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—DEHYDRATED POTATOES SHIPPED — The first car of dehydrated potatoes has been shipped from the plant at Summerside it was learned yesterday. The product is designed for overseas use. S.

—CONDITION IMPROVING — The many friends of 8-year-old Birdie Cairns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Cairns, who was operated on recently for appendicitis at the Prince County Hospital will be pleased to hear her condition continues to improve and hope that she will be able to return home for Christmas. S.

—TRANSFERRED — Mr. Harold Nicholson, C.N.R. ticket agent, Summerside, left on Monday morning for Charlottetown where he takes a position in the train dispatching office. It is understood that this is a temporary appointment and that in the meantime the duties of ticket agent at Summerside will be carried ou by Mr. Harold Clow. S.

—COUNTY COURT—The December term of the County Court opened at Summerside on Friday Judge Lloyd G. Lewis presiding. The docket was the smallest for sometime. Twenty summons had been issued for the term but only seven cases remained on the docket for trial the rest having been settled or judgment obtained by default. The lawyers attending were T. Lowell Compton, R.S. Hinton, Morley M. Bell, E. Walter E. Morley M. Bell, K.C., Walter E. Darby K.C., and Heath Strong K.C.—S

—HOME FROM OVERSEAS— Flying Officer Edward Arnett, R.C.A.F., has arrived in Canada from England and is expected to arrive home in Summerside this evening Flying Officer Arnett has been overseas for two and one half years where he was attached to the education branch of the R.C.A.F. He was granted his commission while over there, having joined up in the ranks He underwent an operation some time ago but it is understood he has completely recovered. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Arnett of Summerside. S.

—POST OFFICE BUSY —Summerside Post Office staff have handled the greatest volume of Christmas mail to date in the history of the office. Twenty thousand letters passed through on Monday and about the same amount Tuesday. The regular staff is augmented by six extra hands for the rush period. The new wickets have helped somewhat to handle the extra business. The regular staff deserve much credit for the efficient way they are handling this tremendous rush of mail under difficult circumstances. S.

—FORMER EDITOR PASSES— The death occurred suddenly on Tuesday afternoon at Moncton of George Lockhart a former editor of the Summerside Pioneer and the Island Farmer. The late Mr. Lockhart had served overseas in this war and had been injured in an air raid after being discharged from the army. Up till about three months ago he worked in Summerside on the staff of the Pioneer, the paper which he had previously edited for a number of years. Although being in ill health he had been seriously sick for only two weeks. He was a native of Moncton and is survived by his mother and father who are living there; also his wife, the former Audrey Rose of Summerside, and one son, David, six years old.—S

—DEATH OF FORMER SUMMERSIDE WOMAN — Friends and relatives in Summerside will be shocked to learn of the death of Mrs. Ralph Haskell formerly Bertha Phillips of this town on Tuesday evening at a Portland, Maine, hospital. She had been ill for about a month She had been living in Portland for about fourteen years. She was thirty-four years old. Before leaving Summerside she worked at Sinclair and Stewart, Ltd. Her husband is in the United States Army. There are no children. Besides her husband, she is survived by her father, John Y. Philips, Summerside three sisters and three brothers. The sisters are, Mrs John Cobb, Summerside; Fanny, Mrs. Lawrence Brown, Portland, Maine; Jean, Mrs. Layton Dalton, Waterville, Que. The brothers are Everett in Summerside; Russell of New Glasgow, N.S., now of the Pictou Highlanders and Roy with the Bank of Nova Scotia in Porta Rica. S.

—SPECIAL SKATE Bedeque rink Christmas night. Free skate for all school children and their teachers on Friday night. 12-23-2i.

—SKATING, Kensington rink Thursday, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m. Good music. Admission 15 and 25 cents. 12-23-1i.

—NOTICE — The Marina Beauty Shop, Kensington, will be closed during the Christmas holidays and will re-open January 3rd. 12-23-1i.

—ON TELEGRAPH STAFF — Miss Wilna Monkley has arrived from Halifax to join the staff of the C.N.R. Telegraph Office, Summerside. Miss Monkley formerly worked at this office as a messenger. Her home is in Kensington. S.

