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CENTRAL REDEQUE Baptist Church, Morning service Sunday, 11 A.M. Sunday School 10:45. On Friday evening November 4th, an important church meeting at the parsonage. Rev. C. A. Britten, Minister.

W.M.S. SOCIAL MEETING—The monthly social meeting of the W.M.S. of Summerside Presbyterian Church was held on Tuesday afternoon in the church hall under the direction of its leaders, Mrs. Maurice Mill and Mrs. Cleve Whalen. The meeting opened with a hymn and the president, Rhoda Baker, was in the chair. A duet "A Gladstone Hymn of Praise We Sing" by Mrs. H. Taylor and Mrs. Shirley Mackey was greatly enjoyed. A songbook followed.—S

MISSIONARY SPEAKS AT YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING—Miss Beryl Morson, returned missionary on furlough from India, gave an interesting talk on Thursday afternoon in Epworth Hall before a large group of the Summerside Trinity United Church, which included the Mission Band, Boys and Girls Explorers' Groups and the girls of the C.I.T. Missions. She showed a variety of articles including clothing which are used by the boys and girls in India, also described the different kinds of games played there by the children. Slides were then shown by the minister, Rev. K.G. Sullivan, who had introduced the speaker.—S

RETURNS FROM THREE WEEKS TRIP—Mr. and Mrs. George Key returned to their home in Summerside on Wednesday evening after a pleasant three weeks' trip having visited many former islanders. In Montreal they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Macdonald, Toronto, they visited Mr. and Mrs. James Macdonald (the former Dora Denny), Mr. Eric Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bennett (Marlene Key), while in London, Ontario, they visited Mrs. J. H. LeRoy and Mr. Benoit DesRoches and Pat Martin.—S

HOSPITAL AID MEETING—Mrs. Heath Strong presided over the November meeting of the Ladies Aid of the Prince County Hospital which met on Wednesday afternoon at the Nurses' Home. The recent Rummage Sale was reported a financial success. On a report given by Mrs. G.A. Boehmer on the recent purchase of a crate of mill ends, it was decided to duplicate the order. The superintendent of the hospital, Mr. J.H. LeRoy, was present and related many suggestions. Plans were made for the League of Mercy tea, which will be held in Epworth Hall on Wednesday, November 23, and Mrs. W.P. Callaghan, was appointed convener with the following committee to assist her: Mrs. J.R. Cunningham, Mrs. T.H.E. LeRoy, Mrs. M.L. Bradshaw, Mrs. C.H. Stewart, Mrs. George Hogg, Mrs. Frank Arnett, Mrs. Donald Ledstone and Miss Jean MacFarlane. Regarding the type of articles needed for use in the hospital, the assortment donated last year proved to be most useful. Mrs. William Hayward expressed her thanks for flowers received while she was a patient in the hospital. The secretary was requested to send flowers to Mrs. Leslie Simmons who is ill in her home. It was moved that Mr. J.H. LeRoy be advised to make a book through for use in the hospital. After the meeting adjourned tea was served.—S

PERSONALS—Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McKenna and Mrs. John L. McLaughlin of Charlottetown were visitors to Summerside yesterday.—S
—Mr. and Mrs. Bruce MacWilliams returned Sunday from a motor trip to the United States and Montreal.
—Mr. and Mrs. James E. Macdonald, North Bayshore, arrived home Wednesday evening after attending the funeral of Mr. Macdonald's brother, Dr. R. H. Macdonald of Saskatoon, Sask.
—Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan H. Groom returned to their home in Summerside on Saturday evening after a three weeks' delightful motor trip of over four thousand miles, stopping over in Montreal, Toronto, Niagara Falls, New York, Boston, in Mansfield, Massachusetts, they were guests of Mr. Groom's aunt, Mrs. Alfred Woodward and Mr. Woodward.—S

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S'side Board of Trade Discusses Potato Surplus

The surplus of potatoes in this Province and what steps can possibly be taken to protect the farmer forced to sell his crop in order to meet financial commitments were the subject of a regular meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade.

Mr. T. Earle Hickey, O.A., the president presided and there was an unusually large number of the members present. Mr. Alan Holman introduced the subject of the potato surplus and the fact that the smaller farmer must sell at the present market price. Mr. Holman said that he felt that the Board of Trade should be concerned about the possibilities of evolving some plan which might assist the small grower such as an advance to tide him over so that he would not be forced to sell at a sacrifice.

The suggestion that the support price be again requested from the Government was received with considerable disapproval by several of the members. Mr. Donald Baker said he did not personally like the idea of asking the Government to support the farmer and that he was of the opinion that many small farmers were growing far too many potatoes and the advocated more diversified farming in Prince Edward Island.

Mr. George Key, who recently returned from Ohio where he visited the fertile farm of Louis Bromfield, gave a short but concise talk on impressions gained while there regarding soil erosion. Mr. Key said that Mr. Bromfield had discontinued the growing of potatoes altogether and that he had told Mr. Key that a potato crop could only be safely grown under a seven-year rotation. Otherwise soil erosion would be great.

No definite action was taken regarding the question which will be dealt with at a later meeting. The president reported that he had had some discussion with Mr. P. Riddell of Newfoundland regarding the prospects of opening up an avenue of trade between Summerside and the east coast of Newfoundland; the president said that Mr. Riddell was of the opinion that there were bright prospects for a lucrative trade by Summerside business firms with Newfoundland, and that a boat calling at intervals between the two points could develop a splendid market for Island produce.

