

Discusses Fluoridation At S'ide Public Meeting

Dr. J. B. O'Mera, director of dental health, addressed a public meeting held last night in the Canadian Legion hall, Summerside, on the subject of fluoridation. He was introduced by Dr. H. E. Clark, who said that a committee of three had been asked by the Town Council to investigate the question and that last night's meeting was being held for the purpose of having Dr. O'Mera acquaint the public with the question of what fluoridation is and of its beneficial qualities.

Dr. O'Mera began by saying that he had come to the meeting prepared to hear all sorts of opposition because he said that there are people in every community who are against it.

He pointed out that the process is of no value to adults, it benefits only children from the ages of one year to eight years. However, these children are going to be the adults of tomorrow and it is the obligation of every right minded citizen to do all they can to help the children by preventing tooth decay. In children of this age group, he said, it is a proven fact that fluoridation will reduce tooth decay by 65 per cent.

Answering many questions from the floor he said that there is absolutely not the slightest proof that any ill effects to health result from the properly controlled addition of a fluoride compound to the public water supply in spite of the attempts of a small group of anti-fluoridationists to prove otherwise, the proper addition being one part of fluoride to eight million parts of water. He pointed out that on the basis of extensive scientific research many scientific organizations have officially approved fluoridation. In Canada he named such organizations as, the Canadian Dental Association, the Canadian Medical Association, the Canadian Public Health Association, the Health League of Canada.

It was asked from the floor if it would be possible for enemy agents to sabotage the drinking supply of a community by injecting an overdose of the chemical into the water supply. Dr. O'Mera said that in order to produce a lethal supply in water it would be necessary to dump a ton of fluoride into the reservoir and he said he did not think that would be exactly feasible and would be mechanically impossible.

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Asked if there could be anything to the claims of some opponents that fluoridation caused damage to plumbing fixtures, he said that in his honest opinion this was absolute without a shred of truth.

In closing he said he would like to have all those present study the question with an open mind and not to start off with a biased opinion, for he said "the people who know, tell us that it is beneficial not to us but to the generations to come."

Asked regarding the cost of having such a system installed in the Summerside water supply, Dr. Clark estimated that it would be in the vicinity of \$3,000.00.

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"Black Gold" Staged At Kensington

Large and appreciative audiences attended the two appearances of the three-act play, "Black Gold", staged in the King George Hall, Kensington by the Indian River Dramatic Club.

The cast of characters included several newcomers to the stage, Donald Ramsay, playing Chet Busbee, Emmett Fitzsimmons as Johnny Sloane, Shirley Cameron as Dell Slattery, and Johnny Arsenault as Jose, and their initial performance went over well and promises plenty of talent for future entertainment.

Mr. L. C. Ramsay, C.D.A., and Mr. Bernard McLellan, both well known for their acting ability, convincingly played the roles of Mr. and Mrs. George Busbee, owners of a small dairy farm near Lonestar, Texas, where oil was subsequently discovered. Donald MacDonald as Texas Busbee, Gerald Glover as Stephen Hamilton, Mrs. Francis Campbell and Lavinia McAvin as Dulcy Slattery, in common with every member of the cast, played their parts in a way which added up to a production of high entertainment value, and thoroughly enjoyed by all who were privileged to see it.

Specialties at the matinee performance, furnished by Indian River School pupils were: piana Mrs. Janet Mann, Duet, Miss Shirley Jordan, and Miss Eleanor Hickey; solo, Master Michael Ramsay; duet, Miss June Jordan and Miss Irene Campbell. Specialties at the evening show were, instrumental music, Mrs. Hubert Gillis and Mr. Bernard McKinnon, solo, Miss MacDonald.

Rev. Father Callaghan directed the play and also acted as chairman.

Former Tignish Dentist Slugged And Robbed

Dr. L. Urban Christopher, formerly of Tignish but for many years a well known practicing dentist was bound, slugged and robbed of \$25 by three masked youths, one of them armed, in his office at the front of his home, in Roxbury, Mass., last Thursday night.

