

NEWSY NOTES

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF GROUP HOSPITALIZATION IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES

The problem of Health Insurance and the idea of group hospitalization had been discussed by our people for many years; it was therefore featured in the program for the Second Biennial Meeting of the Hospitals of the Maritime Provinces that met at Pictou Lodge July 2nd and 3rd, 1941.

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the Maritime Hospital Association, however, the M. H. A. decided to sponsor the newly incorporated body created by bill No. 37 and the Act of April 14th, 1943, which was only for Nova Scotia.

An organization meeting to carry out the purposes as described in the Act was held at Antigonish on April 30th, 1943. Dr. J. A. MacMillan was chosen chairman and Miss Susan McQueen, Secretary of the meeting. A Board of 15 Directors was elected. The Executive Officers were elected by ballot with Dr. J. A. MacMillan as Chairman, and Miss Ruth C. Wilson as Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director of this newly formed Maritime Hospital Service Association. The Constitution and Bye-Laws were amended and adopted. A. R. Yeoman was continued as organizer. A letter of appreciation to Hon. F. R. Davis for his services and facilities was adopted. A copy of the Bye-Laws was ordered sent to the Blue Cross Headquarters for their approval.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the M. H. S. A. sponsored by the M. H. A. met at Kentville at the time of the Maritime Hospital Convention June 29-30, 1943. At this meeting "all transactions and business conducted by the original Board named in the Act of Incorporation, all appointments to the Board of the Maritime Hospital Service Association together with all other matters pertaining to the functioning of the Board," on Motion of Dr. J. A. MacMillan, were confirmed, approved, ratified and adopted, by this official meeting of the Maritime Hospital Service Association, now in session. Steps were taken to secure "Letters Patent" in Prince Edward Island. An Act of incorporation was proposed for New Brunswick to implement legislation to enable the Plan to function in those two provinces. It was agreed that anyone might organize or bring in a group for hospitalization.

The representatives of the Hospitals of Prince Edward Island met on April 10th, 1943 and approved of the Plan for group hospitalization.

In a letter to me dated June 1st, 1943, Mr. E. G. Wright, Executive Director of the M.H.S.A. reported: A business office of the M.H.S.A. has been opened in the Bank of Nova Scotia Building, Moncton, N. B.; a firm of chartered accountants had been engaged to work out a system of group hospitalization. Mr. Wright was employed to learn the system and work under the direction of the Executive Director; a contract form had been sent out to all hospitals with explanatory letters; Mr. R. Yeoman was continued as organizer.

Group No. 1 which had been formed by the Experimental Station at Charlottetown had 17 subscribers with Bruce McLaren, as Group Secretary. The Plan was launched, others followed the lead of "The Island" and brought in more groups of subscribers.

Savage Harbor

It is pleasing to note that the condition of Mrs. Josie Douglas of Savage Harbour, is reported as steadily improving. Mrs. Douglas, stricken several months ago, was under treatment at the Prince Edward Island Hospital for several weeks returning to her home about a month ago. It is the sincere wish of all that Mrs. Douglas's condition will continue to improve until once again she is restored to a full measure of good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Jay of Morell were Sunday visitors to Savage Harbour, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNeil. Mr. Jay, one of the island's most outstanding motor mechanics, has a host of friends in this area who are always happy to have him and his genial partner visit among them.

Dr. and Mrs. George Shepard and family of Mt. Stewart are enjoying a pleasant holiday at Halifax, N. S., where they are the guests of relatives and friends.

A large crowd attended the rummage sale held in St. Andrew's Hall, Mt. Stewart, sponsored by the C. W. L., of St. Andrew Parish. All were in the buying mood and so the large selection of articles donated by the members of the League were quickly disposed of. The sale was a distinct financial success.

Miss Aletha Mullin, student at Notre Dame Academy, spent the week-end at Mt. Stewart, where she was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mullins.

Mr. and Mrs. Pius Griffin of Mt. Stewart, have returned to their home in Mt. Stewart, after spending a most enjoyable holiday at Moncton, N.B., where they were the guests of friends.

Mrs. James McInnis of Charlottetown, is visiting in Mt. Stewart, where she is the guest of Mrs. Mont MacKay and Miss Ida MacKay, R. N.

Mr. Reggie MacDonald of Moncton, was a week-end visitor to Mt. Stewart, where he was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Douglas MacDonald. Reggie, a former resident of Mt. Stewart, has many friends throughout this area who are always delighted to have him visit among them and who in their hearts foster the hope that some day in the not too distant future Reggie will return to Mt. Stewart and take up again the role he so admirably filled in the social and business activities of the community.

