

NEW HIGH SCHOOL PROGRESSES

Work is proceeding satisfactorily on the new High School on Longworth Avenue which is being built by the County Construction Company for the city School Board. As the picture indicates, the erection of the steel-work is getting well underway.

RELIGION AND LIFE

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NEED COURAGE AND FAITH TO BE A LEADER

There is something more than ability and integrity needed for leadership. There is the indefinable element of personality. There is the spirit of high adventure which combines both vision and action. A disgruntled partisan in politics once complained about his party's candidate in his riding: "Oh! He's all right, you know, but he isn't a man you can cheer for."

He could be trusted, and that meant a great deal, but he lacked the magnetic quality that inspired personal devotion and enthusiasm for the cause to which his life was given.

Of all the colorful personalities of the Old Testament none is more attractive and commanding than Nehemiah, the rebuilding of Jerusalem. He restored what Nebuchadnezzar had destroyed, both in stone and mortar, and in the spirit of the people.

We have been considering Gideon, the nobody, who became a national hero and deliverer, and Isaiah, the aristocrat who made his access to courts and kings the opportunity for announcing the will of God for the nations around him.

Now Nehemiah is a man who saw in a tragic failure a grand opportunity. Here was a job he could do, and he gave up ease, luxury and security for a life of adventure, conflict and labor in the interest of his people's restoration.

We have been reading the story of Sir George Stephen's role in the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway as told in Professor Donald Creighton's "Life of Sir John A. Macdonald."

Here was a genius in finance who might have acquired for himself wealth, position and power with the luxury and social advantages that these bring. Instead he launched out on this great adventure for the sake, not only of Canada's unity but of the very existence of this new nation.

When one puts his life into a great cause he has a right to expect understanding and co-operation. Instead he met violent opposition.

Some of it was from men who believed honestly that they had a better plan; some of it from partisans who were looking for an issue that would bring them political victory; some of it from selfish interests who saw his success as a threat to their schemes for personal gain.

Many who professed to be friends were more dangerous than open enemies. Through it all he pressed on to the realization of his ideal. When difficulties mounted, he staked all that he had on his success. When even that was insufficient, he devised new methods and called in new agencies; he was a man who could not stop.

All this is like Nehemiah, the ancient hero in a modern garb. A new nation is being brought into existence and started on its way, and he is the man for the job.

Nehemiah's personal history is a romance in itself. He was a descendant of a Jewish family which had been carried into captivity. He had become the cup-bearer to the Persian King. This meant that he had a reputation for trustworthiness, for kings in that day lived in dread of treachery and one of the duties of the cup-bearer was to make

75 Per Cent Votes Cast

OTTAWA (CP)—Figures issued Friday by chief electoral officer Nelson Castonguay show that more than three-quarters of Canada's eligible voters cast ballots in the June 10 federal election.

A record 8,682,462 Canadians voted out of an eligible list of 8,898,841, or 75.09 per cent. This compared with 67.1 per cent in 1953 and the recent high of 75.4 per cent in 1945.

There were 73,980 spoiled ballots was highest on a percentage basis, being more than one per cent, reducing the total which counted to 6,608,482, including the service vote of 744,337.

In 1953 there were 5,701,963 votes cast, including 60,691 rejected ballots. Eligible voters in 1953 totalled 8,401,692.

The previous record vote was 5,848,766 in the 1949 general election.

Numerically speaking, all the lots was highest on a percentage basis, being more than one per cent of the total vote.

IMPROPER MARKING

Main reason for rejected ballots is improper marking of ballots and voting for more than one candidate. In some municipal elections voters mark more than one name on a single ballot paper.

However, except for the two-member seats in Halifax and Queens, P.E.I., a voter in a federal election may mark only one X on his ballot.

A table, which does not include spoiled ballots, shows that the Progressive Conservative party received 216,113 fewer votes than the Liberals.

Totals by parties:

Liberal, including Independent Liberal, 2,796,164; Progressive Conservative, including Independent - Progressive Conservative, 2,380,051; CCF, 707,833; Social Credit, including Independent - Social Credit, 437,190; Labor - Progressive Communist, 7,772; others, 79,472.

Details of the vote listed under "others":

Independent, 70,114; Candidat des Electeurs, 8,119; Canadian Democrat, 628; Liberal-Conservative coalition, 252; Capital, Familial, 237; National Credit Control, 122.

The Liberals and Conservatives were the only parties to receive all votes in all provinces, the Yukon and Mackenzie River.

NO VOTES

The CCF received no votes in the Yukon or Mackenzie River. Social Credit no votes in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, the Yukon or Mackenzie River, and Labor-Progressive no votes in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and Mackenzie River.

In the list not including rejected ballots, the Labor - Progressive party received 1,432 votes in Ontario, 2,388 in Quebec, 1,579 in Manitoba, 1,345 in British Columbia, 213 in Saskatchewan and 815 in Alberta.

Votes cast by provinces with eligible totals and spoiled ballots in brackets, respectively:

Ontario — 2,295,033 (3,100,458 and 30,471); Quebec — 1,815,586 (2,504,978 and 23,420); Nova Scotia — 394,130 (384,948 and 1,965); New Brunswick — 237,001 (291,036 and 2,796); Newfoundland — 92,858 (200,067 and 752); Prince Edward Island — 67,218 (54,224 and 411); Manitoba — 331,827 (473,802 and 3,763); Saskatchewan — 392,266 (484,318 and 2,143); Alberta — 431,184 (591,043 and 3,515); British Columbia — 586,424 (802,017 and 4,528); Yukon — 4,892 (5,516 and 112); Mackenzie River — 4,043 (6,434 and 104).

