

NO MID-NIGHT SHOW

DUE TO NEW YEAR'S EVE FALLING ON THE SABBATH DAY THERE WILL BE NO MID-NIGHT SHOW AT THE PRINCE EDWARD THIS YEAR.

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Advertisement for the play 'The Conspirators' featuring Hedy Lamarr and Paul Henreid. Includes showtimes and cast details.

CAPITOL - TO-DAY and SAT

Advertisement for the play 'Red Ryder' featuring Wild Bill Elliott and Red Ryder. Includes showtimes and cast details.

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Plus Serial - 3 Stogie Comedy - Cartoon 3 Shows Daily At 3:15 - 7 - 8:45

WINSLOE NORTH W. M. S. The regular annual meeting of Winsloe North W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. E. M. Cudmore, Dec. 8. The program from the 'Merry Monthlies' was carried out. Rhyma, 'O Come, All Ye Faithful' and 'In the Cross of Christ I Glorify' were sung in connection with the program. Matt. 2 was read responsively, followed by sententious prayers. Minutes of the October meeting and last annual meeting were read and adopted. Secretary reported 10 regular meetings and 2 open meetings held during the year. Treasurer reported \$67.10 raised during the year. Community Friendship Society reported 54 sick and hospital calls, 12 sympathy cards and letters, 1 spray flowers. Selection of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. John Macdonald; vice-president, Mrs. Albert Cudmore; secretary, Mrs. Walter Roberts; treasurer, Mrs. E. M. Cudmore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. D. Snow; community friendship, Mrs. Stanley Shaw; flowers, Mrs. C. L. Cudmore; organist, Mrs. C. L. Cudmore; Mission Monthly secretary, Mrs. Walter Roberts; temperance, Mrs. E. M. Cudmore. Mrs. MacIntosh was appointed to attend Presbyterial. Collection amounted to \$50. It was decided to order copies of the M. M. for the coming year. Word for next meeting—Christians, leaders Mrs. E. M. Cudmore and Mrs. C. L. Cudmore. Place of meeting undecided. An address was read, and Mrs. MacIntosh, who has been president for the past 25 years, was presented with a gift. Meeting closed with 'Silent Night' and Mizpah Benediction. (Patriot Please Copy) SPEAK MANY TONGUES Ninety-two languages and dialects are spoken in India.

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a new nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

CRAWSWELL for Photographs. PAY your civic taxes early and avoid long waits. 12-21-81. DR. J. D. MACGUGAN'S Office will be closed until January 6th. 12-29-51.

HAMPTON Pastoral Charge, Rev. Peter Jackson, Bonshaw 11, A. M. Desable 3 P. M. Victoria 7:30 P. M. 12-29-11. TRYON - BONSHAW BAPTIST CHURCHES - Sunday, December 31st, Albany 11 A. M., Tryon 3 P. M., Westmoreland 7:30 P. M. Rev. A. Hicks, Minister. 12-29-11.

CITY TAX OFFICE will remain open each evening this week until 9 o'clock for the convenience of the tax payers. 12-27-41. CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE

BURIAL IN HALIFAX - The funeral of Miss Maude Harrington will take place in Halifax on Friday morning. 12-27-41.

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20 PER CENT DISCOUNT on all winter dresses, cloths and fur coats. Greenleaf Co., Ladies Ready to Wear. 12-29-11.

CRAWFORD MEMORIAL Christian Church, Bradshaw, Regular service Sunday, 31st at 3 P. M., conducted by Mr. Stephen Ackland. 12-29-11.

THE POSTPONED MEETING of the Women's Association of Trinity Church, will be held on Friday, 29th at 3 P. M. in the east parlor. 12-29-11.

POWNAL CHARGE, United Church of Canada, Services Sunday, December 31st, 11:00 A. M. Eldon (depending on travelling conditions). 2:30 P. M. Millville. 7:00 P. M. Pownal. Rev. E. R. MacVicar, Minister. 12-29-11.

FLOWERS FROM SON - Mrs. C. L. Partridge has received a bouquet of beautiful roses with Christmas greetings from her son Gordon, who is serving with the R.C.S. in Holland. 12-29-11.

TALKED TO HER SON - Mrs. Patrick Hammill, Freeport, had the pleasure of talking to her son, Rev. Thomas R. Hammill, Corcoran, Alberta, Christmas Eve. She could hear him quite plain, no interruptions at all. 12-29-11.

HUNTER RIVER United Church Charge, There will be no services under this charge Sunday, December 31st but the induction of Rev. John I. Morrison will take place on Friday, January 5th at 2:30 P. M. in Hunter River Church. 12-29-11.

