

BURNED OUT

Will I. O. D. E. members in their Christmas giving consider the sad plight of a British settler family of 11 people, burned out Monday, nothing left but the stove, children's ages from 18 months to 17 years. Mother wears size 16. Donations may be left with Mrs. Carbond at Legion Building; or call Mrs. F. G. Saunders or Mrs. W. M. Brehaut.

U. S. CROP REPORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Final estimates of 1940 crops made by the United States Agriculture Department today placed total wheat production at 816,698,000 bushels compared with 751,435,000 bushels last year, and corn production at 2,449,200,000 bushels, compared with 2,602,133,000 bushels last year.

The Central Guardian

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TABLE LAMPS complete \$2.98. Toombs Music Store. L-474-12-19-11.

CIVIC TAXES — Fourth installment discounts until December 31st. L-81-12-5-7-10-12-14-19-21-23.

NOVELTIES, Pyrex Ware, Aluminum and Nickel Plated Ware at Rozers Hardware. L-473-12-19-11.

FOR SALE — Christmas Trees. 31 Grafton Street. Phone 1732 or 218-L. L-478-12-17-19-21.

POLICE COURT — In the Police Court yesterday a drunk was fined \$3, and costs or five days in jail.

CIVIC TAXES — Tax payers are reminded that the discount period ends this year, December 31st, and not January 15th as in previous years. L-81-12-5-7-10-12-14-19-21-23.

ENGAGEMENT — Mr. and Mrs. Russell MacDonald, Carleton, announce the engagement of their daughter Gladys Amelia to David Lloyd George Larkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alanzo Larkin, Summerside. Marriage latter part of December. L-543-12-18-11.

VISITING MINISTER — Arrangements have been completed for the Rev. John A. MacNeil of Prince Edward Island to conduct the morning and evening services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Sunday, Dec. 15. Rev. MacNeil is a former Cape Breton resident. —(Sydney Post-Record.)

HEARING ADJOURNED — The preliminary hearing of a man from out of town, charged with "uttering forged instruments" which took place before Acting Magistrate J. A. Bentley in the City Police Court Room yesterday was adjourned until Friday. The case is in connection with promissory notes which the accused had given a local bank in exchange for a loan.

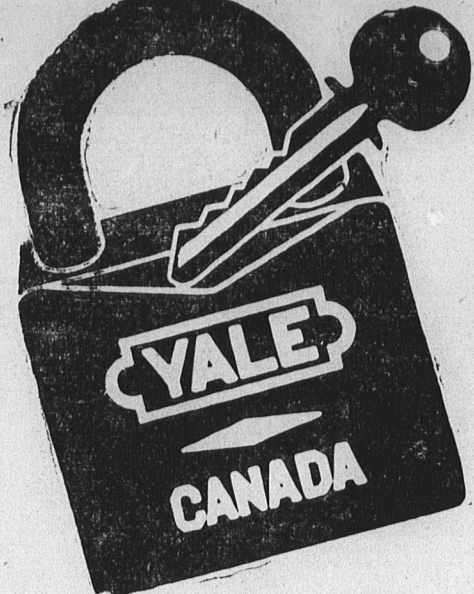
ISLANDER DEAD — There passed away at his home in Dedham, Mass., on December 6th, 1940, John A. Moreshead, a highly respected and well known architect and contractor, and a resident of that city for thirty years. Born at West Devon, Prince Edward Island, he leaves to mourn, his widow (nee Minnie Beer, of Coleman, P.E.I., one son and several daughters, four brothers in Massachusetts, one sister in New York and another Mrs. Albert Leard of Coleman are also left to mourn.

APPOINTED COURT STENOGRAPHER — Miss Ruth Christie of Lot 18 has recently been appointed Court Stenographer. She succeeds Miss Bessie Sullivan of Summerside who is to be married in the near future. Miss Christie has been employed as stenographer in Premier Campbell's office in the Provincial Building and this position has been filled by Miss Irene Macdonald of Charlottetown who has been working in the Provincial Audit Department.

