Richmond County Record

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FIFTY-EIGHTH YEAR — ARICHAT, CAPE BRETON, N. S., DECEMBER 4, 1954 — No. 13

ST. PETER,S NEWS

BY ROBIN HOOD

With the Advent of the Christmas Season, in the air, "Robin Hood" is tempted to pick up the old quill, and start to relate some of the happenings of the community. Old enough to masquerade as a Santa Claus, we would much prefer the younger fry to send in news to the "Record', but as we have pledged ourselves to Norman MacLeod, to keep him partly informed of the gossip of the old home, we must try and fulfil that promise--and by the way, what has happened to the old spinning wheel? We hope it is still in good running order.

When we bid MacTavish farewell on his departure to Montreal, last summer, we blushed a little, ere he detect our identity, as your correspondent.We thank our summer tan for hiding our sheepish look. "Robin Hood," is looking for a Christmas story from MacTavish in the "Record"—"just like the ones he used to know". Good lad, this MacTavish.

The St. Peter's Home and School Association are quite active and "Robin Hood,, is thankful that the young students of to-day are being helped by this worthy organization. In our time we were forced to learn by the rule of the old hickory stick. But to-day, the milk of human kindness has taken all this away, and in its place the Home and School Association has come to the forefront, and we must say, is doing a good job. Mind your P's and Q's —young students, and remember we old timers still know our A-B,C's although the three R's are sometimes poorly executed.

The High Sohool pupils presented a very splendid play, entitled, "The Calamity Kids" in the school hall, and our congratulations go to Miss Archibald, the principal, and her pupils.

These plays bring this old timer back to the days of Price Webber., when he played here with his Boston Comedy Company, and presented such plays as. "Ten Nights in a Bar-room", "East Lynn", "Uncle Tom's Cabin".

Here we go again living the days of the past.

"Robin Hood", had the pleasure of seeing Television, and like the first Edison gramophone that came to St. Peter's, some years ago, we got the thrill of our lives, and with the exception of sore eyes; some of the players weren't hard to look at.

John N. Morrison, has made some improvements to his pretty home.

Inspector Remi Chiasson's new home is about completed, and the genial Inspector, Mrs. Chiasson, and baby Chiasson are about to occupy this modern residence.

Welcome to our community! and may their journey through life be happy and prosperous.

Will B. Pringle, of the South Side, was a business visitor to town on Monday.

Dr Kemp Morrison, is a patient in the City Hospital, Sydney. His condition at time of writing is much improved, and friends will soon be looking for his return home. "Robin Hood" joins with Dr. Morrison's many friends in wishing him a speedy recovery

We hope to be back before Christmas, but in case we fail to make an appearance, "May your Christmas be Bright and Merry", is the wish of "Robin Hood", to all.

Arichat Home And School

Following the usual opening and reading of minutes, delegates were named to attend the Home and School Council in Point Tupper. The following people were named; Sister Marie Immaculata, Sister Marie Dorothe, Mr. John Tyrell,, Mr. Edwin Power and Elise Poirier.

A letter concerning the Miniature Folk School in St. Peter's, was read. The purpose of this was to help teacers who have participated in Music and Speech Festivals, and in Home and School Associations and also to bring help to any other local community organization.

The Health Convenor reported that the School had received 5000 cod liver oil capsules. Each child who wanted capsules had paid 25 cents.

The Educational part of the program included a film on Individual Differences, after which followed a discussion. This film offered helpful suggestions to teachers and parents. Each child is different and therefore must progress according to his own abilities.

The meeting proposen sending a Mass for Inspector Chiasson's sister who was a member of 'Les Filles de Jesus".

Home and School News Leaflets were distributed and meeting adjourned with the singing of 'God Save The Queen'.

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Anyone is entitled to an opinion, but no one has a right to be wrong in relation to the facts.

Bernard Baruch

PETIT DeGRAT NEWS

Walter Hallett, of Boston, Mass. was a business visitor here last week. Mr. Hallett represented the American Fish Co., some years ago at this port.

Before returning by plane, he visited his old friend, Mr. Charles Gordon, of the Booth Fisheries Plant.

Alzear Fougere, third Engineer on the "S. S. Arthur Cross," visited his wife and family for a few days during the past week.

Charles Gordon, Manager of Booth Fisheries was a motor visitor to Halifax for a few days.

Mrs. Bernard J. Thibeau, left for Halifax, where she will enter the V. G. Hospita for an operation. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Minnie Landry, who will spend a few days in Halifax, before returning home.