Dr. Christopher was forced by the robbers to open a safe, after they entered by the front door which he attended in answer to the bell. One spotted a flashlight in the doctor's eyes and another pointed a revolver, ordering him to the safe. Apparently disappointed with their loot, the trio used Dr. Christopher's belt to bind his hands and feet together and stuffed his necktie in his mouth as a gag. Then he was knocked unconscious with a blow on the head from the gun butt.

Several minutes after the intruders had left, Dr. Christopher regained consciousness, freed himself and called police. He was treated in Boston City Hospital for a scalp wound.

Dr. Christopher in his youth taught school at Palmer Road and other places in the western part of the province. He is a diamond medalist of Baltimore Dental College and a relative of the late Sir Charles Dalton, former Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Leslie Douglas has left Alberton after serving as town policeman for some months. During his time here Mr. Douglas has made many friends and performed his duties in a most competent way. Best wishes follow him as he enters service with the R.C.A.F. After spending several days with his family in Mount Stewart he will leave for St. Jean's, Quebec.

Mrs. Arthur Hardy, Mrs. Norman Hardy, Mrs. Arthur Wright and Mr. Raymond Hardy spent the weekend in Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Oliver, Alberton, have taken up residence in Summerside where Mr. Oliver is employed. Their home here is being occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Merie Skerry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shea, Alberton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Shea, O'Leary, returned to their homes on Friday following a pleasant motor trip to Toronto and a point of interest in the United States.

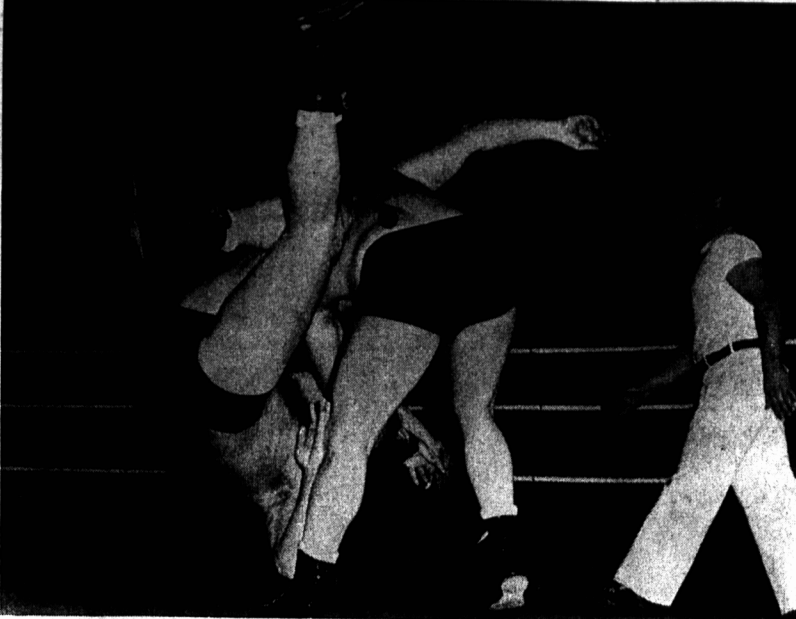
Mr. Roland Buntain has returned home after being a patient in the hospital. Roland and his friends are delighted to see him out around again.

Mr. William A. Andrew is spending a few days in North Granville, with her parents.

