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CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1957

## LIMITED TAXABLE CAPACITY

### Says Time Has Arrived For Federal Aid In Education

"Laudable as is the assistance by the Federal Government toward higher education and the development of cultural activities, it will be felt by those concerned with the whole aspect of education generally, that the Canadian Government should now go further and undertake a national plan of assistance in any way it might desire," said Hon. Ker Clark, Minister of Education speaking on the Draft Address in the Legislature yesterday.



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Mr. Clark felt that the Federal assistance program should include general educational development in the common schools and the high school, particularly in the "have not" or poorer provinces which lack sufficient taxable capacity to provide the finances to bring their standard of educational opportunity up to at least some reasonable level or up to the level of the Canadian average.

The Minister noted that the Prime Minister in speaking on the matter of doubling grants to universities and the Canada Council through which is provided \$100,000,000 for the general promotion of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences said, "This is something that is in the interests of the nation as a whole."

"At least in nine provinces this statement will meet with unanimous approval," said Mr. Clark, "but if this is true, surely the same is true of primary and secondary education. The building of any sound structure must rest upon proper foundations and nowhere is this truer than in the education of a child."

In dealing with the Opposition Leader's criticism regarding the Department of Education, Mr. Clark said, "He cannot understand, with every thing running efficiently why the Government should have any concern about education. He appears to think a committee of the House would not be familiar with educational matters at the present time if we are to judge from his speech some members may not be familiar with such matters. He appears reluctant to serve on such a committee because he infers it would be too much work."

The Minister went on to point out that education has been the concern of a great many people for thousands of years. He mentioned Socrates because of his concern for education was put to death. Later the people of Athens honoured his pupil, Plato, who in turn taught Aristotle, the teacher of Alexander the Great.

## LASTING INFLUENCE

This influence, said the Minister, spread through the Roman Empire where Greek slaves were used as teachers. Even through the dark ages some people were still concerned about education.

The Minister recalled that education has had a struggle in Prince Edward Island for the past 150 years. He referred to the Royal Commission appointed in 1929 under the chairmanship of the late Dr. Cyrus MacMillan. He suggested it might be unwise for the Island Government to follow the example of Nova Scotia. "What Hicks achieved there, Stanfield now promises to undo," said Mr. Clark.

"So I believe we should be rightfully concerned. Education being a joint responsibility of the Provincial Government and the local school districts, we should do everything possible to give out correct information and keep the people adequately informed," the Minister said.

## PROGRESS NOTED

In reviewing the work of his Department, Mr. Clark said that ten years ago the total educational expenditures in the Province were \$50,000 while this year the amount was \$2,500,000. He said high schools with a year added to the course of studies have been built in central locations all over the province so that a far greater number of students can live nearer their homes and take advantage of this educational opportunity.

The Minister said that in two decades there has been unparalleled prosperity and expansion of the economy of Canada so that there are not nearly enough high school graduates to go around. "That is why we haven't enough teachers, enough nurses, enough doctors or enough in any other professions. It

is one of the penalties we must pay for this prosperity and that is why with our limited finances, we must feel concern for education," he said.

GOOD CO-OPERATION  
The Minister said he was pleased with the excellent co-operation of the Department was receiving from the teachers of the Province and the fact that good public relations prevail.

"I believe the leaders of the Opposition should be a little kinder to me when he refers to 'ruling in a high and mighty way'. You all know that were it not for the fact that I stand here, he wouldn't be sitting there. Many of his henchmen were willing to get rid of him and he said he was willing to quit but so far he has been reluctant to pass over the reins to either of his two followers who now so ably support him in the House."

LOSS OF PERSONNEL  
In referring to Mr. Bell's criticism that educationalists were leaving the Province, the Minister supposed there would always be some movement between the provinces. He said one of the teachers at the Vocational School had left when he was offered a salary in industry which the Department could not in any way duplicate. The second one, he said, left because she could go on pension in this Province and at the same time draw her salary in Nova Scotia.

"I know this because I have already signed the voucher for her first pension check."

"What about?" Permit Teachers said Mr. Clark "A generation ago all who passed first or second year Prince of Wales were teachers. With the equivalent training we call them permit teachers today because we have raised our standards. Of the 118 permits issued last year, 44 had grade XII or higher academic standing, up to and including degrees. We have issued about 100 permits this year."

"Now let me discuss this '25 cents a day insult' which the Leader of the Opposition claims we gave the teachers," said Mr. Clark. "He doesn't have to take my word for it, the facts are in the statute book and are as follows: Salary increases: 1952 — \$100 plus \$50 duplicate supplement; 1954 — \$50 plus \$50 additional increment for experience; 1956 — \$100 flat increase across the board."

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## Start Action On Insurance Plan

OTTAWA (CP) — The government started parliamentary machinery rolling Monday to get its hospital insurance scheme approved before dissolution and a general election. But federal authorities suggested that because of provincial problems, the plan may not be in operation before 1959.

Health Minister Martin initiated action by giving the customary notice in the Commons of a resolution to precede introduction of the bill. His aides said Mr. Martin plans to get ahead with procedure as quickly as possible.

Some opposition members, sounding out on the plan, predicted that the legislation will get speedy passage if the bill proves to be "workable."

## PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY

By THE CANADIAN PRESS  
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## BEN-GURION GIVES DECISION

## Riot Threatens As Israeli Withdrawal Is Ordered

### Ottawa Cracking Down On Dyed Imported Potatoes

OTTAWA, (Special) — Both the Departments of Agriculture and National Health and Welfare are cracking down on the importation into Canada of United States potatoes dyed red to simulate "New" potatoes.