Major R. D. Thexton, of Halifax, was on a business trip here recently.

Percy Jollymore, Office Manager of Booth Fisheries Can. Co., here, was a motor visitor to Sydney during the week. Eugene Benoit accompanied him.

Councillor David Boudreau attended the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Liberal Association at Halifax, last week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs.Valdore Boudreau, the former Audrey Baccardax,a baby son, at the Isle Madame Hospital.

Several sets of television have been installed here recently, and it is reported the reception has been quite good.

River Bourgeois

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Mrs. J. W. Sampson and Mrs. Charles P. Landry, were visiting their sister, Mrs. Isaac Dugas, of Cannes.

Mr. ad Mrs. J. W. Sampson, have closed their home for the winter months and are residing with Mrs. Sampson's sister, Mrs. Charles P. Landry (Church Point).

The new school bus is now conveying the pupils from both sections, (Consolidated) to the new school. The bus is operated by David Tousnard, a competent and careful driver.

Our Annual School Meeting was held in the new school on Nov. 15. There was a very small attendance. What is the matter with the ratepayers, have they no interest in their children or in education. There should have been a large attendance as both sections are consolidated.

The amount of money collected in River Bourgeois and Cannes, for the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton, amounted to: River Bourgeois $27.05, Cannes and South Side, R. B., $15.75, making a total of $42.80, not $53.50, as reported.

SANTA.

Rev. Sr. Ste. Firmine A Noted Educator Passes Away

On November 22, at the Provincial Mother House of the Filles de Jesus in Three Rivers, Mother M. St. Firmine, former teacher of Arichat, passed away at the age of seventy-three.

Mother St. Firmine was one of the pioneer teaching Sisters of O. L. A. Convent, Arichat. Here she arrived on February 23, 1903, at 11 p. m., barely two months after the re-opening of the Convent. The next day at nine o'clock she was at her desk for her first teaching day in Canada. For well nigh twenty-five years she remained at her post. Her indomitable energy overcame difficulties and in September, 1905, she began to teach under the law, at the low salary of $210. She lost no time in acquiring a Grade XII diploma. Let it be said that Mr. Dan Campbell, the Principal of the Academy, proved a friendly helper to the young French teacher. In 1907 she began teaching the High School Grades at the Convent. Four years later she with two other Sisters began teaching at the Academy where the Sisters have been teaching ever since.

In September 1926, she opened a department at the Convent for Grades XI andXII. A year later, she was called to France where she spent some time in administrative functions. In 1923 she returned to Canada as Provincial Superior. She held this post both in the West and in the East for twenty years. During her later years, because of failing health, she remained in Three Rivers. To the end of June of the current year she gave some of her time to teaching.

It must be remembered that Mother M. St. Firmine was above all a born teacher. Dr. Monroe had styled her " a peerless educator". Her sympathetic understanding of people, her devotedness, her penetrating insight and wisdom, her warm smile endeared her to the large number who came in contact with her. As principal and teaching Superior of O. L. A. Convent, Arichat, she guided the destinies of countless youth both in Richmond and surrounding counties. To the very end she remained deeply attached to Arichat and its friendly population. Her former pupils will cherish the memory of a truly great teacher and saintly religious. May her soul rest in peace.

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Sporting Mountain Echoes

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Aware of our ardent admiration for the late Sir Wilfred Laurier's peerless orations which were always replete with Biblical quotations and illustrations, Rev. J. M. McLeod, late of St. Peter's, but now of Port Simpson, British Columbia, recently presented us with a biography of the distinguished statesman.

The reverend gentleman was correct in assuming it would afford hours of enjoyable reading "for composed and compiled in Peter McArthur's inimitable style, the treasured volume is most interesting throughout, and a pronounced manifestation that

"When a great man dies,
For years beyond our ken,
The light he leaves behind him lies
Along the paths of men."

Inspector R. J. Chiasson. M. A., was a visitor to Seaview School in his official capacity during the week.

Our popular teacher, Miss Martell, spent the week-end at her home in Little Anse.

A new arrival was recently warmly welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Martins, and thus "Henny" has a sister.

A motor party from The Points to Oban Sunday afternoon, included Mr and Mrs. William MacKay (Jessie McDonald) and family George Matthews, and Alexander Flynn.

Enroute they made a few brief friendly calls in Seaview.

Iolene Burke of Cannes, her sister Mrs. DeWolfe, and little daughter, Gail, of Dartmouth comprised a recent motor trio to Sporting Mountain, and favored us with a friendly call.

