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HOCKEY Bedouque Rink tonight, Tuesday, doubleheader. First game, ladies, Crapaud Panlies vs. Bedouque Rosebuds and last semi-final junior game, Free-town Juniors vs. Kinkora Juniors. Game to start at 8 o'clock. Admission 30 cents.

ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED—A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Roland MacArthur of Summerside entertained in their honor at a party on Saturday evening at the Imperial Dance Hall, it being the 17th anniversary of their marriage. The evening was most enjoyably spent by all present and Mr. and Mrs. MacArthur were presented with a number of gifts, testifying to the esteem in which they are held by their friends. Music was supplied by Ted Ahern's orchestra. Lunch was served.—S.

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S'side Is Promised Consideration Of Case In Airport Power Contract

Heads S'side Y's Men



Mr. Fred Bingham (above) who has been elected president of the Summerside Y's Men's Club and will take office in April.—S.

S'side Legion Band Plans First Practice

The first practice for Summerside's new Legion Band will be held on Wednesday and Mr. John Leuty has been appointed band master. It was reported at the regular monthly meeting of Summerside branch, Canadian Legion held last evening with the president, Mr. Earle Cannon in the chair.

The report for the band committee was given by Mr. R. L. Mollison who also said that Mr. Ulric Drapeau has been appointed assistant band master. The president, Mr. Cannon was appointed the official delegate to the coming Dominion convention in Winnipeg.

The meeting voted the sum of \$2.00 as a donation to the Red Cross in the coming drive and the sum of \$3.00 as a donation to the Legion branch in MacLennan, Alta. Mr. Hayden Dixon of the entertainment committee reported that the sum of \$486.00 had been raised at the recent Legion jamboree and turned over to the Canadian March of Dimes Fund.

The matter of the possible loss of the electric light contract for the Summerside airport was discussed and concern was felt by the meeting at what this would mean in loss of revenue to the town. The chairman of the resolutions committee, Mr. R. L. Mollison, was empowered to discuss the matter with the Town Council and draw up a suitable resolution to be submitted to a special meeting of the executive to be called for that purpose.

A resolution to be sent to the Provincial Command was passed asking that Provincial Government employees be included in the unemployment insurance scheme as many of them are part time workers on the roads and in the winter when they are laid off they cannot draw unemployment insurance.

Another resolution, this one for the Dominion Command, was passed asking the Federal Department of Fisheries to repeal the discriminatory regulations whereby Island fishermen are not allowed to fish salmon in the waters surrounding the Province while fishermen of other Provinces may engage in such fishing.—S.

S'side Borrowing Bill Agreed To

A bill empowering the Town of Summerside to borrow and expend a sum not exceeding \$300,000 for the purpose of paying for the extensions of the Electric Light Plant, other permanent works and capital expenditures was given the second reading in the Legislature yesterday afternoon.

The bill which further amends the Summerside Incorporation Act, 1903, authorizes the Town to issue debentures for the borrowed amount or any part of it payable at a date not exceeding fifteen years from the date of issue and not bearing more than 3.5 per cent interest, payable half yearly provided that an adequate sum be annually provided and set apart as a sinking fund to redeem the said debentures at maturity.

The Summerside Town Council shall determine the sums and forms of the debentures. These debentures shall not lessen the general borrowing powers of the Town.

QUINTS ON PROGRAM CALLANDER, Ont., March 20 — (CP) — The Dienne quintuplets will make their television debut on a special Easter Sunday broadcast from Hollywood, it was learned today. They will appear in Rev. Patrick Peyton's family theatre along with Bing Crosby, Jimmy Durante and other stars of the Roman Catholic faith.

home in Summerside. Miss Walsh has been a patient in Camp Hill Hospital, Halifax.—S.

—Miss Betty Howatt, R.N., who for the past few months has been nursing in Welland, Ont., has arrived to spend a month's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Howatt, Summerside. Miss Howatt will leave the first of April for Montreal to take an air hostess course conducted by Trans-Canada Airlines.—S.

Consideration of Summerside's case for the retention of the electric power contract in connection with the R.C.A.F. Station was promised by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton to a delegation from the Town of Summerside, it was learned from Mayor Henry Wedge on his return from Ottawa last night.

Mayor Wedge was accompanied to Ottawa by Councillors T. D. Morrison and J. Lorne Driscoll, both of whom returned on Saturday. Mayor Wedge said that an appointment with the Minister was arranged by Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, member of Parliament for this constituency, who also introduced the members of the delegation to the Minister at the meeting.

A brief outlining the history of the case, showing that Summerside has supplied power to the airport for the past ten years without serious complaint and has, with the knowledge of the Defence Department, embarked on a capital expenditure of \$150,000.00 to be able to continue this service, was submitted to Mr. Claxton before the meeting so that he could study it.

The brief also stated that the only information that the Town has received that the contract is to be cancelled and given to the Maritime Electric Co. Ltd., was from a speech of Premier Jones in the Legislature while discussing rural electrification. The brief asked that the contract with Summerside be continued or that some satisfactory financial consideration be arranged.

