THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA AND MADAME VANIER

General, the Right Honourable Georges Philias Vanier, D.S.O., M.C., C.D., was born in Montréal, on April 23, 1888. He was educated at Loyola College, Montréal, and at Laval University, where he received B.A. and LL.B. degrees. General Vanier served overseas from 1915 to 1918 during the First World War. He was wounded, and mentioned in despatches.

In 1921, he married Pauline Archer, daughter of the Honourable Mr. Justice Charles Archer.

General Vanier commanded le Royal 22e Régiment from 1925 to 1928. He was one of the Canadian delegates to the Assembly of the League of Nations in 1930. From 1931 to 1938, His Excellency was Secretary at the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada in London. Subsequently, General Vanier became Canadian Minister to France from 1930 to 1940, and from 1943 to 1944 was Canadian Representative to the French Committee of National Liberation. His Excellency then was appointed Canadian Ambassador to France. He occupied this post from 1944 until his retirement from the foreign service in 1953.

On September 15, 1959, General Vanier was appointed Governor General of Canada. His Excellency has since travelled extensively throughout the country, even as far as Inuvik, N.W.T., in 1961.

General Vanier is the author of two publications, "Paroles de Guerre", and "Un Canadien Parle aux Français".

Her Excellency Madame Georges P. Vanier was born in Montréal the daughter of the Honourable Mr. Justice Charles Archer and Mrs. Archer (née Thérèse de Salaberry).

Madame Vanier was educated at the Sacred Heart Convent in Montreal; and on September 29, 1921, she married Georges P. Vanier. The family includes one daughter and four sons.