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Bishop's Letter

1981 DIOCESAN MOTTO

"Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might"
Ephesians 6:10.

My Dear Fellow Anglicans:

I have chosen these words of St. Paul as our Diocesan Motto for 1981 because there is so much uncertainty & instability in our society today that we need a strong foundation for our life. Otherwise we can become gloomy & cynical about life as the writer of Ecclesiastes was who wrote "Vanity of Vanity, all is vanity." Or we can become like the young man who wrote "Where do I send the flowers? I have sunk my ship of fortune in the sea of alcohol. I have lost the trust of love, from the orgies of my youth, my pride in mankind is soiled by his vice and his wars. How am I to raise myself from its continuous dread. For all I seem to hear is, that God is dead. Where do I send the flowers?"

Being strong in the Lord means putting our whole trust & confidence in Him as our Father, our Saviour and our Guide not just acknowledging his existence. This is brought out clearly in the Creed with the opening words of each section "I believe in the Father," "I believe in Jesus Christ," "I believe in the Holy Spirit." "To believe," involves a complete commitment of our life. And it is that complete commitment which can save us from gloom and pessimism about life. It was exactly this commitment which gave Paul as a Christian a positive, confident vibrant attitude to life in spite of opposition, adversity and physical suffering. It enabled him to write triumphantly, "I am confident that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor things present nor things to come nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus Our Lord."

To live a positive, confident, vibrant life as a Christian means "being strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." May that be our commitment in our diocese during 1981.

Your friend & bishop

Frank: Algoma

BISHOP'S ITINERARY

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| January | |
| 1 | New Year's Day Reception - Bishop Hurst. |
| 20-22 | National Conference - Anglican Committee on Postulants for Orders - Toronto. |
| 23-26 | Bishop's personal retreat. |
| 26 | Pro-Consecration Dinner for Bishops & Wives - Toronto. |
| 27 | Visit to Theological Colleges - Toronto. 7 p.m. - Consecration of three Suffragan Bishops - Toronto. |
| 28 | Visit to Huron College - London. |

RETIREMENT PARTY

A retirement party to honour Archdeacon Charles Noble for his past 33 years as rector Christ Church & St. Peters, Sault Ste. Marie has been planned by the Congregations for Friday, Nov. 14th at the Ramada Inn. It is expected that a large number of Sault Ste. Marie residents, besides the congregations will be present for this significant event. More news of this in our next issue. The Rev. R.B. Brazill has been named Locum Tenens of Christ Church and St. Peters, Sault Ste. Marie following the retirement of Archdeacon Noble. His appointment takes effect Nov. 1st until further notice.

REFLECTIONS ON OBERAMMERGAU

BY BISHOP NOCK
My dear fellow Anglicans:

This past July, during our holidays, it was the privilege of my wife and myself to lead a tour of twenty-nine Canadians from across the country to Oberammergau and other parts of Alpine Europe. The climax of the tour was the Passion Play presented by the townspeople of Oberammergau every ten years since 1634 with the exception of the World War years. A plague had struck the area in 1633 and the townspeople prayed for the cessation of the plague with the vow to present the Passion of Our Lord every ten years. This vow they have kept.

The Passion Play is a deep spiritual experience as the events are portrayed from Our Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday until the Resurrection. You become aware of the meaning of those dramatic events as never before as they unfold before your eyes. The

words which you have read so often in the Gospels become alive. The shame of Peter, the remorse of Judas, the constant love of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, His words of forgiveness and His cry of desolation on the Cross, the hatred of the religious leaders, the ruthless cruelty of the soldiers, the fickleness of the crowd, the solemnity of the Last Supper make a lasting impression as you seem to become an integral part of the six-hour presentation. For there is so much in our lives and in the world today which is not far removed from the events of the Passion.

The wonder of God's love for the salvation of the world grew upon us as the Passion unfolded. It became a very personal matter as we realized afresh that God did all this for us and all people to achieve our salvation. The unforgettable words of St. John become very personal "God so loved the

world (you and us) that He gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life." Because of what Jesus did the gift of eternal life has been given to you and us.

The final impression I wish to record is the commitment of the townspeople of Oberammergau to the Passion. The life of the whole town revolves around this event which has been faithfully and reverently portrayed since 1634. To have even a small part in the preparation and production of the Passion Play is considered an honour and a privilege. Even the children are included. As I think upon the commitment of these citizens to bear witness to their Christian Faith I am constrained to ask how deeply and sincerely are we committed to bear witness to our Christian Faith. It is a question all of us should ask ourselves.



August 1st was the 35th anniversary of the ordination of Canon Mitchell, St. Thomas' Church, Bracebridge, and on the previous evening he was given a surprise party by office holders and their spouses of the parish. Canon Mitchell was striding down the street from the rectory when he was intercepted and quite surprised by this parade of parishioners coming

toward him, wishing him happy anniversary. His eyebrows shot up, his mouth dropped open, he was even at a loss for words at the moment! His good wife, in cahoots with the well wishers, was waiting in the rectory and the party was carried indoors. A happy time was had, many reminiscences were made and a number of gifts were presented to Canon Mitchell, followed

by tea and goodies. In the above picture are the church wardens and heads of the women's organizations with the rector; left to right: Lyall Robinson, Leslie Goodfellow, Mrs. Coupland (A.C.W. president), Canon Mitchell, Robert Coupland and Mrs. James Sandham (directress of the altar guild). Photo courtesy of Herald Gazette, Bracebridge.

DIOCESAN CHANCELLOR FORMALLY INSTALLED AS NEW JUDGE IN SOO



Judge Ronald B. Warren was formally installed as a district court judge at a ceremony attended by 150 in Sault Ste. Marie's courthouse.

Formerly a Sudbury lawyer, Judge Warren was

appointed to the Algoma District bench to replace district court Judge M. G. Gould who stepped down because of ill-health.

Among those welcoming the new judge to the Sault, were brother

judges, lawyers, civic leaders and friends including a contingent of friends from the Sudbury area.

Associate Chief Judge for the Province of Ontario W. D. Lyon of

Toronto, conducted the swearing-in ceremonies and addresses were given by Judge S.D. Loukidelis, senior district judge of the District of Sudbury, Angelo Aiello, president of the Algoma Law Association and Guy Hurtabise, president of the Sudbury Law Association.

Algoma District Crown Attorney Norman Douglas welcoming Judge Warren commented that the new judge would find cases, "fairly and diligently presented by the Crown's office in the name of Her Majesty."

Judge Loukidelis noted that the new judge's predecessor, Judge M. G. Gould, "during his time on the bench set a standard of excellence it will be difficult to equal."

The judge also lauded the Algoma bar as, "second to none in the province."

