SCOUTING AND GUIDING IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Chief Scout of the World

RT. HON. LORD BADEN-POWELL

Notable Career Of Lt. Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Chief Scout.

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The fame of Lt.-Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell of Gilwell, will endure chiefly on account of his formation and leadership of the Boy Scout movement. Some years, though, before this enterprise was started, Baden-Powell's name was blazoned the world over on account of his defence of the town of Mafeking during the South African War.

Robert Baden-Powell was a naturalized son of the Veldt. Born in London in 1857, the sixth son of Prof. Baden-Powell of Oxford and Henrietta Grace Smyth, he joined the 13th Hussars in 1876, and served in India, Afghanistan, and South Africa. In 1887 he was appointed Assistant Military Secretary in South Africa, and subsequently held a similar post in Malta.

In the Matabele Campaign of 1896 he was Chief Staff Officer, and was promoted from the 13th Hussars to be Lieut.-Col. commanding the 5th Dragoon Guards.

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Founding Of The Scout Movement

On Friday, July 5th, Scouts from Alberton to Montague will converge in Charlottetown to do honour to Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell, founder of a world wide youth movement that has done more in its time to foster and develop a brother-hood that embraces languages, classes, creeds and races into a common understanding than any other organization.

The Chief Scout and Chief Guide with their two daughters Hon. Betty and Hon. Heather Baden-Powell are nearing the completion of a world tour that saw them everywhere enthusiastically received and entertained. In their visit to Prince Edward Island, the smallest province in the Dominion citizens in common with Scouts and Guides will extend a hearty welcome to the distinguished visitors and bid them a pleasant stay in their short sojourn in the "Garden Province."

The camp in which the idea of the Scout movement first took concrete shape consisted of only four patrols—Curlews, Ravens, Wolves, and Bulls—with a total strength of twenty Scouts. Out of that tiny nucleus has grown the present world-wide Association of some 2,000,000 members. From its earliest days the Association has grown with extraordinary rapidity. In January, 1908, it did not exist. Three and a half years later the Duke of Connaught was able to announce that it had spread to all parts of the Empire with a world-membership of a quarter of a million, and in 1912 it received the grant of a Royal Charter. Not many public organizations have attained that dignity at so early a stage in their career. But the Boy Scout movement is something more than an organization. It is a living organism, the offspring and the constant care of a living man. Its real origin dates far back in the boyhood of Sir Robert Baden-Powell, at school and in the holidays. His scouting then actually was boy scouting, born and bred in the country. At first it took the primitive form of tracking small animals and hiding from possible enemies in the shape of masters or keepers. By degrees he began to learn in the town as well as in the country, on water as on land, to fend for himself, to observe and to make mental note of what he saw, to find out how things were done, and in small ways how to do some of them with his own hands. In later life the idea came to him that the practical knowledge he had picked up in this way might be used in helping to teach others—might be handed on, for instance, to the young soldiers in his own regiment, as a human training supplementary to their military drill and duties—and that in course of time they would learn, by constant and intelligent exercise of brain and limbs and hand and eye, and in fact of all the senses, to teach themselves. And then, finally, when the Defence of Mafeking had become past history, he conceived—or, at least, first put on paper—the still greater idea of the daily "Good Turn."

Seven years later, when the man who has earned the proud world-title of Chief Scout actually started the movement, he put this ideal of the "Good Turn"—the paramount duty of service to others—in the forefront of everything that he wrote and said about it. Without a shadow of doubt it is the vitalizing spirit of the organism which he has created. His object was to help the boys of his own country to become good and useful citizens. In scout craft, pure and simple, based on his own experiences as boy and man, he found to begin with, ready to his hand, a pursuit or pastime outside the ordinary run of their games and work which appealed to practically every whole-some instinct of the Eternal Boy—

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SCOUTING PAST AND PRESENT IN PROVINCE

Historical Sketch of Progress of Island Movement. Trained Leadership Crying Need of Today. Chief's Visit Eagerly Awaited.

