Littles Thrilled By Highlanders

Local resident R. D. Little and his wife, vacationing abroad are sharing the sights and sounds of their trip with "Liberal" readers.

Scots Wha'Haehae

It appears everyone in Scotland (and other places) has come into Edinburgh for the Festival.

Shops, streets and hotels are crowded and there seems to be entertainment for all. Our first night here we went to the Lyceum Theatre to see "The Unshaven Cheek", an Australia play by Ray Lawler, author of "Summer of the 17th Doll." I'm afraid it will not be the success his first play was.

Coming out amid popping flash bulbs, we soon discovered the reason was an unexpected visit to the theatre by Princess Margaret and her husband. They passed through the lobby as we did and went on their way to Balmoral Castle. Saturday night at Usher Hall, we heard the London Symphony Orchestra with 200 voices of the Edinburgh Royal Choral Union a mixed choir established in 1853; Dorothy pronounced it "magnificent".

Of course, one of the highlights was the military tattoo which was spectacular and thrillingly performed against the floodlighted background of Edinburgh Castle. A special thrill was seeing the 48th Highlanders from Toronto parade around the castle's esplanade before the regular performance.

History At Every Turn

In Scotland, history unfolds at every turn and names from Canadian history books flooded back as we passed through Bannockburn, heard names of Culloden, Rob Roy, Stirling Castle, Bonnie Prince Charlie, etc.

We have done the usual tourist visiting to Edinburgh Castle where Scottish kings were born and died. One could spend hours here, it is so interesting with its seven gates, Queen Margaret's Chapel (holds 20 people) and the rooms where the James' were born and their crown jewels on display. Then there is the "Royal Mile" down which Mary, Queen of Scots rode with Bothwell to Holyrood Castle.

Today we had a full tour by comfortable bus to Loch Lomond and Trossachs, a drive of changing scenes from high mountains capped with purple heather to broad acres where cattle grazed.

After one sees the mile after mile of hillside dotted with sheep, we no longer wonder that woolen products are one of Scotland's chief exports. (The other export is well-known, too.)

Loch Lomond is 24 miles long and seven wide at its widest point and very much unspoiled as far as boats and campers are concerned. The camera enthusiasts were busy all afternoon.

One of the interesting castles we saw was Buchanan Castle where Rudolph Hess landed via plane during World War Two.

Some of our group were told at Inverness that my maternal ancestors, the Campbells were a thoroughly bad lot in the old days, given to murder and plunder.

Impressed By Courtesy

We were impressed in Scotland by the courtesy of drivers towards each other on their narrow roads and that almost every front yard (usually fenced or walled) has a planting of flowers, no matter how small. After five days in Edinburgh, we left on route to London with day stops at Windermere, Chester and Stratford. We have had many short showers in Scotland but also warm sunshine-y weather.

Real Estate Buying Boosted By Hospital

Richmond Hill real estate activity has increased and promises to be even greater this fall.

The York Central Hospital opening has been preceded by doctors' purchasing homes and looking for office space near this new hospital, reported David McLean Limited, realtors.

The McLean firm reported such increased interest revolving around the hospital that a medical centre will obviously be required in the immediate future to accommodate private offices of the various practitioners.

New industries have also contributed to residential activity with factory managers and key personnel moving to the Hill.

Although still many months from completion the CNR marshalling yard is having a market effect on house sales. CNR employees are purchasing homes in Richmond Hill, Thornhill and Maple according to McLean Realty.

According to the company, large corporations are viewing the northern Metro area with new interest as a result of railways and highway changes and continued development is assured in all phases.

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