

Red Cross Course Trains Senior Citizen Visitors

The Georgetown branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society is planning a four hour friendly visiting training course through their Services for Seniors Committee.

Older people may have suitable housing, financial security, adequate health services and proper nutrition and yet find the added years of life futile, frustrating and non-constructive. Experts in the field of aging have found that loneliness is the most corroding influence in the lives of our senior citizens. To combat this, hundreds of volunteers are needed who will become friendly visitors to the aging section of the population.

These volunteers should receive basic training in the understanding of older people and should be prepared to offer all services to meet the needs and problems of this aging group. They should also be conversant with recreational activities which tend to keep older people in the mainstream of life.

Friendly visiting should be a regular and continuing service. It should be extended to the older citizen wherever he may be found in homes for the aged, in Nursing Homes and hospitals within the community, in his own home or apartment, with relatives or friends, or in boarding houses.

Any organization having volunteers such as churches, societies and fraternal groups, should

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al agencies, etc. may set up a visiting service.
For further details, see Coming Events.

Scout Campsite Ambitious Aim of District Council

A new district council has been formed for the Georgetown & District Scouts.

President is Robert Ballantine, 4 Murdock St. The council aims to assist the district-wide activities of the various scout groups, but leave local initiative with the individual group committees.

A most ambitious project under discussion is the need for a permanent campsite. With land costs rising, it is important that this be undertaken as soon as possible. If any reader has any suggestions for this, or other activities, they are asked to contact the public relations chairman, Frank Holland 19 Eleanor Crescent.

Georgetown had a 10% increase in Scout and Cub membership in the past year. With population continuing to increase, this is expected to continue this year, and the council is looking forward to welcoming new members.

CLERGY COMMENT

Where Does the Keiler Mackay Committee Take Our Public Schools

by Rev. A. J. VandenPol, Christian Reformed Church

It is not surprising that many people are deeply shocked about the sudden change — upward — in their school tax bill. Few things hurt more than a surprise attack on the pocketbook, it seems.

However, it is surprising and, it seems to me, disturbing, that so far little concern has been expressed by parents and others interested in the education of our present and future school generation, concerning another aspect of this education.

1. In 1944, following a history of clergy-taught religious education, the Hon. George Drew, Premier and Minister of Education provided a new policy whereby classroom teachers or the local clergy would give religious instruction in two weekly periods during the school day. Certain exemptions were allowed. Parents, who believed that religious education is part of the total educational development could find comfort in the reasoning that together with the home, church and Sunday School and the number of good Christians teaching, the upbringing of their children into Christian citizens was safeguarded.

2. By Order of Council, January 27, the Keiler Mackay committee was appointed to study religious education in the public school, which in later years had become such a controversial issue, since our society became more and more pluralistic i.e. of a diversified nature even in the basic philosophies of life. This year the K.M. committee submitted its report entitled "Religious Information and Moral Development." If one reads carefully the title itself speaks a clear language. Permit a few quotes: "Religious faith is a personal commitment which can best be made in the home and in the place of worship." And the committee concludes that the "Christian indoctrination" to which, it believes, children in public schools are subjected must be stopped.

"Christian doctrines are not only inculcated by the present course, but it is implied that these truths are exclusive to Christianity."

The committee advocates that religion be continued in the school curriculum as a 'subject for study' since 'a general knowledge of religion is necessary to form a well-educated person.' It advocates a public school course — really, — in comparative religions to provide the students with insight into the various beliefs of the world.

In Grades 11 and 12 the course would involve systematic and detailed study with the intention of providing 'knowledge about and insight into the bases of religious doctrines, creeds, liturgical practices and into the roots from which they have sprung.'

Who is going to teach such a course? It seems to me that we will need a wholly new kind of teachers' college or department at our university. Ads for such teachers should run lines like this:

Applicants must have graduated from the Department of holy — pardon, I mean — wholly objective studies of religion. He should not be an adherent of any of the following religions: Christian (Roman Catholic, Protestant, or Eastern Orthodox), Jewish, Moslem, Buddhist, Shintoist or any of the 'newer' religions present in our Canadian Society, but an avowed agnostic in order to provide the necessary total objectivity demanded for this course.

One question: When I am a convinced Christian, who not only believes that Christ is the Head usher of heaven for deceased souls, but that in Him are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Colossians 2:3), through whom God created the world, who upholds by His word of power (Hebrews 1:2,3). What must I do with respect to the education of our children?

And next time I would like to touch upon the 'Moral Development' part of the committee's report.

Abitibi Employee Was Overseas Vet

Rocco Lorusso, a member of the Royal Canadian Legion and a veteran of the Lorne Scots Regiment died in Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital on Monday, April 7 in his 55th year. Mr. Lorusso was born in Georgetown and attended Georgetown public school. He worked at the Georgetown Clay Products prior to the Second World War. He had since been employed with Abitibi Provincial Paper, Ltd.

He was the son of the late Emmanuel and Maria Lorusso. He is survived by brothers Frank, Michael, Joseph and Donald and sisters Annie (Mrs. A. McConkey), Rose (Mrs. A. Jacklin) and Josephine (Mrs. A. Hives). A brother Dominic predeceased him.

Requiem mass was held in Holy Cross Church at 10 o'clock on Wednesday, April 9. Pallbearers were James Murphy, Bob Walter, Stan McHugh, Ken DeRose, Frank Hale and Gerald Fendley. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

DAVIS TO SPEAK

Halon Young Progressive Conservatives will have education minister William Davis as third speaker in a series of dinners, open to the public, next Monday.

The audience will have a chance to question Mr. Davis after his remarks at the Oakville Holiday Inn. Tickets are available from Peter Hughes, Norval, or at the door.



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10 a.m.: Sunday Church School

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10:00 a.m.: Sunday School
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At 11:00 A.M.

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