

CANADIAN COURIER CONTEST

The Offer Greatly Increased. A Longer European Trip. Boy Candidates May Enter Where There Are No Girls Working in the Contest.

THE CANADIAN COURIER contest has been made a great deal more interesting through increasing the original offer considerably, thus making it far more encouraging to the candidates. Once a contest is started no reduction can be made, but as many increases as possible are perfectly fair. With this in mind The Canadian Courier has thought proper to largely increase the offer.

For instance, the European trip has been extended from a five to a six weeks' trip, and instead of only taking in England and France, has been so arranged that the party will sail through the Mediterranean to Naples, journey over land through Italy, visiting Rome, going through Switzerland and seeing the Alps, through France to Paris, and in England taking in London, Chester, Birmingham and other interesting points. The party will undoubtedly sail from Montreal and return to St. John, N.B., having a trip through New Brunswick, Quebec and other Provinces enroute home. This makes a far more interesting trip.

Also, in regard to the college course, the rules have been made more lenient, so that the \$250 in cash towards the college course can be won by sending in 250 new yearly subscriptions; and for 300 new yearly subscriptions \$300 for the year in college or the trip will be awarded. The winners will get the cash and use it for trip or college as preferred. Also all candidates who do not reach these figures will get 25 per cent. for all new subscriptions sent in, that would be \$75 for 100 new yearly subscriptions, and \$37.50 for 50 subscriptions, \$150 for 200 subscriptions, etc. This means that every candidate in the contest will get a reward in proportion to her work. None will work for nothing.

Also it has been arranged that in case a candidate does not get sufficient subscriptions to win either the college course or the trip by the end of the first period of the contest, May 31, additional time will be given to complete the work. The candidate can have until July, August or September 1 to get the remaining subscriptions as she may wish. This plan has been adopted because it was found that many candidates are pupils in high school working for the college course, which means that they do not have the time to do the contest justice, but have started, and will do all they have time for now, completing the work in the summer vacation.

Thus no one need remain out of the contest. If attending school the best plan is to get nominated at once, do all that is possible in the limited time that can be spared for the contest, and make up the balance during the vacation season.

Also the contest will be enlarged to allow bright boys to compete in districts where there are not sufficient candidates at present. The boys can win a college course, or a cash prize on the per cent. basis, but cannot compete for the European trip. That party will be young ladies, under an efficient chaperon, and will not include members of the opposite sex. But the ambitious boys who are in high school, or working, and who want additional education opportunities, can work for the college course. Boy candidates will not be accepted in towns where there are young lady candidates at present working, nor in cities where there are sufficient candidates to do the work. There are hundreds of bright, enterprising boys who want to attend college or a first-class business school, who will be only too glad to earn their college course during the next few months. They can work now, and if necessary complete the balance during the summer vacation.

Nominations for candidates should be sent in as soon as possible. All through the West candidates are desired. Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Calgary, Moose Jaw, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, and such cities and towns as are yet unrepresented. Some of the best cities in Ontario need candidates, such as Woodstock, Brantford, St. Thomas, Windsor, Belleville, Cobourg, Chatham, Oshawa, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Hamilton, etc. Now is the time to get started. Any bright boy or girl in these places can win a college course if they want to. In any event, if they try they will get a reward for what they do and not have their work for nothing. It is the most generous offer ever made in Canada. Now is the time to get started before some one else grasps the opportunity ahead of you. Use nomination blank on this page.

The ballots in The Canadian Courier will be continued, though they will not have the same value in the contest as before the offer was increased, as stated above. But suitable prizes will be awarded for those who get the most ballots, and each subscription will count for the same number of votes as first announced.

Friends of candidates are beginning to send ballots to The Canadian Courier to be credited to some one they wish to help and encourage. A package of ballots has been forwarded from Moose Jaw for Miss Whitman, of Baildon. Another lot came from Langstaff for Miss Cooper, of Richmond Hill. A number of ballots were sent in from Elk Lake for Miss Belle Dunne, of Toronto. Minor amounts have been sent in for other candidates.

New candidates who have joined the contest this week are Miss Olivine Giroux, of Pembroke; Miss Edna Fraser, Canso, N.S.; Miss Dorris Sneyd, Welland, Ont., and Miss Ethel J. Smith, Montreal. Miss Helen Bryan has taken the place of Miss Agnes Pilon, Brandon, Man.

The leading candidate is Miss Blanche Bourque, of Sydney, N.S. Sydney is supporting Miss Bourque in splendid shape and has kept her at the head of the list for some weeks. Miss Alice Cooper, of Richmond Hill, Ont., is the second highest candidate, with a gain of over 20,000 votes for the week. Richmond Hill is not a large town, but is ahead of many of the cities in support of its candidate. Miss Rhona S. Wright is receiving fine support in Prince Edward Island, and should be one of the college winners from the Eastern Provinces. Halifax, N.S., is to the front with splendid support for Miss Lillian E. Holland.

