CH'TOWN SOLDIER IN CONGO

Sgt. Ross Jenkins (left) of Charlottetown, P.E.I., a member of the Canadian 57th Signals Squadron at Kolwezi in The Congo, checks a message with two Irish soldiers of the United Nations Force. The Canadian signals unit is responsible for communications linking United Nations detachments with Leopoldville. (CP Wirephoto from National Defence)

FARM FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

Hays Appears Committed On Four Important Issues

This week's big event, of course, has been the twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in Charlottetown. The meetings have had very good newspaper coverage and it isn't the intention to discuss in any detail the business covered and the decisions reached. The opinion has been expressed that the sessions just concluded have added up to one of the most successful Canadian Federation of Agriculture annual meetings on record. In addition, the province, the City and our people have been commended very highly for hospitality. The various social functions were enjoyed very greatly and the special programs arranged for the ladies generally appreciated.

On Friday the Board of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture met to organize itself and deal with a quite lengthy agenda. Seated around that Board were men who could easily become leaders in any field of endeavour. They represented not only the grassroot farmer but also the large grain organizations of Western Canada, the powerful Ontario Federation and its United Co-operatives doing business in the hundreds of millions, the equally strong Co-op Federee of Quebec, its 40,000 member Catholic Farmer's Union and finally the Maritime Federations. While Canada is made up of regions and regional differences must be considered, yet very rarely does sectionalism become evident in discussion and decisions.

Very generally the directors and delegates are conscious of the fact that they are Canadians and they have a responsibility to all sections of society in the matters which they urge as policy. THE HONORABLE MINISTER

Those in attendance at the Clover Club on Thursday morning and it was a large crowd, heard from the Hon. Harry Hays a practical address in language that practical people could understand. The speech has already been reported in considerable detail but the Federation delegates who analysed the comments carefully, concluded that the Minister had committed himself either directly or indirectly to at least four important undertakings. First he stated quite definitely that farmers would be needing increased amounts of capital to operate successfully and it was his opinion that it should be provided.

Secondly it was pointed out that the investment in farm machinery was becoming a crushing load and action was necessary to ease it in some manner. Thirdly the Minister pointed out that Canadian hog and beef producers had considerable room to make improvement in efficiency so far as meat production was concerned. In fourth place the Minister expressed his opinion that the percentage of the Federal budget expended on agriculture could not be considered excessive and was indeed much less on a percentage basis than that of most other countries.

Finally the Minister committed himself to recognizing the Federation of Agriculture as an important instrument for consultation in developing nation farm policy.

MARKET FRILLS

Monday evening Farm Forum will be discussing the topic "Frills In The Market Place." This topic will open up for consideration some of the modern gadgets that go with present-day merchandising. It isn't only the farmer that is concerned about this trend, but the consumer is perhaps the one who has the most interest. For instance a recent bulletin put out by the Canadian Association of Consumers had this to say, "How we consumers are misbehaving! In spite of the fact that personal income in Canada increased 630 per cent between 1926 and 1956, we can't make ends meet! Our defensive communist is probably 'the cost of living is going up so fast, our income can't catch up'.

The real truth may be, however, that we have come to consider luxuries to be necessities and whatever growing desires are mistakenly allowed to become needs, we have to pay their price out of our 'needs' money. Let us acquire a keen sense of values as well as keen judgment of value."

"A basic principle is that a thing is worth precisely what it can do for you, not what you choose to pay for it. For example, it is not necessary to buy the highest priced commodity if one at a lower price will fill your needs equally well."

"It has been estimated that the woman who knows what she wants, the source of supply and how much she would pay for the quality she desires, will be able to get up to 30 per cent more for her money than the woman who buys carelessly, or with the idea of getting something because so and so has it."

SAFETY FEATURE

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture convention showed marked interest in and endorsed in principle a resolution with respect to highway safety for farm vehicles and originating with the Marshfield Women's Institute. This group has already won nation recognition through the Carol Lane Award for outstanding work in highway safety. After winning this recognition in 1962 the women continued this work and developed a special marker for the protection of slow moving farm vehicles. The triangular object is fluorescent by day and reflective by night and can be seen for up to one-half mile. The symbol was demonstrated to the Canadian Federation of Agriculture meeting and during the following days numerous inquiries were received as to where the symbol could be procured.

LOCAL BRIEFS

OMITTED

In the report of the funeral of Frederick J. MacAdam, published Friday the staff of the Windmill was inadvertently omitted from the list of those in attendance.

