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Twenty-seven Saint Dunstan's University's students are seen in the Academic procession to the S.D.U. Alumni Auditorium where the convocation exercises were held yesterday afternoon. Twenty of the students received their Bachelor of Arts degree at the hands of the University Chancellor, His Excellency Most Reverend Malcolm A. MacEachern, D.D. Bishop of Charlottetown. Four others received their Bachelor of Science degrees and the remaining three got Bachelor of Commerce parchments. Leading the procession is the marshal of the convocation, Rev. Vincent Murnaghan. Faculty members and leaders of Church and State also participated in the colorful march to the auditorium.

Challenging Address Is Heard At SDU Exercises

Though the world facing today's graduates is in a turbulent state, there has never been a time in history when it was not in an upset condition. Dr. Richard A. Pattee, Laval University, told the graduates of Saint Dunstan's at the Commencement Day exercises yesterday.

He added that he could recall, as a historian, that the Hitlers, Mussolinis and Khrushchevs had their counterparts all through the pages of the world's history and that at no time in the recorded past had there been an existing harmony.

BISHOP PRESIDES

His Excellency, Most Reverend Malcolm A. MacEachern, D.D., Bishop of Charlottetown, presided at the exercises held in the college gymnasium. On the platform were His Honor Lieutenant-Governor F. Walter Hyndman, Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell, Premier A. W. Matheson, Hon. Keir Clark, Minister of Education, Dr. Lloyd W. Shaw, Deputy Minister, Dr. Frank MacKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College, His Honor Judge J. S. DesRoches, president of Saint Dunstan's Alumni Association.

There were 20 graduates receiving degrees as Bachelor of Arts, four Bachelor of Science and three receiving diplomas as Bachelor of Commerce.

The gymnasium was packed with relatives and friends as well as 'Old Boys' coming back for the annual Commencement to renew friendships of the past.

The guest speaker, Dr. Pattee, had flown here to replace Dr. Charles de Koninck, originally scheduled to address the class, who was stricken suddenly ill after arrival here. A widely travelled historian, Dr. Pattee remarked that one of the great differences in the thinking of the Eastern mind and that of the Occident is that the Middle East is "carrying around six thousand years of history and that is a very heavy burden for anybody to carry."

He added that "they have one great peculiarity and that is that no one has forgotten anything of what happened in those six thousand years."

VALEDICTORIAN
Class Valedictorian, Donald MacDougall of Charlottetown, told the gathering that the class of '59 had waited for years, striving to reach what always appeared to be an unattainable goal.

He said it is only after this goal is reached that one realizes the sacrifices and patient understanding that has been given has finally paid off in great measure.

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TEXT OF LETTERS RELEASED

Premier's Correspondence With Minister Of Finance

The following correspondence between Premier A. W. Matheson and Hon. Donald M. Fleming, Minister of Finance was released yesterday by the Premier without comment:

Ottawa, April 18th, 1958
The Hon. A. W. Matheson, Q.C., Premier, Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Dear Mr. Premier:
My attention has been drawn to statements attributed to you in the news columns of the Charlottetown Guardian of April 12th and its editorial of April 14th where you are alleged to have stated in the Prince Edward Island Legislature that my Deputy Minister, Mr. K. W. Taylor, had at a meeting in Halifax last December said that the Island's share of the proposed Atlantic Provinces' grants should not exceed \$1.7 million, and that Mr. Taylor said specifically "that is more than they deserve". Upon the assumption that Mr. Taylor made this statement you are then reported to have said "I hope the new Prime Minister will tell these fellows where they should go, and I am sure everyone in this House tonight would not be long suggesting that place". I wish to make it emphatically clear that at no time did Mr. Taylor make the statement which you have attributed to him or any statement which could possibly be interpreted in any such sense.

The newspaper report attributes to you the assertion that you base your statement on notes taken at the Halifax meeting. If so, I must assert at once that the notes are completely erroneous on this subject.

Since you have made reference to the Halifax Conference attended by senior officials of the Federal Government and the Governments of the four Atlantic Provinces on December 17th and 18, I think I should comment on the nature, purpose and background of that Conference.

