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SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

Do you know what we're getting to be a nation of? We're getting to be a nation of child-worshippers. And personally, I'm becoming a bit nauseated by the whole perverted business.

When the ancient Hebrews began feeling their oats, they built themselves a golden calf, and you know what happened then. We're in the process of building ourselves a golden kid, and we'll deserve everything that's coming to us, when the Lord grows tired of our silliness.

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I keep reading things that make my hair stand on end with sheer horror at the idolatry we're committing. Just he other day, I read in the paper some remarks by a professor of psychology at the University of Montreal. He claimed that a disturbed child becomes delinquent because he is convinced he is meant to be.

The professor said: For instance, a child is sent on an errand with the admonition to bring back the change. There's an insinuation there that the worst is expected of him. Slowly he builds up this image of himself, and accepts himself as the black sheep of the family." From there, apparently, it is only a hop, step and a switch-blade knife to a criminal gang.

Now, isn't that the damnedest poppycock you've ever heard? Of course a child is warned to bring back the change! It's the first thing you do when you give him a dollar, and you tell him at least three times more, before you let him out the door. I'd rather have a kid come home with the change, and feel like a black sheep, than come home with six comic books and new proof that the old man is an easy mark.

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It used to be that when a child was a mean little beast that nobody, including his parents, had any use for, everybody steered clear of him, and he grew up to be a business tycoon, or a great artist, or a brilliant politician, or just a plain, ordinary, miserable adult that nobody had any use for.

Nowadays, when you encounter some vicious little brute you can scarcely keep your hands off, you are quickly told that there's really nothing wrong with him, except that he's emotionally disturbed. He's never forgiven Mom for slapping him on the bottom to make him go in the potty. Or he hates his Dad because the latter has rejected him—wouldn't join him in a game of kick-the-cat.

With the aid of the Reader's Digest and Liberty, we now have more amateur psychologists in Canada than we have unproductive gold mines. And they're all agreed that it isn't the fault of The-Children-Poor-Things, it's the parents who are to blame. It never seems to occur to these modern swamis that there might be anything wrong with the kids. Not a chance. Children now occupy the position of mingled respect and awe once reserved for such dignitaries as the Royal Family and the Devil.

And the kids revel in it, of course. There's nothing a modern kid enjoys more than having an old man who drinks, or an old lady who runs around a bit. It qualifies him at once for the Broken-Homes Club, and gives him an Open Sesame to any kind of conduct he feels like pursuing. No longer is he lazy, bad-mannered, surly, greedy or ill-tempered. He's Disturbed.

All I can say is, look around you, chaps. There are certainly some children who have a rough deal and are upset about things. But it has always been my contention that kids are tougher than a sixty-cent steak. And if they're not, look at all the rich emotionally disturbed people of our time. The women who should be enjoying the marital delights of young middle-age, gaunt and haggard as they scramble for new sacrifices to heap around the feet of the golden kid. The torn-down, worn-out fathers, desperately trying to be a chum to their children. It is to them that my heart goes out.

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I don't know, maybe I,m just jealous because I was born thirty years too soon. I was never able to hate my mother for more than twenty minutes, even when she walloped me with the yardstick. Nor did I ever feel rejected by my Dad, because he never paid any attention to us except to give us a dime once in a while. And I thought he was a dandy father.

Perhaps if I'd been a product of a Broken-Home, I might have amounted to something. I never got a chance to be Emotinally Disturbed until it was too late to cut any capers. But just because I didn't have the opportunity doesn't mean that I'm going to deny my children the chance of being delinquent. You'll have to excuse me now, while I go downstairs and start a fight with the old lady.

TRI-COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CAMPAIGN

To finalize plans for the forthcoming educational and financial campaign of the Mental Health Association for the counties of Inverness, Richmond and Vicoria was held on March 24th in Port Hawkesbury. Present were: George G. Lent, Port Hawkesbury, campaign chairman; Rod G. N. Bain, Baddeck, member of he Board of Directors of the Cape Breton Mental Health Clinic; Mrs. James MacKinnon, Baddeck, Victoria County Chairman; Miss Patricia Thomas, Port Hawkesbury, Public Health Nurse, and Mr. Andrew Cook, Halifax, Executive Director of the Nova Scotia branch of the Canadian Mental Health Associtaion. Unavoidably absent were Mrs. Paul White, Board member of the C. B. Mental Health Clinic and Mr. Donald Stone, Richmond County campaign chairman, both of St. Peter's.

During the month of April an educational campaign featuring press and radio releases, lectures to high school students on Mental Health and public meetings will be held throughout the three counties.

The financial campaign under the sponsorship of Home and School Councils are local Home and School Councils and local Home and School Associations of all three counties will take place during National Mental Health Week—May 1-6.

RICHMOND COUNTY HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

GRAND RIVER HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

The regular monthly meeting of the Grand River Home and School Association was held in the school on Wednesday, March 1, with nine members and one guest present. The President, John Cameron, was in the chair.