—CONCERT ENJOYED — On the evening of Dec. 15th Bloomfield Corner School held a Christmas concert sponsored by the pupils, which consisted of twenty-five pieces, dialogues, songs, recitations and monologues. Santa made his usual yearly visit to the school that night and gave the pupils gifts and candy. After the concert icecream, apples, cakes and candy were auctioned by Alban Craswell. The amount of money realized was fifty-five dollars. (Other papers please copy).

Personals

—Friends will regret to hear of the illness of Mrs. Max Robinson at her home in Summerside.—S

—Miss Miriam Nicholson, R.N., arrived yesterday by plane from Ottawa to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Nicholson, Summerside. S.

—Her friends will be pleased to know that Miss Mary Hogan is able to be about again after her recent illness. S

—Miss Marjorie MacCallum of Montreal has arrived home to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. MacCallum, Summerside. S

—Miss Lena Ranahan, nurse-in-training at St. Mary's Hospital, Montreal, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Ranahan, Summerside.—S

—Mrs. George Oldscamp, nee Rita Gallant, has arrived from Halifax to spend the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gallant, Summerside. Mr. Oldscamp, who is in the R.C.N.V.R. is expected to arrive tomorrow. S.

—Mr. John E Cameron of the firm of Morris and Bernard, Tignish, was in Summerside on Tuesday on business. He was accompanied by Mrs. Cameron, Public Health Nurse. S.

S'side Soldier Wounded In Italy

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Arsenault, King Street, Summerside, have been advised by the Department of National Defence that their son Pte. Melvin Arsenault has been wounded while serving in Italy.

Pte. Arsenault has been in the army for two years and is twenty-one years old. The extent of his wounds was not given. A brother Gussy is now invalided out of the army after suffering a serious injury to his back from falling off a motorcycle while on manoeuvres in England. Another brother and a sister are in the army.—S

TOOK WATERY PRIZE

DUBLIN —(OP)— Eire customs officers patrolling the border with Ulster almost cried over their catch 1 1-2 tons of onions which were to be smuggled into Ulster.

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Also News
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THURSDAY AT 8.30

CAPITOL
Summerside

Stage, Screen And Radio Stars Score In M-G-M Musical

Stars of stage and screen combine talents to provide a musical fantasy of unusual brilliance in M-G-M's "Cabin in the Sky," now playing at the Capitol Theatre.

Based on the New York stage hit of the same name, "Cabin in the Sky" deals with the struggles of Petunia, played by Ethel Waters, aided by the forces of good, to save the soul of her well-meaning but weak-willed husband, Little Joe, portrayed by Eddie (Rochester) Anderson. The forces of evil, represented by Lucifer, Jr., Rex Ingram, plot the downfall of Little Joe in an air-conditioned room in Hades. They enlist the aid of temptress Lena Horne, sensational young M-G-M singing star. But Petunia fights fire with fire and with the forces of good on her side rescues little Joe from the clutches of evil temptation.

Singing the ballads "Happiness Is Just a Thing Called Joe" and "Cabin in the Sky" as only she can sing them, Ethel Waters also makes the song "Taking a Chance on Love," something long to remember. Lena Horne will thrill you when you hear her sing "Honey in the Honeycomb." Rochester and Miss Horne do a comic duet, "Consequences." Other musical highlights are provided by Duke Ellington and his popular band and the famous Hall Johnson Choir.

FOX STUD

The ranch at Brenton Howatt's East Royalty, corner St. Peter's Road and Brackley Pt. roads, will be open for inspection of the foxes for the week between Christmas and New Year's in the afternoons.

Dept. of Agriculture.
12-23-3i.

CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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

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THE ROGERS HARDWARE CO., LTD., will be closed all day Monday, December 27th. 12-23-2i.

TRAIN AND FERRY—The early train left Borden last evening with 401 passengers, arriving here with 237 passengers at 10 o'clock. The ferry made 4 trips yesterday.

