

I. O. O. F. ACTIVITIES IN CONVENTION CENTRE

CHARLOTTETOWN HAS LONG ASSOCIATION WITH ODDFELLOWSHIP

First I. O. O. F. Lodge Established Here In 1869 Steady Progress Made From That Time Until The Present.

Charlottetown, convention centre for the 78th anniversary of the Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, for the 44th annual session Grand Encampment and the 10th session of the Rebekah Assembly, has reason to be proud of its long association with Oddfellowship, many of its most prominent citizens being life-long pioneer members of the Order.

The I. O. O. F. was instituted in Charlottetown on October 13, 1869, under the name of "St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 8," and under the jurisdiction of what was then named the "Grand Lodge of the Lower Provinces of British North America."

The charter members were: John P. Irving, J. W. Falconer, William H. Brennan, (Capt.) William Patrick and William B. Allin, all of whom are deceased. The Lodge took its name from the old "St. Lawrence Hotel," where it was instituted. The name of the Grand Lodge was later changed to "The Maritime Provinces of Canada."

In the month of February, 1876, a number of members of St. Lawrence Lodge obtained permission from their Lodge to establish another Lodge in Charlottetown, and having petitioned the Grand Encampment and received its consent, Wilsey Lodge, No. 27, was organized with the following as charter members: E. H. Brennan, Ed. W. Estey, Benjamin Bremner, F. W. Beer, E. D. Starr, Archibald D. White, and James McKee. Of whom, with the exception of Mr. Brennan, have passed to the "Great Beyond." Mr. Brennan is still in active membership.

The name "Wilsey" is the name of the founder of the Order in America. Thomas Wilsey was an Englishman, who resided in Baltimore, Md. The Order in America was founded on April 26, 1819.

I. O. O. F. ENCAMPMENT

The Encampment branch of Oddfellowship under the name of "Port la Joie Encampment, No. 13, I. O. O. F.," on the 24th October, 1876, but later on, the Encampment was re-numbered, after the Grand Encampment was created. It then became No. 4, and in the month of August, 1892, the instituting officer of the Grand Encampment was Benjamin Bremner, District Deputy Grand Sire, and the place of institution was Summerside. By the institution of the Grand Encampment, the office of District Deputy Grand Sire was abolished in the Maritime Provinces.

The names of the officers of "Port la Joie" after receiving the new charter in 1892 were: George Walter, Henry S. Coffin, William Small, E. M. McLellan, William R. Borcham, A. D. McLeod, Fred H. Sellar, and other appointive officers.

ALPHA REBEKAH LODGE

Alpha Rebekah Lodge No. 10 was instituted in Charlottetown on October 27th, 1896 by Bro. A. J. Houle, P.G., a member of Pearl Rebekah Lodge No. 9, Moncton, and who was appointed a Special Deputy by Bro. T. B. Grady, who was Grand Master at that time. The charter members were: E. B. Grady and Mrs. Grady, John F. Wheat and Mrs. Wheat, Albert W. Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell, J. S. Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, John Wares and Mrs. Wares.

The first officers of Alpha were: Noble Grand—Amos Stentiford Mitchell, V. G. Annie Nelson, Secy. Florence Wheeler, Fin. Secy. John F. Wheat, Treas. Albert W. Mitchell, Chaplain John Wares, P. N. G. Mrs. John Wares.

The first applications for membership were received from Ethel Collins, May Collins, Ada Goddard, Maggie Barratt, Jose Stentiford, Will Brehaut, Harold Jenkins, Isaac Lane, Edith McKinnon, J. J. McKinnon, Gerlie McKie, Maggie Brown, Annie Bell, Lily Fairclough, John Vance, Annie Morris, Mary Clark, Maud Clark, Geo. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, Mary Campbell, Laura Beers, Annie Fraser, Annie Lane, Emma Stewart, Minnie Wheeler, Daisy McPherson, D.A. McLeod, Jessie Ross, B. R. Waterman, Mrs. R. B. Waterman, Marie Moloney, J. H. and Mrs. Morris, Ella Beers.

It is interesting to note that quite a few of those named are still members in good standing in Alpha No. 10.

Three months later, Jan. 18th, 1897, an application was received from the late dearly beloved Brother John McLaughlin, who in all the years was always ready and willing to assist in a Rebekah Lodge until God called him to the great Fraternity above.

Looking back over the years since Alpha was first instituted, and trying to sum up the good which has been accomplished, and the influence for good which the members have tried to build, it can fittingly be said, "We could better than any other year comes with its prospects new."

To better be and better do— And isn't it fine that we're here to try The chances out—as the days go by."

