OUR NEWS BUDGET FOR OUR SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY

Three Prince Edward Island girls have enlisted in the R.C.A.F. (Women's Division) recently, it was learned over the week-end.

They include:

Miss Margaret Allan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Edgar Allan, 200 Hillsboro St., Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Miss Doris M. Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Thomas Smith, Mount Stewart, P.E.I.

Miss Mary Margaret McIntosh, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.F. McIntosh, Souris P.E.I.

Miss McIntosh is the Fifth member of her family to join the Armed Services. She has four brothers overseas with the Canadian Army.

Miss Smith has a brother in the Air Force and another in the Army.

Miss Allan is an only child and her parents have reason to be proud of the fact that they have given 100 per cent of their family in service to their country.

The girls joined up at No. 15 Recruiting Centre Moncton, N.B. on March 11.

—SPEND HONEYMOON IN P.E.I. — Lance Corporal Ralph Clark, R.C.A.S.C. and Mrs. Clark who spent their honeymoon in Wilmot Valley have returned to New Glasgow, N.S. Lance Corporal Clark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark and his bride the former Margaret Isabelle McLean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. McLean of New Glasgow, N.S. The marriage was celebrated quietly at Trinity United Church Manse by the Rev. C. R. F. MacLellan. The young bride who was unattended was very charming in a gown of aqua green with small black veiled hat, black accessories and corsage of roses. Following the ceremony the young couple left on a honeymoon trip to Wilmot Valley. For travelling the bride wore a magnificent Hudson Seal Coat. Their many friends in New Glasgow where the groom was employed before enlisting in His Majesty's forces and in Prince Edward Island wish them all kinds of happiness and good luck.—S.

HELD BANQUET SATURDAY NIGHT — The annual meeting of the Sergeants' Mess of the 17th (Reserve) Armoured Regiment held Saturday night took the form of a banquet at the V Club. The wives and lady friends of the sergeants were invited and an evening's entertainment of readings, songs and violin selections was enjoyed. There were 54 present at the banquet which was presided over by Sgt. S. X. Vail, President of the Mess. The sergeants of the 17th Armoured Regiment contribute funds to buy comforts for the Hdq. Squadron (P.E.I.L.H.) of the 1st Canadian Armoured Brigade of the 5th Canadian Division. The ladies present decided to form a Sergeants' Mess Women's Auxiliary to help in the work of supplying comforts to these Islanders overseas. Mrs. J. A. Lawson was appointed president of this organization with Mrs. M. L. Lee, 1st vice-president and Mrs. W. R. Duggan 2nd vice-president. Sgt. M. L. Lee was elected president of the Sergeants' Mess for the coming year, and Sgt.-Major Earl Skeffington, Secretary.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon for Mr. James Bradford Bell, former member of the Charlottetown Fire Department. Services at his home, 111 Euston Street, were conducted by the Rev. I. Judson Levy of the Charlottetown Baptist Church while the Rev. A E Todd officiated at the grave in the Fairview Baptist Cemetery at North Milton.

The funeral was under the auspices of the Charlottetown Fire Department and a group of firemen pulled a carriage bearing the casket.

Honorary pallbearers from the Fire Department were: Frank Fraser, William Batt, Fred Large, D F Bethune, John Turner and Thomas Howatt. The active pallbearers, also from the Fire Department, were: Harry Harley, Alfred Frizzell, Fred Bradley, Russell Abbott, Robert Wakelin, and Frank Prunty.

The league of the cross band headed the funeral procession.

Mr. Bell was a member of the Fire Department for 12 years. He fell during a fire more than a year ago, injuring his hip and since then had been walking with the aid of crutches. Two weeks ago he went to a Halifax Hospital for an operation.

A tragic accident here Saturday evening caused the death of Mr. G. Hume Keefe, 27, of the Hygenic Service Company, Charlottetown. He was overcome by gas fumes while disinfecting at the Central Creameries and died abaut two hours later at the Charlottetown Hospital.