At the Dominion-Provincial Conference in Ottawa in November last it was agreed, as stated in the official communiqué "that the overall economic position of the Atlantic Provinces is now such as to justify some special grants-in-aid to the governments of those provinces from the Federal Government". At the Conference no decision was reached as to the total amount of such grants-in-aid or as to the way in which such amount should be divided between the four provinces. It was agreed, however, between the Federal and Provincial Ministers concerned that decisions on those two points should be reached as quickly as possible.

To this end it was arranged that the representatives of the four Atlantic Provinces should meet in Charlottetown, P. E. I., on May 12th and 13th, 1958, to discuss the problem of the proper use of farm and fisheries grants on the highways is causing concern.

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Named Ch'man Library Trustees

Mr. William E. Cotton has been appointed chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Public Legislative Library and Harris Memorial Gallery.

This announcement was made yesterday by Premier A.W. Matheson who stated that Mr. Cotton's appointment had been agreed upon at a meeting of the Government held the previous day.

Mr. Cotton, he said, had served the Board for several years and was the only non-civil servant on the present Board of Trustees.

France Has New Premier As Trouble Looms In Algeria

PARIS (Reuters) — Catholic Leader Pierre Pflimlin was elected premier today after warning the National Assembly France may be 'on the edge of a civil war' because of an army takeover in Algeria.

Assembly officials said after a first count of votes that assembly members had given the 51-year-old Liberal Catholic party head a heavy majority.

An unofficial count gave him a majority of 267 to 107. The vote was taken in an atmosphere of widespread confusion caused by the news that the army had seized control of Algeria and demanded the return of Gen. Charles de Gaulle, wartime free French leader, as head of a "government of public safety."

Pflimlin was assured of success when the 148 Communist members of the assembly—who normally vote against all candidates for the post—decided to abstain from today's ballot.

In a final speech before voting began, Pflimlin told the assembly that France is "perhaps now on the edge of a civil war."

Says Demand From U.S. Pushes Beef Prices Up

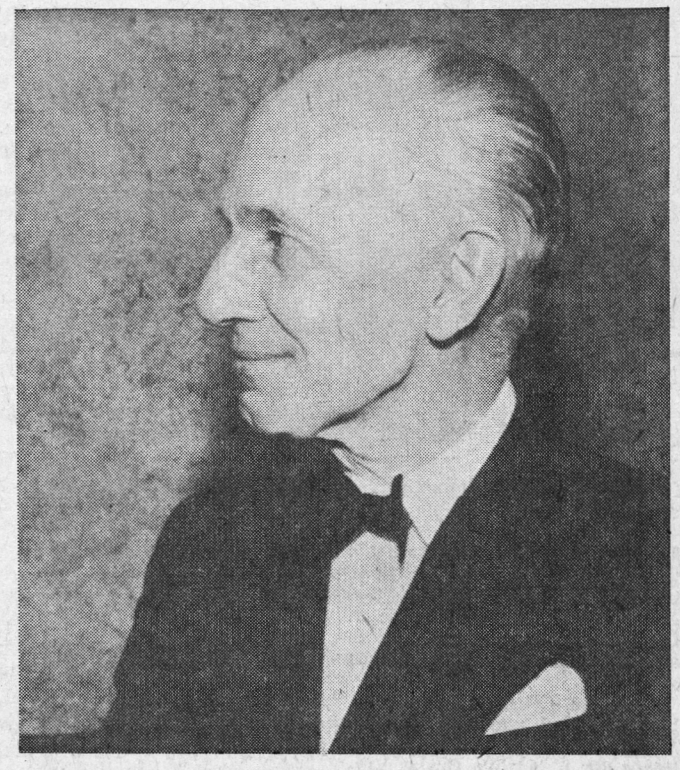
MONTREAL (CP) — A meat wholesaler Tuesday blamed increased beef prices on high demands from the United States market and the fact that grass-fed cattle are unavailable at this time of year.

Harold Morantz, secretary-treasurer of a firm of Montreal beef wholesalers, said in an interview the price of beef has risen by about 20 per cent since January and byproducts such as liver had increased 60 per cent in price.

Smoked meat sandwiches have gone up to 40 cents each from 35 cents. Siroloin was costing as much as \$1.19 a pound and beef liver had increased since January to 53 or 53 cents a pound from 29 cents.

He said there was no shortage of beef for export to United States, but increased consumption in that country appeared to have pushed up Canadian prices.

