

Plan 5 New Postage Stamps For Canadians Next Year

At least five new postage stamps will make their appearance during 1960, according to an announcement made last week by the Honorable William Hamilton, Postmaster General. The familiar blue aerogramme form for overseas air letters is also to be completely re-designed.

The regular issue postage stamps portraying Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be replaced with new designs and it is expected that at least two of the denominations of the new series will be issued for 1960. While the designing of this new issue has not yet begun, some sweeping changes are receiving serious consideration. The stamps are to be the same small size as the present issue but may possibly be turned so that the long dimension is horizontal. Her Majesty's portrait will appear, but will not occupy the entire area of the design as at present. In the remaining space, besides the denomination and other necessary wording, some specifically Canadian symbol will be printed, and this symbol may vary with each denomination.

The ten-cent aerogramme currently in use was designed in 1953. Its 1960 counterpart will be printed in two colours of a brighter blue paper stock and the imprinted stamp will be re-designed. The new colour will permit greater legibility.

Three commemorative stamps are planned for the new year. The first of these should appear in May of 1960 and will celebrate the 300th Anniversary of the heroic stand of Dollard des Ormeaux and his companions in the defence of Montreal at the Long Sault.

The 50th Anniversary of the Girl Guide Movement in Canada will be commemorated by a special five-cent postage stamp. The Canadian Girl Guide Movement is part of a large international sisterhood which promotes friendship and understanding among the peoples of many nations, colours and creeds.

A third special issue postage stamp will emphasize Canada's natural, renewable resources with a view to stimulating a greater interest in conservation and the improved management of these resources.

Canadian artists will design the new stamps for the Post Office Department, and further details of design, colour and size will be announced as the work progresses.

Educational Films are Shown Council Ladies

The November meeting of the Local Council of Women was held at the home of Mrs. J. Kirkwood, Pauline St. The meeting opened with silent prayer followed by correspondence read by Miss H. Lawson and the reading of the secretary's and treasurer's reports.

Business arising from the correspondence was dealt with. Mrs. R. Jones read a letter from the chairman of Citizenship regarding getting out to vote. Mrs. Nielsen also read a paper on wills and business papers.

A nomination committee consisting of Mrs. A. M. Nielsen and Mrs. F. Johnson will present a slate of officers at the January meeting.

Mrs. Johnson moved a vote of thanks to the hostess and her assistants. After a social hour two very interesting and educational films were shown by Miss Rosemary Jordan.



HOLY CROSS SAFETY AWARD

SAFETY AWARD DAY came last week at Holy Cross School when Constable Ted Scott represented the Georgetown police in presenting a shield to the school representing an accident-free year. Grouped with a number of the pupils, left to right, are Constable Scott, Father Thomas Van Laer, principal T. J. Fitzmaurice, school board secretary Ed Malison, Councillor Anne Currie and Joseph Strite representing Varian Associates. Roy Donahee holds the shield, flanked by Michael Dwyer, who expressed thanks to the police, and Lynda Lee.

LEGION NOTES

by Les Clark



Well, tonight's the big night for all the kids in the branch (young and old) with old Santa arriving at the Legion auditorium about 7.15 to distribute a gift to each child under eleven years of age.

This year under the co-operation of Godfrey Collier the Tree has reached even larger numbers, and once again no doubt the place will be packed to the doors. As usual, too, there will be quite a number of helpers to give God a hand, and we trust that no one will be kept waiting too long. If the mothers with youngsters have a chance to get there early, it saves a rather long tiresome wait at the end to get the gifts. The Christmas draw will also be made at the end of the evening, with some large cash prizes going on the turn of the wheel.

As the old year is coming to a speedy conclusion, the writer would like to thank all those who have contributed in any way to this column. It's difficult to write every week and keep a sustained reasonable column over the whole year and it would be impossible without the help of the various ones who jog our memories and supply us with what (in our opinion) might be of interest to at least some of the public. If, at times, the column indulges in a 'bit of horseplay', it is usually a case of knowing that the principals will not be offended. In fact, in anything unusual, we usually check with one of the principals to be sure no one can be too annoyed. In this respect though we could use more cooperation and would love any member to pass on anything he may think is of merit to some of the readers. Years ago, of course, when the town was smaller and we were able to identify anyone in the branch, and in the town, it was an easier job to write a little of interest to everyone. By the same token we had a number of "characters" who used to supply us with endless anecdotes for this corner. (And

they really WERE characters, too.) In fact at least one of them, we'll never be able to replace, now that he is too old to get out and create a bit of news. Frankly, we get a bang out of writing this column, and we hope to go on doing it for a long time. We think it adds a bit of interest to our branch, and as a feature of the Herald, it is useful because it has at least a mild interest to our big membership and their families, which comprise a fair number of the readers.

To sum up, this news can be only as interesting as You the Readers make it. If you can help by suggesting something we should print, or know of something we've missed how about letting us know? We'll appreciate it!

We see that a number of our branch members are members of town council this year. In addition to Doug Sargent, John Elliott, headed the polls, followed by Fred Harrison, John D. Kelly, a long time member and past president was in third place.

Plans for the formation of a Legion branch at Cookville are under way, and the parties who originated the idea are well satisfied with the progress being made. There is a potential of about five hundred members in that area. A meeting was held last Friday night and it was well attended. A great deal of interest is being shown, and we expect to see a lot of progress made in getting it underway.

With next week being that of the Christmas Festival, and doubting that we shall have a column then, may we wish all the members a very merry Christmas and may you and yours be the recipients of a wonderful and prosperous new year!

In the New Year, let's see all the members working together for a bigger and better Legion, and let's each and every one of us put our shoulder to the wheel and help where we can!

Lights Outside Reflect Spirit of Christmas

The great American tradition of exterior illumination of the home at holiday time is strictly in the Christmas spirit, in that it reflects the desire to share the happiness of the season, not only with family, friends and neighbors, but with the most casual passerby—in short with everyone!

With each passing year, imaginative Americans create new effects to add to holiday atmosphere of the neighborhood. In good natured rivalry, families vie with one another to come up with something "new and different" each year.

As planning for this year's Christmas lighting gets under way, Dad (who usually makes this his own domain) will find much new and improved equipment on display at the stores. Included are weatherproof wiring, floodlights and myriad colored light bulbs, along with a wide variety of stars, wreath-

es, illuminated Santas and other pieces, which afford wide scope to the imagination of the one planning the display.

ACCOUNTING APPOINTMENT CANADIAN NATIONAL RAIL

Russell F. McCharles has been appointed assistant to the vice president of accounting and finance, Canadian National Railways, it was announced by vice president J. L. Toole.

Born in Farmington, N.S., Mr. McCharles began his railroad career at Moncton in 1915 as a clerk in the audit department of the Canadian Government Railways.

He remained in Moncton in various positions until 1947, when he transferred to Montreal as chief disbursements accountant. The next year, he returned to Moncton as regional auditor and in 1956 was appointed administrative assistant to the comptroller in Montreal.

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