A fellow-workman, Clarence Sampson, was also overcome but is recovering in hospital.

The two men were starting generators on the main floor at the Central Creameries about 6.20 Saturday evening when the accident happened. Other men outside saw the two stagger then start towards the open air.

Sampson reached the door first, and collapsed just as he got outside. Keefe reached the door, but stumbled and fell hitting his head heavily.

The men were rushed to the Charlottetown Hospital by other members of the Hygenic Service Company assisting on the job. It was believed that the fall, causing possible concussion, was partially the cause of Keefe's death.

Coroner Dr. I.J. Yeo decided that an inquest was unneccessary.

Mr. George Keefe father of the dead man, said that his son and Sampson were wearing respirators. He said it had not been determined yet, whether the masks were leaking. The same men had worked on a large number of similar jobs without an accident.

The hydrocyanic acid gas used for disinfecting is very deadly.

Keefe is survived by a wife, formerly Miss Ruth Walker of Dartmouth, N.S., and a young child.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Keefe reside in Charlottetown where Mr. Keefe heads the Keefe Drug Company which operates the Hygenic Service Company. A brother, Lieut. Ewen Keefe is serving with the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve while a sister, Miss Dorothy Keefe is a nurse at Amherst, N.S.

The victim of the unfortunate accident was a Lieutenant with the Charlottetown Sea Cadet Corps.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon from his residence 139 Upper Prince Street to the People's Cemetery.

ENLISTS WITH R.C.A.F.— James Alphonsus McInnis, son of Mrs. Cecelia McInnis of 45 Dorchester Street, Charlottetown, has enlisted with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He joined up at the recruiting center at Moncton last week.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST — Yesterday morning twenty - five naval ratings accompanied by Sub-Lt. G. Crowley and Sub.-Lt. R. Morris were present at a Communion breakfast at the Queen Hotel sponsored by the Charlottetown subdivision of the Catholic Women's League. Rev. L. Dougan presided at the breakfast, and Hon. Dr. W. J.P. MacMillan addressed the boys following the breakfast. A sing-song was also enjoyed accompanied by Mr. Albert Blanchard at the piano.

FUNERAL AT ARGYLE SHORE —The funeral of the late Silas A. Murley of Argyle Shore was held Fraiday March 12 from his late residence, and was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. J.H. Bishop, The service at the grave was conducted by the Orange Order of which the deceased was a member. Pallbearers were: Messrs. John MacQuarrie, Harry MacNevin, Neil MacNevin, John D. MacPhail, L T. Beaton and Goodwill MacPhail. Interment was in Argyle Shore Cemetery.

LEAVES FOR AMHERST — Mr. Eric MacGregor of Charlottetown leaves this morning for Amherst, N.S., where he has accepted a position with the Canada Car and Foundry. For the past three years he has been employed by the Island Furriers. On Friday evening members of the choir of the Central Christian Church, of which Mr. MacGregor was a valued member, presented him with a suitable gift. The presentation took place at the home of Miss Marionne Saunders, organist at the Church.

Sgt. Frank Campbell Stewart who was reported in Saturday's issue "missing on active service after air operations", is a son of Mrs. J. W. Stewart, of 120 Cumberland Street, Charlottetown.

Sgt. Stewart, familiarly known here as Campbell, was a member of the first class to take their basic training at Beach Grove Training Centre in October 1940. He was also stationed at Calgary before going overseas as an air gunner in the R.C.A.F. in March, 1942.

Two brothers are serving overseas at the present time: Capt. J.R. Stewart went over as a Private in a Provost Company in November, 1939. He won his Commission some time afterwards and was later promoted to the rank of Captain. He is now in North Africa.

Robert E. Stewart, the other brother, went overseas late in January of this year as an accountant with the R.C.A.F.

Campbell was employed here for a time as an accountant with the Grant Motors, and later with the Humphrey Motors at Moncton where he was working prior to his enlistment in 1940. He is twenty-five years of age.