Senior District Court Judge I. A. Vanini observed that the recent ap-

pointments to the bench had served Sudbury and the Sault well, with Judge Warren of Sudbury coming to the Sault and former Sault Lawyer now Judge C. T. Murphy being appointed to the Sudbury District.

Judge Murphy was installed as district judge in Gore Bay on Manitoulin Island.

A special sittings honoring Judge Murphy will be held in the Sault courthouse Sept. 19.

On a sadder note, Judge Vannini also reminded the group of the recent passing of former Algoma senior District Court Judge J. H. McDonald who he termed, "a man of grace, dignity and human understanding."

Judge Vannini was elevated to the bench to succeed Judge McDonald on his retirement in 1966.

The ceremony closed with Bishop of Algoma F. F. Nock leading the group in prayer.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING

The Very Reverend I.L. Robertson of Algoma (left), who serves on our churches National Committee on Ministry, reported on the work of this committee at last November's meeting of the National Executive Council, of which he is also a member. Others in the photograph, from left to right are: Mrs. Lorraine Perch, executive assistant

to Archdeacon Hilchey, General Secretary; Archbishop Scott, and Canon Walter Asbil, Deputy Prolocutor.

At this meeting members of N.E.C. heard a progress report on Anglicans in Mission. The first phase of this program, a feasibility study, will involve visits to all dioceses and a report on this will be presented to N.E.C. at the

next meeting in May, 1981. Each diocese will develop its own methods and goals for Anglicans in Mission but is also asked to work in partnership with the national church, so that national goals can be achieved.

The National Executive Council concurred with the recommendation of the Program Committee, that it is not realistic in the short term in periods of high inflation to institute major new programs or hire new staff without major new sources of funds and/or reassignment of present staff positions. N.E.C. therefore agreed that some existing programs, such as support for the Canadian Council on Justice and Corrections and the Canadian Health Coalition be discontinued, and that new staff positions relating to an Energy Office, Evangelism, Human Rights and a Liturgical Office, approved by General Synod, be delayed.

Following a discussion of the Canadian Constitution, this resolution was passed: that



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IN MEMORIAM

MARGARET ELEANOR TURNER - R.I.P.

"Margaret Eleanor Turner died quietly in her sleep at Perly Hospital, Ottawa, on Sunday, October 26th, 1980, in her 95th year. She has been under chronic care since December, 1976, following the amputation of her right leg. A private family service was held on Tuesday, October 28th, at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Ottawa, followed by cremation and interment in the

Capital Memorial Gardens, Nepean.

Margaret Turner was the widow of the late Canon Stephen Turner, who predeceased her on September 9th, 1959. Together they spent 36 years in the Diocese serving in Nipigon 1923-1927; Espanola 1927-1928; Parry Sound 1928-1941; New Liskeard 1941-1949; St. George's and St. Stephen's, Thunder Bay 1948-1952; and St. George's, Thunder Bay, 1948-1959."

this National Executive Council make representations to the Federal Government to include representatives of Native Peoples in discussions of the Constitution, in particular any proposed amendments, and that the proposed time table be altered to allow meaningful discussions with the Native People to take place.

Beryl Morris
Program Information

NEW PEWS NEEDED

The Bishop reports that Gowan Gillmor Memorial Church, Spanish River Reserve, need new pews. If any parish has some not in use please contact Mr. Archie Owe, Massey, Ontario.

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THE AWAKENING DESERT

By LINDA WILKINS-VOLLRATH, Nugget Staff Reporter

In a vast, dry and dusty land like Botswana in the Province of Central Africa, daily life is a matter of juggling means of survival.

The people divide their time between working on the land, working in small manufacturing industries and living in their homes.

If there is no rain, and in the past few years there has been minimal rainfall, there are no crops.

Industries are cottage style and their produce includes textile, furniture weaving, pottery, basketry, slippers from animal skin and recently, jewellery from shells.

Still, Botswana is a developing country, just waking up to the rich mineral discoveries of the past 10 years.

Vast deposits of diamond, copper and coal, among other minerals change the face of an almost untouched land which is half desert with an abundance of wild animals and thick forests to the north.

With all this pre-occupation with making a living, which entails a great deal of movement, the teaching of religion is very difficult said Joyce Molale wife of the Dean of Botswana.

Mrs. Molale a native of South Africa, lives with her husband and five children in Gaborone, Botswana. Dean Molale is rector of a large cathedral there and Mrs. Molale is very active in women's work.

A member and vice-president of the Mothers' Union (much like the Anglican Church Women in Canada), she attended, in 1979, an international gathering of the Mothers' Union in New Zealand. She also was her diocesan delegate to the Partners-in-Mission Consultation in Central Africa.

It is through her association with Partners-in-Mission, a concept whereby Christians, including Anglicans from around the world, sit together at various levels of church life to plan the mission outreach program of the Church of Canada to attend the General Synod of the church in Peterborough, June 17 to 25.

June 17 to 2
A visit to the Diocese of Algoma, through Mission Outreach, is preparing her for Synod.

In describing religious life in Botswana, Mrs. Molale said that while the teaching of religion is difficult, most of the people are Christian.

However, not many go to church, she added, not only because of the difficulties in making a living, but because of the inadequate number of clergy and churches.

"Here you have many beautiful churches and think little of them, but in Botswana, they want to see a church."

Most of the people live in thatched mud huts and live "one day at a time," she said, but with the advent of mining, there are modern communities springing up and with them, the stresses of the developed world, she ad-

ded.

"They are beginning to want what their neighbor has," she said.

Mrs. Molale is a trained nurse in charge of the Town Council Clinic in Gaborone, where nurses diagnose ailments, treat minor ones and refer anything serious to one of the few doctors in the area.

As well, pre and post-natal care, midwifery, family planning and family welfare is handled by the clinics.

As well as her work with the Anglican Church, Mrs. Molale is secretary of the Christian Women's Fellowship, a gathering of women from various denominations, including Methodist, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian and the Spiritual Healing churches.

In Botswana, noted the visitor, it is important to "recognize the healing man. Faith leaders are not shunned," but work together with medical personnel and "doctors must give patients permission to see traditional faith healers."

Bordered by Zambia on the North, Rhodesia on the East and South Africa on the South, Botswana has had its share of refugees. The recent independence of Rhodesia has somewhat alleviated the problem, said Mrs. Molale "but there are still many unemployed."

While Botswanians do raise cattle, drought has taken its toll. "1978 to 1979 were the worst years for drought and most of the cattle have died," said the speaker. Meat supplies must then come from hunting game and if there is no



rain, there is no millet to grind into flour and the traditional vegetable, spinach, won't grow.

Very few people have running water in their homes, she said, and the women balance huge pots of water on their heads often with babies strapped to their backs.

