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Farewell Gathering

—Mr. and Mrs. Atwood Whidden, of California who have been very successful in the honey business and are now retiring, were guests at a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stuart, Central Bedouque Friday evening, when a number of their friends who were intimate with them when they resided here 37 years ago, gathered previous to their departure.

Mr. and Mrs. Whidden showed colored moving pictures of places where they have been starting with a California scene of their own home with large honey warehouse and portable honey extracting plant, and Mrs. Whidden and her Island guest, Mrs. Edna Jenkins starting off for a car ride.

They had many views taken in the western states as they traveled up to Vancouver, B. C. and the public gardens, then coming through the Rockies scenes of snow capped mountains, and waterfalls with a 2000 foot drop.

The glacier at the head of the beautiful Lake Louise at Banff, several very clear pictures from the tops of the mountains looking down several thousand feet below. The Great Divide, The Calgary Stampede; The Geysers at Yellow Stone Park, and Hot Springs there with many close up views of: Deer, Moose, Beavers, a Mother Bear and Cub.

The Niagara Falls with the Rainbow at the base, many pictures of interest in Ontario, Quebec City and along the St. John River.

During the showing of the pictures Mr. and Mrs. Whidden gave a very interesting account of their journey from the time they left California, May 24th, until they reached here Aug. 1st, travelling over 9000 miles in their new Hudson car.

They said the climate in California was very dry in Summer, but with an occasional shower like a cloud burst coming down in torrents; down on the plain in July

Wedding Bells

A quiet wedding was solemnized at Tryon United Church on Wednesday morning, August thirteenth at 10 A.M. when the Rev. E. R. Woodside united in marriage Roma Janet Louise, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Heath Howatt, Tryon, and John Howatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. George MacKay, Albany.

The bride and groom were attended by Miss Vodia MacKay, cousin of the groom, and Mr. Harleigh Howatt, brother of the bride.

The double ring ceremony was used.

The bride looked very girlish and lovely in her wedding gown of bright pink tulle with a finger-tip halo veil and a corsage of shaded sweet peas and baby's breath fern.

The bridesmaid chose a turquoise blue gown, and wore a shoulder length veil arranged with a banding of flowers. Her corsage was of sweet peas.

The groom and his attendant wore business suits with matching accessories and white boutonnières.

The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace and to his best man a genuine leather billfold. The bride presented her attendant with a gold compact.

After the ceremony, the bride and groom left amid showers of confetti on a motor trip through the Maritime Provinces, visiting the grandparents of both parties en route to Borden.

The bride travelled in a coral shade ripple back peplum suit with black accessories and wore a flower corsage.

On their return they will reside at Albany.

The bride is a graduate of Union Commercial College and the groom after serving for three and a half years with the R. C. A. F. has taken up farming at Albany.

Their many friends wish them many years of happiness and success.

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Skill And Daring Sank Royal Oak

By JOHN DAUPHINEE
Canadian Press Staff Writer
LONDON, Sept. 8 — (CP) — H. M. S. Royal Oak was sunk in Scapa Flow, after a meal, submarine Oct. 14, 1939, Winston Churchill told the House of Commons it was "a remarkable exploit of professional skill and daring."

Now the "inside story" of the attack has been made public through publication here of an extract from the log of U-47, commanded by Lieut. Prien who was awarded the Knight's Cross.

The operation was planned personally by Admiral Doenitz, then flag officer commanding submarines. A careful survey of Scapa Flow had revealed a weakness in the defenses of Holm Sound which was then protected by only three block ships.

Doenitz decided that with careful navigation it would be possible either to pass between the blockships or on either side of them, close to the shore.

Actually Prien passed between two blockships on the way into the sound—so close that U-47 touched a mooring cable between a blockship and Lamb Holm Island on the way out.

The battleship Royal Oak was sunk with heavy loss of life. The battle cruiser Repulse was hit with five torpedoes but remained afloat.

Bright Northern Lights lit the bay, providing excellent visibility.

Through Oct. 13 U-47 lay submerged in deep water east of the Orkney Islands.

At 5 p.m. preparations were made for the attack.

