

**300 ATTEND LUNCHEON**

# C. B. Rotary Clubs Honor World Leader

**Some 300 Rotarians and their wives gathered at the Navy League Centre yesterday to greet Arthur Lagueux, of Quebec, President of Rotary International.**

It was by far the largest and most enthusiastic Rotary meeting ever held in Sydney. The occasion marked the first visit of an International President to Cape Breton.

Pat Patterson, president of the Sydney Club, was chairman of the meeting and kept the program moving at a fast pace.

Mr. Lagueux, accompanied by his wife, spoke on the aims and obligations of Rotary.

"Rotary is idealish plus a working plan of fellowship and friendship," he said.

"Rotary breaks down prejudices, brings sworn enemies together. If our organization did nothing more than provide opportunity for fellowship it would be worthwhile. We are part of an organization that offers through fellowship glorious opportunities. Out of it comes a desire to serve, friendliness and goodwill."

The president was introduced to Past District Governor John MacMillan of North Sydney.

Mr. MacMillan said this was the greatest day in the history of local clubs.

"Think of the prestige and honor, President Arthur has brought to Canada, his own province of Quebec and his Rotary districts."

Acting Mayor Tony Gallagher extended a welcome to Mr. Lagueux on behalf of City Council and all citizens.

He said it was a distinct honor for Sydney to welcome such a distinguished visitor.

Mr. Lagueux was thanked by

Past District Governor Don J. Buckley who paid tribute to French-Canadian people and their contribution to Canadian progress.

Guests at the head table included Perry Cadegan, president of the Glace Bay Rotary Club; Mrs. Cadegan, Deputy Mayor Gallagher, Mrs. Patterson, John MacMillan, North Sydney; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swyer, Morris Curry, president of the New Waterford Club, and Mrs. Curry.

Other guests were: Senator and Mrs. Wishard Robinson, Rev Gordon MacLellan, Pittsburgh; Earl King, Sydney; Professor and Mrs. MacLean, Toronto; Dr. Grover, Baltimore; Harold Ingraham, Washington; Rodney Taylor, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. George Cortland, London, Ont.; Charles Butcher, Calgary; Harold Pratt, Brunswick, Me.; Dr. and Mrs. G. B. Richmond, Sydney; Frank MacDonald, Sydney; Fred MacLaren, Fred Scott, Charles Gibbs, all of Sydney.

Perry Cadegan presented Mr. Lagueux with a Cape Breton painting on behalf of the five clubs and Mrs. Pat Patterson presented Mrs. Lagueux with hand-woven handbag.

Mr. and Mrs. Lagueux left yesterday afternoon for St. John's, Nfld.