

Rochford Square Holds Senior Closing Exercises

Dressed in pastel colours, the graduating Grade XI students of Rochford Square School shared the platform Tuesday with their Grade X fellow students who were in white dresses. The other pupils, in the school uniform, looked on from the auditorium floor.

The senior closing of Rochford Square School was an important and colourful event for the girls and their parents. Mrs. Walter Lawlor, representing the City School Board, presided. Naomie McGuigan delivered the salutatory and Benita Binns was valedictorian.

An inspiring talk to the graduating class by Dr. Brenton O'Grady, of St. Dunstan's University, was followed by an address by Rev. Fr. Coughlan of the Redemptorist Fathers, who was the main speaker. Mr. Parker, Supervisor of City Schools, spoke briefly.

Prize List

Gold Cross and Chain for Ethics offered by His Excellency, Most Rev. Malcolm MacEachern awarded to Margaret Rose Roberts.

Prize for Highest Aggregate in Grade XI Donated by Mr. George DeBlois awarded to Benita Binns.

Prize for English donated by the Holy Redeemer Division of the Catholic Women's League awarded to Benita Binns.

Prize for Physics donated by the Redemptorist Fathers awarded to Benita Binns.

Prize for Second Highest Aggregate donated by the Basilica Division of the Catholic Women's League awarded to Rhoda Longphie.

Prize for Science donated by Monsignor McMahon awarded to Rhoda Longphie.

Prize for Third Highest Aggregate donated by Reverend Justin MacDonald, awarded to Leonie Arsenault.

Prize for French donated by L. I. Duffy awarded to Leonie Arsenault.

Prize for History donated by the Home and School Association of Rochford Square School awarded to Naomie McGuigan, Margaret Rose Roberts and Mary Trainor.

Prizes for Geometry donated by the Rev. Clarence Roche awarded to Olga Dowling and Anne Peters.

Prizes for Algebra donated by The Liguorian Credit Union awarded to Noreen Hickey and Priscilla Walker.

Prizes for Latin donated by Rev. Francis Corcoran awarded to Paula Noonan and Marcella Foley.

Prize for English Composition donated by the Charlottetown Clinic awarded to Ramona Gallant.

Prize for English Literature donated by the Charlottetown Clinic awarded to Marie Morgan.

Prize for Singing donated by Rev. A. L. Herrell awarded to Paula Noonan, Martha Cumiskey and Dorothy Cheverie.

Prize for Application donated by Rev. Reginald Pheasant awarded to Marie Morgan.

Prize offered by Reverend Mother Provincial to the student making the greatest improvement during the year awarded to Noreen Hickey.

Bronze Medal for General Proficiency in Grade X offered by His Excellency the Governor General of Canada awarded to Genevieve O'Hanley.

Prize for Ethics offered by His Excellency Bishop MacEachern awarded to Marion McGinn.

The Charlottetown School Board has generously donated Fifty Dollars for School Prizes. These prizes have been awarded for the most part to the pupils having the highest aggregate in the several grades.

Prize for Highest Aggregate in Grade X donated by the Charlottetown School Board awarded to Genevieve O'Hanley.

Prize for History donated by Mr. J. J. Morris of the Provincial Bank awarded to Genevieve O'Hanley.

Prizes for Arithmetic donated by the Redemptorist Fathers awarded to Genevieve O'Hanley and Pauline DeCoste.

Prize for Second Highest Aggregate donated by Monsignor

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

The main difference between an educated person and an ignorant one is that the former knows more things that he can't understand.

Only one king in history had his heart go on a crusade minus his body!

Robert Bruce, King of Scotland, died in 1329 of leprosy before he could carry out his ambition to visit the Holy Land.

On his death bed, the king asked his friend, Sir James Douglas to remove his heart after his death and take it to the Holy City of Jerusalem.

Sir James undertook the long trek, with the king's heart in his pocket. On the way he stopped to help the Spaniards in a crusade against the Moors. The outnumbered Christians were attacked and beaten.

Douglas, seeing the way things were shaping up, hurled the king's heart into the face of the enemy. Sir James was killed, but one of his men retrieved Bruce's heart and returned it to the Land of the Heather, where it rests in Melrose Abbey.

Scattered about the world are a number of freak rivers and streams that are not at all what they seem. Unusual chemical properties in those streams or in the soil over which they run, cause the curious conditions which I now set down for your entertainment and I hope education.