Miss Burke is a tried and trusted employee of the McLean business stand at St. Peter's.

The Boudreau household motored to Barra Head, Sunday afternoon to see Maurice Boudreau who lives with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. McNeil, and were glad to find the senior of all the Boudreau's still going strong.

A. W. H. McDonald was a business visitor from Oban, Tuesday, and tarried awhile with us to exchange the happenings of the sister sections.

With his usual variety of choice products to choose from, John Fougere of the Hawker Market. contacted his customers in Seaview, Friday.

D. A. S.

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GREATNESS

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Time and goodness determine greatness.

Mary Baker Eddy

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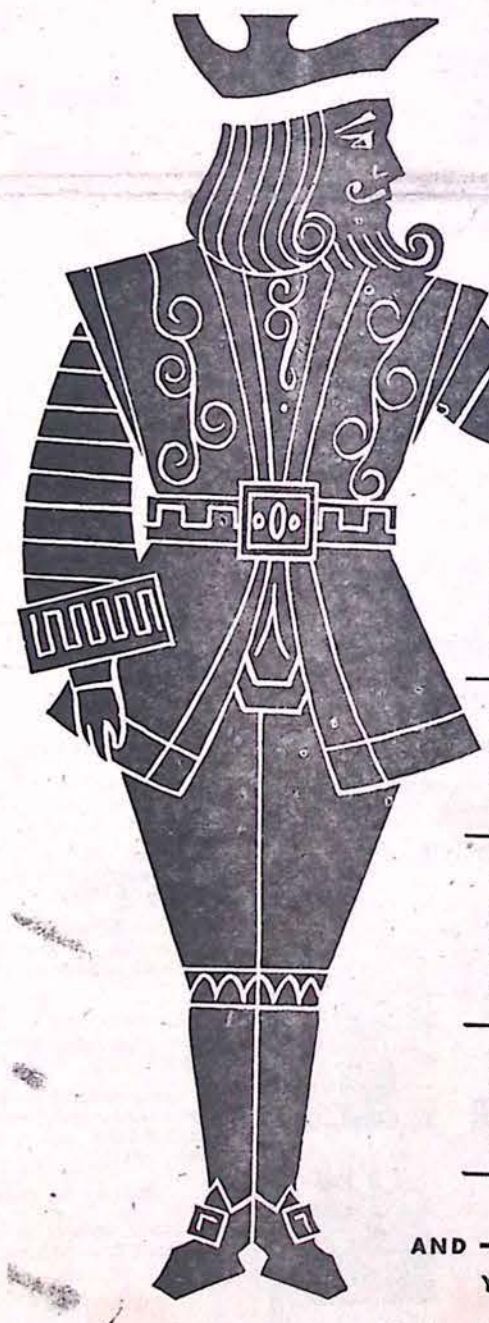
Integrity is the first step to true greatness.

Charles Simmons

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Nothing can be truly great which is not right.

Ben Johnson

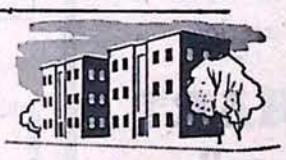


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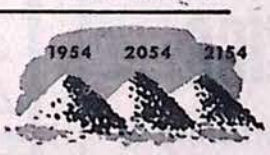
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ARICHAT, Cape Breton, Canada, DECEMBER 4, 1954

Bar Harbor Ferry

Robert Black manager of the Davie Shipbuilding company which is constructing the new $4,000,000 ferry Bluenose to serve between Nova Scotia and New England, gave renewed assurance recently that the vessel "will be ready for service next sumser."

Mr. Black said that he could not be more specific on the date of completion of the ship until further word was received on the progress of the manufacturing of the vessel's main engine reduction gearing in England.

"The ship will be ready for service next summer but on what date we don't want to say until we get more particulars regarding the delivery of equipment," he said.

The launching of the Bluenose had been previously scheduled for November 9 but a few days before that date Transport Minister George Marler announced a postponement because of the delay in delivery of the gearing.

Tentative Date Set

The Department of Transport has tentatively re-scheduled the official launching for the first hightide following the spring break-up in the St. Lawrence River but this does not mean the ship will be completed at that time.

Until the delay in manufacture of the gearing and the necessary postponement of the November 9 launching was announced, officials has set the opening of the Yarmouth- Bar Harbour service for "sometime in May."

Now they are talking about early in the summer."

"It all hinges on the delivery of the gearing from England." Davie Black said recently. "but the ship will be in service next summer."