ST. LAWRENCE LODGE

Past Grand Masters: D.F. Bethune, H.L. Bethune, T. W. Bentley, Chas. Black, Stanley Bryant, E. C. Burne, James Calder, J.P. Campbell, J.P. Crockett, G.H. Chandler, J.S. Darrach, H. M. Davison, L.F. Davison, Robert Diamond, J.A. Dover, W.W. Down, L. MacDonald, J.F. MacDonald, A. McEachern, S.B. French, John Hearn, L.H. Howatt, T.L. Howatt, Phillip Howatt, V.T. Howatt, A.J. Houle, R.L. Huestis, J.I. McInnis, John Kennedy, J.L. Lane, (Van-couver), J.F. Lafferty, H.G. Letch, G.W. MacLeod, G.S. MacLeod, N. D. MacLean, J.A. MacLeod, J.T. Martin, J.D. MacMillan, G. M. Moore, B.T. Myers, C.C. McNeill (Ottawa), William McNeill (Pictou), N. S.), G. P. Nicholson, Geo. S. Pearson, Robert Rattray, F.L. Bir-ridge, F.H. Stanley, G.O. Smith, L.A. Stewart, L.S. Stevenson, B.C. Van-derstine, T.A. Vanderstine, J.D. Webster, J.P. Wheat, J.E.H. Worth, P.D. Worth, E.N. Younker (Ver-dun, Que).

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JEWEL VETERANS ST. LAWRENCE LODGE NO. 8

The following Veterans have been members of St. Lawrence Lodge for upwards of fifty years: Bro. Geo. M. Moore (55 years); John F. MacDonald and H.M. Davison (53 years).

25-Year Jewel Vets.

The following have been members for twenty-five years or upwards: J.P. Wheat, A.J. Houle, W.J. Dismarsh, George T. Lavers, Isaac L. Lane, Angus McCallum, D.W. Montgomery, George S. Pearson, John D. McMillan, Robert Rattray, Maxwell Henry, John J. McKie, J. H. Nelson, J.F. Semple, W.K. Rogers, C.H. Chandler, G.E. Henderson, E. Strickland, John Baskin, Gordon, W.A. Stewart, A.E. Toombs, Lauchlin McDonald, W. Fred Morris, D.A. McKinnon, Walter E. Burke, James D. Offer, Chas. H. Black, Ed. Carson, Geo. McMillan, H.L. Bethune, Fred W. Andrew, Robt. McWilliams, A.C. Sinclair, S.F. Tarbush, R.E. Mutch, Henry Jenkins, Fred S. Chandler, B.S. McKinley, Vera Crockett, Harry Hyde, Jas. A. McMillan, J. Lester Douglas, J. Harry Hill, John K. Sutherland, Geo. W. McLeod, Geo. S. McLeod, W.S. Bait, T.L. Howatt.



The Home trustees for the I.O.O.F. Home at Pictou are: President R.H. McKay, P.G.M., New Wood, P.N.G., Vice President, C.H. Gosd, P.N.G.,

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OFFICERS OF WILSEY LODGE NO. 27

Present Term: Noble Grand—Robert F. Acorn, Vice Grand—Harold Mackie, Recording Secretary—Herbert Thornton, P.G., Financial Secretary—Kelsey Burhoe, P.C., Treasurer—Norman A. Nicholson, P.G., Warden—Percy L. Smallwood, P.G., Conductor—A.O.F. Gill, P.G., Outside Guardian—Ivan E. Walters, P.G., Inside Guardian—John H. McKennie, P.G., Right Support Noble Grand—Fulton Adms, P.G., Left Support Noble Grand—D.D. Morrison, P.G., Right Support Vice Grand—Hugh L. McKay, P.G., Left Support Vice Grand—Henry Laphorn, P.G., Right Scene Supporter—Preston J. Sentner, P.G., Left Scene Supporter—Wellington Dixon, P.G., Chaplain—David Wray, P.G., Junior Past Grand—Arthur Cudmore.

PAST GRANDS OF WILSEY LODGE NO. 27 I.O.O.F.

