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Weather: Fair and colder tonight and tomorrow with snow flurries

DYSART INTIMATES NEW LABOR LEGISLATION MAY BE CONSIDERED



His Excellency The Governor General of Canada, who officially opened the Commons today.

Home And School Clubs Moulders Public Opinion

Dr. DeWolfe Guest Speaker at First School Club Organization Meeting in Capital City

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNIZES VALUE

Project System Creates Proper Attitude Vs. School

A fair representation of parents in the Smythe Street school district and the teachers of that school gathered in the Assembly Hall to listen to an address by L. A. DeWolfe, M. Sc. from the Department of Education of Nova Scotia on the subject of Home and School organization.

The work of the groups, which is to promote better understanding of teaching methods, etc., by parents, and a better understanding of children in home and community life by the teachers, in order that the children might benefit from a broader and less rigid school program was fully discussed.

Rev. John Linton President of the Fredericton Home and School Council presided at the meeting. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Organization and Extension Committee of the Council. The Council which is composed of representatives of eleven kindred associations, one rural Home and School Club and individual membership, is endeavoring to promote, through discussion and literature on the movement, a Home and School Club in every school in Fredericton and elsewhere in New Brunswick. The co-operation of teachers and officials in the city and in the province generally is very encouraging toward a provincial outlook. The co-operation of the Fredericton Board of School Trustees and the teachers of Smythe Street School are much appreciated, in arranging for yesterday's meeting with Mr. DeWolfe.

Prof. DeWolfe, who has studied the needs of childhood in his broad field of work as a Director of Education in his province and also in the broader field of national educational work, outlined many difficulties which prevented the child from acquiring a real worthwhile education. Fitting reference was made to the traditional examination system. The crowding of what should be school lessons into the homes in the form of homework was dealt with by the speaker in a very interesting way. He pointed to the fact that teachers were trained academically and usually interpret the curriculum from that point of view. He referred to the need of the Home and School library in every school which would deal with general education (not academic education, as the schools would take care of that) but rather, books to inform parents and teachers on what others are doing towards bringing about progressiveness in child training. He strongly urged regular meetings at the school, between parents and teachers, and outlined the activities of such groups. Home and School Associations should encourage supplementary reading—love of reading—the delving into books for the sake of knowledge aroused in a subject, not for the purpose of cramming facts for the purpose of a written examination paper in order to "pass" into the next grade. "The saner use of our curriculum would be in effect just as soon as the public demands it," the speaker emphasized. Home and School should help and encourage extra-curricular activities, now included in the curriculum in many places. Extra-curricular subjects are simply anything worth knowing, and citizenship training will be in effect just as soon as the ratepayers want it, but unfortunately, he stated, "the least informed people do the most talking outside the school." Hence, the need of Home and School Associations which tend to promote an intelligent discussion and study. Primary teachers, he claimed, should read primary material and thus educate themselves in child psychology. Trigonometry and Latin should not be

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ANTIPODES ARE CELEBRATING 150 YRS. SETTLEMENT

SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 27—Australia yesterday celebrated the 150th anniversary of the settlement by the white people in the continent. Guns of several foreign nations fired salutes from the harbor of Sydney. Gay crowds in the streets and public buildings and the harbor illuminated created a gay scene.

A water and shore pageant today will depict the landing on Jan. 26, 1788, of Captain Arthur Phillip with soldiers and settlers. Although Capt. James Cook landed in April, 1770, at Botany Bay, it was not until Captain Phillip arrived that a white settlement was established.

The sesquicentennial celebrations will be divided into three periods—historical, from tomorrow to Feb. 12; British Empire Games and other sports events on Feb. 14-April 1; and Royal Show and trade fairs on April 2-25 inclusive.



LADY TWEEDSMUIR, wife of the Governor General who opened the session today in Ottawa

A Challenge

DURING the past week The Daily Mail called attention to the fact that the Fredericton School Board had received tenders for a quantity of coal to be supplied to the different city schools. The School Board as was their right to do, accepted the tender of S. S. Baird for a certain quantity of coal. The coal in question came from one of the Minto mines and from one of the best mines located in that area. The complaint has been made however, by certain parties who tendered to supply the coal that when they went to the School Board to find out at what figure the tender was awarded and also who was the lowest tenderer this information was denied to them by the Secretary of the Board acting as he stated under instructions from the School Board. It would seem to be the right of those who tendered for supplying the coal to know just how they stood in regard to their tender and also to know just what the figures of their competitors were and whether or not the lowest tender was accepted. They had a right to know this not only as tenderers but as citizens of Fredericton whose money the School Board is spending to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars per year. Of course the lowest or any tender may not always be accepted. One has to consider various things including the quality of the article to be supplied before accepting the same.