Scouting in the Province of Prince Edward Island since its organization in 1914 has met with varying success until today it is at its strongest a total membership of over 300. The Movement from the beginning, under the leadership of such men as the late Lieut.-Governor, the Hon. D. A. MacKinnon, the Rev. G. T. Spriggs, Kensington, Mr. J. A. McMillan, Charlottetown, Mr. Charles Hensley, Summerside, Mr. Vernon Maddigan, Mr. Fred Hynes and Mr. George Walker, Charlottetown flourished and faded and reflourished intermittently until 1928 when it got a sure footing, having gained ground ever since. Three troops were originally organized in the city, namely The Kings Own, The League of the Cross, and Zion, one in Summerside, under Mr. Hensley and Mr. E. J. Hallett and another under Mr. J. J. Morris and now Mr. Callaghan, and later one in Montague under the Rev. Mr. Stirling, now Mr. A. Hume.

EARLY YEARS

Although organized locally these troops were not organized officially, that is, they did not fulfill and discharge all the duties required by the Dominion organization, but they carried on more or less successfully, being led by a devoted band of men who had the interests of the rising generation at heart. This is especially to be said of the Hon. Mr. MacKinnon, the Rev. Mr. Spriggs and Mr. McMillan on whose shoulders the weight and responsibility of the organization lay. The first troop at St. Peters was organized by Rev. H. Scott Smith, assisted by Mr. Fred Hynes; the St. Dunstan's organized by Major W. J. McDonald and Mr. Percy Halpenny, and the Zion by Mr. J. A. McMillan, assisted by Mr. George Walker. Unfortunately the war broke out in the Fall of that year and the demand was made upon the young men for service in defense of their country to such an extent that the local youths' organizations were greatly interfered with and progress retarded. In those days also there was a lack of leadership so far as the Boy Scouts Movement was concerned. The public generally did not realize what the Movement implied, and the few who did were more or less transient, as soon as they became efficient they moved away. This was especially the case with St. Peter's Troop, which suffered very greatly from repeated losses of Scout Masters. St. Dunstan's faired better for a time, having both Mr. McDonald and Mr. Halpenny in control, but even this Scout Troop also was moribund for a spell. Zion Church carried on for a time but sufficient public spirit was not behind it. As the "rising hopes" of the first four years reached manhood there was no continuing influx to maintain a troop and it went out of existence. In 1921, when the other troops were quiescent St. James Church formed a troop under the direction of Mr. J. R. Burnett, Mr. Kenneth Martin becoming its first organized Scout Master a few years later. The St. James Troop has maintained its existence since then, making progress under the practical direction of Mr. J. A. Lawson, who succeeded Mr. Martin as Scout Master.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

In the early days the Prince Edward Island Boy Scouts Association was formed with the Hon. Augustine MacDonald as Patron, the Hon. D. A. MacKinnon as Provincial Commissioner, Rev. G. T. Spriggs, Kensington as President and Mr. J. A. McMillan as Secretary. This organization continued until 1920 when it went out of existence, due to lack of general interest and finances. The three troops, St. Peter's, St. Dunstan's and St. James continued to carry on intermittently until 1927, when the Scouts made their first big public display, being entrusted by the Dominion Government with the duty of visiting of graves of the Confederation Fathers in Charlottetown, Sherwood and Summerside and decorating them in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of Confederation. They made a brave display and attracted general attention by their smart appearance in their new uniforms. Provincial Commissioner MacKinnon himself wore the regulation uniform of a Commissioner which displayed his handsome figure to advantage. Alas, the next public occasion on which the Boy Scouts turned out was to attend the funeral of their late Commissioner, Mr. MacKinnon, having passed away in April, 1928. That year also proved a turning point in the history of Scouting in this Province due to the advent of Mr. R. C. Parent, the Dominion official in charge of Demonstration farms. Mr. and Mrs. Parent had been associated with the Scout Movement in New Brunswick and both are enthusiastic scouters. Mr. Parent started a Troop in connection with the Baptist Church and lent his valuable services in reorganizing the other troops in the city and in Summerside and Montague. He also was the means of resuscitating the Association and at the annual meeting in 1929 Mr. Spriggs was nominated and subsequently appointed Provincial Commissioner and Mr. G. Filliter, Manager of the Bank of Montreal, was appointed President of the Association. From that date the Scout Movement has grown tremendously in public opinion and estimation.

PROGRESS MADE

A great impetus was given the movement in 1929 by the announcement of a World Jamboree to be held at Birkenhead, England, to which this province sent three Scouts, viz: Dick Filliter, King's Scout, Bill Burnett, First Class Scout, and Bob Beer, First Class Scout.