Mrs. Dora MacKay substituted for Mrs. Ian MacLeod, the regular secretary, who was unavoidably absent.

A letter was read from Mrs. Wilfred Higgins, Circulation Manager for the Home and School News, acknowledging the Founder's Day Collection. In his letter he stated that the associations benefited form these collections either directly or indirectly.

The Treasurer's report showed a substantial bank balance.

The Secretary was asked to contact Meyer's School Supplies and get a price list on teacher's chairs.

The special speaker for the evening was Mr. Dennis Britten, County President of the Home and School. He gave an interesting and informative talk on Regional High Schools. This topic was later discussed among the members.

A lively and enjoyable social period followed adjournment.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Angus Morrison and Mrs. M. D. MacCuspic.

The meeting closed with "The Queen".

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ARICHAT HOME AND SCHOOL

The last meeting of the Arichat Home and School was held March 1st. at the Arichat Convent. Father A. P. Poirier said the opening prayer.

The business part of the meeting opened with a discussion on the motion made at a previous meeting, concerning the purchase of camping tables for the academy. These tables were to be bought for the purpose of providing a place for the children to eat their lunches. Mr. Norman Samson offered to withdraw his motion concerning the tables, in view of the fact that the tables would not be needed if a new school was to be built in Arichat. As the seconder of the motion was absent, the matter was deferred until a later date.

It was decided to have the piano at the academy tuned, then stored away, along with the appliances previously bought for the school by this organization, in either the music room or the domestic science room.

A Ways and Means Committee was then appointed. Mrs. Charles Gordon was named chairman of this committee and the other members nominated were; Mr. Cornelius Boucher, Mr. Leo Gallant and Mrs. Mildred Ducharme.

It was then moved by Mr. Cornelius Boucher that the Home and School invite a committee from the Athletic Association to give a report on how they had made use of the funds which had been turned over to them by the Home and School, these funds being profits which the Home and School had realized in their joint fund— sharing project with the Athletic Association.

Father Poirier entertained the meeting with some of the highlights of his trip as part of a delegation from Richmond County to the provincial legislature. This delegation met a committee of the House for the purpose of trying to obtain as soon as pssible the proposed Rural High Schools to serve both the mainland and Isle Madame Districts of the County.

Following Father Poirier's interesting talk, the members broke up into groups to discuss he questions placed in the question box the previous month.

For the entertainment feature of the evening a playlet was presented by some of the Grade X and XI class. This playlet dealt with the topic "Homework", and comments were invited from the audience on the subject after he play's presentation.

It was decided to hold the next meeting on April 18th.

The business part of the meeting brought to a close, the members sat back to enjoy a delicious lunch.

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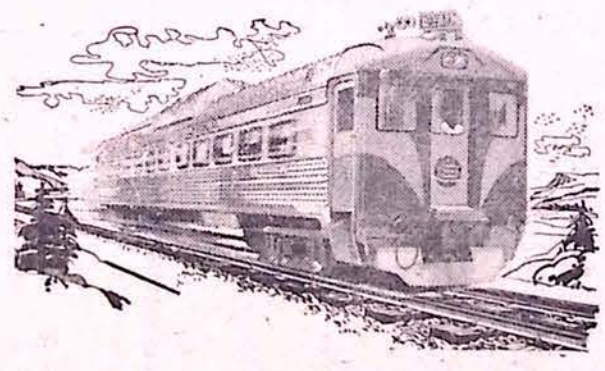
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COMMITTEE APPROVES ARICHAT HOSPITAL BILL

A bill to enable the municipality of Richmond County to erect a hspital at Arichat, to be known as St. Anne's Hospital, and to borrow up to $200,000 for the construction, was approved by the private and local bills committee of the Legislature.

SOME OPPOSED

The committee voted to recommend the bill to the House after hearing submissionst from opposing groups that the council meeting which approved it was not acting in accordance with municipal by-laws requiring public notice that Arichat was not a suitable location and that the county could not afford it.

The proposed hospital is intended to replace the existing 15-bed hospital at Arichat on Isle Madame. This hospital was opened by the Red Cross in 1946. It was taken over by a hospital board several years ago and renamed St. Anne's Hospital. It is operated by the Rev. Sisters.

ARICHAT BEST

Supporters of the bill claimed that the Arichat location was the most suitable as the Isle Madame area contained 50 per cent of the population of the county and was halfway between Sydney and Antigonish hospitals which could provide service for county residents a distance from Arichat.

The groups opposing the location said Arichat was isolated as it was accessible only by a single lane drawbridge from the mainland. They suggested the selection of a hospital site should be deferred until more was known about potential development in the Point Tupper area.

The groups opposing the bill—represented ratepayers in the Point Tupper and St. Peters areas chiefly—said the hospital proposals had been approved at a municipal council meeting which had not been properly advertised and that the council had failed to discuss some of the provisions of the bill, including a requirement that the municipality meet any hospital deficit up to $10,000 annually.