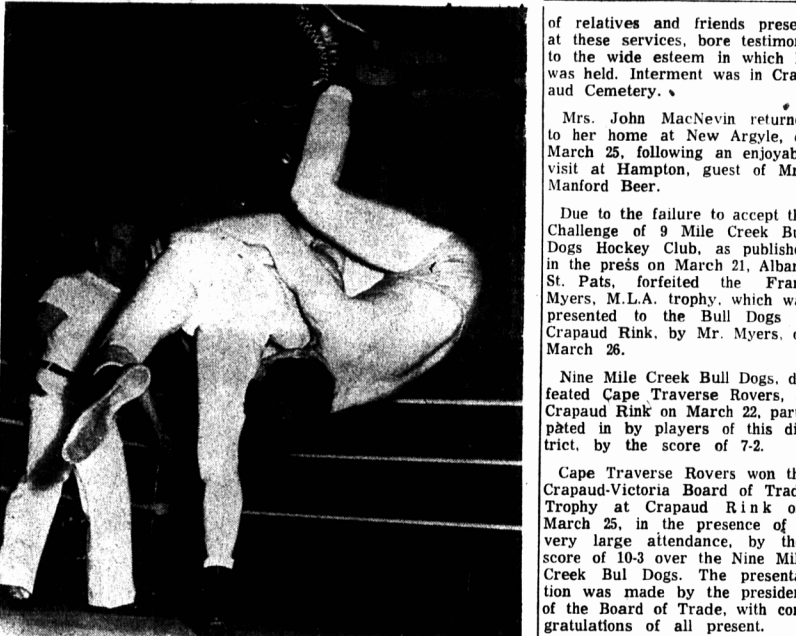
Miss Noreen Moffatt has accepted a position as clerk in Mr. R. L. Dickieson's store.

Mrs. Caroline McInnis is visiting with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Gordon Laird.

More Action From Show



This is not the mambo thinks Danny McCowell of Hamilton as Ken Greer has his turn at handing out some rough treatment during the Friday night wrestling tag match. (Photo by Wotton).



The bigger they come the harder they fall is proven by Jerry Allard of Montreal, lightest member on the wrestling card, as he tosses big Chuck Brown around the ring at R.C.A.F. Station Summerside on Friday night before a crowd of some 600 fans. (Photo by Wotton).

S'ide Dentist Died Yesterday

Dr. Alexander A. Lockhart, a prominent Summerside dentist, died yesterday morning about nine o'clock in the Prince County Hospital. Dr. Lockhart had suffered a heart attack in his office about two weeks ago but he had apparently made a good recovery and his death was unexpected. He was 67 years of age.

He was born in St. Eleanor's, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Lockhart. He grew up in that district, attended the local school and then went to Prince of Wales College. He later attended Tuft's College, Boston, Mass., where he obtained his dental degree.

Dr. Lockhart returned to the Island and set up practice in Kensington where he remained until he moved to Summerside about two years ago. He was active in many fields. He was an Elder in Trinity United Church and was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Kensington. He was also a past president of the Summerside Rotary Club.

Dr. Lockhart was a jovial and friendly man who always seemed always prepared to extend a friendly greeting. He was well thought of, both professionally and as a citizen.

He was married twice, first to Sadie McEwen and then to the former Mrs. Frank Bertram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Williams, Summerside, who survives him.

Also surviving are two sons, Roy, manager of the Trans-Atlantic Division, T.C.A. Dorsal Airport, Montreal, and Frank, a theological student at Mt. Allison University and assistant minister at St. John's United Church Moncton, N.B., also one daughter, Enid, Mrs. A. S. Wortley, in California.

Dr. Lockhart is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Edward Ramsay, Lot 16 and Mrs. J. B. Bennett, Charlottetown and a brother, Edward in St. Eleanor's. The body is resting at the Bowness Funeral home and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Hampton

Very pleasing reports have been received by the many friends of Rev. J. H. Bishop, pastor of the Church of Scotland, of satisfactory progress towards a return to good health, following an unfortunate car accident in which he was involved, while returning from the service of public work conducted at Birch Hill on March 13. Best wishes are extended for an early return to duty.

The nearest-of-kin, (including Mrs. Myron Shaw, DeSable) and friends of Mrs. Thacker, who resides in the City, are extending best wishes for her early return to health and duty, following an operation performed at the P. E. I. Hospital on March 23.

Mrs. G. R. Ferguson accompanied her husband (one of our District boys of the Navy) on his return to headquarters at Halifax, N. S. on March 20, following a week-end visit to home and family residing here.

Many hockey fans were present at Craupaud Rink on March 23, to witness the game between teams from Fairview and Argyle Shore.

