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One-Track Minds Scored at Synod

"The danger of producing a race of one-track minds, people who have no interest outside their own particular subject and are unable to hold or express any idea on things in general, is at present a great one." This was one of the major observations made by Archbishop Wright in his charge to the delegates at the opening session of the Nineteenth Triennial Synod on June 2.

"There is a crying need today for men who can take the broad view," continued Archbishop Wright, who defined the expert as "a person who knows more and more about less and less."

Understanding of the fundamental principles of other religions and "the necessity of making all laity aware of the distinctive genius of our own Communion," were also emphasized as factors in the cause of Universal Christian Unity.

Private and public study of the Holy Bible, more opportunities for the laity to participate in retreats, and the effective use of such channels of communication as the press, films, religious drama, television and radio were added recommendations the Archbishop made to the two hundred delegates assembled.

In reflecting upon the fifteen years of his Episcopate, the Archbishop noted a growing loyalty to the Holy Catholic Church in the Diocese of Algoma, a unity in Diocesan Activities, due in part to the publication of a Diocesan newspaper, and the achievement attained by the Diocese in becoming self-supporting.

The major part of the opening sessions dealt with business reports from the various parts of the Diocese. Three recommendations pertaining to the existing situation regarding capital punishment were passed.

The Synod recommended that the death penalty be limited to those cases where homicide is done in the act of resisting arrest or against custodial personnel; and in those cases where a long history of vicious anti-social behaviour is established by the courts. However, it was advised that a study of moral standards in States where the death penalty has been abolished be first conducted.

Thirdly, the Synod agreed that the best defence possible and not junior counsel, be provided by the courts when an alleged murderer is unable to supply his own.

Divorce prevention and reconciliation of involved parties, as well as a discussion concerning the establishment of pre-marital clinics were an important part of the agenda.

Re-birth

On thinking how the verdant woods so fair,
The northern bush, the home of wildlife free,
Is stained and scarred and burned to lie all bare
By Man, the wanton killer of the Tree,
I feel my breast fill with unchecked ire;
I see a vision of a barren North
Where mosses cling to rock, black — scorched by fire
That swept the land and left no thing of worth.
O useless waste! — And yet, the wearied land,
Like ancient Phoenix of the famous tale,
Is born again, all green and lush and grand.
For, wandering through a sparse and burned swale,
Among the rocks that in grey ashes lie,

I saw a green leaf sprout, and face the sky.

Tony Cassidy

The above poem was submitted to T. W. Parry, teacher of English Literature in the Haileybury High School by Tony Cassidy, a Grade 12 student, who is doing a study of sonnets as part of his English Literature work.

Not only is it good poetry but graphically describes what has been done to the forests in many parts of the north.



Mr. and Mrs. Gaston F. Dessureault were married in St. Therese Church in Cobalt last Saturday. The bride is the former Huguette Hurtubise, daughter of Mrs. J. Hurtubise of Cobalt. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dessureault of North Cobalt. — Photo by Smith Studio

Haileybury Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lindsay were in North Bay last Thursday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lindsay's father, Mr. Peter Leslie.

Mrs. W. R. Wiber of Edmonton, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tyson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lowery are spending a few days this week in Toronto.

Miss Agnes Chesser and Miss Jean McGill are among the members of the Tri-Town Business and Professional Women's Club who will be attending the Conference in Paris, France, in July.

Bill Tyson of Ottawa spent the past week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tyson.

The Most Reverend W. L. Wright, Archbishop of Algoma, and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, will make his Episcopal visitation in St. Paul's Parish on June 17 and 18.

Miss Ethel Herbert of Sudbury is visiting relatives in Haileybury. Frank Southwell, formerly of Almonte, was a business visitor in Haileybury this week.

Graham Hennessy and Miss Helen Hennessy have returned from Brockville, where Mr. Hennessy attended a reunion of the 1911 Boy Scout Contingent to the coronation of King George V.

Mr. Jas. A. Childs returned home to Sudbury last week after spending a week in town.

Mrs. Olive Childs returned home Saturday after spending the past two weeks visiting relatives in Sudbury, Blind River and Thessalon. Mrs. Childs also spent a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Evan White at Iron Bridge. Mr. and Mrs. White are former Haileyburians.

Mission Circle Works on Projects

When the Pentecostal Mission Circle held their June meeting on Tuesday evening, it was opened with Mrs. Charles McRoberts reading the forty-sixth Psalm and the singing of the chorus, "Walk with Me, Lord".

A period of prayer followed led by Mrs. Gib Lowe, Mrs. Wes. Bradley and Mrs. Vernon Wark.

Dues and pennies were received and a considerable amount of canned goods were brought in for the Christmas boxes. Next month the donations will be canned meat.

After the worship and business sessions, the ladies worked on a variety of projects, knitting, crocheting and embroidery work.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. James Harman and Mrs. Vernon Wark, assisted by Mrs. C. E. Miller.

An 80-year-old English secretary was asked to spend some of her wages on household help, said: "Can't. Got to save up for my old age, you know."

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