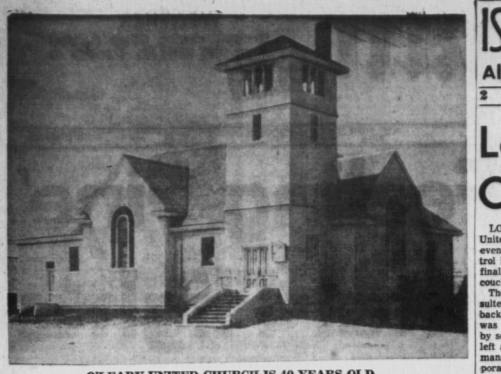


O'LEARY UNITED CHURCH IS 40 YEARS OLD

75th Anniversary Services Slated Sunday In O'Leary UC

O'LEARY — Three special services will be held in O'Leary United Church on Sunday to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the congregation.

In the morning worship will be conducted by the minister, Rev. David H. Hamilton, assisted by Rev. A.F. Baker of Truro, a former minister. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Robert L. Latimer, assistant minister of Trinity Church, Charlottetown. Music will be by the church choir with Mrs. Lewis Bernard as organist. Two new elders will be admitted to the session.

At 2:30 p.m. members of the Masonic Order will attend the service in a body. The preacher will be Rev. C.R. Webber, minister of Trinity Church in Summerside and chairman of the Prince Edward Island Presbytery. Music will be by the youth choir with Miss Faye Milligan as organist.

In the evening the minister will be assisted in the conduct of worship by Rev. George Gough of Amherst, a former pastor, Rev. J. Heber Kean of Minto, N.B., another former minister, will preach the sermon. Music will be by the men's choir with Mrs. J.M. MacWilliams as organist.

Following evening worship there will be a social hour during which greetings will be received from clergymen who have ministered to this congregation in past years.

The historical roots of this congregation reach into the depths of the last century to 1850 when the whole of Prince County west of Lot 11 constituted one congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Although the minister, Rev. John C. Sinclair, had so large a territory to cover, there were only some 57 families in his pastorate. Five or six of these were in the immediate O'Leary district.

The first definite reference to O'Leary to be found in the records is made after the induction of Rev. A.F. Carr at Alberton in 1871. During his ministry the congregation was divided again, with Elmsdale, Montrose and Tignish forming a separate congregation of which Rev. George Fisher became minister. "Relieved of part of his charge," the records state. "Mr. Carr was enabled to concentrate his labours at Alberton and Bloomfield, and on to O'Leary Station."

This latter field grew so rapidly that Mr. Carr through Presbytery, secured the help of a student for the summer months. This student was J.R. Coffin who later became the first ordained minister of Bloomfield, O'Leary and Brae congregation.

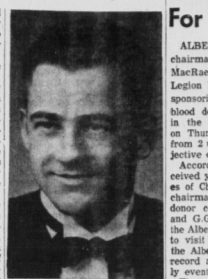
Regarding the building of the first church in O'Leary, we are told that when homes could no longer accommodate the congregation, a warehouse was fitted up with rough seats. Then, sometime between 1881 and 1885, a start was made to build a church.

WIND STORM

When the frame of this church had been erected, a terrific wind storm blew it down, causing much damage to the lumber. Nothing more was done until the following spring when again the newly erected frame was knocked down by a sudden, severe thunder and lightening storm. The contractor, George Jelley of Unionvale, was heard to remark, "Queer people these Presbyterians must be when even the elements combine against them."

Finally, in 1888, it was proven that the elements were no match for Presbyterian determination, and the church was completed. Among those mentioned as taking a very active part in the building of this church were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ellis, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dennis of Unionvale.

O'Leary congregation grew so rapidly that 34 years later, in



REV. DAVID HAMILTON

1922, construction of the present church was begun. In that year Hon. Murdoch MacKinnon, Lieutenant-Governor of Prince Edward Island, laid the cornerstone. On May 28, 1923, the church was dedicated to the glory of God. Taking part in the service of dedication were Rev. G.P. Tattrie, minister of the congregation; Rev. Dr. John Pringle, a former moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; Rev. George A. Christie, minister of Alberton congregation and moderator of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island; and Rev. G.T. Springs, rector of St. Peter's Anglican Parish.

Those on the building committee of this church were Robert Ellis Jr., A.J. Matheson, George Horne, J.D. Kennedy, and Fulton Ramsay. It will be noted that the name of Robert Ellis, Jr., appears on the building committee of both churches.

