

TODAY ONLY — IT'S UNUSUAL
 VERONICA LAKE — FREDRICK MARCH
"I MARRIED A WITCH"
 Plus News — Speaking Of Animals—Fighting Dutch
 SHOWS DAILY AT 3.15 — 7.00 — 9.00

PRINCE EDWARD
 PLAYING THUR. — FRI. — SAT.

The TOP of the TOPS in Romance!
 Sparkle and zing... and that sort of
 thing, with Cary rarin' to wrap up
 one of the cutest packages he ever
 made love to! It's the lift
 you've been longing for!



CARY GRANT
In the story he chose himself
Mr. Lucky
 with **LARAINÉ DAY**
 CHARLES BRUCKNER — BLACK COOPER
 ALAN CANNON — HENRY STEPHENSON

ADDED TO PROGRAM
 "NEWS OF THE DAY"—COLOR CARTOON

CAPITOL — SHOWS 3.15 — 7.00 — 8.45
TO-DAY and THURSDAY

MEMO FOR MERRIMENT...
 You've a date with the boys from Pine Ridge
 on a spree in the "big town" with all their
 pals—your friends of the famous radio show!



DOC AND ABNER
2 WEEKS TO LIVE
 —and it's A WOW FOR LAUGHS!
 A JACK W. VOTIOM Production

Plus Sports, "Stars and Strikes" — Age of Flight

EVERY WEDNESDAY
ALAN YOUNG
 10.30 p. m.
Buckingham
 CIGARETTE PROGRAM

JUNIOR RED CROSS
 On Friday afternoon, Dec. 17th,
 the Junior Commanders (Grades
 VI to VIII) of Borden School held
 the following Christmas program
 in their classroom:
 Welcome by Aileen Gallant.
 Song, Fair Canada by the Juniors.
 Dialogue, Taking Down The
 Christmas Tree.
 Exercise, Merry Christmas.
 Dance by Aileen Richmond.
 Reading, The Christmas Tree and
 The Guests, by Barbara Ferris.
 Duet, Silent Night by Janette and

EMPIRE
 THUR. — FRI. — SAT.

DON BARRY
WALLY VERNON
THE BLACK HILLS EXPRESS

EXTRA 1: Chapter 3 of
 Secret Service in Darkest
 Africa — Gem of a Jam,
 Comedy — Color Cartoon

"Two Weeks To Live"
 Rip-Roaring Comedy
 A mistaken verdict of just two
 weeks to live, and the frantic
 attempt to make \$10,000 in that short
 time, from the dual basis of Lum
 and Abner's latest picture, "Two
 Weeks to Live," produced by Jack
 Vinton for RKO Radio.

IN MEMORIAM
MRS. L. J. STACEY
 The citizens of Charlottetown
 learned with deepest regret of the
 death of Mrs. L. J. Stacey wife of
 Mr. L. J. Stacey, Manager of
 Woolworth's which occurred at
 the Prince Edward Island Hospital
 early yesterday morning.

ALGIERS, Dec. 19 (AP)—After
 108 days of bloody fighting since
 the first Allied troops set foot on
 Italy, Rome is still far away in a
 military sense with little prospect
 that it will be liberated soon.

Other War Theatres
 1. The Italian surrender has pro-
 duced far less in a military sense
 than the first Allied troops which
 Italian guerrilla activity and sabo-
 tage has been negligible, and the
 Italian armed forces have not yet
 proved of any great value, especially
 on land.

LONDON (CP)—When G. W.
 Englishman retired from his position
 as stationmaster at Marylebone
 station he boasted that during his
 11 years in that position there had
 not been a fatal accident.

CENTRAL GUARDIAN
 This column is reserved for news
 of local interest, but advertising
 of a newsy nature may be inserted
 if it contains a word, strictly pay-
 able in advance.

CRASWELL for photographs.
CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE

G. H. TAYLOR, Jeweller, will be
 open Wednesday until 5.30, Thurs-
 day and Friday until 9.30—12-22-43.

WHOLESALE CLOSURE—
 Monday, the 27th day of December,
 Boxing Day, Wholesale Grocers,
 Fruit and Vegetable Wholesalers,
 and Wholesaler's Houses will be closed all
 day. 12-22-43.

Y'S MEN'S CLUB TOYS—The
 windows of the Island Motor Ter-
 minal present a very attractive
 appearance. Two small Christmas
 trees, artistically trimmed, deco-
 rate each window, while under one
 of these trees, a display of toys
 appear, about 30 wooden toys.
 These toys, representing figures
 of animals, vehicles, and other
 objects, are the products of the
 Y's Men's Club and will be distri-
 buted among needy children of
 the city.