There may be nothing wrong in regard to the tenders which were sent in for the supplying of the coal and there may be nothing wrong in regard to any part of the transaction. But when any body, handling the public affairs of the citizens and handling it behind closed doors, refuses to give out information on which citizens should know then there cannot help but be a suspicion no matter how unfounded this suspicion may be.

Is the Fredericton School Board ashamed or is it afraid to give to the public, and to those who submitted tenders for coal, the information to which they are entitled?

The Daily Mail challenges the Fredericton School Board to tell the public (1) Whose tender for the coal was accepted? (2) At what price? (3) Who was the lowest tenderer? (4) What quality and quantity of coal is being used? Will the School Board answer these questions, or will it leave the public to draw its own conclusions.

ST. ANDREWS IN MOURNING AS CITIZENS BURIED

Schools and Business Houses Closed As Five Victims of Sunday's Accident Are Laid to Rest

ST. ANDREWS, N.B., Jan. 26—Today was a day of mourning for St. Andrews, still stunned by Sunday night's Chamcook Lake drowning tragedy, as the five victims, all residents of this town, were buried. Practically all business establishments were closed throughout the day, and children were dismissed from the schools for the day following.

Solemn high mass was celebrated in the Church of St. Andrew for William Craig, Louis Hivon, Ralph Howe and Carten McCurdy at 10 a.m. Rev. M. O'Brien was celebrant, assisted by Rev. A. P. Allen, deacon; Rev. Raymond McCarty, sub-deacon, and Rev. Charles Carroll, Milltown, N. B.; Rev. F. A. Cronin, St. George; Rev. Joseph Whelley, St. Stephen, and Rev. Thomas C. Beck, Saint John, in the sanctuary. The four caskets were placed in line before the altar rail.

The bodies then were conveyed to the Cemetery of St. Andrew, where separate committal services were conducted by Father Beck before interment was made. Pallbearers for William Craig were A. B. O'Neill, Melvin Dougherty, John Doon, Joseph Gibson, Eldon Doon and L. H. Smith; for Louis Hivon—O. W. Stinson, Daniel Coakley, Bert Cloney, Calais, Me., and George Welch, Boston; for Ralph Howe—Alphonsus Cummings, Joseph Gaynor, George Howe, William Gaynor, Raymond Cunningham and Raymond Polley, and for Carten McCurdy—Joseph Finigan, Donald Worrell, Thomas Stinson, Donald Williamson, David Caughey and James Graham.

Out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howe and daughters, Frances and Barbara; Mrs. Herbert Polley, Raymond Polley and Mr. and Mrs. Wendal Polley, St. Stephen, relatives of Ralph Howe.

ICE POUNDING ON BRIDGE STOPPED AT NIAGARA

NIAGARA FALLS, Jan. 27—The bombardment of ice against the historic international bridge of the Niagara Falls has stopped since colder weather has set in. This will appease the fears on the part of both Canadians and Americans that the Falls View international bridge would give way under the pressure of a gigantic ice mass.

TORONTO, Jan. 27—After 34 years of railroading, all but six months in the Algoma district, during which time he rose from a wiper in the motive power department of the Canadian Pacific at North Bay, Ontario, T. Hambley, general superintendent, C.P.R., Algoma district, passed away from a heart attack at North Bay today following an illness of a few weeks.

Mrs. J. H. McInerney, Saint John; Miss Eileen Tooney, Rochester, and William Carten, Bathurst, relatives of Carten McCurdy.

Mrs. E. M. Boden, Brooklyn; Miss E. M. McHugh, Saint John; Mr. and Mrs. George Welch, South Braintree, and William Welch, relatives of William Craig.

Ernest Hivon, Albert Hivon, George Hivon, Granby, Que.; Margaret McConvey, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cloney, Calais, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Welch, relatives of Louis Hivon.

Prov. Of Quebec Will Safeguard Given Autonomy

Premier Duplessis Defies Any Inroads On Prerogatives From Ottawa

STRIKES AT COMMUNISM

Padlocking Of Communist School Now In Montreal

OPENING FEDERAL SESSION TOOK PLACE TODAY

(Special to The Daily Mail)

OTTAWA, Jan. 27—The opening of the third general Assembly of the Eighteenth parliament since Confederation took place this afternoon in the Senate Chambers by Lord Tweedsmuir who read the speech from the throne. Those not able to get into the chamber stood outside in the lobbies and corridors and viewed the ceremony at a distance.

