TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming

George A. Callbeck, who is in Ottawa instructing fox inspectors and will afterwards tour Canadian National Association ranches from coast to coast, has very thoughtfully sent us a letter in which the following occurs: "Since my last chat with you I have seen a large number of new-type foxes at the Fred Colpitts ranch, Salisbury, N.B., where he is producing platinums in large numbers. On Dr. Teakles' ranch at Sussex I saw a very odd marked pup. It was almost white except for a small amount of silver on back. One ear was black and the other grey. The Bailey & Taylor ranch at Fredericton had a good increase of pearl platinums and they also have some pearlatinas. These have been produced by the introduction of white marked blood and they closely resemble the Quebec platinum fox. Mr. Grant of Debec has a number of pearl platinums, pearlatinas and Quebec type platinums. In the province of Quebec I visited the five ranches of Dr. J. A. LaForest, Ancienne Lorette, Jack Brothers of Quebec City, Alan M. Hocker and Preston G. Hocker of Ormstown. On these five ranches a number of attractive Quebec type platinums are being produced." Thanks, George, and we hope you will send us notes all the way across Canada.

There is nothing new to report from the fur markets. They seem to remain pretty much in status quo, but there is a feeling that possibly in a month's time or more we will witness more activity and consequent strength. There is no doubt that there is tremendous buying power latent if it could but be diverted towards the object of our anxiety — silver fox pelts.

The Island is entertaining a topmost authority on silver fox farming and its problems in Dr. B. R. McCrory of the Ralston Purina Company, with Head Office at St. Louis, Mo. Dr. McCrory has had a sound education in veterinary science including research work and that plus years of experience as manager or adviser to the Black Forest fox ranch, Monument, Colorado, places him in the position of an expert. As he surveys the field of fur farming in Canada and the United States he, like all thinking men, is somewhat apprehensive because of the difficulties we face, but he believes there is nothing in the situation that cannot be solved and that those with the will, courage and necessary knowledge will win through.

The Doctor is a firm believer in the advantages of the rancher raising a proportion of white face foxes. There is a beauty and sharpness to them not found in ordinary silvers, and those who take the trouble to make good selections and use careful breeding methods will certainly be rewarded by better average prices for their pelts.

The Doctor plans to spend the remainder of the week here, leaving on a return trip which will take him through various ranches of Canada and thence through the United States to St. Louis. His territory includes the fox farming zones of Canada and the United States and he is probably covering more ground than almost anyone connected with fur farming.

F. J. Kennedy who is inspecting fox ranches for the Provincial Government, is of the opinion that the number of pelts that will be marketed in this province this season will not exceed 20,000, and this includes a 40% cut of breeding stock. Mr. Kennedy has been through most of King's and Queens' counties but states he has not visited Prince County ranches, but from information received he believed that his figures are okay. He also said that color of the foxes this year is the best he has seen but that pelting should not take place until mid-December, because most of the foxes have been fed on cubes or cereals with meat and will require a longer time to develop a proper coat of fur.

We were delighted to have a visit from our good friend Dr. C. K. Gunn, Superintendent Dominion Experimental Fox Ranch, Summerside, yesterday. We had previously asked him to furnish us with his bulletins, the latest of which we are publishing. It is of particular value now that the final period which will see our pelts arrive at the markets in good or bad condition is on.

PRIMENESS AND COLOR IN FOX PELTS.

By Dr. C.K. Gunn, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Fox Ranch, Summerside, P. E. I.

Probably the two most important factors which determine the value of fox pelts are color and primeness.

By the term "primeness" is meant that the fur is fully grown or mature and that the leather is a clear flesh color without any of the blue-black pigmentation characteristic of unprime pelts.

From a study of the growth of fur hairs, it has been found that the young hair first appears as a pigmented wedge-shaped structure deeply situated in the fox skin. This soon elongates into a typical fur hair and by the time it has reached full growth the lower end, embedded in the skin, is found to be devoid of pigment. The coloring matter has all passed out into the hair shaft which represents that portion of the hair above the skin, while the hair root, or the part embedded in the skin, is seen to be translucent and without pigment. This change accounts for the unpigmented appearance of prime leather.

During the period of growth of fur hairs, the black pigment or coloring matter continues down into the roots of the fur hairs and the skin is unprime. It is the massed effect of these pigmented hair roots which gives unprimed pelts their characteristically pigmented appearance.

