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Charlottetown and Queens County

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Wiltshire Warehouse Is Destroyed By Fire

A warehouse and about 5,000 bags of potatoes were destroyed by fire which broke out about midnight Wednesday at North Wiltshire.

The warehouse belonged to Gulf Potato Company Limited of Charlottetown.

Jerome O'Brien, manager, estimated the warehouse loss to be about \$10,000. Total loss, which would include the potatoes, has not been determined. Mr. O'Brien said the building was insured.

The fire was prevented from spreading to two adjacent buildings by firemen from the New Glasgow fire department who fought the blaze for four hours. Other buildings threatened were a feed warehouse belonging to North Wiltshire Creamery and a second potato warehouse owned by Gulf Potato Co. Ltd.

Cause of the fire is not known.

City Election Change Is Further Explained

It was reported yesterday that some confusion apparently has arisen on the stand of the present city council in regard to civic elections.

A spokesman for the Charlottetown Board of Trade said it was explained at Wednesday's meeting of the board's executive that the city council feels the present election system should be changed and also feels that the change should be made this year during the February elections.

At present elections are held for all 10 councillors and mayor every two years.

He said the city council holds the view that starting this year an election should be held in which half the council and the

winning candidate for mayor would be elected for three-year terms while the other half of the council would be elected for two-year terms.

This would mean, it was explained, that whatever five councillors and mayor who are elected to three-year terms in February would be serving through 1964 and would be experienced councillors during that year in which the city will be celebrating the centennial of the first meeting of the Fathers of Confederation here in 1864.

It would also mean that in future years there would be no possibility of the election to office of an entirely new slate of councillors, inexperienced in running the city's business.

City Youths Sentenced To Six Months In Jail

Terms of six months in Queens County Jail were handed out yesterday to two accused, convicted by Magistrate A. James Haslam in city police court on charges of possession of stolen goods.

The pair, Robert Joseph Shepherd and John Francis Patrick Carter, both of Charlottetown, counselled by Allison M. Gillis, were charged with having possession of one vacuum cleaner and one electric kettle, known to have been obtained by the indictable offence of theft, the property of Firestone Home and Auto Company Ltd.

Also counselled by Mr. Gillis, Richard Ernest Ward and Carl Willard Doucette, both of Charlottetown, re-elected trial by a

judge without a jury, on charges of attempted break and entry, at the United Services Officers Club, Haviland Street.

At the request of Deputy Attorney-General J. Arthur McGuigan, who stated that time would be required so that the department could obtain the services of a court stenographer, the two accused were remanded until Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Pleading guilty to a charge of disorderly conduct, breaking windows in the YMCA building, Wilfred Edwards, Charlottetown, was given a 30-day suspended sentence.

Before sentence was passed defence counsel, Lester O'Donnell, informed the magistrate that the accused has already made restitution in full for the damage.

Pleading guilty to vagrancy, Angus McCormack, of no fixed address, was sentenced to 20 days in Queens County Jail. A lone drunk and incapable was fined \$10 and costs or five days.

Shore Defends Player Recall

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) Eddie Shore, owner of Springfield Indians of the American Hockey League, defended the recall from Vancouver Canucks of the Western League of player Frank Roggeveen.

General manager Dave Dauterive of the Canucks said in Vancouver he was seeking means of severing connections with the Springfield club because, he said, Shore is "pushing the Canucks around."

Shore said Thursday he has five players on loan to the Canucks, that it cost the Canucks nothing to have use of them and that by stipulation he has the prerogative of recalling them if he has need of them.

Roggeveen was recalled because of injuries to two Springfield club key players, said Shore.

Bldg. Committee Discusses Site

There was a short meeting yesterday of the committee that is studying the proposed provincial government administration building.

The meeting was held in the office of Hon. J. David Stewart, provincial secretary, and building committee chairman.

It is believed that the committee further studied the suggestion of the City of Charlottetown that the building be erected on a site near Government Pond.

