

Unique Helicopter Flying School In Southern B. C.

PENICTON, B.C. (CP) — The students at a school here begin by learning to land a helicopter on a cigar package.

Then they learn to do the same thing, figuratively speaking, on a mountain.

The school for helicopter pilots in this south-central British Columbia valley 200 miles east of Vancouver is run by Okanagan Helicopters Ltd. To do pilots from the RCAF, from the United States, France and Indonesia.

VALUABLE TRAINING

A veteran American pilot, Capt. Lloyd Watland of Fort Riley, Kan., explained why the training is done here.

"This is the only company in the world specializing in the mountain operation of helicopters. We just don't have the know-how and we couldn't have got this valuable training anywhere else."

Capt. Watland, a veteran of the Second World War and the Korea

war, added, "a few of us are taking advantage of Canadian experience. When we go home we'll spread it throughout the U.S." Last year 22 officers of the U.S. army transportation helicopter battalion went through the 80-hour course.

Carl Agar, operations vice-president of the company, says the reasons he chose Penicton were ideal flying conditions the year round and good territory for the special training. The school opened in Vancouver four years ago but moved here because of better weather.

Okanagan Helicopters developed their experience in mountain flying while carrying equipment for the giant aluminum and electrical projects at Kitimat and Kemano, 400 miles north of Vancouver.

PSYCHOLOGICAL BARRIER

Once past the initial training period, the pilots learn to land their machines on a mountain.

"It's quite a psychological bar-

rier," Mr. Agar says. "It's just like standing on the parapet of a 20-story building and looking down."

Chief instructor Don Poole, flying a reporter to a nearby peak, said: "We've got plenty of mountains close to the school of the right heights and offering a variety of landings—on saddles, peaks and knolls."

"We also get all the problems of winds, down draughts and updraughts, that a helicopter pilot meets."

Trainers fly loads up to 8,000 feet above sea level. A landing platform is built on the side of one cliff.

The course consists of 30 hours flying time and 50 hours of lectures. During that time students learn to judge air currents and break through what Mr. Agar calls the "psychological barrier."

"It takes a lot of training and most of all—experience to overcome it. Nothing can take the place of experience."



1ST SOURIS CO.

Mrs. A. G. McMillan Public Relations Commissioner, and Mrs. Smith paid a visit to the 1st Souris Co. recently, and what a welcome they received. The company Guides all spic and span, and looking very smart with their leader, Miss Nellie Foley, Mrs. Keith MacKenzie, Mrs. DeLory and Mrs. Richards. The following girls were enrolled by Mrs. Smith: Eleanor Cheverie, Elaine Cheverie, Ethel Mallett, Paula Peters, Joe Ann Doucette and Leonora Fraser. Mrs. McMillan presented Jeanette Peters with her First Class Badge. That makes two First Class Guides to receive their Badges this year from 1st Souris, Madeline Praugh received hers when Mrs. Nesbitt was here. Smart appearance and good progress. Marina Kays from Charlottetown told the girls about her experiences at the Adventure Camp at Lake O'Hara, B.C. and taught them some songs. The meeting ended with evening song and taps. Before very long a Brownie Pack will be formed in Souris with Mrs. Richards and Mrs. DeLory as Leaders.

CHURCHILL W.M.B.

The regular monthly meeting of Churchill W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Mervin MacPhee on Wednesday evening September 14th with a good attendance. The president opened the meeting with Call to Worship.

A hymn was sung The Scripture reading was read in unison followed by prayer by Mrs. Nicholson. The Bible exposition for September was read by Mrs. Ritchie MacPhee.

Plans were made to have our annual thank offering Service and Mrs. Hugh MacDonald is to speak to Miss Mary MacKenzie to be our guest speaker at our service and Mrs. Sterling MacLeod to engage the singers. It was also decided that each member bring one article to pack a box for overseas at our next meeting.

The offering was taken and amounted to 2.80. It was dedicated by Mrs. Duncin Gass. Fifteen members answered roll call with a verse of Scripture containing the word "Mercy".

The minutes of our last meeting were read by the secretary. A reading entitled, "Progress in Formosa" was read by Mrs. Mervin MacPhee. Also a reading, "Ten Commandments for Modern Parents" read by Mrs. Donald Nicholson.

Mrs. Sterling MacLeod read from the Study Book. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Sterling MacLeod with roll call to be answered with a verse of Scripture containing the word "Thanks". The meeting closed by singing a hymn, and repeating the Mizpah Benediction with union. Lunch was served by hostess, assisted by Mrs. Donald Nicholson.

