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Senior High School Officially Opened

SUMMERSIDE — Lieutenant-Governor W.J. MacDonald officially opened Summerside Senior High School here last evening in a ceremony featuring the Summerside Legion Concert Band.

Ceremonies began with the band leading the royal salute, followed by the laying of the cornerstone by the Lieutenant-Governor assisted by chairman of the board of school trustees, William D. Jay. Rev. Pierre Arsenault gave the invocation, followed by the high school glee club which sang the doxology and a choral number, "Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes".

Remarks by Mr. Jay were followed by the passing of the key ceremony. Taking part in this ceremony were: Joseph Murphy of the firm of Williams, MacLeod & Co., general contractors for the school; A.J. Hennessy, the school's architect; and Mr. Jay.

The school was then officially opened by the Lieutenant-Governor.

Barbara Hagerman, accompanied by Gabriel Chaisson, then sang "I Know Where I'm Going" and "Mister Banjo".

Mrs. Claude Ives, representing the Abegweit Chapter of the YWCA, presented Davis F. Lidstone, principal of the high school, with six framed pictures, "The Builders of Canada", which will hang in the new school.

Following remarks by Mayor George A. Key, the ceremonies closed with benediction by Rev. Robert P. Matthews.

The new school, which will house classrooms for grades 8

Leadership Convention Suggested

A story in a Halifax paper says former premier Walter Shaw has asked the P.E.I. Progressive Conservative Association to set up a committee to report on prospective candidates for a new party leader.

Mr. Shaw's Conservatives lost a provincial election to the Liberals earlier this year.

A provincial election May 30 ended in a 15-15 deadlock but the Liberals won two seats in a deferred election in Kings 1st July 11 to give them a 17-15 edge.

The newspaper says Mr. Shaw, 78, suggested at a recent executive meeting of the PC Association that a committee be set up to report on prospective candidates with the possibility of a leadership convention being called for next summer.

It says four men are being mentioned as possible successors to Mr. Shaw.

They are: Angus MacLean, 52, member of parliament for Queens and a former federal fisheries minister; J. David Stewart, 56, a Charlottetown businessman who retired from the provincial cabinet two years ago after being elected to the legislature in 1959; Rev. David MacDonald, a 29-year-old United Church minister who defeated Public Works Minister J. Watson MacNaught in Prince in the last federal election; and Melvin MacQuaid, 55, PC member of parliament for Kings and a former provincial cabinet minister.



PARTY TIME AFTER SINGING

President Johnson, wearing an embroidered shirt which Filipinos call a barong tagalog, chats with his host, President Ferdinand E. Marcos of the Philippines, at a party tonight at the Malacanang Palace in Manila. The party followed a two-day summit meeting. Heads of the seven nations signed a communique at the final session on conditions for establishing peace in Viet Nam. (AP Wirephoto)

DOUGLAS Wilkinson (right) speaker at last night's meeting of the Canadian Club, held for the first time at the Canadian Forces Base in Summerside, here chats with Allison MacLean, vice-president of the Canadian Club and master of ceremonies at last night's dinner. Mr. Wilkinson gave a

Eskimo Expert Addresses Canadian Club Meeting

By ROBERT CAMPBELL
SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

SUMMERSIDE — Douglas Wilkinson, expert on eskimo life and the Canadian arctic, last night gave a lecture illustrated with color slides to the Canadian Club, which met for the first time at the local Canadian Forces Base. Mr. Wilkinson is the author of Land Of The Long Day, a documentary of his stay with an Eskimo family, living as one of them, which was highly praised by critics and became a Canadian best-seller.

"It is almost impossible to talk about the Eskimo per se," said Mr. Wilkinson. "There are too many differences in today's Eskimo in different parts of Northern Canada." He focused on the primitive Eskimo's way of life, as contrasted with the life of the Eskimo who has adjusted to the white man's culture, through most of his talk.

Mr. Wilkinson used as his model Eskimo family one from Pelly Bay, where the small eskimo community lived the primitive life which had been virtually unchanged in the last six or seven hundred years, until two Roman Catholic missionaries came to their area in the 1930's. Zachary, head of the family consisting of himself, his wife and young son, is a primitive fisherman and hunter probably in his 50's. For 25 years, until a few line sites were built in Pelly Bay in 1956, the missionary fathers were the only connection Zachary and his community had with outside civilization.

