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THE SIXTH annual marriage preparation course got underway last night at St. Dunstan's Basilica with a record first night crowd in attendance. Rev. Preston Hammill of St. Dunstan's Basilica staff outlined to members an introduction to the course, and guest speaker was Rev. Walter Reid, who spoke on "Modern Attitudes to Marriage." Two of the couples attending the course are seen discussing some of the subject matter with Father Hammill. Left to right are: Audrey Doiron, North Rustico; Theodore Wiegers, Hunter River; Father Hamill; Carol MacDonald, Charlottetown, and Bill MacNeill, Sarnia, Ont.

Sixth Marriage Preparation Course Opens At Basilica

Rev. Walter Reid was guest speaker at the opening meeting of the sixth annual marriage preparation course held last night at St. Dunstan's Basilica.

Father Reid spoke on the first lesson dealt with in the course, "Modern Attitudes to Marriage." He stressed the need for young people to prepare for great responsibilities of marriage, and pointed out the advantages of following a course such as the one they were beginning.

Members were given an introduction to the course by Rev. Preston Hamill of St. Dunstan's Basilica staff.

Next meeting will be Jan. 23, when special speakers will be Ed and Hilton, who will speak on the subject of lesson two—"The Ideal Husband—The Ideal Wife."

Next week's meeting will be the last opportunity for new members to register for the course.

EASTERN BRIEFS

IN S'SIDE

Senator Elsie Inman is visiting friends in Summerside.

VISITING CITY

Mrs. A. Fraser, Montague, is visiting her daughter Mrs. Arthur Sherren and Mr. Sherren, Charlottetown.

IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. John Ballum, Montague, is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital. Mrs. Ballum entered hospital yesterday.

WERE GUESTS

Janice and Joanne White of Goodwill Avenue, Charlottetown were weekend guests of Sandra and Anne Shaw, Montague.

SPENT HOLIDAYS

Mrs. Yvonne MacNeill has returned to Cambridge, Mass., after spending the holiday season in Murray Harbor.

HOME IN HIGH BANK

Mrs. John Bruce has returned to her home in High Bank following treatment in the Kings County Memorial Hospital.

WEEKEND GUEST

Miss Vera Dewar, RN, of Charlottetown was the weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Dewar, Brudenell.

RECENT VISITOR

Carl Hilchey of Chatham, N.B. was a recent visitor to Montague where he spent several days with his brothers, Calvin and Archie Hilchey.

ON LEAVE

AB Marshall MacLeod with the Royal Canadian Navy and stationed at Sydney is spending his leave at his home in Murray Harbor.

IN MURRAY HARBOR

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and family have returned to their hom in Murray Harbor, after spending several months in Ontario where Mr. Harris had been employed.

ON FURLOUGH

Pte. John Beaton, with the Canadian Army at Camp Petawawa, Ontario is now on furlough and visiting his mother, Mrs. Fred Beaton in Murray Harbour.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Clark, Melrose, Mass., have returned to their home after spending several weeks in Murray Harbour, with Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Harris.

WAS IN OTTAWA

Mrs. Alex S. Beaton has returned to her home in Flat River after spending the past few weeks with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Beaton and family in Ottawa.

TO SPEND WINTER

Ben Balderston of Santa Barbara, Calif., who has spent two weeks as guest of his mother, Mrs. Duncan Bruce and Mr. Bruce, Milltown Cross, left Monday for Boston where he will spend the winter.

VISITED MONTAGUE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arsenault and children, Frankie, Adrienne, Anthony, Rollie, Pierre, and Marie were visitors to Montague where they were guests of Mrs. Arsenault's sister, Mrs. Archie Hilchey and family. They also spent several days in Summerside where they were guests of Mr. Arsenault's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Arsenault.

CHEVERIE FUNERAL —

The funeral for Neil Cheverie of Elmira was held from the Perry Funeral Home, Wednesday morning to St. Columba's Church, East Point, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. W.D. MacDonald, who also conducted service at the grave. Rev. T.P. Butler was present in the sanctuary. Rev. John Cash assisted in the choir. Pallbearers were: Charles McEachern, Gus Bailey, Thomas Harris, William Fraser, James Holland, Ernest Moore. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Glen William Honors Couple

MONTAGUE — Mr. and Mrs. Angus Matheson, Glen William, who are this week taking up residence in their new home in Murray River, were honored last week when 100 friends surprised them by assembling at their home in Glen William to wish them many happy years in their new home.

Miss Carol Campbell read a complimentary address and Percy MacPherson presented Mr. and Mrs. Matheson with a well-filled purse.