The Trustees of Argyle Shore School are fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Robert MacDonald (formerly Miss Lynda Inman) an experienced teacher and former resident of Argyle Shore, as teacher for the remainder of the school term, due to the illness of the former teacher of this school, Mrs. C. C. Ince.

Funeral services for the late Mr. Albert Sturdy, whose body was found over a mile from his residence at Craupaud, on March 24, was held from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Heath Howatt, Tryon, on March 26, conducted by Rev. Mr. Archer. The late Mr. Sturdy had reached four score and five years on life's journey, and the large concourse

of relatives and friends present at these services, bore testimony to the wide esteem in which he was held. Interment was in Craupaud Cemetery.

Mrs. John MacNevin returned to her home at New Argyle, on March 25, following an enjoyable visit at Hampton, guest of Mrs. Manford Beer.

Due to the failure to accept the Challenge of 9 Mile Creek Bull Dogs Hockey Club, as published in the press on March 21, Albany St. Pats, forfeited the Frank Myers M.L.A. trophy, which was presented to the Bull Dogs at Craupaud Rink, by Mr. Myers, on March 26.

Nine Mile Creek Bull Dogs, defeated Cape Traverse Rovers, at Craupaud Rink on March 22, participated in by players of this district, by the score of 7-2.

P.E.I. Nurse Read Own Obituary

The Los Angeles Times recently carried an unusual story concerning Miss Elizabeth C. MacDonald, whose parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. John MacDonald, were early settlers at Whim Road.

According to the article, Miss MacDonald was one of the few people in the world ever to read her own obituary. While she was serving in the First World War as a nurse, her relatives were informed by the American Red Cross and the Army Nurses Corps of her death at the 35th Base Hospital in France. Newspapers carried the story of the death of the heroic nurse. Later it was found that it was a different nurse — Elizabeth L. MacDonald — who had died.

When Miss MacDonald looks back on the incident now she chuckles. "I was saved by a middle initial."

Although she lost the sight of her right eye when she was four years old, Miss MacDonald was able to graduate from the Elliot City Hospital, Keene, N.H., and take post graduate training in the Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago. She began her nursing in Montana.

When the American Army issued a plea for nurses in March of 1918, Miss MacDonald volunteered, and on May 22 she landed at LeHavre, France, together with two hundred other nurses and twenty-seven thousand enlisted men. She was stationed at the 35th Base Hospital and served with distinction throughout the remainder of the war.

Those were the days before penicillin and the other wonder drugs and nurses experienced many hardships with the hospitals being overcrowded, understaffed and short of supplies. With all the work they had to do when caring for the soldiers, when a nurse herself fell sick there was little time to look after her. Often sick nurses were poorly fed and hungry and at this base alone ten nurses died in one year.

At the conclusion of the story the Times paid high tribute to Miss MacDonald with the quotation of a poem by Nick Kenny which read:

"With the war she's been forgotten
Like the strains of Over There
But each soldier boy remembers
Some brave war nurse in his prayer"

And the statement "Many a soldier remembers Miss Elizabeth C. MacDonald."

Miss MacDonald has a brother and sister still residing on the Island: Mr. Norman MacDonald, age 94, living at their old home at Whim Road and Mrs. William Fraser of Montague, presently visiting Miss MacDonald in Los Angeles.

Funeral services for the late Mrs. William Thomas, widely known and highly respected resident of Tryon, was held from the Tryon United Church on 22, with a large assembly of relatives and friends to make final tributes and respect. The service was conducted by the Church Pastor, Rev. Mr. Archer. Interment was in the Church Cemetery.

An accident occurred to Mr. John Matheson, Appin Road, on March 22, while returning to the T. C. Highway (where he had left his car) from following a brief call at the home of a resident of Bonshaw. Visibility not being clear, after sunset, Mr. Matheson's foot accidentally went into a hole in the driveway, causing a bad break of the leg below the knee, necessitating his immediate removal to the hospital, where same was placed in a cast. Best wishes are extended for a rapid recovery.