AT CONVENTION

Among those attending the Canadian Federation of Agriculture convention here this week was Dr. James C. Woodwort, associate director-general of the research branch, Canada Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

CHOIR TO PERFORM

The junior choir of Trinity United Church, Montague, will present an evening of song at A.D. MacKenzie Hall on Feb. 12, for the purpose of defraying the cost of recently purchased new gowns. Beginning at 7:30 p.m., the program will consist of sacred music and negro spirituals which will include some Stephen Foster selections.

CARD PARTY WINNERS

The winners of the card party held at the Community Centre were: ladies' first, Mrs. Ella Sommers; second, Mrs. Mary Wedge; men's first, H.R. Ellis; second, R.T. MacDonald. Dan Chipman and Brian Malone; special prize, Mrs. Nazaire Gallant; door prize, Mrs. James Pendergast; consolation, Mrs. Stella Martin and Patrick Trainor; freezeout, Mrs. E. Murray and Mrs. Pineau

Soft Ice Points Need Of Artificial Ice Plant

MONTAGUE — Most of the activity at the Montague hockey and skating rink had to be curtailed this week due to the lack of cooler weather this once again proving the necessity of artificial ice to maintain any kind of program for the youth of the area.

"Minor Hockey week and ice not available for the young lads? This is terrible," said one citizen, "Why don't they do something about it?"

Tonight a game between St. Dunstan's High School and the Regional High School which was to get underway at 8 p.m. has been postponed and will be rescheduled, possibly next Friday.

On Tuesday of next week the semi-finals of the Intermediate B series between the Montague Merchants and the Murray Harbour Bruins is to take place, ice permitting.

The present situation at Montague with reference to the present rink is that it has been sold to Irving Oil Ltd. who made it available to the community for this winter.

What will happen next season is the question and it now seems to be all talk and no action as one resident put it.

He also asked, "why don't they do something about it?" But many are wondering who are They"?

Burn's Concert Slated Tonight

The upcoming Burn's Concert was the main topic of discussion at the regular Thursday night meeting of the Alpha Y's Mens Club held at the YMCA.

The major plans for the concert had been finalized but a few minor details remained to be worked out.

The concert, which is an annual affair draws large crowds from all across the Island. It is being held tonight at PWC auditorium

Hosp. Employees Union Still Chasing Pay Raise

By DON MacLEOD

Union locals representing non-professional workers at two Charlottetown hospitals have again urged the provincial government to implement a conciliation board recommendation that would provide wage increases for union members.

For more than two years, Locals 805 and 826 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees at Charlottetown Hospital and the Prince Edward Island Hospital have been seeking a working agreement with the hospitals which covers wage increases.

Hospital budgets, however, are approved by the provincial Hospital Services Commission which has not provided for wage increases.

On Dec. 10, the national union, on behalf of the hospital locals, presented a brief to the government, asking that the government direct the Hospital Services Commission to provide funds to implement a conciliation board recommendation on wage increases.

One of the locals received a letter from Premier Walter R. Shaw about two weeks ago in which the premier suggested the government did not receive a direct message from the locals involved. An official of the local wrote Premier Shaw Wednesday, making the request on behalf of the local.

Premier Shaw said this morning the matter is in the lands of Welfare and Labor Minister Henry Wedge and added "the government will likely go along with recommendations of the Hospital Service Commission's budget estimates for the coming year."

City Magistrate Blasts Cat Killer

"A miserable and nasty thing to do" was how Magistrate A.J. Haslam, QC, described the act committed by Joseph Doyle, Charlottetown, who pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawfully and wilfully mistreating a cat as to cause it unnecessary suffering. He was remanded without bail to Jan. 31.

Crown witness Raymond MacDonald, Charlottetown said in testimony that the accused took the cat off his knee and straag. led it to death, and then put it on the floor and stepped on its head.

Said Haddad, Charlottetown, charged with failing to send his daughter to school for the 90 percent of the time required by the school board regulations, had his case adjourned to Jan. 29. She was not in school from Nov. 27 to Jan. 20.

Albert Doucet, Charlottetown, charged with being drunk and disorderly, pleaded guilty and was given a two-year suspended sentence during which time he is to keep the peace and be of good behavior, and enter into recognizance of $500, with two sureties of $250 each. He was released on $20 bail until he could obtain bondsmen.

John W. Townsend, Milton, and John Augustin, Charlottetown, were each fined $15 and costs or 10 days on charges of speeding, while another man Edward S. Marsh, Charlottetown, was fined $12 and costs or six days on a similar charge.