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There never was yet a truly great man that was not at the same time truly virtuous.

Benjamin Franklin

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Horace Mann

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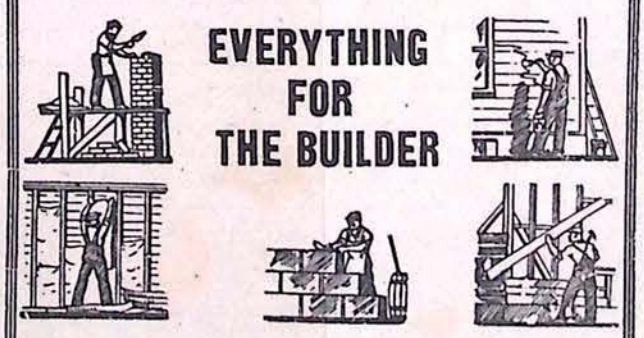
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District No. 2

(1) Lands situated at Arichat, north of the High Road and east of Janes Lane, assessed to Doris Marchand.

(2) Lands assessed to Wilfred J. Landry situated in the Petit de Gras area.

(3) Lands situated at Petit de Gras assessed to Amedee F. Boudreau.

(4) Lands situated at Cape Auguet assessed to the estate of Geo. Goyetche and to James M. Benoit.

(5) Lands at Samsons Cove assessed to the estate of Henry Martell.

District No. 3.

(1) Lands situated at D'Escousse assessed to Wilfred Langlois.

District No. 4

(1)Lands and property situated at Louisdale assessed to Francis Corette.

(2) Lands situated at Lennox Passage assessed to Wilfred LeJeune.

(3) Lands assessed to Clarence Marchand situated at Louisdale.

(4) Lands situated at Kempt Road assessed to Clarence Marchand and to Arthur Landry.

(5) Lands and property assessed to Mrs. Paul King and John F. Proctor situated at Evanston.

District No. 5

(1) Lands and property situated at Dundee, assessed to Delbert MacRae.

(2) Lands and property situated at Dundee assessed to Richard Smith.

(3) Lands situated at Roberta, assessed to the heirs of Ronald Morrison.

(4) Lands situated at Rear Black River assessed as the estate of Mrs. Kenneth MacDonald.

(5) Lands and property situated at St. George's Channel assessed to Alex H. MacKay.

(6) Lands and property situated at Dundee area assessed to Dan Hill.

District No. 6

(1) Lands situated at River Bourgeois assessed as the estate of Charles E. Landry and Mrs. Lewis J. Smith.

(2) Lands situated at River Bourgeois assessed as the estate of Capt. Charles A. Landry.

(3) Lands situated at Seaview assessed to Lloyd MacRae.

District No. 7

(1) Lands and property situated at Barra Head assessed as the estate of Robert Langley.

(2) Lands situated at Lynch River assessed as the estate of the late Jessie MacDonald.

(3) Lands situated at Lynch River, assessed to John D. MacDonald and to Malcolm MacDonald.

(4) Lands situated at Oban assessed to Fred Digout and to Jack Thibeau.

(5) Lands situated in the Roberta and Oban areas, assessed to Kenneth Pringle and to William Kenneth Pringle.

District No. 8

(1) Lands situated at Soldiers Cove assessed to Anthony MacDonald.

District No. 9

(1) Lands situated at Grand River Falls assessed to George Latimer.

(2) Land situated at Ferguson's Lake assessed to Archie Morrison.

(3) Lands situated at Grand River Falls assessed to Alfred Morrison.

(4) Lands situated at Fergusons Lake assessed to Neil Ferguson.

(5) Lands situated at Grand River West assessed to Joseph R. White.

(6) Lands assessed to Angus Strachan, situated at Lr. St. Esprit.

(7) Lands situated at Lr. St. Esprit assessed to Neil Strachan.

(8) Lands and property situated at Grand River Falls assessed to Joseph Carter.

District No. 10

(1) Lands assessed to William Singulier situated at Point Micheau.

(2) Lands assessed to Simon Peters, situated at Lr. L'Ardoise.

District No. 11

(1) Lands and property situated on Janvrin's Island assessed to Alphonse MacNeil.

(2) Lands and property assessed to Joseph MacNeil, situated on Janvrin's Island.

(3) Lands assessed to Abraham Forgeron situated at Grand Lake.

District No. 13

(1) Lands and property situated at Loch Lomond, assessed as the estate of the late MacLeod, widow.

District No. 13

(1) Lands and property situated at Framboise Intervale assessed to William R. MacGuire.

