

Harry Oakes' Ghost Stirs Nassau Gossip

By ETIENNE DUPUCH
NASSAU, Bahamas (Reuters)—The ghost of Sir Harry Oakes, multi-millionaire victim of one of the most sensational unsolved murders in modern crime, is walking the sunny beaches of this resort island again.

Sixteen years after Oakes, who made his fortune in the Northern Ontario goldfields, was clubbed to death as he lay asleep in bed

19th., when she entertained the C.W.L. Card Club at her home on Church Street. A good crowd were in attendance and all enjoyed the pleasant entertainment. Prize for the highest score went to Mrs. Walter Hogan, and a consolation prize to Mrs. J.T. Arsenault. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Arsenault and Mr. and Mrs. Niel McNevin, Charlottetown, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Urban McGaudet and Miss Josephine Gaudet, Tignish.

A hearty welcome is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Gaudet, who recently came from Halifax, N.S. to take up residence in Tignish.

Mr. Vernon Gaudette was among the graduates from Prince of Wales Vocational School, when he received his certificate in Welding. Congratulations are extended to Vernon by the residents of Tignish.

questions again are being asked.

WOULD REOPEN CASE
The renewed interest in the slaying has resulted chiefly from the intervention of a local political leader, Cyril Stevenson, secretary of the minority Liberal Progressive Party in the island's House of Assembly. Stevenson last week put a resolution through the Assembly asking the government to reopen the investigation and to call in Scotland Yard to help.

It was during the night of July 7, 1943—a night swept by a howling tropical storm and crashing thunder—that Oakes was killed.

The victim—worth an estimated \$200,000,000—developed the Lake-shore Gold Mine in Kirkland Lake

Ont., but spent most of his time in Nassau afterward to benefit from the liberal tax laws here.

FEATHERS AND FIRE
He was found in the morning with his head smashed by three blows. An attempt had been made

to burn bed and body and the bed was littered with chicken feathers in a strange voodoo touch.

The prime suspect was his French-born son-in-law, Count Alfred de Marigny, husband of

daughter Nancy, was charged with murder.

Nancy sprang to her husband's defence and after a sensational trial, de Marigny was acquitted.

Eighteen months later she got an acquittal.

During the case, Nancy engaged Raymond Schindler, an American private detective, to help with the investigation.



TORONTO UNIV. PLANS EXPANSION

Business and university officials look over plans and inspect preliminary construction in a \$32,359,000 five-year expansion program at the University of Toronto. Left to right are: Neil J. McKinnon, president of the

Canadian Bank of Commerce, Dr. C. T. Bissell, university president, and M. Wallace McCutcheon, vice-president and managing director of Argus Corporation. Mr. McKinnon and Mr. McCutcheon are co-chairmen of the

fund-raising drive of which \$12,600,000 will be asked in public appeal. Student enrolment is expected to increase at the university to 23,000 from 14,000 in the next few years. (CP Photo)

Letters, Photos Sought Of Least Known PM

OTTAWA (Special)—Wanted, to help fill an important gap in Canada's early history, any old letters, photos, papers, speeches or souvenirs of Alexander MacKenzie.

MacKenzie can rank as one of Canada's least-known Prime Ministers, though he ruled the country for five crucial years immediately after Confederation. In the history books he is overshadowed by Sir Alexander MacKenzie, the explorer, and William Lyon Mackenzie, the rebel and politician.

MacKenzie was the first Baptist (Diefenbaker is the second), the first Liberal and the second Scot to become Prime Minister.

"You could describe a good part of my work as a sort of literary-treasure hunt," said Dale Thomson, 35, who is working on a 350-page biography of the dear religious Scot who carried the Grits in victory in 1873 on the wings of the Pacific Railway scandal and was ousted in 1878 after a depression as difficult as that which Bennett sought to handle in the 30's.

FORMER SECRETARY
Mr. Thomson, who left his post with the Liberal party last November—he was formerly private secretary to Louis St. Laurent—to work fulltime on the biography, now divides his hours between a summer cottage at McGregor Lake, 25 miles north of Ottawa, and the narrow book-lined aisles of the Dominion Archives and Parliamentary Library.

Research on speeches for St. Laurent first drew Thomson to MacKenzie.

"I was tracing back the historic principles of liberalism in Canada," he said in an interview, "and came to realize that many of the ideas and ideals of MacKenzie could be usefully applied to our times."

