

ONTARIO DEPUTY MINISTER EDUCATION SAYS EXAMS DEFEAT MEANING OF EDUCATION

Mdse. Sold to the Province of Quebec Exaggerated Profit

\$45,000 Indemnities Now Existant Legislative Councillors

Auditor Believes Several Receipts Fictitious

Antoine C. Taschereau and Several Others Are "Unable to Attend"

QUEBEC, Oct. 29—Several wanted witnesses were "unavoidably absent" yesterday from the session of the investigation into the public accounts of the province of Quebec. Efforts to uncover the source of a reported \$56,000 deficit in administration funds for Montreal courthouse will be made by the public accounts committee of the Quebec Legislature.

Disclosure of the unexplained shortage was made to the committee today by government auditor Edgar Vezina, who also testified he was "of the opinion" more than half the receipts for expenditure of \$78,000 advanced as administration funds to former Provincial Police Chief Lorrain of Montreal, were "fictitious."

Testimony of the auditor came near the close of the morning's session during which witnesses told why three former government officials had failed to appear for questioning. They also claimed Charles Rochette, brother of a former minister in the Liberal cabinet of L. A. Taschereau, had sold to the government \$45,000 worth of merchandise on which there was a profit of \$20,000.

Sold Dead Horse

After hearing how an investigation had shown sale of horses, one of them dead, to the government, at what the premier described as "exaggerated profits," Premier Duplessis instructed C. E. Cantin, government law officer, to inquire if any action ever had been taken against Rochette.

Vezina also told the committee of payment of \$45,000 "for indemnities of non-existent legislative councillors, between 1918 and 1928."

The deficit in the courthouse funds said Vezina, apparently accrued over a period of years and was discovered several years ago, during the regime of L. A. Taschereau, veteran Liberal leader who resigned this year before his party were swept from power for the first time in nearly forty years.

It was Antoine C. Taschereau, brother of the former premier, who returned to the government \$15,000 he had received as interest on government money deposited in his name. Premier Duplessis expressed regret

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NEED OF BEST BRAINS STRESSED BY TWEEDSMUIR

MONTREAL, Oct. 29—Service to the State rather than individual success should be the highest material goal of all citizens of Canada, Baron Tweedsmuir told McGill University graduates at their quinquennial reunion last night. This, he declared, was of special significance to university men.

"No people can be strong unless it can enlist for national purposes the help of its best citizens," said Lord Tweedsmuir. "You, educated young men and women are the cream of our citizenship. It is only if you are willing to give each in his own degree, thought and work to the welfare of the nation that your country will achieve that greatness which every patriot desires."

The Governor-General saw the world's present state as "full of false doctrine, terribly cumbered by heresies, and congested with empty theories." It was the duty of educated men to point out the emptiness of these formulae, application of which was sought, although they had not been "brought out," he said. McGill's Chancellor, Sir Edward Beatty, told the alumni no university in Canada had a better opportunity than theirs to become an institution of advanced study and research.

He denounced the idea universities existed to grind out increasing numbers of graduates. Their purpose was (Continued on Page Four)

Former Governor of Newfoundland Dies in New South Wales

(Special to The Daily Mail)
NEW SOUTH WALES, Oct. 29—Admiral Sir Murray Anderson, Governor of New South Wales, died today at the age of eighty-two. He was formerly Governor of Newfoundland.

Our Educational System

THE ideas regarding modern education, brought back from the West by Chief Superintendent A. S. MacFarlane, should be of much interest to those that are trying to improve our educational system. It has long since been recognized that our Provincial education system has lagged away behind that of the other provinces. It was hard at first to make some people believe this, but the visit of Dr. MacFarlane to the West and his interview to the press shows what the other provinces are doing in educational lines.

Dr. MacFarlane's interview contains matters which should be of importance in considering our school affairs. Dr. MacFarlane had his eyes opened when he went West. In the west, especially in British Columbia the experiment of larger school units is being carried. In British Columbia, as one example, 63 schools, with an area of 164 square miles, are all under one school board. This has meant a saving of \$12,000 to that province, and it has served to raise the standard of the schools.

At the educational meeting the delegates were eager to reduce the number of examinations.

There are five provinces in the Dominion in which the pupils or students are admitted to provincial normal schools, universities and high schools without passing examinations, Dr. MacFarlane said. They are recommended by the principal of the schools. This is another progressive step. "The whole tendency is to get rid of examinations," Dr. MacFarlane stated. Only four provinces remain to fall in line with the trend. One is New Brunswick.