(2) Lands and property situated at Stirling assessed to James Fougere and to Angus MacMillan.

(3) Lands and property assessed to John MacLeod, son Normar situated at Framboise Intervale.

District No. 14

(1) Lands and property situated at Port Malcolm, assessed to Mrs. Alex Currie and to William MacKinnon.

(2) Estate Mary MacDonald, so assessed, situated at Port Malcolm, one time owned by Samuel King.

(3) Lands situated at MacPherson's Ferry, assessed to the Estate of James MacDonald.

District No. 15

(1) Lands situated at Rockdale assessed to Dan E. Martell.

(2) Lands situated at West L'Ardoise assessed to Charles O'Brien.

(3) Lands and property situated at L'Ardoise and assessed to Mrs. Leana Briand.

(4) Lands and propery situated at L'Ardoise assessed to Vincent J. Briand.

(5) Lands assessed to Abram Briand situated at L'Ardoise.

(6) Lands and property situated at L'Ardoise, assessed to Wilfred C. Sampson.

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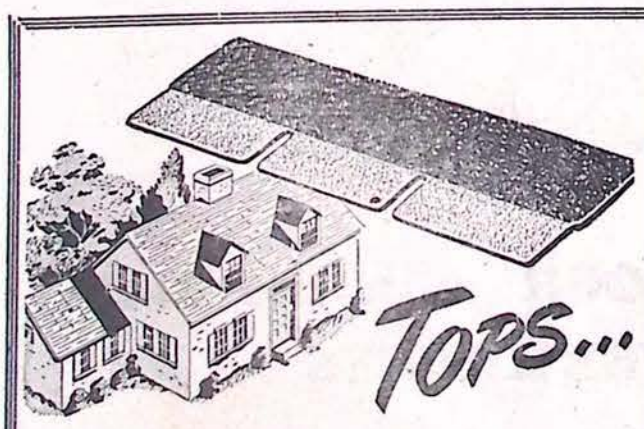
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NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

Sr. St. Firmine

Old pupils and friends in Arichat, will regret to learn of the passing of Rev. Sr. St. Firmine, at Three Rivers, Quebec, recently.

The principal of the Arichat High School for many years, Mother St. Firmine, as she was familiarly known here, gained a reputation not only in Arichat, but far beyond its borders.

Many successful business and professional men who received their High School education under her guidance, will be ready to admit, that their success is due, to the untiring efforts of their beloved teacher, Mother St. Firmine.

A tribute to the late Rev. Sister appears in this issue of the Record.

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From Boston

Mrs. Charles Gordon and son, Richard, have arrived from Boston, Mass., where they spent several weeks visiting relatives.

We are pleased to report that Richard's leg injury from the result of an accident some months ago, is much improved.

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Visitor to Town

Mrs. Agnes Poirier, of D'Escousse was a visitor to town during the week. Friends in Arichat are always pleased to see the friendly Mrs. Poirier.

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Arrive Home

Teddy Latimer and Miss Cecile Gerrcir who were on a motor trip to USA have arrived home.

They report a very pleasant trip and visited relatives and friends in New York and in the province of Ontario.

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Home for Winter

Harry W. Doiron arrived from Knob Lake, Que., where he is employed by the Iron Ore Company of Canada.

Harry has been employed there for the past few years ahd during the past summer was employed as a brakeman on the Railway conveying ore to the yard at Knob Lake.

He will spend the winter with his wife and family.

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POWER DORIES MODERATE SUCCESS

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Despite bad weather which hampered most of the voyage, the schooner "Jean Frances" returned to Riverport, N. S. last week reporting "moderate success" with the power dories with which she was equipped for an experimental longlining fishing trip.

Storms which lashed the Atlantic allowed only six days fishing during the 37-day voyage to the deep waters off the east coast of Newfoundland. The 'Jean Frances' used four two-man power boats equipped with "gurdys" or line-haulers (like small capstans) for fishing instead of the usual 12 double dories which require a total of 24 men for fishing operations.

More than 200 quintals (quintal 112 pounds) of cod, mostly large fish were taken during the trip and landed at Riverport.

A fisheries Research Board official at St. Andrews, N. B., said he believed that the power boats had shown that this method longlining could be successful. He indicated that the experiment might be carried out again next year. However, he added, different methods for launching and taking in the two-ton power boats would be tried.

Although 16 less men are required to man the dories, extra crew members were carried for baiting and handling fish. Despite this less crew members are required than for the traditional fishing methods, with a consequently greater share per man when the fish is sold.