Charles Arthur Hale, Charlottetown, was fined $125 and costs or 30 days for impaired driving.

George Cudmore, Charlottetown, was remanded to Jan. 31, on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. Bail was set at $30 cash.

Two men, charged with the possession of intoxicating liquor in places other than their residences were each fined $20 and costs or 30 days.

James Garfield MacNevin, Charlottetown, charged with break, entry, and theft was remanded without bail to Jan. 31.

One man, charged with failing to stop at a stop sign was fined $5 and costs or two days.

Two men, charged with being drunk and incapable were each fined $20 and costs or 20 days.

EASTERN BRIEFS

HAS SURGERY

Alva G. Allen, Montague, has undergone major surgery in the P.E.I. Hospital.

TO ONTARIO

Roy MacDonald, Murray Harbour, Blair MacSwain and Harold MacSwain, Alliston left recently on a motor trip to Ontario.

IN P.E.I. HOSPITAL

Grafton Gosbee, Guernsey Cove is a patient in P.E.I. Hospital, Charlottetown where he recently underwent surgery.

IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Lorin Brehaut, Murray Harbour, has accepted a position in Charlottetown.

FOR WINTER

Mrs. John H. Bell of Murray Harbour has left for Charlottetown where she will remain for the remainder of the winter months.

OUT OF HOSPITAL

Louis Harris, Beach Point has returned to his home from the P.E.I. Hospital where he had been a patient for several weeks following surgery.

FROM ONTARIO

Mrs. William Hans, Ontario is visiting in Murray Harbor at the home of her mother, Mrs. David Vanderstine.

ON COURSE

Approximately 10 men from Murray Harbour and Murray River are taking a six weeks course in navigation at the Provincial Vocational Institute, Malpeque Road, Charlottetown.

TO NFLD.

Alden Hume has returned to St. John's, Nfld., after spending three weeks in Murray Harbour. Mr. Hume is employed with the Bank of Nova Scotia. Mrs. Hume and their two children will remain in Murray Harbour at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Harris.

TO BLACK'S HARBOR

Dr. Zoema Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jordan, Murray Harbor, who in July 1962 went to Placentia, Nfld., and returned to her home in December has now accepted a position in Black's Harbor, N.B

Gaspereaux Home Burns

MONTAGUE — Fire about noon yesterday completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Llewellyn, of Gaspereaux.

The fire was first noticed by Mrs. Llewellyn in the upstairs hallway. She called her husband and along with several of the neighbours were able to remove the downstairs furniture.

The home consisting of approximately ten rooms was of the older type but was in good repair.

The Llewellyns live approximately three miles from the nearest telephone and were unable to summon help from a fire department.

Also living in the home was their 12-year-old son, however all were able to get out of the building without injury. It is not known if the property was insured.

Hays Reveals Renovations For Ex. Farm

Following his visit to the Experimental Farm here on Thursday afternoon, Agriculture Minister Harry Hays announced a number of important renovations and additions are to be made at the farm.

Installation of a heating system in the west half of Biren Court, where the Farm maintains a museum and permanent agricultural exhibit. This contract has been awarded to Bevan Bros.

Construction of a new silo and of a common roof over the silos to permit the moving from silo to silo of an automatic silage unloader. Contract for this construction has not been let as yet.

Installation of a modern lighting system in five compartments of a green house. This will permit the conducting of controlled experiments during the winter months when definite amounts of light are required for optimum growth. Tenders are being received for this project at the present time.

6 Months Added To Prison Term

George Eric Dawson, Southport, who had pleaded guilty to possession of stolen goods, a television set, was sentenced to six months in Dorchester Penitentiary, by Magistrate James B. Johnston QC in Queens County magistrate's court yesterday afternoon.

Magistrate Johnston had earlier sentenced Dawson to a two-year term in Dorchester for car theft. The two sentences will run consecutively.

A 17-year-old Little Sands youth, Graham Patrick Richards, pleaded guilty to a charge of having in his possession a still suitable for the manufacture of spirits.

Magistrate Johnston fined Richards $100 and costs or three months.

Custom Motors, Halifax, charged with permitting a motor vehicle to be driven on the highway without being registered, had their case adjourned by consent until Feb. 3 to fix a date for trial, due to the fact that the owner was in Halifax and couldn't be present.

Mrs. Marjorie Kerwin, Rustico, charged with keeping liquor for sale had her case adjourned by consent until Feb. 3. Mrs. Kerwin wasn't present in the courtroom, but a plea of not guilty was entered on her behalf by her attorney, Lester O'Donnell.