At the meeting with the Minister the matter was thoroughly discussed and the delegation was advised that he would take the matter up with his advisers and give a decision at a later date.

Mayor Wedge said that he will make a full report on their Ottawa trip at the next meeting of the Town Council.—S.

OUTLINES PLANS

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A total of 145 miles of highway was rebuilt to improved standards. The object of such standards is to give roads which will be not only satisfactory in summer but also high enough to be reasonably snow free in winter. In addition to this construction program, maintenance was carried on, on a larger scale than ever before.

The use of calcium chloride has helped to combat the most difficult of summer problems, that of dust, but it is a very heavy financial burden in a Province with the highest per capita mileage of roads in Canada.

No new hot-mix pavement was laid during the year. A light pavement was laid at Murray River and Dingwell's Mills. About thirty miles of pavement was seal coated.

One of the big problems in the Public Works Department has been keeping roads open in winter. Twenty-seven snowplows are in use. This year a system of despatchers has been adopted, with headquarters at Beach Grove and with other centres at Montague, Summerside and Alberton.

Last year's bridges were rebuilt at Louis West, Grand River, Mr. Stewart, Wellington and Cape Traverse, as well as numerous smaller structures. The new bridge-work must carry high speed trucks with heavy loads, and are necessarily more costly than the old structures built to carry slow speed truck wagon traffic.

It is expected that the new Health Centre, built at the rear of the former Polyclinic building on Prince Street which has been taken over by the Health Department, will be occupied this summer.

New Ferry Berth

At Rocky Point a new waiting room was added and an apron changed from floats to steel supporting cables. Work of rebuilding Prince Street wharf is nearing completion and a new berth for the ferry will be used in early Spring.

The completion of a farmer's cottage and doctor's residence at Falconwood was noted, also that at Beach Grove Infirmary the main building has been completed and occupied, and staff quarters are being made ready for Spring occupancy.

At Prince of Wales College extensive renovations were made to provide more office and locker space. Estimates of expenditure in the various departments of Government for the current year were reviewed by the Minister who claimed a "marvellous" record for the Government in this connection. In addition to other revenue this Province was obtaining \$422,000 in family allowances from the Dominion Government.

Mr. Cox recalled that a quarter of century ago there were 70 family allowances, old age and blind pensions, etc., yet the people seemed to be better off. Food was much cheaper and there seemed to be less poverty. At any rate, there is more direct relief being paid out today than for some years past, despite the large amounts expended in other welfare services.

Dealing with the fisheries, Mr. Cox expressed some doubt as to whether druggers would work out

KENSINGTON RINK

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 Fourth game semi-finals, Merchants' League FRENCH RIVER vs. GRAHAM'S ROAD Game 8:30 sharp Skate after Don't miss this game as it may be the final of the series



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successfully here, except at Souris, Georgetown and possibly Alberton. His department was being inundated with applications for work of all kinds, and in dealing with these requests Mr. Cox said that he would use every district as fairly as possible.

At the outset of his speech he scored the Opposition leader for claiming to be the dean of the House. "He had six elections and I had six, but there was a gap in his and there is no gap in mine," Mr. Cox maintained. "I am the dean of the House. I am in my twenty-third year here and in all that time I only sat for four years in the Opposition!" (Laughter).

ALL FOR A ROAD

HOPTON, Suffolk, England — (CP) — It will take a lot of trouble to widen the Great Yarmouth-Lowestoft road where it runs through this little village. Some trees, several front gardens, the coal store, half the public-house car-parks, and 62 square yards of the school playground will be torn up. But the villagers are pleased. When the job is finished they'll have a sidewalk.

OUTSPOKEN

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the huge consumption of liquor at the present time.

"Under the new Temperance Act we were assured that it would be very much harder for a man to abuse liquor than under the old Prohibition Act," he said. Taxi drivers in particular were to be prevented from using other people's books. He had seen taxi drivers, however, with a half a dozen books under the new law. "Whether you call it lax enforcement or what it is, it is getting very bad for the country." He cited instances of young men who were drinking day after day. They were using other people's books, and there did not seem to be any restriction at all.

Alarming Debt Increase

In provincial financing Mr. Stewart also saw cause for alarm. A balanced budget was "like a will-o-the-wisp; when you try to catch up to it, it is gone." He remembered when the provincial debt was only one million dollars, and some people held up their hands in horror.

Important to this Province is the fact that the debt rests on the land, Mr. Stewart emphasized. Other Provinces have natural resources which we lack. "So that when we say we have a debt of some sixteen million dollars, it means that there is \$16 on every arable acre of land on this island."

"I remember when it was \$8,000,000 not so many years ago, and we were borrowing at between 3 and 4 percent. I asked the auditor what percentage we would have to pay if our debt was \$10,000,000; and he said we wouldn't have to pay anything at all, because we wouldn't get it! But we seem to have got past that stage, and our security still seems to be good. It must be because we have always paid our debts and we are good citizens."