NEW CENTRE

Dedication of the Christian Education Centre took place June 7, 1959, when a very impressive service was conducted by the minister, Rev. J. Heber Kean, and the sermon was preached by Rev. C.R. Webber.

Two men who grew up in O'Leary congregation have given their lives to the Christian ministry. They are Rev. John M. Sheen of Salisbury, N.B., and Rev. Garland C. Brooks of Mountain View United Church in Moncton. The congregation also lays claim to Dr. Florence Murray, distinguished medical missionary, who spent her girlhood in O'Leary when her father Rev. Robert Murray, was minister there.

Ministers who have served O'Leary congregation are J.R. Coffin, Archibald Gunn, William MacDonald, Ewen MacDonald, Robert Murray, George P. Tattrie, S.B. Profitt, J. Heber Kean and Keith M. Rogerson. The present minister is Rev. David H. Hamilton.

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Blood Donor Clinic Slated For Alberton

ALBERTON — Under the chairmanship of J. Arthur MacRae, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch at Alberton is sponsoring the annual Red Cross blood donor clinic to be held in the Women's Institute hall on Thursday afternoon, June 7 from 2 until 4 p.m. with an objective of at least 120 donors.

According to information received yesterday by F.A.S. Jones of Charlottetown, provincial chairman of the Red Cross blood donor committee, Mr. MacRae and G.G. Bennett, secretary of the Alberton Legion branch, plan to visit the various districts in the Alberton area to promote a record attendance at this yearly event.

The committee is making arrangements for a distribution of pamphlets to all the homes in the area through the Junior Red Cross branches in the schools, and to have the blood donor film "Prescription for Life" shown at the local theatre.

Outside Area Given Advice

The recent problems and discussions of the controversial "no man's land" were commented on yesterday when Hon. George Dewar, minister of education, said that the people of "no-man's land" in the Spring Park area bordering the city should organize and take the lead in seeking a solution to the problem created by the department's discontinuing grants to Charlottetown for children of the area attending city schools.

The department has decided not to give grants, formerly $70 per child, as "it is not a practice done for any other similar area in the province."

Dr. Dewar said the department is happy to provide financial assistance for education to any community or district that qualifies for it under the regulations of the department.

Lot 16 Residents Quell Church Fire

LOT 16 — Fire at the Lot 16 United Church about 7 p.m. last evening was brought under control by community effort, and finally extinguished by the Miscouche fire department.

The fire, which may have resulted from an explosion or back-fire from an oil furnace, was apparently first discovered by some unidentified person who left a note on the door of the manse residence during the temporary absence of the pastor, Rev. Ralph Johnstone, saying that the furnace in the church was smoking.

The fire alarm was sounded first by two women of the community, Mrs. Wilfred Lyle and Mrs. A.K. MacGregor, who arrived at the church to hang new drapes in the Sunday school rooms.

On arriving at the church they found the building filled with smoke, and shortly afterward, Mr. Johnstone, who had arrived home and discovered the note on his door, arrived at the church to investigate the message about the smoking furnace.

A call for assistance was sounded, and among the first of many to arrive was Darrell Lyle, who had a fire extinguisher which he used to put out the blaze around the floor in the vicinity of the furnace.

The building was so filled with smoke that when the Miscouche fire truck arrived the hoses had to be handled from outside the building until the fire under the flooring was completely doused.

The presence of a large amount of soot in the church suggested that an explosion of the furnace may have occurred.

Country Club At Southport Said Seeking Incorporation

According to notice published in the most recent issue of the Royal Gazette, a new club in the Charlottetown area, to be known as the Southport Country Club, will seek incorporation. The new club is reportedly planned for a location near the junction of the Trans-Canada Highway and the old Southport road.

Headed by R. D. (Dick) MacKinnon, Mermaid, the group seeking incorporation includes Joseph McKenna, Peter W. Moore, Frederick Pound and Stuart Veale.

It has been rumored the club intends to operate all the facilities of a country club, with emphasis on full family entertainment and membership. Such diversions as golf, archery, tennis and other normal club activities are reportedly planned.

GRADUATES

A bachelor of arts degree was conferred on Walter McBeath Lea, son of Mrs. George Scharman, Moncton and the late Clifford Sifton Lea, Victoria, P.E.I. at the recent convocation exercises for Mount Allison University in Sackville.