"THE NOVA SCOTIA THISTLE" — The Christmas number of "The

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY TRAINING — Men wishing particulars of training in Wireless Telegraphy please fill out and mail one of the forms delivered to your home. Additional forms may be had from Canadian National Telegraph's office Summerside or Charlottetown if required. Radio College of Canada

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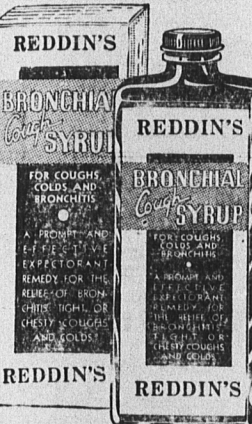
Here's How You May Win-

You may be one of the Lucky Ones! Two Free Enterprise Ranges, one at each store, Summerside and Charlottetown, will be wrapped in big packages and PADLOCKED. When you order your new Enterprise, you use your skill in selecting the RIGHT KEY to open the Holman-Enterprise, padlock. If you choose the Key that on December 23rd opens the lock, the Range you BOUGHT will be given you ABSOLUTELY FREE.

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Nova Scotia Thistle" — organ of the North Nova Scotia Highlanders, 3rd Division C. A. S. F. is just out, and proves to be an interesting, chatty, illustrated production, doing the editors credit. The editor-in-chief is R. S. M. Wattie, associate editor, Cpl. C. E. Sutherland; news editors, Lts. O'Hanley and Burnett; sports editor, Cpl. D. Andrew; art editor, Pte. W. D. Stewart; Company reporters, Hdg. Coy., Sgt. Robertson; "A" Coy. Cpl. Heighon; "B" Coy. Cpl. Pearson; "C" Coy. Cpl. Colson; "D" Coy. Cpl. Nicholson; Reim. Coy. Pte. Thorne; proof reader, Lieut. Nicholson; special feature writer, Lt. Morrison; staff artist, Pte. Grant.

AIRMEN LEAVE FOR TRAINING — Seven recruits to the Royal Canadian Air Force left here this week for training centres elsewhere in Canada. They were: Edgar J. Dockendorff, Aero Engine Mechanic, St. Peter's Bay, P. Leo Croken, Standard General Duties, Charlottetown, Robert D. Farquharson, Pilot, Charlottetown, William P. Beaton, Standard General Duties, Brookly, Harry P. Pond, Pilot, Fredericton, N. B., K. Haldane Dalton, Pilot, Burton, Lot 7, John Albert Porter, Pilot, Miscouche. Before leaving they were presented with knitted goods by the Canadian Red Cross and with cigarettes by the Provincial Government through the Carry On Canada Corps. The presentations were looked after by Mr. A. G. Bruce of the Canadian Legion War Services.

LODGE CELEBRATION — On Monday, December 2, the members of Princess Mary Lodge were at home to their friends in the Orange Hall, Craqueville, at 7 p. m. all sat down to a delicious goose supper prepared in the ladies best style. After the wants of the inner man were supplied, the remainder of the evening was spent in games and amusements. Following is a list of officers for the ensuing year:

W. M. Sister Nina Maynard, I.P.M., Rhoda Lowther, D.M., Hazel Large, J.D.M., Susie Moore, Chap., Mary MacQuarrie, R.S., Elizabeth Best, P.S., Matilda Inman, Treas., Stuart Dawson, D. of C., Grace Moore, Lt. Lect., Maud Fall, D. Lect., Sister Janet MacLeod, I. Sunist, Bro. Stewart Inman, O.G., Bro. Chester Stordy, Com. Bertha Trowsdale, Lorraine Lowther, Evelyn MacRae, Carrie Stordy, Guardian, Bro. Perry Dawson, Organist, Cora Leard, "D" Coy. Cpl. Nicholson, Fred Fall, Stewart Inman, Auditors, Susie Moore and Elizabeth Best, Sick Com. Nina Maynard and Lorraine Lowther.

Personals

His many friends will regret to learn of the severe illness of Mr. Augustus Bradwors of Charlottetown, who is a patient in the City Hospital.

Capt. J. C. MacDonald of Cardigan, who is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital suffering from a heavy cold, is progressing rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Peardon arrived from Hyde Park, Mass., Tuesday and will be accompanied back today, by Mr. Peardon's mother, who will spend the winter with them.

CLERGYMAN NEVER FOUND

WINDSOR, N. S., Dec. 19 — The search for Rev. R. M. Brodie, who has been missing from his home for three weeks, was abandoned on Thursday, without any trace of the missing clergyman being located. Constable MacLachlan, R. C. M. Police, who had been in charge of the search, said that as soon as woods conditions permit in the Spring a new search will be taken up to see if the mystery surrounding the aged clergyman's disappearance can be cleared up.

