

Metropolitan Committee Reports Steps Necessary

FOREWORD
For some years past it has been apparent to many interested parties that serious problems which face the Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park and the City of Charlottetown bear a great similarity and can almost be called common problems. Thus begins the report of the metropolitan committee. It continues:

"To those who read the newspapers and are interested in their respective communities it will not be news to read herein that practically all the major cities in Canada and the communities which have grown up on their borders have had just about the same experiences as have we here in these three communities.

"It is inevitable, therefore, that interested parties from Spring Park, Parkdale and Charlottetown for some years past have got together to discuss these problems.

"Discussions about these matters have continued over the past ten years under the leadership of the Charlottetown Board of Trade. Reception was cool in the beginning, but during the past few years interest has been keen and many efforts have been made to ascertain the most practical and economical solution of such mutual and common problems.

"While these problems of more or less common concern were being discussed a further question came up automatically —

POOL RESOURCES
"How much more could be done in the three areas if all resources were pooled? In other words if the three areas were amalgamated under one administration using one water supply, one sewage system, one police force, one fire fighting force, one educational administration, one financing authority, — would it be more profitable to operate under one administration than to have three administrations with three separate sets of services? If it would be less, then, how much less?"

COMING EVENTS
Bingo Hope River tonight
Dance Millview Hall every Friday night.
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Concert Mount Herbert School tonight at 8.
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Many other questions occurred to those interested in discussing the above problems. As the explorations into the various problems continued, further questions unfolded and further studies were launched in an effort to find the facts.

Because many people in the three areas are skeptical, and may even harbour fears that the information contained in this report was gained hurriedly, may we write into this record the fact that one such meeting was held, under the leadership of the Charlottetown Board of Trade, in the office of the "Town Planning Division" of the Department of Industry and Natural Resources as far back as May 28th, 1951, attended by the following: — From the Council, City of Charlottetown, Mr. B. Earl MacDonald, Mayor, and Dr. L. E. Prowse, Councillor. From the Villages of Parkdale, Mr. Henry McLaren, Mr. Edwin Cooke, Mr. Benjamin B-1; From Spring Park, Mr. George Dewar; Mr. Sydney Brehaut, Mr. Lorne Good, Mr. J. R. MacKinnon; From Charlottetown Board of Trade, Mr. F. Walter Hyndman, Mr. M. Alban Farmer, Mr. Frank J. Storey; From Department of Industry, Mr. J. F. Connolly, Mr. Earle MacLeod.

There was enthusiastic agreement at such meeting and at others which followed that study and discussions re this subject should continue.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS
Questions involving costs could not then be answered. Such questions required information of a technical or professional nature. It was therefore imperative that a professional engineer should be engaged to study such relevant questions as the supply and distribution of water, and the collection and disposal of sewage within the areas concerned. Such professional services would cost considerable, and money would have to be found for them.

The meetings continued, leading up to one held in office of Mr. Claude Smith, Town Planning Division, Department of Industry and Natural Resources early in 1956, including representatives of the City of Charlottetown, Villages of Spring Park and Parkdale and the Charlottetown Board of Trade. Following lengthy discussion, it was decided that the representatives of the three incorporated bodies should by resolution petition the Provincial Government, whose Legislature was in session at the time, for assistance in finding the answers to such important technical questions affecting all three communities.

JOINT RESOLUTION
A meeting with the Executive of our Provincial Government was arranged and the common resolution passed unanimously by the

City of Charlottetown, Spring Park and Parkdale was read, explained and discussed. This resolution read as follows:
"WHEREAS the City of Charlottetown, together with the adjacent Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park today face mutual and common problems in the fields of water supply, sewage disposal, education, industrial development, etc.;
"And whereas it would appear that the most practical and feasible solution to these problems would be by a united approach;
"And whereas the Provincial Government constitutes the parent authority for both the said City and the said Villages, and their problems are of prime concern to that Government;
"Now therefore be it resolved that the said City of Charlottetown, together with the said Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park respectively request the Provincial Government to conduct a full scale technical, administrative and economic survey of Charlottetown and the surrounding areas including Parkdale, Spring Park and such other areas as may be deemed advisable, for the purpose of ascertaining the most practical and economical solution of such mutual and common problems as aforementioned."

By September 1956, it was realized that little could be expected in this regard from the Provincial Government, and after conceding that there was little hope of financial assistance from any other source, the whole matter was brought before the Council of the City of Charlottetown and, after discussion, the request was made to have the City undertake such a complete survey to ascertain the cost of installation of water and sewage for the metropolitan area, such survey to show the cost of separate systems for each of the areas as well as the cost of an integrated system.

The latter was to be an extension of the Charlottetown water and sewage system to service Spring Park and Parkdale as well as the extension required for the areas of Charlottetown not at present serviced.