The problem loomed largest in MacKenzie's day was relations with Britain as the young colony sought to find a place in the sun. Perhaps MacKenzie's most lasting achievement was to establish Canadian delegates on an equal rank with their British counterparts in negotiations with the growing republic to the south.

WORK GOT BOOST
Thomson's work got a considerable boost when a large store of papers and letters of the early Prime Minister were handed over to Queen's University, Kingston, by Mrs. Robert F. Thompson (no relation to the author), widow of MacKenzie's grandson. Her husband, a civil servant in Ottawa, had planned to write a biography of his ancestor when he retired.

However, there are still some weak spots in the chain of contemporary material on Mackenzie, especially for his later years when, half-paralyzed, he stepped down as Liberal leader.

One important store of letters was held by Mackenzie's daughter, Miss Maggie Mackenzie, who died in Sarnia several years ago. They never turned up and Dale Thomson is sure they're stored in some half-forgotten box in a Sarnia home.

Mackenzie's close connections with Sarnia—he was a contractor there for 30 years—have taken Thomson to the Chemical City for an extended treasure hunt. One site he studied was the jail built

by Mackenzie from which, it is said, no one has escaped.

STUDIED OBSERVER
Thomson has worked his way through every copy of the Sarnia Observer from 1853 to 1878, the period Mackenzie stayed there. He is still looking for copies of Mackenzie's own paper, The Lambton Shield, which ran for 18 months between 1852 and 1854.

Other relics which Thomson is hoping to unearth are papers held by relatives of his second wife, Jane Sym, whose father was a farmer near Sarnia.

Mackenzie came to Canada at the age of 20 as a sort of advance guard for his family. They followed three years later, including his six sons: Hope, James, Robert, Adam, John and Charles.

He took to politics early and seriously. The son of Scotland can rank as one of Canada's most successful politicians at the ballot box. He never lost a federal campaign and was defeated in only one contest, running for aide-man in Sarnia on a prohibition ticket.

In looks and manner he was almost the prototype of the stern Victorian head of the household. He signed letters to his daughter: "Your affectionate father, Alexander Mackenzie."

RIGID MORAL CODE
Mackenzie's rigid moral code was probably the main reason for his downfall. Unwilling to trust any of his cabinet colleagues not to indulge in the then rampant patronage associated with the Public Works ministry, he took the portfolio for himself and the dual role of Prime Minister and Public Works Minister wore down his energies making him an open mark for the rapier wit and parliamentary subtleties of Sir John A. MacDonal.

It was in keeping with his sense of what was right and proper that Mackenzie should have three times refused a knighthood for what he considered democratic principles.

When illness forced him to step down as Opposition Leader in 1880, two years after his defeat, Mackenzie mellowed and showed more frequently the flashes of humour and generosity which he had always kept for his intimates.

Thomson's biography, due to be published late this year or early next, will add to the growing list of works on Canada's Prime Ministers: MacDonal, Laurier, Borden, Bennett and Mackenzie King.

TIGNISH

Miss Susan Gaudet, Moncton, N.B., is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Gaudet, Tignish.

Nine members of the Tignish Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion, Tignish Branch No. 6 attended the annual provincial meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary held in Kensington on Wednesday evening, May 20th.

There were six members of the Tignish Home and School Association went to Charlottetown on Wednesday, May 20th., to attend the annual meeting of Provincial Home and School, which was held in Birchwood School. At this

meeting Mrs. J.A. MacDonald, Tignish, was elected to serve on the executive as vice-president for Prince County. The rate payers of this Tignish district and members of the Tignish Home and School extend hearty congratulations to Mrs. MacDonald, and all feel she will fill this position in a very fitting manner. Mrs. MacDonald is also Division president of the Catholic Women's League.

Messrs. Elphege Bernard and Major Evans, of Fredericton, N. B. spent the holiday week-end in Tignish and tried their luck at trout fishing. They report a good catch from the Tignish streams.

Miss Elizabeth Gavin, Tignish, visited for several days with Mrs. Emmett Gallant and family at Christophers' Cross.

Potato planting is in full swing in this area at the present time and some farmers have sections seeded with grain crops.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. W.J. Gavin of Tignish in the recent death of her brother, Mr. Justin O'Brien. Mrs. Gavin is at present in Oklahoma, U.S.A., with her son, Rev. Justin Gavin.

The news of the sudden death of Dr. Urban Christopher at his home at Egglaston Square, Roxbury, Mass., was received by his friends in Tignish with great sorrow, and to his sister, Mrs. Mrs. Ernest Wade, Belmont, Mass., and his brother Dr. Joseph Christopher, Arlington, Mass., all extend sincere sympathy.