"Primary education has become free for all children only this year," she said. "There are not enough teachers or schools and it is difficult to reach the parents and convince

them of the importance of schooling."

"Children must take examinations to enter the private secondary schools and if they fail once, they are out, with no second chance," she added. "Many are rejected," she said.

Mrs. Molale while in North Bay, stayed with Mike and Christine Whatmore and spoke to a gathering of Anglicans at St. John's Church Tuesday before travelling to other points in the diocese and on to Peterborough.

CENTURY OF ANGLICAN SERVICES IN POWASSAN AREA COMMEMORATED

POWASSAN: A century of Anglican services in the Powassan area was celebrated on Sunday, September 7th with a special church service and the unveiling of a commemorative plaque at St. Mary's Church in Powassan.

The special church service had Bishop Frank Nock of the diocese of Algoma with Reverend Dalton Woodward officiating and giving communion to 69 of the 75 people in attendance, Bishop Nock also dedicated the plaque located beside the front doors of St. Mary's.

The plaque recognizes the first church service in Nipissing in 1880. Three families who were present at the first service were represented at St. Mary's in Powassan. Helen (Armstrong) Conseiller of Powassan represented the Armstrong family, Ewin Daub of Nipissing represented the Daub family and Percy Rowlandson of Callander represented the Rowland-

son family.

Another renowned family from the area was represented as Winnifred Scarlett-Ayers the youngest child of John Sampson Scarlett presented a Canadian flag to the church. She is one of the three remaining children.

The day was filled with presentations and gifts as the rector Reverend Woodward and his wife were given a scroll in appreciation of their 21 years at St. Mary's and were also given a painting of the church done by Les Whittaker.

The church depicted in Mr. Whittaker's painting is not the original St. Mary's church in Powassan as the first church, built in the early 1890's, burned in 1937. The present St. Mary's depicted on the painting, was constructed before the end of 1937.

One of the many men who worked on the new St. Mary's in 1937 was present for the service, Lachlan Locke, now

retired, was a brick worker who worked on the building. The 75 people

who attended the service and presentations had the opportunity to socialize

during a casserole dinner presented by the church ladies.



CENTURY OF SERVICES: A special service and dedication was held on Sunday, September 7th at St. Mary's Anglican Church in Powassan to celebrate 100 years of Anglican services in the

Powassan area. Seventy-five people came to the service and unveiling. Shown, from left, Bishop Frank Nock of the diocese of Algoma who dedicated the plaque, Lloyd Tennant one of the church wardens,

who along with Marjore Piper, president of the Anglican Church Women, unveiled the plaque and Reverend Dalton Woodward, rector of St. Mary's. Almaguin Staff Photo

ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CELEBRATES 95TH ANNIVERSARY

"You're looking pretty good for ninety-five years old," said Bishop Nock to the large congregation gathered in Saint John's Church, "you must have discovered the fountain of youth!" Perhaps they have, for the "fountain of youth" for Christians is the Holy Spirit, and He, the Spirit of God really did seem to be present throughout the Ninety Fifth Anniversary celebrations in Chapleau's oldest church.

The theme chosen by the congregation for this anniversary was "Renewal in Love," and as a motto, the scripture verse from Isaiah "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." The theme and motto certainly seemed appropriate as the lively and joyful activities which marked this milestone in the parish history were characterized by a sense of love and fellowship. Guest preacher and officiant, the Rt. Rev. Frank Foley Nock, Bishop of Algoma, commented on the wonderful community spirit in Chapleau and the friendly family atmosphere of the parish.

Celebrations began Saturday evening May 31st with an Anniversary Concert open to the whole community. In welcoming the performers and audience, Master of Ceremonies Arthur Broomhead briefly recounted some of the early history of the town and the Anglican parish, noting that the very first Christian worship in Chapleau was conducted in Ojibway on the banks of the Chapleau River in 1882, probably on the same spot the audience now sat ninety eight years later.

The concert was opened by the choir of St. John's Church, followed by a beautiful duet by Doug Barnes and David Wiebe of the Community Bible Chapel. David then sang as a solo "Come Thou Almighty King." Mr. John Way-White played a trumpet duet with his music student Christopher Ivey. The Ivey family sang a medley of modern songs based on scripture verses.

As always the audience was captivated by the performance of the Junior Choir under the capable leadership of Beth Dunne and Betty O'Shaughnessy. The Choir of Trinity United Church then favoured the audience with two anthems, followed by the rich male harmony of the Keb-squasheding Choristers directed by Wilma Schmidt. Regrets were received from the choir of Sacred Heart R.C. parish which had planned to participate but was unable to do so because of illness and the absence of some of its members.

After an intermission came the highlight of the concert, guest artists John Futhey Jr., organist and his son young John III on violin, with soprano soloist Jane Forster of Toronto. Twelve year old John Futhey III delighted the audience with his professional demeanour and performance, while his father gave his usual fine performance at the piano. It was truly thrilling to hear the high clear notes of Jane Forster's lovely voice resounding effortlessly through the church. The artists were rewarded for their efforts by the delighted and enthusiastic response of the listeners. Jane Forster told the audience that it was a genuine pleasure to perform for such a warm and appreciative audience. Little Elise Maddox presented Jane with a bouquet of red and white carnations following the encore the audience demanded by their enthusiastic applause.



Front Row: Joan Kurchak, Sherri Black, Trudy Lee Wilson (confirmands)
Middle Row: Tracey O'Riley, (confirmed), Jack Kurchak (received in Anglican communion)
Back Row: Layreader Bill Waler, Bishop Nock, Father Ivey

The evening closed with a short traditional Anglican choral service of praise and thanksgiving. The lessons were read by Mr. Doug Barnes of the Community Bible Chapel, and the Rev. David Hooper of Trinity United Church. The walls of the old church shook that night as the capacity crowd stood to sing "All people that on earth do dwell" and "Love Divine, all loves excelling." The



Bishop Nock with the Chancel Party on the 95th anniversary of St. John's, Chapleau, June 1, 1980

Bishop then pronounced the blessing to bring to an end a truly memorable evening.

Sunday arrived, and with the added blessing of

and faithful organist Mrs. Amy Green for once sat back and enjoyed a holiday, as the organ was played by John Futhey. Four young ladies; Trudy Lee Wilson, Tracey Sharlene O'Riley, Sherri Black, and Mary Joan Kurchak were confirmed, and Mr. Jack Kurchak welcomed into fellowship in the Anglican church, by Bishop Nock. It was a joyful service, full of thanksgiving for the power of the Holy Spirit which is God's gift to the newly-confirmed members, and for the faith of hundreds of men, women and children who have worshipped at St. John's in the past. The building itself, lovingly cleaned, polished and decorated, seemed to sparkle and reflect the joy of the occasion.