"Also the cost of raising grain-fed cattle is greater when you consider labor and feed costs. Once cattle fed on grass become available by early summer, there is a good chance prices will level off," Mr. Morantz said.



RT. HON. VINCENT MASSEY

Island Welcomes Governor General

Prince Edward Island today welcomes His Excellency, Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, Governor General of Canada who arrives on the H.M.C.S. Sioux from Picou at 4.00 p.m. Accompanying the Governor General will be Commander F.J.D. Pemberton, Comptroller of the Household, the Governor General's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Lionel Massey; Flight Lieutenant Ian MacMillan, Aide-de-camp and Lieutenant Alan Henley, RCN, Aide-de-camp.

Greeting His Excellency at Railway Wharf will be his Honour P. Walter Hyndman, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island and Mayor Edwin C. Johnston. Mayor of Charlottetown. The Vice-Regal party will proceed to Government House where His Excellency will receive a welcome from a party of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.

Tonight Governor General Massey and his party will have dinner with Governor and Mrs. Hyndman at Government House. Honorary Aide-de-camp in attendance will be Brigadier G.G. K. Peake. The Governor General and his party will stay at Government House during their three day visit to the Island.

Manitoba Soil Drifting Serious

WINNIPEG (CP)—Soil drifting described in many areas as the worst in 20 years hit Manitoba Monday as winds reached 70 miles an hour in gusts.

Ditches were filled, roots of grain crops exposed, seed uncovered, and grain above ground cut off.

Visibility was cut sharply as dust filled the air—one pilot reported it extended up to 12,000 feet—and motorists were forced to turn their headlights on during the day in some districts.

The worst damage appeared to be in the areas around Dauphin, 150 miles northwest of Winnipeg, Altona, 55 miles south, and Melita, in the southwestern corner of the province 60 miles southwest of Brandon.

Welfare Boosts Help Push Total Close To 6 Billion

OTTAWA (CP)—Estimated government spending this year, including old age pensions, will reach a record \$5,700,000,000 and may climb to more than \$6,000,000,000 under the main impetus of rising social welfare costs.

Tabling its first set of estimates of expenditures, the Progressive Conservative government Tuesday informed Parliament it will require at least \$5,734,343,555 to cover its operations for the current fiscal year started April 1.

Not included are federal hospital insurance payments and other unpredictable costs to come up later in the year. Officials said when these are included, they may push the total federal bill to more than \$6,000,000,000.

DEFENCE IN SPOTLIGHT

Defence, social welfare and public works figure largely in the main estimates but while the defence budget is trimmed slightly and public works expanded, the biggest boost is in social welfare with total outlays in this field forecast to rise by some \$185,000,000 to a new high of \$1,305,000,000.

WELFARE RISES

The old age pension bill is expected to rise by some \$117,000,000 to \$555,000,000 for the year; family allowances by \$33,000,000 to \$470,000,000; veterans pensions by \$6,500,000 to \$152,366,000; veterans allowances by \$9,000,000 to \$38,000,000.

With the exception of the universal old age pensions, all costs will be charged against the budget. The pension fund, financed by a two-per-cent tax on incomes and commodity sales, faces prospects of a huge deficit which also will be charged against the budget.

Over-all indications are that the government will face a heavy deficit in its 1958-59 budget. The main estimates, including pensions, represents an increase of \$469,000,000 over similar forecasts at the beginning of last year and a boost of \$274,000,000 over amounts actually spent.

With the pensions extracted, the main estimates total \$5,179,300,000, up from \$4,827,000,000 last year. The average rate of spending has just about doubled in the last eight years. The wartime peak was \$5,322,000,000 in 1943-44. At that time there were no old age pensions.

Defence this year still holds the spotlight as the biggest single item, with the bill estimated at \$1,686,000,000, down about \$7,000,000 from last year. But because of the rises in other fields, defence will take only 27 per cent of total expenditures compared with 33 per cent last year.

To fight the recession, spending on public works is estimated to rise by some \$36,000,000 to \$927,300,000. Prime Minister Diefenbaker said during the last election some \$1,185,000,000 would be spent this year, but it appears that part of this would be in the form of loans available to provinces and other bodies to launch their own projects.