Very Rev. A. P. Poirier, chairman of the board of the existing St. Anne's Hospital, whose assets would be turned over to the municipality if a new municipal hospital were built in Arichat, told the committee the Red Cross had placed the existing hospital in Arichat because this area of the county was not served by the hospitals in Sydney or Antigonish.

Since the Red Cross gave up operation of the hospital several years ago, he said, the people of Isle Madame and Louisdale had contributed $60,000 to the hospital and these had been the only contributions from the county residents.

STAFF READY

He said the municipal council had choisen Arichat as the site for the proposed hospital because it already had the necessary medical and other personnel necessary for staffing a hospital.

With the respect to the municipal burden created by the hospital ed by the present hospital comprised half the ratepayers and half construction, he said the area serv-the assessment of the county. "Is a hospital measured by miles or people?" he asked.

Walter Goodfellow, appearing for the county groups opposing the bill, said the bill was premature and that the main opposition was to the location, to the financing and deficit provisions. He said he had been informed no public notice had been given of the meeting at which the council decided to seek authority to borrow money for the proposed hospital.

Arichat, he said, was several miles off the main highway and the only access to it was across a single lane bridge which opened for passage of marine craft.

He said the opposition would be prepared to accept an amendment which would delete reference to the location or name of the proposed hospital.

NO OPPORTUNITY

Archie McCuish of Point Tupper said, "If our councillor voted for a hospital on Isle Madame he didn't represent us." He said people in the various districts had not been given sufficient opportunity to study the proposed legislation.

Donald Stone of St. Peter's also charged the proposals had not been given sufficient notice, that a brief prepared by his group—called the St. Peter's Community Group-had not been presented to the council because they had not known of the meeting.

Councillor LeBrun, chairman of the municipal finance committee, said proper notice had been given of the meeting at which the proposals were finalized and that the proposed hospital had been under discussion since 1959.

He told the committee that while the Isle Madame area had 50 per cent of the population, it elected only five of the 15 councillors.

"We must have got some support from outside," he said, noting that the Arichat location had been approved by a vote of 9 to 4, with two spoiled ballots and the borrowing proposal had been approved 8 to 7. Both votes were by secret ballot.

County Warden Byron Langley, who said he had come to the hearing at the request of the Municipal Affairs department, said he was not taking either side. He said he had suggested the question be put to a plebiscite but council had not agreed. He added that all the proposals contained in the bill had not been approved by council. The municipal responsibility for hospital deficits had not been approved, he said, and the council had been told there would be no deficits.

Father Poirier said it was true there would not be operating deficits as costs would be paid by the Hospital Insurance Commission. Councillor LeBrun said the individual clauses of the bill had not been put before council because after approving the colaiton and the borrowing authority, the council had authorized the finance committee to prepare and present the bill to the Legislature.

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Richmond Native

George Boyd Dies In Detroit

(The death of George Boyd, a native of River Bourgeois, occurred recently at Detriot, Mich. The late Mr. Boyd was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Angus Boyd, of River Bourgeois, and was a brother of the late D. D. Boyd. Another brother, Dr. John Boyd resides in Michigan. The following eulogy which appeared in a Guadeloupe newspaper, was kindly sent to us to re-publish.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved wife and family brother and sisters. —Editor)

TRANSLATION FROM "LE POPULAIRE" OF GUADELOUPE, MARCH 12, 1961.

Papa Boyd is dead. Such was the universal cry when on the morning of March 23rd, a voice over the radio announced the sad news of the death of George Boyd, Director General of the Credit Guadeloupeen.

What dismay! What sorrow throughout the whole of our little land, reaching every class of society from the street sweeper to the business man, to Government officials, to the highest ranking people in the island. Was this not a supreme tribute to the memory of a man not of our nationality, not of our race, not of our country.

He richly deserved this tribute. He who loved our little Guadeloupe, where he spent over forty years of his life and where he met the worthy lady who was his wife.

George Boyd was popular, affable, generous, obliging and compassionate. He could be seen at all public and official gatherings. Fond of athletic events, he was always present in the crowd to cheer our team to victory or console them in defeat. The customers in the Bank were always treated as friends and even the timid found comfort in his cheery smile and reassuring banter.

A banker of distinguished ability, he came here in 1918 after the first world war, with the Royal Bank of Canada. Later in 1928 he joined the staff of the Credit Guadeloupeen, of which he ultimately became Director. Canadian by birth but dedicated to the interests of this organizaion, by his wise guidance, his understanding of our economic problems and sound credit policy, he helped make it one of the best banking institutions in our country

He had been ailing for some time and was aware of his condition. If he died far from the shores of his adopted country, the answer is that he went to the United States as a last hope of being cured . . . Alas! it was too late. We do not know his last wishes in the matter, but we do know that the greatest consolation for those who knew him would be to have him buried in the earth of Guadeloupe where we could from time to time lay flowers on his grave and thus express our debt of gratitude and thanks for what he meant to all of us.

A devout Catholic, a Requiem High Mass was celebrated in the Cathedral by Archbishop Gay on March the 10th for the repose of his soul.

