

DR. CHARRON NAMED ASSISTANT DEPUTY

Former Quebec Official Is Appointed to Federal Agriculture Dept.

The Department of Agriculture announces the appointment, by the Civil Service Commission, of a new assistant deputy minister in the person of Dr. A. T. Charron, formerly of the Department of Agriculture for the province of Quebec.

Dr. Charron is no stranger to Ottawa or to the government, as he was born at Gatineau Point, Quebec, on March 21, 1870, and, after receiving his early education in his native parish, entered Ottawa University in 1883, graduating from that institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Philosophy and Licentiate in Philosophy in 1882. He was assistant analyst for the district of Kingston from 1892 to 1895, and, after taking post-graduate courses in chemistry, bacteriology and hygiene at McGill University, in 1895, passed with distinction the examination for Dominion public analyst, entering the services of the federal department of agriculture that same year.

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APPROVE RULES OF RADIO CONFERENCE

Dept. of Marine and Fisheries Joins in Effort to Prevent Interference.

Approval of the recommendations of the Canada-United States radio conference held recently at Detroit, which will appreciably relieve over 2,000,000 fans, at points within one hundred miles of the Great Lakes, from interference now experienced from ship to shore transmissions, has been given by the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

One proposal, which was formulated by the Canadian Department of Marine, will raise the normal working wavelength of the ship to shore stations on the lakes from 600 to 715 meters; and, in addition, at the suggestion of the Department of Commerce, the Department will allot \$75,000 for a second wave for this service.

The policy of the Canadian government in installing continuous wave, non-interfering transmitters at its coast stations on the Great Lakes was commended at the Detroit conference.

DENIES REDUCTION IN PAY OR FOOD QUALITY

Labor conditions on Canadian Government Merchants Marine ships were discussed in the House of Commons committee on railways and shipping this morning when C. W. Stewart, Progressive, Humboldt, quoted a statement made in a labor publication that the merchant marine had reduced expenditures last year through reducing the pay of seamen and the quality of food served on the vessels.

R. E. Teakle, general manager of the Government Merchant Marine, stated that not only the wages, but the crews had been reduced and as for the quality of the food, it had been maintained as usual and on the Pacific coast where the conditions had come from, it was if anything better than on the Atlantic. Sir Henry Thornton said there had been no complaint through the accredited organizations of the merchant marine that the crews were always given a fair hearing if they brought complaints to the management.

PRELIMINARY TESTS PIANO AND BASS SOLO

Finalists Selected in Two Events. Closing of the Eisteddfod Tonight.

By T. J. PALMER.

The Eisteddfod preliminary contests in the piano (open) and bass solo events were held this morning in the Russell Theatre.

The piano test piece was Chopin's "Improvvisu in A Flat," and eight contestants competed, namely: Mr. K. R. Meek, Miss Pearl Bowen, Miss Edith Merrill, Miss Edith A. Roy, Mrs. Herbert G. Favcett, Miss Avis Maureen Skelly, Miss Charlotte Donington, Miss Elizabeth Mitchell.

Mr. William in announcing his selection of finalists spoke most highly of the standard of piano playing that had been demonstrated to him.

The bass solo test was Lehman's "Mystic Evening," with the following singers competing: Mr. E. D. Wilson, Mr. A. K. Robertson, Mr. Graham A. Brown, Mr. J. Edward Webb, Mr. Leslie R. McNeill.

Messrs. Robertson, Brown and McNeill were selected as finalists. There promises to be a big attendance tonight and much interest is being shown in the folk dancing which will feature the program.

OBITUARY

MR. BILAIRE LALANDE.

A large number of friends and acquaintances gathered to pay their tribute of respect at the funeral of Mr. Bilaire Lalonde, which was held from his late home at 71 Guilguis avenue, to the Basilica, at 7:45 o'clock this morning. Interment was made at Notre Dame cemetery. Requiem high mass was chanted by Rev. Father Belisle, assisted by Rev. Fathers Herbert and Gagnon, and Rev. Father Eugene Rochon. The chief mourners were his son, Mr. Jean Baptiste Lalonde; his three grandsons, Messrs. W. Brisbois, Aurele Gignac and Albert Dorroughs, and his son-in-law, Mr. Eugene Desjardins. A large number of beautiful floral offerings, including one from the Post Office Department, and many spiritual offerings were received by the family. Noted in the cortege were: Messrs. Alfonso Brisbois, E. Brisbois, Edward Vlau, H. A. Fortier, M.P., H. Lapierre, N. G. Gaudet, Eugene Rochon, R. E. Bigras, J. Willard, A. Gaudet, W. Charbonneau, Theodore Auclair, A. G. Munroe, R. W. Hopper and J. Bourque.

