

Sad, sad to think that the year is
all but gone.

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The glad young year comes merrily
in tomorrow.

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ARMIES LOCKED IN COMBAT ABOUT TERUEL

COMING EVENTS

**Dance New Year's night, Murray River. Special music. L-363-12-30-31.

**Reserve Friday, January 7th for Dance in I. O. O. F. Hall. L-322-12-24-28-31.

**Monthly Meeting Ladies Auxiliary Canadian Legion Friday, 9 P. M. L-447-12-31-11.

**Skate Victoria Rink Saturday January 1. Admission 15 cents. L-422-12-30-21.

**Opening skate Milton rink January 1, skating starts 8 o'clock. L-473.

**Bingo and Lottery Dance, Webster's Orchestra in Cardigan Hall, January 4th. L-434-12-31-1-3.

**In future all purchases with E. M. Cudmore, Oyster Bed Bridge will be on a cash basis. L-350-12-27-29-31.

**Buying dressed chicken and fowl daily until March. Correct grading, Geo. Leightizer Co. L-198-12-21-2f.

**Buying dressed chicken and fowl daily, correct grading, top prices. Island Cold Storage Company. L-475-12-30-4f.

**Regans Barber Shop, 119 Pownall Street, is open again under the management of a new barber, Mr. Gregory Smith. L-460-12-31-11.

**We are still in need of a large quantity of chickens, fowl, live and dressed. Top prices and cash. Swift Canadian Co., Ltd. L-341-12-27-29-31.

**Borden Rink opens tonight, skating 8 to 10 p. m. Admission 20 and 15. New Year's day, skating 3 to 5 p. m. and 8 to 10 p. m. Excellent ice—good music. L-469.

**We will import carlots of feed at co-operative prices for groups of farmers in any part of the Province. Consult your local Club Secretary. Listing orders at our office for carlots to Charlottetown. Book at once. Livestock Marketing Board. L-424-12-30-21.

**Good news for hog men! Hog prices for the last few weeks are gradually but surely strengthening. Monday's advance over last week repeated again Wednesday. Watch when and how you market. See our advertisements in this paper. Ship co-operatively and be safe. L-424-12-30-21.

**Star the New Year right—in the hog industry. Stop shipping light unfinished hogs. With pork prices going up and marketing prospects excellent, it will pay to buy hog feed. Selling light and thin hogs is a waste of time and feed. Livestock Marketing Board. L-424-12-30-21.

**The difference in price paid for a select hog, and that of an underfinished one will more than pay for the cost of feed required to put it on the market in proper condition. We will help you buy your feed at lowest cost and sell your hogs at top market price if you work with us and we invite you to do so. Livestock Marketing Board. L-424-12-30-21.

**Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs, lambs, calves, week of January 3rd, through local shipping clubs as follows: Monday afternoon, Montague, Cardigan, E. Mrs. Bouris, St. Peters, U. G. Millview, Mr. Stewart, Wellington, Charlottetown. Tuesday forenoon: Charlottetown, Kensington, York, North Wiltshire, Hunter River, Bradalbane. Afternoon 12-3 Albany. L-461-12-31-11.

FORMER ISLAND FINANCIER PASSES AWAY

Death Yesterday In Montreal Of Sir William Stavert.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—Sir William Stavert, 76, Canadian financier and wartime accounting officer to the British treasury, died at his home tonight.

The Prince Edward Island-born banker and industrialist was known internationally as a shrewd financial adviser and as a doctor of shaky business enterprises. His penetrating mind often had been called in by Governments of different countries in fiscal investigations.

One of his most important tasks was that of financial adviser to the Quebec Liquor Commission, first of its kind on the North American continent, in its early days between 1921 and 1924. He erected the financial structure on which that body now functions, and which has served as a model for other government-controlled ventures into the liquor business.

Sir William was a member of the Royal Commission which probed wages of Dominion Coal Company miners in Cape Breton in 1921. Recommendation by the Commission of increases for the workers and its rejection by the company precluded strikes in the next two years.

He accomplished another important task as a member of the Royal Commission appointed in 1932 to investigate and reorganize Newfoundland finances. The inquiry resulted in recommendations forming the basis of the present form of commission government for the country.

For his service to the Empire during the war, Sir William was created a knight of the Order of the British Empire. In 1915 he did war work in the interests of Canadian prisoners in Germany and Dominion private soldiers in London on leave. He gave up all private business interests in Canada to go overseas to help Canadian soldiers.

Sir William was a member of the British Ministry of Information and was accounting officer to His Majesty's Treasury. He remained with this organization until the demobilization of troops after armistice had been signed.

He was born at Summerside, P. E. I., April 9, 1861, the son of Robert McCall Stavert and Eliza Ewan. Sir William married Miss Kate Thomson, daughter of Samuel Thomson, K. C., of Newcastle, N. B.

Lieut. Governor DeBlois Extends Greetings For A Prosperous New Year

Once again it is my privilege to extend to the people of this Province Greetings of Good-will and Happiness.

