

Controversy Flares Over N.B. Teachers' Standards

FREDERICTON (CP)—A controversy over the standards of future elementary school teachers in New Brunswick has been touched off by an article criticising the quality of students at the provincial teachers college here.

The current issue of the *Education Review*, edited by A. H. Kingett, secretary-treasurer of the New Brunswick Teachers Association, says less than eight per cent of the 568 students at the college—only one in the province—had an average of 75 per cent or better in their junior matriculation examinations.

It also said less than 22 per cent of the students would qualify for admission to the University of New Brunswick and that one student failed in both high school graduation and matriculation examinations.

CALLING MISLEADING

Teachers college principal D. W. Wallace called the article completely misleading.

"We have some of the best students in years," he said. One student had scored low marks in matriculation examinations because he went to a school that does not prepare students specifically for matriculation. Later, he said, the student made a "misguided" attempt to write the exams.

He said it is true only 22 per cent of the students at the college would qualify for UNB entrance but an "overwhelming majority" of the rest could qualify by writing supplemental exams.

"The editor of the educational review knew all these circumstances but did not choose to print them," said Mr. Wallace. "That's why I call the article misleading."

The college turns out elementary school teachers in a one-year course. In order to be admitted to course a student must get at least 400 marks out of a maximum of 800 on junior matriculation papers, which may be written after four years of high school.

WAS RE-EXAMINED

Of the student cited in the article who failed both high school and matriculation, Dr. Wallace said the admissions board is guided only by matriculation standing. The student had been re-examined and the college assured by the education department that he had passed the 400

mark.

Mr. Kingett said in an interview he had printed without comment facts he thought the public should know.

"If anyone in the department of education took exception to the article must have been prompted by a guilty conscience."

There were many students at the teachers college who should not be there. The profession was judged by them and officials had repeatedly been asked for higher entrance and graduation standards. The NBTA had asked for a voice in selection of students and licensing of teachers.

J. Byron Carr of Woodstock, NBTA president, said there are many excellent students at the college but some will never be effective teachers and they should be weeded out. The NBTA should be represented on the board of admissions.

Mass was celebrated by Rev. O. Kiggins. The pall bearers were: F. J. DeLory, J. W. Lavers, William Murphy, Michael Burke, Sr., Emmerson Llewellyn, and James Llewellyn. Interment was in St. James Church Cemetery.

Friends of Mr. Samuel Bears are sorry to hear that ill health has recently confined him to his home and all wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. Bears is a member of the teaching staff of Georgetown High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Boudreau of Panmure Island motored to Georgetown on Sunday where they visited relatives. —A.C.

day. Mr. MacEwen is the local painter and things are quite after the holidays.

Mr. Robert MacKinnon and Mr. Francis McAdam were business visitors to the City last week.

Mr. J. R. O'Brien will arrive home shortly from Halifax. Mr. O'Brien is on pension from the Camp Hill Hospital and plans to make his home in Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. Eph Malone were in the City recently to visit their daughter Bertha, who joined the Sisters of Martha some months ago, after working a number of years at the Charlottetown Hospital.

Mr. Joe MacDonald was a recent visitor in Bristol, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perry.

job after being a patient in the hospital due to a heart condition. Mr. Peter McAdam and Mr. Kenny Sheehan were in the City Monday on business.

Friends of Mr. J.B. Jay are pleased to see him back at his



COUNTING THE DAYS

Wilker, 21, of Barrie, checks the days off on a calendar. He started a 21-day series of inoculations Jan. 10-45 after he was bitten by a dog. To be effective the should be given within

C.G.I.T. Hold Vesper Service

A Christmas vesper service was presented in York United Church, Sunday evening, Dec. 21 by the members of the C.G.I.T. with their leader Mrs. Stuart Vessey. The church was decorated for the Christmas season and candles provided the lighting during most of the service.

The C.G.I.T. girls with their leader, were dressed in their uniforms and, bearing lighted candles, they entered the church singing the professional hymn "O Come All Ye Faithful."

The worship service was led by Mrs. Stuart-Vessey who read one of the passages of scripture relating to the "First Christmas" while the other two passages were read by Pauline Swan and Jean Anderson.

The candle lighting ceremony was performed by Beryl Vessey, Lorna Vessey and Marilyn Lewis, after which all the girls stood to repeat the C.G.I.T. purpose.

Choir selections were "A Way in a Manger" and "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," also a special selection "Star of the East" was sung by four of the older members and the leader. The organist was Mrs. Lloyd Vessey.

The offering was received by D'Anne MacDonald and Beryl Vessey. The pastor, R. G. D. Elliott gave the address, a very inspiring message to both young and old.