A motor party consisting of Messrs. John MacKinnon, Clarence Coffin, Jr., Bertram MacKinnon and Alvin Burke left during the week on a business trip to Marazion, Ontario. Combining business with pleasure it is the intention of the party to visit many of the former residents of this area now successfully established in their foster homes in and about the thriving Ontario centre.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Robertson and daughter Elaine, of Amherst,



4-H Club Members Tour Annapolis Valley

4-H Club members, forming a group of fifty, part of whom are seen above, were taken on a three-day tour of Annapolis Valley last week-end, where they visited with 4H Club members of that area, and were taken on sight-seeing drives through the Valley.

Five members from each club were present on the trip which was in the form of a reward for their work in 4H Clubs. The various districts represented included O'Leary, Malpeque, Kensington, Cape Wolfe, Rollo Bay East, Brackley Point, and Bedeque.

Among the highlights of the tour was a visit to the festival at which the crowning of the Apple Blossom Queen took place; a visit to a look-out tower near Port William, from where a magnificent view extending 75 miles up and down the valley was seen; and perhaps the most uniquely interesting, at least for the younger members of the party, was a ride on a hay wagon hauled by a team of oxen—an experience unfamiliar to youngsters in Prince Edward Island.

The tour was conducted by Keith Clay, Prince County fieldman; and the chaperone was Mrs. H. W. Clay. Three directors of 4H Club work who were present on the tour are seen in the back row of the above photo, and are, from left to right, Harold Palmer, Kensington; Reynall MacNeill, O'Leary; and Arthur Profit, Kensington.—S.

Lorne Valley

Mr. William Lowery, Halifax, N. S., spent a recent week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lowery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacLeod and family, Roseneath, motored to Lorne Valley on May 25, where they visited friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland MacDonald and family of Saint-John, N. B., have returned to their home following a pleasant holiday spent at Mt. Stewart, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban MacDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gallagher.

A motor party consisting of Mrs. Rita Ross, Mrs. Margaret MacDonald, Mrs. Alex MacDonald and Mr. Colin MacDonald all of Mt. Stewart, have returned from a happy holiday spent in Boston and other American centres. While away they attended the graduation ceremonies of the Winthrop General Hospital, where Mrs. Margaret MacDonald's daughter, Miss Isabel MacDonald, was one of the graduating class.

Master Garnet Ross, Union Road, recently spent a few days at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lowery.

Mr. Frank Parker, Georgetown, visited friends in Lorne Valley recently.

Miss Joan MacGrath, Montague, spent last week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Munro MacGrath.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy MacLeod, Charlottetown, motored to Lorne Valley, on May 28. They spent the week-end as guests of Mrs. MacLeod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crane and son, Lea, Bangor, were recent visitors here. They were guests of Mrs. Crane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacGrath.

The annual district convention of the Women's Institutes was held at Lorne Valley School on Tuesday, May 24. This district is composed of Montague, Cardigan, New Perth, Roseneath and Lorne Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Myers and children, Brian and Keith, Cardigan, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shaw.

Mrs. Teresa O'Brien and Mrs. M. D. Gallant have returned to their homes after spending the winter months in Rumford, Maine. They were accompanied by Mrs. O'Brien's little granddaughter, Susan Beauschese who will spend some time on the Island.

St. Peter's Variety Concert was presented in Lorne Valley Hall on Thursday, May 26. The two one-act plays were acted to perfection and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Also much appreciated

Lobsters continue in abundance in the waters off Savage Harbour. If present catches continue for another couple of weeks it will not be at all surprising if a new record catches go into the books. Everybody is happy, and well they should be, for when the fishermen have a successful season everybody benefits from their success.

Representatives of the Maritime Electric Company were working in Savage Harbour during the week estimating the cost to the different residents of having the power lines brought to their homes. This is the opportunity for which the people of Savage Harbour have long waited. If the power is to come to the homes of this prosperous community, then all must put their shoulders to the wheel.

—C.H.

LOST AND FOUND PIGEON
STAVELOT, Belgium (AP)—A homing pigeon which had gone astray here easily found the way home. It flew into the local police station and perched itself on the cupboard containing lost property items. A policeman captured it and thanks to its identification ring returned the bird to its owner in Saint Hubert, some 45 miles away.

York

Mr. George Proude, York, has accepted a position in Charlottetown. His many friends wish him success.

Mrs. W. D. Cooke, York, attended Convocation exercises at Prince of Wales College from where her daughter, Elaine, graduated in Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes, Covehead, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vessey also Mrs. Herbert Vessey, on May 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slackford, Charlottetown, were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Edison Hardy, York, on May 29.

Mr. Donald Crockett, Lowell, Watts, and Lesteh Birk, paid a short visit to FreeTown on Wednesday.

Mrs. Irving Macdonald, York, spent Wednesday at Souris, where she attended the wedding of her brother, Mr. Thomas Proude.

Mrs. Albin Vessey, York, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hammond Brown and Mr. Brown, on Tuesday in Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Proude and son, George, were visitors to Covehead recently. They were the guests of Mrs. Proude's mother, George Bearisto, Covehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Chandler and son, Ed, visited York, on Tuesday.

