

## Property Voting To Be Abolished

By NEIL A. MATHESON  
Property voting qualifications will be abolished if a bill for a new "Election Act," introduced in the legislature Tuesday by Provincial Secretary J. David Stewart, is approved. It will automatically mean that multiple voting privileges will also be abolished.

The lengthy bill does not specifically say that the property vote will be abolished, but it does not make any provision for it, and Mr. Stewart said yesterday that the bill provides for all people to have equal privileges to vote for the two men in their own electoral district.

The terms "councillor" and "assemblyman" are being retained, Mr. Stewart explained, because of their historical significance. The term councillor goes back to the days of the Legislative Council of 15 men, which was the senior legislative group and was elected by property owners. The assemblyman term comes from the former Legislative Assembly, which also comprised 15 men. The property owner can vote for both, but the non-property owner for the assemblyman only, under the present legislation.

**MAKES NO CHANGE**

The bill makes no change in the number of electoral districts for each county, though a Royal Commission on the electoral reform had recommended 13 at Fifth Kings be abolished, and the present Fifth Queens, which comprises Charlottetown, and Ravelston, should be made into two districts as the area would have four members in the legislature, instead of the two they have now.

The commission report did not recommend the abolition of property voting either, though it did suggest that multiple voting should be abolished.

The Election Act, which is being replaced, provides that a man, or woman, may vote in as many districts as he or she has property, amounting to not less than a value of \$25. The commission report had recommended that this multiple voting privilege be abolished, but suggested the property qualification should be increased to not less than \$1,000. Clergymen and returned war veterans also had rights conducted the prosecution in all cases.

## Play, Gymnastics Highlight Montague School Concert

MONTAGUE — Those who came to see "Just another child's concert" were more than surprised Friday evening when Montague Elementary School presented a varied program sponsored by the Home and School Association.

More than 100 boys and girls combined talents to produce an evening of sparkling entertainment in the form of gymnastics, musical numbers, dancing and acting. Mrs. Elsie Waterworth, school principal, was mistress of ceremonies.

The evening's entertainment was launched by a sprightly Mexican folk song and dance. Robert Mills, physical education instructor was in charge of the gymnastic numbers which included a show of daring, endurance and timing, while primary students engaged in an enthusiastic example of rhythmic.

Musical numbers, directed by Mrs. Ralph Beck, were greatly enjoyed. Arrangements of voice. Their argument is that as Charlottetown is traditionally a predominantly PC, the influx of voters would upset the balance of the poll against the Liberals.

## Inshore Fishing By Dragger Results In Fine

John Francis MacIntyre, Souris, charged with fishing with his dragger in an enclosed area set aside for the inshore fishery, was fined \$75 and costs or 30 days, by J.B. Johnston, C.C. in Queens County magistrate's court yesterday.

Laraine Moreman, Alabama, U.S.A., charged with vagrancy was remanded to Queens County jail until April 15, for causing a disturbance in court.

Edman Ladner Sherry, Hampton, charged with theft of a battery valued under \$50, was remanded until April 5 for sentencing.

Three men were charged with driving a vehicle on a p.v.e highway exceeding the 15 kg weight. Two were fined \$20 and costs or 15 days and the other was fined \$5 and costs or 15 days.

## Rural Youth Is Panel Topic

ST. TERESA'S — A panel discussion on rural youth highlighted a recent meeting of St. Teresa's Home and School Association.

Panelists discussing the topic "Are we educating our youth away from rural community life?" were Rev. Eugene Murray, St. Teresa's; Sister Mary Peter, principal of Green Meadows School, and Thomas Durphy, faculty member at Morell Regional High School.

Sister Mary Bennett, principal of St. Teresa's, introduced the panel. A general discussion followed the panel discussion.

At the business period, it was decided to purchase a new clock for the school.

## REBEL NAVY SHIPS QUIT

Jose Astigarraga, left, Argentine defense minister, and acting Navy secretary, tells newsmen gathered in Geneva.

## 15 Cases Heard In Souris Court

SOURIS — More than 15 cases were on the docket at magistrate's court here Wednesday. Magistrate James B. Johnston of Charlottetown presided.