This afternoon, the government's Executive Council will hold its regular weekly meeting.

Bills Fire Head Coach

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)—Gerard (Buster) Ramsey was fired Thursday as head coach of Buffalo Bills of the American Football League.

The former all-America guard from William and Mary, first man hired when the Bills were organized two years ago, compiled a 11-16-1 won-lost-tied record in two years of play.

Fine Reduced On Appeal

Appealing a sentence handed down by Magistrate K.M. Martin in city police court, the appeal of William McNeill, Jr., of Charlottetown was granted yesterday by Mr. Justice Mark R. MacGuigan in the Supreme Court.

McNeill had been fined \$300 and costs for having the unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor not purchased at a vendor.

In granting the appeal, Mr. Justice MacGuigan reduced the fine to \$25 and costs.

The appellant was represented by Allison Gillis while the Crown was represented by J. Arthur McGuigan, deputy attorney-general.

Trade Board To Stimulate Interest

Any impression that the Charlottetown Board of Trade is fully endorsing the present City Council for the February civic election as a whole body is an erroneous one, Brig. G.G.K. Peake, president of the board said last night.

Brig. Peake said this impression had apparently been gained by some individuals from a news story on Thursday.

"The board wishes to make it clear that their sole interest is to stimulate public interest in the forthcoming civic election and to ensure nominations and competition wherever possible throughout the city with the objective being the best civic government possible."

He added, "we wish to clear this impression up because it could restrict other nominations for the election."

At a meeting Wednesday night a committee was appointed to assist in securing the best possible type of candidate to offer in the election.

Green Coming To Ch'town

Hon. Howard Green, Canada's secretary of state for external affairs, will visit Charlottetown on Friday, Feb. 23, it was announced yesterday by Hugh Bagnall, Hunter River, president of the Queens County Progressive Conservative Association.

Mr. Green will be the main speaker at the annual meeting of the association, which will be held in the Community Centre in Charlottetown.

Preliminary plans for Mr. Green's visit were drawn up Wednesday at a meeting of the association held at Conservative headquarters in Charlottetown.

Among those attending the meeting were Premier Walter A. Shaw, several members of the provincial cabinet, and Heath Macquarrie, MP-Queens.

Graduations Are Planned

Local resources development groups will not meet at scheduled times during the month of January, research director Hartwell Daley said yesterday.

The schedule disruption is due to graduation exercises for those who have completed the course and special extension courses in most areas.

The graduation exercises will be filmed by CBC television crews. Date of the affair has not yet been determined.

Also during January committees working on special projects will have a chance to meet with P.T. Houlding of the National Research Council, who will be in the province two weeks to meet with committees having industrial development problems.

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Construction Sets Record In City; Up 340 Per Cent

By RALPH CAMERON
Guardian - Patriot Staff Writer

Sparked by a tremendous upsurge in residential building, construction in Charlottetown last year reached one of the highest peaks, dollar-wise, in the history of the capital city.

It climbed to 340 per cent of the construction value of the previous year, and the 175 building permits issued were for work costing \$5,000,785.40.

In 1960, the value of the permits for construction was \$1,731,900.00, Norman Stewart, city engineer, said yesterday.

Practically all elements of construction participated in the huge increase, with residential

units showing a sharp upswing from the \$407,000 of 1960, to a high point of \$1,421,394.

Primarily responsible for this individual hike was the new cooperative housing development in the northwest section of the city — along North River Road — where building construction permits issued last June totalled \$699,900. By contrast, permits issued in June of the previous year totalled only \$77,000.

NEW WAREHOUSE RESPONSIBLE

The department of transport was responsible for the jump in permit values under the heading of new commercial construction, as the wheat at the foot of

Queen Street with its \$1,200,000 value brought last year's total in this classification to \$2,621,394, compared to the 1960 value of \$203,500.

The other principal class of building also jumped far above the previous year, with institutional construction rising to a value of \$1,438,000 from the 1960 mark of \$17,285.