Musical entertainment was provided by the well known trio: Harper Lecco, Floyd Strickland and Preston Jackson.

Refreshments were served and a sing-song ended a delightful party.

Many regrets were expressed over the loss of such a popular pair. Mr. and Mrs. Matheson have lived all their married life on the old Matheson homestead in Glen William, where they have earned an enviable place in the hearts of their friends.

City Housing Report To Be Discussed

Provincial town planning officer Walter de Silva left for Halifax yesterday, where he will meet today with officials of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to discuss the recently completed housing report of Charlottetown.

Attending the meeting will be Stanley Pickett, deputy-director of urban renewal and public housing of CMHC.

Mr. de Silva said the portion of the report to be studied mainly is that "which amplifies particular aspects of the proposed three development areas of Charlottetown."

Next meeting of the report study committee has been tentatively scheduled for Feb. 5. "I hope at that time," said Mr. de Silva, "that the committee will announce when the report is to be made public."

While in Halifax, Mr. de Silva will confer with civic officials on the zoning systems that are now being worked on in Halifax and Dartmouth.

SABOTEURS SUSPECTED

MACAO (AP)—An explosion, apparently set off by anti-Communist saboteurs, destroyed a radio shack in an army barracks just across the border in China Jan. 10 and injured seven soldiers, villagers from the area reported Monday.

Ch'town Construction In '62 Well Below '61

By JEAN MacISAAC
Guardian-Patriot Staff Writer

The value of building permits issued by the City of Charlottetown during 1962, at $2,718,470, fell more than two million dollars short of the figure for the boom construction year of 1961, but was well above the figure for 1960.

Last year, there were 105 building permits issued, valued at $2,718,470. In 1961, the record year, there were 175 permits issued, valued at $5,130,785. In 1960, there were only 77 permits issued and the value is listed at $1,731,860.

Largely responsible for the difference during 1961 and 1962 were permits during the former year for the construction of the $1.5 department of transport wharf under the "new commercial" division, and for 104 residences.

During June, 1961, alone, the city issued 60 permits for single dwellings. Adding to the gap were permits issued for the building of the Sacred Heart Home and two city schools.

During 1962, however, value of permits was more than the previous year for alteration on residential and commercial buildings. A total of 48 permits were issued for alteration of residences last year for a total value of $135,445, as opposed to 31 issued during 1961 for the amount of $79,275.

Value for commercial alteration last year ran to $442,525, with $143,150 during 1961. During each year, 18 such permits were issued. Largest amount of a permit in this division last year was $300,000 for the Maritime Electric plant on Sydney Street.

SINGLE DWELLINGS

Value for single dwelling permits for new homes range from $438,000 last year to $1,354,284 in 1961. Largest permit for one single dwelling last year was $37,000.

One apartment permit for $25,000 was issued last year. None was issued in 1961. Four permits for duplex residences were issued each year, but last year's total value of $90,000 exceeded that of 1961 by $23,000.

Highest value for a permit issued last year was $800,000 for St. Dunstan's Basilica Recreation Centre. Second was $363,000 for the new West Kent School. Another of the larger permits was $225,000 for the new Canadian Legion Home.

The city is looking forward to 1963 as the best year ever for construction, it was stated by city engineer Norman Stewart. The Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building and the new provincial building should put 1963 figures well over previous amounts.

Prayer Week Service Held

MURRAY HARBOR — Murray Harbour Week of Prayer service was held in the United Church with a good attendance. The service was conducted by Rev. David Barwise with Rev. Carl Currie of Murray Harbor North delivering the sermon on the theme "Prayer".

The choir under the direction of the organist, Mrs. Carl Richards sang "He Hideth My Soul". other hymns sung were "All Hail The Power of Jesus Name" and "Pass Me Not O Gentle Saviour."

Driver Faces New Charge

The case of Cyril Ralph MacDonald was adjourned to Jan. 21 in Queen's County magistrate's court yesterday, after evidence of the crown witness was heard.

MacDonald, formerly charged with impaired driving, is now charged with care and control of a motor vehicle while impaired. The new charge was laid following the amending of information yesterday. Lester O'Donnell is counsel for the accused.

Benjamin MacDonald, pleading guilty to two separate charges of issuing a false statement to the Unemployment Insurance Commission regarding his earnings, was fined $10 and costs or five days on each charge.

John Francis Murphy, Millview, pleading guilty to possession of liquor not purchased at a vendors, was fined $75 and costs or 40 days. He elected to serve the 40-day term.

In traffic court, a man was fined $5 and costs for failing to halt at a stop sign.