The Recessional hymn was the well loved carol "Silent Night." The benediction by Rev. Mr. Elliott closed the service.

GEORGETOWN

Miss Joan Kenny, of Morell was a recent visitor to Georgetown, where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Burke.

Mr. Arthur MacNeill, principal of Georgetown High School is confined to his home in St. Peter's by illness. All wish him an early return to good health.

The first of a series of weekly card parties sponsored by the Holy Name Society was held in St. James Church Hall on Thursday, January 8th, and ten tables of players competed. The prize winners were: Ladies' prize, Miss Frances Baker; men's prize, William Fouchere and Charles Scully (equal); freeze-out, Mrs. Neil A. Wright and Mr. J. B. Scully (equal).

Mr. Nelson W. Hansea, employee of the Unemployment Insurance Commission office in Charlottetown, spent the weekend at his home in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lavers and daughter Corinne, motored to Vernon on Sunday, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Thompson.

The funeral of the late Daniel Henry Martell, whose death occurred on January 7th, was held on Saturday, January 10th, from St. James Roman Catholic Church where Requiem High

BRISTOL

Mr. Reginald O'Brien who arrived home from Newfoundland for the holiday season is a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital. Mr. O'Brien had been visiting with his sister, Mrs. Mary Harvey and other relatives in Boston, when he was stricken with a very sore leg, and decided to come to Charlottetown for treatment.

Mrs. Gerald Barry was a week end visitor to the City where she was visiting her husband who is a patient in the hospital. Mr. Barry is reported as improving.

Mr. and Mrs. James MacDonald were Sunday visitors to the city where Mrs. MacDonald's father is in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted MacEwen were visitors to the City on Fri-

TENDERS

Will be received for the purchase of 3 Garage Doors and Hardware removed from Montague Fire Hall.

Contact Mayor Yeo for inspection.

HOCKEY

MONTAGUE RINK, Thursday Night, Jan. 15

WINSLOE TIGERS Vs. SUMMERVILLE

Skate After Game

Game Time 8.30 P. M.

County Magistrate's Court as Heavy Docket of Cases

Magistrate's court was here yesterday with a heavy docket facing Gilbert A. Gaudet, s'pendiary magistrate.

St. Georges resident was fined \$5 and costs when he pleaded guilty to a charge of falling up at the scene of an accident.

resident of Heatherdale was fined \$10 and costs for failing to register a motor vehicle.

resident of St. Peters who charged with the theft of a set containing a sum of money papers to the value of less \$50 pleaded not guilty and further remanded on bail his case adjourned for trial on January 21st.

Fredericton, N. B. resident fined \$20 on a charge of being intoxicated in a public place.

Murray River resident fined not guilty to a charge of being intoxicated. Seven witnesses were heard and charge dismissed.

Montague Curling

P.M. — West Ice, Montague; East Ice, ladies.

P.M. — West Ice, H. Fraser; George Nicholson; East ice, S.

EASTERN GUARDIAN

SECTION "45" Score Cards sale at Guardian-Patriot Printing.

organizations using this column promote their meetings, entertainments events etc., are requested to place their announcements in the name of the sponsoring Organization.

MEMBERS are urgently requested to attend the regular meeting of ACME Rebekah Lodge, Montague, on January 17th. Important business will be discussed.

SPECIAL discounts during January on all millinery, dry goods groceries at M. F. Macleod's Store, Montague.

Fort Augustus Hold Meeting

A meeting of the Fort Augustus Home and School Association was held on January 7. The President, Mrs. Charles Duffy, presided and the meeting opened with prayer led by Father Bulter.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was decided to hold a card party on the following Monday to raise funds for the purchasing of an encyclopedia for the school.

A film entitled Children Learning Through Experience was shown by Sister Raymond Frances, and, following this, questions based on the film were discussed. After the various groups had reported their findings to the general meeting, further discussion followed, and, as a result, all agreed that planning activities in the Home, in which both parents and children can cooperate, gives children a sense of being appreciated. After the adjournment of the meeting a delicious lunch was served by the lunch committee.

PISQUID EAST

Her many friends regret to hear that Mrs. Wallace Birt is confined to her home with an attack of mumps. All hope for a speedy recovery.

Dr. Malcolm Dockerty of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, N.Y., was a recent visitor in Piquid East at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leard.