Mr. Brodie left his home in Rawdon on Tuesday, November 20th, after telling Mrs. Brodie he was going to look for a rubber he had dropped on the road the night before. A short time later he was seen entering the woods. When he did not return for dinner Mrs. Brodie made inquiries among the neighbors and in the afternoon a search party was organized. Then R.C.M.P. Police were called in and a trained price dog, and an aeroplane pressed into service to aid hundreds of men from the surrounding district and from Windsor who joined in the search.

But as was of no avail. No tracks could be found. The search was kept up in spite of the snow, and on Thursday was discontinued.

Interpreting the War News

(By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press Staff Writer) Italy's badly shaken attempt to extend her Empire in Africa seems due for testing on a second front. Disaster for Mussolini may be impending in East Africa as a follow-up to Greek successes in Albania and the Italian rout in the western African desert. This is indicated in advices from Cairo and London. These advices show that 10 days of British battling not only has cleared Egypt of Italian invaders and badly broken Italian offensive powers in the western desert, but also has stimulated a revolt in Ethiopia against Italian conquerors. Full British aid for exiled Emperor Haile Selassie in his effort to regain his Ethiopian throne was pledged in London. Richard Butler, undersecretary for foreign affairs told Parliament the revolt movement is "making progress." There is a broad hint in these developments that the British offensive in Africa will shift soon from the western desert to the East African front. It may have started already in the resumption of British "offensive patrolling" in Italian Somaliland, where a minor Italian base is reported to have been sacked. Britain would seem to have more to gain by shifting her attack in Africa to the Red Sea-Kenya Colony-Anglo-Egyptian Sudan sectors than by pressing for-

Canada On Guard

OTTAWA, Dec. 17 (CP) — Along the rocky, wind-swept coasts of Iceland, on sunny beaches in the West Indies, around a giant airport in Newfoundland and in the bomb-torn fields and cities of Great Britain, Canadian troops stood watch during 1940. It was a year of travel, if not of fighting, for Canada's small but growing overseas army. The fortune of war deprived Canadian soldiers of a chance to engage the enemy in battle although a few of them came close to it as France tottered to its tragic fall.

When the 1st Canadian Division went to England just before the start of 1940 the expectation was it would go to a place on the fighting front in France after a period of training. A winter of quietness followed by the German blitzkrieg put an end to that and the 1st division became an important cog in the defence machine set up to repel an anticipated invasion of the British Isles.

Ordered to Norway Two battalions, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and the Edmonton Regiment were detached to form part of the British force it was proposed to send against the Norwegian port of Trondheim. These units moved out of Aldershot/Camp to a Scottish port and were ready to sail when plans for the expedition were abandoned.

Later as the Germans drove through the low countries and into France Canadian troops were several times on the point of embarking for the scene of hostilities but did not move until towards the end when the 48th Highlanders of Toronto set out in advance of a cross-

ward into Libya. Italian troops in East Africa are thinly spread at best.

British air scouts now report from Libya that Marshal Graziani's battered army is huddled back on the Libyan-Egyptian border which already has been crossed by the pursuing British troops. If it is headed back to the Derna area as reported, it means additional miles of desert for the pursuers to cross.

A retreat to Derna would indicate that Graziani recognizes that his chances of regaining the initiative in West Africa without help from Italy or Germany are just about nil. He is retreating behind a potent desert barrier to escape the danger of annihilation. Apparently he intends to sit down on the defence while his toying troops lick their wounds and while the Axis war with Britain is being fought out somewhere else.

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MASS BATTLE DRESS LONDON (CP) — The Ministry of Supply has signed contracts for the largest single order for serge battle dress since the war started — 3,000,000 blouses and 6,000,000 trousers.

Advertisement for Christmas Preparedness Sale featuring watches and jewelry. Includes text: 'A PLAN TO PROTECT YOUR PURSE', 'BLUEBIRD Perfect flawless \$43.50', 'MATCHED "Bluebird" insured \$60.', 'Sterling Silver DRESSER SETS \$25.', 'Choice \$9.95 15 jewel models for men and women.', 'BUY NOW Pay LATER! Convenient Terms GIFTS OF SILVERPLATE See our lovely display of gift suggestions. \$1. up Bellish, butter, casseroles, etc. 1817 ROGERS BROS. Canada's Finest Silverplate. SET FOR 6 The Silver Theatre Christmas Chest is tarnish proof. SET FOR 8 42 Piece Set in \$49.75 the new Christmas Gift Chest.

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