

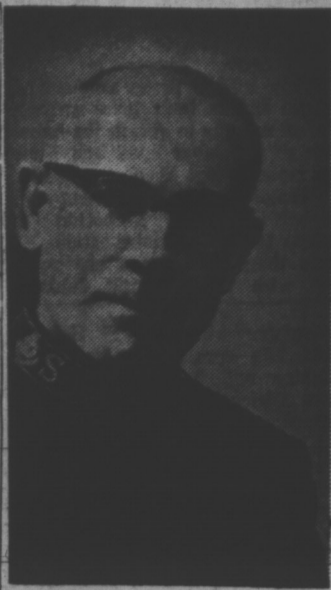
Officiating officer spent many years in mission field

Colonel Leslie Russell, chief secretary and second-in-command of The Salvation Army in Canada and Bermuda, will officiate at ceremonies marking the opening of the Army's new citadel and Welfare Centre here December 3.

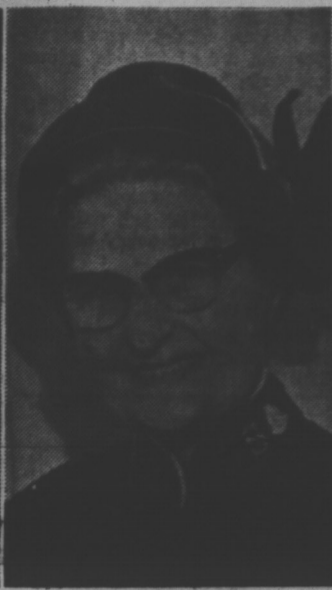
He was born on the Mission Field and has given by far the greater part of his officership career to important administrative assignments in India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon.

The Colonel's missionary success goes back to the 1880's, when his Salvation Army officers' parents served with distinction in the great sub-continent of India. Tragically, however, the Colonel's father, Adjutant John Russell was smitten with typhus and met a premature death in the city of Madras. The Colonel's mother was left with five small children, including two month old Leslie - who, as providence should have it, would one day return to India to lend a measure of fulfillment and continuity to the work so courageously and sacrificially initiated by his parents.

Educated in the city of Guelph Ontario, Leslie Russell entered The Salvation Army Officers' Training College in Toronto in 1924. He was commissioned as a Salvation Army Officer the following year. Having had previous experience in the field of commerce prior to his Officership, Captain L. Russell, with a mere four years of service, took



COL. RUSSELL



MRS. RUSSELL

charge of the Finance Department of the Eastern-India and Burma Territory, remaining there for fifteen years. A similar assignment later took him to Western India.

An able handsman in his youth, the Colonel was responsible in 1945 for the formation of an all Indian brass band in Bombay. This aggregation continues to play an important role in Salvation Army Missionary endeavour in that part of the world.

Following a period of five years (1947-1952) in the Finance Department of the Canadian Territorial Headquarters, the Colonel was called upon to return to India where he spent a further ten years as the International Headquarters' Auditor for India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon. In that capacity, the Colonel travelled the length and breadth of India's great land mass conducting meetings with officers and laity, and in addition assuming editorship of "The War Cry" for all these countries.

From 1952 to 1955 Colonel Russell was the Finance Secretary at International Headquarters, London, England. In this high echelon of service the Colonel was directly associated with the

Chairman of the Executive in formulating international fiscal policies of The Salvation Army.

SHARED ASSIGNMENTS
Mrs. Colonel Russell (formerly Captain Nellie Jones), whose winning personality is an asset wherever she goes, has always shared conscientiously in the fulfilment of her husband's important assignments. Brought up in a Salvation Army family, her father having been a local officer for over forty years at Dovercourt and Brock Avenue Corps, Toronto - she entered the Officers' Training College in her late teens and later proceeded to India where she met and married the then Captain Leslie Russell.

The Russells' three children - all born in India - now live in Canada. The eldest being an officer - Mrs. Captain Norman Coley.

ARCHITECT'S CONCEPTION OF CITADEL

Corps celebrated 80th anniversary

The Salvation Army in Prince Edward Island marked its 80th anniversary this year. Last year the army observed the 100th anniversary of its founding by General William Booth.

During its 80 years of existence in this province the army has been to the forefront in any good cause and has a record of second-to-none in aiding the homeless, helpless and needy. It has also contributed actively to the ranks of salvationists.

Among those who left their native province to go out into the world - wide work of the army was Lutie DesBrisay, who rose to the rank of colonel, the only

woman officer in Canada, attaining the rank at that time. Her whole life was devoted to the work of the army in Canada and Bermuda, and her last appointment was as National Women's Social Service Secretary, carrying the responsibility of the administration of hospitals, homes and welfare institutions throughout the Dominion.