Money set aside outside of the budget for loans, investments and advances is to be increased by \$38,300,000 to \$225,853,000.

The generally-higher government spending will mean heavy public financing for, officials said, it appears the administration is in for a big deficit in its first full fiscal year of operations.

Public Works In Province Included In The Estimates

OTTAWA (CP)—Public work appropriations for the Maritimes in the 1958-59 estimates:

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Prince Edward Island—Borden—public building \$26,000; Souris East—public building \$70,000.

HARBORS AND RIVERS

Prince Edward Island—Alberton—towards harbor improvements \$100,000; Beach Point—retaining wall \$24,000; Borden—wharf—to complete \$90,000; Charlottetown—railway wharf—repairs and improvements \$23,500; Charlottetown—warehouse improvements \$32,000;

Fishing Cove—breakwater extension \$85,000; Georgetown—railway wharf—reconstruction—to complete \$38,000;

complete \$330,000; Graham's Pond—dredging \$38,000; Launching Pond—breakwater extension \$25,000; Miminagash—dredging \$46,000; Montague—wharf repairs \$43,000; Naurage—breakwater extension \$18,000;

North Lake—extension to landing piers \$31,000; Red Head—retaining wall \$35,000; Skinner's Pond—harbor improvements—to complete \$42,000; Souris—landing extensions \$29,000; Summerside—railway wharf—improvements \$132,000;

Vernon River—wharf extension \$20,000; West Point—breakwater extension \$43,000; Wood Islands—reconstruction of fishermen's landing \$85,000; Wood Islands—improvements—to complete \$38,000.

Believe Gas Being Burned On Highways Had Tax Rebated

"I am not satisfied with the revenue from the gasoline tax," said the Hon. B. Earle MacDonald yesterday. The Provincial Secretary was commenting on the report of the Public Utilities Commission of Prince Edward Island. He indicated that the problem of the improper use of farm and fisheries grants on the highways is causing concern.

The Public Utility Commission states that the reports of the several wholesale dealers disclose that for the year ending March 31, 1957, 14,083,221 gallons of gasoline were sold in the retail trade while 13,680,875 gallons were sold during the previous year.

"With the annual sales continuing to rise," says the report, "it would be expected that the total sales by the service stations, garages and general merchant outlets would keep pace."

"But complaints are being repeatedly made that such retail sales are lagging and it is alleged that much of the gasoline which is consumed on the highway is being purchased through other sources with the result that the Province annually loses large sums of money which otherwise would be collected in gasoline tax."

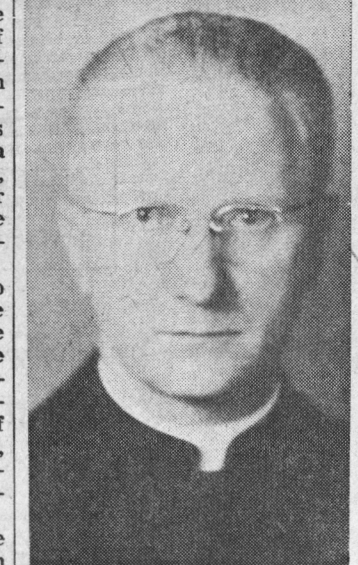
"We believe that there is ground for these complaints but the authority to correct any abuses does not rest with this Commission."

Rector's Report Mentions New Library For S.D.U.

"St. Dunstan's today welcomes you to another Convocation, the fourth in the second century of its service in the cause of education," said the Very Rev. John A. Sullivan, Rector of St. Dunstan's. "Your presence with us today is much appreciated, a sign of your interest in our work, and encouragement to us in our endeavor to contribute to the educational progress of our community."

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former graduate of St. Dunstan's and now Pastor of St. Andrew's Parish, Eastern Passage, N.S., in an eloquent sermon gave timely advice to our graduates of the Province. We assure you, Your Honor, that we greatly appreciate your being with us today."

Mayors Regret Gov't Has Taken No Action On Grant

Mayor W. A. Currie was elected president of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities at the annual meeting yesterday afternoon at which Mayor Bruce Yeo, Montague, the retiring president, presided.

Other executive members elected were: vice-president, Councillor Gilbert Clements, Montague, 2nd vice-president, Mayor Herbert Matthews, Alberton; secretary - treasurer, Councillor Walthen Gaudet, Charlottetown.