TUESDAY

On Feb. 22nd, 1943, Mrs. Chester Smith passed away at her home 10 Chestnut St., City, after a long illness born with christian patience and cheerfulness. The late Mrs. Smith was in her 44th year, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Kent of Milton.

POST OFFICE OFFICIAL HERE —George Milne, of the Toronto Post Office staff is at present in Charlottetown investigating the possibilities of having the local Post Office building renovated. Mr. Milne, who arrived here Saturday is expected to remain in the province several days.

GYRO CLUB — Mr. Morton Dew was the speaker at the Gyro Club meeting last night. His subject was "The Coconut Grove Fire." One new member, Harold Bohaker, was added to the club membership last night. Dr. J A MacMillan presided at the meeting, which was well attended. A former Gyro, Dr. P. A. Creelman was present as a guest.

DENNIS-MacNEVIN.—The marriage took place with a double ring ceremony on Saturday evening at 5 o'clock in the Baptist Parsonage, Summerside of Pte. Ira Dennis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Dennis of O'Leary and Miss Elsie MacNevin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry MacNevin of The Brae. The Rev. C. W. Cook performed the ceremony. The attendants were, Mr. and Mrs. Dermot McLean of Milo. Mrs. MacLean is a sister of the groom.

PROVINCIAL A. R. P. COMMITTEE MEETS.—Group Capt. E. A. Blake O.B.E., M.M., Commanding Officer of the R. A. F. school here spoke on bomb disposal and the danger from incendiary bombs at the regular meeting of the Provincial A. R. P. held yesterday morning. It was announced that a new type of warning signal was being tried out at present and would probably be scattered across the Dominion as an aid to sirens. One of these new types is being sent here for testing. These signals make a sound similar to a siren and are reported to be particularly effective in rural areas. All members of the committee with the exception of Mavor Holman, who was in Summerside, and C. A. Beer, who is ill were present at the meeting.

On the evening of February 23rd the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pascal MacDonald, Rennie's Road, was filled to capacity when about one hundred and seventy friends and neighbours assembled there, to bid farewell to their son Lac. Leo St. Elmo MacDonald who was home on a furlough.

After Mr. John Gallant called the gathering to order, Lac MacDonald was brought forward and seated between A. C. 2 Reg. Saunders and O. S. Holton MacInnis, Mr. Benoit Gallant then read a nicely worded address and Mr. Fred Ford presented Lac. MacDonald with a beautiful wrist watch and a well filled purse.

In a few well chosen words, Mr. Preston Campbell complimented Elmo on having taken up such arduous duties in defence of his country. After Elmo had expressed his thanks in his usual pleasant manner, for being so kindly remembered, all joined in the singing of "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow."

In the spirit of good companionship Elmo was bounced by a number of his very near friends.

The remainder of the evening was spent pleasantly in music and dancing until the wee small hours. The address reads as follows:—

TO TAKE COURSE.—Lieut. Lloyd Ward and Sgt. Bramwell Chandler both of No. 62 C. A. (B.) T. C. Beach Grove leave this morning enroute for Brockville, to take an Officers' Training course.

FUNERAL SERVICES.—The funeral of Mr. George Praught Earnscliffe, was held yesterday morning to St. Joachim's Church, Vernon River, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Right Rev. Monsignor Maurice McDonald, who also conducted service at the grave. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. J. J. McInnis, J. A. McIsaac, Daniel McInnis, Dennis Carey, Joseph Mutch, Harry Tweedy, and Louis Hayden. Interment was in the adjoining cemetery.

CAPT. WADE RETURNS — Capt. Jimmy Wade of Maritime Central Airways returned to Charlottetown yesterday, one day less than three months from the time he took off on a rescue flight to the far north. He stepped out of one of the company planes on the runway here at 1.25 p.m. to be greeted by his wife and young son. "Its sure good to be home again—they can have that country up there" was his comment.. Capt. Wade arrived at Moncton Sunday night. His adventures in the far north made no change in his appearance and he appeared eager to get back to work again after his long lay-off.