C.G.I.T. COLUMN

Once again the Fall Season brings a round of C.G.I.T. activities. Former groups are re-organizing and news comes to us of a number of new groups, to them we extend a special welcome and trust that they will also share with us their experiences through this column.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

A welcome is extended to this new group which to date has a membership of 22 girls. They meet each Tuesday evening at 6.30 and their activities have included attending a lecture and slides by Dr. Florence Murray of Korea. They also attended the Evangelistic Crusade at the Coliseum. Mrs. Norman Stewart and Miss Alta Prowse are the leaders and the following officers have been elected: President, Gail Currie; Vice Pres., Mary Larter; Sec'y, Winnie Mobbs; Treas., Margaret Parker.

WEEKEND CONFERENCE

Girls, do you remember your happy days at Augustine Cove Camp? Well, perhaps you would

Lay Retreats was also given by Fr. Robin.

The teaching of catechism was discussed and it was agreed to hold a meeting of teachers and convener of religion to arrange classes. Mrs. Wm. Aylward and Mrs. Joseph Donovan were re-appointed to take care of altar boys soutanes and surplices. It was moved and seconded to order fifty boxes of Christmas cards from Our Lady's Missionaries.

As the Regional Conference is to be held here on Nov. 6th, it was decided to hold our next meeting on Oct. 6th. The meeting closed with recitation of Act of Consecration by Rev. Fr. Robin. Four members re-newed membership.

TO RENEW THOSE FRIENDSHIPS AND AT THE SAME TIME ENJOY BIBLE STUDY AND A NEW CRAFT OR GAME.

There will be a weekend conference, Oct. 28 - 30, at the Charlottetown Baptist Church, to which all C.G.I.T. groups are invited. Miss Jean Windsor, Girl's Work Secretary of the M.R.E.C. will direct the conference.

Be early with your registrations and send the number from your group that plans to attend to Miss Marguerite Brehaut, 58 Edward Street, Charlottetown, by October 21.

C.G.I.T. LEADERS

It is hoped that a Leader's Council will meet with Miss Windsor on Sunday afternoon following the conference which will conclude after the Sunday morning church service.

KENSINGTON UNITED CHURCH

This group led the Worship Service at a largely attended meeting in Kensington United Church on the evening of September 22 when Miss Dorothy Young and Dr. Florence Murray were guest speakers. Two of the members sang a duet at the W.M.S. Missionary Rally.

At their last meeting, they donated school articles to be sent to Severance Hospital, Seoul, Korea.

CHARLOTTETOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

The C.G.I.T. groups of the Charlottetown Baptist Church met on September 19 with the Explorers, Explorer Donna Sherran graduated into C.G.I.T. Two C.G.I.T. members Dianne Jenkins and Emma Sharam received their white lanyards. Refreshments were served to the parents and girls present.

Maternal Health Classes

new series begins

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The Week at S. D. U.

When the hands of time ushered in this week, it was greeted by an all but deserted campus as a brief but well appreciated respite punctuated our busy schedule here at Saint Dunstan's. Beginning Tuesday afternoon, the weary feet began to plod again through the main gate in ever increasing frequency until all were safely returned from the Thanksgiving holiday and accounted for. The returning faces registered the mixed expressions of that one might expect to find in just such a situation. They were sad to be back, yet glad to be back; ready once again to put their shoulder to the proverbial wheel, and still... those holidays had passed so quickly. Now that everyone is back in step and the dust has been brushed from the idle desks, the corridors and classrooms of all the buildings are ringing once again with scholarly activity.

Two of our members, however, are not here with us at present, but are filling two of the important diplomatic posts that help to keep our campus life in all its varied aspects synchronized as nearly as possible with the movements in the general field of higher learning in Canada. A perusal of last Monday's Guardian will disclose pictures of the two men who have been chosen and entrusted with this responsibility. George Mullally is attending a conference of the National Federation of Canadian University Students which is now in session at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. We are anxiously awaiting his return and his subsequent report of the journey that took him across the country on our behalf. A little nearer to home, James S. Noonans now filling Saint Dunstan's seat in the conference of the Canadian Federation of Catholic College Students

which is now in progress at Saint Francis Xavier University in Antigonish. From Mr. Noonan, too, we are expecting a full report of the latest trends and developments that have taken place in the field of Catholic education.

EXECUTIVE

To complete the list of executive positions for the various societies on the campus, it has been announced that the co-eds have convoked a meeting of their Sigma Delta Sorority and have elected the Executive Council which will be entrusted with the guidance of the sorority for the coming year. The following positions have been filled: President, Rosella Devine; Vice President, Mary Cameron; Sec'y-Treas., Corinne Duffy; Sophomore Representative, Marion MacDonald; Freshman Representative, Bernice Delorey; Faculty Advisor, Rev. L. W. Landrigan.

