United Church Honors Early Island Minister

At the regular meeting of the Prince Edward Island Presbytery of the United Church of Canada, held in the Marie United Church recently, a service of remembrance was conducted honouring the memory of Rev. Peter Gordon. Mr. Gordon was one of the earliest Presbyterian ministers on Prince Edward Island, and a large part of the eastern part of the Province was under his care.

The following is the text of the memorial address given by Rev. N. R. Green, Covehead, at the service of remembrance.

"Some two weeks ago the Chairman wrote asking me if I would prepare a brief memorial address in recognition of the labours of the Rev. Peter Gordon. Mr. George Leard, who is unable to be with us today, has been helpful in supplying me with some historical material.

"If there is a verse of Scripture I would use, it is found in Joshua 14, verse 12,—the words of Caleb: 'Now therefore give me this mountain whereof the Lord spake in that day.'

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"The setting or these words is laid in ancient Caanan. The land has been conquered, and the rulers of the Israelites are engaged in parcelling out the area according to tribes. And when the land was all divided, Caleb, the courageous leader of the spies, chose ground that no one else wanted.

'For forty years Caleb's dreams had been unfulfilled, while the Israelites wandered in the desert being transformed from a company of exslaves into a free people. Now the conquest was over, and Caleb chose as his portion the red clay hills around Hebron. And taking this rough land, he essays to make a garden where there was once a wilderness.

ROUGH HARD TASKS

"The counterpart of this story has been duplicated many times over in our own land of North America. In the past, when our race was building a new civilization in a new land, brave men and women often chose rough ground and made good.

"In the field of Christian enterprise many are the accounts of those who is a spiritual sense have chosen the rough hard tasks, and have made good. One of the great rural ministers of the Church was the American, John Frederick Oberlin. For 60 years he remained in one pastorate. When Oberlin and his young bride went to Stone Valley, it was a place of incredible desolation. The people were impoverished, the children illiterate. Undaunted this courageous couple set out to change life in this neglected district. When he died at the age of 86, Stone Valley was noted for its great church, the excellent schools and the Christian character of its people. In the lifetime of one man, an entire community was changed through consecrated work.

"Coming very close to home, there was another Christian gentleman who chose rough land and made good. In the cemetery at St. Peter's Harbour near the site of his earliest church is a stone with this epitaph: 'Sacred to the memory of Rev. Peter Gordon who died on the 2nd day of April, 1809, in the 34th year of his age and the third of his ministry. His days were short, but it is hoped they were not in vain.ETAO were not in vain. He was esteemed while he lived, and after the lapse of thirty years his memory is still dear to the survivors of his charge.'

MEMORY TREASURED

"The key words in the epitaph are: 'His memory is still dear to the survivors of his charge.' One finds himself wondering about the personality of Mr. Gordon. How did he deal with people? What was he like in the pulpit? And so forth. The only answer we need are the words: 'His memory is still dear.'

"In the Presbyterian Witness of May, 1915, there appeared an article on Covehead, by Dr. A. B. Dickie. In part it says:

"In the year 1806 Rev Peter Gordon left his Scottish home and came to the relief of spiritual destitution here. Arriving in Halifax, he preached there for a time, and also supplied Windsor and Shubenacadie a day each. When he entered upon his labours, the country . . . . was in a backward condition. Settlers were widely separated and travelling conditions in a most primitive state. Being unorganized, church order had to be established, and elders ordained in the different districts. His educational advantages were not of the high order of today. At first he only could enjoy what John Knox by his parish school system had made the heritage of every Scotsman. A classical education was not what he sought, for early in life he had no intention of entering professional ranks. Receiving a common school education, he entered the weavers trade, in which he spent some years. Deeply moved by the strong appeals wafted across the Atlantic, he became a recruit for the ministry. Entering college, he eventually graduated with a degree of honour, notwithstanding earlier deficiencies in education.

" 'With diligence, perseverence, and strong faith, he laboured, and at length was licensed and sent forth to preach the Gospel. The congregation over which he was settled was widely extended, and for thirty years some of them had not seen a minister.

"Before leaving his native land, he married a niece of the Rev. Dr. Bruce, and her mind was deeply impressed at the same time as Mr. Gordon's with Dr. MacGregor's earnest appeals. On account of his faithful labours at Covehead and surrounding settlements, he was called the Apostle of Prince Edward Island.' So writes Dr. Dickie.