OFFICERS ELECTED —The annual meeting of St. Elizabeth's Aid Society was held in the Assembly Hall of St. Dunstan's Basilica on Sunday the 7th. Mrs. S. G. Peppin was re-elected President. Other officers elected were vice-president, Mrs. T. William. Second vice president, Mrs. G. C. Duffy. Treasurer, Mrs. M. G. McNeely, Secretary, Mrs. I. E. Croken. In her annual address the president, Mrs. Peppin expressed her appreciation for the co-operation extended her by the members of the Society. The report of the secretary was read and adopted followed by the treasurer's report. The president gave a very interesting report of the year's work, which was a very successful one.

ROTARY CLUB MEETING.—Lieut-Command. M. G. McCarthy Captain of H.M.C.S. "Queen Charlotte" cancelled his proposed address to the Charlottetown Rotary Club yesterday due to the unexpected death of Mr. G. Hume Keefe, who was a lieutenant in the Sea Cadets, Lt.-Cmdr. McCarthy intended speaking on the Sea Cadets. Instead of the address a short program consisting of solos by Mr. Leigh Dingwell and Mrs. T. Roy Cudmore was presented to the Club and guests. This entertainment was greatly enjoyed. Dr. H. H. Shaw presided at yesterday's meeting and the following guests were present: Senator J. A. MacDonald, Cardigan; W. J. Christie, Toronto; George Milne, Toronto and T. Coffin, Montreal.

WEDNESDAY

OFFICERS TO WRITE EXAMS .—Twenty-five officers of the 17th (Reserve) Armoured Regiment will write promotion examinations over the week-end March 20 and 21. Syllabus B., Common will be written Saturday evening and Syllabus C.. Special Sunday morning. These examinations are for promotions to the rank of Lieutenant. Syllabus D for promotion to the rank of Captain. will be written Sunday afternoon. Lt-Col. E. W. Johnstone will be president of the board of examiners.

Four young men will be ordained to the holy priesthood by His Excellency, Bishop J.A. O'Sullivan at St. Dunstan's Basilica, Sunday, March 21.

These are, Kenneth C. MacMillan, Charlottetown and Lawrence Landrigan, Sturgeon, who are graduates of St. Augustine Seminary, Toronto, Francis Boudreau, Magdalene Islands, and Wilfred Pineau, North Rustico, graduates of Grand Seminary, Quebec City.

All four are also graduates of St. Dunstan's University. Mr. MacMillan graduated in 1933 and Messrs. Landrigan, Boudreau and Pineau in 1939.

Mr. MacMillan is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T.M. MacMillan and a brother of Dr. J.A. MacMillan.

—DEATH OF MR. ALEX McINNIS— There passed away at his home in Travellers' Rest on Tuesday morning at the age of 83 years. Mr. Alex McInnis a highly respected farmer of that vicinity. Mr. McInnis was a lifelong resident of the community and had retired from active farming about twelve years ago. His passing leaves a vacancy in the home and in the community which cannot be filled for he had been a good neighbor to all and ready and willing at all times to assist those in need. To the bereaved widow, formerly Miss Mary Harris of Sherbrooke and to his surviving sons, John at home and James in Boston and to his daughters, Mrs. H. Sudsbury, Moncton, Mrs. Susan Rollings of Boston and Mrs. Charles Corkum at home, the sympathy of the community is extended. Two of Mr. McInnis' daughters predeceased him some time ago, Mrs. Brad Bernard and Miss Margaret, also one son Percy. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon from his late residence to the People's Cemetery.