TO SEGREGATE SWIMMERS

SALISBURY (Reuters) — A bill to segregate Negro and white swimmers at public pools will be introduced in the Southern Rhodesian Parliament next month, Local Government Minister Jack Howman announced.

Prisoner Escapes Jail, Returns Voluntarily

GEORGETOWN — Joseph Henry Daniel Phillip (Baby Joe) Steele of Souris West, escaped from Kings County jail in Georgetown last evening about 6.15 and voluntarily returned to custody between 9 and 9:15.

Steele escaped through a window in the courthouse basement where he went after kindling for the jail stove.

The jailer on duty was stationed at the head of the stairs and Steele was only in the basement a matter of minutes when the jailer investigated and found him missing.

A search by RCMP members of the Montague, Charlottetown and Souris detachments as well as the Georgetown policeman was immediately made of the surrounding area and cars were checked.

Steele re-entered the basement of the court house and was heard moving about by the jailer, John Hansen who apprehended him. He had travelled some distance on the main highway outside Georgetown and on deciding to return he hailed a car and asked for a lift to Georgetown, then reentered the jail by the same route by which he had escaped.

Steele was awaiting sentence on a break and entry charge to which he had pleaded guilty in magistrate's court in Souris, Jan. 9. He was to be sentenced tomorrow.

While a prisoner in the Kings County jail last summer, Steele escaped and was at large for several hours.

Failing To Stop At 'Stop' Signs Results In Lengthy Docket

Eight motorists faced Magistrate A. J. Haslam in city police court yesterday on charges of failing to stop for 'stop' signs. In each case, a fine of $5 and costs or two days was imposed.

The large number of stop sign cases was due mainly to the wor' of Cpl. Keith Wakelin, on the corner of Kent and Weymouth Streets over the weekend.

Wilfred Kelly, Fort Augustus, was fined $25 and costs or 10 days for disorderly conduct, and $20 and costs or 10 days for being drunk and incapable. He was represented by Lester O'Donnell on both counts.

Two Charlottetown youths, Barry Russell Carr and David John MacDonald, charged with theft under $50, were remanded until today. Carr, represented by Lester O'Donnell, did not enter a plea. MacDonald, without counsel, pleaded guilty to the charge.

The charge of drunk and disorderly against Joseph Edward Longaphie, Charlottetown, was withdrawn by his wife.

Francis Mahar, Charlottetown, charged with overnight parking on city streets, pleaded not guilty and was remanded until tomorrow.

Three drunk and incapables were fined $20 and costs or 10 days, and a fourth was given until 5 p.m. yesterday to leave the province or serve a 20-day sentence.

Broad Legislative Program Expected For P.Q. House

By JOHN YORSTON

QUEBEC (CP) — A broad legislative program is expected to be outlined today in the Speech from the Throne opening the first legislature session under Quebec's newly re-elected Liberal government.

Premier Jean Lesage, who spent much of last week drafting the speech, light-heartedly told reporters he doubts there will be any surprises in the speech, to be read by Lieutenant-Governor Paul Comtois in the red and gold chamber of the Legislative Council, Quebec's upper house.

The most prominent item of legislation will deal with the take-over of 11 private power companies, the issue on which the Liberals called and won a snap general election in November.

Just what form the legislation will take is not certain. It will depend, sources say, on the reaction to an offer being made to shareholders of the companies by Hydro-Quebec. Mr. Lesage said the offer is "firm and definitive" and indicated that shareholders who balk will have their holdings expropriated.

The government will guarantee loans to be made by Hydro—amounting to about $303,000,000. This will also require legislation.

CALLED IN CONTROVERSY

The election, called when public controversy over the electricity issue neared the boiling point gave the Liberals 63 seats, the Union Nationale 31. There is one independent.

Leading the Opposition is Daniel Johnson, 47-year-old Union Nationale chief. Observers will be closely watching his relations with Jean Jacques Bertrand, the man he beat for the party leadership. Mr. Bertrand supported the principle of taking over the power companies while the Union Nationale officially refused to commit itself.

Mr. Bertrand has been given a seat in the front rank of the Opposition benches, at Mr. Johnson's right.

During the session, the assembly's debates will be recorded for the first time. During the summer recess, microphones and loudspeakers were installed in the assembly and debates will be recorded on tape, then transcribed and [illegible]

EXPECT TOURIST BILL

[illegible] expected to contain a proposal for the creation of a new government ministry to deal with Quebec's tourist industry.

The government, says Premier Lesage, will also establish a royal commission into taxation at the provincial, municipal and school levels.

A bill redrafting the Mining Act is also expected. Rene Levesque, natural resources minister, says it will be designed to meet "the needs of 1963 and the years to come." It may also contain a sliding scale of royalties based on production, rather than a fixed rate, as at present.

