Sweeping Changes Are Mooted In Law Governing Sex Offences

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OTTAWA (CP) — A sweeping revision of the law governing sex offences has been recommended to the government to give society greater protection against sexual offenders.

The step is proposed by the royal commission on the criminal law relating to criminal sexual psychopaths in a long - awaited report made public here Friday.

The commission, headed by Chief Justice J. C. McRuer of the High Court of Ontario, made two main recommendations—that the law governing sex offences be stiffened and that the federal government make provision for the medical treatment of offenders.

The 200-page report proposed that the term "dangerous sexual offender" be substituted in the Criminal Code for "criminal sexual psychopath." It said the term "psychopath" has no precise clinical meaning.

INDETERMINATE TERMS

The commissioners said that all persons found by the courts to be dangerous sexual offenders should be sentenced to indeterminate penitentiary terms.

A dangerous sexual offender should be defined as "a person who, by his conduct in sexual matters, has shown a failure to control his sexual impulses and who is likely to cause injury, pain or other evil to any person through failure in the future to control his sexual impulses."

A criminal sexual psychopath now is defined in the Criminal Code as a "person who, by a course of misconduct in sexual matters, has shown a lack of power to control his sexual impulses and who as a result is likely to attack or otherwise inflict injury, pain or evil on any person."

The commission said it was proposing the change to ensure that an adult who induces a child or youth to participate in perverted sexual acts comes within the scope of the section.

PREVENTATIVE DETENTION

The report recommended trat where a court finds an accused is a dangerous sexual offender that he be sentenced to preventive detention — "detention in a penitentiary for an indeterminate period."

Under the Criminal Code, a person found by the courts to be a criminal sexual psychopath is sentenced to imprisonment for not less than two years. The courts also impose a sentence of preventive detention.

The commission said imprisonment for a definite term, before the start of preventive detention, is "not consistent with the theory of the law."

The courts, the report said, should require "a standard of proof no higher than balance of probability" to convict a person as a dangerous sexual offender. This would "afford greater protection to society" and would "impose no injustice on the prisoner" because the sentence would be subject to judicial review.

The report of the three-member commission, appointed in 1954, was submitted to the government March 21, 1958, but made public only Friday. Besides Chief Justice McRuer, commission members were Gustave Desrochers, assistant medical superintendent of St-Michel Archange Hospital in Quebec City, and Judge Helen Kinnear of Ontario's Haldimand County Court.

MAIN CRITICISM

The commissioners said that the "fundamental criticism" of the present law is that it has not proved effective. In the seven-year period from 1948 to 1955 only 23 persons were sentenced as criminal sexual psychopaths.

Failure of police authorities to report all sexual offenders with proper identification to the RCMP also "militates against the enforcement of the law."

Evidence received by the commission was that lack of convictions was due partly to the high standard of proof required.

There was a reluctance by the courts to commit a person to imprisonment for an indeterminate term, "especially where there are no arrangements made for custody and treatment of the prisoner, apart from those provided for prisoners serving determinate sentences."

First Catch Is Reported

GEORGETOWN — The first catch of spring herring was made at Georgetown on Friday by Frank Rafuse who was accompanied to his fishing nets by Garth Fraser.

The ice left Georgetown harbour early in the week and Mr. Rafuse set his nets on Thursday evening. Yesterday morning he had netted 16 herring.

The first herring last year was on April 16. Residents are hopeful that the herring will soon be caught in greater quantity as they are considered to be quite a delicacy.

Dr. F. MacInnis Gets Fellowship

Dr. Frank MacInnis of the Smith Clinic, Camrose, has been awarded a Fellowship in the American College of Physicians. He will receive this degree at the Convocation of the American College of Physicians which will take place in Chicago on the night of Wednesday, April 22nd.

Dr. MacInnis, a graduate of Queen's University, came to Camrose in 1946 and has been associated with the Smith Clinic since 1948. He received his Specialist degree in Medicine from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in 1952.

In 1956 he was the Canadian recipient of the Elizabeth Archbold Bowes Travelling Scholarship and at that time took post graduate study in cardiology at the University of California Medical School in San Francisco.

Dr. MacInnis is the son of Mrs. Adrian MacInnis, Souris.

New WA Officers Are Elected At Final Session Of Meeting

MRS. GEORGE WOOD

Mrs. George Wood of Charlottetown was elected president of the P. E. Island Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church of Canada at the closing session of the 62nd annual meeting of the organization held in St. Paul's Parish Hall yesterday afternoon.