Mrs. Howard Kelly was hostess to the ladies of the Piquid East Women's Institute, Wednesday night, January 7. When routine business was completed a contest was put on by Mrs. Kelly and won by Mrs. Levi Jay and Mrs. Harold Jay, drawn by Mrs. Levi Jay. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonald, Lorne Valley, were visitors on Friday at the home of Mrs. MacDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Jay, Piquid East.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay with son Merlin were visitors in Charlottetown and Covehead Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jardine, Head of Hillsboro, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Birt, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jay received word that their daughter, Shirley, left Edmonton, Alberta, on Saturday for St. Petersburg, Florida, to visit her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jay and family. Shirley plans to visit her parents in Piquid East before returning to Edmonton.

CLEROD FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Hector C. Clerod, of Somerville, Mass., passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 7th took place from the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Montague, on Wednesday, January 14th. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Eves, assisted by Rev. A.G.J. Eves, of the United Baptist Church, Montague. The pallbearers were Henry MacLean, and Wright, Irving Tweedy, Shaw, J.J. Stewart, Malcolm Leard. Interment was in Montague Community Cemetery.

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The word "parliament" was first used in an official document in England in 1242, discussing formation of such a body.



A Dog's Life

isn't so bad, if he's one of the lucky animals cared for by the Oakville Junior Humane Society.

Height Get You Down?

Doyle Klyn interviews six feet of female for some tips to the talk.

Memories of Mexico

are brought in their original color and warmth to Weekend readers by Montreal artist John Walsh.

Gregory Clark

rubs shoulders with Somerset Maugham in an English train. There's a surprise twist to this one!

The Egg Way

can be paved with a variety of recipes, according to Weekend's Food Editor Margaret Oliver.

The Hazards of Social Drinking

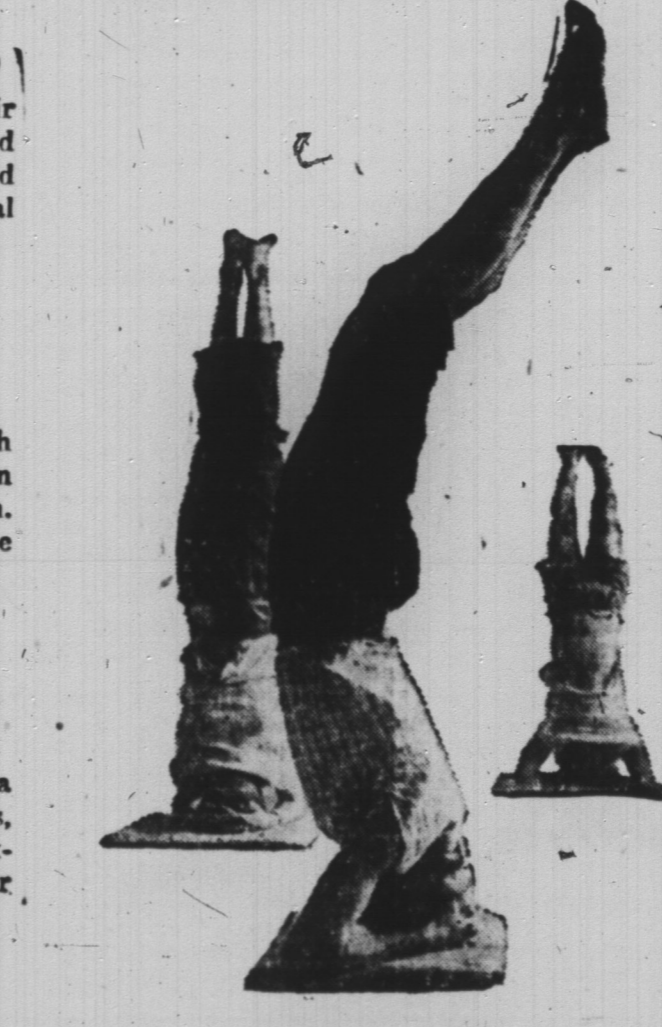
Many of those in the melting pot of our liquid society who drown their sorrows may be stirred to more constructive action than elbow-bending by this objective study in Weekend Magazine. The social hangover, potent parties, problem drinkers, business "drinkmanship" and other facets of our drinking habits are explored in this first of two instalments by Howard Whitman, an authority on social problems.

TV Stars in London

Mordecai Richler pays a visit to Kate Reid and Austin Willis to discover why this popular Canadian couple took a fat cut in their incomes to gamble in London's West End.

They're Sold On Yoga

Fun and philosophy, ethics and exercise are the ingredients that keep an Austrian-born civil engineer and his vegetarian B.C. family smiling. How does the practice of yoga affect their daily lives? Weekend Magazine brings you a special photofeature illustrating some of the 84 postures of natha yoga.



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