

Fee-Splitting Banned To Maintain 'A' Rank

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OTTAWA (CP) — Trustees of Victoria Hospital, London, Ont., were obliged to ban medical fee-splitting to maintain their top-ranking class "A" standing under the Ontario Public Hospitals Act, the Supreme Court of Canada was told Monday.

The argument was presented by lawyer George L. Mitchell, counsel for the hospital, in reply to claims by three London doctors that the hospital bylaw prohibiting fee-splitting is invalid outside the trustees' powers. Mr. Mitchell said the conditions of a class "A" hospital certificate specify that the hospital must prohibit formally the practice of two doctors sharing the fee charged a patient, without the patient's knowledge.

W. B. Williston, Toronto lawyer representing the three doctors, said his client and himself are opposed to the "vicious" practice

of fee-splitting, but contend the hospital board of trustees has no authority to regulate the morals of the medical profession.

LET PROFESSION DO IT

Mr. Williston said that any matter that concerns the medical profession should be regulated by the profession itself and that any ban on fee-splitting should be imposed by such an organization as the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons, not by a board of hospital trustees.

The three doctors—Harold Henderson, J. H. Spence and Donald B. Ferguson—have lost their bid in the lower courts in Ontario for a judgment that bylaws of Victoria Hospital—including the fee-splitting prohibition—are invalid.

The Supreme Court of Canada, after one day of argument from counsel for the doctors and the hospital, reserved judgment on the issue.

by fifty per cent last year, have greatly aided the universities of Canada in meeting the ever increasing cost of education.

We received also from the International Nickel Company of Canada the fourth annual payment of their five-year grant to universities to assist them in their contribution to educational progress in Canada.

FIRST SUMMER SCHOOL

Last summer, we conducted our first summer school, in which credit courses were offered towards a university degree. This venture proved so successful that we shall offer a similar programme this summer. The International Nickel Company of Canada has contributed \$2,500.00 towards sponsorship of a seminar in Science and Mathematics to be conducted during this summer school for the benefit of high school teachers.

The Extension Department, under the direction of Rev. William Simpson and Mr. George LaBelle, has continued the important work of adult education among farmers, fishermen, and cooperative groups in the Province. We are all keenly aware of the valuable contribution which the farmers and fishermen are making to the economic and social life of this Province; and we consider it our duty to encourage and to aid them in solving the difficult problems with which they are faced. While there are disturbing trends, particularly in Agriculture, we must continue to retain our optimism, and try to preserve a vigorous rural life.

During the month of March we were favoured with an interesting series of three lectures on the Modern Philosophies of History given by the famous Canadian philosopher, Dr. Charles DeKoninck, of the Faculty of Philosophy of Laval University. Dr. DeKoninck outlined the philosophies of Hegel and Marx, and

showed how their extravagant claims provoked the philosophy of Existentialism.

In the second semester also, the Honourable Heath McQuarrie, M.P., and also member of the Canadian Delegation to the United Nations Organization, spoke to the students on the work of the General Assembly of the United Nations and explained the important part which Canada plays in the Economic Plan for the benefit of underdeveloped countries.

Earlier in the year, another well-known Canadian lecturer, Mr. P. A. G. MacKay, editor of the Casket, explained the important role of the layman in the Church of today.

A change was made at the beginning of the year by the Department of National Defence in the Universities' Reserve Training Programme at Canadian Universities, consisting in the replacing of the staff officers of the individual Services by one officer, to be known as the Resident Armed Forces' Officer, and to act in an advisory capacity to the commanding Officers, and as a liaison between the university and the three Services. At St. Dunstan's, the officer appointed was Lieutenant J. J. Mahar, of the Royal Canadian Navy, and a St. Dunstan's graduate in Science of the class of 1950. A limited number of students attending the university may obtain officer training in one of the three Services; and, if they qualify, may receive officers' commissions after the prescribed period of training.

EXPRESSES THANKS

On behalf of our staff and students, I offer sincere thanks to all organizations and individuals who have provided scholarships, and to all donors of prizes. It is gratifying to the staff to see the efforts of worthy students rewarded.

Today, we present twenty-seven candidates for degrees. Before we say farewell to these young men and women, we wish them to know that we appreciate the cooperation which they have shown while at St. Dunstan's and the generous contribution which they made of their time and talents to the promotion of student interests. While we congratulate them on their success and wish them well for the future, we express the hope that they may continue to be students, and that they will give themselves with all the energy at their command to the welfare of the society in which they will take their place.

Last Sunday, at the Baccalaureate service in our chapel, they received timely advice in an impressive sermon delivered by the Rev. Vincent Murphy, of the Society of Jesus, a graduate of St. Dunstan's of my own class of 1925, who has wide experience in teaching and administration in different parts of Canada.

INTRODUCES SPEAKER

I must confess that I felt somewhat presumptuous when in the latter part of 1958, I approached the Minister of Justice for Canada on coming here on this May 12th to deliver the address to our graduates. Any fears of mine, however, were quickly dispelled by his gracious acceptance of my invitation; and my only worry thereafter was that even at the last moment the many demands upon his time in Canada's Capital might prevent his being with us.

The Honourable E. Davie Fulton has had a distinguished career both in his academic life and in the public life of our country. His studies at one of the largest universities of Canada in his native British Columbia and at the famed University of Oxford have eminently fitted him for the legal profession and for the high office he now holds in the government of Canada.

Honourable Minister of Justice, we are greatly honoured in having you with us today. On behalf of our Board of Governors, our staff, and our students, I extend to you a most cordial welcome to St. Dunstan's, and I thank you for your kindness in accepting my invitation to deliver the address to our graduates.

BEDEQUE

Mr. Ralph B. MacCaull left on May 5th by car for Thornhill, Alberta, where he will have charge of a congregation during the summer months. Mrs. MacCaull and two daughters will remain at Carleton Place until the close of the school year in June, then they will go to Alberta. Late in September the family will return, as Mr. MacCaull resumes his studies at Mt. Allison University.

Mr. Fred Reeves, Mrs. Percy Affleck, Mrs. Orville Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson, spent the weekend in Halifax, with relatives and friends.

Miss Catherine Lowther, Harvey Harper and Elizabeth MacCaull of Carleton, received book prizes for their high standing in recent examinations in connection with temperance papers they wrote under the auspices of the W.C.T.U.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace MacLeod, Sackville, N.B., were recent guests at the home of Mrs. MacLeod's mother, Mrs. E.S. Weeks and Mr. Weeks.

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to risk in readiness for use at the beginning of the second semester. In our Alumni Gym and in our new rink we now have adequate facilities for in-door sports.

As a result of our building program of the past year, we carry a debt of some \$200,000.00, on which we shall have for some years an annual interest outlay of approximately \$10,000.00. This, along with the high cost of administration and maintenance, all tax our financial resources almost to the limit and will render impossible at present the initiation of other building operations for our expansion program. Nevertheless, we do look forward to the construction of a library building in the near future. Moreover, additional space must be provided for Science, for our enrollment in this field has trebled since the present Science Building was erected twenty years ago. Lab-room space, too, presents a problem at the present time; and, with expected increases in enrolment during the next few years, this problem will become more acute.

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