Proceeding for the day began with a celebration of Holy Communion in St. Paul's church at 9:00 a.m. at which Rt. Rev. W. W. Davies, D.D., coadjutor bishop of Nova Scotia was celebrant with Rev. M. J. Findley, Rector of Port Hill as Bishop's Chaplain.

The epistle was read by Rev. A. E. Piercey, Rector of Milton-Rustico parish and the gospel by Rev. W. G. Hogg, honorary assistant priest, St. Peter's Cathedra l. Rev. Canon E. M. Malone, D.D., was seated in the sanctuary. The presentation of the thank-offering was made at this service.

The auxiliary session was resumed at 10:15 a.m. in St. Paul's Hall with an opening hymn, followed by prayer and bible reading by Rev. Michael Ness, rector of Alberton.

REPORTS SUBMITTED

Reports submitted and approved were by treasurer, Miss Ada Harris, Little Helpers, by Mrs. Ivan Horne, junior secretary treasurer, Mrs. Robert Currie, girls' secretary, Mrs. H. MacPherson, G.A. links, Mrs. J. E. Harris, educational secretary, Mrs. H. K. S. Hemming, candidates, Mrs. E. M. Malone, Living Message editor, Mrs. F. C. Younker, prayer partners, Mrs. Ray Clarke, extra-cent-a-week, Mrs. Stuart Dickson, social service secretary, Mrs. J. T. Rodd, custodian book of remembrance, Miss Janet Hegan.

The noontide prayer and devotional address was by Rev. D. H. S. Minton, Rector Crapaud-Springfield.

At 12:30 more than 125 delegates and members were entertained at luncheon by the ladies of St. Paul's W.A., convened by Mrs. Arthur Hogan and Mrs. Jack Anderson. Various committee conferences followed until the session terminated.

The new officers are: Honorary president, Mrs. A. B. Cosh; president, Mrs. George Wood, 1st vice-president, Mrs. H. L. Palmer, 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Leigh Paynter, 3rd. vice-president, Mrs. Eric Lowther, correspondence secretary, Mrs. A H. Peake, recording secretary Mrs. W. R. Jenkins; treasurer Miss Ada Harris; girls' secretary, Mrs. H. Macpherson; secretary-treasurer juniors, Mrs. Robert Currie; secretary-treasurer little helpers, Mrs. I. Horne; dorcas secretary, Mrs. L. Davison; Living Message editor, Mrs. F. C. Younker; thank offering secretary, rMs. J. Moase; cent-a-week secretary, Mrs. Stuart Dickson; superintendent of prayer partners, Mrs. E. E. Warn; educational secretary-treasurer, Mrs. E. B. Whiteside; social service secretary, Miss Bessie Beer.

Officials of the board are: custodian of book of remembrance, Miss J. Hegan; secretary, G. A. Links, Mrs. J. E. Harris; in charge of church calendars, Mrs. George D. DeBlois.

City Service To Be Speeded

MONCTON, — Canadian National Railways is speeding up its passenger train from Charlottetown to Moncton, it was announced yesterday.

After the spring timetables take effect April 26 the train will arrive at Moncton 10 minutes earlier than at present. There is no change in the schedule from Moncton to Charlottetown.

In operation daily except Sunday, the train will continue to leave Charlottetown at 7:45 a.m. Travelling back to Prince Edward Island, it departs Moncton at 2:40 p.m. standard time.

The Charlottetown - Moncton train will continue to make connections with CNR trains for Halifax, Sydney, Montreal, Saint John, Boston and intermediate points.

100 Vehicles Is Daily Toll

MONTAGUE — The motor vehicle registration office here yesterday reported nearly 100 motorists daily registering their vehicle during the past few days.

However, there are still a number of cars in the town unregistered for this current year.

R.K. Clements is motor vehicle registrar for the Montague district. He is assisted by Mrs. Vivian Fraser and Mrs. Ruth Nelson.

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School Group To Buy Flag

The regular monthly meeting of Parkdale Home and School Association was held in Parkdale Junior High School, on Wednesday with the president Mrs. Arthur Love presiding.

It was voted that a nylon flag be purchased for the Junior High School and that a trophy case had been erected in the High school.

Mrs. Lund reported that supplementary reading books had been ordered for the primary school. Mrs. Gordon Rice and Mrs Aubrey Found volunteered to collect all labels from Canada Packers Products to enable the association to procure a coffee percalator.

After the business meeting a special evening was enjoyed by the members a lively sing song was led by Frank Costello accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Elmer Johnston, and was followed by bridge playing auction 45's and square dancing.

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Manitoba. They have three daughters.