COVERED THE ISLAND

Continuing with some more items from Mr. Leard on Peter Gordon's ministry— "His charge was specifically St. Peter's, Covehead, and Bay Fortune, but in reality he had the Island for his parish. The first minutes of session of Princetown congregation of which there is record are dated "9th November, 1807, with the Rev. Peter Gordon in the chair.' Prince County can share in this sesquicentennial because they, too, knew Mr. Gordon and shared in his labours.

"The first Presbyterian minister on the Island, Rev. Wm. Drummond, preached at Covehead and Stanhope in the winter of 1770-71. The noted Pictou divine Rev. James MacGregor, whose letters to Scotland were instrumental in bringing Peter Gordon to Canada, made a number of missionary tours of the Island from 1791-1805; and the first Presbyterian congregation was established in 1800 at Princetown by Rev. Mr. Urquhart; but the anniversary now being celebrated is that of the first regularly appointed Presbyterian clergyman to be inducted on the Island."

"Peter Gordon came 150 years ago, and gave his last best years, to the pioneer work of preaching, teaching and travelling in the most difficult of circumstances. It was during Mr. Gordon's ministry that the first Church of Covehead was erected in 1808."

Returning, in conclusion, to Dr. Dickie's article,—"He (Peter Gordon) died away from home on his return from Malpeque where he had been preaching. Sending for his wife, he expired before she reached his bedside. His labours were of short duration, but when they ceased his memory was fondly cherished."

NEW CADET BADGE

OTTAWA, June 6,—Her Majesty the Queen has approved the design of a new badge for the Royal Canadian Army Cadets, Army Headquarters said today.

The new badge depicts a red maple leaf, with the designation RCAC" in green ensigned by the St. Edward's Crown in gold, with the motto "ACER ACERPORI" (as the maple, so the sapling) inscribed in green at the base of the maple leaf.

It will replace both the cap badge and the crest worn on cadet blazers. The cap badge will be reproduced in brass and the crest in cloth of the appropriate colours.

MURRAY RIVER

A.C. 1 Rankin Keenan who is now stationed at the R.C.A.F., base in Summerside, recently spent a few days leave visiting with friends and relatives in Murray River.

Miss Anna Munn and her sister, Mrs. MacLean of New Glasgow, spent the past week-end at the Munn, Murray River.

Miss Shirlene Clements, White Sands, left on Sunday for Charlottetown, where she will be employed with the Royal Bank. Shirlene's friends wish her every success.

Mr. Angus Clements, White Sands, has obtained a job as plumber with Douglas Bros., and Jones, Charlottetown.

Mrs. Ernest Mutch and son, Ernest of North River, and Mrs. Roland Moore, Charlottetown, were recent visitors to Murray River, guest of Mrs. Sadie MacLeod.

Mrs. Boyd Allen and daughter of Dartmouth, N.S., are spending some time at the home of her mother, Mrs. Fern Horton, Murray River.

LITTLE POND SCHOOL

Little Pond School Report for May is as follows

Grade VIII 1. Joseph MacDonald; 2. Ronald MacDonald.

Grade VII: 1. Virginia MacDonald; 2. Doreen Lewis; 3. Donald MacDonald.

Grade VI: 1. Billy MacDonald; 2. Annie MacDonald; 3. Lorraine Jarvis.

Grade V: 1. Colleen MacDonald.

Grade IV: 1. Stephen MacDonald and Billy Dingwell equal; 2. Peggy MacDonald.

Grade III A: 1. Walter MacDonald; 2. Marilyn MacDonald; 3. Kaye Lewis.

Grade III B: 1. Joy Dingwell.

Grade II: 1. Robert MacDonald; 2. Jimmie MacDonald; 3. Clarence Tassell.

Grade II B: 1. Dianne MacDonald.

Grade I: 1. Anne MacDonald; 2. Jamie MacDonald; 3. Eric MacDonald and Carl MacDonald equal.

Grade I B: 1. Reggie MacDonald; 2. Beverly MacDonald; 3. F. D. MacDonald.

Highest average Sr. Joseph MacDonald, 79.5 per cent; highest average Jr., Joy Dingwell 87 per cent.

Teacher (Mrs. Teresa MacDonald)

MISSING STOCKS

SYDNEY, Australia CP— Army investigators are checking the loss of 7,000 army blankets, worth more than $40,0[illegible] from an army depot in Sydney. Officials said transport of the blankets would be a major remo al job.