Mr. Irving Mockler has returned to her home in Skinners' Pond after a two week period spent in City Hospital, Charlottetown, where she underwent surgery. Mrs. Mockler's Tignish friends are happy to see her so well, and hope she will continue to improve in health.

Mrs. Wilfred Boyce, accompanied by Mrs. John Smythe and Miss Dorcas Harper, Tignish, motored to Summerside on Friday and spent the day attending to business.

Mrs. James Christopher has returned from Ottawa, and has opened her home in Tignish. Mrs. Christopher spent the past six months in the Dominion Capital visiting her brother, Mr. G.A. Ready.

Mrs. C.A. Kinch has returned to her home in Toronto, Ontario, after a pleasant week visit with relatives in Tignish. Friends of the Kinch family (who left here a few years ago) were happy to meet Mrs. Kinch and were pleased to get news from her husband Claude and their family. Mrs. Kinch reports all are well and happy in their Toronto homes, but do not forget old friends left behind at Tignish.

Mrs. J. Foster Skerry was hostess on the evening of May

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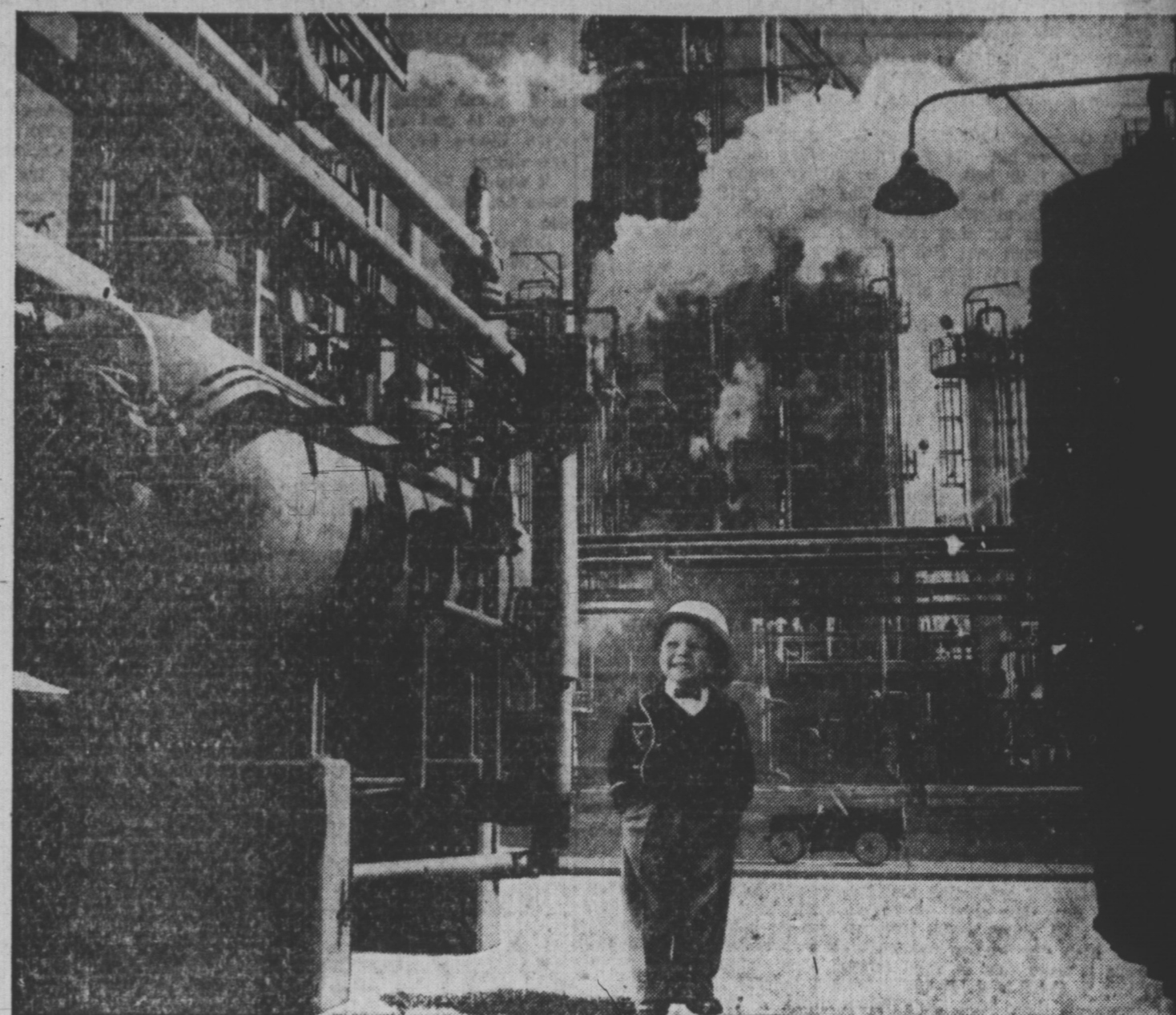
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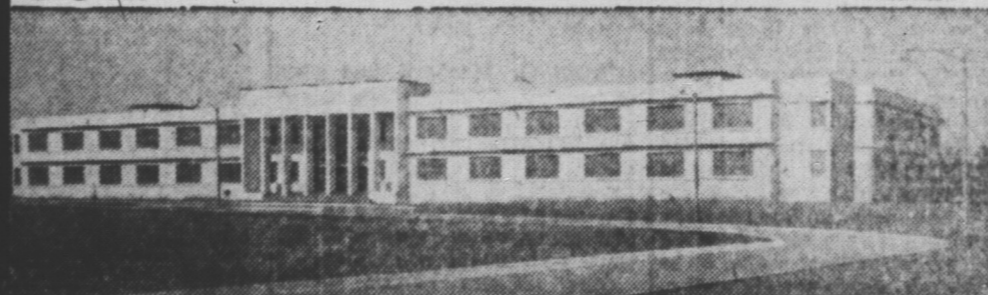
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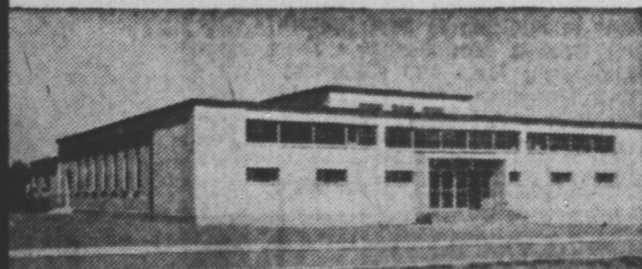
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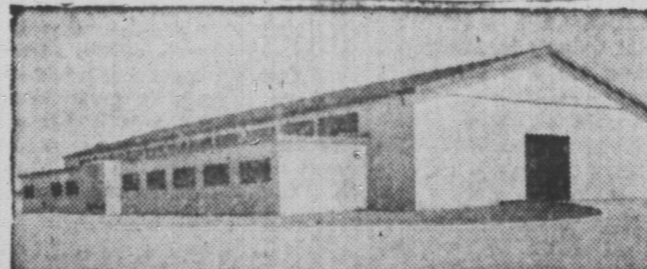
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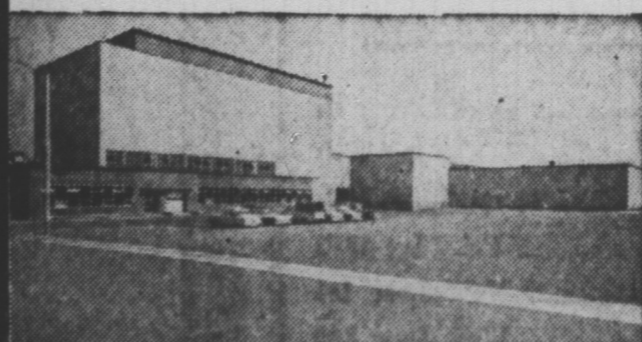
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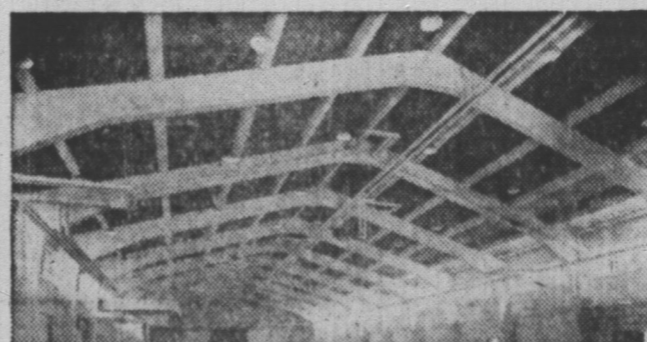
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