



GUIDE PATROLS ARE ON THEIR TOES

Photographed above are two pairs of the First and Third City Guide Company of Charlottetown who have completed the Chief Commissioner's Challenge Program and, last week, received their certificates.

Demands Resignation Of Farm Loan Board Official

OTTAWA (CP) — Progressive Conservative Howard Green has demanded the resignation of an official of a government agency on the ground that he is a Liberal candidate in the coming federal general election.

Mr. Green, member for Vancouver, said in the Commons Friday that Arnold Darroch, a member of the Canadian farm loan board, was nominated Liberal candidate in December.

Outside the Commons, Stanley Knowles (CCF—Winnipeg North Centre), who originally questioned the propriety of Mr. Darroch remaining on the board, said Mr. Darroch will contest the Ontario riding of Wellington—Huron. He held the seat from 1949 to 1953, when he was defeated by W. M. Howe, Conservative.

"Is it ordinary government procedure that a member can retain a government position and go on campaigning while being paid by this government?" asked John A. Charlton (PC — Brant—Haldimand).

William Benidickson, parliamentary assistant to Finance Minister Harris, promised to look into the matter.

The question arose as the House discussed legislation to increase the farm loan board's loaning capacity by \$20,000,000 to \$80,000,000.

RELIGION AND LIFE

By Very Rev. George C. Pidgeon, D.D., LL.D.
First Moderator of the United Church of Canada

HOPE FOR WORLD'S FUTURE RESTS WITH THE MINORITY

The Dead Sea scrolls interest everyone these days. From distinct ages they speak to our time. For example, in a translation of the documents found in the ruins of the old monastery we found the following:

"I give thanks unto Thee, O Lord. For Thou hast granted a remnant to Thy people.

And a revival.

Unto Thine inheritance.

Thou hast raised up among them Men of truth, and some of light."

Now here is a great idea from both the Old and New Testaments. Often we see in history a general apostasy when a whole people slide back into errors or evils long since outgrown. But there is always a remnant that remains loyal to the vital realities of the religion of their fathers.

With this remnant are bound up the hopes of the future.

In the days of the prophet Elijah the entire nation seemed to have followed Queen Jezebel into her pagan worship of Baal, but the divine Spirit reminded the prophet that there were 7,000 men in Israel who had not bowed to Baal.

Centuries later Isaiah caught the idea of the remnant when he heard the boasts of the King of Assyria and foresaw the destruction he would wreak on the nation. Israel's ground of hope was in the doctrine of the remnant.

Israel's calamities were the consequences of the nation's iniquities, but, says the prophet, "A remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob to the mighty God." And again: "In that day the Lord will extend His hand yet a second time to recover the remnant which is left of His people."

7,000 FAITHFUL

St. Paul, heartbroken over his own people's rejection of their Messiah, quoted the story of the 7,000 faithful souls in Elijah's time and based his own hope for the future on his assurance that "even so now there is a remnant chosen by grace."

As with Isaiah, his trust rests on God's purpose which can never be turned aside.

How often we need to be reminded that the hope for the future rests with this chosen minority.

When Hitler, in his day of power, was sweeping men by the million away from the faith of their fathers, it was estimated that 15 per cent. of the German people were genuinely distressed over the wide-spread defection.

Once an evangelist who was being driven through a district of Ontario in which there were many churches, it was estimated that 15 per cent. of the people really accept responsibility for the support of the church and the effectiveness of her witness? Twenty-five per cent.?"

One who knew the district replied, "That is a liberal estimate." Yet the small minority in Hitler's Germany are the ones who

are now shaping the character of a renewed nation and the same type of minority in Canada is our seed for the harvest of the future.

CLEAR IDEAS

That ancient group by the Dead Sea had clear ideas about the character of the remnant—the kind of people they were. Here is what they said about them:

"Men of abundant compassion; Men of stalwart spirit; Men of tempered soul; Men steved to sustain Thy judgments.

