

Acadian Celebration At Wellington Very Successful

In the first of several celebrations to be held at various Acadian centers throughout Prince Edward Island to mark the 200th anniversary of the exile of the Acadians, a crowd estimated to be about 2,000, and described by Eulide Arsenault, chairman of the committee in charge, as "the largest ever seen in the village of Wellington" assembled there at 7 P.M. last evening to witness an extremely colorful parade which included eight beautifully decorated floats, and to hear a few remarks by various speakers on matters relevant to the purpose of the observance.

In the morning High Mass was observed at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Wellington at 10:00 A.M. with a special sermon for the occasion being delivered by the Rev. S. J. Gallant of Charlottetown.

Final preparations for the parade were made during the afternoon and when the procession moved away on its route of march at 7 P.M. crowds of people lined both sides of the street on which the parade was held.

Moving away from the Wellington French school where the parade was formed the order of march led by the R. C. M. P., with a color party and 18 members of the Miscouche Band also heading the parade.

Next came the artistically decorated floats which depicted (1) an Acadian family; (2) an Indian encampment; (3) Gabriel and Evangeline; (4) L'Assomption Society; (5) Acadian fishermen; (6) an Acadian family; (7) Acadian handicrafts; (8) an Acadian old time dance quadrille.

Separating the floats were groups of marching men, women, and children, in costumes of Evangeline, and of the period depicted.

SPEAKERS HEARD

On the return of the parade to the point of commencement hundreds of people crowded into the area to hear the various remarks of the speakers, the first of whom was the chairman of the program, Mr. Cyrus F. Gallant of Wellington.

Speaking to the large crowd from a platform provided for the occasion Mr. Gallant reminded the listeners that in addition to observances in various parts of this Province during the summer, the anniversary was being suitably observed in Moncton, St. Joseph, Grand Pre and Louisiana. Acadians, he said, are sparing nothing to make the celebration most beautiful, historical and instructive, especially for the benefit of the young people who have such a great need to know the Acadian heritage. The Wellington ceremony, while somewhat humble, is

rich in memories of thanksgiving he said to their patron, Notre Dame de L'Assomption—the Blessed Virgin.

Mr. Gallant expressed thanks, especially to the ladies who had toiled day and night in order to make the celebration known to God and His Holy Mother as the very best they were able to present to Him.

They are proving by their historical demonstrations, he said, their faith and their love for their forefathers who were disposed of their goods and dispersed to the four corners of the world by people who were not of the same faith and who were not too well disposed to render justice where due.

Mr. Gallant concluded by pointing out that in spite of what had happened 200 years ago the Acadian people had returned and taken their place side by side with the others with whom they have the common objective of continuing to build the great country which is Canada today.

GUEST SPEAKER

The guest speaker at the meeting was Mr. Gilbert Finn, general organizer of L'Assomption Society, from Moncton, N. B., who prefaced his remarks by saying that one would have to have a heart of stone not to be moved by the lovely spectacle provided by the people of the Wellington area in their colorful parade. Mr. Finn went on to say that the Acadian people of today, which by all rights should have disappeared as a race, shows itself to be stronger in their faith than ever before, and worthy descendants of their ancestors.

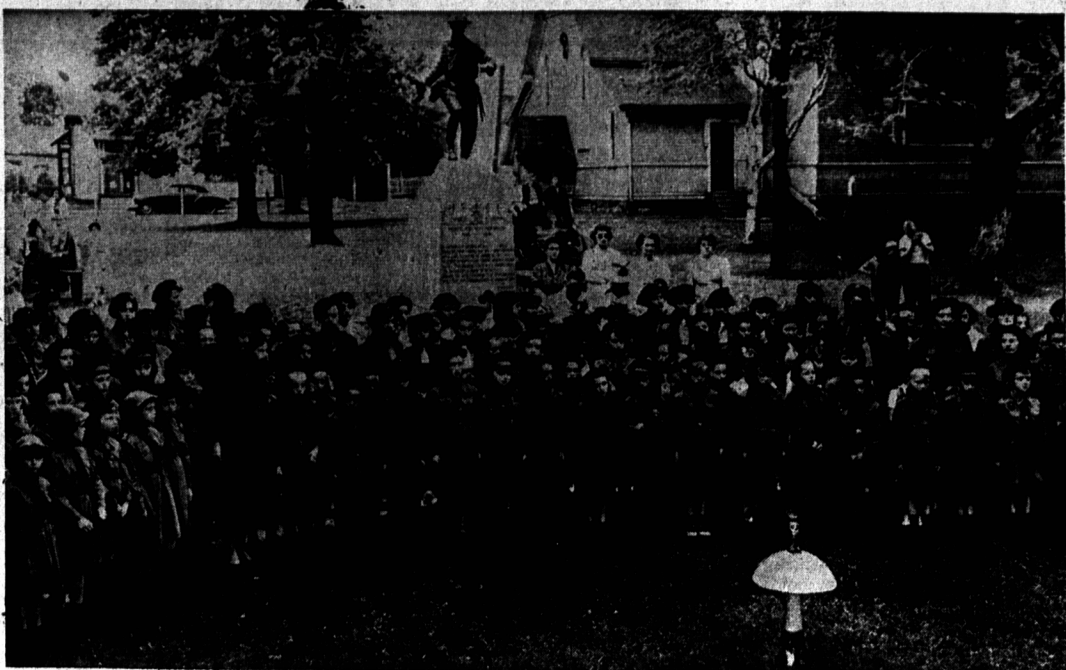
He said the reason for these observances in this year is to show divine providence that the Acadian people have remained true to their customs, religion, and the heritage of their forefathers, and to show how glad they are to be Acadians.