E. Acorn, F. Adams B. Bremner, P. Brydges, G. Bennett, Wm. Brennan, K. Turbop, P. Blitch, G. Dewar, Dr. C. Drew, O. Gill, H. Jenkins, Dr. Johnston, H. Johnston, H. Laphorn, W. LePage, C. Manson, E. Matthews, A. Miller, D.D. Morrison, W. Munroe, Geo. McDonald, J.H. McKennie, C.C. McLean, C.S. McLure, P.L. McNeil, J.A. McNair, H. McKay, B. MacPhail, E. McInnis, N.A. Nicholson, A.I. Pickard, G.S. Ryan, M. Ross, T.M. Stewart, J.C. Stewart, P.L. Smallwood, Theo. L. Sentner, P.J. Sentner, J.D. Taylor, W.N. Turner, P. Turner, H. Thornton, D. Wray, W. Wellner, T.B. Grady, H. Platts, I.E. Watters, W. Dixon.

PORT LA JOIE ENCAMPMENT NO. 4 I.O.O.F.

Present Officers for 1935 and 1936: Chief Patriarch—Herbert Thornton, P.C.P., High Priest—W.D. Wray, P.C.P., Senior Warden—John Webster, Recording Scribe—Kelsey Burhoe, P.C.P., Financial Scribe—Gordon Letch, P.C.P., Treasurer—Herbert Johnston, P.C.P., Junior Warden—S.F. Tarbush, Guide—Theo. L. Sentner, P.C.P., Outside Sentinel—A.O.F. Gill, P.C.P., Inside Sentinel—James P. Campbell, P.C.P., First Watch—B.C. Vanderstine, P.C.P., Second Watch—David Bethune, P.C.P., Third Watch—S.B. French, P.C.P., Fourth Watch—Henry Laphorn, P.C.P., First Guard Lent—D.D. Morrison, P.C.P., Second Guard Lent—Fred Houle, P.C.P., Records for Past Chief Patriarchs see Kelsey Burhoe, Stanley Shaw & Beardon.

PAST CHIEF PATRIARCHS OF PORT LA JOIE ENCAMPMENT

D.L. Bethune, P.C.P. & P.G.D., H.L. Bethune, P.C.P. & P.G., P.C.P., Ben. Bremner, P.C.P., K.G. Burhoe, P.C.P., James Campbell, P.C.P., J.F. McDonald, P.C.P., C.S. Dewar, P.C.P., Angus McEachern, P.C.P., S.B. French, P.C.P., John Hearn, P.C.P., Lewis Howatt, P.C.P., Hilbert Johnston, P.C.P., Henry Laphorn, P.C.P., Gordon Letch,

RESERVE BANK AT DURBAN

DURBAN, South Africa, Aug. 7.—The South African Reserve Bank has paid \$175,000 for a corner site. The building, to be used exclusively for the bank's use, will be 1,000 cars high. A garage to hold 1,000 cars will be erected behind the building.



Windsor, N.S.: J. H. T. Nicholson, E.G.M., Sydney Mines, N.S.: A. A. Leaman, Moncton, N.B.: C. H. Black, Charlottetown, P.E.I.: Mrs. Elizabeth Matatall, P.P., Truro, N.S.: Miss Mabel Taylor, Moncton, N.B.: John D. MacDonald, P.G.M., Secretary-Treasurer, W. I. Fraser, Superintendent.

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MISS MARIE I. TAYLOR President Rebekah Assembly Maritime Provinces, Moncton, N.B.



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MRS. MARY HARRINGTON, P.P. Secretary Rebekah Assembly, Bridgewater, N.S.



MRS. RUBY HOULE Past President Rebekah Assembly, Chairman of Programs and Publicity Committee



MISS ELIZABETH MACEACHERN Past President Rebekah Assembly



MISS IDA McDONALD Warden Rebekah Assembly, Thorburn, N.S.

EARLY HISTORY OF WILDEY LODGE

Interesting Reminiscences by "the Grand Old Man" of Oddfellowship in Canada

The following account of some of the early history of Wilsey Lodge, No. 27, I.O.O.F., Charlottetown, was read at the celebration of the Lodge's 52nd anniversary on March 23, 1928, by Brother Benjamin Bremner, P.G.M. Its republication is timely on this occasion of the 78th anniversary of the Grand Lodge in Charlottetown. Mr. Bremner may be described as "the grand old man of Oddfellowship" in Canada, he being the Senior Past Grand Master. He joined the Order in October, 1874, entered Grand Lodge in Pictou, 1878, was elected Grand Representative at Charlottetown, 1883; Grand Master at Halifax, 1884; chairman of the first Joint Degree Staff, Charlottetown, Aug., 1889, and was appointed District Grand Deputy Sire in 1890. He instituted the Grand Encampment at Summerside, August, 1892, and received the Rebekah Degree from the Grand Master in the fall of 1874, before joining the Rebekah Lodge.