Housewives living near Lough Erral, in Ireland, are especially lucky. It's water contains so much sub-carbonate of soda that it is virtually a lake of soap. Clothes are washed in it without using soap or detergents!

Then there's the amazing river in Algeria, known as the River of Ink. Here British troops filled their fountain pens in the second World War. It really is a river of ink thick enough for writing, strange but true.

Two streams mix ink—the river is formed by the union of two streams. One contains a lot of iron and lead oxide, and the other is impregnated with gallic acid. The two mixed together provides the inky mixture.

In central Indiana there's a small stream that smells and feels like glue, and South America has its Vinegar River—so named because its water is sour to the taste.

Another South American river near the Chile-Argentina boundary is called the Acid River. If you add a little sugar to a glass of water drawn from it you get a beverage similar to lemonade.

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION CONSUMERS Annual Meeting tonight, 8 p. m. City Hall.

REMEMBER Presbyterian Church Women's Missionary Society Presbyterial, on Thursday, June 30th, at Alberton 10 a. m. S. T. All members welcome.

CHARLOTTETOWN IMMUNIZATION CLINICS at 188 Prince St. will be held on Friday afternoons, 2 to 4 p. m. instead of on Saturday mornings, commencing June 17th. There will be no clinic on Dominion Day, Friday, July 1st.

WRONG ARTIST — The youthful artist on the right of the picture in Saturday's paper showing Grade I Queen Square boys working on a mural was Louis MacDonald, not Donald MacDonald. He is a son of Mr. John A. MacDonald, city.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of John Cecil Burns, died January 12, 1935 and Bruce Burns, died June 27th, 1947.

They are gone, but not forgotten. Nor will they ever be. In that bright land of promise. They are waiting, yes waiting for you, and for me.

Lovingly remembered by the family.

Card of Thanks

—We wish to extend our thanks to the Nurses and Drs. of Prince County Hospital for their kindness to our daughter and sister while a patient there. To Rev. Mr. Matheson and Rev. Mr. Bean for their visits both at her home and at the Hospital. Also to our relatives, neighbours and friends for their many acts of kindness during our recent sad bereavement and those who sent floral tributes, cards and letters of sympathy we wish to express our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to one and all.

Mrs. John N. Walker, and Family.

Heart Doctors Give Opinion On Smoking

TORONTO (CP)—People suffering from heart ailments should not smoke, a panel of heart specialists concluded Wednesday.

Heavy smoking causes constriction of the blood vessels, the panel reported at the joint meeting of the British and Canadian Medical Association here. However, the specialists stressed that there is no conclusive evidence that smoking induces heart disease.

Dr. Irwin Hilliard of Saskatoon

Religion and Life

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"Where is the blessedness I knew When first I saw the Lord?" This is the plaintive appeal of one of Cowper's hymns, echoed by many since his time. "Just where you left it," answered John McNeill, the Scottish evangelist. "When you go back to the spot where you broke with God's will, you will find 'the joy of His salvation' waiting for you."

The return of the backslider is a feature of every true revival. We recall a preaching mission in the Fraser valley when one "old-timer" of the West welcomed a call to return. As a boy in his home-church in the East he had confessed his faith in Christ, but when he went to the West, he found no church waiting for him, and he drifted away from the religious life that he always regarded as the supreme good.

But when the call came to return to a real life in God he responded gladly, and the old "joy of God's salvation" filled his soul.

It is a common criticism of all evangelistic effort that many who profess conversion soon fall back into their old ways. Once a leader of an old-fashioned camp meeting in Eastern Ontario was asked for his estimate of the number of converts who would stand firm. He replied that if 15 per cent of those who "came forward" continued in the faith he would consider the series a success.

In Memoriam

EDWIN RUSSEL MacLEOD

The community of Uigg was deeply shocked with the news of the very sudden death of Edwin Russel MacLeod, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. MacLeod on May 6th, 1955 in his 42nd year.

The deceased was employed at Blackville, N. B., where he was taken suddenly ill and, before medical assistance could be obtained, passed suddenly away of virus pneumonia.

He was a veteran of World War II and was wounded in action, hospitalized in England for some time; from which injury it was felt he never recovered the full strength of his young manhood.

After a period of two years spent at home with his parents, he accepted a position with a construction company in New Brunswick with whom he was employed at the time of his death.

Funeral services, which were held in the United Baptist Church, Uigg, May 9, 1955 were conducted by Rev. C. E. Armstrong, assisted by Rev. John Scheon of Vernon River.