To his wife and son in Point a Pitre, to all those who loved him dearly here and especially his sorrowing relatives in far off Nova Scotia, we extend our heartfelt sympathy as they mourn his loss.

(Tribute to George Boyd who died in Detriot on February 24, 1961.)

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It is twice as hard to crush a half-truth as a whole lie.

—Austin O'Malley

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Liquor Advertising

Now that the Royal Commission on Nova Scotia Liquor Laws has reported, we feel free to comment on liquor advertising says the New Glasgow Evening News.

Of all the nonsense in a question rarely treated with too much logic, that of liquor advertising was the most silliest. Though tons of printed paper flaunting liquor in its most glamorous form flooded the province, newspapers here were denied the right to publish even institutional advertisements where the most "advertising" involved was the mere name of the liquor or beer firm.

Overlooked entirely was the real point of such advertising — the attempt to switch a buyer from one brand to another. The same as in cigarette or bread advertising.

And the fact, that without Nova Scotia advertising, nobody could get Nova Scotians to patronize liquids manufactured at home by Nova Scotian labor — and if we Nova Scotians are going to drink, as we know we have been for decades, then obviously we are foolish not to get as much gainful labor out of it as we can.

The Commission report doesn't go as far as the brief asked but that portion dealing with liquor advertising is as practical as the rest. The commission points out there is no change in the law necessary — the previous ban has been only a regulation with the force of law. It recommends the Liquor Commission study the situation in Ontario where the Premier last year bowed to the "inevitable" and suggested a "code of advertising that seems to have met with little adverse criticism".

We believe any serious study of the Ontario situation, including a review of the Ontario premier's statement and the subsequent code he put into effect, can have only one result — its adoption here.

And we'll go along with that.

(For the past several years the weekly press of Nova Scotia by medium of their Association, had brought to the attention of the government the matter of liquor advertising and on every occasion met with very little or any success in their presentations. The Stanfield government has dealt with the problem of Nova Scotia Liquor Laws, in a very realistic manner, in the appointing of a Commision whose findings have been approved by the Legislature and have also gained favourable comment from many provincial newspapers. Our view is that such advertising comes to readers through the pages of leading magazines and the ban on such advertising to provincial newspapers for the past several years has been a great, loss financially.—Editor.)



Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

Have many tripped themselves lately over their national gray beards? Professor Frank Underhill, noted Canadian historian, told a panel of intellectuals on a nationwide televised program recently that" Canada was born old". If this is "The Price of Being a Canadian", as the show was called, then I had better pack away all my enthusiasms and those experts, who are always excusing Canada her various faults "because the country is so young", had better put away their safety pins and bibs and get out a few crutches and wheel chairs to bolster our national pride, Thank Heaven, mine doesn't bruise easily.

I could appreciate poet Irving Layton making one remark about Canadians "being a people with middle class values, chiefly interested in making money,.. Mr. Layton has a unique sarcasm, which is a conceit he likes to flaunt publicly, hoping to raise a few eyebrows. In fact, if it hadn't been for author Hugh MacLennan, who came up with a rouser, "There has been a prodigious change in the spirits of Canada since 1940. I am a citizen of no mean country, "I might have wondered why we struggled so hard to promote this land or even try and create abroad an image of vitality and patriotic verve.

I am told a country is judged by the stature of its citizens, who collectively are Mr. and Mrs. John Doe, living a not too spectacular life in its suburbs. I met one the other day. He is an editor and columnist, sometimes concerned about the continual rat race of production, but actually living a full and satisfying life while making a contribution as well, to the local scene.

It was during one of my trips by rail to Montreal that I met Archie Duffie. I had produced a piece of copy for a forthcoming issue of the CNR's employee magazine, "Keeping Track", and wanted to discuss its context with the editor.

He was a large man with a scholarly stoop, sitting behind a wooden deck almost too tidy for any editor. His kind, if rather worried eyes roved restlessly behind rimmed glasses and a thatch of quite blonde curly hair bounced on his brow as he ejaculated. We were in the midst of a discussion when he stood up and announced he was taking me to his home for dinner.

I cannot truthfully say he shed his editorial responsibilities as the clock struck five. Archie Duffie lives his job twenty-four hours of every day. But in his home he is an entirely different personality from the enquiring editor and humorous weekly newspaper columnist.

We drove through the streets of St. Lambert with the windows of the bus frosted over and homeward bound passengers stomping their feet to keep their circulation from congealing. All the way Archie told me about his rose garden, naming its hundred odd varieties. Every once in a while he would lean over me, scrape a little frost from the window of the bus and worry about whether those roses could stand such a stretch of severe weather.

When we arrived we were greeted by the aroma of freshly baked bread and broiled steak, the welcome screech of a small budgie and Archie's glamorous auburn-haired wife. The editor donned a comfortable cardigan, took the budgie from the cage and from then until I left later in the evening, they were inseparable. The budgie hung upside down on the temple bar of Archie's glasses, perched on his curly mop, chewed at his earlobe and chattered. When I became absolutely fascinated by such devotion, the bird made a dive for my hair and duck bumps crept along my arms, just as they used to do when bats frightened me by divebombing my august person on sultry summer evenings.