Thereupon, the Council of the City of Charlottetown unanimously passed the following resolution at a meeting held September 10th, 1956.
SURVEY
"That W. H. Crandall, Professional Engineer of Moncton, N.B., be engaged immediately by the City of Charlottetown to carry out a topographic water and sewage survey of the City of Charlottetown, and its suburban area including the Villages of Parkdale, and Spring Park, and to prepare a written report including comparative estimates of costs of both separate and integrated water and sewerage systems, and a design for whichever may be agreed upon, said survey to be commenced by October 15, 1956, and said report to be submitted to this Council no later than January 15, 1957, with copies of same for the said Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park, at a cost not to exceed ten thousand dollars, said report to assist the citizens of Charlottetown and the residents of such suburban areas to arrive at a most practical and feasible solution to their common problems."

Around this time following approximately ten years of informal study and discussion an official Metropolitan Committee was duly organized and set up, consisting of two members each from the City of Charlottetown, the Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park, and the Charlottetown Board of Trade, as follows:
Representing,
The Charlottetown City Council: Deputy Mayor Walthen Gaudet and Councillor Edwin C. Johnstone;
The Village of Parkdale: Chief Commissioner Glen Ramsay and Commissioner H. A. R. Douglas.
(These two gentlemen who decided not to renominate for election as Commissioners were, after the election of Commissioners in 1957, replaced by Chief Commissioner Ian Webster and Commissioner Percy MacDonald.)
The Village of Spring Park: Chief Commissioner J. Edmund Arsenault and Commissioner Howard Douglas.
The Charlottetown Board of Trade: Lt. Col. F. J. Storey and Benjamin E. Rogers.
The Division of Town Planning: Provincial Director C. Claude Smith.

The purpose of such Metropolitan Committee was to gather the facts re such mutual and common problems so that the citizens of the City of Charlottetown and the Villages of Parkdale and Spring Park would be able to arrive at the most practical and feasible solution to the same.

The Metropolitan Committee immediately set to work to procure and study as much factual information as possible on all aspect of learning and assimilating such facts, it was felt would be possible on all aspect of metropolitan administration. By learning and assimilating such facts, it was felt it would be possible to draw many obvious conclusions or make certain pertinent recommendations.

The Metropolitan Committee firstly decided what matters should be studied. It then set up separate sub-committees to explore specific avenues and gain all the factual information possible. Subsequently these and other matters were studied and reviewed by the Metropolitan Committee as a whole.

SUB-COMMITTEES
The following sub-committees were established (the membership of each being made up of one rep-

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\$30,000 Scholarship Winner's Parents Come From Montague
A Calgary-born doctor, Lloyd D. MacLean, 32, has received a \$30,000 scholarship and been named a "Scholar in Medical Science" by the John and Mary R. Markle Foundation of New York.

Dr. MacLean's parents were formerly of Montague, P.E.I. He is a nephew of Mrs. George MacIntyre and the Misses Annie Mac and Clemmie MacLean, residents of Montague.

The scholarship is one of 25 which went to faculty members of American and Canadian medical schools. Dr. MacLean is the only Canadian winner this year. He joined the University of Minnesota Hospital's staff on a fellowship in 1951. In 1953 he became a research fellow first in the Cancer Detection Centre, and later search assistant in surgery in 1954, and a surgery instructor in 1956.

The \$30,000 scholarships, granted at the rate of \$6,000 annually for five years, are intended to help relieve the teacher shortage in medical schools and to strengthen the faculties by encouraging young scientists to remain in academic medicine.

Dr. MacLean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. MacLean live at 203 18A St. N.W. They report their son has accepted a recent appointment as chief surgeon at the Ancker Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota. He will conduct his research studies at that hospital.

Dr. MacLean attended Crescent Heights High School and Stanley Jones and Balmoral public schools in Calgary.

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of 50) to see whether their condition, frequently easily controlled, foreshadowed stomach cancer.

Dr. MacLean said that if the of anemia was a forerunner of stomach cancer and could be diagnosed early, it could mean the difference between life and death, for stomach cancer is very seldom detected and arrested in its early stages.

In the doctor's five-year study, it was learned that about 5.2 per cent of patients with pernicious anemia contacted stomach cancer.

Dr. MacLean's wife, Dr. Eleanor Calle MacLean is a specialist in pediatrics on the staff of the University of Minnesota Hospitals. The MacLeans have two boys Hugh John, 2, and Charles Duncan, 1. They plan to visit Calgary this summer.

Calm Returns To Haitian Capital
PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haitians swarmed into this bullet-scarred capital Monday to get back to work as Daniel Fignole, third provisional president in four months, labored to pull Haiti back from the brink of anarchy.

For the moment at least, the formation of a coalition of three presidential candidates headed by Fignole and backed by the army appeared to have averted the danger of civil war. From reopened stores radios blared music and Haitians got back on the job as if nothing had happened.

Unofficial sources counted nearly 100 dead and wounded in

Tourists Leave
About 300 North American tourists, who looked for excitement in this French-speaking Negro republic and found too much of it, rushed out of luxury hotels in the mountains overlooking the city to try to get planes for Jamaica, Cuba and the United States. None of the visitors was known to have been hurt in the eruption of violence and mob rule.

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