George Perry of Souris, charged with possession of unlawfully manufactured spirits, pleaded guilty and was fined \$100 and costs or three months.

John James Sheehan, Farmington, charged with possession of liquor not purchased from a vendor, pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 and costs or 30 days.

Evermond Doucette, Souris West, charged with driving while his ability was impaired by alcohol, pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned to Souris April 17.

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## EASTERN BRIEFS

**IN HOSPITAL**  
Emery MacNeill, Montague, is a patient in the Kings County Memorial Hospital.

**SEES ROBINS**  
John S. Stewart, Caladonia, has reported spotting several robins near his home recently.

**IS PATIENT**  
Thomas Jackson is a patient in the Kings County Memorial Hospital.

**ENTERS HOSPITAL**  
Wayne Nicholson, Montague, has entered the Prince Edward Island Hospital for observation.

## IN ONTARIO

Al Currie, New Perth is enjoying a holiday with Mr. and Mrs. David Gardiner, Perth, Ont.

## IN MONTREAL

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Smith, New Perth are spending a holiday in Montreal.

## RESUMES DUTIES

Archie Lomigan, teacher of Albion has resumed his duties as a patient in the Kings County Memorial Hospital.

## SPENT WEEK

Mrs. Archibald Hume, Montague, returned Saturday after a most enjoyable week spent with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wightman, Halifax, N.S.

## VISITS IN MONCTON

Mrs. Doris Matheson, Montague, is visiting in Moncton, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are returning to Charlottetown to take up permanent residence.

## VISITING NEPHEW

Miss Mary Martin of Moncton, N.B. arrived by plane Saturday and will spend some time with her nephew, Rev. Carl Currie and family, Murray Harbor North.

## TO NOVA SCOTIA

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Wigginton, Montague left by car Wednesday to spend some time with their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. Robert Hutchison and Mrs. Hutchison, Port Moncton, N.S.

## HOME FOR EASTER

Miss Peggy MacLeod, student at Edgemoor arrived Saturday to spend the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester MacLeod, Montague.

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## OPERATIONS

Rebel sources denied that the Navy warships that posed a threat to the government had ceased operations. Rebel sources denied that the Navy warships that posed a threat to the government had ceased operations.

## FINED \$100

Yvonne MacKay, Murray River, charged with driving while his ability was impaired by alcohol, pleaded guilty and was fined \$100 and costs or 10 days.

## ON ANOTHER CHARGE

On another charge of failing to stop after being involved in an accident, the case was adjourned to Charlottetown April 8. No plea was made.

## THREE PERSONS

Three persons, charged with possession of liquor in a place other than their residence, were each fined \$20 and costs or 30 days. Two men, charged with being intoxicated in a public place, were each fined \$20 and costs or 15 days.

## MEMBERS OF THE RCMP

Members of the RCMP from Charlottetown, Souris and Montague conducted the prosecution in all cases.

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## What Leadership?



With a lot of words, and no action until a somewhat vague later date, this Easter Bunny will try to leave with us a basket of "goodies". But, no matter what the Tory basket of tricks may profess to contain, it cannot change their record of wild claims of economic security before the last election, and their quick devaluation of the dollar immediately after . . . it can never change the disgrace brought upon Canada over the nuclear issue with our friends in the United States, and other NATO Members, a disgrace that will go down in Canadian history as being attributed to the indecision of a weak leader . . . a government so insecure within itself that its own members loudly proclaim their allegiance one day, and the next resign as being against the principles they upheld the day before.

And our Island representatives sit alone . . . surrounded by a shambles of empty words.

On April 8th Lester Pearson will lead his strong-willed Island team to Ottawa to upset the Tory basket of so-called "goodies". But, no matter what the Tories seem to promise, the people of this province are not fools, and will never vote for the members of a government whose only platform appears to be INDECISION.

P. E. I. Can't Wait for Decisions . . .

**VOTE LIBERAL**  
APRIL 8th

P. E. I. Liberal Assoc.