Finally, the whole parish family gathered in the Legion Hall. The feast prepared there was like the Feeding of the Five Thousand - all ate and were satisfied - and there were even leftovers! Thanks are due to those who prepared and served such a fine meal, and of

course "Blessed are they who clean up." Following the dinner, deputy rector's warden

Arthur Broomhead pointed out to the guests three posters depicting stages in the history of the parish. A link with the past was the serving of bannock which had been prepared by a surviving relative of the Rev. John Sanders, the first Anglican missionary. Mr. Lindsay Anderson, people's warden, and Mr. Tom O'Shaughnessy, deputy people's warden, presented gifts to Bishop Nock, Jane Forster, and the father-and-son team of John Futheys. Messages of congratulations were received from former pastors of the parish including the Rev. Kenneth Gibbs, Archdeacon Roy Haddon, and Archdeacon George Doolan. Pastor of the parish, the Rev. William Ivey then presented Bibles to some of the members whose faithful service for many years helped to make this day possible. Those honored included wardens Robert Warren and Lindsay Anderson, treasurer Einar Pearson, organist Amy Green, and deputy wardens Arthur Broomhead and Tom O'Shaughnessy. Appreciation was extended to all who contributed to the success of this celebration. Among these named were all the members of the advisory board, lunch conveners Betty O'Shaughnessy and Joan Mac Gillivray, Janitor Bert Warren and his wife Ginette, the choir, the A.C.W., and the chancel guild. Also worthy of special mention are piano-mover Lorne Swanson and 95th anniversary Secretary Joan Mac Gillivray. Father Ivey thanked everyone for their attendance, and Bishop Nock led in the singing of "Happy Birthday to Us!"

A happy ending to a great birthday party.



Head Table at 95th Anniversary Dinner (a. to r.) Organist John Fulhey Jr., Solist Jane Forster, Bonnie Ivey, Fr. Ivey, Bishop Nock. Master of Ceremonies, Arthur Broomhead. Bishop Nock about to lead in prayer and singing.

ST. BRICES HEALING CONFERENCE

by Ivy Emery-Miller.

On the weekend of November 8th, a Conference on "Christian Healing and the Church Family," sponsored by St. Brice's Chapter of the Order of St. Luke, was conducted by the affable Canon "Duke" Standish, Rector of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Niagara Falls, who has been involved in the Ministry of Healing for the past twenty years, and is Warden of the Order's Region V111 (Central Canada).

Beginning with a 7 a.m. Holy Eucharist, followed by hymns of Praise and Thanksgiving, Canon G. Nelson Standish addressed those present on the question, "Should the Church be involved in Healing?" It is his belief, he said that "the Church has no other option," and that, "every Service should be one of healing in the sense that it opens the door for healing of relationships when we come together as part of God's family in sharing, trusting, and loving each other. The words of The General Confession in the Prayer Book make us realise that we are not as whole as God would have us be, and it is the Church's purpose to rectify this, so that we may have life more abundantly."

"Jesus, in forming His Church, gave explicit directions, to 'Go out and proclaim the Gospel and heal the sick.'"

Churches of many denominations are become more aware of this commission, "Canon Standish said," and any that aren't, have not really heard it. The structure of the Church is solid and wonderful, but should also be flexible as it continues to grow. The name Jesus means Savior, which in turn means Healer, and so, to follow Him, there is no choice for the Church, which should be working as a team, along with doctors of medicine, toward the goal of wholeness."

On the second subject 'how does Healing Take Place,' Canon Standish said, "we need to use all the insights open to us. To recognise and confess the failures within us, and perhaps receive the counselling of the Parish priest. To know that God loves and forgives us, along with the receiving of Holy Communion, in which the words, 'Preserve Thy Body and Soul into Everlasting Life' are spoken' and believing this, the process of healing is rooted."

Thirdly, a Prayer Group to pray for us on a regular basis; - being aware of their support and open to the power to

God's love is another step in the process. And fourthly, thanking God for our lives, for bringing us into existence, and placing our burdens with Him, relaxing in the knowledge that God's presence here and now is real. Let go, and Let God!"

Canon Standish said that, "although in his experiences in the Ministry of Healing, he had seen some remarkable healings, most all of them are a slow process. God has His own way of doing things, which is not always our way! He (God) does not speak to us, in an atmosphere of emotion-charged theatrics, but in the spirit of quietness and reverence. Sometimes we become disappointed because we think we know what God wants us to do and follow our own path, but it doesn't work. If we are unwell in the Spirit, life becomes somewhat meaningless, and if the Church fulfills even this one area of healing, it is obeying the commission and mandate of Our Lord. He said that, "many things come between the power of God and healing." Perhaps in attitude, or faulty reception. As knowledge increases we will learn the answers. We are discouraged when a person dies after being prayed for, but there are many kinds of healing, of which a spiritual one is the most important, and there is always an uplifting of the spirit of these people that is so much needed at this time." "Why Isn't everyone Healed?" Canon Standish's answer to that deep subject was, "Because our society, our environment, is polluted. Because we want to continue certain lifestyles that cause sickness. Because we look for instantaneous and specific forms of healing. Because certain people can be used (as instruments of God) to heal some certain people and illnesses and not others. Sometimes there must be a change of methods and procedures, sometimes we are not completely open to God's love, and sometimes people dismiss orthodox medicine as being a necessary instrument of it, refusing to receive needed blood transfusions and insulin treatment, not realising that God has placed all these aids at our disposal."

In the area of emotional illness, he said, "some are not healed because the specific root of the suffering has not been prayed for, and this is where Inner Healing plays its part, for many of us do not know what the root is, or where and when it began, and it breaks down the body's wholeness. It must be brought to the surface and given over to

God. Some may not be healed because in their hearts they will not forgive, even though they say they have. It is sometimes the most difficult thing to do, but essential for healing. Some people feel too unworthy to believe that if they have been at fault somewhere in life, God will forgive; or they deny themselves of the healing sacrament of Holy Communion. We cannot love God or our neighbours until we start loving ourselves. And also, somewhere along the line, we have to start

saying "Thank You," to God." Canon Standish preached at both St. John the Divine Church and St. Brice's, where the weekend Conference wound up with an evening Healing and Holy Communion Service in which the participants received the "Laying on of Hands" from Canon Standish, The Ven. D.A.P. Smith and The Rev. W. Ellam of Christ Church. A reception in the Church Hall followed.

Canon Standish's final words were that, "If anyone believes that they have received a healing,

they should check it out with their doctor."

Music was arranged by Mary Sirrs and Ivy Glenday who is Convener of St. Brice's Chapter of the Order of St. Luke, and the beautiful solo's were sung by Robin Shames.