During the meeting a resolution was adopted unanimously by a standing vote which stated that the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities express deep regret that no action has yet been taken by the Provincial Government in implementing an earlier request for an increase in the per capita grant (\$3.00 to \$11.00) to municipalities, and the Federation went on record as requesting consideration and action on this request due to the urgent need of the municipalities.

request for the increase was made by the Federation several months ago.

DAYLIGHT TIME
A lengthy discussion on Daylight Saving Time followed and as a result of queries by several members of the Federation, one or more members of each Town Council expressed an opinion on the feelings of their respective communities regarding daylight saving time. The majority of towns were in favor of daylight saving, one of two qualifying their approval with the provision that it was made general throughout the Province.

Councillor H. E. Clark, Summerside stated he had queried many farmers in his office regarding daylight saving and found that only about one per cent are against it. Councillor Clark said, "It's a sin and a disgrace we don't have daylight saving time."

He added that the Federation of Agriculture is not voicing the opinions of a large number of farmers when they oppose daylight saving and does not speak for many farmers who either favor or at least are not opposed to it.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

The discussion resulted in a resolution proposed by Councillor Walthen Gaudet, Charlottetown, which proposed that the incoming executive prepare a suitable resolution by which the various Town Councils would meet and intelligently discuss daylight saving time and each would draw up a resolution to present to the Federation at a special general meeting this fall. This resolution was approved.

Another motion concerning the incoming executive was approved in which it was requested that they contact the Provincial Government asking that the Small Town Act be changed to make employers responsible for taxes on employees coming in from outside the town.



The above is the navigation class at HMCS Queen Charlotte at the annual inspection of Sea Cadets held last evening by the

RCSCC Kent. The Commanding Officer, Lieut. J.D. Smallwood, is on the right of the picture. Rear Admiral R.E.S. Bidwell, C.

B.E., C.D., RCN (Ret) the inspecting officer is to the left of Commander Smallwood. He is questioning the cadets about navigation procedure.

Justice George Tweedy; J. O. Hyndman; Hon. A. W. Matheson, Premier of P. E. I.; Hon. T. W. L. Prowse; Inspector E.L. Martin of the R.C.M.P.; Col. A. H. Rogers; George Oldcamp, Commander of Summerside Cadets; Commander Kenny and Lt.-Cdr. N. Black (XO) both of H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte.

Sea Cadets Described As Very Efficient By Admiral

The Sea Cadets are very efficient and are well up to the highest standard, stated Rear Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, C.B.E., C.D., R.C.N. (Ret.), following his inspection of the local Sea Cadet Corps, RCSCC Kent, which took place at H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte last evening.

This was the seventh consecutive time that Admiral Bidwell has inspected the city sea cadets. He has been very keen on the sea cadet movement and is now devoting most of his time

to it as he is retired. He is now vice president and sea cadet chairman of the Mainland Branch. Admiral Bidwell calls on the support of the parents for this movement whose aims are chiefly to instill good citizenship, discipline and self respect to Canada's youth.

The ship's company mustered at 7 p.m. to prepare for the arrival of Admiral Bidwell at 7.30 p.m. When he arrived he was greeted with a general salute by the cadet guard of honor and con-

ducting on a tour of inspection by Lieut. J. D. Smallwood, Commanding Officer of RCSCC Kent, who was in charge of the parade.

On completion of the inspection awards for advancement were presented to the following cadets: Petty Officer 1st Class, Reginald Shields, Petty Officer 1st Class, Lynn Gallant, Petty Officer 2nd Class, David Smith, Leading cadet Allan Murray, and sixteen other cadets were awarded able-cadet certificates.

On completion of the presentations to the Sea Cadet Corps, a reception for Admiral Bidwell was held in the ward room of H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte. Distinguished guests present were: Chief Justice Thane Campbell;

During the reception the Navy League of Canada expressed its thanks to the past presidents of the Association, who have given so freely of their time and energy in the advancement of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps. The present president of the Provincial Division of the Navy League presented each of them with a scroll which expressed the thanks and appreciation of the League. Those receiving scrolls were: J. O. Hyndman, Justice Thane Campbell, Justice G. Tweedy, J. J. Morris, Walter S. Grant, Charles Hogan.