The problem of the rural schools is a vaster one in the western provinces where the schools are longer distances apart than they are in this province. In British Columbia, because of this problem, about 2,000 students are taking correspondence courses. This would be good for New Brunswick too, although the problem is not so pressing, and the "set-up would be expensive."

In Alberta the system there has no grades. The schools are divided into four departments—primary, elementary, intermediate and high school. No exams are written there until the pupils get to grade nine.

In regard to the Universities, there are educational authorities who believe that there should be a change in these institutions so far as related to matriculation examinations and degrees. One of these authorities is Dr. Duncan MacArthur, Deputy Minister of Education for Ontario. He says, that with the matter of examination and degrees relegated to their proper position of subordination it may be possible to attain education even in a university. Many universities are substituting comprehensive examinations for specific tests. Other universities, such as Harvard, are going back to the old tutorial system. It is probable that whatever changes are made in regard to our educational system in this province will include important changes in connection with the university.

Our university receives a large grant from the public and its requirements will have to be made to serve the public to a wider extent than at present.

Speaking of education in general, Dr. MacArthur attacked SPECIALIZATION AND UNDUE STRESS ON EXAMINATIONS, particularly in university education. It is true that in the hustle and bustle necessitated by the examination system the real aim of education, which Dr. MacArthur considers to be securing wisdom and understanding of the forces of life, is often obscured.

In defining education as the relation of knowledge and life, affection and natural laws, the deputy minister declared that it involves sound judgment and intelligent scepticism of things of the past as well as an appreciation of beautiful things, like music and pictures.

Without any intention of being radical, but with every intention of benefiting the school system of the province, it is felt that the time has come for a shake-up in our educational affairs. This will probably not take place until after due consideration has been given to all the features to be introduced. One thing, however, is certain, and that is that our antiquated system has got to go by the board.

This has long been recognized by those who have travelled beyond the boundaries of this province and who have made a study of other provincial school systems. It is the stay-at-homes who have never seen anything outside of New Brunswick who still believe that our educational system is perfect. Our educational system is the only thing that we know of that has not kept pace with the changing conditions. Some people who would not go back to the old covered buggy for anything still cling to the old educational system.

One of the most popular things that the present government can do is to shake up our educational system. The address of the President of the York Teachers' Institute seems to be encouraging.

HOPES EXAMS WILL BE SUBORDINATED TO EDUCATION AIM

McArthur Scores Specialization in the Universities

LONDON, Ont. Oct. 28—Declaring the chief function of a university is not to train men for the professions, Dr. Duncan MacArthur, Deputy Minister of Education for Ontario, while speaking at the University of Western Ontario autumn convocation, said specialization should be removed from undergraduate work in universities and reserved for a select few in postgraduate courses.

After watching thirty young men and women receive graduation degrees, and himself accepting a degree only a few minutes earlier, Dr. MacArthur indicated both university degrees and school examinations as apt to "quench the spiritual flame, which is the essence of sound learning."

Three honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws, acknowledging outstanding contributions to society, were awarded to Dr. MacArthur; W. E. Saunders, eminent London naturalist; and W. E. McNeill, Vice-President of Queen's University.

Speaking to an audience, largely academic, which crowded Convocation Hall, Dr. MacArthur said: "I venture to express the hope the day may come when examinations and university degrees will be relegated to the position of subordination to which they rightfully belong, to the end that it may become possible to obtain an education even at a university."

Of examinations, he said: "They are (Continued on Page Four)"

CAPTAIN JAMES MOLLISON UNEASY ABOUT WEATHER

HARBOR GRACE, Nfld., Oct. 29—Captain James Mollison seemed uneasy at Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, today as he scanned weather reports on the condition of the north Atlantic. He will probably continue on his 15,000 journey to London and South Africa today, nevertheless, after refuelling.

Non-Intervention Committee Acquits Italy and Portugal of Charges Laid by Russia, Only Objector

TROOPS GUARD ARMORIES AT CALGARY

CALGARY, Oct. 29—A special guard of six men, steel-helmeted and armed with rifles, was posted at the Calgary Armories today.

Military authorities declined to divulge the reason for the guard, but it was understood threats had been made by unemployed single men here to take possession of the armories for sleeping purposes.

The guard, provided by the Lord Strathcona's Horse Troop, was posted last night and was on duty again today. Additional men, it was reported

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GOVERNMENT POWER AT MADRID SEEMS GROWING

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MADRID, Oct. 29—Government forces continued in their offensive movements today and reported having recaptured three villages, which had recently been taken by the insurgents. It is also stated that Government power seems to be growing.