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PROMOTED TO FLYING OFFICER — Word has been received by Mrs. Peter Dunphy of the promotion of her husband, PO. Peter Dunphy, to the rank of Flying Officer. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Dunphy, Mountain Road, FO. Dunphy is serving overseas with the R.C.A.F. His wife, who is residing with her parents in Tignish, P.E.I., is at present visiting in Moncton with Mr. and Mrs. Dunphy. In a letter recently received from FO. Dunphy he told of recently meeting his brother, Opl. Francis Dunphy, somewhere in England, for the first time since going overseas early this year. —Moncton Times.

POWERS - CROKE — A pretty wedding took place Wednesday, Dec. 15, in St Theresa's Church, Halifax, when Mary Victoria, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Croke, became the bride of John J. Powers, R.C.O.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Powers, Cardigan, P.E.I. Father Hayes officiated The bride was attired in King's blue with navy accessories and wore a corsage of red roses. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Arthur Tanner, who was dresssed in beige and brown, and wore a corsage of pink roses. The groom was supported by Edmond Przybylski, R.C.A.F. After a short honeymoon the happy couple will reside at 171 Chebucto Road, Halifax.

BEAUTIFUL CANDLELIGHT carol service held at Zion Presbyterian Church last evening was remarkably fine. The organ accompaniment, and the capable direction of Mrs. Edwin Johnstone, assisted by LAC. Lawson, as well as the music rendered by both senior and junior choirs was of a superior variety. With its attractive decorations, and effective arrangement of such providing a very unique setting, the church was outstanding in beauty. On either side of the pulpit stood a Christmas tree attractively lighted, while on the pulpit stood a row of candles and in front a wreath of fir boughs. The entire platform encircling the pulpit was trimmed with boughs and poinsettias. Above the platform and extending along the organ gallery and above the side doors spruce boughs were banked and made ornate with coloured lights and candles. On either side of the organ gallery the two great windows were arranged with a large fir wreath in which a star hung and a bow of red ribbon. These were so designed to represent the scene on a Christmas card. Four members of the junior choir appeared from one window and three from the other. The main body of the junior choir, dressed in white, occupied the organ gallery, while the senior choir, also in white, appeared in the regular choir gallery below. Mrs Arthur Roper, Stanley Beard and Arthur Lawson were the soloists. Rev. G. C. Webster opened the program with a Scripture reading.

AIR SCHOOL CHANGES — News that the R.A.F. school at Charlottetown will become an R.C.A.F. school for advanced training, announced by Mayor B Roy Holman in The Guardian several days ago, has been confirmed by Hon. Dr. Cyrus MacMillan, parliamentary assistant to the Minister of National Defense for Air. The change is in line with a general readjustment in air training plans. With the increased need for bomber crews, the Air Training Plan will concentrate on special training and certain schools formerly used for training pilots—some of them R.A.F.—will be replaced by R.C.A.F. schools devoted to training navigators and other specialists Air crew training, it is emphasized, will still be required and Canada's air crew commitments will not be affected.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Gillespie, Debert, have received a telegram from their son Ralph, telling of his safe arrival in Italy.

Miss Elisabeth Heather Macdonald, dean of Home Economics, Acadia University, is spending the Christmas holidays in the city.

Mr. and Mrs Frank Larkins of Jamaica Plains, Mass., arrived in this city yesterday morning and will spend two weeks with Mrs. Larkins mother Mrs. Katherine Larkins.

Casualties Heavier?

LONDON, Dec. 22—(CP CABLE)—Canadian casualties in the two-weeks battle for the Moro River and Ortona in Italy may be fairly heavy.

This operation has been the toughest fight for the Canadians in Italy and, judging from front-line battle reports, it could not be carried out with such tenacity and determination against such heavy opposition without comparatively high losses.

IN MEMORIAM

GEORGE A. WOOD

The community of Rollo Bay West and vicinity was saddened to hear of the passing of George A. Wood on the morning of Sept. 16, 1943, after an illness of several months.

The late Mr. Wood was born at Alexandra on February, 22, 1869, and was the son of the late Howard Wood and his wife, Mary J. Judson of the same place, who afterwards moved to make their home at Red House.

As a young man he learned the blacksmith trade and carried on a very successful business at Fortune Bridge, afterwards moving to Rollo Bay West, where his son Frank still carries on his business.