DURING WINTER

During this period and to a great extent even now, Zachary lived the primitive hunter's life. During winter, his diet is basically seal meat, the seals caught through holes in the ice when the animals come up for air. For three months in the summer the diet is almost entirely fish, 80 to 90 per cent of it eaten raw.

Fish is the only truly reliable food source to the primitive Eskimo, since Caribou migration varies change from year to year and seals often do not use breathing holes in an area where they had been common the year before. Lemmings, the prolific arctic rodents, multiply with astonishing rapidity in three or four-year cycles and then disappear almost completely. It is easy for the primitive Eskimo hunter to die of starvation through no fault of his own.

In summer, however, when the fish are migrating and birds are nesting on cliffs where their eggs are plentiful, life is much easier. The light never fails and the family can travel as it wishes: to fish streams or where they please. Food is plentiful and fish can be dried or frozen in the permafrost, inches beneath the ground's surface, for use in winter, when it may mean the difference between starvation and survival.

Each family has its own food cache, Mr. Wilkinson noted, and no other Eskimo will touch it. The exceptional case is one in which the fish frozen in one family's cache will save the lives of another family during a famine. Then the foodless family is welcome to any other's cache. Such is Eskimo charity, noted Mr. Wilkinson, that an Eskimo will almost never think of taking food to another family which has none, but the family with no food is welcome to move in with the more fortunate one and will be fed and cared for. It is characteristic of the Eskimo that such help, however, is almost never volunteered.

RAPIDLY CHANGING

The arctic is rapidly changing, however, and more and more of the younger generation have elementary schooling, own their own outboard motor boats, radios, record players, and live in homes heated by oil-burning stoves.

Mr. Wilkinson believes that in his day he will see the virtual extinction of the primitive Eskimo hunter-fisherman such as Zachary and his family.

The wealth of the arctic is now only potential, emphasized the speaker, and in the near future there will be not enough jobs for the young generation of Eskimos. Most of them will have to move south to get work, and for the immediate future it appears that young people will be one of Arctic's greatest exports.

Mr. Wilkinson was introduced and thanked by Allison MacLean, Group Captain Berry, commanding officer of the air base, spoke briefly in welcoming the guests to the base.

ALLIES

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tion what part the Viet Cong guerrillas in South Viet Nam might have in negotiations.

U.S. President Johnson and the government chiefs of Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, South Korea, South Viet Nam and the Philippines also:

—Pledged themselves to seek together goals of freedom which would include keeping Asia and the Pacific free from aggression, conquering hunger, illiteracy and disease, building a region of security, order and progress and seeking reconciliation and peace throughout the whole region.

—Issued a declaration on peace and progress expressing determination that "aggression shall not be rewarded," seeking peaceful settlement of the Viet Nam war and stating that "the peace and security of Asia and the Pacific . . . are indivisible."

—Set up machinery for consultation among the anti-Communist countries now allied in the Vietnamese war effort. This would work through diplomatic channels and "meetings of their foreign ministers and heads of government . . . as required."

—Agreed to work in co-operation with the International Committee of the Red Cross or "any appropriate forum" to discuss the immediate exchange of Viet Nam prisoners-of-war and the immediate repatriation of sick and wounded prisoners.

ALLEGATIONS

—American officials said the communists made clear — by setting a specific period for a withdrawal—that the U.S. does not intend to remain in South Viet Nam militarily after the North Vietnamese forces leave.

—There has been nothing so far from North Viet Nam to indicate that Hanoi is interested in any reciprocal withdrawal, although there have been hints from some Communist European capitals of interest in some sort of approach to talks.

The signing of the documents was the final formal act of the summit meeting.

A large section of the final communique was devoted to South Viet Nam's internal affairs: The government's progress with the military effort, its "pacification and revolutionary development" programs and its efforts toward economic stability and political evolution.

The Saigon leaders announced their government is preparing a program of national reconciliation which would open all doors to Vietnamese "misled or coerced into casting their lots with the Viet Cong." The program would "bring them back to participate as free men in national life under amnesty and other measures."

The South Vietnamese leaders said they would begin holding elections at village and hamlet levels at the beginning of next year and plan national elections by next fall.