If anyone is interested in learning more about the Order they are welcome to contact either Ivy Glenday at 472-4674 or the Rector of St. Brice's, The Ven. D.A.P. Smith, at 474-4005. All denominations will be warmly welcomed by all members.

SERVERS FESTIVAL AND RALLY IN CONISTON

The Servers of Coniston and Lockerby held a Servers Rally on Friday September 26th at All Saints Coniston. This is the beginning of Rallies for Servers during the season for Servers around St. Michael and All Angels Day. Other parishes and Guilds have shown interest and we hope to sponsor a Deanery Servers Rally next Michaelmas.

Bradley Hann lit the lights for Evensong at 7:00 p.m. Tracy Oost and Nor-

man Hann read the lessons. Jim Kett and Stephen from Lockerby lead the Procession around the Church singing suitable hymns. Stopping at Stations to sing the Creed and Melissa Julian to pray the Evening Collects. The congregation joined in the Procession with Churchwarden Jack Stacey bringing up the rear. A short period of instruction and demonstration preceded Evensong and afterwards all went to the Church Hall downstairs for games and

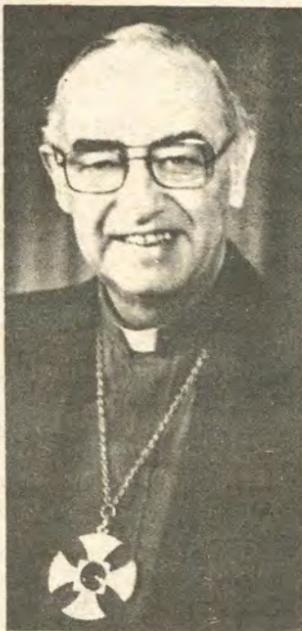
competitions. The evening finished at Norman and Bradley's house with a Supper of Pizza and Pop. Iris Oost served the Pop and Ann Hann who is also the Church organist cooked up the Pizza and we guess cleaned up afterwards.

We are looking forward to an extended and enlarged Servers Festival for Michaelmas in 1981 which will be the 25th Anniversary Year for All Saints Church and the eightieth for the Parish.

Bishop's Letter

NOVEMBER 1980

A MATTER OF IMPORTANCE



My dear fellow Anglicans:

At the 1979 Synod the Diocesan Advisory Ministry Committee was directed by motion "to study and recommend ways of implementing the principles of its report on Christian Education." It was also moved that "intensive study of Christian Initiation including Baptism, Confirmation and first Communion be continued in our Diocese." A further motion charged the Ministry Committee "with the responsibility of drawing up, publishing and distributing a programme of study on the subject of Christian Initiation in parishes."

All this demands much time and effort. The Ministry Committee, however, has attempted to follow these directives and has produced a Kit with Cassette Tape which will be available for parish and deanery study and discussion.

It is likely that our next Synod will be held in October of 1981 and the subject of Christian Education and Christian Initiation will occupy a major portion of Synod. In view of this I urge the clergy and congregations of every parish and deanery to be diligent in their study of these matters and to make full use of the Kit provided by the Ministry Committee and any

other material it may provide. I am sure that the Committee show chairman is Mrs. Mary Jane Crouch, Box 631, Copper Cliff, will welcome suggestions and comments which will enable it to produce a comprehensive report for next Synod with appropriate motions for our consideration.

I cannot stress too strongly the need for serious and concerted action by all the Diocese in the months to come so that we can come well prepared to Synod to make responsible decisions relating to Christian Education and Christian Initiation.

Sincerely,
Your friend and bishop,

Frank Algoma

CONISTON FALL SUPPER REVIVED

One of the big Church and Social events of the Sudbury Deanery used to be the Coniston Fall Supper. Inflated prices for meat brought this to an end eight years ago.

The young ladies of the Parish were challenged to revive this Supper for the 25th Anniversary year of the present Church building. They certainly did this on Sunday October 25th with their own special twist. It was a Fish Supper with Autumn Pie Dessert. The large crowd who packed All Saints Hall from 5 - 7 p.m. left with requests for another one soon. It was very pleasant to see so many from a former part of

Coniston Parish, namely Garson and Garson Mine, also the good support from the United and French Churches.

The Co-ordinator of the Supper was Diane Leclair, ably abetted by Cook Leslie Cresswell and his wife Wanda Cresswell. They had been on duty since early Sunday Morning preparing the fish and the chips. Jeanne Steeves in Wahnapiatae and Gertie Riles in Coniston burned a lot of shoe leather in canvassing the younger members of the congregation, while the older parishioners donated generously cabbage and potatoes from their gardens as well as clipping a

centimetre or two off their pension cheques. We saw Linda Eyre working hard in the kitchen draining chips with Rosanna Parker mixing Cole Slaw, while Ann Hann was up to her elbows washing dishes at the sinks, Jeanne and Gertie were here and there all afternoon and along with Iris Oost took care of the 'Take out' orders. Lillian Oliver presided at the Pie Table slicing big pieces for ladies and small pieces for the men, the ladies on both sides of me got bigger pieces than I did.

The Supper was greatly enhanced with graciousness and style by those who served the Sup-

per who were Debbie Williams granddaughter of present Churchwarden John Everitt; and former Treasurer Oliver Williams Whitney and Sandy Eyre of the Yorkshire Eyres, Jane Parker whose Dad was a Server in the old All Saints, Shelley Steeves from Wahnapiatae and the musical family who will soon be singing again in All Saints rejuvenated choir, and last but not least Tracy Oost a present Server in the Church and a great granddaughter of Mrs. Black of Carson.

Eric Williams, spelled off by Cyril Riles, took the tickets at the door, and they had a very favourable

count. Cy is a Maritimer and was allowed to bring his plate around twice. The remainder of the evening he just breathed in ecstasy.

Present and eating and contributing to the wonderful friendly atmosphere of the Supper was Hazel Ferguson President and other senior Members of the A.C.W. by giving encouragement and best wishes to the younger ladies of the parish, who when given the chance came through with a magnificent effort, which can only be reflected in a renewed vigour in the Church life of All Saints this 25th anniversary year.

DIOCESAN YOUTH PAGE

640 PEOPLE CONFIRMED

About 640 people have been confirmed by His Grace Archbishop Elinana in Yei archdeaconary last month. The confirmation was done in five parishes which attracted over 2,300 Christians.

His Grace on his five-

day tour, laid a foundation stone on June 24th. for a Church at Panyana, one of the parishes where confirmation took place.

The Archbishop, on June 20th, opened elders' convention which was attended by thousands of people. During his opening speech, he told the people to work hard in all areas of life and to co-

operate with their elders and assist each other both materially and spiritually.