Under the motto taken from the inspired words of the Apostle of the Gentiles, "Caritas Christi Urget Nos" (The Love of Christ Impels Us), and through the leadership of this well-chosen panel, we all look towards their successfully attaining that noble purpose for which the society was founded, the religious, social, and cultural development of all the members.

DEBATING

A third conference is now on the horizon, beckoning two more of our ambitious and progressive young men to the Maritime Conference of the Maritime Intercollegiate Debating League. Filling the trying roles of ambassadorship on this occasion are two members of the M.I.D.L. Executive here on the campus: the Vice President, Leo Peddie, and the Secretary-Treasurer and veteran of many debating campaigns, Ian Gillies. In addition to the ordinary parlay in which these two will engage, the determination of debating schedules, rules, and the like, they have another very important task at hand. This task is the compilation of all the necessary data on format and principle, policy and

procedure necessary to conduct such a conference next year when Saint Dunstan's will play host to the assembled representatives of the M.I.D.L. here on our own campus.

SPORTS

The King of Sports' right now on the campus is far from being the sport of kings as many of the players and spectators alike found out last Saturday when the Saints shamed the Nomads 5-0 in a rough and tumble exhibition rugby game here on the college field. The S. D. U. squad really proved their mettle and their superb form and playing power as they grimly steam-rollered their way across the field in an almost bloodless encounter. With a carefully executed play and the hearty backing of his team-mates, Kimbal Jay was able to make the only try of the game, and Louis MacDonald followed this with a neatly placed boot for the extra two points.

Cullen Delorey received the only major injury in the game when he suffered a painful ankle sprain in the second half. Although this will keep him off the playing field for a little while, it wasn't entirely to his detriment because it enabled him to unlimber a very zesty little can that must have served as a handy pointer in his engineering classes when he wasn't leaning on it. Anyway, we're sure Mr. Delorey will be flying the red and white standard from his little cage as he joins the rest of us in the stands today to cheer our boys on to their first intercollegiate victory when the warriors of Acadias enter the lists here on the campus field.

So, until next week, greetings from Saint Dunstan's, and remember that if you had to walk a mile in the other fellow's shoes, maybe you wouldn't criticize him for the way he does it.

CENTRAL ROYALTY CO.

Central Royalty Guides go off to a fine night at their opening meeting Monday night, Miss Marion Langille, Captain, with Mrs. Farquharson as Lieutenant. This is a smart Company, and we will hear more from them later on.

IST AND 3RD CO.

What! another new Guide? We welcome Miss Doris Hillian who will help Miss Suzanne Palmer guide the destinies of 1st and 3rd St. Peters.

BESSBOROUGH SHIELD

We hear reports of Companies being busy working on the Bessborough Shield requirements. Please send in all entries when completed to Miss Carrie Holman, Summerside.

WORDS OF THE WISE

Forty is the old-age of youth, fifty is the youth of old-age. —(Victor Hugo)

Frank Deagle with an attendance of nine members.

The meeting opened with the Mary Stewart collect and roll call was answered by giving a nickel.

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved. It was decided to buy a pointer and ruler for the school. It was also decided to have Bingo at each meeting, each member to bring some little article to play for. The roll call at the next meeting is to be answered by each member giving 10 cents towards a mass for Mrs. White.

Mrs. Bert Mullally and Mrs. Wm. Hughes were appointed to the sick committee. Mrs. Edward Mahar invited the members to her home for the Oct. meeting. Lunch was served by the hostess and the meeting adjourned.

MORELL C. W. L.

The regular monthly meeting of Little Flower subdivision of the C.W.L. was held on October 2nd. In the absence of the president and vice president, Mrs. Joseph Roby was appointed to preside. Rev. Fr. Robin opened the meeting with prayer. Roll call was answered by thirty-seven members. Minutes of last meeting were read, approved and signed. Correspondence consisted of a letter of thanks from Red Cross Commissioner, Miss Arsenault for help given at Blood Donors clinic. The treasurer gave her report, stating with all bills paid a balance of two hundred and twenty-eight dollars was in the bank.

The president expressed sincere thanks to all members who worked so well to make the chicken supper such a success. Mention was made of the presentation of a statue with address to Mrs. James Whalen on the occasion of their Golden Wedding. Convener of Welfare, Mrs. Frank Dunn, gave her report and some welfare work was planned for this month.

Rev. Fr. Robin outlined and explained briefly the Regional Conference which is to be held here Nov. 6th. A very inspiring talk on

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