OTHERS SERVED
Other active P.E.I. Islanders who served as officers of the army include: Major William Squarebriggs, (Mrs.) Lieut. Colonel L. Ursaki (Lulu Large), (Mrs.) Major William Millar, Commandant John Hardy, Es-

sign Bertha Brace, Brigadier Edith Chandler, Captain Earl Birt, and (Mrs.) Capt. Bond.

The present army headquarters in Charlottetown was erected on Great George Street in 1890. The new centre is located at the site of the old Baptist Church at the corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets.

At the time of the extension of the new Sunset Lodge, the then Lt. Governor T. W. L. Prowse said, "Each and everyone of us knows the splendid work done by all connected with this grand organization. No one in need has ever been turned away regardless of color or race or religious affiliation, in peace and during war as well, thousands have been helped by the "army" as it is affectionately called by those who know it best. No other organization carries on more worthy work than the Salvation Army."

Salvation Army starts new era

The Prince Edward Island Branch of the Salvation Army opens a new chapter in its colorful 80-year old history this weekend.

On Saturday, December 3, the new Citadel and Welfare Centre constructed on the corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets will be officially opened. On Sunday special services will be held.

The program Saturday afternoon includes a 'key turning ceremony' at 2:30 followed by a service of dedication at 3:15. Colonel Leslie Russell, chief secretary and second in command of the Salvation Army in Canada and Bermuda, will officiate.

Greetings to the Army will be extended by Premier Alex Campbell, Mayor Walter Cox of Charlottetown, the Rev. Malcolm Harlow, president of the P.E.I. Ministerial Association and R. G. Boyne, former chairman of the advisory board.

A delegation of officers from other Maritime centres attending the ceremonies will be headed by Brig. J. R. Sloan of Saint John, N. B.

A 25-piece band will also be in attendance. At 7:30 Saturday night there will be a program of music. Col Russell will preside. Taking part will be the band, songsters from the Salvation Army, and

the Park Royal Male Eight. Services Sunday will be conducted by Col. Russell.

The new headquarters building is designed to promote efficiency and give greater service in its work and operations.

A glass entrance leads to the main section which includes a foyer, and a children's room, which has a glass partition separating it from the Senior Hall. The hall seats 150 persons and the platform 50.

There is an entrance leading to the Songsters Room and Band Room. In this section, too, are located the corps officer's headquarters, a welfare office and two washrooms.

The basement floor provides spacious quarters for a Sunday School, Primary Room and General Purposes Room. Here, too, are located a modern kitchen, storage room and janitors' quarters. There are three wash rooms, one reserved for the Primary Room.

The building is of brick and stone construction and is in a setting that lends itself to landscaping with frontages on both Prince and Fitzroy Streets. The architect was Keith Pickard.

The building was constructed by Square K Construction Co., Ltd.

Conducts field work on Island

Captain Ray Nelson, field officer and commander of the Charlottetown Corps, was born

in the New Brunswick town of Campbellton and in his teens moved with his family to Oak-



CAPT. NELSON



MRS. NELSON

Promotion to be tough

MONTREAL (CP)—The airlines are going to have a tough time convincing the public that jumbo jets and supersonic airliners are a good thing, an International Air Transport Association conference was told Wednesday.

Knut Hammarvik, director general of IATA, told a meeting of public relations men that jumbo jets with a capacity to carry 500 passengers would be available to airlines within three years.

"Few other aircraft projects in aviation history have ever appeared with so little warning," he said, adding that serious passenger handling problems would result as existing airports were not big enough.

He compared the situation to pouring peas into a funnel with large scoop.

"Airlines are going to spend a lot of their time in the future running around picking peas up

off the floor unless something is done about it now."

Conducted fund drive for building

Lt. Governor W. J. MacDonald, ED, was patron in the Salvation Army Capital Appeal held during the month of May. Honorary chairmen included Premier Walter R. Shaw, Mayor Walter Cox, Charlottetown, Mayor George A. Key, Jr., Summerside, and Bruce H. Yeo, Montserrat.

Provincial chairman was Brig. A. W. Rogers, and city chairman, W.R. Jenkins. Provincial treasurer was R.G. Boyne.

The Special Names division was headed by T.D. DeBlais. The publicity committee included W.R. Wheeler, Mrs. Julian L. Herring and W.R. Burnett.

The campaign director was Col. G. Best and campaign organizer, Capt. Ray Nelson.

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