The "Jean Frances" was commanded by Capt. Amos Crouse for the trip sponsored by the Fisheries Research Board in an effort to mechanize longlining methods because of the difficulty in recruiting crews for the dories currently used in salt fishing by the schooners.

From Japan

Sgt. Napoleon LeBlanc of the Canadian Army who spent the past year in Japan arrived home and will spend the next two months with his wife and family at West Arichat.

Sgt. LeBlanc was a prisoner of war in Japan during World War II and after hostilities rejoined the Canadian Army.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. LeBlanc of Petit de Grat.

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In Hospital

Capt. Daniel LeBlanc, of West Arichat is a patient at St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney. We are glad to report that the genial Captain is much improved and will soon return home.

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Wedding

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MacIntosh — Edmunds

A very beautiful wedding took place in St. Joseph's Church, on Saturday, November 27th. at Somerville, Mass. when Patricia Elizabeth MacIntosh, became the bride of Joseph James Edmunds.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, Edward MacIntosh, wore a lovely gown of brocaded satin. Her sister, Janet, who was Maid of Honor, wore a gown of blue nylon with velvet jacket.

After the wedding a reception was held at the Ambassador Hotel in Cambridge, Mass. where a great number of friends and relatives were served a delicious turkey dinner. In the evening a dance was held in their honor, where both young and old spent a very enjoyable time.

The young couple left on a honeymoon trip to different parts of th State. May Pat and Joe enjoy good luck and happiness in their future life, is the wish of their many friends.

Little Anse

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The September, October and November meetings of Little Anse Home and School were held on the 3rd. Thursday of each month.

In September we had ten members. We planned how to raise money to be spent where needed for pupils. Guest speaker, Mr. Whyte.

In October we had 17 members. A card party was held to raise money to buy Capsules (Halibut Liver Oil). Mr. DeWolfe's letter for October was read by Carl Boudreau..

In November we had 20 members. We had as guest speaker, Inspector R. J. Chiasson, who explained Primary work, where pupils begin in French.

Visiting in Town

Mrs. Daniel LeBlanc of West Arichat, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Raymond LeBlanc of this place.

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IMPERIAL OIL MAKING BIG EXPANSION TO PLANT

Work is to begin immediately on one of the biggest single construction jobs ever undertaken in the maritimes— the $25 million expansion of Imperoyal refinery near Halifax.

R. W. Dunlop, manager of the engineering division of Imperial Oil's manufacturing department, announced that his company has awarded a multi-million dollar contract. a part of the one and one half year project, to Foster Wheeler Ltd., of St. Catherines, Ontario.

By April, 1956, nearly all of the present refinery, located across the harbour from Halifax, will have been replaced by a new plant embodying modern equipment, the result of many years of Imperial recearch. Local workmen will be used as much as possible on all phases of the project, Mr. Dunlop said.

Operations of the present refinery will continue while the new installations are being undertaken near by.

Among installations Foster Wheeler will undertake are a utility plant and processing equipment, including one of the largest fluid catalytic cracking units in Canada.

Contracts for other parts of the project, including storage tanks, a technical building, mechanical shops, a products treating plant and other equipment, will be awarded later.

The entire project will transform Imperoyal into one of Canada's major refineries, with a daily capacity of 41.625 barrels, or about one and one half million gallons of crude— more than double the present capacity of 18,000 barrels. It will supply gasoline and other petroleum products to the maritime provinces and Newfoundland. Among Imperial's nine refineries throughout Canada, the new Imperoyal will be surpassed in size only by those at Sarnia and Montreal.

Imperoyal refinery first began operations early in 1918, after it was constructed to meet the urgent demands of the Allied navies during World War 1.

Expanded through the peacetime years from its initial capacity of 2,200 barrels daily, the refinery played a key role in the Atlantic shipping operatons of World War 11, supplying more than 10,600 Allied ships with some 25 million barrels of oil.

Imperoyal was also a vital part of a shuttle operatio in which oil from South America was stored at Halifax for later shipment to Europe. Some 33 million barrels of South American petroleum were handled in this operation during a four-year period ending in 1945.

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Demosthenes

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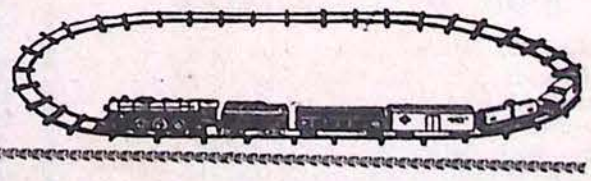
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