ISLAND NATIVE

Rev. Vincent Murphy, S. J., was born at Kinkora, P.E.I., in June 1903, and after attending public schools at Middleton, he entered St. Dunstan's in 1919 and graduated in 1925. The following year he entered St. Stanislaus Novitiate, Guelph, Ont., to study for the Society of Jesus. Following his novitiate training, he studied at the Jesuit Seminary of Philosophy, Toronto, Immaculate Conception Seminary, Montreal, and at Auresville, New York. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1939.

Following his ordination, Father Murphy joined the teaching staff at Campion College in Regina where he later served as Rector from 1945-1948. Since 1948, Father Murphy has been a member of the faculty of St. Mary's University, Halifarx.

The graduation Mass scheduled for 11:00 a.m. for Sunday, May 10th, at which Father Murphy will deliver the sermon is open to the public.

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crippled ferry was able to make only two trips because of docking difficulties decreased speed. On her first trip she left 30 cars waiting at the dock in Borden, but was able to clear up all waiting traffic at Tormentine.

On her second trip two trucks and four cars were left at Borden, but again all vehicular traffic coming to the Island was taken from Tormentine.

DEALERS CONCERNED

Potato dealers expressed concern yesterday that if the carrying capacity of the service is reduced it could adversely effect the potato industry. They said a decided strengthening of the market expected and and with a normal movement of 800 carloads due between now and the end of the month, the industry could suffer.

Housewives around the Island began to feel the pinch of a lack of fresh fruits and certain vegetables as a result of the tieup. Some wholesalers reported warehouses empty and shoppers found fast diminishing supplies at grocery stores. Bread was also reporter in short supply in some areas.

EASTERN GUARDIAN

AUCTION "45" Score Cards for sale at Guardian-Patriot Central Printing.

KINGS LUMBER Mill now taking spruce logs, 8 inches and up small end, 20 ft. long.

RESERVE Saturday, May 9 for Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary Pantry Sale at Stewart and Beck's.

DR. KASSNER'S Office, Souris, will be closed from Sunday April 19th. to Sunday April 26th. Inclusive.

ANNUAL MEETING — Prince Edward Island council Canadian Girl Guides Association Government House Charlottetown 2:30 p. m. today. Members of the Guide movement and friends of Guiding welcome.

Enzor Thomas Dies In Halifax

HALIFAX (CP) — Enzor Henry Thomas, a teacher at the school for the blind here for 20 years, died this morning after a long illness.

Mr. Thomas was a native of Cape Spear, N.B. He taught woodworking classes of blind students and carving at the Nova Scotia College of Art.

Survivors are his wife, the former Mary Gordon of Charlottetown; three sisters Christie and Mrs. Henry LeBlanc, Cape Spear, and Maggie, Pugwash, and three brothers, Fred and Leste, Cape Spear and Harley, Ottawa.

Funeral services will be held here today.

BYPU Addressed On Insurance

Guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Charlottetown BY PU Thursday evening was R.J. Rupert, CLU, who spoke on the subject of insurance.

Mr. Rupert described insurance as a "cooperative risk-sharing venture" and traced the idea from the times of antiquity, referring to the Biblical story of Joseph, who when called upon to interpret King Pharoah's dream of seven fat cows and seven lean ones—foretold periods of plenty, followed by famine and recommended the storing of huge quantities of grain in the plentous years to feed the Egyptian people during the years of scarcity.

"This, said the speaker, "embodies the principle of insurance-that of preparing in the prosperous present for the uncertain future."

In concluding, Mr. Rupert said, "In essence, insurance works by using mathematical principles to create certainty out of the uncertainties of life, and certainly is essential not only to efficiency in business, but also to happy and profitable living."

Henry Sharam thanked Mr. Rupert for the profitable discussion.

PISQUID EAST

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bradley and family, St. Theresa, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Bradley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jay received word that their daughter Shirley of Edmonton, Alberta, had spent the past week in Vancouver, B.C.

Miss Elsie Rodgerson, nurse-in-training at the Prince Edward Island Hospital, is spending her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Rodgerson.

There has been a number of cases of the flu reported in this vicinity.

Messrs Tom and Miller Sanderson, North River, were visitors in Pisquid East Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie MacDonald, Charlottetown, spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. MacDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay with sons Merlin and Irwin, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Jay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacDonald, Covehead Road, on Thursday. B.A.

IN MEMORIAM

FRED W. GODFREY

The death took place at the P.E.I. Hospital on Feb 12, 1959 after an illness of over eight years, of Fred W. Godfrey of Charlottetown and formerly of Suffolk in his 77th year.