Archie Duffie is a collector. In beautifully constructed cases which he made in the recreation room of his home are literally thousands of sea shells, many of them rare and valuable. He is also an artisan of no mean accomplishment. For years he has been making picture frames for his own home and those of neighbours and friends. His library is a revelation of nature study books, creative accomplishments of the world's foremost humourists, the classics and old tomes, such as the minutes of a hundred-year-old society whose history has intrigued him.

His record library would delight a Bernstein, though his taste for more complex orchestrations might surprise a more conservative lover of good music.

This man is a Canadian. Are his values middle class? Money, I don't doubt, he has need of; who hasn't. But his assessment, I believe, of what he wants out of life has many more worthwhile facets than a monetary scale of achievement. Surely Canada will never be "old" as long as there are Archie Duffies, with full, creative lives, residing in small homes on the outskirts of big, bustling Canadian cities.

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It is estimated that up to fifty per cent of the milk consumed in Canada is not pasteurized. Raw milk is dangerous. It may carry the germs of bovine TB, indulant fever, septic sore throat, typhoid and other serious diseases. One sick cow can spread illness to many people. Help make pasteurization compulsory in your area now.

L'ARDOISE NEWS

Master Francis Monbourquette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Monbourquette, has returned home from St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney, the past week, where he underwent an emergency operation. His little friends and school associates will be pleased to learn that he is making a satisfactory recovery.

Mr. Henry Campbell is at present in Halifax, having entered the V. G. Hospital for a period of treatment.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Raney, Point Michaud, on the recent birth of a daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Sampson on the birth of a daughter. Both babies were born at St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney.

Pte. John Gracie of the R. C. A. stationed at Camp Gagetown, N. B., is spending a furlough with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Gracie.

Friends of Mrs. Mary Farrell, will learn with regret that she is a patient at St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney, having undergone a major operation. All extend best wishes for her speedy and complete recovery.

We are glad to report that Miss Patricia Monbourquette, daughter of Councillor and Mrs. Frank Monbourquette, who was a patient at the V. G. Hospital, Halifax, under a period of observation, is much improved in health.

Mrs. Mary Dellmer, has recently returned from Montreal, where she spent the winter months.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Dennis Britten, Vice-Principal of Consolidated School, is on the sick list. All extend best wishes for his speedy recovery.

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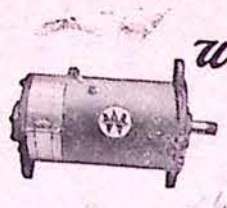
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Applications addressed to "Department of Lands and Forests, Halifax, Nova Scotia", will be received at the office of the Department of Lands and Forests, Provincial Administration Building, Halifax up to Saturday, April 8, 1961 of those wishing to attend the "Timber Scaler's School" to be held at Shubenacadie on or about Tuesday, April 18, 1961. For further information, please contact Director of Forestry, R. H. Burgess, at the above address.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY



Business Trip

Raymond LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk and Treasurer, was a business visitor to Halifax, recently.

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BIRTH

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Theriault, twin boys in a Montreal Hospital, on February, 17, 1961.

Born to—Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Savary of D'Escousse, at St. Anne's Hospital, recently, a son, Samuel Everett.

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Visiting Parents

Mrs. Clem Britten and children, are spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Therjault, while her husband is working in Antigonish.

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RECENT VISITORS

We were pleased to have a visit from a former good neighbor, Mrs. Delta Babin of River Bourgeois, who was accompanied by her youngest daughter, Ann Louise and Mrs. Babin's sister, Claire Robertson, of River Bourgeois.

We were glad to learn that Mrs. Babin's good parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Robertson were in good health and that they recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. Our good wishes and congratulations are exended to the worthy couple.

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An Old Subscriber

We recently heard from an old subscriber Mr. D. A. MacLeod, of Bridgewater, N. S.

Mr. MacLeod is a native of Richmond County and was born at Lewis Cove Road. A railroad man for many years, he was first employed in the building of the Halifax and South Shore Railway and was later an engineer on this line and retired on pension some years ago after a very successful service. Mr. MacLeod has resided in Bridgwater for the greater part of his life. He is now in his 80th year and we join with his many friends in wishing him many more happy years of retirement.

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Recent Visitor

Ralph LeBlanc was a recent visitor to his parents, Councillor and Mrs. Simon J. LeBlanc. Ralph is employed on a Government Survey ship out of the port of Pictou. On his return to duty he was accompanied by his parents who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Boudreau, while in that town, for a few days.

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Recent Visitor

Ralph Fougere was a recent visitor from Halifax, and was the guest of relatives on the North Side of the Island.

Ralph is employed as Superintendent of Shipping both at Halifax and Montreal for a large Shipping firm. He will be leaving shortly for Montreal where he will be employed at that port for the summer.

Friends on Isle Madame were pleased to see Ralph.

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In Service

It is nice seeing the M. V. Vanaheim in service again, on the Arichat-Mulgrave Service.

