

Better Farm Training Is Urged For Quebec

QUEBEC (CP) — A government-appointed study committee Friday presented a string of recommendations aimed at bettering agricultural training in Quebec province, including establishment of a French language university-level agricultural institution.

The committee, appointed 15 months ago, urged the government to get to work on its recommendations "before any more time is lost."

The committee could not agree completely on the make-up of the proposed agricultural institution. Six of the nine members said it should be attached to Laval University's new "University City" in suburban Ste. Foy where some 60 to 75 acres of land would be available. The six recommended Laval over the two other major French universities—Montreal and Sherbrooke.

Three of the members, however, said an institute backed by government, university and farm organizations should be created in a rural milieu.

The committee's chairman, Rev. Louis-Marie Regis, former dean of philosophy at the University of Montreal, said the decision should be up to the government, but urged speed so the chore could be started.

EQUAL WITH PROFESSIONS

The committee said that agronomy—the science of agriculture—should no longer be the "poor relation" of the other liberal professions. It should be on equal footing with medicine and law, the report, submitted to the Quebec cabinet, said.

A section of the 267-page report was devoted to research. It said fundamental research should be organized at the agriculture faculty.

But it also recommended creation of a council of arts, letters and sciences, whose main aim would be "to establish a solid, living and permanent link between the cultural and scientific organizations of the province."

It would be financed by government and private enterprise. Agriculture research, it said, could also be carried out under the science division of the council.

The committee said a "logical and realistic agricultural policy" must be put to work to integrate agriculture into the economy as a whole. Levels of education in rural areas must be raised.

It said the little country schools must be replaced by central schools. Students wanting to go into agricultural studies must have the broadest general education.

OBITUARY

MRS. ELMER McQUAID
"She hath opened her hand to the needy, and stretched out her hand to the poor, and hath not eaten her bread idle." Prov. XXXI

Mrs. Elmer McQuaid, (nee Irene Coady) was born at Millview, the daughter of William Coady and Mary Wood. A little over thirty years ago she became the bride of Elmer McQuaid, and came to live at Bedford, Tracadie-Cross Parish. Here, by her kindly loving ways, she endeared herself to all, both young and old. Her home was ever open to the many who came to visit. Her charming smile and her solicitude for the comfort of each guest made her home a place where many loved to visit.

A few years ago she was stricken by the dread disease cancer, and for a time she recovered, and her dear ones and friends had hoped she was cured. About two months before her death, the fatal malady again appeared and she re-entered the Charlottetown Hospital. Despite all the medical aid and loving care could do, her gentle spirit passed to its heavenly reward on November 25, 1961.

Her remains were removed from the Hennessey Funeral Home on Sunday to her late residence at Bedford when the pallbearers were: Hector MacDonald, Aeneas MacDougall, Joseph McQuaid, Stephen MacDougall, Basil McQuaid and Harold McQuaid. Here throngs of her friends came to pay their respects and offer sympathy to her loved ones.

On Tuesday morning, followed by a large concourse of people, her remains were taken to the church, where solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. O.P. Wood, assisted by Rev. K.C. MacMillan and Rev. Clair MacDonald. The pallbearers were: Fenton Court, Peter Hughes, Alphonsus McIntyre, William Jenkins, Ollie Shreenan, and Lloyd McIntyre.

She leaves to mourn a heart-broken husband, two daughters, Marie - Mrs. Reginald Hooper, Bedford, and Wilena - Mrs. Patrick Killen of Long Island, N.Y., two sisters, Margaret - Mrs. Alphonsus McIntyre, and Lillian - Mrs. Stephen MacDougall, also five grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to sincerely thank the Doctors, nurses, staff of Charlottetown Hospital, relatives, friends, and neighbours who were so thoughtful toward our loved one during our absence. We extend our thanks to those who rendered many acts of kindness during our recent and sad bereavement; also those who sent Mass and sympathy cards or helped in any way. Elmer McQuaid and Family.

Noel Dorion Exonerated

MONTREAL (CP) — The Montreal handwriting experts agreed Friday after separate studies that the signature "Noel Dorion" on a letter addressed to the late Wellie Cole in 1958 was not that of state secretary Noel Dorion.

The experts are Dr. Rosario Fontaine, Quebec provincial police medico-legal expert, and Det. Capt. Armand Morin of Montreal city police identification bureau.

Their reports were released late Friday by Jacques Marquis, Quebec city lawyer and Mr. Dorion's political organizer.

The letter to Cole, which Mr. Dorion denied writing or signing, expressed thanks to Cole and members of his staff on the now-disbanded Quebec liquor police for their assistance during the 1958 federal election campaign in Bellechasse, Mr. Dorion's constituency.

SIGNS AFFIDAVIT — Elisabeth Parent, Mr. Dorion's secretary in his law office, has signed an affidavit saying she wrote the letter at the request of some unnamed person and signed it "Noel Dorion."

Capt. Morin said in an interview "there is no doubt" that the signature on the letter is not that of Mr. Dorion.

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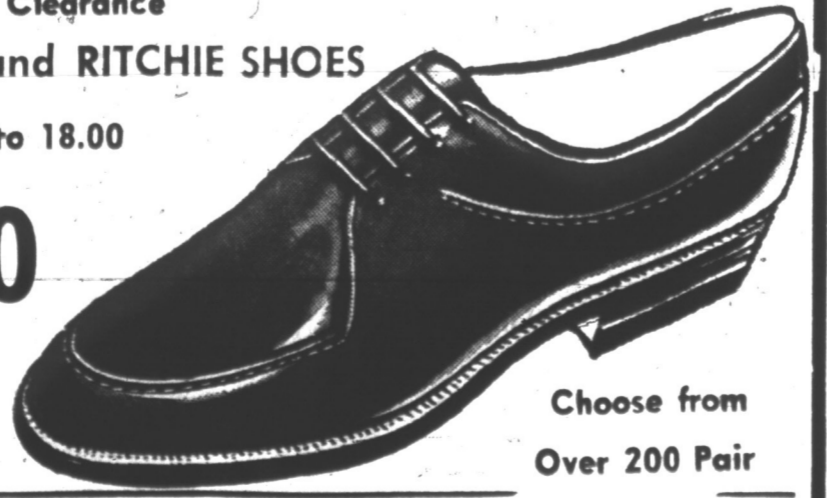
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