

## Franciscan Ordination First In Bloomfield Parish Church

ALBERTON — The Church of St. Anthony, Bloomfield, was the scene of a very impressive ceremony on Saturday when His Excellency, Most Rev. Damase Laberge, Vicar Apostolic of St. Joseph of the Amazon, Peru, South America, conferred the holy order of the priesthood on Rev. Gonzaga Gallant, Franciscan, formerly known as Laurence Gallant. Father Gallant is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony F. Gallant, Piusville.

Most Rev. Damase Laberge is a Canadian who has worked since 1945 as a missionary and since 1953 as a bishop in this part of Peru known as the Amazon territory, the Amazon and its tributaries being the only means of transportation in the whole territory.

Gallant is a former student of Piusville School; from 1945 till 1951 he studied at St. Joseph's university in New Brunswick, having obtained a scholarship from the Saint Thomas Aquinas Society. In 1951 he joined the Franciscan order, and since that time he has studied at Franciscan institutions in Sherbrooke, Quebec and Montreal.

**ASSISTED BISHOP**  
The bishop was assisted in the ceremony by Rev. Pascal Provost, O.F.M., and Rev. Edmond Gallant, C.S.M. of St. Joseph's

on returning by car to Hamilton in about a week, following a business trip through Cape Breton and centers in mainland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Mr. and Mrs. William White of Borden and Miss Phyllis White of Charlottetown, recently spent several days in Georgetown as the guests of Mrs. White's brother, Mr. J.F. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew MacNeill and Mr. Walter MacNeill of Southport motored to Georgetown last week. While here they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Murphy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hempstock of Ottawa, Ontario, motored to the Province last week and were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Lavers.

Miss Bernice DeLory, Laboratory Technician at the Charlottetown Hospital, is spending her annual holidays as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.J. DeLory.

Miss Barbara McQuillan, employee of F.J. DeLory and Sons, is presently on annual vacation and left on Sunday for a visit to New Glasgow and Halifax, N.S. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Walker who have been visiting in Georgetown left by car on Sunday on return to Sydney, N.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrick Easton left recently on return to Hamilton, Ont., after a two week vacation spent in Georgetown, A.C.

After the Mass two addresses were read: the newly ordained priest, one in French by the Hon. Prosper Arsenault and one in English by Alban Arsenault.

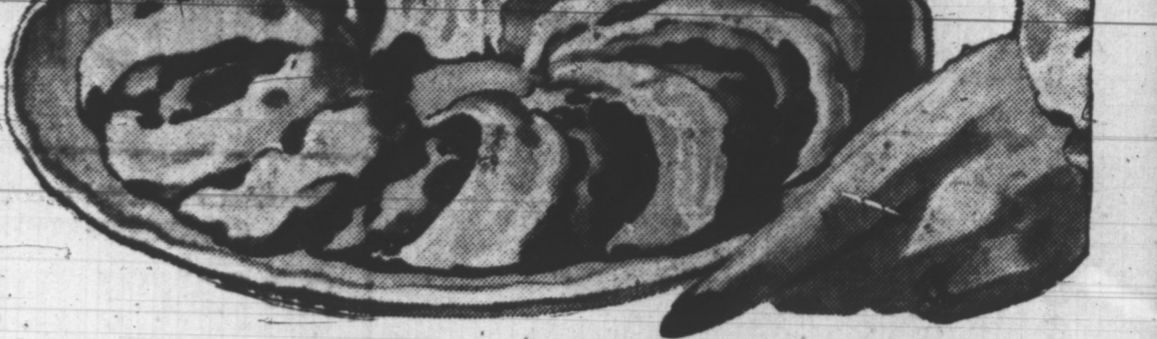
A purse was then presented to Father Gallant by Melvin Gallant from the faithful of St. Anthony's parish. The Rev. Gonzaga Gallant expressed his heartfelt thanks both in French and in the English language to the pastor, to his family and to the parishioners. The hymn Te Deum was then sung, and during this time Father Gallant gave his blessing to his relatives and friends.