S'side Couple Are Friends Of Astronaut

SUMMERSIDE — With all yesterday's excitement of Scott Carpenter's space flight, the two most interested P.E.I. residents probably were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linkletter, operators of the Linkletter Motel, in Summerside.

Mr. and Mrs. Linkletter were personal friends of astronaut Carpenter, grew up with him, and attended the same high school in Boulder, Colorado.

While watching the event on television yesterday, Mr. Linkletter recalled their high school days and friendship and said "Scott was a likeable, friendly young fellow, with average academic ability", and not at all the sort of young man he would have envisaged to have achieved the fame and accomplishments that have led to his present world-wide acclaim.

The Linkletters, because of their acquaintance with and liking for their former school mate, named their only son, now age 15, Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Linkletter visited their home town of Boulder last winter, and recalled conversation with relatives at whose home astronaut Carpenter had visited a few weeks previously, and of the tremendous interest he had in the space project.

New Ferry Seen Asset To Traffic

The new CNR ferry, MV Confederation carried between 70 and 80 vehicles per trip over the holiday weekend it was learned from Graham Rogers, provincial transportation director.

"The figures are a definite answer to the undoubted value of this ship in periods of heavy traffic", Mr. Rogers said.

On May 18, on the 7.30 p.m. trip from Cape Tormentine to Borden, the ferry carried 66 automobiles and seven trucks. On the following day, on the 10.05 a.m. trip from Cape Tormentine to Borden, 63 automobiles and seven trucks were carried. On May 21, on the 7.30 p.m. trip from Cape Tormentine to Borden, the ferry carried 73 automobiles and two trucks.

Mr. Rogers said that about one-third of the automobiles carried were of the compact car size.

He added that the figures show that the MV Confederation will be a "great asset" to the service during the summer's expected heavy traffic.

ATOMIC FUEL

An atomic plant provides light, heat and power for two years on 48 pounds of uranium at a U.S. installation on Greenland.

Hon. Alvin Hamilton Is Slated To Speak At Morell, May 30

MONTAGUE — Hon. Alvin Hamilton, minister of agriculture, will address a Progressive Conservative meeting at Morell community hall Wednesday night, May 30, it was announced last night by Mrs. Margaret Macdonald, PC candidate for Kings in the June 18 federal election.

This will be Mr. Hamilton's only speaking engagement in the province prior to the election. The exact time of his arrival at Charlottetown has not yet been learned by PC officials in the province.

Other speakers at the Morell meeting will include Mrs. Macdonald, Premier W.R. Shaw, Hon. Leo F. Rossiter, minister of industry and natural resources and fisheries, and J. Walter Dingwell, MLA.

A native of Kenora, Ont., Mr. Hamilton is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan. He served as a navigator with the RCAF, in Canada and overseas, from 1942 until 1945 and was discharged with the rank of flight-lieutenant.

He was leader of the Progressive Conservative party in Saskatchewan from 1949 to 1957, and was first elected to parliament on June 10, 1957, as MP for Qu'Appelle, Sask. He was named minister of agriculture in October, 1960, after serving three years as minister of north-

HON ALVIN HAMILTON

ern affairs and natural resources.

Mr. Hamilton's farming background started when he moved to his uncle's farm at Delisle, Sask., at an early age after the death of his parents at Kenora.

WEATHER

TORONTO (CP) — Temperatures:

	Min. Night	Max. Day
Dawson	38	70
Vancouver	50	57
Victoria	49	63
Edmonton	39	68
Calgary	45	60
Regina	33	65
Winnipeg	42	60
Toronto	54	69
Ottawa	54	73
Montreal	58	71
Quebec	45	51
Fredericton	32	57
Saint John	38	58
Moncton	31	58
Halifax	36	49
Charlottetown	29	—
Sydney	28	55
Yarmouth	39	57
St. John's	28	46

HALIFAX (CP)—The weather office says a disturbance bringing widespread showers and thunderstorms should pass through the maritimes by noon. Cloud should form again in New Brunswick in the afternoon, bringing with it a few more showers.

Regional forecasts:

Halifax and vicinity, Eastern Shore: Overcast with a few showers, clearing around noon; warmer; west winds 20. Low-high at Halifax 45 and 68, Goshen 40 and 65.

South Shore, Annapolis Valley, northern Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island: Overcast, clearing during morning; warmer; west winds 20. Low-high at Yarmouth 50 and 65, Kentville 50 and 72, New Glasgow 45 and 68, Charlottetown 45 and 65.