Fox fur is chiefly composed of two kinds of fur known as the guard fur and underfur. The coarser guard fur covers the underfur and prevents it from matting in the fully furred pelts. In a study of the growth of fur, guard hairs are found to precede that of the underfur in growth over the body of the fox. However, the growth of the new coat of fur in the autumn does not take place simultaneously over all body surfaces of the fox but follows a definite sequence. Usually the new fur appears first on the belly (ventral) surface of the animal and continues up the sides of the body and finally along the back. The last area of the body on which growth of the winter fur takes place are along the middle line of the back and at the nape of the neck.

Consequently, since the fur reaches its full growth in the prime phase, therefore the region at the nape of the neck of the fox is the last area of the body surface to become prime.

However, as growth of the underfur lags behind that of the guard fur, the prime state is not attained until the underfur has reached its maximum density and growth at the back of the neck of the fox. This fact serves as a very useful guide in the examination of live foxes to determine whether or not they have reached the prime state. Examination of the skin of this body area by parting the fur will usually show the presence or absence of pigmentation in the leather. In the prime condition the leather is a clear flesh color and upon microscopic examination of the root ends of a few hairs plucked from this area, they will be found to be devoid of pigmentation.

From a knowledge of the sequence of the growth of the fur and therefore of the priming process over the body of the fox, we know that if the area at the nape of the neck of the fox is fully furred then the rest of the pelt must already have reached the prime state.

The priming process, however, does not usually take place as early in the season in pup foxes as in adult animals. Studies carried out at the Dominion Experimental Fox Ranch showed that in groups of pup foxes receiving the same diet and housed under comparable conditions, primeness occurred about 3 to 4 weeks later than in adult foxes.

It has also been noted that certain strains of foxes prime earlier in the season than others. Heavy feeding of meat tends to force the growth of fur hairs, particularly the guard fur, while the cereal portion of the ration tends to fatten foxes and favor a denser growth of underfur. If a fox ration contains too high a proportion of cereal early in the furring season, the foxes become overfat and the underfur grows at the expense of the guard fur, giving rise to a woolly pelt with thin leather that tends to break open readily and is deficient in guard fur hairs.

Ideal conditions are attained when a balanced growth of guard and underfur takes place and the fur reaches the prime state before it begins to go off color.

Color in fox pelts is affected by several factors, some of which are common with those hastening or retarding the priming process. Certain dietary factors are known to have a definite tendency to cause fox fur to go off color. Among these the feeding of fatty fish such as smelts, caplin, mackerel and herring have been found to cause the fur to lose its jet black color and to assume a rusty hue. Fishmeal has been proven to lighten the color of fox fur, particularly the underfur, giving the animals a grey appearance.

The heavy feeding of horsemeat and whole milk have also been suspected of forcing the growth of fox fur and shortening the period during which the fur is prime before the color deteriorates.

Other environmental agencies which are known to cause off-coloured pelts are ultra violet rays of sunlight in the presence of moisture. Thus foxes which are housed in pens exposed to the rain and sun usually have pelts of inferior color to those kept in covered sheds. Similarly, it is found that in sheds which have wire floors there is less straining of the belly fur from urine and ammonia fumes than on board floored pens. However, some cutting or chafing of the fur around the hips takes place in wire floored pens. This can be reduced to some extent by using 1 inch mesh wire and by bedding the wire floors with hay or straw during the furring season. The bedding, however, must be kept changed regularly or it will become soiled with urine and feces and will defeat the purpose of the sanitary wire-floored pens. Where labor is scarce it would be advisable to omit such bedding and the slight chafing of the fur caused by the bare wire would be more than compensated for by clearness in color of the fur of the pelts taken from these foxes. When foxes are furred out on wire bottomed pens care should be taken to see that the pens are not too drafty as this condition causes excessive drying of the fur and thereby reducing its desirability and value. By closing in the sides of such pens with wooden shutters or factory cotton the excessive evaporation can be controlled.