In the month of February, 1876 a number of members of St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 8, of this City, considering the interest of the Order would be served by having two lodges established here, presented a request to their parent Lodge to give its consent to the establishment of another Lodge in Charlottetown. Permission having been granted, withdrawal cards were then issued for the purpose above stated to the following brothers: (I am giving the names in the order in which the application was signed) viz.:

E.H. Brennan, Ed. M. Estey, Benj. Bremner, F.H. Beer, F.D. Starr, Arch'd. D. White, who together with James McKennie, an Ancient Odd Fellow formerly belonging to a Lodge in the United States, making seven names in all, joined in a petition to the Grand Master, praying that a Charter be issued for the establishment of a Lodge to be known as "Wilsey No. 27." The request having been granted, our present Lodge was instituted by the D.D. Grand Master, Bro. John J.G. Ellis, assisted by several brothers of St. Lawrence Lodge. The first elective officers were the following: Noble Grand; F.H. Beer, Vice Grand; Ed. M. Estey, Rec. Secretary; E.H. Brennan, Perm. Secretary; James McKennie, Treasurer, who were duly installed. After these ceremonies had been completed the following brothers deposited withdrawal cards from St. Lawrence Lodge: William Glassford, Well. McLeod, L.W.G. Hayden, and were on ballot; elected to membership. (A few weeks later Brother G.A. Sharp was, on deposit of card from St. Lawrence Lodge, also elected as a member of the Lodge). The Noble Grand then appointed, and the D.D.G.M. installed, the following appointive officers:

Archibald D. White, Warden; Benj. Bremner, Conductor; William Glassford, R.S.V.G.; Well. McLeod, L.S.V.G.; L.W.G. Hayden, R.S.S.

The vacant offices were filled at subsequent meetings.

It may interest you to know the business occupations of the brothers mentioned above. They were as follows: Bro. Starr, Cabinet Maker; Bro. Beer, Grocer, and head of the late firm of Beer & Goff; Bro. Estey, a Pharmacist in the employ of the late Dr. Dodd of Medical Hall, afterwards locating in Moncton, N.B. in a drug business in his own right; Bro. Brennan, Conductor on the P.E.I. Railway, and uncle of the present proprietor of the Summerside Journal; Bro. McKennie, first Train Dispatcher of the P.E.I. Railway, and brother of the first Superintendent of the P.E.I. Railway; Bro. White of the late firm of White & Son, Iron Founders and machinists; Bro. Bremner, of the late firm of Bremner, Bros., Stationers and Printers; Bros. Glassford and MacLeod, clerks in the offices of the P.E.I. Railway, and Bro. Hayden, Merchant and farmer of Morell, P.E.I. Thus Wilsey Lodge began its career on the 14th day of March, 1876—fifty-two years ago.

"Ups and Downs"

The Lodge, during its history has had its ups and downs, its periods of depression and prosperity, but as we believe overcome and surmounted its difficulties and has, according to its ability, lived up to the principles of Friendship, Love and Truth in a great measure satisfactorily. For the past thirty years or more it has enjoyed considerable prosperity and paid out during the years of its existence a large amount in relief to worthy brothers and widowed families.

Many changes have taken place since the year of our institution. As far as I can ascertain, death has claimed all but two of the original charter members, those still living being Bro. F.H. Beer, P.G. and your humble servant, and of those initiated during the first year of our existence but two remain with us in Charlottetown, viz. Past Grand John McLeod and John A. Moore, whose pleasant face may be

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MAIL COURIERS DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Mail couriers of Queen's County met Saturday night with Mr. Carfield MacKinnon, assistant of the Mail Contractors Association, Ottawa, and discussed a petition which urged upon the Government the abolition of the contract system. Messrs. W. C. S. McLure, M.P., and J. H. Myers, M.P., were present and addressed the meeting briefly. Mr. MacKinnon presided. Mr. McLure informed the couriers he was in favour of the payment of higher remuneration to them. He had often thought a petition should be circulated, in the preamble of which there should be set forth the work done by the couriers under severest climatic conditions, and a comparison with the work done in other departments. He promised that he would endeavour to give his very best effort on behalf of the men and women engaged in this branch of the work.

The chairman quoted Hon. Hugh Guthrie as stating that the policy of the Government was to establish a mileage system as soon as conditions permitted. Members of the liberal party had voted against such a measure when they were in power. The couriers' service was the only part of the civil service in which tenders were called. Both Mr. McLure and Mr. Myers had done commendable work in connection with the couriers, to better the condition of the couriers.