Pick Players For Hamlet

STRATFORD, Ont. (CP) —Actress Frances Hyland of Regina and William Hutt of Toronto will play the leading roles in the Canadian Players' production of Hamlet the group's first play of its 1956-57 season, it was announced Thursday.

The players are to tour the eastern United States and the Atlantic seaboard, Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces before swinging to the west coast after next Easter playing Hamlet and Ibsen's Peer Gynt.

Miss Hyland was a star of the Stratford Shakespearean festival for two seasons and was Joan in Shaw's Saint Joan and Lady Macbeth in Macbeth, the two players productions last season.

Mr. Hutt is one of the original members of the Canadian players and the Shakespearean festival. He also was in the two Canadian players productions last year.

Mrs. Roosevelt Praises Canada

TORONTO (CP)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said Monday that Canada has given more leadership in the United Nations than either the United States or Britain.

She said she believes, too, that the U.S. should call off further thermo-nuclear tests if that would help to lead to world peace.

The widow of former U.S. president Franklin D. Roosevelt, was interviewed by newspaper men on her arrival here to address a Toronto youth group.

Mrs. Roosevelt said she disagrees with a statement President Eisenhower made last week that U.S. prestige is at its highest point since the Second World War.

"From watching the United Nations I would say that Canada took more leadership than the United States or Great Britain. In the world at large the U.S. has lost friends rather than gained them," she said.

EGYPT W[illegible]SHIPS

CAIRO (Reuters) — The semi-official Egyptian newspaper Al Gomhouria says Russia has sold some warships to Egypt, and that two Russian destroyers now are on their way to Alexandria. Under the Czech - Egyptian arms agreement signed last September Egypt pays for the arms by sending cotton and rice to Czechoslovakia.

278 Candidates After Seats In Quebec House

QUEBEC (CP) — A total of 278 candidates, seven of them women, are in the fight in the June 20 provincial election for Quebec's 93 seats.

Before the official close of nominations at 2 p.m. EDT Wednesday, the Union Nationale party named candidates in all 93 constituencies, with the Liberals running in 91 and supporting Independents in the other two.

It will be a battle between the Union Nationale in office since 1944, and Liberal party in 48 of the ridings. The number of candidates varies from three to a high of nine in the remaining constituencies.

The Labor - Progressive (Communist) party nominated 33 and the Social Democratic party—Quebec branch of the CCF—entered 26. The rest are independents of various stripes.

has been added since the last

Thirty-one candidates were added Wednesday to the unofficial list of 247.

BELOW LAST YEAR

The total nominated this year was 37 more than in the last general election in 1952, but well below the record of 333 in 1944. There were 311 candidates in 1948.

The standing in the legislative assembly at dissolution April 25 was: Union Nationale 65; Liberals 22; Independent 1; vacant four; total 92.

The riding of Jonquiere - Kenogami in the Lake St. John district has been added since the last election.

The remaining 35 candidates are: Independent Union Nationale 15; Independent Liberal 8; Independent 8; Labor 2; Union Nationale Labor 1; Independent Nationalist 1.

Says Industry Should Repay Portion of Education Costs

By FORBES RHUDE

TORONTO (CP)—The Canadian Manufacturers' Association's annual meeting Thursday held a conference on the topic, "Is management ready for tomorrow?"

Dr. Sidney E. Smith, president of the University of Toronto was one of the speakers. he said:

"As far as the educational aspects are concerned, management is not even ready for today."

Dr. Smith continued: "When you employ a university graduate you are purchasing the services of a person whose education beyond secondary school has cost anything from $2,000 to $50,000.

"He did not pay that much for it, but that is what it has cost, and been paid for, partly by him and his parents, but mostly by the university he attended.

"What Canadian universities are asking industry to do is to repay some part of that initial cost . . .

"We are the institutions, and the only institutions, who can furnish certain needs of yours. We cannot meet your present needs, let alone your future needs, without your help."

GREAT RESPONSIBILITY

Crawford Gordon Jr., president of A. V. Roe Canada Ltd., suggested the problem of an adequate supply of engineers and technicians was not one that could be left to governments and universities. Industry had a great responsibility and unless an answer were found, and found quickly, the Western world would start to slip behind in the race for technical and productive suppremacy.

H. H. Ker, principal of the Ryeson Institute of Technology, Toronto, said that because of the high academic ability required, the ratio of graduate engineers to total population apparently could not be greatly increased.