In this class, the rise is credited to the building of the new Sacred Heart Home at a cost of \$700,000; a new Prince Street School costing \$350,000; and the new Queen Square School, at \$388,000.

Commercial construction also underwent last year in May with issuing of a permit for \$50,000 for construction of a new building on Kent Street housing Stead's Pharmacy.

City company building added greatly to commercial construction last year with several companies adding to their buildings. Irving Oil added \$25,000 in July, and in August permits were issued to Imperial Oil for \$125,000, and Tesaco for \$66,000, with the latter adding another \$4,000 the following month.

In November, the federal department of public works received a permit for \$50,000 for work around EMCS Queen Quay lane, for steel sheet piling retaining walls.

Sir Robert Hadow To Speak To P.E.I. Canadian Club Here

Speaking at the January meeting of the P.E.I. Canadian Club at the Charlottetown Hotel Tuesday evening will be Sir Robert Hadow, KBE, CMG, MC.

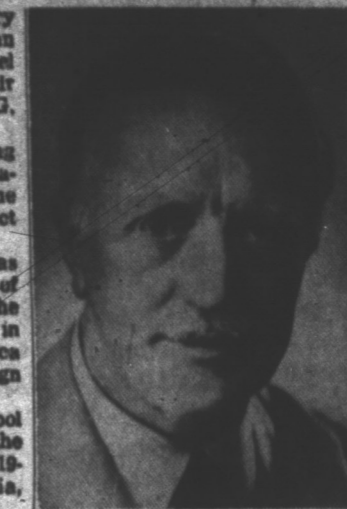
Sir Robert will be speaking on some aspect of the international scene currently in the news, with which he has direct contact.

Some recent topics he has used have been in the field of Russo-Chinese relations, the future of the Commonwealth in world affairs, the new Africa and Asia, and Soviet foreign policy.

Educated at Harrow School in England, he served with the Royal Highlanders from 1914-18 in France, Mesopotamia, and Palestine.

Sir Robert joined the U.K. diplomatic service and served in various areas of the world, including Ottawa from 1926 to 1931. He was knighted in 1953.

He retired in 1956, and lectures extensively for the U.K. top professional lecture agency, Foylon, and on national TV broadcasts. He has addressed Canadian Clubs in the west, which sent in most enthusiastic reports on his speaking.



SIR ROBERT HADOW

Gull Finds Perch On Pole

A sea gull perched for 20 minutes yesterday atop the flag pole on The Provinces Building caused a stir of excitement along Victoria Row.

"I've been in the city for 47 years and I've never seen a gull on that pole before," Mr. Justice George J. Tweedy observed as he walked along Richmond Street on the way to his chambers in the Court House.

Trio Appears In Juvenile Ct.

Three juveniles appeared before Judge C. St. Clair Trainor in juvenile court yesterday and their cases were adjourned.

Two were said involved in smashing open parking meters and emptying coin boxes while the third is charged with uttering a forged document.

The three had been arrested by city police.

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Rural Areas May Also Set Record

A record number of building permits may be issued by the town planning division of the department of industry and natural resources in its current fiscal year.

From April 1 to Dec. 31 of last year, 273 building permits were issued. In the last fiscal year of the department, which ran from April 1, 1960 to March 31, 1961, 282 permits were issued.

Permits are issued in areas covered by town planning regulations, which do not include Charlottetown and the incorporated towns.

Aussie Beats Own Record

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Neville Hayes of Australia bettered his own world record for the 200-yard butterfly swim Thursday night in a special meet with Japan. His time was 2 minutes, 14.2 seconds.

Kevin Berry, another Australian, with 2:15.9 also bettered Hayes' mark of 2:17.3, set here Jan. 14, 1961.

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Choice Due Of Islander For Honor

In the next few hours, Islanders in general will have their final chance to play a major part in deciding who next will be accorded a place in what has become the province's "Hall of Fame", through being named Islander of the Year for 1961.