Members of the Canadian Legion were in attendance and participated in the service at the grave.

Besides his parents, he leaves to cherish his memory and bear the sorrow of his sudden call: Malcolm D. of Prince George, British Columbia; Mrs. Lloyd McLean, Kingsboro, P. E. I.; Gordon and Alexander of Uigg; Mrs. Walter MacLeod of Orville; Mrs. Kenneth Arthur, Matapan, Mass.; James D. of Cornwall, Ont.; Mrs. Ralph Jaffords, California; U. S. A.; Raymond of California; Harold at home; and Mrs. Sheldon Hume of Murray Harbor, P. E. I.

Palbearers were: Messrs. Norman and Ewen MacLeod, John Shaw; Stanley Dawson, Bernard MacPherson, Francis MacIsaac.

"He Rests from his labours and his work follow him."

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Of course, the failure of the church to bring a convert into a new spiritual fellowship may be to blame for many such failures. Unless a revival movement is prepared for in advance by the church and followed up closely with all the means at her disposal, a special movement can have few permanent results.

Another cause of the back-sliding is the natural reaction that follows the first joy of conversion. In the hymn from which we have quoted, the poet Cowper complains that he has lost a joy that once he had. His Christian life started this way. He had turned to the Bible for comfort when in a fit of deep depression, and his eye had fallen on the verse in Romans 3:25 which reads: "Whom God has set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood."

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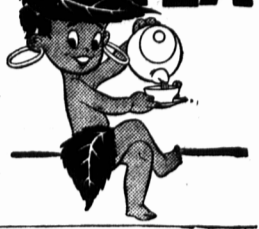
gave up one after another of his responsibilities in his church. His zeal faded; his joy left him. Now, said his friend, he would never see him in his "hope of heaven" but he did give up all preparation for it. He did lose all that made his faith a source of power.

Spiritual health depends on food and exercise as well as bodily health, and one who denies his soul its support cannot but suffer the consequences.

A secret sin has the same deadly effect, and genuine repentance and restitution is the only way back to God.

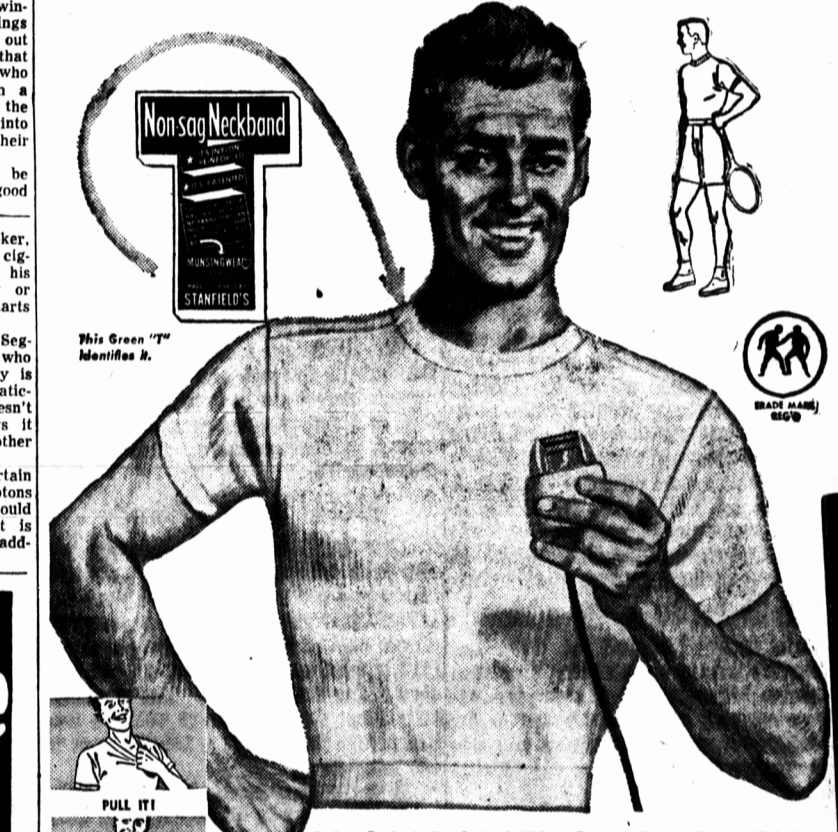
But there is a way back. Through the prophet Hosea, God has said of the truly repentant: "I will love them back-sliddings, I will love them freely; for mine anger is turned away from him."

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