Following the ceremony a delicious banquet was served in the parish hall by the Catholic Women's League of the parish in honor of the new priest.

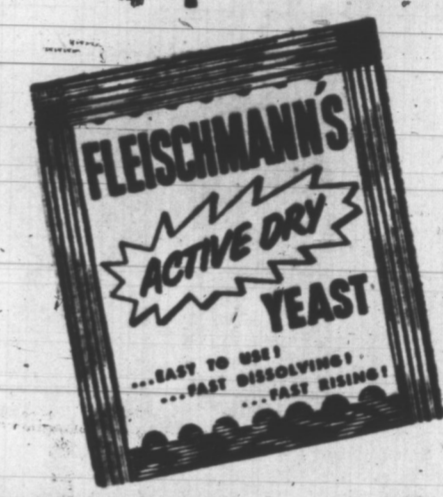
Rev. Pierre Arsenault acted as toast master and the speakers were: Rev. Clarence Pitre, Rev. Zoel Robert, O.F.M.; Rev. M. Rooney, Doctor Henri Blanchard, Hon. Prosper Arsenault, Gilbert Gaudet and Rev. Gonzaga Gallant, O.F.M.

It was noted that it was the first sacred ordination ever to be held in the parish. It was also noted that Father Gallant was a descendant of Cyprien Gallant, one of the very first settlers of Bloomfield parish in 1801.

Father Gallant will spend three weeks with his family in Piusville, then he will return to the Franciscan College in Longueuil, P.Q. where he will teach religious and contemporary literature to the students of philosophy.



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## QUEEN ENJOYS HERSELF

Smiling, holding a large bundle of flowers and obviously enjoying herself, Queen Elizabeth talked before continuing her tour of Southern Ontario. She had a perfect weather for the trip. (CP Photo)

## GEORGETOWN

Rev. Nathan H. Mair left Georgetown late last week to take up his duties as pastor of Hopewell Presbyterian Church at Thompson Ridge, N.Y., following a vacation spent in Georgetown with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Forster and in Five Islands, N.S. with his mother, Mrs. Roland Marsh. Rev. Mr. Mair will also continue his studies working on his Th. D. in Pastoral Theology from Union Theological Seminary, New York.

Miss Elizabeth Grant, school teacher at Milltown Cross, left on Thursday for Boston, Mass., where she will spend a month with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Lavers and daughter Corinne motored to Charlottetown on Wednesday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Walker. Corinne remained in the City where she will vacation for a time.

Mr. Clem Wight left recently on return to Boston, Mass., after holidaying in Georgetown as the guest of his mother, Mrs. William Wight.

Mrs. Edgar Lannon of Needham, Mass., arrived in Georgetown recently and will spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. L.H. Douglas.

Miss Ann Gardiner of Cardigan is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Annie Gardiner. Mrs. Florence Jenkins who spent the winter and spring in Charlottetown with her daughter, Miss Dorothy Jenkins, has again taken up residence in her home on Richmond Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Solomon and family motored to Charlottetown and North River on Dominion Day.

Miss Donna Harris of Elmira is holidaying in Georgetown as the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Annie Gardiner.

Mrs. Carl Cameron and daughter Ann, who have been visiting Mrs. Cameron's mother, Mrs. L.H. Douglas, left during the week on return to their home in Halifax, N.S.

Mr. Charles MacDonald of Mt. Stewart was a visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Jenkins of Summerside were recent visitors to Georgetown.

Miss Dorothy Jenkins of Charlottetown, spent Dominion Day as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Florence Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander B. Way of Boston, Mass., accompanied by Miss Bessie Willys, arrived in Georgetown on Wednesday and will vacation at Mr. and Mrs. Way's summer residence here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen have as their guests for a month, their daughters, Miss Elizabeth Allen and Miss Mae Allen of Boston, Mass.