He was a son of the late Elijah Godfrey and his wife Ada Duck of Suffolk. The deceased was widely known throughout the Island, having worked for the Frost and Wood Company, also Potato Inspector and of late years as Retail Vendor in different parts of the Island until his retirement on account of ill health.

His wife, the former Evelyn G. Allen, predeceased him July 12, 1948. He leaves to mourn his only sister (Ethel) Mrs. Alex Stewart and also his only neice, Mrs. Arthur Rhynes, both of Marshfield.

His funeral was held from the MacLean funeral home on February 14 at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Mitton of The First Baptist Church Charlottetown, officiating, followed by the Masons Service of which he was a member. The hymns sung were "The Lord's My Shephard" and "Abide With Me."

The pallbearers were Arthur Seaman, Reigh MacLean, Gordon Ross, George McDonald, Edward Martin, Hector Jenkins.

Burial took place in Suffolk Cemetery.

Flowers:

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Albert Edward Lodge of Perfection A.A.A.S.R.
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Geneviene and Rowell Boswell
Marguerite and Rupert Godfrey
Sarah Murray

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Alex Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rhynes, wish to thank their many friends and relatives for their many acts of kindness in any way during Mr. Godfrey's illness and death, also those who sent flowers, letters and cards of sympathy, during their bereavement. Also a very special thanks to Arthur Seaman for his many acts of kindness and to Reigh MacLean for use of his car the day of the funeral., to Mr. Bonnell and attendents at Beach Grove and N.D. MacLean, Funeral Director. A sincere thanks to all.

AUCTION SALE

On the Premises of Mr. Owen Kelly, Peake's, Wednesday, April 22nd, One O'clock.

The following farm machinery: Binder (I. H. C.); hay mower (I. H. C.); drill seeder (I. H. C.); manure spreader (I. H. C.); hay rake; spike harrow; disc harrow; gang plow; walking plow; scuffler; farm wagon; driving wagon; cart; wood sleigh; driving sleigh; Hall thresher outfit complete with 60' belt; hay fork; cable; carrier; wire stretcher; harness; quantity baled hay and straw; oil drums; 1 farm horse; 1 robe; carpenter tools; farm tools.

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The Change Comes Next Monday

As the "Favorite Paper in Homes of the Whole Province," The Guardian is taking steps to become an easier-to-read newspaper for its audience of some 60,000 readers in almost 15,000 across-the-Island homes. Several familiar departments will appear in new locations and be made easier to find with brightened presentation.

East Meets West on New Provincial Pages

All main items of late Island news, as gathered by The Guardian's news bureaus in Summerside, Montague, Alberton and Souris and its corps of correspondents will be featured in future on pages close to the front of the paper.

Pages two and three are to give their principal emphasis to provincial news — will become Provincial News Pages. This means that late reports from the East (Kings County), the West (Prince County) and Central (Queens County) are all to be grouped on the two facing pages, so readers in all districts will find it easier to share news of common interest.

Page five is to become the main City News Page.

Under the new plan, the principal presentation of Island and city news, which has previously been spread through the whole paper, will be concentrated in the first five pages.

Of course every page of The Guardian will continue to be packed with good reading. But it will be made easier for every reader to turn at once to the news that interests him most.

As in the past, The Guardian will present the Island's whole news story — a province-wide news report that is unmatched anywhere. The chief change is to be in presentation, as a means of serving readers better.

Together At Last on The Page Everybody Reads

All the various kinds of notices and announcements that have in the past been scattered through three or four different pages are to be brought together in new departments on "the page everybody reads" — right beside the classified advertising section.

As in the past, they'll be grouped by districts, so the reader from Prince County, or Queens or Kings, will be able to turn at once to the announcements that interest him most.

But there'll be no more turning from page to page to locate notices from different districts. Every notice will invite the attention of the entire readership of The Guardian, even while being addressed particularly to a special audience within one district.

This means that announcements are to be made of much more value to those who insert them, at the same time they are made of increased service, and easier to find, for readers.

Notices of the kind that now appear under the headings of "Eastern Guardian," "Western Guardian" and "City and Central" will be grouped in a new department devoted to "Announcements".

Notices dealing with "Coming Events" will be brought together in a similar grouping.

All notices relating to births, deaths and marriages for the whole Island also will appear in future in the columns adjoining "the page everybody reads" — the classified advertising section.

At first the new locations being given to across-the-Island news and announcements, starting next Monday, are likely to seem strange to many readers who turn to former locations through force of habit. But soon every reader will find that the new presentation makes The Guardian easier to read -- improves its services as the "Favorite Paper in Homes of the Whole Province."

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