Relatives and friends of Mrs. C. C. Ince, are pleased to learn that she has experienced rapid improvement since undergoing a major operation in the P.E. I. Hospital, and that she is now convalescing while visiting friends residing in the City. Best wishes are extended for an early and complete restoration to health and duty.

Mrs. John MacQuarrie has returned from an enjoyable visit at Amherst and Halifax, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Whitfield, at Amherst, and of her son, Mr. Ian MacQuarrie, student at Dalhousie College, Halifax.

Week-end visitors here included Miss Sadie MacFadyen, City, guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Morrison.

Notwithstanding unfavorable roads and weather conditions, the services of public worship here were comparatively well attended on March 27, to hear the impressive message taken from the

16 New Firemen Welcomed At S'ide Dept. Meeting

Sixteen new members were welcomed into the Summerside Fire Department last evening at the regular monthly meeting held in the library, Chief Abdon Arsenault in the chair.

Chief Arsenault extended a hearty welcome to the new members and said he hoped that in the not too distant future they would become active members, after undergoing their probationary period. After being introduced the new members departed.

General business was then discussed and the main topic was the fire alarm system. Jack Schurman pointed out that each fireman should know the new telephone number of the fire hall, which is not disclosed to the public. Chief Arsenault replied that this was a decision of the fire committee of the Town Council and over which he has no jurisdiction. He said the main reason for this decision was the fact that various people could be calling the fire hall number at a critical time, when there was a fire in progress. Under the present system a fire call is phoned into the police station, they in turn ring the alarm and simultaneously phone the fire hall where there is always a man on duty.

Mr. Schurman stated that this was a great handicap, especially to an individual fireman who might be handy the location of the fire, but who possibly might have to rush a long distance to the fire station.

Mr. Bernard stated he would take this matter up with the fire committee.

The main problems of the department discussed at each firemen's meeting are generally dealt with directly by the Town Council, and John McNeill suggested that a member of the department attend each council meeting to discuss these problems with that body, rather than lose a lot of time at a fire department meeting.

Ex-Governor On Visit To Boston

Hon. J. A. Bernard, former Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island, is at present enjoying an extended visit with friends and relatives in Boston and the roll call.

Mr. Bernard is quite familiar with the topography of Boston, having lived there for several years in his younger days. He has given addresses over WVAM radio station, also addressed the Kiwanis Club of Jamaica Plain on Monday (last).

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Boost Air Force On Formosa

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — U.S. Sabre jets armed with rockets arrived Monday amid reports that the Chinese Communists the last two days have speeded up activity near the offshore islands.

It was learned that reports of increased Red activity were given to U.S. Army Secretary Robert Stevens, who spent the day on southern Formosa inspecting Nationalist military bases.

CUT TOUR DUTY
HEIDELBERG, Germany (AP) — The United States Army Wednesday reduced the maximum tour allowed for soldiers in Europe to four years. The previous limit was five years. Army headquarters announced Tuesday the regular tour for WAGs in Europe had been cut from 36 to 24 months.

CHURCHES OFFICIAL DIES
TORONTO (CP) — Miss Jean Rough, secretary of the education department of the Canadian Council of Churches, died Sunday. Daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. John Stewart Rough, missionaries in China, she was born in England and came to Canada as a child.

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BEDEQUE RINK

TONIGHT, APRIL 5th
7:30 P. M.
Dunk River Sisters
vs.
New Annan Sisters
9:00 P. M.
New Annan Juniors
vs.
Albany Juniors
Admission 30c

"ROYAL"

BORDEN

Mon.-Tue. 7:15 & 9:15; Matinee Thu. 3:30 "TAI", starring Dan Dalley and Constance Smith. Also Serial & News.

"CAMEO"

KENSINGTON

Mon.-Tues. 7:15-9:15. Alan Ladd in a whole of an adventure—"HELL BELOW ZERO", technical, with Juan Tetzel, Basil Sydney. Bank drawing Tuesday and Thursday worth \$55.00.

CAPITOL SUMMERSIDE

TODAY (Tuesday) 3:30 - 7:15 - 9:15

"SAILOR of the KING"

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In the seething wake of Nelson, Jellicoe and Drake, the greatest story of the high seas by the greatest story teller of the seas today—C. S. Forrester's. A 1000 year tradition that Britannia rule the waves.