U-Boat's Log
"This is Lieut. Prien's logging of the operation."
"Surfaced at 1915 (7:15 p.m.). After warm supper for entire crew, set course for Holm Sound. Everything goes according to plan until 2007 (11:07 p.m.), when it is necessary to submerge to avoid a merchant ship just before Rose Ness."
"At 2331 (11:31 p.m.), surfaced again and entered Holm Sound. The sunken blockships in the sound are clearly visible, so that at first I believe myself to be already in Kirk Sound and prepare for work. But the navigator, by means of sound reckoning, states that the preparations are premature, while I at the same time realize the mistake, for there is only one sunken ship in the straits. By altering course hard to starboard the imminent danger is averted. A few minutes later, Kirk Sound is clearly visible."
"It is a very eerie sight. On land everything is dark, high in the sky are the flickering lights, so that the bay, surrounded by highish mountains, is directly lit up from above. The blockships lie in the sound, ghostly as the wings of a bat."
"I am now repaid for having learned the chart beforehand, for the penetration proceeds with unbelievable speed. In the meantime I had decided to pass the blockships on the northern side. On a course of 270 (degrees) I pass the two-masted schooner, which is lying on a bearing of 315 (degrees), metres to starboard."
"In the next moment the boat is turned by the current to starboard. At the same time I recognize the cable of the northern blockship at an angle of 45 degrees and the engine stopped, starboard engine slow ahead, and rudder hard to port, the boat slowly touches bottom."
"Enter Scapa Flow
"The boat becomes free, it is pulled round to port, and brought on to course again with difficult rapid maneuvering, but we are in Scapa Flow."
"0027 (12:27 a.m. Oct. 14) — It is disgustingly light. The whole bay is lit up. To the south of Oava there is nothing. I go farther in. To port I recognize the Hoxa Sound, consequently, turn to starboard. A few minutes the boat must present itself as a target. In that event all would be lost; at present south of Oava no ships are to be seen, good. Hence decisions."
"0055 (12:26 a.m.)—South of Oava there is no shipping; so before taking everything on success, all possible precautions must be taken. Therefore, turn to port is made. Two blockships are lying there at anchor, and further inshore, destroyers. Cruisers not visible therefore attack on the big fellows. Distance apart, 3000 metres."
"0116 (1:16 a.m.)—Estimated depth, 75 metres. Impact firing. One torpedo fixed on the northern ship, two on southern. After a good 3-1-2 minutes, a torpedo detonates on the northern ship (Repulse); of the other two, nothing is to be seen."
"0121 (1:21 a.m.)—About Torpedo fired from stern; in the bow two tubes are loaded; three torpedoes from the bow. After three ten minutes comes the detonation on the nearer ship (Royal Oak). There is a loud explosion, roar, and rumbling. Then come columns of water, followed by columns of fire and splinters fly through the air."
"Clear Navigation
"The harbor springs to life. Destroyers are lit up, signalling starts on every side, and on land 200 metres away from me cars roar along the roads. A battleship has been sunk, a second damaged and the other three torpedoes have gone to blazes all the tubes are empty."
"I decided to withdraw, because: (1) With my periscope I cannot conduct night attacks while submerged. (2) On a bright night I cannot manoeuvre unobserved in a calm sea. (3) I must assume that I was ob-

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Sea Cow Pond School Has Fine Record and Tradition



(Guardian Special)

The above picture shows the first and only schoolhouse erected in the Sea Cow Pond District in Lot One and in the extreme northern tip of Prince County. This historic building many prominent men and women throughout Canada received with his violin was welcomed into the school during the opening. Special mention might be made of the following:

Michael Gavin, one of the chief contributors to the shipbuilding industry. His first effort was a small cottage of 60 tons built for Longwoods of Charlottetown and this was followed by larger crafts, two of them captained by his sons, John and Michael who both met the same fate, dying of yellow fever in far off Haiti.

Thomas Mansfield, possibly the originator of "The Merry Islanders." He was a born musician and with his violin was welcomed into the homes as heartily as the locally constructed ships with their captains were greeted on their return from foreign ports.

Patrick Hogan, who resided near the Point. He built up a comfortable homestead and raised a large family who also attended this school as follows: Patrick was ordained a priest; Fred graduated as M.D. from McGill University; two daughters taught for a time in their own school, one became Sister St. Philip of the C.N.D. Order; Frank conducting a large fur business in The Pas, Manitoba; while Henry remained at home to maintain the farm in the same traditional high standard.

John Farrell, another pioneer. His son Captain Terrence Farrell was a well known mariner who lost his life in the tragic sinking of the Grace M. Parker off the coast of Newfoundland.

John Gavin, a neighbor. He operated a large farm, which in later years was taken over by Patrick Morrissey and is now in possession of the present lighthouse keeper, Percy Morrissey. Mr. Gavin's son, Captain Alex, sailed the seven seas, and like the proverbial sea captains of that time, ended his life with his ship somewhere in the Pacific.