—DEATH OF JOSEPH P. MURPHY— The death occurred at his home in Summerside yesterday morning of Mr. Joseph P. Murphy at the age of 86 years. Mr. Murphy who was born in Lot 11 was the son of the late Hon. Joseph Murphy and had been a valued employee of the Canadian National Railway for 30 years up to the time of his retirement in 1924. Shortly after he was pensioned by the C.N.R. he moved to Summerside where he has since resided and where by his quiet and unassuming manner won many friends who will regret his passing. His wife was the former Mary Jane McCarville of Freetown and they have five daughters and two sons to whom the sympathy of a large circle of friends is extended, namely Mrs. Irene Lynch, Vancouver, Mrs. James McDougall, Richmond, Mrs. Mary Gannon, Newark, N.J., Mrs. Anna Kingman, New York, Mrs. Patrick Noonan, Summerside, Emmerson in the U.S. Army stationed in Virginia and Claude in Halifax; also one sister Mrs. James Kilbride, Portland, Maine. It is expected that the funeral will take place from his late residence to St. Paul's Church on Thursday morning, pending the arrival of relatives. —S.

—IS ACTING TOWN CLERK— Miss Elizabeth Cairns who has been an employee of the Town Clerk's office for some time, on Friday morning was sworn in before Stipendiary Magistrate E.H. Strong K.C. as Acting Town Clerk until such time as a successor to the late Neil R. Durant is appointed.—S

Saint Dunstan's University will definitely close earlier than usual this year, it was learned from the Recor Rev. Dr. J.A. Murphy yesterday. Dr. Murphy said that final examinations will be completed on May 14 and the commencement exercises will be held as soon thereafter as possible. This will be more than a week earlier than last year, when the University closed on May 28.

LAID TO REST — The funeral of the late Mrs. Benjamin Jenkins was held from the residence of her son, Mr. J. Hedley Jenkins, Mt. Albion yesterday afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. Harvey Bishop and Rev. D. K. Ross. Interment, Birch Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Lloyd Ballem, M. W. Wood, Leigh Ferguson, H. S. Jenkins, Fred Robertson and R. W. Chandler.

HELD ROUTE MARCH.—Two hundred soldiers from No. 62 C. A. (B.) T. C. in charge of Major A. S. Robertson, Commanding Officer of the Training Centre, presented a smart appearance as they held a route march through the City yesterday afternoon. The soldiers were preceded by the band, under the direction of Cpl. Emile Doiron. A large number of citizens lined the route of march to watch the troops go by.

RECEIVES PROMOTION.—Mrs. J. W. Carruthers of Montague, P. E. Island recently received word from Egypt, that her son Pilot Officer J. Arthur Carruthers had been promoted to Flying Officer with an Australian Squadron in Middle East. Flying Officer Carruthers went Overseas in Sept. 1941 as Sgt. and was sent to Africa in Jan. 1942 and received his Pilot Officer Commission in Middle East in 1942. He is a son of Mrs. and the late J. W. Carruthers Druggist of Montague, P. E. Island, and brother of H. Randolph Carruthers, Provincial Auditor, Charlottetown, P. E. Island.

—ENROUTE HOME — Flt. Lt. William Brennan of Summerside, who has been serving in the Middle East is enroute home, it was learned yesterday. He has already arrived in Canada and is expected to reach Summerside sometime this week. A son of Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Brennan he has been serving with the Air Force for more than two years. For a portion of that time he was in Egypt but more recently he was at Aden. His wife has left Summerside to meet him.—S

Hanford Bell, Muray Harbour. She has a brother Aubrey with the R. C.A.F. in England. Two C.W.A. C.'s Alexandrina Docherty, New Haven and Mary Catherine MacIntyre Charlottetown left yesterday morning for Halifax.

The following have left H.M.C.S. "Queen Charlotte" during the week:

Nursing Sister, Phyllis M. Reay, Charlottetown.

Percy M. Folland, Wtr., Summerside.

Gordon A. Calhoun, Ord. Smn., Toronto, Ontario.

Norman A. Talbot, Ord. Smn., Toronto, Ontario.

Leo. D. McLean, Ord. Smn. Sarnia, Ontario.

William B. Noonan, Ord. Smn., Albany.

Emmett L. Robinson, Ord. Smn. Stanhope.

Raymond H. Brehaut, Asst. Cook Alexandra.