HAVE LAID CHARGES AGAINST WHOLESALER

Officers of the morality squad today raided the wholesale candy warehouses of Moses Loeb, 429 Sussex street, and Eli Joseph, 139 Nicholas street, and seized quantities of Tri-Your-Luck chocolate, a confection manufactured in Montreal, which is purchased for 5 cents. If one gets a lucky bar a 5 cent piece is stamped up with the candy.

Inspector Thomas McLaughlin states that this is an infraction of the law against lottery. Messrs. Loeb and Joseph have been summoned to appear in police court soon to answer to this charge.

The retailers around the city have been selling the candy, but police believe they sold it in good faith, and are proceeding against only the wholesalers. The manufacturers of the chocolate are not known to the police yet, but it is known that the candy is made in Montreal, and since the breach is of an Ontario statute, no charge can be laid against the manufacturer.

RATS CAUSED FIRE ON MONTREAL ROAD

Fire, believed to have been caused by mice or rats gnawing matches, early this morning caused four persons to flee in their night attire and resulted in about \$500 damage to the ice cream parlor and residence of Mr. Zena Primeau, 186 Montreal road. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

Shortly before three o'clock Mr. Primeau, his wife and two young sons were asleep over the ice cream parlor when they were awakened by the smell of smoke, and found the lower part of the building on fire. They made a hurried exit and set in a fire alarm to the Eastview fire department.

The firemen found the blaze had gained considerable headway and had originated on the floor of the shop. After about an hour's fight the blaze was put out, but not before it had caused considerable damage to the ice cream parlor, and had also resulted in smoke and water damage in the living rooms.

Admits His Guilt. A fine of \$200 and costs has been paid by James Anster, of Adamston, on May 5th, was caught by Lieutenant Inspector A. G. Sykes, with a quantity of liquor as he was about to board the train for Pembroke. Anster was to have appeared in court yesterday in answer to a charge of having liquor in his possession in private dwelling house, in contravention to the provisions of the Ontario Temperance Act. He did not do so, but instead had his lawyer write a letter pleading guilty for him, and enclosing a check for \$200 and \$2 costs.

HON. JUSTICE ROY DIES AT QUEBEC

QUEBEC, May 14 — Honorable Justice Rodolphe Roy, former Justice of the Superior Court and provincial secretary, died at his residence, on Grand Allee this forenoon at 11:30.

The reference and reading rooms of the Carnegie Public library will be closed on Sundays during the summer months, beginning with next Sunday, May 17.

DOG WAS ON LAWN OF HIS OWNER'S HOME

Saskatchewan Case Before Supreme Court, When Parent Wins Custody.

Because Mr. John P. O'Brien's dog was on the lawn of his owner's house, 402 Percy street, when the dog bit a little girl, the owner cannot be held criminally responsible for letting the dog run loose and the case against him in police court today was dismissed by Magistrate William Joynt. The magistrate stated that civil action might be brought for damages. Evidence was given that although the little girl was bitten nine times by the dog, she was not seriously hurt.

Constable John Ritchie stated that Joseph Gagne, 59 St. Jean Baptiste street, Hull, was driving his motor car over 25 miles per hour, approaching the corner of Elgin and Sparks streets, recently, and when the constable held up his hand to stop him, the car skidded over 29 feet. Gagne pleaded guilty to speeding and was fined \$25 and costs, with the option of spending 10 days in jail.

James Anster, Adamston, Ont., paid a fine of \$210 and \$2 costs on a charge of being in possession of liquor. Mr. Anster was arrested a few days ago at the Central Station by Inspector A. G. Sykes of the Provincial License Inspector's department. He pleaded guilty.

Raoul Morin, 257 1-2 St. Patrick street, paid \$210 fine as well as \$2 costs also on a charge of having liquor. Morin was arrested Wednesday evening by Detective Barnabe Lazon, who caught accused on the street with a bottle of liquor. Accused pleaded guilty.

