

St. Jean Baptiste Societies Seek Peace With Quebec City

By GERARD MCNEIL
QUEBEC (CP) — The powerful seven-man executive of the Federation of St. Jean Baptiste Societies will meet here this weekend to make peace with its alienated 65,000-member Quebec diocesan section.

The Quebec diocese is among 17 which make up the 300,000-member federation, and it is the largest and most moderate. It has refused to pay its annual \$12,000 dues and has been openly critical of federation statements.

The St. Jean Baptiste Society is an organization whose declared purpose is to promote the interests of French-speaking Canadians. More than a century old, it exists in nearly all Canadian communities with large French-speaking populations. It takes its name from the patron saint of French Canada.

Federation president Georges Henri Fortin, 46, of Alma, brusque secretary of the Lake St. John Regional School Board, says the weekend meeting is to be a routine one.

But Gilles Desmarais, 49, president of the Quebec diocese, and others here indicate otherwise.

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EASTERN FUNERALS
WHALEN FUNERAL — Funeral for Harry Whalen was held from his late residence to St. Alexis Church, Rollo Bay, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. W. Keefe who also conducted service at the grave. Pallbearers were Peter Conway, Joseph MacCormack, Garfield Mallard, Gerald Hanlon, David McGill, William Mallard. Interment was in the church cemetery.

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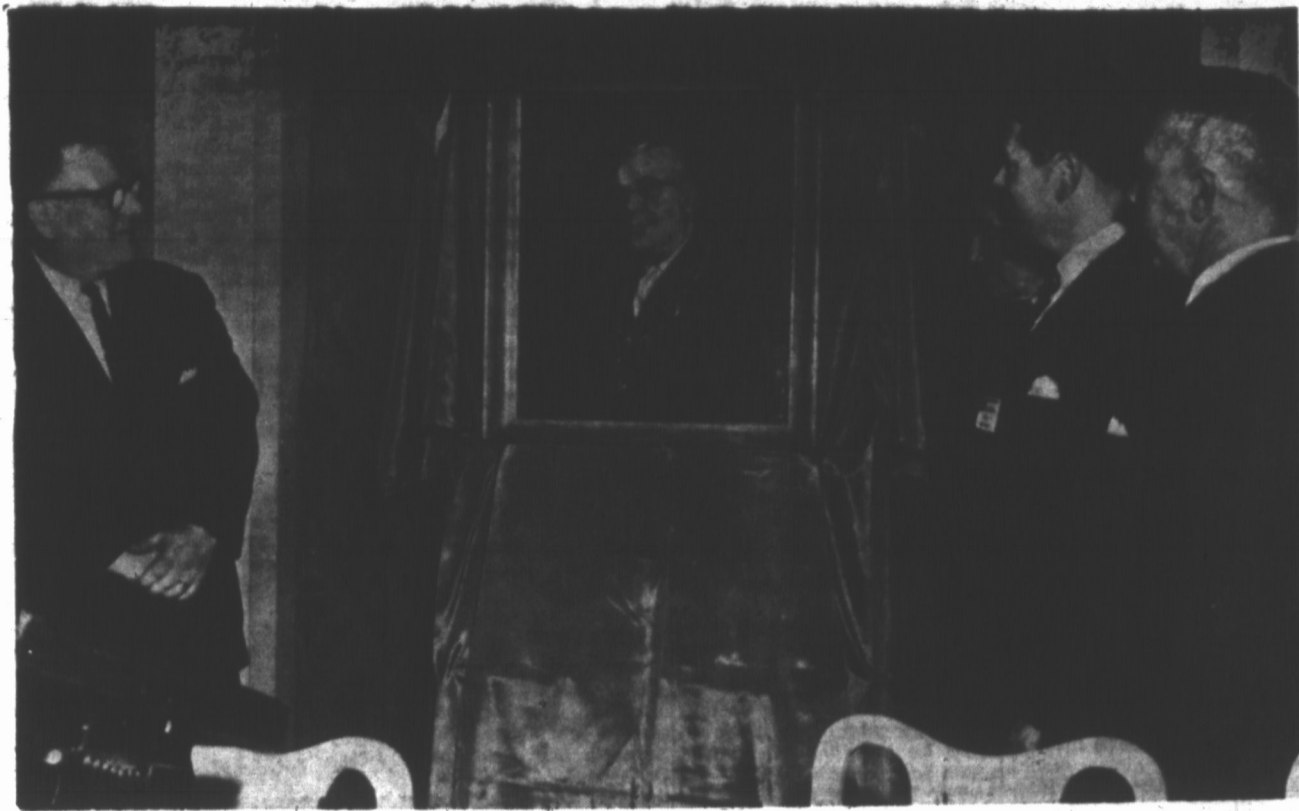
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in 1963 but not yet proclaimed. "We were told by the government," said Mr. Ferguson, "that the district was taken away because of population reasons. Later we were told that the processing plant and shipbuilding developments at Georgetown would increase the population 10-fold. If the population is to increase the way the government says it is, then they have no recourse but to reinstate the district."

He said to Premier Shaw "you now have a way out because of this development. The people of Kings expect you to take action and give them their proper representation."

Mr. Ferguson termed the report of the Royal Commission on Higher Education "very important indeed." He said implementation of the commission's recommendations will involve large expenditures of money and questions that should be answered are "can we afford such an expense at this time," and "can we afford not to proceed with the recommendations?" Mr. Ferguson said it was time the federal government "began to share with the provinces a larger percentage of the budget to further education."