"We hold these celebrations," he said, "especially to show our young people that in being true to our religion and race we have a mission in life, and to show the rest of Canada that we have resources to give to the country when needed."

Mr. Finn urged his hearers to speak Acadian, live Acadian, and remain Acadians throughout their lifetime, and concluded by "bidding them to remain faithful to their French language, religion, and their country."

Mr. Leonard MacDonald in brief remarks congratulated the people taking part in the presentation of the program depicting the development of the Acadians during the last 200 years, and expressed his appreciation to the competent committee in charge.

During the program the Well-



Guides And Brownies Welcome Chief Commissioner To S'ide

A section of the group of Girl Guides and Brownies are seen above on Memorial Square in Summerside on Saturday afternoon at the rally which welcomed Mrs. W. Rankine Nesbitt, Chief Commissioner of Canadian Girl Guides. (Photo by Wotton)

Baptist Convention At Summerside Is Concluded

Sessions of 88th annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island United Baptist Association concluded in the Summerside United Baptist Church yesterday with large congregations in attendance. At the morning service, Rev. Keith Hobson delivered the Association sermon, basing his remarks upon the words, "Watchman, what of the night?" Speakers at the afternoon session included Rev. Vincent Rushton, missionary on-furlough from India.

The following resolutions were among those read at the Sunday evening service by Dr. E. J. Barrass: "Whereas, we believe that it is not in the best interests of our people to have the liquor stores open in the evenings, especially as it provides added temptation for many of our young people, the majority of whom travel in the evening hours, therefore be it resolved that this Prince Edward Island United Baptist Association, gathered in a annual session at Summerside, do hereby commend our Provincial Government for its recent action in having the liquor stores of Charlottetown and Summerside closed on Saturdays at noon."

"Whereas the Prince Edward Island Baptist Association, gathered in annual session at Summerside, greatly deplores the ever-growing secularization of the Lord's Day therefore be it resolved that we call upon all our church members and adherents to set a worthy example of true Sabbath observance in all those things that would in any way rob God of the Day, especially set apart by the Great Creator for His worship and service."

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the Saturday morning session, Dr. J. A. Clark, chairman of the Nominating Committee, introduced the slate of officers to serve the Association for the coming year. The report was as follows: Moderator, Mr. Reuben Large; Vice-moderator, Mr. Charles Scranton; Clerk, Rev. Owen Cochran; Members of Executive Committee: Mr. Colin Waugh, Mr. Sydney H. Burhoe; Temperance Committee: Dr. E. J. Barrass, Mr. Ralph Adams, Mr. Colin Waugh, Mr. F. W. Matheson, Mr. Fred Matheson, Rev. Donald McClare; Home Mission Representative: Dr. E. J. Barrass; Examining Council for Ordination: Rev. Keith Hobson. Retiring in 1955: Home Mission Committee: Mr. Earl Jenkins, Mr. Earl Jelly, Mr. Kenneth McGregor, Rev. G. A. Armstrong, Mr. Roy Campbell, Mr. C. B. Jelly; Boy's Work Board: Mr. Alfred Tait, Rev. Keith Hob-

Alberton

Preparations for Alberton's fourth annual flower show were begun last week when the committee held its first meeting. Sponsored by Regaleite Rebekah Lodge the show which had a small beginning has grown to surprising proportions and is said to have exhibits equal in quality to those of many larger shows, and it is hoped that this year's event will surpass the previous three. The date has been set for September 7 and as in previous years will include both afternoon and evening. It is anticipated that the prize list will be ready at an early date. Present at the committee meeting, which was held at the home of Mrs. Wesley Hardy, were Miss Margaret Forsyth (chairman), Miss Shirley McArthur, Mrs. Charles Johnston, Mrs. Gordon Hardy, Miss Mabel Fielding (noble grand), Mrs. Wesley Hardy (vice grand), Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie (secretary), and Mrs. Clayton Travers (treasurer).

Miss Norma Rayner arrived from Ottawa during the weekend to spend a holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rayner, Alberton.

Mrs. Stuart Fraser, Alberton left on Saturday to join her husband, LAC Stuart Fraser, who is stationed at the R.C.A.F. base in Trenton, Ont.

The insurance firm of Hyndman and Co., Charlottetown opened an office at Alberton Saturday to serve the West Prince area. Mrs. Georgie Scott of Alberton has accepted a position as stenographer in the new office which increases the company's offices on Prince Edward Island to three. General manager for the area is Mr. Ernest T. Myers of Elmsdale who has been with the company for eight years.