Cape Breton: A few showers, clearing in the afternoon; warmer; southwest winds 20. Low-high at Sydney 40 and 65.

Eastern N.B. counties, Lower St. John River Valley: Sunny with a few cloudy periods and scattered showers; warmer; west winds 20. Low-high at Moncton 45 and 72, Fredericton and Saint John 50 and 72.

Upper St. John River Valley, Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with a few showers; a little warmer; west winds 20. Low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton 45 and 63.

Bay of Fundy: South gales 35, diminishing during morning to west winds 20; overcast, clearing during the morning; fog patches; visibility 10 miles lowering in fog patches to one-quarter mile; temperatures in the 40s.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 2.16 a.m. and 3.07 p.m. At Rustico at 9.22 a.m. and 11.45 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen town. Sun rises today at 4.37 minutes later than Charlottetown and sets at 7.16.

Sentence Is Suspended On Negligence Charge

SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

A suspended sentence with instructions to report every three months to the Alberton RCMP detachment was handed out to Henry Joseph Gallant, Howlan, yesterday, following conviction in the Supreme Court on the charge of criminal negligence while operating a motor vehicle.

In pronouncing sentence Mr. Justice R.R. Bell also instructed the accused to enter into bonds with the court to a total of $4,000.

Gallant had been charged with the more serious offence of criminal negligence in the operation of a motor vehicle resulting in death, which has been reduced to the lesser charge by the Supreme Court jury who also included "a strong recommendation for mercy" in their verdict.

The charge against Gallant resulted from the death of Wayne Heber Andrews at Uniondale, near O'Leary on the night of November 17, 1961, when struck by a car driven by Gallant.

Defence Counsel, J. Watson MacNaught, QC, in a plea for leniency from the court yesterday pointing out that the accused is a married man, with five children, aged 6 to 17 years, who are dependent on him for livelihood.

He also presented letters to the court from St. Anthony's and O'Leary branches of the Canadian Legion, testifying to the good character, and industry of the accused.

He pointed out that the jury had reduced the charge and included a strong recommendation of mercy, and Mr. MacNaught requested the court to limit sentence to a suspended sentence.

Crown Prosecutor George R. MacMahon, pointed out that the accused had been found guilty of criminal negligence in the operation of a motor vehicle in a manner which had resulted in the death of an innocent youth.

While noting the jury recommendation and the fact that the accused had no previous criminal record, he said the public must be protected in using the highways and asked for a long jail term and a three year cancellation of Gallant's driving license.

In passing sentence Mr. Justice Bell said he was not thinking so much of Gallant's welfare as that of his wife and five children who were dependent on him for support. He warned the accused that he had not been behaving himself properly on the night and day of the accident that resulted in the death, and reminded him that he would have to face the court again for sentence which was being suspended, unless he kept completely out of trouble and away from liquor for the next two years.

He said he would not at this time suspend the driving license of the accused because of the hardship that would be imposed on him through his necessity to drive back and forth to his home in Howlan from carpenter work in Summerside each day.

He instructed Gallant to report to the RCMP at Alberton every three months, and required the posting of a bond in the amount of $2,000 by Gallant and sureties of $1,000 from each of two persons before Gallant is released from custody.

Bombers Open Camp May 30

WINNIPEG (CP) — Winnipeg Blue Bombers, defending Grey Cup champions announced Thursday that their spring training camp for football hopefuls will open here May 30 and last for 10 days.

Forty - one players have accepted invitations to attend the camp, the club said in a press release. Coach Bud Grant and his regular staff will be aided by junior and intermediate coaches from the Winnipeg area as well as some bomber players and coach George Deprez of the University of Manitoba.

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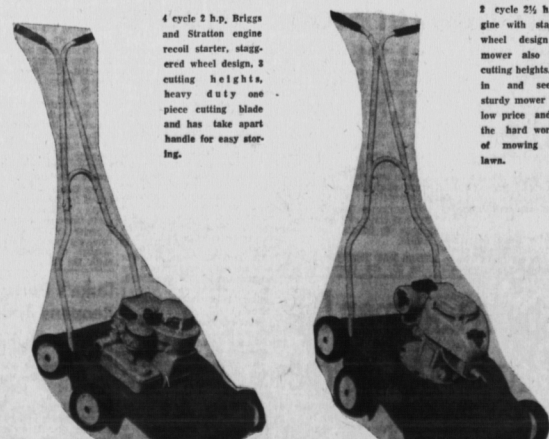

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