The Zion Church Troop was reorganized in 1932 with Mrs. Parent in charge of the Cubs and Mr. Clarence Walker and afterwards Mr. Percy Cameron in charge of the Scouts. St. Peter's was revived with Mr. George Brady as Scout Master and St. Paul's organized with Mr. Wm. Warren as Scout Master and Mr. Stewart Leigh as Assistant. The Holy Redeemer with Mr. Fred Driscoll as Scout Master, and the Basilica with Mr. Kenneth McMillan as Scout Master and Earl Norrie as assistant. A Rover Scout and Cub Group has been organized in Bedeque by the Rev. A. G. Crowe, while two troops have been formed or resuscitated at Summerside. Alberton has its troop, under the Rev. Mr. Wm. Phillips, as well as Montague, under Mr. A. Hume, while others are being formed at Borden, Crapaud and elsewhere.

In the early days several successful summer camps were conducted at Westville, Mr. J. A. McMillan in reminiscent mood recalling these early camps says: "We had one of the best bunch of boys that ever slept under canvas and many of them to-day are settled down, successfully engaged in business. My only regret is that we did not possess the means and opportunity of sending some to Gilwell Camps to form the nucleus of future leaders."

Regular annual church parades have been held by the Scouts to one of the Protestant and one of the Catholic churches respectively. These parades have been events of great interest to Scouts and the public generally attracting considerable attention as they march through the streets to their places of worship.

THE NEEDED IMPETUS

Since the advent of Mr. R. C. Parent, when the Scouting barometer registered low, reorganizing work has gone on and though slow has been thorough, including the executive and the various troop committees, and best of all the organization of an active Rover Crew of which he is leader. Cub packs, the ground work of the movement providing an influx to the depleted ranks, are growing in number.

Annual entertainments are held to organize funds for the Summer camps which up until 1932 were held at Fairview at the farm of Mr. Allison McMillan. To-day the Scouts possess their own grounds on historic Brudenell Point, Camp Deroma, the scene of the landing of the early Acadian settlers. Field Commissioner Wm. Waren since assuming office in 1932 has provin-

PRESIDENT

J. O. HYNDMAN, President Provincial Command

cially welded the organization closer together and has successfully filled the roll of Camp Chief for the past two years. This year Mr. Warren resigned the position of Provincial Commissioner to take that of organizing Field Commissioner and was succeeded as Provincial Commissioner by Mr. J. J. Morris, who had maintained his interest in the Movement, begun in Summerside, and has been actively associated with the Association ever since coming to Charlottetown. To him is largely due the successful resuscitation of the Basilica Troop which promises to be one of the leading organizations in the Province. As Scouts are not allowed to beg for funds or anything else, means have to be adopted for providing the necessary money to carry on. This is supplied by associate memberships at $2.00 or $1.00 per head, together with annual concerts and the institution of the Boy Scouts' Apple Day. The last named event has been carried on for two years and proved exceedingly popular with the Scouts, with the citizens and with the apple growers. In 1933 80 Cubs and Scouts sold more than 5,000 Island McIntosh Reds, and in 1934 180 Scouts sold over 9,000 apples. As one of the duties of a Scout is to do a good turn every day the Scouts are always on the lookout to help and be of assistance to somebody or some deserving cause. The Rover Scouts, which is the senior branch of the movement, has for the past two years assisted the Guardian in its annual Santa Pal Drive to make Christmas a real day for needy children. On all sides it is recog-

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INTEREST QUICKENS IN GUIDING

PAST FIVE YEARS HAS SEEN STEADY ADVANCEMENT IN ORGANIZATION

Anyone knowing that there are today in this Province eleven units consisting of Rangers, Guides and Brownies with a total membership of over three hundred, would find it difficult to realize that all these Companies and Packs have come into existence within the last five years.

It is true that several Guide Companies and one Brownie Pack were formed prior to this, but for one reason or another, mostly from lack of co-operation and lack of trained leadership, they were forced to disband.

Of these pioneer groups which struggled so bravely to exist in almost complete isolation, the first to come into existence was that sponsored by the Charlottetown Branch of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Mrs. W. J. MacIntyre, who was then Area Director and who is now Past President of the League gives the following interesting report of the two Companies, one of which was organized in 1923 and the other the following year:

"Having been interested in Catholic girls' clubs in Charlottetown for several years, a feature of which was the holding of a Summer Recreation Camp, the virtue and value of Girl Guiding was brought to the attention of the ladies committee in charge and immediately met with approval.