Other Leaders

John Dorgan, a leader in the noble tradition of hard work and study. He cleared and cultivated his farm while raising his family. One daughter, Gertrude, became a successful school teacher; the other daughter, Ann, chose the more responsible life of a teaching sister in the C.N.D. Order; the youngest son, John, maintained a large and prosperous farm, which is now operated by his son, Leo.

John C. McCarthy, a farmer and fisherman. He appeared to be endowed with unusual foresight and endless capacity of leadership and learning which he imparted most generously to each member of his family. Six daughters became school teachers of the much-sought-after type and later three of them joined the Notre Dame Order, where at present one holds the responsible position of Assistant Mother General of that Order.

The sons also showed leadership. Gerald, the youngest, with so much tradition to live up to, put forth an extra effort and passed his Matriculation Examination in the early age of eleven years (an unbroken record for the Province) then graduated from St. Dunstan's University with a B. A. degree five years later, while only sixteen. It is questioned if this record was ever equaled, yet in this district of many and varied top achievements it is spoken of lightly and without boast, for them it was merely one more feat in the already long list of high records.

Another son, Chester, after receiving his B. A. and admission to the bar, looked far ahead to new possibilities and originated the idea of cooperative or group farming in his locality—first with the farmers and later with the fishermen, so that today the Tignish Fishermen's Union, of which he is president, is an organization well known throughout the province.

Provincial Rally

The annual rally of the Provincial Presbyterian Young People's Societies was held on Sept. 1st in the Kensington Presbyterian Church.

The afternoon meeting opened with a song service led by Rev. G. Cunningham, with the Rev. W. Young at the organ.

Miss Betty Jay, on behalf of the Kensington Young People welcomed the rally; also Miss Christine King brought a welcome on behalf of the provincial executive, to which welcomes Miss Addie Halliwell replied.

The service of worship was conducted by Tyne Valley young people. The service opened by singing hymn 579. The Scripture lesson was taken from St. Luke's Gospel, chap. 18:1-12, and read by Mrs. W. Young. Miss Myra MacArthur then led in prayer. The hymn 582 closed the worship period.

In absence of the secretary, Norma Humphrey was appointed secretary pro-tem. The minutes of the last rally were read and adopted as read.

The treasurer's report was read by the treasurer, Miss Jessie Ross. The various committees were then appointed: Nominating committee, Boyd Beattie, Mrs. G. Cunningham, Christine King; resolutions committee, Rev. G. Cunningham, Roma Rodd, Betty Pendleton; banner committee, Margaret MacDougall, Marion Hardy and Mabel Auld; press committee, Gardner Dalzell and Marion Lockhart.

The reports from the Maritime Synod camp, held at Merigonish, N.S., were given by Deaconess Bessie Halliwell, Rev. F. N. Young and Rev. J. A. MacGowan; also the reports from the four district rallies were given.

Eastern Rally, Margaret MacDougall; Central Rally, Marion Hardy; Central Western, Boyd Beattie; Western Rally, Rev. G. Cunningham.

Roll call showed 60 present with twelve societies represented. The president of the Maritime P.Y.P. Conference, Margaret MacDougall, gave a brief talk regarding the "Thanksgiving Rally to be held in St. David's Church, Halifax, N.S. The theme speakers were mentioned. The theme for the rally this year is: "The Church Marches On."

The provincial president, Miss C. King, then gave a good account of the year's work, after which three discussion groups were formed, the theme being "Stewardship."

Group 1: Stewardship of "Time" led by Christine King; Group 2: Stewardship of "Possessions" led by Marion Lockhart; Group 3: Stewardship of "Talents" led by Gardner Dalzell.

The fellowship period followed, with lunch and sports.

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Resolutions

Following the theme address the report of the resolutions committee was read by Roma Rodd.

Resolved that:

1. We thank the minister and board for permitting us the use of the church.
2. We express our thanks to P. S. of the Kensington Presbyterian Church for their hospitality on this occasion of our fall rally.
3. We extend a hearty vote of thanks to the executive for their work in past year.
4. We express our thanks and appreciation to our guest speaker, Rev. D. G. Seton for his excellent address.
5. We extend our appreciation to all those who have taken part and added to the success of the rally.
6. We pledge our allegiance to the King and Queen.
7. We show our praise and thanksgiving to God for His goodness to us in the past year, by rededicating our lives with renewed zeal and putting into practice the findings of today's rally.
8. Further resolved that a vote of thanks be extended to Rev. F. N. Young, convenor of S.S. and Y.P.S., who has been untiring in his efforts on behalf of the Y.P.S. work in the past year.
9. The Rev. F. N. Young closed the meeting with benediction.

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