Mr. W. H. Pope Cooke, visited the City on Tuesday, where he visited with his son, Ed, and Mrs. Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacDonald and two children, Deborah and Hazel, were visitors to Charlottetown on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Gordon Crockett, York, spent Tuesday in the City. —B.O.

were the singing and dancing. The instrumental music, which would set one's toes a tapping, added greatly to the programme. Candy and soft drinks were sold and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing to music arranged by Mr. Jack Webster and Mr. Stanley Burke. At quite a late hour all dispersed homeward, feeling they had enjoyed a wonderful evening.

—A.M.

Former Quebec Member Is Linked With Robbery

SWETSBURG, Que. (CP)—Gaston Ledoux, former Liberal member of the Quebec Legislative Assembly, today was linked with a garage robbery when he appeared for preliminary hearing on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

Ledoux who resigned May 18 as member for Shefford was charged with receiving a ring reported stolen April 10 from the home of Jacques Noiseux of Granby, Que.

First witness at the preliminary hearing was Roy Hamlin, said by police to be wanted by law authorities in several parts of the United States. He was wounded by police while allegedly trying to flee the scene of a garage robbery at Mirgor, Que., April 29.

When to look the stand, Hamlin asked for the protection of the court so that his evidence may not later be used against him.

He testified that April 30 he and Joseph Lacroix, a former Waterloo, Que., police constable, broke into the home of Mr. Noiseux and stole some jewelry. Hamlin said they then drove to Ledoux's home at Austin, Que., and the next day they gave Ledoux a ring taken from the Noiseux home.

E. Veilleux, counsel for Ledoux, asked if the accused had not returned the ring. Hamlin said he had not.

Despite defence objections, Gerard Normandin, crown prosecutor, questioned Hamlin about the robbery of the Masog garage and whether Ledoux was present at the time. Hamlin replied that Ledoux was in the garage at the time of the robbery.

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the Company of their very successful season. Mrs. Dumont, Commissioner for Training also, spoke to the Guides, about the adventure camp at Lake O'Hara B.C., and said that honour was brought to 1st and 3rd Co. by having one of their Guides, Marine Kays, chosen to represent the Province. Mrs. Fudge, Company Leader gave a report, and thanked the Guides for their help and cooperation. The meeting closed with evening songs and taps, and was dismissed by Mrs. Sutherland.

Girl Guide News

12th Brownie Pack
The closing meeting of Zion Brownies took place May 30th, with a number of parents and friends present. Mrs. John Sutherland, Deputy Provincial Commissioner, enquired the following Brownies: Arretta MacDonald, Elaine Hillier, Heather Dorene MacDonald, Elaine Johnson, Judy Vessey, Anne Gorvette, Dianne Burke, Mary Bernard, Sheryl Dunbar, Gail Loftus and Dale Ranahan.

Mrs. Sutherland also presented the following Badges: Golden Bars, Phyllis Moore, Glenda Stewart, Sadie MacDonald, Lynda Wright, Dianne MacLaughlin, Judy MacLaughlin, Shanna Cotton, Lynn Loftus, Helen MacInnis, Golden Band, Janet MacDonald, Dawn Currie and Edith Phillips.

Songs were then sung by the Brownies, Fire Lighting Song, and This Little Guiding Light of Mine; after which a dainty lunch was served by the ladies of Zion Local Association. Margaret Balderson, on behalf of the Brownies thanked the Ladies for their kindness.

Thus ended a busy season for this excellent Brownie Pack under Mrs. W. J. Rodd, Brown Owl. 1st and 3rd St. Peters Guides were "At Home" Tuesday evening for a large number of Commissioners, parents and friends; the occasion being their closing meeting. The meeting opened with the Guide prayer, after which Mrs. F. J. Rodd, Jenkins inspected the Guides and complimented them very highly on their splendid appearance and conduct, and urged them to begin again in the fall with a determination to do even better.

Several songs were sung around the Campfire, and the following skits were played: "Mary Had a Little Lamb" Sandra Lord, Anna McKay, Moira Nevin, Andrea Duvar, Debby Pletch, Daphne Armstrong; "Water Skit" Jennifer Graham Daphne Armstrong; "Restaurant Skit", Doreen Kays, Sandra Lord.

A delicious lunch was then served; Mrs. John Sutherland poured tea, and the following Guides who were being tested for the Hostess Badge by Mrs. Parent, served: Elizabeth Anderson, Wendy Armstrong, Marina Kays, Winnifred Ann MacMillan, Mrs. Sutherland contraluted.

TIGER CAUSES PANIC
DUNKERQUE, France, (Reuters)—A tiger that escaped from its circus cage caused panic in the streets of this French port Friday. Housewives ran for shelter, dragging their children with them. Shopkeepers hastily closed their doors. The circus men caught the tiger after about half an hour.

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