

Gormley news

Bible school closing well attended

By EVELYN MILSTED
The closing exercises of the Vacation Bible School at the Missionary Church were well attended on Sunday night. The average attendance was 95 to 100. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sleeth had a varied and well-presented program which brought a good response from the children. During the week \$148 was raised for Missions.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Kelvin Carrington on the birth of their daughter on Thursday. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Norm Carrington and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bolender.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker on the birth of their daughter and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Baker.

Laura Rutledge is in York County Hospital, Newmarket with an attack of asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Wally Windsor of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett were dinner guests on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wideman, in honour of Harold's birthday.

The Wright Trio ministered in song on Sunday at Sundridge and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bacon, former residents here.

The annual relief sale at Pioneer Village will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17. The ladies of the Missionary Church and the Heisse Hill Church are busy preparing for this event.

Value was estimated at \$800.

Tanks stolen worth \$800

Donald Anderson, 318 Sunset Blvd., Stouffville, told police two welding tanks and hoses mounted on a blue cart, were stolen from his summer residence on Park Drive at McRae Beach, Lake Simcoe, August 27-18.

Ontario not favoured at Quebec's expense

By SINCLAIR STEVENS

Quebec economists of late have been espousing arguments which they claim prove that federal policies have been stunting that province's economic growth.

Beginning with Sir John A. Macdonald's national policy of raising tariff barriers to foster native industry, these economists state, virtually every federal move has hurt Quebec. Their arguments were set out in an article by Joan Fraser appearing in the Financial Times on Aug. 8, 1977.

It's surprising how educated people can warp facts to suit their purpose. To suggest that federal governments have systematically introduced policies to hurt Quebec overlooks the fact that for the past 80 years, with few exceptions, governments in Ottawa have been formed from caucuses dominated by members from Quebec.

In this period, Quebecers have had an uncanny ability to elect a majority of their federal members to the government side of the House. This has been certainly true under the Pearson and Trudeau governments.

The Quebec economists claim that federal policies have tended to favour Ontario at Quebec's expense, but they overlook four underlying circumstances which have helped Ontario gain its present pre-eminence.

First, southern Ontario has a better climate than the Montreal area. In winter for example, Montreal with an average snowfall of 100 inches has almost twice as much as Toronto with an average 54 inches. The Montreal January temperature averages about 8 degrees Fahrenheit below that of Toronto.

Secondly, within 100 miles of Toronto, there are 100 million Americans who are the most prosperous people in the world. It is comparatively easy for industry situated in southern Ontario to sell to these people, whereas Montreal has only one-half this rich market within a similar radius.

Thirdly, Ontario since World War II has encouraged immigration which in turn has added to our prosperity, while such immigration to Quebec has not been promoted.

Fourthly, for generations, residents of Quebec have fostered the arts and culture with less stress on business, while Ontario's approach has been just the reverse.

But let's deal with some of the specific arguments outlined in the Time's article.

In criticizing Macdonald's national policy of raising tariffs it is stated that our capital intensive heavy industry in Ontario is due to our access to iron and coal resources, plus the booming western and mid-western markets. Surely this is an unfair comment when one realizes that Quebec has iron resources and access to coal at least as readily as we in Ontario. The booming western and mid-western markets (presumably Canadian) were more readily open to Montreal than Toronto when we remember that both our national railroads have their head offices in Montreal and there is little difference in distances.

The economists claim that opening the St. Lawrence Seaway took an advantage away from Montreal. Up until that time, ocean ships could not sail past Montreal. With the seaway this was lost. But what is forgotten is that the seaway was designed to give Montreal a better entre to the rich U.S. hinterland.

Again, it's surprising that economists would claim that Montreal has any transportation disadvantage when we note the CNR, CP Rail, Air Canada and Canada Steamship Lines are all headquartered in Montreal.

Until 1961, the economists state Montreal had a flourishing refinery industry based on imported oil which supplied much of eastern Canada.

But then the National Oil Policy killed that, by requiring that most of the Ontario market should be supplied from Alberta. What is overlooked however, is that Alberta crude oil was most costly than the foreign crude used in Montreal, so for years, it was felt that the national policy which was designed to foster the oil industry in Alberta, cost Ontario residents millions of dollars while Quebec and our eastern provinces had the continued advantage of using the cheap foreign crude oil.

It is also stated that Ontario was the biggest benefactor under the auto pact. But this is surely due to Toronto's ready access to the American Market rather than any mischief at the Ottawa level. It is over 500 miles from Montreal to Detroit, but Oakville and Oshawa are less than one-half that distance.

We are also told that federal policies have fostered the growth of a highly centralized (and based in Toronto) financial system. This is a hard one to swallow when we remember the country's largest bank, largest life insurance company and largest trust company are all centred in Montreal. Of Canada's ten largest financial institutions, six are based in Montreal.

Faced with the disadvantages of climate and transportation and with Quebec's historical background, it is unfortunate that economists in that province would now be seriously suggesting that they should add to these disadvantages by making Quebec a separate state.

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