F. R. Deakins, president, RCA Victor Company, Montreal, said that perhaps the problem could be alleviated somewhat "by doing our very best as individuals and organizations to encourage the youngsters we know to adopt a scientific career."

U. K. Dollar, Gold, Reserves Show Increase

LONDON (AP) — Britain's key economic barometer — the gold and dollar reserves of the sterling area — rose by $41,000,000 in May, the treasury announced Monday.

This was $10,000,000 less than the April increase, but it kept unbroken the steady climb in these funds which has been going on since the first of the year.

The reserves now stand at $2,369,000,000 — well above the $2,000,000,000 figure which most economists regard as the danger line.

The reserves given financial backing to the sterling area's trade with the dollar world. The sterling area itself, with Britain as the banker, consists of the Commonwealth, except Canada, and a few other countrie. having their currencies linked to the pound sterling. Britain's repeated drives to boost exports are aimed, in large part, at increasing the reserves.

Former Republican Senator Dies At 80

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hiram Bingham, former Republican senator from Connecticut and a man of several other careers, died Wednesday. He was 80.

Bingham's many careers included that of scholar, explorer, author, aviator, politician and businessman.

Bingham was a U. S. senator for nine years during the Coolidge and Hoover administrations. He previously had been governor and lieutenant gorvenor of Connecuticut.

Bingham was an explorer of note. He discovered Vitcos, the last capital of the ancient Incas in Peru, made the first ascent of Mt. Coropuna, a 21,700-foot Andes peak and discovered the ruins of Machu Picchu, site of Inca temples.

Textile Strike May End Soon

QUEBEC (CP)—The Federaton of Textile Workers (CCCL) and the Dominion Textile Company Friday reached a basis for settlement of a strike of 6,000 workers in four Quebec towns.

The agreement was announced by deputy labor minister Gerard Tremblay, who has been holding talks with the disputants.

The workers affected are employed at mills in Drummondville, Magog, Sherbrooke and Montmorency, Que.

Mr. Tremblay, in a press statement, said the settlement proposal must now be submitted to the workers for their approval. Details of the agreement will be made public when they are put before the strikers.

The textile workers walked off their jobs for various reasons arisinng from a long-standing wage dispute.

Civil Servants Plan For Union

OTTAWA (CP) — First negotiations toward ultimate union of Canada's some 181,685 civil servants under a federal civil service organization has ended with close agreement on most points between the two major national organizations.

W. J. Bagnato, executive secretary of the Civil Service Federation of Canada, said Friday an exploration meeting between the federation and the Amalgamated Civil Servants of Canada ended in close agreement on most issues of organizational structure and organization.

The 70,000-member CSFC bands together autonomous government department associations, while the ACSC, with 10,000 members, accepts all government department groups in one large association.

Mr. Bagnato said discussions of a unified national organization would continue next week.

Car Sales Picture In U.S. Brightens

DETROIT (AP) — Ward's automotive reports says U. S. new car dealers "chopped fully 75,000 units off their record new ear inventories during May, pulling them down near 800,000 units to the lowest point of the year."

It also predicts "curtailment in the unemployment spiral due to the brightening sales picture."

Ward's puts this week's U.S. production at 106,210 cars and 22,125 trucks. This compared with the previous week's holidaycurtailed output of 77,451 cars and 17,466 trucks.

Commission Clears Alberta Government

EDMONTON (CP) — Alberta's Social Credit government has been cleared by the Mahaffy royal commission of Opposition charges of maladministration. The commission's report was released at a press conference late Friday.

Premier E. C. Manning said:

"The commission's findings . . . fully vindicate our position and completely refute the Opposition's false and unwarranted accusations that members of the government and the legislature and civil service were guilty of abusing their office for personal advantage or gain."

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NOTICE— All those in arrears in Upton School District King's County not paid by July 2nd, will be handed in for collection. By order of Trustees.

VALLEYFIELD - Orwell Head congregation services for Sunday, June 10: Valleyfield, 11 a.m.; Orwell Head, 7.30 p.m.; Belle River, 8 p.m. song service. Rev. F. MacKinnon.

UPTON Gospel Chapel—Dundas 10.30, Sunday School; 11.30, breaking of bread; 7.30 p.m., special gospel services with Mr. Harold Duff, evangelist with the N.B.B.I. Quartet singing.