POLICE COURT - At the Police Court yesterday a drunk was given twenty days and an offender charged with receiving stolen goods was remanded until today. An Excise Act case was further adjourned one week. Two drunks were each given ten days suspended sentence and the plaintiff in a summary ejectment case was given an order for ejectment. 12-29-11.

FUNERAL SERVICES - The funeral of Mrs. Louis McAuley was held from her late residence yesterday morning at St. Dunstan's Basilica, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. W. McCordie, who also conducted the services at the grave. The pallbearers were: Messrs. R. W. Tomlins, M. J. White, Stanford Roach, Cyril McGregor, A. R. McInnis, and Gordon Stewart. Interment was in the R. C. Cemetery, Charlottetown. Seated in the Sanctuary: Rev. Geo. McDonald, Rev. J. Sullivan, Rev. W. McGuigan, Rev. W. Pineau of St. Dunstan's University, Rev. Eric Robin of St. Mary's and Rev. Kenneth McMillan of St. Dunstan's Basilica. 12-29-11.

PERSONALS

Cpl. W. J. Scott, A.R.C.A.F., left Wednesday morning for St. Hubert, Quebec, after spending his Christmas leave at his home in Marshfield. 12-29-11.

Professor and Mrs. W. Chauchard and daughter Blanche, of St. Joseph, Quebec, are visiting in Charlottetown. Mr. and Mrs. P. Fitzsimmons, 174 King Street. 12-29-11.

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Top-ranking Jap officer on Leyte Island, the Philippines is Lt.-Gen. Sasaki Suzuki, army commander of the 33rd Japanese Army. Suzuki's headquarters at Valencia and his troops were unflanked by the U.S. 7th Division's drive north of Ormoc. 12-29-11.

BRADLBANE United Church, December 31st, Pleasant Valley 11 A. M. Rose Valley 3 P. M. Walsdale 7 P. M. Rev. D. J. Morrison, Minister. 12-29-11.

WINSLOE UNITED CHURCH, December 31st, Highfield 11 A. M., Princeton Road 3 P. M., Winsloe South 7:30 P. M. Rev. T. A. Knox, Minister. The Annual Board Meeting January 3rd, 2 P. M., Winsloe South Church. 12-29-11.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Wood Islands Presbyterian Congregation will be held Monday, January 1st at 11:00 A. M. All interested are urged to attend. 12-26-11.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA - Services will be held on Sunday, December 31st, as follows: Caladonia, 11:00 A. M. Murray Harbour 7:30 P. M. Rev. T. A. Knox, Minister. 12-29-11.

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Bellast, Services, Sunday, December 31st, will be as follows: Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. The Christmas Musical Service which was postponed owing to weather conditions will be held Sunday afternoon, December 31st, at 3 o'clock. Rev. E. C. Evans, Minister. 12-29-11.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA - Brookfield Charge, Services next Lord's day as follows: Hunter River 11:00 A. M., Brookfield 7:30 P. M. There will be a worship service at Hartsville Tuesday, January 2nd at 7:30. At the close of this service the annual congregational meeting will be held, Donald Nicholson, Student Minister. 12-29-11.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SERVICES, Sunday, December 31st, Holy Trinity Church, Georgetown, P. E. I. Church School 2:00 P. M., St. Peter's Church, Cherry Valley, Matins 10:20 A. M. Holy Communion 11:00 A. M., Evensong 7:00 P. M. Rev. G. B. Hartman, Rector. 12-29-11.

MOUNT STEWART PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - Divine Worship will be conducted by Mr. D. J. Morrison, Rector, at 11:00 A. M. and 7 P. M. in the Mount Stewart Presbyterian Church. 12-29-11.

TO P. E. ISLAND - Mrs. Kenneth Dawson is leaving this week-end for McNell's Mill, Prince Edward Island, where she will reside for the winter months. Mrs. Dawson has made her home for the past year and a half with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McDonald, Catherine Street. Mr. Dawson has been stationed at a nearby army unit and has been transferred. - Edmead Post. 12-29-11.

WEDDING BELLS Wedding bells rang out on Saturday morning, Dec. 2nd, in St. Anthony's Church, Montreal, for the marriage of Miss Josephine Emile Tardiff, the bride, formerly of this province, is a daughter of the late Frank Tardiff, formerly of Edmonton, Man., is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tardiff of this town, where they were married by Rev. Fr. O'Brien, pastor of St. Anthony's, and the nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Toner, C.S.C. of St. Joseph's Oratory, Mt. St. Joseph. 12-29-11.