In order to obtain maximum prices for fox pelts they should be good color in the underfur, guard and silvered hairs. This necessitates that the skins be taken from the foxes, usually just as they are reaching the prime state in order to retain this clear color. However, primeness should not be altogether sacrificed to save color, as unprime skins are flat and unfinished and they will also lack appearance and durability when manufactured into articles of wearing apparel. A serious defect of unprime pelts is that the roots of the fur hairs are so deeply embedded in the skin that they are often severed in the fleshing and scraping of the leather. This causes the fur hairs to loose their anchorage in the skin, with the result that they become loose and readily pull out [illegible] garments manufactured from such pelts.

Fur buyers select clear coloured, fully furred, prime skins with good leather for the manufacture of high grade fur garments and they are willing to pay greater prices to the rancher for such fox pelts. Therefore, it is advisable to examine your foxes regularly during the furring season and keep a record of those foxes which are becoming fully furred, selecting them individually for pelting as the fur reaches the prime state and its optimum color.

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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RED CROSS BRIDGE at Government House on Thursday, Oct. 29. 10 15 17 21 24 27 28.

YORK UNITED CHARGE. Rev. J. A. Nicholson, Minister. Services Oct. 25; 11 a.m. Central Church; 2.30 p.m. Pleasant Grove; 7.30 p.m. York. 10-24.11.

RED CROSS Crippled Children's Clinics, conducted by Dr. Acker, at Town Hall, Summerside, Tuesday, November 3rd., and Red Cross House, Charlottetown, Friday, November 6th. Adults make appointments other days. 10-24-81.

MEETINGS AID RED CROSS— The Prince Edward Island Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society has benefitted to the amount of $57.72 as the result of the collections taken at the meetings being held in connection with the Victory Loan. The collection taken at the meeting held in Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, amounted to $21.75; at New Glasgow to $13.86 and at Montague to $22.29.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH. — At the morning service 11 A.M. the Rev. I. J. Levy will deliver a sermon on "The Church and the World." The anthem of the morning will be "O Ye That Love the Lord," (Coleridge-Taylor). The Church School with its profitable opportunity for interesting Bible Study, meets at 2.30 P. M. The service of evening worship will be at 7 P. M. with sermon "The Sin of Uselessness." Lac. S. W. Beard, R. A. F. will be the evening soloist. The evening anthem will be Hatton's "Like As A Father." John Inch, Mus. Bac., organist and choirmaster will be in charge of the music of the day.

EXCELLENT RECORDS — A number of excellent Record of Performance tests have recently been completed by P.E.I. Holsteins. These include the seven-year-old yearly record of Abegweit Bluebell, owned by J. Walter Jones, Charlottetown, she giving 17,586 lbs. milk containing 609 lbs. fat. Another member of the Jones herd, Abegweit Lorna Regina, finished her two-year-old yearly test with 541 lbs. fat from 16,525 lbs. milk. Falconwood Queen Bessie, from Falconwood Farm of the Department of Agriculture, Charlottetown, produced 582 lbs. fat from 17,319 lbs. milk as a two-year-old on three-times-a-day milking.

FIRE IN BARN — Slight damage was caused by fire in the barn at Mr. Wal Hennessey's, Brighton Avenue, last night. The blaze is believed to have started on the outside of the building and worked in. It is understood it was started by a bonfire in the yard. However, the flames were soon extinguished by City Firemen with the use of the booster pump. The time of the blaze was 9.30 p.m.

PARKED CAR DAMAGED — A parked car on Longworth Avenue was badly damaged last evening when it was struck by another automobile which was proceeding into the city on the same street. The latter crashed into the front of the parked vehicle which was fortunately unoccupied at the time. None of the occupants of the moving car was injured as far as City Police knew last night. At a late hour they were still unable to contact the driver. The time of the accident was 6.25 p.m.

SOLDIERS LEAVE — Eleven soldiers have been transferred from the Beach Grove Inn army training camp to other training centres on the mainland. Seven of the men were privates and were from this province. The other four held the rank of lieutenant. All four were from Nova Scotia. The Lieutenants were: G. J. Murray, Stellarton; F. E. McNabb, New Glasgow; C. C. Reeves, Bridgewater; and M. M. Yeoman, Antigonish. The privates were: V. Burke, Charlottetown; D. Mallard, Clear Springs; C. A. MacPhee, Summerside; C. R. MacLeod, Northam; E. G. MacPhee, Summerside; T. J. Perry, Summerside; and M. J. MacKinnon, Mayfield. Before leaving they were presented with cigarettes by the Provincial Government through the Carry On Canada Corps. The presentations were looked after by a representative of the Canadian Legion War Services.

