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The 22nd meeting of the Hornby C.G.I.T. was held at the school on the Beatitudes. Business was dis-Purpose, followed by the hymn.

Rural Life Sunday while the mem- meeting closed with taps. bers found and read the passages of the Bible which the story referr-

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ed to. The secretary and treasurer's report was followed by the collection and checking of attendance in Sunday school and church.

Each girl said memory work -May 10, opening with the C.G.I.T. cussed followed by craft, when teapot stands of aluminum were fin-Margaret Stark read a story of ished by adding the cork. The

> The 23rd meeting was held at the United church. The Purpose and hymn were followed by the prayer. The scriptures were read by Caro Neelands.

Mr. Williams, the minister, an- tal. swered questions and explained It started Monday when the trade thanked Mr. Williams.

OTELLO SCLISIZZI

EXQUISITE VIEW

REFRESHMENTS

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The Week at Otrawa

By H. L. JONES Canadian Press Staff Writer

man who sells Canada's wheat. 1954-55 crop has been sold. Trade Minister Howe, also got into the news on reports that he plans to retire, but he was non-commit-

about Christianity and the church minister announced the close-out of the most difficult, post-war year flood victims who lost homes, jobs for the benefit of those who were the 1953-54 prairie wheat pool and joining the church on May 22 and a final payment to farmers averagother members. Merilyn May ing 6.384 cents a bushel. That brings the farmers' total price on 1953-54 wheat to \$1.56 and a fract-Sing song and taps ended the ion per bushel for No. 1 northern at the Lakehead and Vancouver, the lowest price in nine years.

compares with a total price \$1.82 in 1952-53. Mr. Howe admitted there had been difficulties. The low payment, he said, resulted from a decline in world wheat prices and a heavy

burden of storage costs. In addition

U.S. wheat give-away programs were eating into Canada's markets abroad.

The announcement brought cries of disappointment from prairie opposition benches. John Diefenbakei (PC-Prince Albert) termed it a 'black Monday" in the history of the Canadian wheat farmer. He charged that Canada's share of the world markets has "been frittered away by this government's refusal

Hazen Argue (CCF-Assiniboia) said the payment will average out to only about \$150 for each western farmer and that wasn't enough. He demanded that the government announce an interim payment on the 1954-55 crop on which

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OTTAWA (CP)-Wheat was the the wheat board had made only an story around Parliament Hill last initial payment of \$1.40 a bushel. pects and wheat surpluses. And the sible because very little of the Intosh.

Most Difficult Year

The Trade Minister said that the from a marketing standpoint.

averages 8½ cents higher than in willing to put up 25 per cent. the previous year. In addition the The provincial ministers went world demand for wheat fell and home without any firm federal increased.

which the U.S. gives some wheat making a decision. away and barters or sells other stocks for local currencies. The commercial markets."

Mr. Howe said Canada will not was undertaking a "very aggress- port him. Then he added: ive" selling program with agents in

Mr. Howe's Future

own future came into focus. There veteran minister, right-hand man ernment.

Mr. Howe told reporters there country. was "nothing in it." Questioned later in the Commons, he said, "if there is a report that I am resignreport should come from myself." Then Mr. Howe's telephone was

shut off from pursuing parliamentary reporters.

Flood Follow-Up

During the week a trio of Saskatchewan cabinet ministers made a bid for Federal aid for their

storm-flooded province. The proposals were laid before a four-man federal cabinet group by Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister Nollett, Welfare Minister Sturdy week - wheat prices, wheat pros- Mr. Howe said that was impos- and Municipal Affairs Minister Mc-

The Saskatchewan ministers asked the federal government to contribute an unspecified amount of aid in repairing roads, bridges and 1953-54 pool, based on the crop culverts smashed by unrelenting year Aug. 1, 1953-July 31, 1954, was spring storms and in compensating and equipment in the April-May A succession of bumper crops had floods. They also sought federal jammed the west with huge stocks. contributions of 75 per cent. of the A large proportion of the 1953-54 cost of a \$4,463,000 flood control wheat had to be carried in storage program for the wheat province. for 21 months and storage charges Saskatchewan, they said, would be

prices dropped while competition promise. They said they had been given a sympathetic hearing but Adding to Canada's troubles, he that Prime Minister St. Laurent said, was the triple-barrelled U.S. had indicated he needs more time wheat disposal program under to confer with his colleagues before

Blames St. Laurent

In the Commons later in the Canadian government was fully week Hazen Argue came out with prepared to meet competition but the statement that Mr. St. Laurent the American programs were being alone stands in the way of conpressed to the point where "they struction of the South Saskatcheware having a disturbing effect on an river dam and irrigation project and other proposed measures.

Mr. Argue said if the Prime Minconsider giveaway programs simp- iser would announce a go-ahead on ly to sell surplus wheat. But she the dam, all members would sup-

"But one man—only one—stands every world market. The fact she in the way. And I am afraid that, was selling for cash while other as the days go by, more and more countries were giving wheat away one man is going to stand in the showed her position was very well way of other progressive measures the people of this country want.

Alll in all Mr. Howe indicated, he "I could name them — national has faith in Canada's wheat future. health insurance, full employment -all these things, and only one man cannot be convinced."

There was quiet in the Commons were published reports that the as Mr. Argue spoke. But next day the CCF member got ticked off by for the late Prime Minister Mack- Social Credit leader Solon Low. Mr. enzie King and now for Prime Low said he was quite disappointed Minister St. Laurent, planned to at the "intemperate" attack Mr. step out of the cabinet October 23. Argue had made on the Prime That day will mark the 20th anni- Minister-"an attack which I think versary of his entry into the gov- any of us should hesitate to make on the prime minister of this

Coupon-Peddlers

We suggest that the local Chaming from the cabinet, I think the ber of Commerce couple their drive against non-local pedlars with a campaign to warn people against "coupon-pedlars." In any case we urge citizens, and merchants alike to beware of these organizations . . . -Rouyn-Noranda (Que) Press

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