Mr. Myers expressed himself as being behind the couriers heart and soul, because he felt that the couriers were working under an unfortunate system. So long as the couriers performed their work satisfactorily he and Mr. McLure had seen that the contracts were renewed. Conditions, however, had not improved as during the last five years tenders had been radically lowered. The system which permitted of such a condition was wrong.

Mr. McLure and the speaker on every occasion in the future would use their vote and their voice on behalf of the mail couriers.

In 1921 the first effort of the Mail Contractors Association was made in Ontario, stated Mr. McKinnon in outlining the history of the movement. Soon attempts were made to have the contract system discarded. The privilege of observing statutory holidays was gained. The government had promised that as soon as the treasury could afford it the rate in pay would be made. He then discussed the petition at some length, and considerable discussion followed.

BROTHERS KILLED SAME WEEK (Canadian Press) READING, England, Aug. 7.—Percy Morrell, 29, and his brother, Peter, four years younger, of Moulshur, were killed within a week. The contractors' Association was notified when he fell from a ladder and Peter lost his life in a motor accident.

Victories Impress Montrealers

MONTREAL, Aug. 11—A coveted berth on the 1936 Canadian Olympic team—topmost peak of ambition—tonight seemed a certainty for Allen Meagher, sensational Halifax girl speedster. Wearer of the Dominion 200-metre crown, Miss Meagher won the admiration of the spectators when she emerged triumphant from the only two events she was entered in at the Dominion women's track and field championships at the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association grounds here Saturday.

Her lithe, brown body flashing down the track, the dark haired Halifax girl scored a splendid victory in the senior 100 metres and then ran a beautiful race to win the senior 200 metres—feature race of the day.

In the 100 metres Miss Meagher lunged forward with a last-minute burst of speed to break the tape two yards ahead of Hilda Cameron of Toronto Laurels. Nicholson, the distance in 12.2 seconds, she was almost three yards in front of Alice Lewis, running under the colors of the Comet A. C. of Ottawa, who came third.

Her victory in the 200 metres sprint completed the day for this Halifax girl who amazed everyone with her speed and stamina. Just one-tenth of a second was between her time—Saturday and her Canadian record time of 25.5. Accompanying Allen to Montreal, Vivian Graham qualified for the finals in the 60 and 100 metres. She entered, but found the speed of the finalist more than she could match and she failed to finish in the first three. She was second in each of her preliminary heats.

Mrs. W. E. Sterling who accompanied both girls to Montreal, left tonight for Halifax with Miss Graham. Miss Meagher said she may stay a week or two in Montreal.

THE TELEPHONE-ROOM The telephone-room has arrived. One young hostess, at least, has had the telephone removed from her reception rooms, partly because it was not ornamental, and partly because it interrupted conversation.

Shirley Temple Quiets Mob With Song

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) HONOLULU, Aug. 11—Twenty thousand children and adults, seeking a glimpse of Shirley Temple on her only scheduled public appearance while on her Hawaiian vacation, nearly precipitated a riot yesterday.

The crowd broke rope barriers, hurled aside 20 policemen, 50 guardsmen and 100 Boy Scouts and stormed toward Iolani Palace, the territorial capitol, forcing Shirley and her party to retire inside and necessitating cancellation of plans for a formal procession past the little movie "Quinties."

Shirley refrained to a second story balcony and sang her famous "On the Good Ship Lollipop," quieting the crowd.

"Quinties" (Chicago Tribune) And now it's happened! Horror of horrors! Whither are we drifting? Some of the eastern newspapers have already published the thing in streamer headlines: "First Birthday for the Dionne Quinties!" The very sound of the thing makes one grow pale and have severe shooting pains in the neck. Not content with such awful atrocities as "eatle shoppe" and "good night" and "arshites" and "dites" and "oke," now we have to see that awful thing "quinties" staring us in the face every now and then. And next somebody will be changing Mother's day to "Muzzies day." Quick, Watson, the needle!

ITALIAN ARMY CORNERS LEMONS LIVERPOOL, England, Aug. 7.—Because of the demand for the Italian soldiers in Ethiopia, there is an acute shortage of lemons in Liverpool, less than half the normal quantity of Italian lemons being sold on the Liverpool Fruit Exchange.

Heads Gen. Com. The telephone-room has arrived. One young hostess, at least, has had the telephone removed from her reception rooms, partly because it was not ornamental, and partly because it interrupted conversation.

EXHIBITORS NOTICE Attention is called to an error in Class 50, Field Boats. In the wording of Section 5, the word "NOT" was omitted and should read: "FIELD BOATS SHOULD NOT BE WASHED" L-9043

D. F. BETHUNE, P.G., P.G.E. Chairman General Committee I. O. O. F. Convention