REGENT TO-NIGHT 7.15 - 9.10

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Bright-color ed and white shirts 3.50 up.

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KENSINGTON rink, tonight April 5th. Skating 8-10. Excellent ice.

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ATTEND FUNERAL — Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rowe returned to their home in Halifax, N.S., Sunday after attending the funeral of their sister-in-law, the late Mrs. Vernon Matthews, Summerside.

MINE INJURY — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Peters, Market Street, Summerside, received word on Saturday that their son-in-law, Mr. Dan Stewart of Reservoir Mines, C.B., was quite badly injured in the coal mines there and will be unable to work for at least a year.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL — The best of friends of Mr. E. E. Parkman of Summerside East will be pleased to learn that he has returned home after undergoing treatment in the Prince County Hospital and expects to resume his business duties next week.

BIRTHDAY PARTY — Patrick Joseph McNally was given a surprise party recently at the home of his mother, Mrs. Leonard McNally, when eight of his little nephews were present and presented him with some nice gifts, marking the occasion of his ninth birthday. Games were played until time for cutting the large birthday cake which was served and ice cream by Mrs. McNally, who was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Robert Clow.

SERVICES BEGIN — The first in a series of holy week services was held in Alberton United Church Monday evening. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Gardner who reviewed events of the last week of Jesus' life on earth. A guest trio from the Presbyterian Church, Mrs. F. J. Carpenter, Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie and Mrs. Eldon Miller, gave a beautiful rendition of "Lead Me To Calvary."

RADIO INSTALLED — The two-way Marconi mobile radio phone unit was installed in the Summerside police patrol car yesterday by Mr. Sonny Huestis and after testing and "netting" the transmitter" reported that the unit worked most satisfactorily. The radio phone, which has a 20-mile radius, was tested from several points, including Read's Corner, where it was found that reception was excellent. Mr. Huestis expects to proceed immediately with the installation of similar units in the fire pumper truck and two of the electric light trucks.

KENSINGTON Y. P. U. — The regular weekly meeting of the Kensington Y.P.U. was held on March 28 at 8:30 in the church. The Citizenship and Community Training committee, led by Allison MacMurdo, was in charge of the devotional period, opening with Call to Worship and hymn 298. Scripture reading taken from 1 Peter 1:3-9 was read by Laura Smith, followed by a short story. The offering was received and Allison MacMurdo led in prayer. The devotional period closed with hymn 428. There was no Bible study this week. During the business period it was decided to have Bible Baseball on April 15. A committee was appointed to plan a small Easter social evening. A film on India was enjoyed by all. Meeting closed with Benediction.

At Liberal Council

Mr. Edward Rayner, New Annapolis, president of the East Prince Liberal Association has returned from attending the meeting of the Liberal Advisory Council held last week in Ottawa. He reports that the meeting was well attended by a full quota of delegates from every Province and from the Northwest Territories as well. Mr. Duncan McTavish, Q.C., was re-elected president.

Others in attendance from this area were Mr. W. A. Currie, past president of the P.E.I. Liberal Association and Mr. Charles Linkletter, representing the Young Liberals.

Mr. Rayner reports that many recommendations were forwarded to the Government after being discussed with candor and enthusiasm. The three-day meeting closed with a dinner at which the guest of honor was the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent. There were nearly six hundred people in attendance at the dinner.

Photo by Sears

WINS TOP HONORS

WINNIPEG (CP) — A 24-year-old Chinese soprano has won top vocal honors in the 37th annual Manitoba music festival. Anna Cheng, formerly of Hanke, China, who came to Winnipeg last August with her doctor-husband, was awarded the rose bowl Saturday night when she topped 11 contestants in the final competition of the two-week event. Adjudicator Gordon Clinton of the Royal College of Music, London, said she has a personality which holds her audiences in rapt attention.

NOTICE

Applications are invited for the following positions on the staff of—
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