"The Catholic Women's League of Canada, which from its organization fifteen years ago sponsored Girl Guiding and made it one of the major activities on its national agenda, lent every assistance and encouragement as did also the Secretary of the Girl Guide Association at Toronto. The local branch of the C.W.L. agreed to act as sponsors for a Company of Girl Guides if formed.

The First Girl Guide Company

"The first Company was assembled in October, 1923, with forty members in six patrols. On November 22nd, 1923, the charter was received signed by Mrs. Sarah Warren, Chief Commissioner then as she is now, and the Company was named 1st Charlottetown Co., P.E.I. St. Dunstan's.

"Meetings were held in Rosary Hall weekly and all had passed their tenderfoot tests by Spring. Excellent leaders were secured who soon qualified for Guiders and all were enthusiastic and worked hard, each patrol vying with one another to excel.

"On January 10th, 1924, the Company was visited by the Dominion Filed Secretary, Miss Herrington, who inspected them and encouraged them to greater effort in training and striving for their badges of merit. Miss Herrington also addressed the women's organization giving a clear exposition of Girl Guiding and its benefits to the young girl, which was greatly appreciated.

The First Girl Guide Camp

"In July 1924 the first Girl Guide camp was held at Tracadie and was conducted strictly according to Girl Guide regulations as laid down by the G. G. Association of Canada, the usual Matron, Camp Commandant, Nurses, etc., being present.

"The Guides looked very smart in their new uniforms as they marched away and two happy weeks were spent under canvas. They held a concert in Charlottetown and one in the village hall, the receipts of which together with a small fee amply financed the undertakings, and all camp work was done by the Guides, each patrol in turn doing kitchen duty with excellent results. Drill, tent duty, games and sports, hikes, bathing, handicrafts, was the order of the day and in the evenings the bon-fire and sing-song hour was a fitting climax to a happy day. Visitors' day and field day were the big occasions looked forward to eagerly.

The Second Basilica Company

"In September 1924 the 2nd Charlottetown Company was formed with 38 girls in 6 patrols and the winter was a busy one with all striving to make progress and many Guides made their second class grade, patrols vying with each other to excel.

"Again camp-time came around and the two companies went under canvas at Corran Ban, an ideal camping site. Full camping equipment was kindly loaned by the military authorities and excellent work was accomplished while in camp.

"Each year a banquet was given by the Guides to the Ladies Committee and all arrangements, service, etc., were carried on by the Guides in a perfect manner, beautiful tables, delicious food and snappy service, speech making and music, all of which was keenly appreciated.

"The winter of 1924-25 passed and all were now second-class Guides, many had their proficiency badges and in July 1925, camp was again held at Corran Ban and was a great success.

"But unfortunately this was the last year of the Girl Guides of 1st and 2nd Charlottetown Companies, St. Dunstan's. They had been blessed with excellent officers who served faithfully and were deeply interested in the work. The Misses Margaret Jenkins, Gladys MacCormac, Anne Walsh, Mary Pineau and Agnes Murnaghan had carried on and to them the real success of the movement was due, but when several of these young ladies married and made their homes elsewhere, it became difficult to secure others willing to train for the work and fill the vacancies.

"No training course was ever held on P. E. Island, the nearest being in New Brunswick and only once in those three years was there a qualified Guider in the Maritimes providing a short course of instructions. Since Guiding has spread more widely and grown so strong more instructors are available and progress naturally becomes easier, so that the future of the Girl Guide movement is absolutely assured.

"Miss Carrie Holman of Summerside was District Commissioner and represented Prince Edward Island on the Advisory Council of the Girl Guide Association of Canada. Among the many ladies who gave wonderful assistance to the work and accompanied the Guides to camp several times were Mrs. F. J. Casey, Miss Florence Dorsey, Mrs. John McAleer and Miss Lucy Blanchard.

"It was difficult to arouse or create interest among other groups on the Island at that time and the Companies seemed more or less isolated from their sister Guides in other provinces so that it at last became wiser to disband the Companies than that they should deteriorate."

The West Kent School Company

The next Company to be formed was that sponsored by the West Kent School. In the autumn of 1925 a Scoutmaster from Headquarters visited Charlottetown in the interests of Scouting and Guiding and in the course of his visit addressed the pupils of West Kent School, the outcome of which was the formation of a Girl Guide Company in October, 1925.