C. G. I. T. VESPER SERVICE—
 The United Church at Murray
 Harbour was filled to capacity on
 Sunday evening, December 19th,
 when the Canadian Girls in Training
 conducted the service of wor-
 ship using the beautiful C. G. I. T.
 National Vesper Service and
 Candlelight Ceremony. The Great
 Bear Explorer Group and the C.
 G. I. T. girls on the eastern shores
 of Prince Edward Island, to girls
 on the western coast of British
 Columbia, were on December 19th,
 singing the same carols, reading
 the same scripture, and offering
 the same prayers. The vesper ser-
 vice with the impressive candle-
 light ceremony assisted by the C.
 G. I. T. group president, Geraldine
 Bell, and by Lelaieur, Leclair,
 and girls softly sang the lovely
 old carol "Silent Night" as they
 moved slowly down the aisle of the
 church which were lighted only by
 the soft glow from their candles.
 Rev. W. G. Picketts pronounced the
 benediction.

**Many Reasons For
 Slow Progress In
 Italian Campaign**

Why is the Allies' advance up the
 Italian boot going so slowly? Wes
 Gallagher, Press War
 Correspondent who has been with
 the Anglo-American forces since
 the landing in North Africa
 months ago, gives the background
 in the following story. Gallagher
 recently made a tour of the Italian
 battle zones.

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 on land.

2. This Mediterranean theatre
 does not enjoy the favored position
 that it did last winter in the mat-
 ter of supplies and troops. The
 competing priorities with other
 theatres which figure higher in Al-
 lied plans.

SIMPSON'S Occasional FURNITURE
SALE
 B16
Christmas

Last Minute Money-Saving Gift Specials!

<p>SNYDER Occasional Chair 12.95 Cash Price Genuine SNYDER construction throughout. Covered in a service- able material. Reduced from \$18.95 to clear.</p>	<p>TEA WAGON 19.95 Cash Price A gift the hostess would welcome. Made with solid walnut top for greater service. Has convenient silver drawer. Reduced from \$29.95 to clear.</p>	<p>Mahogany CHINA CABINET Reg. 99.50 64.50 Cash Price Just look at the saving on this magnificent China Cabinet. Solid mahogany construction for a life- time of service. One only.</p>
<p>COFFEE TABLE 4.95 Cash Price Made of selected hardwood in wal- nut finish. A convenience that you will welcome at the coffee hour. Reduced from \$8.95 to clear.</p>	<p>OCCASIONAL TABLE 18.50 Cash Price A table that will fill many uses in the living room. Attractively designed and well finished. Reduced from \$21.95 to clear.</p>	<p>VANITY 39.95 Cash Price A beautiful piece of furniture for the bedroom. Priced specially low for Christmas shoppers. Reduced from \$59.00 to clear.</p>

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 In Smart Suites
 Specially Priced!**

<p>3-pc. Chesterfield Suites We select this suite to bring to your attention. It is only one of many we have to show you. It is covered in rich warm velour, is a deep mahogany shade. Reduced from \$179.50 Cash Price</p>	<p>4-piece Bedroom Suite Walnut Veneers, used to best advantage, with water- fall design. Fully veneered. Reduced from \$159.50 Cash Price</p>
<p>Special Walnut Chiffonier. A special item of excep- tional quality. Reduced from \$55.00</p>	<p>6-piece Breakfast Suite Delightful Maple-finished — grustrin — with up- holstered seats and large glass door buffet. Reduced from \$99.95 Cash Price</p>

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<p>NITE TABLE Reg. 8.95 — 4.47</p>	<p>COFFEE TABLE Reg. 10.95 — 5.47</p>	<p>VALET RACK Reg. 5.95 — 2.97</p>
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Place this beside your bed
 for extra convenience at
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 table in the popular low
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 bedroom. Holds rubbers,
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 nut finish.

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 On Christmas Eve Until 9 P.M. The Store
 Will Remain Closed on Monday, December 27**

F. A. Stewart Jones — 129 Kent St., Charlottetown
 Special Representative Telephone 602

WINSLOE NORTH SCHOOL
 Report for November:
 Grade X-1. Lea Roberts
 Grade IX-1. Lois Craywell.
 Grade VII-1. Donal Mac-
 Naughton and Grant Laird (equal).

MR. SMITH GOES TO SANTALAND — Santa's Wish
 By GEOFF HAYES



I'M SO HAPPY!
 THIS IS A WONDERFUL
 CHRISTMAS!

YES! I HOPE THE
 WAR WILL SOON
 BE OVER...

AND CHILDREN ALL OVER THE
 WORLD CAN ONCE AGAIN
 WATCH THE SKY FOR MY
 SLED INSTEAD OF
 BOMBERS.