There were more votes than eligible voters in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island because of two-member seats in Halifax and Queens constituencies.

Newfoundland's total eligible voters includes those in Burin - Burgeo, where Liberal C. W. Carter was elected by acclamation.

More Mineral, Less Farm-Fishery Products Exported

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian exports in the first half of 1957 rose in value to a record \$2,287,100,000, up slightly from the previous high of \$2,269,900,000 in the corresponding period last year, the bureau of statistics said Friday.

The increase resulted from gains in exports of non ferrous metals, non-metallic minerals, iron and its products, chemicals and allied products and miscellaneous commodities. These gains outweighed substantial declines in exports of agricultural and animal products and wood and paper products.

Increases were recorded in the value of shipments of aluminum, nickel, zinc, uranium, crude petroleum, iron ore, seeds, grains other than wheat and newsprint paper. Value of uranium exports rose to \$44,700,000 from \$21,992,000.

There were decreases in values for wheat, wheat flour, fish and fishery products, planks and boards, wood pulp, farm implements and machinery and copper and copper products.

In June the value of exports declined nearly nine per cent to \$387,000,000 from \$423,600,000 in the corresponding month in 1956. However, the bureau noted the month had fewer working days than usual.

Exports to the United States in the January-June period rose in value to \$1,355,690,000 from \$1,345,374,000 a year earlier. June's value was little changed at \$226,934,000 compared with \$228,750,000.

Shipments to the United Kingdom fell to \$338,481,000 in the six months from \$368,961,000. In June they declined to \$55,974,000 from \$65,363,000.

Exports to the rest of the Commonwealth in the half-year fell to \$112,170,000 from \$127,715,000 and to \$19,587,000 from \$27,176,000 in June. Sales to Latin American countries rose to \$111,756,000 from \$80,566,000 in the six months and to \$16,548,000 from \$15,766,000 in June.

The half-year total of exports to European countries was \$262,782,000 compared with \$255,709,000. In June they dropped to \$50,463,000 from \$68,152,000.

Exports to all other foreign countries rose to \$98,573,000 from \$81,731,000 in the six months but declined in June to \$14,212,000 from \$16,785,000.

Canadian Scouts Receive Stone

SUTTON PARK, England (CP) Boy Scouts from Kenya Friday presented Canadian scouts with a stone which will be used in construction of an international cairn at Montreal.

The square-shaped stone, which weighs about four pounds, was brought from Nyeri in Kenya, near the grave of Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the scout movement. It was presented to Eli Boyaner of Saint John, N.B., leader of the Canadian contingent at this world jamboree camp, by Rev. Frank Bedford, leader of the Kenya contingent. Boyaner then handed the stone to W. Noel Reaker, assistant provincial commissioner of the lone scouts of Quebec.

The Quebec scouts are building a cairn from stones collected from all parts of the world. It will be outside the Quebec provincial scout headquarters in Montreal.

In a separate ceremony at Canadian contingent headquarters, Boyaner presented the coveted silver fox award to Rear-Admiral Sir Richard Bevan, chief scout commissioner for the United Kingdom. He is the sixth person to receive the award, which the Canadian scout movement presents to non-Canadians in recognition of outstanding contributions to international scouting.

MILU W.I.

Due to threatening rain, the members of Milu W.I. did not meet at the beach as previously planned, but met instead at the home of Mrs. Everett Milligan on the evening of August 1st.

Meeting opened with the president, Mrs. Wallace MacNevin in charge and "Ode" was sung, followed by collect. Eight members responded to roll call.

Minutes of previous meeting




PINT SIZE X-RAY

The latest scientific wonder, a new x-ray machine, is demonstrated by its developer, Dr. Leonard Reifel, a Chicago physicist. The rod Dr. Reifel holds is charged by inserting it into the sphere. The rod can then be waved over the portion of the body to be x-rayed. The rays from the rod are registered on a plate behind the patient. Dr. Reifel says general practitioners will probably use the sphere instead of the rod. Removal of a cap from the sphere permits the rays to be emitted toward the patient. The conventional x-ray tube is a complex, bulky, and expensive vacuum lamp, operating under high voltage.

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Q. A friend insists that her white forelock is natural. Does this ever occur?
A. Yes, but the presence of a white forelock from birth or shortly thereafter is rare. Only six American families are known to have this inherited trait. Two Minneapolis doctors reported a case in which a mother and two children had white forelocks. The doctors traced the family tree back as far as possible. In four generations, 18 members of the family had these unusual white streaks.

Q. Is it possible for a completely deaf person to understand speech by lip reading?
A. No. Only about 30 per cent of English speech can be "read" by watching the lips move. But lip reading does help some partially deaf people. A Philadelphia doctor says that deaf people who are well adjusted with a hearing aid should be encouraged to learn lip reading.

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Lot 8 parish picnic, Tuesday, August 20th.

Barn Dance Cliff Peters, Rollo Bay, Monday, August 2.

Barn dance at Jay Edwards, New Glasgow, Monday night.

Rollie MacKenzie's orchestra, Canteen service.

Come to the Biggar Picnic at Cavendish Beach, Sat. afternoon August 17th.

Dance, Farmington School Monday night Music by Chaisson and MacLeod.

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