FUNERAL OF the late Patrick Lafferty of Peakes was held Thursday morning, June 7, to St. Cuthbert's Church, St. Theresa, where requiem High Mass was celebrated by the pastor Rev. Basil Croken. Pall bearers were George Walsh, George Ryan, Andy Doyle, James Doyle, Terrance McGennis and John Whalen. Interment was in the church cemetery.

MCCULLY FUNERAL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Jane McCully of Alberry Plains was held Thursday, June 7, with a short service in the house at noon, followed by a service in Vernon River United Church at 2.30 conducted by Rev. J.M. Sheen. Pall bearers were John Morrissey, Frank Lea, Malcolm MacLean, Andrew Doyle, Brendon Curran, and Norman MacMillan. Interment was in the church cemetery.

AFTER 36 YEARS— Among the visitors to the Island is Mr. Louis Kenny from Richmond, Calefornia after an absence of thirty-six years. He stopped en route at Boston, Mass., to visit his sisters Mrs. Herbert Sinnott and sister Katherine Kenny. While here he will spend his vacation at his childhood home in Morell with his brother Herbert, on the old homestead. Undoubtly Mr. Kenny will see numerous changes here after his long absence. All join in wishing him a very pleasant vacation.

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THE SEMI - ANNUAL district meeting I. O. O. F. will be held at Hillside Lodge, Montague, on Tuesday, June 12 after the regular lodge meeting. All delegates and members are requested to attend this meeting.

MATERNAL HEALTH Classes beginning, Tuesday, June 12th, 1956, at 2:30 p.m. at The Health Centre in Summerside. Phone 2124 for further information. Child and Maternal Health Program Department of Health.

SOURIS-BAY FORTUNE Pastoral Charge United Church of Canada. Services, June 10. Souris, 11:00 a.m.; Bay Fortune, 7:30 p.m., W.M.S. Thankoffering Service. Guest speaker Rev. Donald McClare. Special music, Mr. and Mrs. McClare. Rev. D. A. Sharpe, Minister.

Personals

The many friends of Mrs. Melinda Henderson, formerly from Murray Harbour North, will be sorry to hear that she is a patient in the Kings County Hospital, Montague.

Miss Marjorie Cox, R.N. and Miss Mildred MacLean, R.N. of Charlottetown, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Beer, Montague.

Mrs. John Stewart, Murray Harbor is visiting in Montague the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mrs. Leroy White.

Mrs. Norman Dougherty returned to her home in Milltown, N.B., after spending the past three weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Clair, Motague.

Mrs. Wellington Campbell returned to Montague after spending a few days in Halifax, N.S. ly following her recent operation While in Halifax she visited with her sisters, Mrs. Harry Higginbotham, who is convalescing nice-

Montague Legion Meeting Held

The regular monthly meeting of Montague no. 8 branch Canadian Legion was held in the Legion Hall with the largest attendence of the year on Thursday night, June 7. Comrade Gerry Jardine, president, was in the chair, and opened the meeting with the usual two minutes silence.

It was decided to purchase a sign three feet by six feet for the Legion Hall and funds were approved for its purchase.

Some discussion on having a lobster supper at the Lower Montague shore was followed by a motion that we hold a smoker in the near future and a committee of A. Fraser, C. Hilchey, D. Hutcheson and W. Annear was named to make the necessary arrangements.

At the conclusion of the meeting

At the conclusion of the meeting an enjoyable social period was held with a lunch being served and music by Donald MacLeod on the pipes and William J. Knox on an improvised drum.

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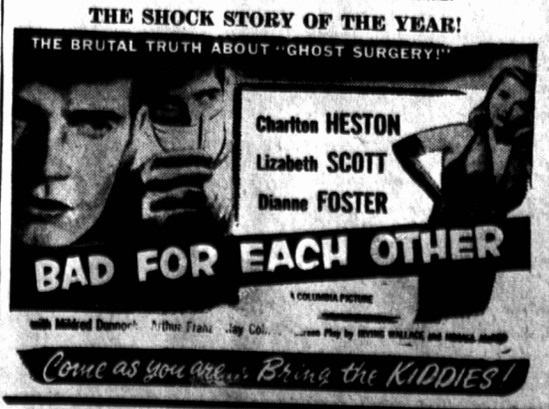

INTERRUPTION NOTICE

There will be an interruption of electric power on our Montague line, east of Charlottetown, on Sunday, June 10th, weather permitting, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and 1:00 and 5:00 p.m., for the purpose of moving the line as required by the construction of the Trans Canada Highway.

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