Mr. Claude Dewar of Montague was a business visitor to Georgetown on Thursday.

Mr. Lawrence Batchelder, Kings County jailor, is presently on annual holidays. Mr. Batchelder is being relieved in his duties by Mr. Fred Allen.

Mr. John C. Gotell, caretaker of the Georgetown Post Office, is on his annual vacation and is being relieved by Mr. Guy Hemp-hill.

Mr. Charles Mair, who is employed with Household Finance Corporation of Canada in Summerside spent the Dominion Day holiday as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mair. Mrs. Cyrene MacDonald has as her guests, her daughter, Mrs. Katherine Anne of Windy-Fred Dockrill Jr., and her daughter, Manitoba and Mr. and Mrs.

Fred Dockerill Sr., of Halifax, N.S. Mr. Emmett Murphy and Mr. Francis Shreanan of Kelly's Cove visited their mother, Mrs. J.W. Murphy at the home of Mr. Harry Yorston on Sunday. Miss Lorraine Roche of Boston, Mass., is vacationing in Georgetown as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roche. Mrs. Ida Wood of Boston, Mass. is the guest of her sisters, the Misses Margaret and Jennie Lee Richards. Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. DeLory and daughter Shirley, motored from Halifax, N.S. on Friday. Mr. DeLory returned to Halifax on Sunday while Mrs. DeLory and daughter will spend two weeks in Georgetown as the guests of Mr. DeLory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.J. DeLory. Miss Betty Chisholm of Boston, Mass., arrived in Georgetown recently, where she will holiday for the summer. Master John McGrath of Lorne Valley is vacationing in Georgetown as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Frank Parker and Mr. Parker. Friends of Mrs. Elmer Hatch are sorry to hear that illness has necessitated her entering the Prince Edward Island Hospital and all wish her a steady and early improvement to better health. Mr. and Mrs. Charles King and family of Weymouth, Mass., motored to Georgetown last week and are the guests of Mr. King's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert King. Mr. Donald MacDonald was the weekend guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. MacDonald. Donald has spent the past six weeks in the Maritimes as Maritime Sales Representative for his firm Buntin Gillis and Co Ltd. of Hamilton, Ontario. He plans

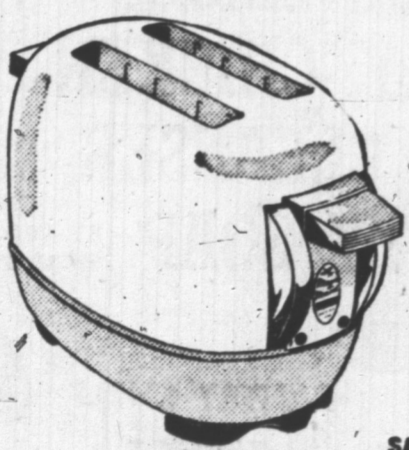
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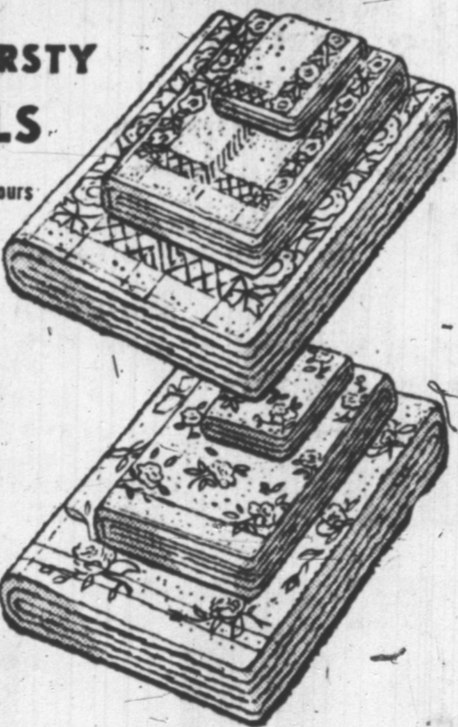
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