This Company was captained by Miss Helen Jamieson, now Mrs. Arthur Duvar, who was then teaching in West Kent School and consisted of two patrols, the Patrol Leaders being the Misses Mary MacNutt and Ruth Unsworth. Meetings were held in the Navy League Rooms on Water Street with occasional meetings in the Y.W.C.A. gymnasium where games were played and suppers were served.

During the one year in which the Company existed a great deal of work was accomplished and all had plenty of fun. The girls passed their tenderfoot tests and were enrolled. When Spring came around a number of very enjoyable outings were undertaken.

The Captain was kindly aided and encouraged in her work by Mrs. McCready of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire who took a keen interest in the Company's activities. Apart from this, however, the Company suffered from lack of co-operation of parents and other societies and, upon the Captain's removal to the staff of Prince Street School the next September, no other adult leader could be found to take over the Company which was obliged to disband.

It is interesting to note that three of Charlottetown's present Guiders, Miss Mary MacNutt, (who is also Deputy Commissioner) Miss Dorothy Bentley and Miss Gladys Hart received their early training in this Company.

There now followed four years of complete inactivity in Guiding in this Province.

The Anglican Guide Company

Early in the month of January, 1930, a few enterprising ladies of Charlottetown, Mrs. H. J. Palmer, Mrs. H. D. Raymond, Mrs. J. Harris, Mrs. G. Gregory and Miss Eleanor Holl, having heard of the widespread growth of Guiding in other parts of the world, decided that Charlottetown could no longer be without a Guide Company. They gained information from visiting Guides, Miss Dorothy Reay and Miss Virginia Scarth, and started a Company. The leaders knowing very little more than what they had learned from books, carried on meetings until May.

A number of the girls passed their tenderfoot tests and greatly enjoyed the games and the Guide work they did. This Company was composed of girls from the two Anglican churches, St. Paul's and St. Peter's, and was registered as the 1st Charlottetown Company.

The First Brownie Pack

In January, 1931, a Brownie Pack was formed in St. Paul's Church, Charlottetown, with Miss Norah Longworth as Brown Owl assisted by Miss Mary Owen (now Mrs. G. Ives.) The Pack consisted of about fifteen Brownies who met every Friday afternoon until the Spring. These girls were never enrolled as Brownies but they studied the Brownie tests and many of them are now doing splendid work as Girl Guides.

1st Charlottetown Company

It was not until the Autumn of 1930 that a Guide Company was finally formed which was not destined to be short-lived. The Anglican Guides were now faced with the problem of being leaderless. Other responsibilities had made it necessary for the former Guiders to give up the work.

These girls banded together and persuaded Miss Mary MacNutt to become their Captain. Miss MacNutt had been a Guide in the Company formed in 1925 and later was a Ranger in the 1st Windsor, N.S. Company.

Meetings were held in St. Peter's Cathedral Hall and the Company was registered as the 2nd Charlottetown. (This Company has since been re-registered as the 1st Charlottetown.)

Miss MacNutt tells of the early activities of the Company:

"There were under ten girls at the first meeting, the majority of them being girls who had been Guide recruits the previous year. The Guides passed the Tenderfoot tests and then a new problem faced them. They could not be real Guides without their uniforms! What was to be done?

The interest shown by the public was very small owing to the fact that Guiding was almost unknown in P.E.I. The Guides brought three to five cents a night and the donations from outsiders amounted to $4.00. The Company faced the situation squarely. Two rummage sales, one in the Autumn and one in the Spring were put on and by May, 1931, there were eighteen Guides and the Captain and Lieutenant

CHIEF GUIDE

LADY BADEN-POWELL

Eleven Unites Active To-date

(Miss Marion Thornton) in full uniform, the Guides having earned every cent themselves.

"Their first public appearance in uniform probably none of the Guides will forget. They went on a hike to Rocky Point. Great was the amusement and dismay of those whom they passed. The words 'What and who are these girls?' could almost be FELT. A write-up in the Guardian next morning said that the girls were paddling and picking flowers. No such thing! They were probably paddling and probably picking flowers but what else? They were cooking out-of-doors, frying eggs and bacon (not to mention the sand.) They were playing team games and learning to really enjoy the out-of-doors.