James C. Deighan, Prob. S.B.A., Breadalbane.

John W. McNeill, Prob S.A., Summerside.

Enzly W. Ramsay, Prob. Wtr., Hamilton.

Ivan T. Smith, Prob. Stwd., Charlottetown..

FUNERAL YESTERDAY — The funeral of Lieut. G. Hume Keefe of the R.C.N.V.R., was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 139 Upper Prince Street, with full naval honors. Services at the home and grave were conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller, D.D. At the grave three volleys were fired and the "Last Post" sounded. Following was the order of the procession: Firing party in charge of Chief P. O. Ross, buglers and drummers, honorary pall bearers, hearse, pall bearers, mourners, escort of sixty Royal Canadian Sea Cadets in charge of Sub-Lt. A. G. Marshall, general public. The honorary pallbearers were: Lieut. Saunders, Lieut. MacDonald, Lieut. Coffin and Lieut. McClure. The active pallbearers were members of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, Conrad, Semple, McGuigan, Dougan, Miller, and Sterns. Officers of the Air Cadet Corps Flt.-Lt. Burke, FO. Garnhum, FO. Walker, PO. Tait, PO. Vail and PO. Trainor were also in attendance. Members of the Hi-Y Club to which the deceased belonged attended the service in a body.

At her home in Riverton, on February 5th, 1943, there passed peacefully away, Mrs. Catherine Duffy, widow of the late John Duffy.

She was recognized as an exemplary christian woman, always mindful of the comforts of others, ever ready to lend a helping hand to all who had the occasion to call upon her.

During her illness, she was visited many times by her beloved Pastor, Rev. Basil Croken, and who administered to her the last Rights of the Roman Catholic Church of which she was a devout member. Of a family thirteen children there are left to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother, one son and six daughters, namely Margaret, Mrs. Daniel S. MacDonald of Monticello; Sadie, Mrs. Kenneth Needham, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Emma, Mrs. John McGuirk, of Hyde Park, Mass.; Frances, Mrs. Hector McCray, Quincy, Mass.; and Fred, Etta and Agnes at home. And one sister Mary McCullough of Charlottetown. Her husband predeceased her eight years ago, a daughter Mamie, Mrs. Patrick McGuirk six years ago, and a son Mark four years ago, four other children died in infancy.

The Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Pastor Rev. Basil Croken, who also officiated at the grave.

The pall bearers were: Joseph Fisher, Wallace Woolridge, Denton Fisher, Everett Fisher, Daniel Grant.

AWARDED EFFICIENCY MEDAL —Yesterday Mrs. Harry M. Smith of Charlottetown was notified from Ottawa that her husband, Lieutenant Harry M. Smith, has been awarded the Canadian Efficiency medal for meritorious service in the army. He is at present serving with the artillery, having gone over some time ago. He received his commission in November last.

JOINS THE WRENS — Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Charlottetown left yesterday morning for Galt, Ontario where she will train with the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service. Miss Thompson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Thompson and has been a clerk at Rix's Grocery Store for several years. Her two brothers are also on active service Jack with the R.C. N.V.R. and David with the P.E. I. Highlanders.

ATTEND CONFERENCE — Two members of Prince Edward Island's recently appointed Reconstruction Committee to deal with rehabilitation work are at present in Saint John. They are, Mr. Horace Wright, President of the Provincial Executive Council and Maj. O. W. Campbell, deputy Provincial Secretary-Treasurer. The chairman, Hon. W. H. Dennis, minister of agriculture, and the secretary, Mr. W. R. Shaw, deputy minister of agriculture, are not attending the meeting. The latter is in Ottawa at present. The conference started yesterday and lasts until Friday.