SERIOUS MESS
 Commenting on Premier Shaw's suggestion that half-truths are being told by the opposition in regard to the province's financial condition, Mr. Ferguson said, "we don't feel that we have been telling half-truths. This province is in a serious financial mess."



Portrait Of Ex Mayor Presented To City Hall

By RALPH CAMERON
 A tremendous standing ovation, a tremendous applause, the most moving addresses he had ever delivered, was given to Mayor A. Walthein Gaudet last night when he rose to thank the Kinsmen and K 40 Club members for the honor bestowed on him when they presented a portrait of him to the City Hall.

The portrait, painted by Charlottetown artist H. Barry Bugden, was presented to Mayor Walter J. Cox by Kinsmen President Bud MacDonald and will hang in Council Chambers in City Hall.

Mayor Walter J. Cox, left, accepts a portrait of former Mayor A. Walthein Gaudet to hang in City Council Chamber. Presenting it for Kinsmen and K 40 Clubs was H.C. MacDonald. With him are Edward Martin, president of K 40, and H. Barry Bugden, artist who painted the portrait and unveiled it at The Charlottetown last night.

His Kin days and he reminisced briefly before telling his rapid audience "my sense of service to the community was born of the service I saw as a Kinsman."

VISIBLY MOVED
 Visibly moved by the occasion, the former mayor thanked his old associates "for a wonderful tribute."

The presentation of the portrait was not a club project, instead it was paid for entirely by Kinsmen and K 40 members as individuals.

In accepting the portrait on behalf of the city Mayor Cox told the group "your esteem is a wonderful tribute to Walt. We in City Hall are well aware of the splendid work Kinsmen have done for the children over the years. Now this demonstration of your feeling will hang permanently in City Hall."

The toast to the founder was proposed by Ken Yeo and responded to by K 40 member Pres MacLean. A rousing toast to the ladies was proposed by Dr. L.I. Duffy who said he waited 18 years to finish the toast he started in 1947. It was replied to by Kinette Marina MacDonald.

Head table guests included Deputy Mayor, W.B. MacNeill and Mrs. MacNeill, City Comptroller John Butler and Mrs. Butler, Edward Martin, president of K 40, and Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Gaudet.

ing their money in improved services and economic expansion.

Premier Shaw said attacks by the Opposition on the government resources program "only leave doubt and uncertainty in the minds of our people and obstruct the carrying out of a valuable program we have undertaken."

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LOCAL BRIEFS

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CALLAGHAN FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. Eugene Callaghan was held on Thursday morning from the Hennessy Funeral Home to St. Patrick's Church, Fort Augustus, for Requiem High Mass celebrated by Rev. James Smith, who also conducted service at the grave. Rev. William Simpson, Rev. T. E. Butler and Rev. O. P. Wood were present in the sanctuary. Pallbearers were six nephews of the deceased, Leo Mullin, Heber Mullin, Horace Cummings, James Cummings, Erwin Mullin and Alfred Mullin. Interment took place in the church cemetery.

REYNOLDS FUNERAL — The funeral for Freeman E. Reynolds was held Feb. 25 from the Murray River Funeral Home to the Free Church of Scotland, Murray River. Services were conducted by Rev. Ewen E. MacDougall. Psalms sung were the 23rd and the 121st. Flower bearers were Reginald Johnson, Grant Sencabaugh, Russell McPherson, Raymond Reynolds, Bud Lowe and Daniel Mann. Pallbearers were Clifford Keenan, Willard MacLean, Watson Wright, Leonard Hooper, Donald Young and Albert McKay. Interment in the Murray River cemetery.

JENKINS FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. Henry Jenkins was held Thursday, Feb. 25, from the MacLean Funeral Home to the Hazelbrook Baptist Church where service was conducted by Lic. Jerry Cole and Rev. D.L. Howlett. During the service Arlene MacDonald and Eva Wood sang God's Way. A quartet composed of Earl Jones, Henry Jones, Harold Carver and Lillian Carver, sang "Going Down the Valley One by One." Congregational hymns were "The Lord's My Shepherd" and "Abide With Me." Pallbearers were Lawrence Jenkins, Vernon MacLeod, Robert MacKinnon, Daniel Acour, Hector Jenkins, Ralph Hutton, Flower bearers were Hudson Jenkins, Donald Jenkins, Stewart Jenkins, Sterling Jenkins, Hollis Wood, Keith Jones. Interment in the Church Cemetery.

PREMIER

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The premier said that if anything was wrong with government finances, businessmen and industrial leaders would know about it.

He said "consult bankers, businessmen, the average person and ask them what is wrong with the finances. Our people are not fools. They are intelligent and they know if the government is giving proper support and policies. If anything were wrong, the average man or woman on the street would know about it."

MORE REVENUE, NEEDS
 Pointing out that the opposition has said the government has much more revenue than in past years, Premier Shaw said "this is correct, but why don't you say something about the increased expenditures?"

The premier listed programs which through the years have called for increased expenditure. Some of these were higher civil service salaries, hospital care out of the general revenue of the province, expansion in highways, increased spending in education, snow removal and health and welfare programs.

"The people are not concerned with this spending," the Premier said, "and they are satisfied with the policy of investment."

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