Unfair Grant Provisions

"What is keeping us poor in Prince Edward Island, Mr. Stewart maintained, "has been these 'matching grants' from the Dominion Government, to which we must make contributions on a par with other Provinces. This is highly unfair, because the percentage of the revenue we have to put up is much larger than the contributions made by wealthy Provinces like Ontario."

"Nobody takes any exception to these grants for health and public roads; they are very good things, but they are keeping us poor."

He maintained that under Confederation the Island should have obtained its share in Crown lands and other Dominion resources. "This should have been one of the main arguments for receiving a larger sum of money from Ottawa," he said. "It is all very well to say we have to cut our suits to our cloth. We need a larger piece of cloth. I think these grants should be a Dominion responsibility."

A Long Wait

Mr. Stewart stressed the need for improved roads in the south side of his district, as well as in Second Queen's. "We have been promised a paved road via Bonshaw to Borden, and we have been told that the longer we wait the better the road we would get. The only thing is that we have waited so long, we will soon be on the heavenly road," he added amid loud Opposition applause. "We can only hope that in the near future we will get

some consideration." Mr. Stewart did not agree with the argument that production is the main problem of food producers today. "It is a matter of distribution, of transportation," he said. To emphasize his point he noted that shipping to England costs more today than it did half a century ago.

Marketing boards, Mr. Stewart said, were a good thing and he instanced in this connection the progress made in strawberry marketing through growers organizing and shipping co-operatively. As a result, the price last year never went below 19 cents at any time. A good manager at a good salary is needed to make such enterprise successful.

Cabinet Elevations

Commenting on Cabinet changes since the last session, Mr. Stewart congratulated the hon. member for Morill (Hon. Mr. Cox) on having forsaken his "wild life" and settled down to portfolio duties as Minister of Public Works and Highways. "My colleague the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. Large) has in his own words been 'elevated' to the portfolio of Education," Mr. Stewart added. "I might say that I was 'elevated' also. I was elevated so far that I must have gone over the top!" (Laughter)

Mr. Stewart recalled that as Minister of Agriculture he received \$2,000 and paid for his own car. The new Minister receives \$3,500 a year, and also a car. "He is like a lot of new fellows; he wants to start where the old man left off," he added amid further laughter.

Reviews Activities

Mr. Stewart gave a detailed review of his activities as Minister during last year, which was an exceptionally busy one on account of the extra work involved in the support price placed on butter.

Two new men, Messrs. Deacon and Peacock, were added to the staff and are doing good work. Inspection of churning in dairy factories by the provincial pathologist also proved of much service, as they found yeasts and moulds which developed even under low temperatures, and by exact tests helped to correct this defect.

Co-operation was given in the teaching of short courses, the aim being to keep young people interested in their work on the farm. The field day at the Experimental Station was particularly successful. Numerous delegations of farmers visited the Province, including groups from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia and even Ontario.

Referring to the visit of Hon. Mr. Kennedy, former Premier of Ontario, who operates over 100 acres of fruitland, Mr. Stewart said Mr. Kennedy was particularly interested in Mr. Reeves' fine orchard and said he had never seen the like of it anywhere.

Commenting on last year's Provincial Exhibition, he said the drawing card for many visitors was the fine exhibit by the Women's Institute, who carried on without a grant. Commending the progress made in plowing matches in King's County, Mr. Stewart suggested that the furrows were being plowed "just a little too straight," and said he would like to see some contour plowing attempted.

He referred to the fine old French and English carriage horses which are a feature of the Alberton exhibition and which "excel in appearance any motor car ever made."

The Egmont Bay fair was unique in its fine handwork exhibits, as well as in its display of sheep. Congratulating Mr. Burge on carrying off the potato crown at the Amherst fair, Mr. Stewart said he hoped to see him crowned potato king of Canada this year. In years gone by Island exhibitors cleaned up nearly everything at Amherst, but in late years there has been greater competition from professional men turned breeders, who are crowding out the farmer exhibitors.

Mr. Stewart stressed the advantages of field days, and reviewed the special features at these events last year. Referring to the abundant hay-crop last year, he recalled his own advice to farmers to leave their stacks in the field, which many had done advantageously.

Support Prices

He referred briefly to the support price obtained last year on potatoes, and said the farmers this year were entitled to similar consideration, though perhaps at a somewhat lower price.

He was afraid that this year too many turnips will be planted. "The only reason we are getting such a demand now is that Ontario is not shipping any," he pointed out. "Turnips are always a gambling crop; and as in every other crop, it is the surplus which sets the price."

This Province grows about 5,000,000 bushels of grain and imports the equivalent of another 2,500,000 bushels. Last year about 6,000,000 bushels were grown, and it has been argued that farmers should concentrate on growing their own grain requirements as much as possible. Mr. Stewart did not agree with this suggestion. It was not a good idea to break up the pasture land.

"So long as we can buy grain economically we should import it," he said. "When you import a million bushels of grain you are

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