatre which will allow presentation by means of a kine recording," Mr. Kennedy said.

Mr. Kennedy also explained that the presentation of this special telecast meant getting the approval of all the private television stations in the Maritimes.

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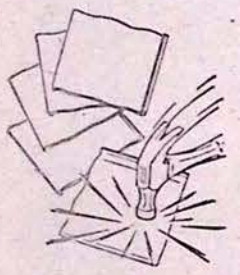
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Man, it's chilly down in my neck of the woods these days! It's so cold that even the wind is howlin' about it. Ol' Hannibal says winter is the season when you keep your house as hot as it was in the summer when you complained about it!

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But the winter months give me a little time to work on my wood lot. These days I'm cutting a few trees for the local pulp mill!

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Amazing things are happening in the lumber industry these days. For instance, did you know the industry has now developed more than 4000 wood derivatives, which are used in such widely scattered products as asphalt shingles and vanilla ice cream?

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Today, they tell me, plywood is the fastest-growing building material in the country. New plywood products include low-priced particle board, which is made from chips and shavings, and plastic-coated plywood with color panels. These new products are increasing the demand for lumber, and raising the price we tree farmers can get for our trees!

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But that's not all. A lot of companies are now packaging their products with a special kind of paper —which provides protection against moisture, fire, and rodents—instead of drums. Others are using fiberboard cartons instead of wooden crates.

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Nowadays, industry is making products out of about 75 per cent of every tree we cut—as opposed to about 30 per cent in 1935. They're using sawdust and shavings for making plastics, glues, and hardboards. From bark, they're building "cork" tile, insecticides and floor wax. Stumps and scraps are being used for hardboard, rayon, sugars and alcohol.

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As one feller puts it, the lumber industry is growing fast because of "man's resourcefulness grafted on nature's resources." And that means a better income from our tree farms and wood lots!

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"Dagnabbit, young feller," Ol' Ezra spluttered, "why did you tell me this stuff was toothpaste?"

"'Cause it *is* toothpaste," the druggist said.

"No it ain't" said Ezra. "I tried for half an hour this morning, and I'll be durned if it would make my teeth stick in!"

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Just for today I will adjust myself to what is—and I will not keep trying to adjust everything to my own desires.

Fish Landings For Month of December

Fish landings in the Maritimes during the last month of 1958 were officially recorded at 24.3 million lbs., for a value to fishermen of $2.8 million, the Department of Fisheries and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics announced on January 16th. While this showed a significant decline in volume from the previous month—approximately 23 million lbs.—it did represent an increase of 2.7 million lbs. or $0.5 million over the landings of December last year.

The decline in fish landings from November to December is a seasonal occurrence. In 1958, although the volume declined by approximately 50 per cent, the value to the fishermen was $0.7 million higher in December than in November. This was due to the relatively high proportion of the higher priced species in the catch, particularly lobsters, following the opening of the lobster season on December 1 in southwestern Nova Scotia and in Saint John Co., New Brunswick. Except for the lobster catch which increased from .7 million lbs. in November to 3.9 million lbs. in December, a decline in December landings was registered in practically all commercial species. Groundfish landings recorded a drop of 13 million lbs., the principal species affected were cod, haddock, redfish and flatfish. Pelagic and estuarial species together showed a decrease of 12.4 million lbs., which was accounted for almost entirely by the drop in herring landings.

Taking the eyar as a whole, the fishermen of the Maritimes fared somewhat better in 1958 than they did in 1957. Total fish landings to the end of 1958 amounted to 660.8 million lbs. with a value of $34.9 million. This gave fishermen $2.2 million more than they received in 1957 even though their 1958 catch was lower by approximately 1 million lbs.

In Nova Scotia fishermen landed 464.7 million lbs. of fish valued at $24.0 million in 1958. These landings were 27.7 million lbs. higher than the quantity landed in Nova Scotia in 1957 with an increase in value of $1.5 million. In New Brunswick fishermen landed 157.1 million lbs. of fish valued at $7.3 million in 1958, a decline in landings from 1957 of 28.1 million lbs. but for an increase in value of $.5 million. In Prince Edward Island fishermen landed 39.0 million lbs. valued at $3.6 million. Compared with 1957, this represents a decline in landings of .5 million lbs., but the value derived from the catch increased by about $.2 million.

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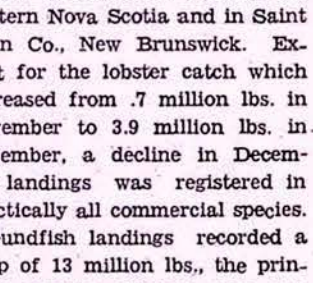
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