

P.E.I. Minister Gives Meditation

Rev. R. E. Baxter of Hampton, P. E. Island is the author of the meditation being used on March 24 by an estimated nine million people around the world who are members of The Upper Room.

N. B. Red Cross Society Meeting

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—F. C. Mortimer of Saint John was elected president of the New Brunswick division of the Red Cross Society when the provincial branch of the organization opened its two-day annual meeting here Tuesday. Eli Boyaner, Saint John, was returned as vice-president.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

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BIRTHS

CUDMORE—At the P. E. I. Hospital on Feb. 15, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Preston Cudmore, a son, Guy Boswell, weight 7 lbs. 8 ozs.

CAMPBELL—To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Campbell, Peakes Station, at the Kings County Hospital on February 14th, 1955, a son, Gerald Cecil.

MACLEOD—To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd MacLeod, Bridgetown, at the Kings County Hospital, on February 15th, 1955, a daughter.

NICHOLSON—At Cincinnati, Ohio, on Feb. 8rd, 1955 to Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Nicholson (nee Mary E. Spill) a son, David William Merrill, weight 5 lbs. 15 3/4 ozs.

MACLEOD—At the Prince County Hospital, Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. David MacLeod, Borden, a son, David Elmer, weight 4 lbs. 3 ozs.

CRONIN—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cronin, Summerville, on February 10th, 1955, at the Kings County Hospital, a daughter, Sheila Marie, weight 7 lbs. 10 ozs.

FERGUSON—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, February 15th, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Leith Ferguson (nee Dorothy Fall), a daughter, Sylvia Mae Ferguson, 8 lbs. 10 ozs.

DEATHS

FERGUSON—At Hamilton, Ontario, on February 10th, 1955, Mrs. Norman Ferguson, only sister of Mrs. Thomas Beer, interment at the People's Cemetery, Kensington, funeral notice later.

MACKINNON—At the P. E. Island Hospital on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1955, Mrs. Flora Mackinnon, widow of the late Daniel Mackinnon, of Sunset Lodge and formerly of Dundas, in her 83rd year. Resting at the MacLeod Funeral Home. Funeral notice later.

CASELEY—At 187 Kent St., on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1955, Miss Elizabeth Margaret Caseley in her 85th year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held tomorrow (Thursday), service commencing at 1:30. Interment in Kensington Cemetery.

DINGWELL—At Brookline, Mass., on February 12th, 1955, Mrs. Hamilton Dingwell, formerly (Lida Smith) of Fortune Bridge, in her 84th year. The remains will arrive in Charlottetown on Thursday and will be forwarded to the home of her cousin Mrs. Ernest Johnston from where the funeral will be held on Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. Interment in Bay Fortune Cemetery.

KELLY—At Charlottetown, Monday, Feb. 14, 1955, John Kelly of Auburn, in his 83rd year. His remains were transferred yesterday afternoon from the Kenessey Funeral Home to the site where the funeral will take place Thursday morning at St. Patrick's Church, Fort Augustus for Solemn Requiem High Mass at nine o'clock. Interment in the church cemetery.

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Complete Funeral and Ambulance Service

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City and Central

TWO RACKS teen-age Dresses clearing 1/2 price. Third floor—S. A. MacDonald's.

INTERNATIONAL 8.5 Refrigerators, regular \$342.75. Sale \$225.00. Storey Electric.

TRINITY Women's Association hot turkey dinner this afternoon. Tickets available at door.

ONE GROUP Children's Coat Sets, sizes 3 to 6 Clearing 1/2 price. Third floor—S. A. MacDonald's.

THIRD FLOOR SPECIAL.—70 x 30 Pink and Blue Flannelette Blankets, \$3.95 pair. S. A. MacDonald's.

FIRST READING—First reading in the Legislature yesterday, was given to a bill, "An Act in respect of the Teacher's Superannuation Act".

PRINTS—White Cotton—Broadcloths, White Flannelette, Plastics, etc. 35c yard or 3 yards for \$1.00. Third floor—S. A. MacDonald's.

LISTEN FCY this Wednesday evening 8:45 p.m. to Mr. Justice G. J. Tweedy who starts a series of talks on behalf of the Historic Society of P. E. I. These talks will be given every Wednesday evening at 8:45.

REPORTS TABLED—The annual report of the Department of Public Works was tabled in the Legislature yesterday by the Minister, Hon. Douglas Macdonald, and the report of the Department of Health and Welfare was tabled by the Minister, Hon. B. Earle Macdonald.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION—Mrs. Roland Taylor of Taylors Jewellers is leaving today for Montreal and Toronto. When in Toronto Mr. Taylor will attend the Canadian Jewellers Association convention and Gift Show. Mrs. Taylor is accompanying him.

ENGAGEMENT—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strongman announce the engagement of their only daughter, Doris Lillian of Ottawa, to Cpl. Murray Cole, R.C.A.F. cadet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Cole, also of Ottawa, the marriage will take place Saturday, February 26th at 3 p.m. in All Saints Church, Westboro.

SPRING PARK HALL—At a card party held Monday evening at Spring Park Hall the following were prize winners: Ladies, first, Mrs. Rita Worth, second, Mrs. John Stockman, consolation, Mrs. Jack Williams, men, first, Edward Arsenault, second, Mac MacSwain; freezout, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunsford.