A very serious charge against Matthew Pieters, 233 Laurier avenue West, was dismissed at the instance of Dr. Gordon Henderson, acting for the crown, who told the magistrate that there was not sufficient evidence against Pieters to make a case. Accused was alleged to have committed an offence against a girl and Dr. Henderson stated that the girl has made conflicting statements as to Pieters' alleged actions.

Three men were fined \$10 and costs each for speeding at street intersections with motor cars. They were all charged by Constable Joseph Dion, and all pleaded guilty. The men are: William H. Prichard, 834 Bank street; Gordon F. Armstrong, 171 Powell avenue; and Earnest Ramsey, 273 Bank street.

When five young residents of the city gathered together on the grass at the corner of Booth and Wellington streets on Sunday afternoon, a quiet game of cards, their occupation diverted the attention of a small crowd, among them Constable Mulvie. As a result the five appeared in police court and after pleading guilty were fined \$1 and \$1 costs each for playing cards in a public place on Sunday.

Sir H. Rider Haggard, Noted Author, Dead

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Among his best known works of fiction are Allan Quartermain, She, King Solomon's Mines, Cleopatra, The Witch's Head, Ayesha, and The Yellow God. His writings included a number of popular novels all of which were widely read throughout the English speaking world.

He was an authority on Empire migration, Imperial agriculture and social conditions; he was secretary to Sir Henry Bulwer, governor of Natal, in 1875, and was also on the staff of Sir Charles Sheil, special commissioner to the Transvaal, in 1877. He was with the late General Broke, R.E., when the British flag was formally hoisted over the South African Republic at Pretoria in 1877, on the birthday of Queen Victoria.

He was appointed as a member of several important royal commissions. In 1901 and 1902 he journeyed throughout England investigating agricultural conditions and the conditions of the rural population and was appointed as special commissioner of the British government, in 1905, to report on the Salvation Army settlements in the United States.

Between 1912 and 1917 he travelled around the world as a member of the dominions royal commission and visited all the overseas dominions as an honorary representative of the Royal Colonial Institute, in connection with the after-war settlement of ex-service men. He was afterwards nominated an honorary life member of the institute and was presented with a formal address of thanks, signed by the council of the institute, in recognition of his "conspicuous services to the British Empire."

After the Boer victory at Majuba Hill the convention with the Boers in 1877 was signed in his home and he shortly afterwards abandoned the South Africa. Returning at that time to England he began his career as a novelist, while studying for the bar, and published his first success, "David," in 1884. He was knighted in 1912. He married Miss Mariana Margitson, a Norfolk heiress, in 1879.

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GIVE FATHER CHARGE OF INFANT DAUGHTER

Saskatchewan Case Before Supreme Court, When Parent Wins Custody.

The Supreme Court of Canada has sustained the judgment of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal in granting the custody of an infant daughter to the father, in the case of Partidge versus Brown. The mother of the child died in 1916 leaving a daughter under one year old. Mr. and Mrs. Partidge took care of the child with the consent of the father who in 1924 wished to have the child at home with him but the appellants in the case refused to give her up. The principal questions at issue were whether under Saskatchewan statute the father had been unfitness of his parent's duties, whether he was in a position to take proper care of the child and whether the little girl in her own interest should not stay with the adopted mother. The trial judge gave judgment in favor of the adopted parents. This was reversed in the court of appeal and the child was given to the father, and the judgment upheld in the Supreme Court when the appeal of Mr. and Mrs. Partidge was dismissed.

FINE RESPONSE FOR SELF DENIAL FUND

Salvation Army Workers and Assistants Confident. House to House Canvass.

The Salvation Army Self Denial Fund campaign promises to reach its objective on schedule time. There is a loyal band of workers in the field, and they are doing their best to get the \$12,000 into the treasurer's hands before Friday night. This morning, in every direction, the bonnets and uniforms of the Salvation Army, so familiar to the public, are to be met with in almost every place of business, and on every street; and besides the uniformed workers a large number of business men and ladies are busily engaged in an intensive campaign.