Ice conditions here during the winter has kept Arichat harbor blocked.

The Government ice-breaker, Wolfe ,broke up the harbor ice on two occasions, and this certainly helped to open up the port much earlier than expected.

The Langley Shipping looked after the freight by truck for Isle Madame. We congratulate Louis Samson, the driver of the truck, for excellent service during the period the Vanaheim was out of operation due to heavy ice conditions.

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From Hastings

Mr. and Mrs. William Bobbitt, of Port Hastings, accompanied by their daughter, Carolina, were recent visitors here, the guests of Mrs. Bobbitt's brother and sister-in-law, Councillor and Mrs. Simon J. LeBlanc.

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MRS. CUTLER PASSES AWAY IN HER 84th YEAR

NEW GLASGOW — Mrs. Florence Ida Cutler, 83, widow of Clement Gordon Cutler, passed away suddenly in the Aberdeen Hospital on Saturday evening, March 11th.

Deceased was born at West Arichat, C. B., a daughter of the late Henry Hatton and Elizabeth MacKay Crichton.

A member of St. George's Church, New Glasgow, she was also active in the Women's Auxiliary of that church. Of a quiet and thoughtful disposition, she was interested in the welfare of others and was esteemed by all with whom she came in contact. She also took a keen interest in the affairs of the community being a member of the Alma Green Hill Women's Institute.

Mrs. Cutler moved from her home in Truro three years ago to reside with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. White at Alma.

She is survived by an only daughter, Helen (Mrs. White), several nieces and two nephews. She was the last surviving member of her parents' family.

The late Mr. and Mrs. Cutler celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary five years ago.

The funeral service was held at St. George's Church with Rev. Samuel Miller officiating, assisted by Rev. Harry Langwith, Pictou.

The following hymns all favourites of the deceased, were beautifully rendered by the choir. "Rock of Ages Cleft For Me", "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", and "There Is No Night There" a solo by Mrs. Doane Bent.

The remains were then forwarded to Truro, where the committal service was taken by her former rector, Rev. J. H. Graven, and burial was in the family plot in Terrace Hill Cemetery.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Alvin White, (Helen) and to relatives in Arichat, in their bereavement.

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It is not wise to wait until an emergency arises before choosing a doctor. By having a medical checkup with a physician and providing him with information on family and medical background, in case of sudden illness the doctor will be helped in making his diagnosis.

PETIT DE GRAT HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Petit de Grat Home and School was held Tuesday, Feb. 28, with Mr. Leon Landry presiding.

The meeting opened with the recitation of a prayer led by Sister Emmanuel, followed by the singing of our National Anthem, directed by Sister Andre.

Reverend Father J. J. MacDonald, chairman of a special committee appointed by the Ratepayers of Petit de Grat School Section to study the problem of school construction, reported on the activities of the committee.

The problem of school needs was studied, and a brief was written and presented to the Municipal School Board. When the School Board made its recommendations of the Council on the construction of new schools in the County in the next five years, Petit de Grat was included.

A program for Education Week was introduced by Sister Emmanuel. It would consist of a short one act play to be presented at our next meeting.

Miss Sylvia MacEachen, Provincial Health Nurse , gave a talk on the Immunization of children. She announced that clinics would be held in Petit de Grat as well as in West Arichat. She called on parents to take advantage of these important services offered by the Department. Several questions were asked by the members which began a very interesting discussion.

Being Founder's Day the President gave a brief summary of the history of the Home and School since it was organized in 1957. An appeal was made to the members to continue the good work of fostering good relations between the Home and the School.

A silver collection was made which netted $6.60. Proceeds went to support folkschools, workshops etc.

After a game a delicious lunch was served consisting of a beautifully decorated birthday cake, which was donated by Eastern Bakeries through the kindness of Mr. Alphonse Landry. Following a prayer the meeting adjourned.

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West Arichat Notes

Capt. and Mrs. Clarence Forgeron have returned from Halifax and LaHave, where they visited friends for several weeks.

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Ina Duann left for Halifax, after being a week-end guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Duann.

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Francis Linden was on a motor business trip to Sydney on Wednesday and to Point Tupper on Monday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Babin and children visited friends at Petit De Grat the past week.

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Illene Melanson left for Halifax where she will take up nurse-in-training at the Infirmary at Halifax.

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Ann Forgeron has returned from Normal College, Truro where she obtained her teaching license. She is at present taking practice at the Arichat School. We wish her every success.

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Doreen Poirier left for Drummunville, Que., to enter college to take up Household Science. We wish her every success.

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Francis Leon Dorey of West Arichat and Albany Dorey of Janvrin's Harbor, left on Monday to join the Survey Ship Baffin, of the government Hydrographic Survey.

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Friends and relatives of Mrs. Rudolph Doirion will be glad to learn that she is resting comfortably at the V. G. Hospital, Halifax. We wish her a speedy and complete recovery.

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Mrs. Johnny Babin, Antigonish, was a week-end visitor to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Meunier, of West Arichat.