Nominations of those to be considered for this honor will be considered only if they reach an office of The Evening Patriot, whether in Charlottetown, Summerside, Alberton, Montserrat or Souris, by noon tomorrow.

The board of judges will meet next week. At their meeting they will give careful consideration to an extensive list of names, including all those proposed in letters of nomination.

The purpose of the nominations is to make sure that the names of as many as possible, out of the many which deserve consideration, will be brought to the attention of the judges.

The whole purpose of the award is to serve as an expression of respect and appreciation, in behalf of all Islanders, to a person "who has, during 1961, best used the means available to serve a worthy Island purpose."

The honor, subject to the decision of the judges, can express appreciation of qualities of character, or of achievements, or both; is available for award to a person little known outside his own immediate circle, just as readily as to a well-known person in a position of power.

Any reader who feels he knows a person who should be honored in this way is invited to send a letter of nomination without delay, addressed to the Editor of the Year Editor, The Evening Patriot, to reach any Patriot office by noon tomorrow. Letters should not exceed 300 words in length. All decisions of the judges will be final.

Presentation of the award, which has developed into an impressive annual event, ordinarily takes place at a meeting of the Rotary Club, attended by leading figures in provincial and municipal life. As in previous years, Lieut.-Gov. F. Walter Hyndman has again graciously agreed to make the presentation.

Names already on the handsome large plaque are those of Lieut.-Col. E.W. Johnstone, named as "Islander of 1959", and of Capt. Carl F. Burke, honored as "Islander of 1960". The name of the choice for 1961 will be announced shortly after the judging is complete.

At that same time, details



THIRD STEP in the creation of what is becoming recognized as the Island's continuing "Hall of Fame" will be taken next week when a distinguished board of judges meets to decide who will be honored for 1961 through the Islander of the Year Award, as created by The Evening

Patriot. The name of the choice by the judges will take its permanent place along with the two names already there on the large plaque, pictured at the top, while the person thus honored also will receive a smaller shield, such as the one below, to be retained permanently.

Week Of Prayer Services Continued At Trinity Church

There is a danger in modern evangelism that we may put too much stress upon the individual accepting Christ, when the one great important fact is that it is Christ that accepts us," Rev. Roy D. Bell of Moncton said last night as he delivered a sermon at the Week of Prayer service at Trinity United Church.

In spite of the inclement weather a large crowd gathered for the third service in the Week of Prayer series.

Also taking part in the service were the Rev. J.G.E. Ball, minister of Trinity United Church, who conducted the service and Brig. L.A. Hicks of the Salvation Army, who led in prayer.

Trinity senior choir under the direction of Royston Mugford led in the service of praise and offered as an anthem "The Lord's Prayer" arranged by Gates.

Mr. Bell asked the questions: "How is it that we can be so unmoved by this great love of God?"

will be made known of presentation arrangements.

Judges this year, who will name the "Islander of 1961" are Mayor W.A. Currie, of Summerside; Mr. Justice George J. Tweedy, of Charlottetown; and Judge J.S. DesRoches, of Montserrat.

Lakers' Bid Is Disallowed

NEW YORK (AP) — Owners of the National Basketball Association declined Thursday to permit Los Angeles Lakers to use Elgin Baylor, who has been drafted by the U.S. Army, next Sunday against the Boston Celtics in a regular NBA game.

Maurice Podoloff, NBA president, in announcing that the owners in a telegraphic poll had rejected the Lakers' request, said the whole matter of using servicemen in NBA play will be discussed at the owners' regular meeting at the all-star game in St. Louis Jan. 16.

LOCAL BRIEFS

NIECE PASSES
Mrs. John A. Sterns, Richmond Street, received the sad news this week of the death in Malden, Mass., of her niece, Mrs. Neal Sullivan (nee Grace Squarebrigg) formerly of Charlottetown. She is survived by her husband and one brother, Harry of Everett, Mass. A sister, Mrs. E. E. Sterns, predeceased her in January 1960.

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