After retiring from the blacksmith business, he turned to farming and bought a farm nearby where he and his son Arthur farmed successfully for a number of years, specializing in dairy cattle.

He married Ida Louise, second daughter of the late John S. and Mrs Francis of Fortune Bridge, and is survived by his sorrowing widow and three sons, Howard F., at Red House; Frank J., at Rollo Bay West and Arthur W., on the homestead; and two daughters, Hazel P., nursing sister at Johannesburg, South Africa, and Bessie (Mrs. Fred Aitken) at Fortune Bridge.

One sister, Mrs. Beatrice Dingwell of Cambridge Mass., and one brother Melvin, also of Cambridge also thirteen grandchildren, all of whom mourn the loss of a loving and devoted husband, father, brother and grandfather.

His funeral was conducted by the Rev W A. McQuarrie at the home and the Bay Fortune Church and his remains were laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery beside those of his beloved son Edwin George, who was killed in the U.S.A., and two little daughters who died in childhood.

The pall bearers were six nephews: Colin Dixon, Leigh Townshend, Edwin Townshend, Lloyd Townshend, John Francis and Lorne Francis

Beautiful memories are all that are left
Of one we loved and can never forget,
A cheery smile and a happy face
And a broken link we can never replace.

BIRTHS

BURNS—At the Prince County Hospital on Dec. 17, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Burns of Freetown, P.E.I. a son.

GOUGHLAN —At the Charlottetown Hospital on Dec. 21, 1943, to Opl. John J. and Mrs. Coughlan (nee Helen McDonald, formerly of Charlottetown) a son.

DEATHS

LOCKHART — At Moncton N.B. on December 21, 1943, George Lockhart.

CORMIER — At the Prince County Hospital on Tuesday, December 21, 1943, Mrs. William Cormier, aged 51 years. Funeral arrangements later.

MORAN — In the city, Dec. 21, 1943, Peter Moran, formerly of Freeland, aged 71. Remains resting at Frank Hennessey's Funeral Home Funeral notice later.

McRAE—At Bonshaw on Tuesday, December 21, 1943, Mrs. William McRae. Funeral from her late residence tomorrow (Friday) service starting at 2 o'clock. Interment Canoe Cove Cemetery.

BERNARD—At South Granville, on Dec. 22, 1943, David Bernard, aged 71 years. Funeral from North Granville United Church, Friday, at 2 p.m. Interment North Granville.

HASKELL—At Portland, Maine, on December 21, 1943, Mrs Ralph Haskell, formerly Bertha Phillips of Summerside, aged 34 years. Funeral on Sunday afternoon at Summerside with a short service at the home followed by service at the Presbyterian Church at 2.30 p.m.

CARROLL — At the Sacred Heart Home, Dec. 21st. 1943, Mrs. Annie Carroll, aged 90 years Funeral will be held from Frank Hennessey's Funeral Home this morning at 8.30 to St. Bonaventure's Church, Tracadie, where funeral Mass will be celebrated at 9.30. Interment in the church cemetery.

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Mr. Winkle Goes To War

He was lurching to his feet and had reached a crouching position before he realized that the gun crews were holding firing practice.

He sank back down again, seeing other men following suit.

The guns kept on chattering, sending up shells to burst high in the air at different levels. From the other ships they could see the same practice going on. It was fascinating to watch, and the noise and smell of burning gunpowder added to their sense of security.

In the midst of the racket Mr. Winkle was startled to hear his name being called.

"Eh, Pop!"

Looking up, he saw Freddie Tindall. In back of him were Jack and several more of the original Springville contingent.

"Hello, Mr. Winkle," Jack greeted him. The boy's eyes twinkled, and he spoke as if they were meeting casually on Maple Avenue.

"This", said Mr. Winkle, struggling to his feet, "is quite a place to have a reunion."

They held it, nevertheless, in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, pumping one another's hands and yelling above the noise of the guns. Freddie cried, "We've got more than this! Hey, Alphabet! Alphabet!"