Mrs. George Ingraham left yesterday morning on return to Montreal after visiting relatives in the city.

Islander Graduates As Air Gunner

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Ont., Oct. 23—(CP) — Airmen of Canada, England, New Zealand, Australia and the United States were included in a class of air navigators and wireless air gunners who graduated today from the R. C. A. F. station here. Badges were presented to the graduates by Capt. C. R. Dunlap, commanding officer of the station.

Wireless air gunners graduating with the rank of sergeant included:

Newfoundland: W. J. D. Stevenson, Greenings Hill, Corner Brook.

Prince Edward Island: G. F. Gallant, Charlottetown.

New Brunswick: J. S. MacDonald, Flat Lands.

Nova Scotia: G. J. Boyd, Cannes, P. O.

Keep Minard's in the home.

St. Dunstan's Credit Union Buys Bonds

Organization Decides On $3,000 Purchase At Annual Meeting; Had Successful Year.

The purchase of $3000 in Victory Bonds, the payment of three per cent dividend, and a reduction of 25 per cent in the interest rate on loans were the highlights of the annual meeting of the St. Dunstan's Credit Union held last night at the Holy Name Hall. Dr. J.T. Croteau presided.

Reporting for the Board of Directors, Dr. Croteau reviewed the year's work. He told of the difficulties which the credit union had experienced as a result of a large number of experienced officials leaving for military duties. During the summer replacements had been made and the credit union is now functioning satisfactorily. The credit union, according to the report, now has some 600 members.

Mr. J. J. MacDonald, the Treasurer, reported assets of $22,500. Shareholdings amount to around $20,000 and reserves total over $1600. Income from loans, after making statutory deductions for the guaranty fund and for the Educational Fund, permitted the payment of a three per cent dividend.

The report of the Credit Committee, given by Mr. Rudolph Doiron, revealed that loans of $18,600 were made during the past year. Ninety-one per cent of these loans were for amounts of $100 or less and 60 per cent of these loans were for amounts of $50 or less. Collections on loans during the year amounted to more than $21,000.

The report of the Supervisory Committee was made by Mr. J. Alfred Doyle. This report stated: "During the year all audit statements were promptly forwarded to the provincial auditor, and a careful check was kept of all books and records. It is pleasing to report that as in the past this work is being carried on in a satisfactory manner."

A general discussion of credit union problems followed the business session. Suggestions on educational policy, new members and improved services were advanced. Among those taking part in this discussion were Messrs. S. McWade, J.J. MacDonald, J. Welch and others.

Election of officers concluded the meeting. Officers who will serve for the coming year are:

Board of Directors: Dr. Joseph MacMillan, Emeric Holland, Leo Corcoran, Dr. H. L. Johnston, John Walsh, Joseph Callaghan, P. B. McTague, J.B. Flemming and J. T. Croteau;

Credit Committee: T. A. Butler, Rudolph Doiron, and Frank Dillon;

Supervisory Committee: J. A. Doyle, J. J. Connolly and Miss Anna MacInnis.

Local Men Return From Mainland

President V. A. Ainsworth of the Charlottetown Board of Trade and Mr. Wallace Higgins, Secretary, returned to the city yesterday afternoon from Moncton where they attended the annual meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade. Scheduled to last two days, the conference ended after one day when all business matters were cleared up.

The following resolution, relating to the possibility of establishment of a marine railway slip or drydock in Charlottetown, was passed unanimously without discussion: "Whereas the present wartime conditions are creating an exceedingly large amount of slip repair work in the Maritime Provinces;

"And Whereas this extra amount of repair work is causing congestion and delay because of overload to existing dockyard facilities in the Maritimes;

"And whereas the increase of work in existing dockyards is creating difficulties in housing the extra workers required;

"And whereas there is at present no port in the Gulf of St. Lawrence where a ship of any considerable size can be hauled;

"Therefore be it resolved that the Maritime Board of Trade request the Dominion Government to investigate the possibility of providing a marine railway at Charlottetown, P.E.I., where desirable facilities are available, in order to ameliorate the aforesaid conditions."

This resolution was drafted by Messrs. Ainsworth and Higgins who were delegates from the Charlottetown Board.