ROYAL FAMILY CONGRATULATE THE EX-KAISER

(Special to The Daily Mail)

DOORN, Holland, Jan. 27—Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany is today celebrating his seventy-ninth birthday. He received telegrams of congratulations and good wishes from the Royal Family of England signed by King George and Queen Elizabeth and the Queen Mother. The Kaiser expressed thanks saying he was glad that the Royal family of England was so friendly towards him once again. Tonight the Kaiser will dine with the members of his family and will wear the uniform of a Field Marshal.

MONTREAL, Jan. 26—That the Province of Quebec will closely guard the autonomy provided for it by the B. N. A. Act was clearly stated in the Speech from the Throne read at the opening of the third session of the province's 20th Legislature.

The Speech hit hard at Communism, declaring compromise was "out of the question." And new anti-Red legislation, it was indicated, would be proposed as companion weapons to the year-old "padlock law" that authorizes the closing of places where the Red doctrine is spread.

(Even as the legislators were assembling, Provincial Police in Montreal were announcing the padlocking of a "communist school" attended by fifty children daily. Communistic literature was seized at the school, the police said.)

"War against this enemy of our institutions and traditions will be waged relentlessly," the speech declared, and for the purpose the legislature would be asked to approve reorganization of the provincial police, who have been striking almost daily at suspected sources of communistic propaganda with raids, seizures and padlocking.

Much of the speech was devoted to a sketch of legislation aimed at strengthening the "fundamental" farming industry. But the 1,200-word address forecast Premier Maurice Duplessis' government would bring down measures also for forestry, mining, education, the fishery, the unemployed, capital-labor co-operation hydro-electricity and statute revision.

The Ontario-Quebec economic alliance, cemented in conferences between Premier Mitchell Hepburn and Premier Duplessis, was emphasized. "The government of Quebec," the

EXAMS ARE FAST DISAPPEARING IN NOVA SCOTIA

Following the lecture which was given last evening in the Provincial Normal School by Dr. De Wolfe, the speaker of the evening addressed the members of the Fredericton Home and School Council and the teachers and a few interested friends. Dr. De Wolfe stated that Nova Scotia was falling in line as fast as was reasonably possible with the modern trend of other countries towards dispensing with regular departmental examinations in the public schools of the province. He stated that the Government was working very much along the same lines as the present administration is doing in New Brunswick. In other words examinations in Nova Scotia are gradually disappearing. The aim of the Department of Education is to give every child an equal chance to become fitted for life as a useful citizen and for each child to have his individual talents be they one or more properly developed, and not favor only those who had special facilities for memorizing, thus being enabled to score with higher marks, to the discrimination of others.

Speech said, "is pleased to co-operate with the government of Ontario toward the solution of their common problems, for it believes such a co-operation is in the best interests of both provinces and the entire country."

The Quebec government intends to be "master in its own home" and will stand by the autonomy decided the province in Confederation despite any federal action, Premier Maurice Duplessis said last night before the Canadian Construction Association.

Quebec has "nothing to learn from any government in Ottawa, and the sooner Ottawa learns it the better," the Union Nationale premier declared at the Association's annual banquet.

The premier, speaking a few hours after the third Legislature session of his administration had opened, said he saw "a movement toward centralization of administration" in Canada. Some quarters, he asserted, say "we should have centralization to save money."

Sees Possibility That Tax May Drive Banks to Quit Alberta Field

May Find It Impossible To Operate If Law Upheld, Says Spokesman

OTTAWA, Jan. 27—Possibility that banks may move out of Alberta came to the front today in the submission of the chartered banks of Canada to the Dominion - Provincial Relations Commission by S. G. Dobson, president of the Canadian Bankers' Association.

Mr. Dobson was not making a threat but only a statement of an inevitable economic fact that would force the banks if Alberta's tax increase legislation of 1937 is sustained. His exact words were that the banks "obviously might find it impossible to operate in that Province."

The discriminatory tax angle was the brief's only subject, whatever the banks may have to say later. The banks recognize the vital importance of an equitable and efficient system of taxation, they state, but they do not consider that a tax on capital falls into that category. It is no news that they do not consider Alberta's proposed increase in bank taxes equitable. The majority of people in Can-



RT. HON. MacKENZIE KING, Premier of Canada



RT. HON. R. B. BENNETT, K.C., P.C., Leader of the Conservative Opposition in the Commons.

ada appear to agree with them in that.