Above all, he told the people that fear of God is the beginning of all good things that please God Himself and other people.

YOUTH CONVENTION

A four-day youth

convention will commence here in Juba on July 17th. to 20th. The convention is planned by a revival group from Yei and Kajokajo District.

According to some informed sources, some of the revival youth group may come from neighbouring Zaire and Uganda.

The aim of the

convention is to steer the Christian youth to evangelise actively in their societies and to assist in the spreading of the good news of Christ widely.

The convention will be followed by a five-day youth leadership course. The participants for the course will be five from each youth group or congregation.

MURIELE. NEWTON-WHITE



Muriel E. Newton-White was born in 1928 in Robillard Township, near Charlton in Northern Ontario. Her parents, who came from England in the early 1900's, were among the pioneers of that area. After taking her schooling through the Department of Education Correspondence courses, Muriel received a scholarship which enabled her to spend four years at the Ontario College of Art in Toronto, graduating from the Fine Arts course in 1949. Since that time she has lived in Charlton, Haileybury, and Englehart, working at such things as outdoor sketching, lettering and illuminating, mural painting, volunteer teaching and writing and illustrating children's books which are published by the Highway Book Shop, Cobalt. Her best-known book is a humorous one. "Backhouses of the North." Through the Highway Book Shop. Muriel has received several Ontario Arts Council grants to further her work in writing and illustrating. She is the

designer of "Faith Greeting Cards," printed in Charlton by Janet Saunders.

Muriel's work is shown principally at the Little Gallery, Haileybury, Ont. (phone 705-672-5250), and from time to time in such places as the Robertson Gallery, Ottawa, and the Muskoka Art Shop, Gravenhurst. It hangs in private and corporate collections all over North America, and in New Zealand, the British Isles, and Europe. She



works in oil, acrylic, water colour, egg tempera, and India ink. Northern landscapes are her favourite subjects, with flowers a close second. She uses a realistic style, saying that all she asks of her work is that it should be a reflec-

tion of the beauty God has created.

Muriel's books are available from Highway Book Shop, Cobalt, Ont., POJ 1C0. (705-679-8375). A list of her titles will gladly be sent to anyone requesting a copy.



LEONARD SHAW OF ST. THOMAS; THUNDER BAY LEAVES TO STUDY FOR THE MINISTRY

A summer congregation of 170 people gathered at the 10:00 a.m. service August 24, to bid farewell to Leonard Shaw and his wife (of the day before). Presentations of two bible dictionaries were given to Leonard by the Rector's and People's Wardens, Richard Stephens and Richard Carson.

On behalf of the ACW, Mrs. Shirley Koza presented Leonard with a large cheque. In his remarks Leonard mentioned his first years fees

for Theological College had been made through the kindness of St. Thomas' Church and "Estral" Order of the Eastern Star.

At the conclusion of the service a special prayer was offered for Leonard and his wife by the Archdeacon.

The Rector presented him with an alarm clock, which he hoped would be very useful. Leonard will be attending St. John's College, Winnipeg. Please remember him in your prayers.

ST. JAMES GRAVENHURST COUNTRY FAIR

What a resounding success! . . . and each member of our A.C.W. and Parish, as well as friends who so kindly supported our effort, may enjoy a great sense of a job well done, for it was only your contributions and cheerful co-operation that produced such fantastic results. It was indeed a privilege to convene such a happy and rewarding event. The men again came through with a lot of hard work and gave us girls heartwarming support. The lawn sale netted a whopping \$900. Great results from a great effort. Our sincere thanks and appreciation. The young people . . . well, words cannot express how much we enjoy having their strong backs and willing spirits. They are a joy and a boon to our Parish. Thank you.

Now to our fabulous women who worked not only at the Bazaar, but during the year to produce all those glorious crafts that were offered for sale. I heard person after person say, "How do they do it?" The gals who sent baking for baketable (and to the men - yes, there are one or two who contributed baking. Isn't that wonderful?) - our thanks. To our happy band of pilgrims who gave of their time and efforts to get the Fair underway and to be on the job serving our visitors, sincere thanks.

The table convenors - May Koopman, Ruth Rose, Bess Stonestreet, Dorothy Willcock, Margaret Johnston, Win McGinn, Doris Jordan. Without their experience and efforts, our Fair would not have been the success it was. Win McGinn managed her "Country Kitchen" beautifully. By the way, those lovely menu cards at each table were the work of Mary MacDonald and we are truly grateful to Mary for adding so much to our day.

May Koopman conducted her

"Grandma's Treasurer" with her usual flair. Ruth Rose, Bess Stonestreet and Doris Jordan, who managed the craft tables, were tremendous. Dorothy Willcock was in her usual spot at the baketable - she is truly a pro. And how about Marg. Johnston who makes all her floral arrangements and handles her table all on her own. A truly great effort, Marg.

To the co-convenors, Merle Waters and Vera Kirkland, this is not a one day or even a few weeks of effort. These girls have been at the Room along with all those willing workers, every Tuesday and have organized the projects throughout the year - and remember they will still be on the job for the Christmas Bazaar. One must realize and appreciate also the hours and hours of work the women of St. James spend in their homes, knitting, sewing, crocheting, etc.

An honorable mention is more than due Harold Rose who made the signs for Grandma's Treasures and the Country Kitchen and to Andy Ortwein who was responsible for painting the lifelike "Grandma." Their efforts added tremendously to our day. Also to Ralph and Bernice Scales who delivered those fresh, hot apple pies Saturday morning and to Marie and Len Gould, who donated the cheese to go with them. Let's not forget Ron Hunter, Murray Jones, Al Roberts and George Brewer who donated their trucks and time to transport our wares.

All this combined effort is what makes the annual St. James Country Fair such a worthwhile and rewarding event.

We did go over the top by several hundred dollars this year, the final amount exceeding \$3200.00.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL! SEE YOU ALL BACK ON THE JOB NEXT YEAR!

ST. JOHN'S THUNDER BAY

The visit of the Primate of Canada, accompanied by Bishop Nock of Algoma to St. John's on Sunday, Sept. 21st for Mattins was a happy and inspiring occasion. The Primate delivered the Sermon, and the Service was followed by a Coffee Fellowship in Langworthy Hall.

St. John's Harvest Thanksgiving Service was a time for giving thanks to our Creator and Sustainer for the bounty of the Har-

vest.

Fruits and Vegetables which decorated the Church were later distributed to our Refugee Boat Family who now live in the Church house.

That evening, church members and newcomers joined in a Harvest Supper in the Hall. Mrs. H. Morrow arranged a musical Programme with the Junior and Cherub Choirs contributing. . . a time of fellowship and en-

joyment.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cliff of St. John's observed their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently, joined by their daughter and three sons and their families.