Mr. Lester Chapman and Josephine in a floor-length gown of white chiffon and shoulder length veil of the bride and groom. The groom, dressed in a tuxedo, was attended by Miss Mary MacDonald who was dressed in white crepe. The bride's bouquet was of American Beauty roses and fern, the bridesmaid's of white Baby Mums. The groomsmen were Mr. Daniel MacDonald, immediately after the nuptial mass was ended the bridal party proceeded to the Queen's Hotel to partake of the Queen's breakfast served in Salon "B" which was decorated very artistically for the occasion. 12-29-11.

At noon on the same day Mr. and Mrs. Tardiff left on their honeymoon for Prince Edward Island. Following their arrival in Charlottetown at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Ivan Berrigan, a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother where old friends gathered to felicitate the bride and welcome the groom into their midst. 12-29-11.

Previous to her marriage the bride was honored a delightful shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shannon, St. Laurent. Mr. and Mrs. Tardiff will make their future home in Montreal. (Patriot please copy) 12-29-11.

Expect Search for Scrapegoat

By C. R. BLACKBURN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (CP)—A search for some one to blame for the success of the German counter-offensive on the Western Front is expected to gain impetus here as soon as Congressmen and others recover from the shock of the new threat. Demands for an investigation are expected when the new Congress assembles Jan. 3.

Today the Washington Post editorially recommended that the Committee on Post-War Military Policy headed by Representative Clifton Woodrum (Dem.-Va.) examine the situation with a view to drawing the proper lesson from it.

"The disquieting thing to the people is that our Command was caught napping," the Post says. "The blame is attached to the Intelligence Service."

"For the first time since the British and ourselves must accept joint responsibility, for at Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force the Chief of Staff, General Sir Harold G. Alexander, is a Briton with an American as his deputy."

"There has been so little information that, so far, those who would like to cry out for the heads of the delinquents are at a loss. They don't know just who to blame."

Reason for the scarcity of information and even the President's prospective long and bitter fight with the House of Representatives is believed to be pre-occupation with the Supreme Court and with the business of trying to stop the German thrusts.

Gen. Eisenhower and his headquarters have received the word to sit down and write dispatches telling Washington how it happened. That is the official view here and the officials are content to wait.

Meanwhile the country is tightening its belt and accepting the prospect of a long and bitter fight on the home front. A sweeping increase in the range of rationing has been decreed. Values in many lines, apparently to be accepted without protest, by a nation allied to the fact that the war is far from won.

BELLEVEUE W. I.

On the night of Dec. 13 the Bellevue Institute treated the district to a delightful Christmas Eve party. The tables were beautifully decorated, were watched at the close of the evening by the number of young girls who were attending their first Christmas party. A cake and a song were the order of the evening. The party was a success and the guests were most enjoyable. 12-29-11.

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She was astonished. "You mean you want to take her?" he nodded. "But don't you want her? I thought you loved her so much." "I do love her. But I can't be always with her." 12-29-11.

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Tomorrow is Forever

by Gwen Bristow

"Thank you, Mr. Kessler," she said in a low voice. "You don't know what you've done for me." Kessler smiled at her gratefully, but he did not answer. It was as though he had accomplished what he had set out to do, he felt no need of saying anything more.

Elizabeth leaned back in her chair. In body and mind she felt perfectly at ease. Kessler had reached out and taken a burden from her. She thought of Arthur of now she had loved him, of her torture as losing him, and realized that this was the first time since her marriage to Spratt that she had let her thoughts dwell on Arthur without trying to recall them because this was the first time she had been able to think of him without pain. How foolish she had been. How foolish she had been. How foolish she had been. 12-29-11.

As she looked at him, Elizabeth she felt her head sharply. How often she had seen him resting in a big chair, his feet down, when he was tired at the end of a hard day. Her muscles had relaxed voluntarily. She sat up, about to begin again when she had begun this morning. She had begun this morning. She had begun this morning. 12-29-11.

He had said, "If I were your first husband, Mrs. Herlong, I would tell you exactly what I'm telling you now. You don't want him back." 12-29-11.

She believed he had convinced her that he was Arthur. She had a few minutes he had succeeded in doing so. Now, again, she was not sure. 12-29-11.

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McNaughton Statements Discussed By Members In House of Commons

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That is further ahead than the breakdown figures have been projected for. I am dealing with them here as a total overseas. Mr. Ralston: Total overseas having regard to the possibilities. Suppose you had to provide a pool for one month's intense activity in Italy, two