SISTER HERE—Much sympathy is being expressed to Mrs. Thomas Beer, Malpeque Road, on the death of her only sister, Mrs. Norman Ferguson at Hamilton, Ont., on Feb. 10, Mrs. Ferguson's home was struck by lightning last summer and she never fully recovered from injuries then received. Interment will be in the People's Cemetery, Kensington.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN Y. P. S.—The young people of Central Christian met in the church parlour for their weekly meeting. A period of singing was led by George Vincent Beck, presided. The devotion, at the thought of the evening entitled "The Need and Importance of Spiritual Things in a Student's Life" was read by Allan Dunbar. Plans were made for a sleigh ride for next week's society evening.

VALENTINE SOCIAL—Ches Cooper was heard in a number of songs at the special feature Valentine social held by the Trinity Y.P.U. in the social hall last evening. A series of games and relays which opened the festivities was followed by a delightful lunch. Calvin Wood, Thelma Willis and Frederick Seller gave leadership to a short service of worship before the close of the meeting. Nancy Lea was pianist throughout the proceedings.

FUNERAL TUESDAY—Funeral service for the late Lida Blanche Smith, Cherry Valley, was held yesterday afternoon in Cherry Valley United Church, conducted at church and grave by Rev. John M. Sheene, Vernon, assisted by Dr. A. S. Weir, Cornwall, and Rev. George Tilley, Mt. Mellick. Bearers were six cousins of the deceased, W. W. Mutch, Roy Mutch, A. H. Mutch, Everett Jenkins, William Jenkins and George Jenkins. Interment was in the church cemetery. The service was largely attended.

SAINT JOSEPH'S SODALITY—The regular monthly meeting of St. Joseph's sodality and Alumnae was held Sunday, February 13th with a large number of members in attendance. The president, Miss Anne Walsh, presided. After the opening prayer, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following committees were reported on: Sick, Mrs. Leo McNally; library, Mrs. Gordon Toombs; membership, Mrs. Richard Dowd; good works, Mrs. Allan Macdonald; Retreat and study clubs, Mrs. James Coyle. After the business of the meeting was transacted, Rev. Mother Superior spoke briefly to the members. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given by Rev. Justin Macdonald.

ZION Y.P.S.—A large number of young people attended the Bible class led by Malcolm MacKenzie which began the weekly meeting of Zion Y.P.S. held last evening. E. thel Gillespie and Anna MacPhail then led a devotional period after which Roddie Hickox led the young people in a hearty sing-song. Pianist was Margaret Matheson. The meeting then adjourned to the lower hall where a lively recreational period was led by Louise MacEachern. A delicious lunch was then served by the social committee after which the meeting closed with the singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

Peak About Reached In Seasonal Unemployment

P. E. I. Bible Society receipts total \$10,527

Officials of the local National Employment Office reviewing the employment situation yesterday, stated that it was about the same as the same date one year ago. Seasonal unemployment, said the officials, had just about reached its peak, and probably would not taper off until spring weather arrived in April or thereabouts. Several building projects would be commenced as soon as weather permitted, and there would be an increase in the number of men employed on the Federal Building as winter gave way to more favourable conditions.

The number of people now on claims in King's and Queen's Counties, including Charlottetown, now total 2374 men and women as against 2367 one year ago; this is an increase of only seven men, however, total increases in Charlottetown and the Royalties, were claims; 966 city residents were drawing benefits in 1954. This is a reduction of 98.

Although winter has placed limitations on the amount of work that there has been as always a good deal of criticism regarding the cost of school books. "Act. the cost of school books," said Mr. Clark, "is not any particular advantage of depriving or scolding the cost of goods we have to buy, particularly if the cost is reasonable in relation to the cost of similar things."

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To Attend RCAF Ass'n Meeting

Among the 60 delegates scheduled to attend a two-day maritime convention and election of officers of the RCAF Association in Amherst on Feb 18-19 are a number of officials from Charlottetown and Summerside.

The Charlottetown delegation consists of S. A. Macdonald, national executive, J. A. Carruthers, Maritime group executive, W. S. Chandler, president 201 (Confederation) Wing, G. R. Howard, vice president, and wing delegates N. N. Larabee and W. S. MacLeod.

Representation from the Summerside wing RCAF Association will include Dr. Gilbert Gallant, president, and wing delegates Cyril Hickey, Summerside and Errol Laughlin, Sherbrooke.

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New Rural School

SCHOOL BOOKS

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Bank Accountant Arrives In City

Mr. Don Matthews, who has been appointed accountant in the Canadian Bank of Commerce here, arrived in the city yesterday with Mrs. Matthews and their three children, David, Donna and John. They are registered at the Charlottetown Hotel.

Mr. Matthews, who has been on the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for 17 years, comes to the city from New Glasgow, N.S., where he has been on the staff for the past two years.

Previous to leaving there, Mr. Matthews were honored guest at several social functions. The bank staff arranged a farewell party in their honor, at which the manager, E. M. Love, made a presentation on behalf of the staff.

Mr. Matthews succeeds D. B. MacDougall who has been transferred to Halifax.

Premier Matheson

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Changes in the Unemployment

Act granting more leeway of benefits were cited by the Premier, who showed that where an employee had to contribute 180 days in a year to receive benefits, he now was required to work only 90 days and where he formerly drew 15 days insurance benefits for 90 days he now gets 60 days.

"These," he said, "had the effect of putting more men on the insurance but did not necessarily mean that there were any more of the same category unemployed than in previous years."

The Premier went on to state, "If the Opposition Leader can give a solution for seasonal unemployment, he will rank next to the discoverers of atomic power."

Reference was made to the committee on seasonal unemployment that had been set up by the Federal Government. "They came up with many good suggestions but frankly admitted that there was no short cut to the solution of it."

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