

Around the Maritimes

Cargo handled over the Halifax wharves during May showed a marked increase over the 1934 and 1933 figures, at 187,795 tons, compared with 135,479 tons in May, 1934 and 99,978 tons in the same month in 1933.

The Boy Scouts Association in New Brunswick has taken over from the Canadian Forestry Association the direction of the junior forest wardens. Boy Scouts will be engaged in active forestry work for balance of the summer.

From the point of view of gross value of production, central electric stations headed the list of industries in Nova Scotia in 1933, with a value of output amounting to \$4,463,944. Pulp and paper came next with \$3,979,620 while fish curing and packing and primary iron and steel followed close.

Gold pins for excellence in shorthand merited by those attaining a speed of 120 words a minute for five minutes and transcribing neatly and accurately have been awarded to the Misses Kathleen Hill, Marion Beuree, Verna Inkpen and Mildred Davidson, students at Halifax County Academy, it was announced. The pins are presented by the Gregg Publishing Company, New York.

A water carnival to be held at Bridgewater in July, with illuminations, fireworks, bon-fires, and bands, and community singing will be a factor. Prizes were awarded for best decorated boats and canoes. In charge are: General Committee: C. J. Cragg, G. A. Hubley, A. C. Barnaby, W. A. Gow, G. F. Dolliver; Fireworks and Illuminations: Irving Hebb, G. F. Dolliver, H. W. Godbold; Subscriptions: W. A. Gow, G. A.

Hubley, Dr. Rehfuess, Bands and Singing: A. G. G. Hirtle, C. J. Cragg, Thomas Guy; Boats and Canoes: G. F. Dolliver, George Kelly, Robert Taylor; Advertisers: C. J. Cragg, A. C. Barnaby.

Dr. D. J. Hartigan, New Waterford, N.S., was elected President of the Hospital Association of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island at the closing session of the annual convention at Wolfville. Other officers are A. J. McDonald, Glace Bay, first vice-president; Rev. Sister Anna Seton, Halifax, second vice-president; Miss Anne Slattery, Windsor, N.S., secretary-treasurer.

Charged with violating the early closing bye-law four grocerymen were before the magistrate at Amherst last week with one of them being convicted and given a nominal fine of \$1, while a second case was postponed. The other two merchants won acquittal by showing their stores had 60 per cent. of confectionery and tobaccos, this giving them exemption. Several other merchants will go before the stipendiary later on the same charge.

Kathleen L. Hill, student at the Halifax County Academy, has been awarded a \$50 prize for the best essay received from Nova Scotia in a Canada-wide contest open to high school students submitting compositions on Australia, it was announced by L. R. Macgregor, Australian Trade Commissioner to Canada. The National winner, who receives a trip to that country, was Grace B. Pettullo, Edmonton.

The splendid bloom recently shown by apple orchards in the fruit growing districts of the Saint John Valley presages one of the largest McIntosh crops ever recorded in New Brunswick, according to provincial government advices. Summer and early fall varieties also bloomed well and other varieties such as Dudley, Wealthy, Alexander, Wolf River and Milwaukee promise fair to good crops depending on the extent to which they bore last year.

Possibility of the relief map near the information bureau at Amherst being removed to the New Brunswick side of the boundary was indicated in a statement that the Department of Highways had not responded to the proposal of the Directory Company that the department purchase the map. It was also claimed that

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