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TWINS 100 YEARS OLD



MacKinnon, of Forest Hill, Prince Edward Island, recently celebrated their hundredth birthday at Thorburn, reports the New Glasgow News. The former now makes his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George R. MacKay, Thorburn. He enjoys reasonably good health and when his grandson, Alden MacLeod, returned from overseas service with the R.C.A.F. some time ago, Mr. MacKinnon told him it was not his hope to live to see the end of the war. The twins were born in Dundee, Prince Edward Island on November 19, 1844. After moving to Nova Scotia, Daniel worked for over forty years on the railroad. Neil outdoes many younger men by walking a mile every day to get his mail.

CENTRAL ROYALTY W. I.

The regular meeting was held at the home of Mrs. James Roper, Thursday, Dec. 7th. The president, Mrs. Stewart Wright was in the chair. The meeting opened by repeating the Creed. There were 18 members and one visitor present. The school committee reported buying necessary articles for school. Sick committee reported five cards sent during the month. There were 3 ladies dresses, 33 face cloths, 8 boys' coats, 1 lady's coat, 3 pairs men's pyjamas and 21 undervests turned in for Red Cross.

New committees: School, Mrs. Major McTear; Mrs. Boswell; sick, Mrs. Beck; Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Stead; program, Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Howatt; Red Cross, Mrs. Archibald; lunch, Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Lank and Mrs. McKay.

Correspondence was read and discussed. \$500 was voted to T.B. League and \$200 to Navy League. It was decided to hold parties during the winter to raise money. Members to be divided into groups the same as last year. A treat is to be sent to the sick and shut-ins at Christmas, this to be taken care of by sick committee. Treasurer reported a balance of \$64.36 on hand. Collection for evening amounted to \$145. Next meeting to be held in the school at the usual hour, roll call to be answered with a new year's resolution. Meeting adjourned and a program of contests was enjoyed, after which a delicious lunch was served by the committee in charge.

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DUPLISSIS CLOSSES THEATRE

QUEBEC, Dec. 15 (CP) — Premier Maurice Duplessis announced today suspension of the operating permit of the Gaiety, a vaudeville and burlesque theatre in Montreal. Mr. Duplessis said the reason for the suspension was that the Gaiety "has been giving vaudeville shows on Sundays which is illegal." The Gaiety started operating as a vaudeville and burlesque theatre three years ago.

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Health Of British People Improved Under War Strain

That the health of the British people is better after four years of war than it was before the outbreak of hostilities was a pleasant piece of information brought out by Dr. George F. Buchanan, noted British health authority, in his address at the Rotary luncheon held at the Charlottetown Hotel yesterday.

Six months before the German blitz rained its showers of death and destruction upon London, authorities had warned the people of the metropolitan area to prepare their civil defenses for the coming onslaught, Dr. Buchanan said.

War-time services were organized, stretcher parties formed and mobile units established. The hospital authorities had planned for a daily death toll of 700 while the blitz would be at its height and for a daily number of wounded amounting to 2,500. Happily, Dr. Buchanan said, this number of casualties was never approached and London hospitals always had sufficient number of beds.

People rendered homeless were sent to rest centres, supplied with food and clothing, and many sent to the country to recuperate from shock. Mothers, children, the aged and infirm had to be evacuated to country districts.

Civilians conscripted

All civilians between the ages of 16 and 61 were conscripted to give 12 hours of their time each week in fire prevention service, Dr. Buchanan said. Destruction was done to buildings, 18 per cent of all buildings in London being destroyed by December, 1941. In spite of this great loss of property only two per cent of the population were casualties.

But, Dr. Buchanan pointed out, living conditions were no better in 1943 than they were when the number of cerebro-spinal cases underwent a sharp decrease.

Tuberculosis in the years 1930 and 1941, but, like cerebro-spinal disease, underwent a decline in 1943. Despite the bursting of water mains and the destruction of sewerage systems, typhoid fever cases never approached the pre-war levels.

Health Never Better

The health of the British people is better now than at any present time. In fact, according to medical statistics, never as good as at the present time, Dr. Buchanan said. Mortality rates have decreased and birth rates have gone up. The British people may have been asked to make sacrifices, but their morale has never been shaken and their general health is better than it has been for many years.

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They have every right to face the future with confidence and hope.