The year that has drawn to a close has been marked by many changes of various kinds. At times it has seemed that the whole world has been upset and in a constant state of turmoil and unrest, but with it all Canada, and Prince Edward Island in particular, has probably felt the disturbance less than any other country, thus giving us exceptional ground for profound thankfulness that our lot has been cast in this favoured land. A land of plenty—a land of freedom and where I believe public opinion is desirous of promoting the spirit of the Christmas message "Peace on earth Good-will toward men."

It is to be hoped that the coming year will find a remedy for the present international troubles by bringing the nations of the world into closer relations and by developing the spirit of neighbourliness so that our efforts may be concentrated on policies of con-

Greeting Mr. New Year



Miss Betty Furness, beautiful screen star, joins us in wishing that the coming year be a most happy and prosperous one for you.

Fishing Fleet Remains Tied-up

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LUNENBURG, N. S., Dec. 30.—Twenty of the 21 vessels of Lunenburg's famed fresh fishing fleet were under orders to remain tied up at their berths tonight following a meeting between the Fishermen's Federation and fish buyers at which the fishermen's demands for a 1-4 cent per pound increase on haddock was turned down.

CHAOS REIGNS IN TSINGTAO

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Lieutenant Governor

struction instead of destruction. Then let us hope that during the coming year strikes and labour difficulties will disappear, so that the great industries of Canada and other countries may be able to absorb those in distress through lack of employment and carry on their work unhampered, with employers and employees hap-

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MINERS JOIN STRIKE WAVE

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) PARIS, Dec. 30.—The wave of strikes in France today spread to the rich coal mining region of Northern France.

One thousand miners at Anzin, near Valenciennes, walked out in protest against discharge of three workers. Officials expressed fear all 16,000 miners of the Anzin Company would join in a sympathy strike.

Political circles wondered whether the Government would meet this threat to one of the nation's chief industries with the tactics it employed last night to end a walk-out of 120,000 Paris municipal employees, a threat to call strikers to army service and put them back at their own jobs under military discipline.

Dissatisfied With Japanese Reply, Belief

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The British Government today made public without comment Japan's note explaining Japanese attacks on British naval and merchant ships on the Yangtze River in China. Diplomats saw in the official silence possible evidence of British dissatisfaction.

The note was delivered yesterday. Foreign Secretary Eden was expected to reply before leaving for League of Nations sessions at Geneva next week.

Prime Minister Chamberlain and the Foreign Secretary interrupted year-end vacations to confer on Japan's note. Primarily they were called on to decide whether Japan's promises were sufficient guarantees against future harm to British shipping.

Foreign Minister Koki Hirota, who signed the note, said the assurances applied to British merchant ships as well as naval craft.

Japan's note dealt with the shelling of the British gunboat Ladybird and other ships near Wuhu Dec. 12 when one British seaman was killed and an officer and a seaman wounded. It repeated the Japanese contention, the attack was "unintentional" and was made before it was known the ships were British.

Cabinet Ministers On Holiday Cruise

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Four Canadian Cabinet Ministers sail today (30th) from Miami on a cruise to Nassau aboard the Clarke Steamship Co. liner "New Northland". They are Hon. William D. Esler, Minister of Trade and Commerce; Hon. John C. Elliott, Post Master General; Hon. Clarence D. Howe, Minister of Transportation (who has his son with him), and Hon. Thomas A. Crerar, Minister of Mines. All have been holidaying in Miami.

Other Canadians visiting Nassau by the "New Northland" during the last few days include, Sir Herbert Holt and Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor. Lord Beaverbrook met Sir Herbert at Miami Station on his arrival and flies to Nassau on his own plane.

BUILDINGS DYNAMITED BY LOYALISTS

Hundreds Of Persons Believed Buried Under Debris — Insurgents Advance.

TERUEL, Spain, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Government forces besieging the garrison of Insurgents trapped within Teruel today blew up the Seminary and Bank of Spain. It was believed hundreds of persons—Insurgent soldiers, women and children—were buried under debris.

The besiegers resorted to dynamiting in a desperate measure to end the last, bitter resistance by Insurgents within the provincial capital.

Half of Teruel was clouded with black smoke as Government soldiers blew up the Seminary and bank.

ESCAPE TO CELLARS

Some Insurgents escaped to the cellars of the old Santa Clara Convent and the civil governor's palace but hundreds were believed buried under the shattered granite and masonry of the building.

The Government made no attempt to attack the convent and palace, officers stating they would first give the Insurgents another chance to surrender.

Large quantities of silver were reported found in the cellars of the Bank of Spain and assault guards were posted around the ruins to prevent looting.

The original number of Insurgents who resisted the Government clean-up of Teruel was placed at 3,000 troops and as many civilians.

SMASH GOVERNMENT LINES

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Insurgent dispatches tonight said their troops, supported by a heavy artillery and aerial bombardment, smashed through Government lines northwest of Teruel and captured a number of positions.

MAJOR BATTLE

HENDAYE, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The battle for Teruel has become "the most extensive operation" of the 17-month-old civil war, said Insurgent Spanish dispatches reaching the French border tonight.