Firms' Head Expected To Meet Cabinet

OTTAWA (Special) — Premier Campbell, Hon. Gordon Bennett, minister of education and Hon. T. Earl Hickey met Tuesday morning with Messrs. Greenwood, Tandre, Foss and Montreal lawyer, Col. Paul Hutehew, who represent Norwegian and American business interests.

As a result of the meetings a special session of the provincial cabinet has been arranged in Charlottetown Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

Premier Campbell when questioned said it is his understanding Jens Moe, chairman of the board of Gulf Garden Food Ltd. and Bathurst Marine Ltd. will also be present at this cabinet meeting. Mr. Moe was not present at yesterday's meeting. It is also expected that a team of external auditors along with departmental officials will attend Saturday's session.

RAISES ISSUE

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Island Base Remains; N.S. MP Has Criticism

OTTAWA — If Premier Alex Campbell of Prince Edward Island has assurance that the Summerside RCAF Base will not be closed down, then the Premier of Nova Scotia has cause for considerable alarm, Robert Coates, MP for Cumberland, said here Tuesday.

Commenting on a statement from Premier Campbell in which he quoted Defence Minister Paul Hellyer as saying that Summerside was an important armed installation and there were no plans to close it, Mr. Coates said this almost certainly means that one or more bases in Nova Scotia will be closed down.

"I don't like the idea of a single provincial premier seeking and getting this sort of assurance when another premier of a different political stripe who is just as vitally concerned as Mr. Campbell has been given no such assurances," Mr. Coates said.

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He said that the chief of the defence staff, Lieutenant General Jean V. Allard, had confirmed in an interview this week

that a study of consolidation was in progress and that the final decision about which bases to phase out would be based on political as well as military considerations.

"My statement that such a study is going on is not in question and it appears that this study has been accelerated considerably," Mr. Coates said. "While Mr. Hellyer may state that Summerside will not be closed, he has been careful not to put any time limit on the life of the base. It could be closed out one, two or three years from now."

Mr. Coates said that Premier Campbell's statement was only further proof that Prime Minister Pearson should lose no time in getting together with the three Maritime premiers to discuss the whole matter.

He pointed out that the direct economic benefit to the three provinces in wages from military establishments amounted to \$300,000,000 annually and this sort of stimulus could not be lost by the area without damage to the economy.

Mr. Coates argued that the premiers should not work individually to try to get private assurance from Mr. Hellyer on any particular base, but should be working in concert with the good of the entire region in mind.

FEDERAL DUTY

"If Mr. Campbell is right and Summerside is to stay, then this can only mean that Greenwood and possibly Shearwater in Nova Scotia are going to go. I think the federal government has a duty and a responsibility to so advise Mr. Stanfield if this is the case," Mr. Coates argued.

Premier Campbell added to the speculation that Summerside may only be retained for a short period when he said that he felt efforts should be made to get more industry into P.E.I. and into the Summerside area in the event that the base might be phased out in the future.

"I would like to see us become as self-dependent as possible and not so totally dependent on military establishments, even though we welcome the minister's news and hope to continue the good co-operation and feeling with the personnel at the base," the premier said. "But we have no guarantee that the base will remain at Summerside for ever and it is possible it could be phased out some time as a result in a change in national defence policy."

Mr. Campbell said it was vital that more industries be secured to augment the influence of the base on the provincial economy.

DEATHS

McKEENAN — At Toronto, Ontario, Monday, October 24, 1966, Mrs. Patrick McKeenan (nee Verna Cooley) in her 95th year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held Thursday, October 27, with service commencing at 1 p.m. Interment in Peoples cemetery. Visiting hours commencing at 2 p.m. today.

HANSEN — Suddenly at New Glasgow, N.S., Saturday, October 22, 1966, Raymond Dawson Hansen formerly of Longworth Avenue in his 29th year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home until noon today October 26, then to Park Royal United Church for service commencing at 3 p.m. Interment in Peoples cemetery.

BENOIT — There passed away at Los Angeles California on October 9th, 1966, Mary Elsie Benoit, RN, in her 71st year. Sister of George MacKenzie, Murray River.

KEENAN — At the P.E.I. Hospital, Tuesday, October 25, 1966, Clifford Keenan of Murray River in his 81st year. Resting at the Murray River Funeral Home until noon Thursday, then to the United Church, Murray River for funeral service at 2 p.m. Interment Murray River cemetery.