Guests included Premier J. Walter Jones, Rotarian Ronald McGarthy, Peterborough, Ont.; Mr. L. W. Shaw, Charlottetown; Rev. Canon Malone, Rev. T. E. MacLennan, Mr. R. K. Clements, Mr. D. B. Stewart, Mr. Samuel Doyle, and Mr. H. C. Bonaker, all of Charlottetown.

OUR STORE will be open all day Wednesday, Dec. 20. Stewart Bakeries Ltd. 12-19-21

ANNUAL MEETING BOYNE Lodge tonight. Election of officers. Full attendance requested. 12-19-11

PRIZE WINNERS — The regular Monday night's auction forty-five games were held in the K. of C. Hall last night. Prize winners were: ladies, Mrs. Fred McMillan; gentlemen, Mr. Thomas McMillan. The freecut was won by Mrs. J. Macleer and Mr. V. Gay.

RECEIVED R. C. M. P. DIPLOMAS — C. M. P. Dip. Larson of the Charlottetown Detachment R. C. M. P. and Sub-Inspector W. J. Monaghan, a former member of the local detachment now stationed at Rockcliffe, Ont., were among those receiving diplomas at the Police College Graduation at Regina over the week-end.

HOLSTEIN JUDGING CONTEST — Announcement has been made that the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada will again this year sponsor a special Judging Contest amongst Calf Club members throughout the Dominion in connection with the all-Canadian selections of Holstein cattle. Prizes amounting to \$100 in War Savings Stamps are being offered to the winners. The contest is open to all boys and girls who are this year showing Holstein calves in their clubs.

S. A. CHRISTMAS POT — The familiar Salvation Army Christmas pot is once more hanging from its chain at the corner of Grafton and Queen. All donations received by the pot are used to supply Christmas dinners and gifts to the needy. Last year, the Christmas pot receipts approximated \$80.00. That amount will not be sufficient this year to supply the same amount of comforts as the cost of living has risen since then. Army officials point out.

RETURNS FROM OVERSEAS — Pte. J. H. Ford, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ford, Wheatley River, arrived in Charlottetown Saturday afternoon. He arrived with his sister, Mrs. Frank Kelly at 105 Elm Ave. Pte. Ford, who enlisted in 1940 and saw routine service in Canada for a year and a half, went overseas in 1942. Owing to poor health he was not allowed to participate in the invasion of the continent, and expects to receive his discharge from the Army within the next few weeks. He has a brother a member of the Veterans' Guard of Canada.

PERSONALS

Column Officer Louis A. Stewart, former captain with the city fire department, is expected home Friday after having served in France at the head of a Canadian contingent of fire fighters.

Miss Marjorie Large of the staff on the Australian Mission, Washington, D.C., has arrived to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Large, Queen Street.

Miss Eloise Gallant, R. N. Silver Medalist of the 1944 graduating class of St. Mary's Hospital, Montreal, has successfully passed her examinations in that city. Her mother, Mrs. Miss Gallant is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gallant Bloomfield, P. E. I.

MARRIAGES

MCQUAID — MACNEVIN — At the United Church Manse on Dec. 16, 1944, Mr. T. E. MacLennan, Minister, officiated at the marriage of Miss Mary Thibe McQuaid to Mr. John Lawrence MacNevin, both of Charlottetown.

DEATHS

GODFREY — At West Royalty, on Monday, December 18th, 1944, Frank Godfrey in his 77th year, funeral from the United Church, Dec. 19, 1944, 2 o'clock. Resting at home, Wednesday, December 20th, service starting at 2 o'clock. Burial at the Mount Pleasant Home.

DARRACH — At his home, Dec. 18, 1944, Daniel Victor Darrach in his 58th year. Funeral Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Burial at St. Ann's Church, Hone River. Interment in the Church cemetery.

MALONE — At Millvale on Monday, Dec. 18, 1944, Mrs. James Malone, aged 70 years. Funeral from her late residence on Wednesday, leaving the home at 9:15 for St. Ann's Church, Hone River. Interment in the Church cemetery.

In Memoriam

In memory of Edmund MacLeod, who left us one year ago today, December 18, 1943.

Oh the year has been so long. At times we scarcely know. Just how we can go on, without you.

We miss you so. But God death all things we'll trust Him all the way. Till we meet in the mansions above.

By His Wife and Son and Daughter-in-Law.

IN MEMORIAM

It's hard to think you have gone away. And that you'll work with us here no more.

For your smile so sincere, and your word of cheer, Often helped us on our way. But through God's dear Son, when our work is done, And our Master's call we'll hear, In the pastures green by the crystal stream, We'll meet you Edmund there.