Bessie has been an active ACW member all her days. . . Ed headed the Cub and Scout Movement for St. John's for years. The Parish of St. John's offered their Good Wishes at a Reception in their honour.

DIOCESAN EXECUTIVE MEETING

At the Diocesan Executive Meeting May 29th.-The Diocesan Outreach Committee

requested information on Tithing of The Diocese and it was reported to be spent outside The Diocese

and Outreach within The Diocese for 1980 amounted for 32% of the budget or \$141,253.00.

DIOCESAN PROFESSOR ATTENDS WORLD CONFERENCE ON RELIGION IN WINNIPEG

David A. Nock,
Department of Sociology,
Lakehead University

Did you see that CBC National News clip last August on the international conference held in Winnipeg-Scholars often produce fascinating new knowledge because, for better or for worse, the ivory tower isolation of academe is largely a thing of the past. The seven introverted professors of Howard Hawks and Gary Cooper's film, Ball of Fire, working in isolation on their dictionary, away from the hustle and bustle of gangsters and girls (Barbara Stanwyck)--that's an out of date picture.

Still, perhaps professors aren't too good at publicity and public relations. This prologue seems necessary to explain that the world's biggest and oldest international conference on religion was held this past August 17 - 21 in Winnipeg. This was the 14th meeting of the International Association for the History of Religions. The first one was held in 1900, and the rest have followed in intervals ranging from 3 to 15 years since (the largest gap was occasioned by World War II with the next conference after 1935 delayed until 1950.)

The title of the conference is somewhat narrower than was actually indicated by the programme. After all, back in 1900 some fields of study were only in their infancy. Even sociologists (including myself), psychologists, and anthropologists were given

sessions alongside the more historical topics. These more traditional historical area specialties on Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, etc. were held in the morning, the social sciences and special topic areas such as femininity and religion, art, and literature of religion in the afternoon.

The effect was a bit like a candy store, with choices outside one's immediate areas made on the basis of the title and abstract of papers. Who, for example, could fail to be interested by the title of Paul E. Walker's paper, "An Imam for the Atomic Age"--this was about problems of leadership in a Shi'a sect (not the Iranian group that surrounds the Ayatollah though).

International conferences generate an interest of their own. I was giving a paper on the evolution of the Anglican Communion before a group largely composed of Mennonite scholars assembled to hear my co-presenter, Leo Driedger. Both our papers ranged across the world--mine from Britain, to the U.S., Canada, Nigeria, Australia, New Zealand, India, etc. his from the migration of the Dutch, German, Russian, and Swiss Anabaptists to their settlement in North America. Two of the questioners about my paper included a white woman who had lived in Nigeria, and an Anglo-Indian (i.e. half-British, half East Indian) now resident in California.

In another session, I heard a Nigerian church historian, Sam Eriwo, talk about Samuel Crowther, the black

bishop consecrated in 1864 and compare him to Agori Iwe, consecrated in 1961. The other paper in that session was a French-Canadian scholar from Laval University who spoke about the spirituality of French Jesuits in Quebec in the 17th century (appropriate enough since Laval was founded by the Roman Catholic Church in 1654).

It was this cross polonization that made the conference a success. Scholars today are so specialized that there is a danger one's study will not be placed into a broader context, and that specialization will close doors rather than open them. As Charles Davis (editor of Studies in Religion) put it: "Why, for example, should a Buddhistologist want to meet with, say, a scholar in Judaic Studies."

I can't say that I got to any session either on Buddhism or Judaism--despite the presence of former Thorneloe Provost Bruce Mathews (now at Acadia) who spoke on "Challenge and Change in Theravada Buddhism." There is so many sessions dealing with Christianity; Anthropology of Religion; Religion, Ethics, and Society; Linguistics and Textual Interpretation; and of course, Sociology of Religion.

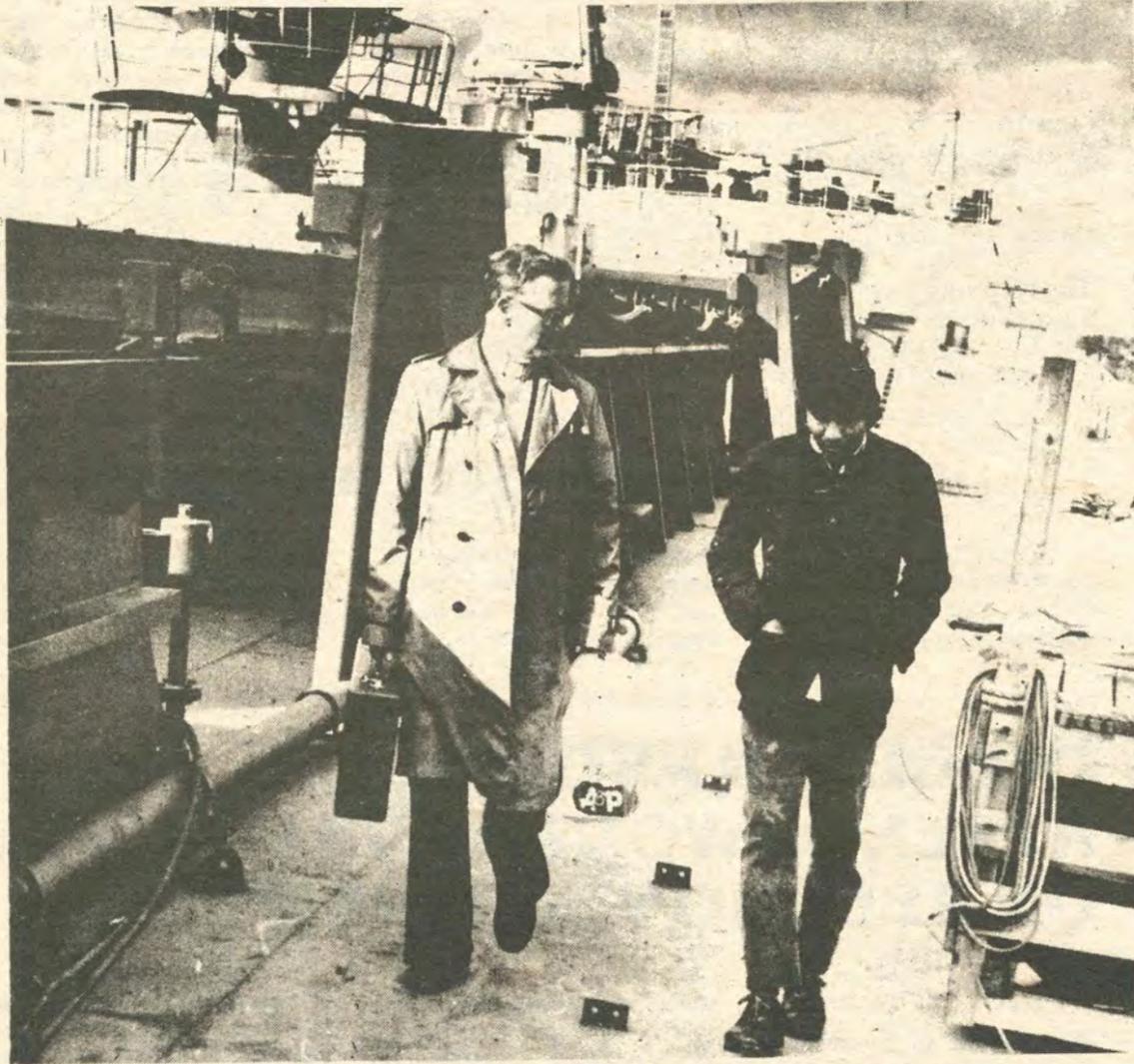
For those who might want to see some of this light kept from being smothered, selected proceedings will be published by the Canadian Society for the Study of Religion in cooperation with Wilfrid Laurier University Press. This published book of the conference will be available by next autumn, 1981.



MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

The "Flying Angel" Mission

WARM WELCOME AWAITS SHIPS



REV. DAVID BRADFORD TALKING WITH CREWMAN ON LONDON EARL
...shopping, phone calls home and CBs popular with men

It was 6:30 a.m. when Rev. David Bradford and Rev. Carlo Alberto Titotta, a Roman Catholic priest, arrived at the United Grain Growers elevator for an early mass aboard the British freighter London Earl.

But the saltie had shifted-left its berth-minutes before and the next stop for the ship was Saskatchewan Wheat Pool 6. Too late for Father Titotta who had to say mass at St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church at 8 a.m., but fine for Mr. Bradford who planned to board the vessel once it had settled in its berth.

"I'll set a time for mass tomorrow morning," said Mr. Bradford as he dropped his colleague off at the parish. "They won't be leaving till tomorrow night."

It was the start of a day in the work of the Missions to Seamen, one which would probably end sometime later that evening.

VARIED WORK

Bradford has been involved with the Missions to Seamen for three years, first assisting Canon Alvin J. Thomson for two years and then taking over the post as chaplain following his ordination as deacon of the Anglican Church last May.

It's been a busy season, with the former businessman visiting 103 vessels from April to the end of August. And he's sure of a warm welcome on every ship he visits, bringing with him magazines and books,

good cheer and invitations to place calls to relatives of seamen overseas.

The Missions to Seamen is an international organization at home in 200 ports around the world. In Canada there are five missions in ports like Halifax, Montreal, Hamilton, Thunder Bay and Vancouver.

Of course there's a religious aspect to the mission, but Bradford says he doesn't evangelize on board. If, however, crewmen want spiritual aid he'll oblige and liaises with clergymen of other denominations if necessary. Father Titotta has been designated by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Thunder Bay to work with Bradford in the Missions to Seamen.

He's fluent in English, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese and this knowledge has come in handy at times.

Recently, Titotta helped a lovelorn Italian seaman place a call to Montreal where he had met a woman during a brief stopover. He didn't know the girl's telephone number, requiring a number of inquiries via the operator till the woman was located. And when that was achieved, recalled the Roman Catholic priest, he had to act as translator too.

DANCING

On another occasion Titotta took a group of Italian seafarers to a local hotel where they wanted to dance. Since none of the crew spoke English, he asked a group of girls sit-

ting at a nearby table whether they would like to dance with the seamen. And that they did.

"I was wearing my collar so I guess they (the girls) trusted me," he said.

Bradford said ships stay an average of 24 hours in port and the inter-ship soccer games which used to be arranged are not as prevalent anymore. But shopping is still popular and often he'll take up to 15 crewmen in his van to city malls.

What do they buy?

Well, recently a group of Yugoslavian seamen bought the entire stock of chainsaws from a local hardware store, while several Filipinos paid hard cash for color television sets. And when the

Calypso docked in the Lakehead, Jacques Cousteau's wife bought several hundred dollars of native handicraft for her grandchildren in France.

Most seamen are family men and keeping in touch with loved ones at home is an important priority, said Bradford. Many of them come to the mission's trailer at the Keefer Terminal where he places overseas calls to relatives.

AVERAGE NINE MINUTES

The average call lasts nine minutes and he collects the money from the seafarers who line up to use the phone in the evenings, asking the operator for time and charges in advance. Most calls to Europe are placed between 6 and 7:30 p.m.

Many seamen also send large sums of money to their families and Bradford often arranges for money orders through the bank.

Women are rare on oceangoing vessels, although some Scandinavian shipping firms employ women as radio officers or as household staff. On some ships, the wives and children of officers are passengers for the voyage which might see the ship away from her home port for up to six months.

This was the case on the London Earl which was loading grain at Saskatchewan Wheat Pool No. 6 Thursday morning.

Before leaving the trailer Bradford loaded his car with women's magazines and some romances. In addition, he had an assortment of paperbacks which he was going to exchange for others the crew would give in exchange.

"I usually ask the captain what kind of books the crew likes to read," he noted while packing the books into his car.

Arriving at the ship's berth he easily moved up the gangplank and into the living quarters of the ship, as if he knew every nook and cranny of the 625-foot long freighter. Actually, he said, it had the same layout of its sister ship the London Baron which had docked in the Lakehead earlier this year.

SOCIALIZING

Stepping into the cabin of Chief Officer Robert Crawford, he put down the magazines on the coffee table while another officer present joked about the nonexistent copies of Playboy and Penthouse magazines in the stack.

It's a mixed crew with the officers being British while most of the crewmen are from Goa in India, at one time a Portuguese colony. There are Christians and Muslims on the ship, each with a separate galley and dining room.

In one dining room a group of British seamen were feasting on a hearty breakfast of bacon and eggs, when the chaplain walked in for a chat. One seaman showed Bradford a photo of his sportscar while another queried him about Citizen's Band radios. They're illegal in Britain, but didn't lessen the interest of one member. Others inquired about the Ali-Holmes boxing match.

And a short while later he was informing some Catholic crewmen of the Mass scheduled for Friday morning on board. He confidently knocked on the door of another cabin and asked the wife of one officer whether she'd like to go shopping later in the evening.

Before leaving the ship he confirmed the time for Mass to be said by Father Titotta and then descended the gangplank nimbly. The legwork done, he busied himself with preparations for another saltie.



CHIEF OFFICER ROBERT CRAWFORD OKAYS MASS WITH BRADFORD
...half of crew Muslim, other half Christians