## SHIPPED FROM NEBRASKA

### Death Monday Of J. M. Roop

The death occurred suddenly shortly after 10 o'clock Monday morning of Mr. J.M. Roop at his home, 64 McGill Avenue. He was in his 74th year. Mr. Roop was one of the leading businessmen of the City, having been in the meat business for a great many years.

## REVIEWS TAX-RENTAL AGREEMENTS

### Central Provinces Getting Lion's Share, Says Premier

"If we are to have a United Canada, the wealth must spread from the centre to the outside," said Premier Matheson yesterday as he resumed the debate on the Draft Address in the Legislature.

The Premier said the Maritime Provinces from the time of Confederation have been contributing to the economy of the Central Provinces which continued to advance while those farthest away from the centre continue to lag behind.

He predicted however that in the future with the trend toward greater urban population and smaller rural population, agricultural would come into its own.

The Premier noted that Prince Edward Island has advanced materially over the years but the economic ability of the Province has not been able to keep pace with these advances.

He recalled the one day conference of Provincial Premiers which was held at Ottawa last Spring. He said Premier Frost of Ontario had told the conference at that time the Federal Government should spend another \$200,000,000 for assistance in education and additional revenue for municipalities.

"This feeling was general," said Premier Matheson, "but we were told that there was no more money for anyone."

PAYING MORE THAN SHARE  
"We in Prince Edward Island are paying more than our ordinary share," said the Premier. "Ontario is putting on additional corporation taxes. Who's paying for that? It is not Ontario alone that is paying for it, we in this Province are making our contribution because most of the larger Canadian corporations have their head offices in Ontario."

The Premier also recalled that Ontario retained its right to collect succession duties. "What do you suppose happens when a person in Prince Edward Island dies having stocks or bonds in an Ontario company? Here is another instance where we increase their revenue."

Mr. Matheson said the Province which would gain the most from the proposed tax rental agreement was Quebec. "Whether it is to get them to join in a tax-rental agreement or not, I do not know, but it has been suggested."

The Premier said the local Government has not intimated to Ottawa whether they will accept the proposed agreement in so far as Prince Edward Island is concerned but with the dead line fast approaching he could see no other solution. "If we had eighty members representing this Province instead of four maybe we would get what we want," he added.

Mr. Bell: "Perhaps we should have a Maritime Union."

Premier: "I have talked about that but I don't know whether it would be so good. I don't mean because of the Governments which are now in power in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick."

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## Details Are Arranged By Conference With Gen. Burns

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion Monday ordered Israeli troops to get out of Gaza and coastal strips 125 days after they invaded Egypt.

MaJ-Gen. E. L. M. Burns, the UN Emergency Force commander quickly reached agreement with the Israeli military command on the method and timing of the withdrawal, but gave no details pending a report to UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold.

Ben Gurion's action, before he had informed parliament, set off a clash between police and demonstrators—mostly students — who angrily shouted, "stop the withdrawal."

A crowd of hundreds marched toward the Knesset (parliament) building shouting for Ben-Gurion's government to resign. One of the marchers was injured and about 10 arrested in a police charge.

Police used clubs to subdue the crowd and threw up a cordon that stopped the march on parliament. About 100 of the marchers attempted to stage a sitdown in the middle of the street.

Under Ben-Gurion's orders, Maj. Gen. Moshe Dayan, Israeli army chief of staff, flew to Lydda Airport in Central Israel and held a 70-minute conference with Burns

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## Mollet Urges United Policy On Middle East

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He warned in an address before the Canadian Senate and Commons in joint session that Russia would exploit any split in the united front of the free nations in the Middle East.

He used much tougher language concerning President Nasser of Egypt than has been heard from any Canadian government official.

"The economic equilibrium of Europe and the countries of Southeast Asia cannot depend on the single goodwill of a commonplace Egyptian dictator," he said in his 24-minute speech delivered half in French and half in English. He was given a standing ovation at the beginning and end of his address.

Mr. Mollet said Egypt had sabotaged the Suez Canal without military justification and had since exercised "blackmail" over its clearance.

TRAINERS CONFERENCE  
MONTREAL (CP) — The Canadian Industrial Trainers Association will hold its two-day annual conference here April 11 and 12. The conference will stress industrial training in the coming era of automation.

## Sale Of Tourist Cabins Queried

OTTAWA, (Special) — Information concerning tourist cabins built on land in the Prince Edward Island National Park is being sought by J. Angus MacLean, Conservative M.P. for Queens who Monday described these questions on the House of Commons order paper:

1. Have tourist cabins built by the Federal Government in the Prince Edward Island National Park been sold?

2. If so, have the furnishings also been sold?

3. What was the cost to the government of these cabins and what was the cost of the furnishings?

## Nuclear Energy Seen Great Hope

TORONTO (CP) — Nuclear energy discoveries of the future will supply a source of energy which will raise the living standard of all peoples and maintain it for centuries, Dr. Davis A. Keys, scientific adviser to the president of Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., said Monday.

The fusion of lighter elements to form heavier ones, such as hydrogen to form helium — now proved in theory — awaited the discovery of how to bring about the fusion at a controlled rate. Dr. Keys said in an address to the Prospectors and Developers' Association.

A way would eventually be found to do this and, "like most outstanding new discoveries, it will probably be made by a young man."

"All we shall require then is the same advance in mankind's ethical and peaceful development to make our world the place we wish it to be for future generations."

"Even today, nuclear energy from uranium and thorium offers hopes of meeting the energy requirements of all peoples."

A British authority had estimated that if scientists could learn to burn up 60 per cent of natural uranium, then 10 tons of uranium a year would supply the present needs of electricity in the United Kingdom.

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