Through them Thou hast kept Thy covenant.

And confirmed Thy pledge."

Here is the age-old conviction that God is in control of all that affects His cause, and that He supports it by raising up men of the character described.

They are men of tender hearts, sensitive about the sufferings of others, and men of steel whose resoluteness in their loyalty to the world can never bend or break.

"SALT OF EARTH"

Jesus did not use the term "remnant," but He expressed the same idea in the parable: "Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost its savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is henceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and to be trodden under foot of men."

Now the salt is a very small quantity compared with the substance with which it is packed, but it communicates its quality to everything around it and so preserves it from decay.

Jesus differed from that community by the Dead Sea. They retired from the world of their time into a secret fellowship of their own. Jesus sent His followers out into the world He came to save. They were to be "in the world but not of the world."

So the salt must preserve its own quality if it is to be any good. Christ's warning to His people is that if they lose their distinctively Christian character the world around them will sink into corruption.

There is constant pressure upon Christian people to conform. Why hold out against this or that custom when the vast majority is against you? It is true that those who are deeply and genuinely committed to Christ and His ideals are always in a minority, but, according to Jesus, the salt is terminating of the character of the world around it. We haven't space to specify, but in a thousand ways of which the world is unaware, Christ's teachings are governing its way of life. They will continue to do so as long as His people hold fast their faith and are not ashamed to follow Him in practice.

WHEATLEY SCHOOL

The following is the honour standing of Wheatley School for the month of January.

Grade X. 1. Shirley Axworthy. Grade IX. 1. Donald Matheson, 2. Evelyn Axworthy.

Grade VIII. 1. Sheila Ford. Grade VII. 1. David Axworthy. Grade VI. 1. Sandra Ford, 2. David Ling, 3. Margaret Axworthy. Grade V. A. 1. Horace Ling, 2. Lloyd Matheson, 3. Stanley Matheson.

Grade V. B. 1. Elwood Drewitt. Grade IV. 1. Nancy Ling, 2. Ida Drewitt, 3. Sinclair Axworthy. Grade III. 1. Harold Neill. Grade II. A. 1. Roddie MacPherson, 2. Calvin MacQuarrie, 3. John Axworthy. Grade II. B. 1. Norman Ford, 2. Weston Axworthy, 3. Margaret MacQuarrie. Grade I. 1. Blaine Ling, 2. Roberta Clow, 3. Garth Matheson.

Highest average in Senior grades Donald Matheson.

In primary grades, Roddie MacPherson. Teacher, Shirley Gamester

Coming Events

Reserve March 15th. Variety Concert, Victoria Hall.

Caledonian Club CEILDH Tuesday 26th 8 p.m. at Y.M.C.A. Members may bring a friend.

Unloading car olivace Monday and Tuesday, February 25th and 26th price off car \$4.35. Wiltshire Dairying Company Limited.

Special Modern and Old-time dancing at the Rollaway Club tonight 10 to 1. Sponsored by Tennis Club.

Hockey at North River rink tonight. Hampshire Bulldogs vs Milton Hornets. First game in semifinals. Game time 8:30. Skate after. Team not ready at game time will lose percentage of gate. Tickets open at 7:30.

Promotion Is Topic At P. C. Home & School

At a meeting of the Prince Street Home and School Association held on Thursday, February 21, Mr. Malcolm MacKenzie, B.A., B. Paed. Director of Curriculum for Prince Edward Island was chairman of a Panel, which discussed the subject—"Promotion Problems."

These problems are many and varied and the opinions expressed were almost as varied as the problems themselves. One of the most difficult problems seems to be that of grouping, especially from the standpoint of the bright child.

Many feel that children of like ability should be grouped together, but many more feel that although this method permits the brighter child to work at an accelerated pace, there were very many strong arguments for grouping together children with different shades of ability.

It was also felt that an enriched rather than an accelerated programme would solve many problems.