One of the highlights of the meetings of the Association was a series of devotional addresses by Dr. E. J. Barrass of Tryon, Dr. Barrass dealt with three questions, "What is God like?" "Where is God to be found?" and "Can finite man mean anything to an infinite God?"

Western Guardian

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CADETS ENTERTAINED — On Saturday evening the sponsoring committee of the Summerside Wing (no. 200) R.C.A.F. Association entertained the members of no. 53 Squadron R.C.A.F. cadets in St. Mary's hall at a social evening. The cadets and their girl friends danced to the music of Ted Ahearn's orchestra and refreshments consisting of hot dogs and ice cream were served.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Simmons and family, accompanied by Mrs. Charles DeLong, Lower Freetown, left by car Sunday to visit friends in Taunton, Maine. —D.E.

Mr. and Mrs. Leith Blackmore and family, Beachville, Ont., are visiting with friends and relatives in Beauce. —D.E.

Mrs. Lillian Carruthers, Malpeque, is spending a few days visiting with friends in Beauce. —D.E.

Burned In Flash Fire At S'ide Garage

Mr. Arthur Wedge, 24, an employee of Cornay Bros. Garage, is a patient in the Prince County Hospital after being severely burned Saturday morning when a blow torch ignited gasoline fumes while he was at work on a car in the garage.

Accidentally, Mr. Wedge, stepped in a pool of gasoline which he was using at that time and a blow torch being used near by, by another employee ignited the gasoline fumes, causing severe burns to his left leg.

Mr. Wedge was reported late last evening as resting comfortably.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wedge, Water Street West in Summerside, and he is married and has two children. —S.

Leaves Today To Join Ship

Petty Officer Cadet Antony Coles of Summerside leaves today to join the 13 other cadets from across Canada for the second training cruise of the year of the H.M.C.S. Iroquois which is scheduled to depart from Halifax Tuesday.

Tony was chosen to represent the P.E.I. Division of the Navy League about ten days ago. He will embark for Eastport, Maine, on Tuesday at which port the Iroquois will participate in a fleet regatta. The destroyer is expected to depart from Eastport July 5 and to carry out exercises and manoeuvres along the coast of Nova Scotia, putting in at Charlottetown July 15.

From Charlottetown the cadets will go to Boston to pay a 6-day visit at that port and return to Halifax July 28.

The cadets are expected to arrive home July 30.

Chief

ricia MacNeill, Patricia Grant, of the Second Summerside Company; and Marjorie Shanks, of the Slemmon Park Company. Brownies who received the golden hand award were: Joyce Ramsay of the First Summerside Pack, Eleanor Paillo of the Slemmon Park Pack and Carol Hunter of the Fourth Summerside Pack.

After colors were marched off, and the Brownies had participated in "The Fairy Ring", two songs, "Swiss Chaleit Song" and "Call of the Fire" were sung by Betty Blaquiere, Heather Warwick, Carol MacLean and Helen Horne.

Mrs. Nesbitt, who was introduced to the rally by Mrs. John Sutherland, deputy provincial commissioner, congratulated the girls on their fine appearance, and reminded them of their responsibilities as Guides and Brownies in doing a good deed each day. At the conclusion of her remarks Mrs. Nesbitt was presented with a contribution made by the Guides and Brownies of this area to the Cabana Fund, and the presentation was made by Barbara Newcombe, of Slemmon Park.

Following a sing-song by the group, a semaphore message was given to Mrs. Nesbitt, with Heather Warwick and Carol Hunter as senders, and Margo MacDougall as receiver and Betty Jean Callaghan and Nina Quinn as helpers.

The banquet was presided over by Mrs. T. L. Linkletter, president of the Girl Guide Association.

In the receiving line were Mrs. Nesbitt, Mrs. Linkletter, Mrs. Sutherland and Mrs. D. L. Miller.

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A group of Girl Guides and leaders who received their first class badges from Mrs. W. Rankine Nesbitt, Chief Commissioner of Canadian Girl Guides, at a rally at Summer side on Saturday afternoon are from left to right: front row, Marjorie Shanks, Slemmon Park Company; Margaret Coffin, First Summerside Company; Dorothy Perry, Second Summerside Company; Mary Ann Lidstone, Fourth Summerside Company; Cecilia Darby, First Summerside Company. Back row: Mrs. Charles Linkletter, First Summerside Company; Patricia MacNeill, Second Summerside Company; Eleanor Paillo, Fourth Summerside Pack; Ann Ronan, Second Summerside Company; Carol Hunter, Fourth Summerside Pack; Patricia Grant, Second Summerside Company. Mrs. John Ellis, Fourth Summerside Company. (Photo by Wotton)



Chief Commissioner Inspects Guides, Brownies

Mrs. W. Rankine Nesbitt, Chief Commissioner of Canadian Girl Guides, precedes Mrs. T. L. Linkletter, of Summerside, the Provincial President of the Girl Guide Association, on an inspection of Girl Guides and Brownies, at a Summerside Rally on Saturday. (Photo by Wotton)

Commencing Practice

Dr. Sheldon R. Cameron, M.D., C.M., commencing practice in Alberton, P.E.I., as of June 27th, 1953.

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