In a moment the wizened little Sergeant pushed his way down the deck. The first thing he saw was Mr. Winkle's stripes with the "T" below them. Without raising his voice, but still making himself heard, he lectured:

"I been in the Army eighteen years. You been in eight months, and you rate with me. We ain't going to win no war that way. And look what I got in my machine-gun crew. Him," he pointed at Jack, "and him," he indicated Freddie. "All they can do is outshoot any of them guys working them pump-guns up there. Where do you think we're headed for, Pop?"

Mr. Winkle's reply was lost in the blast of the antiaircraft guns.

"Australia!" Jack yelled.

"New Zealand!" Freddie shouted.

"I told you it was India", the Alphabet said. "I had it straight from an officer as the One-A lowdown. . . ."

Mr. Winkle saw that Sergeant Czeldeskrowski had become one of them and, what was more, they had become one with him.

He was warmed by this, and that the others were on the ship with him. It seemed to make it still safer, and the sea smoother and even more peaceful.

Yet still it wasn't quite the thing about war he sensed and for which he continued to search

There was a stir among the ships of the convoy.

Messages were exchanged by blinker and flags.

Mr. Winkle's ship and five supply vessels began to take erratic courses.

It seemed as if something was going to happen after all, that a submarine had been detected. The men, lining the rails, watched and held their breaths.

Maneuvering smoothly, the six ships detached themselves from the main body of the convoy, setting off at an angle to it. At the same time three destroyers rode in the same direction, herding them. Deep-throated whistles said goodbye.

It was clear now that they were going on a mission of their own. Rumor ran like fire through the ship.

They were a special task force.

An urgent call had come for them from some harassed point.

Plans had been changed.

Land was soon to be sighted.

They would see action at any moment.

At lunch time they were at last told where they were going. Nothing was said about the main convoy. From the beginning it had been planned to send them to the island of Talizo, one of the steppingstones in the retrieving of certain precious stones stolen by the Japanese when no one was looking.

The south end of the fifty-mile-long island had been captured by American forces, along with an airfield conveniently just completed by the Japs, who still held the northern half of Talizo. They would land some time the next morning.

Mr. Winkle watched the effect of this announcement on the other men.

Each acted as if he had been given a good stiff drink. After the long, cramped, and inactive voyage, they looking forward to any change, especially the prospect of fighting. They were eager for it. Some of them were serious and thoughtful, but all were ready, even anxious.

Mr. Winkle himself felt that he had been left out when the drinks were passed around.

The old fear and terror took hold of him, shaking him by the throat like a cat with a mouse

Instinctively, he reached inside his shirt and fingered his identification tags, wondering how soon one might be cut off and the other remain with the body.

Then stoicism asserted itself. He had been assigned a job, prepared for it, and he would do it. Contagiously, the feelings of the other men caught hold of him. If they were ready to fight, he was ready too. Maybe he wasn't a killer, but he could keep in condition and repair the vehicles of the killers. That had its place, its value. It was just as necessary as shooting Anyway, almost as necessary.

Mr. Winkle scorched his guidebook for the entry under Talizo. To his satisfaction he found that the island had cannibals It was, in fact, noted for them.

Late that afternoon a collection of dark dots came out of the sinking sun ahead of them. The gun crews of their own and the other ships sprang to their stations, alert and tense. But soon word was passed about that these were their own planes, come to protect them in that most dangerous of all times, dusk on the sea.

CHAPTER XV

The planes, now seen to be high in the sky, kept coming on, a whole squadron which reached straight above them and then wheeled to fly back and forth, forming a protective umbrella over the ships. The men, jamming the rails, cheered, yelling wildly, and Mr. Winkle heard his own voice adding itself to the lusty noise being sent up to join the roar of the plane motors.

No enemy, from under, on, or over the sea appeared either that night or at dawn when the planes returned to take up their vigil and escort the convoy to port.

(To Be Continued)

—Pictured above is Lieut. Nursing Sister, Mary V. Croken who for the past two months has been serving in England. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Croken of Emerald have received word from her that she has arrived safe in Italy with a number of other Canadian Nursing Sisters.—S

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In wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year I feel, in view of the change for the better in war conditions, that the citizens should show their appreciation of these blessings received by returning to their usual Christmas decorating and by so doing make it the merriest Christmas we have had in years.

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