Other members of the Panel were Mrs. G. B. Whiteside, a member of the Charlottetown School Board; Mrs. Earl Wonnacott, a parent; and Mrs. George Agnew, a teacher.

Mr. Frank Gosbee proposed a vote of thanks to the members of the Panel for a very interesting evening.

Among other items of business was the adoption of a resolution, proposed by Mrs. Earl Lavers, and seconded by Mrs. W. F. Rogerson, whereby, "The Prince Street Home and School Association become a member of the Music Festival Association."

Mr. Reg. MacNutt announced that at our next meeting on Thursday, March 21, our Vice-President, Rev. J. H. Bishop

would tell us something of his recent visit to Scotland.

After singing, "The Queen" many parents visited their children's teachers then enjoyed a social period in the staff room. Refreshments were served.

Woman Nearly Bled To Death

CORNWALL, Ont. (CP) — The condition of a 35-year-old woman who was in danger of bleeding to death before a supply of fibrinogen, a blood-clotting agent, was flown here, Sunday was reported "fairly good".

The serum was prepared by the Montreal Red Cross and flown by an RCAF jet aircraft to Pasadena, N.Y., across the border from here, when the Red Cross learned of Mrs. Rose Antoine's plight. New York State and Ontario Provincial Police cruisers transported it from there to Cornwall General Hospital.

Mrs. Antoine, mother of five children, began haemorrhaging after an operation. Fibrinogen stops bleeding immediately when administered.

HOTEL RAZED IN NIGHT

GAINFORD, Alta. (CP)—More than 20 persons escaped into 25-below-zero weather early Friday when fire destroyer the Gainford Hotel in this town 55 miles west of Edmonton. Damage was estimated at \$130,000 but no one was injured. Witnesses said most of the occupants had time to dress and grab their possessions.

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"There's music in the air" as people all over the Island are biving their voices and their pains extra workouts in preparation for the annual Music Festival. As in former years we expect the children and young people in great numbers will flock in to try their skill at vocal and instrumental music. This year we should like to have more adult participants, as soloists or in groups.

There are classes for almost every kind of chorus—all men, all women, mixed voices, and in unison, or in two, three, or four parts. The test selections offer a variety of musical appeal, from the gentle beauty of "Blow the Wind Southerly" to the robust sea chanty, "There's Fire Down Below", or the humorous ballad of "The Wee Cooper o'Fyfe". Choral singing can provide the occasion for many sociable evenings and strengthen the bonds of neighborliness in the community.

If you can't round enough neighbors to form a chorus, there is a class for a Family Ensemble in which parents and children can sing together. We hear much lamentation nowadays that our leisure time is spent in spectator

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amusements-TV, watching sports events and the like. Here's a chance to combat this trend. Let's be doers and not just viewers. Get a singing group started in your neighborhood now and plan to enter the Music Festival. It will add purpose to your singing sessions, and give you the opportunity to hear other groups similar to your own performing.

All entries to the Music Festival must be sent to the Secretary, Mrs. Wendell Wood, Charlottetown, R.R. 6 not later than March 1st, 1957.

Dorothy Cullen
Convener, Music Committee

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Vocational School Has 2nd '57 Party

The Students of the Provincial Vocational School held their second event of the year 1957 in the Academic classroom on Wednesday evening, February 13. Approximately sixty-five students and friends enjoyed both modern and old time dancing.

There were two Spot Dances in which prizes were offered. The first prize going to Norma Parkman and Aubrey MacKinnon, second prize going to Jean Munroe and Ernest Moore. The chaperones for the evening were: Mrs. Victor Clow, Mrs. Matthew Lee and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald.

The "hotland islands north of Great Britain are about halfway from Scotland to Norway.

Starts Old Clock Outside His Pub

WINGHAM, Kent, England (CP) In 1797, Prime Minister William Pitt imposed a tax on clocks and watches ranging from 2s 6d to 10s a year.

Sales dropped so sharply that tavern keepers installed large-faced clocks in front of their hostleries to let the public know what time it was.

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