PROTECT HUBBIES FROM SOME WIVES

LONDON, Oct.—(CP)—A housewife stood up at a conference of the Married Women's Association and said that "I should like to see husbands protected as well as wives."

"Many women go into marriage totally unprepared to be housewives or mothers," said Mrs. Rebecca Sefe. "I should like to see some sort of certificate a man could demand from his wife-to-be."

Keep Minard's in the home.

McKinnon's Fox Worm Capsules

These reliable capsules which have been used by many ranchers with the very best results are again obtainable. They are the surest remedy for hookworm and round worms and all foxes should be dosed with them. Foxes kept over should be dosed again not later than the latter part of December. You will find your pelts will bring more money if the foxes are treated with these capsules.

Sold in Charlottetown at Jenkins Pharmacy and P. E. I. Fur Traders, and in Summerside by International Fox and Animal Foods. Price $1.00 per box of fifty capsules.

10-24-31-7.

Ration Boards To Function By Mid-November

It is expected that the five local ration boards in this province will begin functioning about the middle of November, Mr. George S. Mooney, Director of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, Ottawa, stated in an interview shortly after his arrival in Charlottetown last night. He is on loan to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board and is in the Maritime Provinces in connection with the establishment of local ration boards.

It is hoped that the personnel of the boards will have been nominated by the end of the present month, he stated.

Mr. Mooney will confer with the Mayors of Charlottetown, Summerside, Alberton, Souris and Montague and will also meet the tentative set up of these boards. On Monday he will address the Rotary Club.

Last night he conferred with His Worship, Mayor B. Roy Holman of Charlottetown and Mr. G. H. Barbour, Prices and Supply Representative of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

This morning he will probably meet the tentative board in the city and in the afternoon, accompanied by Mr. Barbour and Mr. F. M. Graves, Superintendent of Rationing for this province, will go to Summerside, where he will meet Mayor W. J. Lidstone. This evening he will be at Alberton, where he will confer with Mayor Wilfred Tanton.

Following the address to Rotary on Monday, he will visit Montague and confer with Mayor W. D. Johnston. The same evening he will be in Souris to meet with Mayor A. H. Smallwood, D. D. S.

Mr. Mooney visited Halifax and St. John before coming here. He will leave Tuesday for Moncton. In two weeks time he expects to return to Charlottetown.

Warn Taxi, Truck Owners

In a word of warning to taxi operators, Mr. G. H. Barbour, Prices and Supply Representative of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, Charlottetown, issued the following statement yesterday: "All taxi drivers must bear a given green windshield marker on the right hand lower corner of the windshield and also the name of the place from which they operate." "Taxis operating without this identification must cease operations immediately," he warned.

Referring to truck drivers, he issued the following reminder:

"All operators of private commercial trucks are required to have attached or painted on both sides of the body of their vehicle the name of the owner and registered address of the truck." After November 1 such vehicles are prohibited from operating more than 35 miles from the registered address. Consequently operators whose vehicles are not properly marked are subject to heavy penalties. The name of the owner is not sufficient, Mr. Barbour explained. The address must be included.

He pointed out that at present many trucks are noticed about the streets of Charlottetown and in other sections of the province which have only the owner's name printed on the body or cab. It is expected a check will be made shortly to make sure that the order is complied with and those who have omitted the address are advised to have it painted on the vehicle at once. The letters or figures must be not less than one inch in height.

Mr. Barbour pointed out that farmers in this province who own trucks and do some hauling for their neighbours are included in the order.

The registration, which previously contained a wide exemption for vehicles while engaged in the transportation of pulpwood and other woods, logs and poles but not semi-finished lumber, has been amended. The exemption is now limited to vehicles engaged in the transportation of logs and poles from the locus of lumbering operations to a sawmill or railroad.

New Dominion Man Wins Scholarship

HALIFAX, Oct. 23—(CP)—Eight new entrance scholarships available to students from seven Maritime and Newfoundland universities have been established at Dalhousie University medical school here through the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan.

This year's winners included Raymond George Giberson, Holmesville, N. B.; Barbara Josephine Robinson, Marysville, N. B.; Robert Edward Washburn, Saint John, N. B.; and George Ivan Wilson, New Dominion, P. E. I.