Teachers Must Prepare To Accept Changes in Educational System

President Tells York-Sunbury Teachers Association That They Must Go Ahead

Dr. MacFarlane Discusses Western Systems

Old Methods Must Go By and New Conditions Prevail

STREAMLINED TOYS TO FILL SANTA'S 1936 BAG

NEW YORK, Oct. 29—Streamlined bicycle seats, electric pencils for writing on wood, dolls with fingernails and rocking "horses" in the shape of ducks will be among the delights of 1937 kiddies, toy manufacturers disclosed tonight.

Preparing for its annual Christmas preview exhibition, the industry's national association predicted toy sales will be 15 per cent. larger than last year.

The demand for parlor games—by adults, of course—has doubled sales in that field, it was stated.

Streamlining it the keynote this year. It's been applied to nursery scooters, doll carriages, roller skates, rocking horses, sleds and bicycle seats.

The toy people emphasized that "the uniform dolls of Europe" have no counterpart in the American Christmas display.

Among the other novelties are (Continued on Page Four)

MADRID, Oct. 29—The Government of Madrid is said to have a card up its sleeve. The high officials of the Madrid Government said this morning that they had sufficient arms, shells, war-planes and anti-aircraft artillery to deal with the rebel menace.

The biennial meeting of the York and Sunbury Teachers' Institute commencing its two-day session this morning in the auditorium of the high school building with a large registration of delegates. The president, Mrs. Louise A. Bailey, B.A., presided.

This morning's session was featured by the president's address, and greetings to the delegates from Dr. A. S. MacFarlane, chief superintendent of education for New Brunswick. Considerable time was taken up this morning with the appointment of committees and enrolment. The meeting was opened with the singing of "O Canada," and community singing led by Prof. F. W. Harrison, which was followed by the invocation and the report of the secretary, John E. Page.

Dr. MacFarlane referred to his recent trip to the western provinces, and made the statement that the teachers of the rural districts in this province could consider themselves fortunate compared with the rural teachers in Western Canada, where economic conditions have been unstable.

Committees appointed this morning are as follows: Enrolment—Charles Murray, chairman, Maurice Boone, Charles Simms, Lawrence Hashey, and Emmerson A. Skene; Nomination—Inspector M. G. Fox, chairman; Elmer Close, Hamford Fowler, Miss Leah Stickles, and Miss MacRae; Resolutions—R. K. Nevers, chairman, Miss Muriel Smith, Miss Cecil Gallagher, Miss Josephine Burt and K. C. Bishop.

Mrs. Louise A. Bailey, the president (Continued on Page Four)

HOUSING LOANS TO BE READY FOR NOVEMBER

OTTAWA, Oct. 29—Canadian banks in the larger centres will be ready to start making loans under the Government's home improvement scheme the beginning of next month.

Arthur B. Purvis, Chairman of the National Employment Commission, said today excellent progress was being made in organization work. Application forms, instruction circulars to branch bank managers, and other necessary documents are now about ready and will shortly be in the hands of the banks across Canada.

There appeared to be some misapprehension about the date when lending under the home improvement plan would start, Mr. Purvis said. (Continued on Page Four)

ROYAL COMMISSION WILL ARRIVE IN PALESTINE NOV. 11

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Oct. 29—The Royal Commission, which was appointed to deal with the situation in Palestine, is expected to arrive in that country on November 11.

LEGAL AUTHORITIES IN LONDON MAY DECIDE COMBINES ARE LEGAL

OTTAWA, Oct. 29—Canadian trade and industry may be vitally affected by the outcome of an appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council concerning the validity of one of Mr. Bennett's celebrated "new deal" measures, to wit, the Dominion Trade and Industry Commission Act.

The particular section which will have a revolutionary effect on Canadian business, if the law lords in London find it is valid, is No. 14, which provides for agreements regulating prices and production. It empowers the Dominion Trade and Industry Commission to permit cartels or combines in Canada if it is satisfied that the elimination of competition would not result in undue restraint of trade, or be detrimental to the public interest.

The idea is to stop wasteful and demoralizing competition in any specific industry, and is considered very interesting in view of the fact that

Canadian Governments in the past have raised the hatchet against the drug combine, the builders' and plumbers' combine, and various other combinations which were held to be injurious to the public interest.

The Supreme Court of Canada was of the unanimous opinion that the section in question was ultra vires of the Parliament of Canada, but the legal luminaries in London, who have the last guess, may take a different view, and the betting among the experts here is that they will.

Judges may or may not be influenced by what goes on around them, but it is a fact that over in the United Kingdom they have had a great deal more to do with monopolies, combinations and cartels than we have in Canada, and the British are not as frightened of agreements made among manufacturers for the purpose of regulating prices and production by (Continued on Page four)