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Dr. Buchanan Describes Britain's Policy Of Health Insurance

The new national health insurance policy which the British Government proposes to put into effect after the war with Germany is described by Dr. George F. Buchanan, British health authority, told a large audience at the Legislative Council chamber last night.

Hon. William Hughes presided and introduced the guest speaker. Dr. Buchanan stated that a health insurance policy on such a large scale as the Government proposed would be the edge of the wedge for the medical service upon the nation. Under the present health insurance policies a worker earning less than \$1,900 a year is entitled to free medical treatment, apart from hospitalization, for himself, but under the proposed legislation practically everyone will be entitled to free medical treatment and hospitalization as well. At present there are only about 66 per cent of the required number of hospital beds to enable the proposed health services to function efficiently. Dr. Buchanan said an increase in hospital beds would not constitute a serious problem.

The housing situation is acute in England, Dr. Buchanan stated, and he gave it as his opinion it would require at least five years to build enough houses to solve the problem.

Asked by Mr. L. W. Shaw how health education was imparted to British school children, Dr. Buchanan replied that such teaching was under the Ministry of Education and was done through treatises on hygiene and allied subjects. The school child in Britain received three medical examinations during his school career and a dental examination every year, Dr. Buchanan said.

In reply to Mr. H. H. Court's question as to what Dr. Buchanan meant by "local authorities" in England, the doctor said they were members of town and city councils elected by popular vote for a term of three years.

Miss Hazel Sterns of the Sanatorium staff asked how health services were held for by poor people. Dr. Buchanan replied that 50 per cent of the medical treatment was paid for by the local authorities.

Mr. L. W. Shaw moved a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker who fittingly replied, "The meeting closed with the national anthem."

Goldwell Approves British Labor Views

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — M. J. Goldwell, leader of the C.O.F. said today he was in favor of the position taken by British labor groups against the policy of the British Government in Greece.

"We realize the tremendous difficulties that exist in a country just liberated," Mr. Goldwell said at a press conference. "We think course that the people of a liberated country should be given the right to choose their own Government as soon as possible."

We are most anxious about the situation. Apart from the immediate situation, there seems to be an indication of spheres of influence agreed upon in Europe."

Gives Glimpse Of Exploits Of Maquis Forces

(By The Canadian Press)
QUEBEC, Dec. 18 — Maj. Pierre Chasse, back home with a group of French-Canadians who parachuted down in France before D-Day, today told reporters how, last spring, they helped pave the way for the rapid progress of Allied troops.

Maj. Chasse, a son of the late Lt.-Col. Henri Chasse, former officer commanding the Royal 22nd Regiment, landed in southern France as Allied representative with the Maquis forces there. He said that without the Maquis' help Allied forces could not have crossed ahead as rapidly as they did in southern and central France.

"The Maquis forces were everywhere," he said. "The Gestapo was absolutely powerless against an enemy who they knew was there because of his daily exploits, but whose presence could never be further ascertained."

Canadian Legion Funeral Notice

All veterans of past and present war are requested to meet at 271 Queen Street, Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 to attend the funeral of our late comrade, Daniel V. Darrach.

IRA M. BROWN,
Secretary Charlottetown Branch

- LYNDALE SCHOOL
- Report for month of November:
Grade IX — 1. Christine Munroe.
Grade VIII — 1. Shirley Carver;
2. George MacLean (absent for tests).
- Grade VII — 1. Louise Brehaut;
2. Mildred Mackett; 3. Betty O'Neil.
- Grade V — 1. Florence Gillis.
Grade IV — 1. Clinton Brehaut.
Grade III — 1. Roger Gillis; 2. Donna Martin.
Grade II — 1. Kay Brehaut and Ivan Scott (equal).
- Grade I — Norma Scott, Teacher — Marion MacLeod.
- ANTI-CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST
- LEBSON, Dec. 17 (CP) — Portuguese newspapers have begun an anti-Christmas tree campaign. The Christmas tree is regarded as a pagan importation from Northern Europe, with its message for the Portuguese people. It is suggested that a substitute should take its place as the centre of celebrations in Portuguese homes.

50th ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Gauthier of St. John's Parish, North Rustico, who celebrated their 50th anniversary Nov. 27th, 1944. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gauthier attended Mass in the parish church which was largely attended by relatives and friends, where a presentation was given them, with the best wishes of the community for many more happy years together.

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