The meeting appointed the president to represent the Board of Trade at the public meeting to be held this evening in the Town Hall regarding the question of a new rink in Summerside. The report of the supervisor of the Summerside Tourist Bureau, Marion M. Dewar, was submitted and showed that about 11,000 persons had signed the register there with an average of 60 to 70 and the peak day, Sunday of Labor Day week, being 139 persons.—S

Presbytery Meeting At Kensington

The P.E.I. Presbytery met at Kensington on Nov. 1st for a day of spiritual refreshment. The chairman, Rev. G.K. Sullivan, presided.

The Rev. W.T. Mercer opened the meetings with a fine devotional service. Mr. Mercer stressed the need for penitence, the requisite for evangelism, and he stated that many of the ills which confront us today would be purified if the religion of Jesus Christ were to be applied in personal living, for no external law can compensate for the lack of self-discipline. To be self-disciplined is to be socially constructive. The only evangelism which is of value is the overflow of an experience of the living Christ; this depends upon the penitence and faith of each Christian.

Dr. A.D. MacKenzie spoke on "Personal Evangelism." The width and depth of his experience made this an extremely valuable address. He urged the members of Presbytery to influence others to go out, like the four men in Mark 24, to bring those who are spiritually dead, as he strophed to the saving Christ. We must never be "too polite" to miss opportunities of challenging men to examine the real values of life, and we must go to them fresh from the presence of God, suffused with the tenderness of the Divine Father, to give God a chance to work through our lives.

After the dinner-recess, Mr. Russell Leard led the devotional service. Mr. Leard spoke from the fullness of his heart about matters of great concern to the Church; he also led a season of prayer. The Rev. L.M. Murray spoke on the philosophy of Christian education in its relationship to evangelism, and said that the aim of Christian education is that each person, at each stage in his development, should be growing in a vital knowledge of God. We are striving to do this by imparting knowledge of the great beliefs of the Christian faith, and by emphasizing the experience of the individual, so that with an enlightened mind and glowing heart, and a full surrender to Christ, evangelism and Christian education go hand in hand. After this address, Presbytery enjoyed refreshments served by the young adult group. The concluding speaker was the Rev. P.A. Fitzpatrick who brought a powerful message on the relationship of evangelism to the social order, especially in its conflict with gigantic social evils. Mr. Fitzpatrick stated that individual regeneration is the power for social transformation but the Church must continually attack the evils which hinder the progress of the spiritual life. Like the prophets, who were pioneers of social righteousness, the Church will face persecution; but she must bear the

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Cornerstone Laid At Malpeque Kirk
The Presbytery of Prince Edward Island adjourned its proceedings at its meeting in Kier Memorial Church, Malpeque, last Tuesday afternoon, to lay the cornerstone of the Church which had been erected and dedicated on September 11th, 1927. The service was conducted by the Moderator, the Rev'd Chas. D. Henderson, assisted by the Rev. Geo. E. Cunningham of Alberton, and the Rev'd Jas. A. MacCowan, Minister of the Church. The masonry work was performed by Mr. Ivan Dickson. In the container were placed by Mr. MacCowan a copy of a sermon delivered in 1821 by the Rev'd John Keir (1780-1858) who was the first Minister of Malpeque and the first Moderator of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island, and in whose honour the Church is named. There was also placed a copy of the Order of Service at the opening of the present Church, a Communion Token from Dr. Keir's time, and a copy of the printed agenda of Tuesday's meeting of the Presbytery. A goodly number of the congregation were present with the Presbytery on the historic occasion.

Believe Regulations Valid
However, the Government's own law officers were of the opinion that the regulations were valid.
"They are of the opinion that both the law and the facts support the view that it lies within the authority of Parliament to extend these regulations for a further period."
"Counsel will be instructed by the Attorney General of Canada to press this view before the court. The order-in-council making the reference is being prepared and when approved, will be tabled in this House."
The Government believed that gradual and orderly decontrol was the right policy.
Announcement of a boost in rental ceilings is the first since Oct. 22, 1948, when Mr. Abbott allowed an over-all 10-per-cent jump for all landlords who had not availed themselves of the 10-per-cent increase authorized in May, 1947.
Last year's easing of controls also authorized an additional over-all increase of five per cent for all housing accommodation where heat was supplied, regardless of whether the general 10-per-cent boost was put into effect.
Ceilings on commercial rentals were lifted completely March 8, 1948.

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eventually withdrawing all controls.
In line with this system of decontrol, Mr. Abbott announced four new regulation amendments, allowing landlords greater leeway over accommodation. The amendments become effective Dec. 15 next.
They are:
1. Rentals for rooms, parts of houses and similar accommodation in which a tenant is required to share toilet facilities or similar conveniences will be increased by 20 per cent.
2. A rental increase of 20 per cent for unheated self-contained dwellings and 25 per cent for similar heated accommodation.
I am accordingly writing at once to the Premiers of the Provinces acquainting them with our intention and offering to assist in the preparation of what might be termed 'stand-by' legislation if they wish to present such legislation to their respective Legislatures."
The Government a year ago had offered to turn over rental controls to the Provinces, but none wanted to enter the field. Newfoundland had its own rental controls when it joined confederation last spring.
The Government still is ready to hand over the rent regulations to any Province which makes a formal request to that effect, Mr. Abbott said.
"We do not wish to stand in the way of any Province which desires

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ed by way of greater efficiency in operation and by effecting economies.
As far as industry was concerned, he said, the time had passed when increased costs such as those for freight could be passed on by producers. A buyer's market was under way.
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