Seven men pleaded guilty to the charge of illegal possession of liquor, and all were fined $20 and costs or 30 days.

Because of the absence of Alan K. Scales, prosecutor for the Crown, a case was remanded by consent until Feb. 3 to fix a date for trial, with bail to stand.

A man charged with being intoxicated in a public place, rounded out the docket. He was fined $20 and costs or 15 days.

FAULTY EQUIPMENT

The O'Brien Iron and Metal Company Ltd., was fined $10 and costs for permitting the operation of a motor vehicle with faulty equipment.

Arthur Dawson Hughes, Cove head was fined $10 and costs for parking a car with part of it on the highway when it could have been off the road.

Gordon John Crosby, Bonshaw, was fined $10 and costs for passing another vehicle while faced with a solid white line.

James Alexander MacLean, Ocean View, was fined $10 and costs for parking a car on the highway.

Miscouche Said Considering Village Square And Museum

Development of a village square, containing an Acadian museum, is one of the projects under consideration by the Miscouche area resources development group.

The project was discussed earlier this week at a meeting of the group and there were suggestions that a handicraft program could be tied in with the development of the square and museum.

Main speaker at the meeting was Ronald Storey who discussed small business management.

Other matters discussed were oyster production, cranberry growing and peat moss industry possibilities.

Research Director Reid Sangster outlined the workings of his division and the resource development program, and gave examples of how this type of program has been successful in other areas of the Maritimes, particularly Nova Scotia.

The group will meet again Feb. 5.

Sign Program To Be Speeded

Highway Minister Philip Matheson said yesterday, his department plans to step up its program of highway sign erection this year.

Noting that some groups recently have suggested that mileages be placed on highway signs, the minister said that in many cases the signs do carry mileage figures. He added, "in this province, where distances among communities are not great, there may not be a need for large number of mileage signs."

The sign erection program, however, he said, will be sped up this year" and we are standardizing our signs with those of other provinces."

1864 Conference Here Is Subject Of CHS Booklet

One of the more timely booklets recently received by the of the Canadian Historical Society titled "The Charlottetown Conference", which was sent to Mayor A. Walthen Gaudet this week.

The booklet deals with the 1864 conference and traces developments from the earlier Confederation Maritime union to the deliberations which started here and ended months later when it was adjourned in Toronto.

Written by P.B. Waite, now professor of history at the University of Western Ontario and formerly of the history department of Dalhousie, the booklet reveals the depth of the author's knowledge and the thoroughness of the research.

Featured on the cover is an old picture of "Province House, Charlottetown, in 1864". Inside an explanation states the picture is based on a photograph by a Saint John, N.B., photographer and engraved for the Illustrated London News in which it appeared on November 12, 1864.

City Water Inspection Team Starts Wastage Check Mon.

With the object of preventing the heavy wastage of water, as in the past, a team of inspectors will start to scour the city Monday to determine where the wastage is occurring.

Chairman of the Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply, Sidney Green, said yesterday that the team will inspect all pipes and installations.

Mr. Green said the great increase in water usage in December indicated many people were permitting faucets to run continuously to prevent pipes from freezing. He suggested the pipes be insulated, instead, and noted unless citizens co-operated the commissioners might feel impelled to institute a water metering system.

Where leaks or wastage is discovered by inspectors, the householder will be warned to have immediate repairs made. Failing this, the water supply will be discontinued after a 10 - day period.

At the same time, it was announced a completely new assessment of the value of the water and sewerage system is underway by a Nova Scotia engineering firm. This will enable the commissioners to provide an accurate basis for rates, with operational costs as a foundation.

New Manager Of Royal Bank Here Is Named

E.C. Wright, manager of the main office of the Royal Bank of Canada in Moncton, will take over duties as the new manager of the bank's Charlottetown branch within the next few days. He will replace the late L.D. MacKay.

Mr. Wright, a native of Nova Scotia, has been with several branches of the Royal Bank in both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and was the manager of the Woodstock branch before going to Moncton.

Married, Mr. Wright has three children.

Cars Collide And Hit Post

Two vehicles collided at the corner of Kent and Queen streets early this morning, and although both cars were damaged, no injuries were reported.

The accident occurred about 12:45 a.m. when a vehicle driven by John Gallant of South Rustico collided with a car driven by Walter Gallant of Charlottetown.

Walter Gallant's car was proceeding south on Queen and the force of the collision caused the vehicle to caroon backwards into a light post at the edge of the street.

The vehicle driven by John Gallant had been proceeding east on Kent Street. The collision occurred at the centre of the intersection.

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