"Great was the sorrow when they could not go to camp that summer. Their Captain could not go so they just had to live on the hope for the next summer. The Company had its picture taken that Spring at Cook's Studio.

"Next October the meetings began again. The membership jumped from nineteen to thirty-two with a waiting list. These new recruits were soon in full uniform, thanks to the Company earning them by another rummage sale. The game Dodge Ball was the predominating feature of the games period of the meetings.

"By next Spring many of the Guides had one year's service to their credit and eighteen or twenty were second class Guides. By the midddle of April CAMP was their main objective. On the twelth of May the Company put in its first concert, thirty-four Guides and the Captain and Lieutenant. (Miss Marjory Roop, now Mrs. R. D. Scott) taking part. The concert was wel l received and enough money was realized to ensure a free Guide camp.

"On a Sunday evening in June this Company held its first Church Parade, attending the evening service of St. Peter's Cathedral."

A Local Association is Formed

As this Company was not affilated with any Church of Society it was necessary to get together a committee of mothers and other interested ladies to supervise its activities.

This led to the formation in November, 1931 of a local Association consisting of about twenty ladies with Mrs. W. E. Hyndman as President and Mrs. James Harris as Secretary.

With the arrival of Brownie Packs and other Guide Companies in Charlottetown the Local Association has considerably increased in strength and is today under the Presidency of Mrs.. H. R. Stewart with Mrs. H. Bethune as Secretary-Treasurer.

Guiding in Montague, P. E. I.

It was in October, 1931 that a very persistent and enthusiastic group of girls in Montague finally coaxed Mrs. H. R. Gibson and Mrs. Herbert Poole into starting a Company of Guides. This was the first Company outside of Charlottetown to be formed.

Meetings for the first three years were held in one of the classrooms of the Montague school. The Company has since been able to rent larger quarters. It was a great loss to the Montague Guides when their dearly beloved Captain, Mrs. Gibson, moved in the autumn of 1933 to England but they have been fortunate in securing excellent Captains to replace her in the persons of Mrs. Hebert Poole and later Miss Jean MacDonald. A group of Guides from this Company attended the Guide camps held by the 1st Charlottetown Company at Rocky Point during the summers of 1932, 1933 and 1934.

The First Camp at Rocky Point

Three very successful camps have been held by the 1st Charlottetown Company at Rocky Point. Miss Mac Nutt gave the following interesting account of the first of these:

"On July 1th, 1932 the Guides' dream was realized. They went to Camp, Near Fort LaJoie, Rocky Point, seven bell tents were pitched. The camp was called 'Kaktoogwases' after a legendary MicMac chief of Fort LaJoie.

"An extract from the Guardian written about the camp states: 'Not the boys of the Old Brigade but the Young Women of Tomorrow are under canvas now' and again 'the camp is kept as tidy and ship-shape as if the girls were veteran campaigners. They have already experienced some wet weather, but it has not dampened their spirits.'

"There were forty-three guides in Camp, twelve from Montague and thirty-one from the 1st Charlottetown, in charge of a staff of seven. The camp duties were equally divided by the Guides, each patrol taking its turn at Wood and Water, Sanitary, Cook[illegible] and Rest duties. Many w[illegible] the [illegible] and remarkable h[illegible] Patrol who had to [illegible] Seven girls of whom [illegible] had never touched [illegible]

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Members of Girl Guide Provincial Council and Charlottetown Committee

BACK ROW—LEFT: Mrs. W. A. McLaren, Mrs. J. E. Harris, Mrs. H. R. Stewart, President of Charlottetown Committee; Mrs. W. E. Hyndman, Mrs. W. E. Champion, Mrs. H. D. Raymond, Mrs. F. W. Tidmarsh, Mrs. W. S. Stewart, FRONT ROW: Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan, Miss Mona Wilson, Provincial Commissioner, Mrs. G. D. De Blois, Hon. Vice President Canadian Council, Miss Mary McNutt, Provincial Deputy Commissioner, Mrs. J. E. B. McCready OTHERS NOT PRESENT: Mrs. J. A. Mathieson, Mrs. Alan Cosh, Mrs. J. A. Lawson, Mrs. H. L. Bethune, Mrs. K. M. Martin, Miss Jessie Fullerton, Mrs. H. W. McLean and Miss Mary Martin, Alberton, Mrs. M. F. MacDonald and Mrs. W. A. McLaggan, Montague.