CONWAY — The death occurred in the Charlottetown Hospital on Tuesday, October 25, 1966, of James Wilfred Conway of Bonshaw in his 69th year. His remains will rest at the Hennessey Funeral Home from Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Complete funeral arrangements will be announced later.

DRAKE — At the P.E.I. Hospital Monday, October 24th, 1966, William H. Drake of Waterside in his 85th year. Resting at the Jenkins Funeral Home until noon on Thursday. The funeral from Pownal United Church on Thursday afternoon with service commencing at 2 o'clock. Interment in the Church cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

MURPHY — At the home of Mr. and Mrs. A.D. MacPhee, Vernon River on Tuesday, October 25th, 1966 of Andrew Murphy, formerly of Summerside, in his 88th year. Resting at the Jenkins Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held on Friday morning to St. Joachim's Church, Vernon River for Requiem High Mass at 9.30. Interment in the church cemetery.

Campaign Against Drunk Drivers Carried To Commons Committee

By KEN CLARK
OTTAWA (CP) — Carrying his campaign against drunk drivers to Parliament, Robert Malkin told legislators Tuesday he does not want a police state, only an effective legal deterrent.

The 53-year-old former businessman told the Commons justice committee he wants a compulsory scientific test for motorists suspected of drinking. Included would be a precise definition of what constitutes impairment.

The Vancouver witness said he is content to let professionals decide what amount of alcohol in the blood determines impairment.

"But the cold hard fact is we must have a deterrent in law that would deter the drunken driver," Mr. Malkin said. He projected the man who had one stiff drink and then was involved in an accident that was not his fault.

He was falsely accused of being drunk, Mr. Malkin said. It projected the man who had one stiff drink and then was involved in an accident that was not his fault.

CONSIDERING BILL

He delivered a practical, emotional appeal to the committee, which is considering a bill proposed by Barry Mather (NDP — New Westminster) for compulsory breath analysis tests.

Mr. Malkin showed pictures of his dead son and the wrecked death car which he towed to California to display as part of his campaign. It helped win a form of compulsory test in that state.

He rejected as specious the argument that police might abuse a compulsory test law. If the police could abuse one law, they could do it to all.

"I certainly do not want a police state, but I still feel that the greatest deterrent to the drunken driver is he man with the badge."

Mr. Malkin said breath analysis tests aren't infallible. However errors tended to favor the accused.

Under new California law, drinking suspects have a choice of three tests—blood, breath or urine.

He disagreed with the suggestion that loss of driving licence is a sufficient deterrent to the drinking driver.

"In B.C. it is easier to get a driver's licence than it is to get a card from the Vancouver Public Library. If you look to be over 21, not one scrap of identification is required."

He agreed with a suggestion by Mr. Mather that it would be a good idea to seek the support of women for compulsory testing. Women had swung the change in California.

A scientific test could help motorists who might otherwise

Sentences Upheld

TORONTO (CP) — The Ontario Appeal Court Tuesday upheld the convictions and sentences of 26 men for contempt of court in demonstrating at the strike-bound plant of Tico Plastics Ltd. at Peterborough last February.

A five-man panel of the court headed by Chief Justice Dana Porter unanimously turned down appeals launched on behalf of the men, who had received jail sentences of 15 days and two months for violating a picket-limiting injunction.

The court deliberated 28 minutes after hearing two days of argument over the conviction registered in June by Chief Justice G. A. Gale of the High Court of Justice.

The South Vietnamese leaders said they would begin holding elections at village and hamlet levels at the beginning of next year and plan national elections by next fall.

WESTERN BRIEFS

RECEIVES AWARD
Governor-General Vanier, the country's chief scout, presented awards in the form of medals to 32 scouts and scout leaders at a Government House Ceremony in Ottawa last Tuesday. Receiving the Silver Wolf award was Brig. William Reid of Charlottetown, a troop leader.

RECEIVES DEGREE
Gerald Charles Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Cameron, Ottawa, Ontario will receive his bachelor of arts degree at the fall convocation of Carleton University. Gerald graduated from Summerside High School in 1962 when his father F.L.D.E. Cameron was stationed at RCAF station Summerside. Mrs. Cameron is the former Constance McClure and is a former Charlottetown resident.

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