Awarded V.C. Posthumously

LONDON, Oct. 23 —(CP Cable) —The Victoria Cross, highest British military decoration for valor, was awarded posthumously today to FO. Leslie Manser, 20, an R.A.F. pilot who gave his life to save the crew of his bomber.

Manser and his men were returning, riddled by anti-aircraft fire, from the big Cologne raid of May 30 when the port engine of their two-engined Manchester burst into flames and failed.

The pilot, a native of New Delhi, India, managed to keep the machine in the air until it became unmanageable. At that point he ordered his crew, including a wounded tail gunner, to bail out.

The citation accompanying the award said Manser's crew members took him a parachute when he gave orders to abandon the aircraft but that he waved it aside and told them to jump immediately as the machine would remain steady only a few seconds more.

While they were floating to earth, crew members were reported as saying, they saw their ship, still carrying Manser, plunge down and burst into flames.

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VICTORY BONDS

The City of Charlottetown Has a Proud Record in Previous VICTORY LOAN DRIVES

The Symbol of the third Victory Loan is the "Commando Dagger." Let us as citizens by investing, and investing, and investing, provide the government of our country with the wherewithal to furnish our armed forces with the weapons necessary for successful prosecution of the war. One of these weapons is the Dagger. Your investments will place the necessary propelling power behind the "Dagger" pointed at the heart of Berlin.'

James A. Fullerton, City Clerk — **B. Roy Holman**, Mayor

The WEEK at S.D.U.

The St. Dunstan's Unit of the C.O.T.C., under the command of Capt. E.S. Trainor, took part in the Victory Loan Parade on Sunday, Oct. 18th.

Football: The Intermediate Saints defeated the Intermediate R.A.F. team on Saturday, Oct 16th by a score of 9 to 6. The Senior Saints also defeated the Senior R.A.F. squad 8 to 3 on Wednesday, Oct. 21st. Arrangements are in progress for a game with P.W.C. in the near future.

The following students: Allan Callaghan, F.A. Brennan and Owen Sharkey, have been selected to represent St. Dunstan's at the Regional Conference of the C.F.C.C.-S. to be held at St. Thomas College, Chatam, N.B. Nov. 7-9.

At organization meetings of the Freshman and Grades XI, X, and Commercial debating societies the following officers were appointed: Freshman: Pres. Thomas MacLellan; Vice-president. Edmund Roche; Secy. J.J. MacDonald; Councillors, Kent McDonald and Frank Corcoran. The Moderator is Father Fredrick Cass.

Grades XI, X, and Commercial: Pres. Mike Hennessey; Vice.pres., Donald MacDonald; Secy, Wm. MacDonald; Councillors, John Rossiter, John MacIsaac, and Alex Cyr. The Moderator is Father O. P. Wood.

BIRTHS

LARGE—At the Prince County Hospital, Oct. 21, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Alder E. Large (nee Janet Sinclair), Wilmot, a daughter.

PROWSE— At Murray Harbour on October 19th, 1942, to LAC Gerald Prowse and Mrs. Prowse, a daughter, (Mary Constance).

PHELAN — At Halifax, Oct. 13, 1942, to Petty Officer and Mrs. Hazelton Phelan nee Dolorena MacDonald, Searletown, P. E. I. a daughter.

CORBETT—At the Albany Private Hospital, Toronto, on Friday, October 9, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Corbett (nee Helen MacKenzie, Charlottetown, a daughter. (Patriot please copy.)

MARRIAGES

MAYNE-CUMMINGS — At Breadalbane on Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1942, by the Rev. G. Carlyle Webster, Miss Margaret Winnifred Cummings, Breadalbane to Mr. George Herman Mayne of Emerald.

MacPHERSON - MacPHERSON — At Zion Manse on Thursday, Oct. 22, 1942, by the Rev. G. Carlyle Webster, Miss Catherine MacPherson of Glen Martin to Mr. Ivan Daniel MacPherson of Caledonia.

KEEFE - CARRAGHER — At St. Theresa's Church, Ottawa, Oct. 19, 1942, by Rev. Wilfred Keefe, P.P., Kelly's Cross, P.E.I., Helen Mary Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carragher, New Wiltshire, P.E.I., to Joseph Leslie, son of Mr. John and the late Mrs. Keefe, Kinkora, P.E.I.

DEATHS

CHILTON —At Charlottetown Hospital, Oct 23, 1942, George Chilton in his 74th year. The remains are resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home where funeral will be held Monday, service starting at 1.30. Interment St. Peter's Cemetery.