Up in the North country New Liskeard is leading all the New Ontario towns, and its candidate, Miss Violet McKnight, has started out like a winner. In the West, Brandon is making a fine showing, and its candidate will have excellent support. Decided changes may be looked for next week, and many new candidates, specially if the offer to boys is taken, as The Canadian Courier believes it will be.

The standing follows:

Miss Blanche F. Bourque, Sydney, N.S.	43,750	Miss Minnie Dixon, Fort William, Ont.	10,400
Miss Alice E. Cooper, Richmond Hill, Ont.	32,750	Miss Florence Sheehan, St. John, N.B.	10,350
Miss Violet McKnight, New Liskeard, Ont.	25,250	Miss George Mary Hunter, Toronto	10,350
Miss Rhona S. Wright, Montague, P.E.I.	20,450	Miss Jennie E. Logan, Diamond City, Alta.	10,300
Miss Lillian E. Holland, Halifax, N.S.	19,900	Miss Gwen Coles, Woodstock, Ont.	10,300
Miss M. G. White, Spy Hill, Sask.	18,200	Miss Bessie Wilson, Tillsonburg, Ont.	10,300
Miss Helen Bryan, Brandon, Man.	15,300	Miss Elizabeth Swallow, Edmonton, Alta.	10,300
Miss Eva P. Whitman, Baildon P.O., Sask.	14,000	Miss Hazel Gillespie, Peterboro, Ont.	10,300
Miss Julia H. Leger, Leger Corner, N.B.	13,250	Miss Emily Haryett, Edmonton, Alta.	10,300
Miss Ina Spilsbury, Peterboro, Ont.	13,150	Miss Elizabeth Loomer, Kingsport, N.S.	10,250
Miss Velma A. M. Welch, Vancouver, B.C.	13,100	Miss Margaret Campbell, New Waterford, N.S.	10,250
Miss Jennie O'Brien, Athol, N.S.	12,950	Miss Esther Dewney, Camex P.O., B.C.	10,250
Miss Belle Dunne, Toronto	11,950	Miss Amy Reid, Meaford, Ont.	10,250
Miss Edna Evans, Edmonton, Alta.	11,600	Miss Myrtle I. Shaw, Collingwood, Ont.	10,250
Miss Edna Coutanche, Toronto	11,550	Miss Helen Barnes, Regina, Sask.	10,250
Miss Mabelle Carter, London, Ont.	10,850	Miss Alice Guilmont, Ottawa, Ont.	10,200
Miss M. Augusta McLeod, Goderich, Ont.	10,750	Miss Sophie Shriar, Montreal	10,200
Miss Edna McLeod, Cookshire, Que.	10,700	Miss Mabel Van Buskirk, Mouth of Jemseg, N.B.	10,200
Miss Etheline Schleibauf, Iona P.O., Ont.	10,600	Miss Eva Gardner, Brantford, Ont.	10,200
Miss Ruth Gregg, New Westminster, B.C.	10,600	Miss Polly Afleck, Lanark, Ont.	10,200
Miss Mary Dorsey, Ottawa, Ont.	10,500	Miss Minnie B. Wentzel, Denholm, Sask.	10,200
Miss Mabel Christie, Peterboro, Ont.	10,500	Miss Elizabeth Russell, Parry Sound, Ont.	10,200
Miss Cecilia Pepin, Blind River, Ont.	10,500	Miss Vivienne Geldart, St. John, N.B.	10,150
Miss Olive Therien, North Bay, Ont.	10,500	Miss Dorris Sneyd, Welland, Ont.	10,100
Miss Margaret Sutherland, Kingston, Ont.	10,450	Miss Olivine Giroux, Pembroke, Ont.	10,050
Miss Eustella Burke, Ottawa, Ont.	10,450	Miss Edna Fraser, Canso, N.S.	10,050
Miss Etheline Schleibauf, Iona P.O., Ont.	10,450	Miss Ethel J. Smith, Montreal	10,050
Miss Jean Blakney, Sunny Brae, N.B.	10,400	Miss Marie A. Hebert, Thetford Mines, Que.	10,000

Ballot No. 7

This ballot is good for **50** votes in the CANADIAN COURIER EDUCATIONAL CONTEST.

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Nomination Blank

I Herely Nominate.....

Address.....

Whom I know to be over 15 years of age, of good character, and to be a proper person to enter "THE CANADIAN COURIER" CONTEST.

Signed

Countersigned by

Address

Pastor of

Church or Parish

The first nomination received for any candidate is good for 10,000 votes for the candidate named thereon, provided the nomination is accepted. The votes on only one Nomination Blank will be counted for any candidate.