

# Parole Business Brisk in Board's First Year

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OTTAWA (CP) — Business at the National Parole Board, in its first year of operations, is brisk.

Under the vigorous chairmanship of former Welland, Ont., Mayor T. George Street the board in its first six months of operations released 760 prisoners from penitentiaries and reformatories on parole.

It is in the opening three new regional offices, at Prince Albert, Sask., Calgary and Quebec City, which likely will be necessary later on.

Striking one of his favorite notes, Mr. Street said in an interview Tuesday:

"It's important to remember that parole is not a matter of leniency—it's good business."

**PUT ON PAROLE**  
The board took over from the remission service of the penitentiary department in mid-February this year and its figures show that from January through June, 760 prisoners were released on parole, only 41 of whom—less than five per cent—have been returned to imprisonment.

In exactly-comparative figures available for last year, but during the whole year only 994 prisoners were paroled.

Of those released during the first six months of this year, 363 were let out of federal penitentiaries compared to 215 in the corresponding period last year and 65 in the first half of 1957.

Legislation establishing the parole board stipulates that every conviction must be reviewed by the parole board.

This is one reason for the increase in release of prisoners on parole. But the growing belief in general circles that parole should be used as an integral part of the reform—or correctional—system also is responsible.

**REGIONAL OFFICES.**  
The board now has or is in the process of establishing regional offices at Moncton, N.B., Quebec City, Montreal, Kingston, Ont., Toronto, Winnipeg, Prince Albert, Calgary and Vancouver. Its staff has increased by about 30 per cent, to some 85 employees, since the board took over from the remission service.

Explaining the function of the board, Mr. Street said a uniform list of conditions is attached to every parole and special conditions are imposed in special cases. Convicts with a past record of alcoholism, for example, must abstain from drinking.

The conditions, imposed to help carry the offender along the road to reform but also as a protection for the public from any backsliders, include:

1. Agreement to accept supervision of a person appointed by the parole board, usually a parole officer from a voluntary prison

## Assembly Is Called in Crisis

NICOSIA, Cyprus (Reuters)—Archbishop Makarios Tuesday summoned a special meeting of the Greek-Cypriot consultative assembly to discuss the current constitutional crisis between Greeks and Turks.

Makarios' call came as informed sources said the Greek and Turkish foreign ministers may be called in to break a deadlock in the Cyprus constitutional commission.

The deadlock concerns powers of the president and vice-president when this British colony becomes independent in February. Greeks accused the island's minority Turks of insisting that the Turkish-Cypriot vice-president have powers equal in many respects to the Greek-Cypriot president.

At the meeting, called for Friday, the 72-member Greek-Cypriot consultative assembly will discuss the position of British bases in Cyprus.

**FOLLOWS CONSULTATIONS**  
Makarios' announcement came shortly after Greek and Turkish government representatives arrived back after consulting with their governments for the second time in two weeks.

Until recently things had gone smoothly as the two communities worked out plans for an independent Cyprus.

Meanwhile, an economic problem hit Nicosia Tuesday when disgruntled potato growers demonstrated in the streets. They dumped hundreds of potatoes along the way.

The growers complained of low prices and no export markets.

**ST. LOUIS**  
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wedge visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Wedge recently.

Mrs. Elinor Chiasson, accompanied by Miss Mary Thibault and Joseph Chiasson, all of Lawrence Mass., are renewing friends in St. Louis and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wedge of Lynn, Mass., are spending some time visiting. Mr. Wedge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wedge, they also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wedge.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bernard and three children of Ottawa, Ontario, are visiting at the home of Mr. Bernard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bernard and family in St. Louis.

# M.P. Says Political Parties Not Ruled By Big Business

SACKVILLE, N.B. — A Prince Edward Island Member of Parliament who is also a vice-president of the Progressive Conservative party of Canada was one of the chief speakers at the Summer Institute on Canadian Politics, conducted by Mr. Allison University, Heath Macquarrie of Queens, a former professor of political science, share the spotlight with Stanley Knowles, executive vice-president of the Canadian Labor Congress.

Speaking to the topic, business, labor and politics Mr. Macquarrie declared that political parties in Canada had not been over subservient to big business and he outlined controls and regulations which governments have imposed on the business com-

munity in the interests of society as a whole. Tracing the relationship of politics and labor from the legislation of trade unions by Sir John A. Macdonald in 1873 to the present day Mr. Macquarrie declared that the old line parties offered ample opportunity for any individual or group to pursue political action and further political ideals.

The Queens member disagreed with Mr. Knowles on the need of the party which the CCF and the Canadian Labor Congress is now seeking to create. The Queens member expressed the view that in a country like Canada with its great distances and sharp differences in cultural and economic needs and outlook the

value of a cross political party for national unity could not be overemphasized. He described the formation of the broadly based and nationally supported Conservative and Liberal parties by Macdonald and Laurier as major contributions to the formation of a true Canadianism. Development of political parties on a class or sectional basis might seriously weaken the fabric of Canadian unity he declared.

## ELLERSLIE

Sgt. and Mrs. Carroll Kody and family, Gagetown, N.B., are spending a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Grant.

Pte. Melvin Ellis, Aldershot, N.S., is spending a month visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ellis.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs.

Marion MacAuland on their recent marriage in St. John's, Anglican Church. Mrs. MacAuland is the former Jean Macdonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Macdonald and Milton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard MacAuland.

Miss Jan Phillips went a few days recently visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jago Sabine, West Point.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gallant on their recent marriage in Trinity United Church, Summerside on July 22. Mrs. Gallant is the former Joan Coughlin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Coughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Hutchinson and family, Summerside, were recent visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Grant and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gillis were weekend guests to Alberton, the

guests of their daughter, Mrs. Janetta Ogden.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley William and family, Toronto, Ont., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacNevin.

Mrs. Ernest and Preston Grigg were hostess to the United Ladies Aid and Women's Missionary Society on Wednesday. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Glenford Millar.

Mrs. Jack MacIsaac, Borden, was a recent visitor of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacNevin.

## ELMSDALE

R.A. McKenna has returned home after being employed for several months.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. A.D. O'Brien include her son, Reverend Willard O'Brien of Victoria, B.C. Reverend Fr. MacIsaac of Vancouver, B.C. Mr. and

Mrs. Edgar Gallant, and son Gary of Toronto, and Mrs. Wilfred Bulger and the Misses Debby, Judy and Katherine of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Matthews are being welcomed here as summer visitors, in their new home. Mrs. Eliza Gammell of Nova Scotia, recently spent a holiday as guest of her sister, Mrs. Hazel Cameron.

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Apparently, the Federal Conservatives in Ottawa didn't tell their fellow Tories in Prince Edward Island that it was Ottawa which insisted on our Hospital Plan being made compulsory. Also, judging from their speeches, even the four Conservative members of Parliament weren't informed of this by one of their own cabinet ministers, the Honourable J. Waldo Monteith, Federal Minister of Health. How awkward it is for them!

Again, with high hopes, our provincial Conservatives gleefully tagged themselves, "The Party of the Causeway". But they forgot to let the Ottawa Conservatives know, since, when they asked about the Causeway, their Ottawa friends only muttered vaguely about surveys, surveys, surveys

Once more, in desperation, the provincial Conservatives leapt to attack the Matheson Government's agricultural policy — but quite forgot to tell the Federal Minister of Agriculture, the Honourable Douglas S. Harkness, about this onslaught, for he praised the Liberal Farm Policy, in Charlottetown just two weeks ago, as being the best in all Canada!

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