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St. Joseph's C.W.L.

The monthly meeting of the C. W. L. of St. Joseph's Parish Petit de Grat, was held in the Parish Hall on March 12th. at 3 p. m.

The President opened the meeting with the League prayers. Roll call revealed the presence of 29 members.

Correspondence was then read, one letter from our Diocesan President, Mrs. J. A. MacDonald of Westville, requesting that a "Bouquet Spiritual" be sent to Fr. G. MacLean our Diocesan Director who is on the sick list.

Reports of the various committees were read and approved.

Treasurer reports $685.85 had been raised during the month of February, which has been donated to the parish church.

Press Convener stated that a display of Catholic literature of different varieties which had been set up in the back of the church for the month of February, will be removed this week, and any members who wish to have any of these books to read, are requested to ask the press convener.

Plans have been made to start a travelling (Basket) from house to house to help raise money towards the church. A Mary Maxim sweater has also been donated for sale of tickets for the month of March.

Twelve members volunteered to attend a closed retreat at the Villa Madonna, Bras D'Or from March 17th. to 19th.

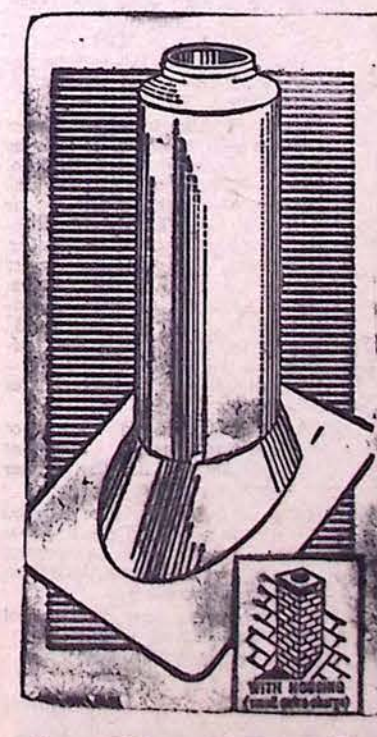
Fr. MacDonald then spoke a few words after which the meeting adjourned with the prayer to Our Lady of Good Council.

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Fish Catches Hampered By Ice Conditions and Bad Weather

Although there has been offshore fishing activity in Nova Scotia, rough weather and ice conditions continue to hamper the inshore fishery. With few exceptions, most inshore fishing ports are still not working and lobster fishing is restricted to only a few areas in the Bay of Fundy and south shore.

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LANDINGS BELOW NORMAL

A review of last week's fisheries issued by the information service of the department of fisheries at Halifax showed that, on the whole, offshore landings continue to be below normal while inshore landings were practically nil.

Longline fishermen were idle at Yarmouth most of last week as a result of weather. A landing of 9,000 pounds was made by the dragger Barbara J. Howell. Lobster fishermen had less than two days fishing and the highest catch was reported at 150 pounds. Lobster prices held steadily at 70 cents a pound all week.

The only landing of any account at Lockeport was the 70,000 pounds landed by the dragger Violet M. Diamond. Two longliners got in two days fishing but strong tides and winds cut their total landings to less than 12,000 pounds.

There were no landings in Queens County last week, while fishing was about at a minimum in Shelburne. The dragger Robertson II landed 44,000 pounds of scallops at Shelburne last week. There was little or no lobster fishing.

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REPORT FISH SCARCE

At Lunenburg six offshore draggers landed about 714,000 pounds. Fishing skippers reported fish as being scarce on the banks. While there was practically no inshore fishing in Halifax County, Halifax-based trawlers had a fairly good week. Some vessels landed more than 200,000 pounds.

At Petit de Grat two trawlers of the Red Diamond fleet, the Jean H. Fletcher and the Red Diamond V landed nearly 755,000 pounds. The dragger Cape Spry landed 110,000 pounds of mixed fish at Louisbourg. That was the first dragger landing at that historic port in nearly a month. Ice has kept the harbor blocked most of the winter.

There was no fishing out of Glace Bay last week. The vessel Jane Marie tried to force her way out of North Sydney harbor but the ice was too much for her. The only fish processed at North Sydney were fillets and roundfish brought in from Newfoundland. At Canso 250,000 pounds of mixed fish were landed by two vessels of the Rupert Brand fleet.

Seven Danish seiners two longliners and four small draggers landed about 85,000 pounds of mixed fish, mostly flounders at Port Bickerton.

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A Retired C.N.R. Police Passes

DANIEL JOSEPH THOMAS

The death of Daniel Joseph Thomas, a widely known and respected citizen of Point Tupper occurred at St. Martha's Hospital, Antigonish following a lengthy illness. He was 79 years of age and born at Point Michaud, Richmond County, the son of the late William Thomas and Mary Gillis.

As a young man he worked in Glace Bay until he came to Point Tupper in 1915, as a Canadian National Railway Constable. He was a devout member of St. Joseph's Church, a member of the Holy Name Society and a fourth degree Knights of Columbus. Before failing health, he was active in all parish affairs and at one time was a warden of the parish.