BLACKMORE —At Charlottetown Oct 23, 1942, William Blackmore, in his 75th year. The remains are resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home. Funeral notice later.

STEWART—On Friday, Oct. 23, 1942, Mary L. McNeill, wife of J. Herbert Stewart of Brackley Point, in her 60th year. Funeral from Elmsdale United Church on Tuesday, Oct. 27, service starting at 2 o'clock. Interment Elmsdale Cemetery. The late Mrs Stewart is resting at the McLean Funeral Home.

TAYLOR —At the P. E. Island Hospital on Friday, Oct. 23, 1942, Miss Mary F. Taylor in her 47th year. Funeral from the McLean Funeral Home on Sunday, Oct 25, service starting at 2 o'clock. Funeral leaving at 2.30. Interment People's Cemetery.

— HE STAGGERED NOT —

at the promise of God, through unbelief.

Romans 4:20.

Evening Service in Gospel Hall on Upper Prince Street at 7 o'clock

—All are Welcome—

10-24-1i

Funeral of Former Charlottetown Man

MONTREAL, Oct. 23—(CP)— Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Edmund Frederick McCourt, 58, native of Charlottetown and founder of the Canadian Industrial Coal Company, who died at his home here yesterday.

Mr. McCourt, son of Peter and Frances (Byrne) McCourt, was educated at public school and at St. Dunstan's College, near Charlottetown. He came to Montreal in 1902 and was employed by the Montreal Locomotive Works, Limited, until 1904, when he became secretary to the chief engineer of the Transcontinental Railway at Ottawa.

In 1905, he was appointed secretary to the deputy minister of railways and canals, a post he held until 1911, when he became assistant to the vice-president and general manager of the Dominion Steel Corporation. Later he was assistant general sales agent of the Dominion Coal Company Limited. In 1917, he organized the Century Coal Company and in 1922 organized the Canadian Industrial Coal Company and International Fuel Company.

His wife, formerly Ida Byrne of Charlottetown, predeceased him 16 months ago. A son and a daughter survive.

Nazis Strike Hard Again In Stalingrad

MOSCOW, Oct. 24 — (Saturday) — A P) — Thousands of German troops supported by heavy tanks, artillery and planes struck Friday at a Russian-held factory in Northern Stalingrad, but the Soviets announced early today that "our units are beating off the Hitlerite attacks and inflicting heavy losses."

(The Berlin radio quoted German military circles as claiming that a surprise Nazi blow had overrun the Russian "Red October" factory bastion at Stalingrad, and that German troops reached the Volga River on the Eastern side of the City.)

Dispatches indicated the [illegible] at Stalingrad still was [illegible] although for several days now the Russians have said that the 22 German divisions have been fought to a standstill.

These reports stressed that holding of the northern factory section of the city was vital to the Russian defenders.

Card of Thanks

The family of the late John W. Birt wish to thank their friends and neighbors for their kindness during their recent bereavement. Also to those who sent flowers, including the Douglas grand children. 10-24-1i.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Hector Jardine (nee) Margaret Sylvia Hooley, who died October 25th, 1941.

Just a year ago since you left us,
An eternity it seems,
Never again to behold you
Except in our frequent dreams
We little thought when we brought you
From your homeland so far away
That so soon you would be sleeping
Beneath the cold, cold clay.

Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters.

N. D. MacLean

UNDERTAKER

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Charlottetown and North Wiltshire

Phone 149

Kelly's Cross Soldier Ill

Gunner Frank Charles Flood, R. C. A., is reported to be seriously ill overseas according to official notification received this week by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flood, Kelly's Cross. His name was included in a Canadian Army Casualty list last night as being "seriously ill."

Gnr. Flood enlisted about a year ago and was sent overseas shortly after where he has been ever since. Before joining the army he worked at home on the farm. He is in the vicinity of 21 years of age.

Two other brothers, Patrick and Leo, are also with the Canadian Army Overseas.

Three other younger brothers Clarence, Paul and Francis, and three sisters, Mary, Teresa and Noreen, are at home.

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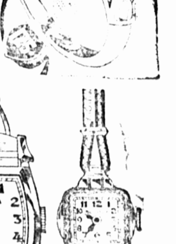

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