It is becoming evident, however, as the time passes that it will be next to impossible to cover the ground that has to be covered in time to give everybody an opportunity to contribute to so worthy an object, and arrangements are on foot for a house to house campaign that will include the most thorough canvass. Many women whose husbands have given at their place of business are expressing a desire to do so for themselves, and this intensive canvass will enable them to do so.

Owing to the shortness of the time given to the campaign, the Divisional headquarters and the campaign officers are asking that as far as possible contributors send their gifts in by mail, so as to speed up the receipt of funds. The support that is being given to the effort is equal to that given in other years, but every dollar that can possibly be secured will be needed in order to make the objective of \$12,000 certain.

The workers will hold their second street gathering in the Daffodil Tea Rooms at 6 o'clock, when the returns of teams for the second day will be made.

RENAMING CHURCHES OFFERS PROBLEMS

Consideration at Methodist District Meeting. Growth in Membership Recorded.

The matter of renaming churches consequent upon union was introduced this morning at the opening session of the Ottawa Methodist district meeting in Dominion Methodist Sunday school hall, and it was suggested that any remaining should be left with the local congregations. St. Paul's Methodist and Carp Methodist churches were among those cited as needing renaming. At Carp, it was suggested, it would hardly be fair to rename the Methodist church the United church of Carp seeing that St. Andrew's Presbyterian church there has also voted for union.

Ottawa South Methodist church renewed its application for permission to sell the church property and parsonage, the proceeds to be devoted to changed premises when desirable. Mr. S. E. Waffin submitted the renewal of the application on behalf of the trustees of the church.

Historic Event. The district meeting decided to recommend to the program committee of the Montreal conference that special closing exercises, fitting to such an historic occasion as the last meeting of the conference prior to union, should be prepared. Mr. H. W. Mix submitted a resolution to that effect, which was unanimously carried.

Extr. effort will be necessary during the next few weeks, before the closing of the financial year on June 30, if the objective of the district for missionary giving is to be reached. The objective set by Toronto headquarters, for Ottawa district, was \$26,000 and at present the district is about \$3,000 short, though it was explained the district meeting has been called earlier this year than is usual. The statistical secretary, Rev. H. M. Beach, Riceville, reported that \$2,091 had been subscribed for the work of education and \$1,440 for evangelism and social service.

The district meeting sent a special floral token to Mr. J. W. Caldwell and Mrs. Caldwell, who are indisposed. It was stated that the present is the first district meeting that Mr. Caldwell has missed for many years. Rev. William Craig, the oldest superannuated minister in the district, and Mr. S. E. Waffin were sent from the meeting with the token to Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell.

Membership Increase. The total membership of the Methodist churches in the district was reported as \$710, an increase of 258 over last year, 60 per cent of which increase, it was stated, was due to transfers on account of church union. Following are details of the membership of each church in the district:

Ottawa—Dominion church, 1,153; Eastern, 324; Western, 286; Bell Street, 711; McLeod, 315; Ottawa South, 357; St. Paul's, 590; Rosemount, 334; Wesley, 75.

Westboro, 273; Nepean, 94; Gloucester, 140; Aylmer, 242; Eardley, 180; Quyon, 96; Shawville, 281; Clarendon, 176; Portage du Fort, 73; Waltham, 54; Carp, 183; Diamond, 117; Richmond, 224; Manotick, 218; North Gower, 280; Metcalfe, 234; Vars, 65; Riceville, 154; Hammond, 52; Vanhook Hill, 222; Chelsea, 73; North Wakefield, 228; Lewis, 47; Kazabazua, 55.

The total number of scholars in the Sunday schools was reported as 5,091 and 307 officers and teachers. There are 57 schools.

Rev. Dr. W. T. G. Brown, chairman of the district, presided; Rev. T. J. Holling was financial secretary, and Rev. A. F. Shorten, North Wakefield, recording secretary. There were between 60 and 70 delegates at the morning session. Luncheon was served by the ladies of Dominion church. The meeting adjourned until 2:15 o'clock this afternoon.

Milk Money Stolen

Milk bottle thefts are becoming frequent in the Sandy Hill district. Today police received quite a number of reports from residents along Daly avenue and Bessner street, reporting that money had been filched from bottles left on verandahs and outside of doorways. No milk was taken. Police say that there is always a certain amount of such thievery going on but that at present the number of reports from Sandy Hill is larger than usual.

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