He was predeceased by his wife, the former Mary Gillis, who passed away nine months ago. Survivors are five daughters, Anna of Lourdes; Sadie at home; Evelyn, x-ray technician, St. Martha's Hospital, Antigonish; Helen (Mrs. J. B. Cloake) Port Hawkesbury; Patricia; public health nurse, Port Hawkesbury; two sons, William at home and Michael of Sydney. Two brothers George of Glace Bay and Stephen of Soldier's Cove, C. B. and one sister Mary, of Soldier's Cove also survive him, as well as two grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held from St. Joseph's Church with Solemn High Mass of Requiem celebrated by his brother-in-law, Rev. Dr. Michael Gillis, P. P. Lourdes.

Honorary pallbearers were Gibbons Thompson, Hugh Young, Murdock Hennessey, and Joseph Fougere of the C. N. R. Police Association, also Byron Langley and Daniel Chisholm.

Active pallbearers were Michael McIntyre, Kenneth MacDonald, Frank Campbell, John Dan MacLean, Ernest A. Langley and Allan MacDonald.

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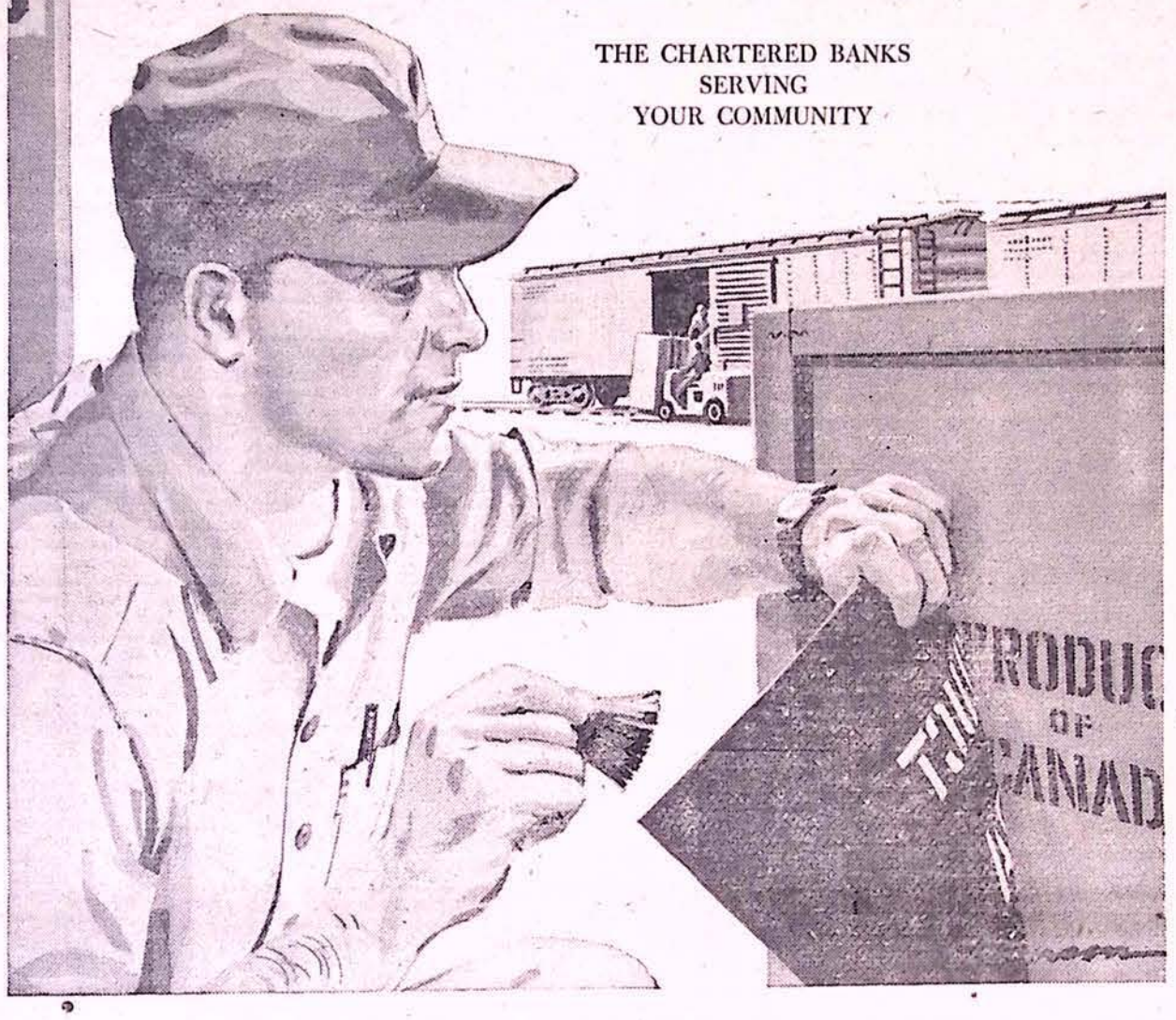
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