Legislation strengthening laws of the sale of meat for human consumption is believed on the way. Legislation affecting mental hospitals may be brought up to date.

Mr. Lesage has also said that the Farm Marketing Act will be changed to meet modern conditions and so will laws dealing with farm cooperatives, credit unions and cooperatives.

REVERED BOOK

The Koran is the sacred book of Islam, on which the basis of the religion of millions of Mohammedans in founded.

MONTAGUE LADY LIKES TO PAINT

Mrs. Laura MacLean, Montague, is pictured above explaining one of her many paintings. Mrs. MacLean is 84 years of age and only took up the hobby of painting after 70. "Painting gives me a wonderful sence of fulfilment and contentment," she said, "and at 70 I learned that life had just begun and now I am looking forward to the future and entering into the bliss of a still fuller life." She explained she started painting because "living so close to so much natural beauty gave me the urge to try to transcribe the beautiful." Mrs. MacLean likes to transfer her ideas of real or imaginary scenes to canvas, glass, velvet or nylon.

Retarded Children's Branch Reports Several Donations

MONTAGUE — At the regular meeting of the Montague Retarded Children's Association which was held recently in the Elementary School, a large number of parents and other interested persons were in attendance.

Also present were several members of the Charlottetown branch who received a warm welcome. The meeting was held in the conveniently equipped room for retarded children and the teacher Mrs. Colin Westaway, gave a talk on the use of the equipment and on the activities of the children. She also showed samples of work done by the children.

The newly appointed president, Mrs. Allan Nelson, conducted the business meeting. The finance committee reported that satisfactory amounts had been received from sale of tickets on the Christmas hamper and on the rummage and pantry sale. The sale of Christmas cards was also quite successful.

Substantial donations were gratefully received from the Masons of Montague, Morell Legion Auxiliary, Montague Women's Institute, Heatherdale Women's Institute, and Kilmuir Women's Institute, and also from several individuals.

The fashion show which has been presented twice since the organization of this branch will be sponsored again this spring with Mrs. Vic Pepler and Mrs. Horace Fraser as co-conveners.

At the close of the meeting a wedding gift was presented to Mrs. Westaway by Mrs. Pepler on behalf of the association, and a humorous address in verse was read by Mrs. Ernest Blanchard.

Dainty refreshments were served in the teacher's room by the committee in charge.

Souris CU Holds Education Meet

SOURIS — Members of Souris Credit Union attended an educational Cuna Insurance Meeting held in St. Peters Hall last week.

Lloyd Deagle was chairman, and introduced the guest speaker Dougald McDougall of Halifax. Gregory Kelly of Charlottetown also spoke.

Attending from Souris were Rev. John Cash, Mike LaVie, Mrs. Sally Clinton, Mrs. Loretta Perry, and George Mullally of Souris West.

Plans were made for a chapter meeting to be held in Morell in February.

Fire Hoses End Protest

WINDSOR, Vt., (AP) — Six convicts at Windsor State Prison staged a protest by spending 18 hours on a workshop roof in near-zero temperatures, surrendering Monday after fire hoses were turned on them.

The prisoners were clad only in dungaree - type jackets and trousers. They ran through the icy streams, yelling and waving pitchforks and shovels, but surrendered quickly.

Warden Robert Smith said the fire hoses were used after the men tried to set the roof on fire. The blaze was quickly put out.

The men who were not identified, climbed to the roof at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Smith said he had not talked with the men after the surrender and had no idea why they staged the protest.

They were placed in solitary confinement after a doctor examined them and Smith said further disciplinary action will be taken.

Postal Dept. Plugs Loophole

OTTAWA (CP) — The post office department has plugged a loophole which permitted United States publishers to save one cent a pound on magazines and newspapers mailed in Canada.

Previous regulations provided that American publishers could ship periodicals to any large Canadian post office and have them mailed at five cents a pound. However, the regulations also allowed Canadian news dealers to mail U.S. periodicals for four cents a pound.

A post office official said that a new regulation approved in December establishes a rate of five cents a pound for both types of mailing.

He said the regulation was enacted after the post office became aware that a few U.S. publishers had started to ship their publications to dealers instead of post offices to save the cent a pound in postage.

DROP PORT PLANS

COPENHAGEN (Reuters) — The American - Canadian Ungava Iron Ore Company has shelved its plans to build an ore trans-shipment port near Godthaab, Greenland, the Danish ministry for Greenland affairs announced Saturday. The decision was believed to have been taken because of the falling price of ore. Ungava planned to build the Greenland port to transship ore to Europe brought from Canadian mines during ice-free periods.

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