The Premier and Government of Prince Edward Island wish all the readers of *The Guardian* a very Happy New Year.

New Year's Compliments From Premier Campbell To "Guardian" Readers

A retrospective view of the past year is, in general, encouraging.

In a few directions we have, during 1937, received setbacks. Many of our crops have not been up to the usual high standard, owing to the excessively wet spring, and the excessively dry summer. The weakness of the potato market, and the failure of some branches of our fisheries, have added to the difficulties of our producers and shippers. These difficulties unfortunately result in distress among certain sections of our citizens. But general business conditions in the Province, as in the other Maritimes and throughout Canada as a whole, have been very good indeed.

Those farmers who have pursued a sound policy of mixed farming have come successfully through a difficult season. Interest in the finer points of the silver fox industry has been stimulated, and promises a marked improvement in quality of

Riotous Scenes Follow Action Of Boy Ruler

Pro-Italian Element In New Cabinet Lineup Under Premier Mahmoud.

CAIRO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Egypt's 18-year-old King Farouk today summarily ousted Nationalist Premier Mustafa Nahas Pasha and installed a government of his own liking that included several pro-Italian members.

Angry supporters of Nahas and his dominant Wafd Party swarmed outside the Royal Palace, shrieking "down with Farouk!"

Police broke up the demonstration, arresting 20 persons, just before Mohamed Mahmoud, the King's new choice for the premiership, took the oath of office with his cabinet.

A large section of the capital was plunged into darkness tonight when rioting broke out in several districts and demonstrators smashed street lamps. Police arrested the ringleaders.

Disturbances were reported at the same time in Port Said and Mansurah.

British authorities watched closely the situation growing out of the 17-day deadlock between the boy King and Nahas. Farouk had insisted on dissolution of the truce-swinging Blue-Shirt Wafdist youth organization and wider ruling powers.

The British Embassy was unofficially reported displeased with Mahmoud's ministerial selections.

Britain was understood to have decided against sending troops to Egypt unless the situation became grave. Earlier reports had said preparations were being made to move troops from Palestine if necessary, but at Jerusalem an army spokesman said the continuing tension between Jews and Arabs in the Holy Land would not permit troops to be spared.

Mahmoud, 61, an Oxford graduate and premier in 1928-29, gave no indication he would not cooperate fully in carrying out the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, of which he was a signer.

One of Mahmoud's first acts as premier was to order the 25,000 Wafdist Blueshirts disbanded.

JEW IS SHOT

JERUSALEM, Dec. 30.—(CP-Havas)—"Ambush corner"—a danger spot on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway so-called because Arab terrorists use it to snipe at passing buses—took another victim today.

An unidentified sniper shot and killed a Jewish passenger on a bus as it sped by the intersection.



(By The Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Saint John zero 14
Halifax 4 4
Charlottetown 2b 4

Forecasts:
Maritime Provinces: Moderate to fresh north and northwest winds; partly cloudy and cold; scattered snowflurries.
High tide this morning at 10.00 and tonight at 9.24.
Sun sets this afternoon at 4.27 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.38.

New moon Saturday, Jan. 1st 1.53 pm.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY
Leaves Borden 9.15 a. m., 1 p. m.
Leaves Tormentor 11 a. m., 2.55 p. m.

ARE ACQUITTED OF ROBBERY

Peter Campbell and John Stanley, both of Charlottetown, were acquitted yesterday on charges of robbery with violence when they were tried in County Court Judge's Criminal Court for Queen's County.

His Honour Judge C. Gavett Duffy presided. Mr. J.O.C. Campbell acted for the Crown and Mr. Cornelius J. Campbell was defense counsel.

Charges against Campbell and Stanley were laid following police investigation into the alleged robbery with violence of Arthur T. Sexton, Borden, in Charlottetown in the early hours of December 20th. Sexton informed City Police he had been robbed of about \$12 in bills and a silver 21-jewel Burlington watch.

The robbery took place on Grafton street near Pownall street. Police were informed. Sexton had been found in a dazed condition at the spot where he claimed he was robbed by Special Constable Richard MacLean.

"The case hasn't been proved," Judge Duffy said in pronouncing the prisoners "not guilty." Maximum penalty for the offense was life imprisonment with whipping. His Honour pointed out.

Witnesses included Arthur T. Sexton, and Special Constable Richard MacLean and Constable Laurence MacInnis of the City Police force for the Crown, and Peter Campbell, John Stanley, the two accused, and Hazel MacGuigan, John White, Wendell Boyce and Laurence LeBlanc for the defense.



HON. THANE A. CAMPBELL
Premier

furs produced. Our tourist industry has been well sustained and rapid extensions are forecast for the coming years.

Prince Edward Island may well cross the threshold of 1938 with a feeling of confidence and optimism.

Again, I take pleasure in wishing all your readers a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THANE A. CAMPBELL,
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Being
NEW YEAR'S DAY
and a
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
The next issue of
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