DISCUSS FARM LABOUR PROGRAM — Mr. R. P. Hartley, Moncton, Regional Superintendent of the Unemployment Insurance Commission for the Maritimes, Mr. Paul Goulet, Ottawa, associate director of National Selective Service and Mr. George Haythorne, chief of the Agricultural Division of the National Selective Service of the Federal Department of Labour, arrived in Charlottetown yesterday on the noon plane. While here they conferred with Premier Thane A. Campbell, Hon. W. H. Dennis, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Dougald MacKinnon and other members of the Provincial Government as well as local national selective service officials on the farm labor program for the coming year. At night they conferred in the legislative chambers with about 15 members of farm organizations on the serious farm labor shortage in the province. These officials are on a Maritime tour, having come here from Nova Scotia. They leave this morning by plane for Fredericton.

THURSDAY

On February 16, 1943, a quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the Presbyterian Manse, Charlottetown, by the Rev. G. Carlyle Webster, when Miss Minnie Esther Matheson, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs D. Herbert Matheson, Milton, was united in marriage to Mr. Frederick Charles Roy Dickieson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy H. Dickieson, New Glasgow, P. E. I.

On January 20th last there passed away in Vancouver, B.C., Mrs. Mary Laird, wife of the late William Laird. Mrs. Mary Laird was the last surviving member of the family of the late Hon. W.S. McNeill of North Rustico.

For many years Mr. and Mrs. William Laird were prosperous farmers at Cavendish where they enjoyed companionship of a large circle of relatives and friends.

Some years ago they removed to Vancouver, B. C.

EFFICIENCY MEDAL — Mrs. Frank L. Lappin, 20 Hillsboro St. has received from the Department of National Defence, Ottawa the Canadian Efficiency Medal which has been awarded her husband, Sergt. Frank L. Lappin for Meritorious service. The medal, of silver and oblong in shape, bears a bust of His Majesty and on the reverse side the inscription "For Efficient Service". The ribbon to which the Medal is attached is green with yellow border. Sergt. Lappin has been two years overseas and previous to enlisting was a member of a local Artillery Company here.

It is with feelings of sorrow and deepest sympathy that we record the death which occurred on March 9th in the Charlottetown Hospital of Annie Teresa, aged twenty-seven years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Malone, and dearly loved wife of Peter McGonnell of Charlottetown. Stricken with pneumonia about two weeks previous to her passing, she entered the hospital for treatment. However, despite the fact that everything known to medical skill and competent nursing was done to restore her to health, she failed to respond, and in the early hours of Tuesday morning (March 9) fortified by the last rites of the Church, she passed peacefully to her eternal home.

Delegates from all parts of the Island are in the city to attend the forty sixth Annual Meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Missionary Socity of the Church of England in Canada.

The meetings opened yesterday afternoon with a business session in St. Peters School room. Miss L.A. Young gave an address of welcome to the delegates, and Mrs. Dennis of Port Hill gave a suitable reply.

Miss Ruth Carruthers, Dominion Field Secretary addressed the meeting. Miss Carruthers, a former missionary in China told of the work new being carried on in China. Fifty thousand Chinese have been won for Christ, although the buildings have been bombed, the Christian spirit still lives in the hearts of the people. Miss Carruthers will address special Youth Rallies while in Prince Edward Island.

Greetings were received from Mrs. Wodehouse, Dominion President, and from Mrs. H.D. Raymond, a former Diocesan President.

In the President's address, Mrs. A.B. Cosh expressed appreciation for splendid work done during the past year by all the Branches. She stressed the individual responsibility of every member.

Fitting tribute was paid to two members, Miss Blanche Haviland and Mrs. Henry Newcombe, who have passed on to higher service.

The reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer were most gratifying and encouraging. All pledges were met in full.

Mrs. G.A Bentley was admitted to Life Membership in the W.A. This was a gift of a member of St. Paul's Branch A.

Tea was served by the members of St. Peter's Branch.

CIVIC APPEAL BOARD — The Civic Appeal Board concluded all cases yesterday. Several appeals were heard by the Board yesterday morning. Stipendiary Magistrate K. M. Martin again conducted the hearing. The Board has been sitting for the past few days and quite a number of cases were heard. Messrs. J.J. Hornby and Alex MacDonald were the other members of the Board.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of management of the Children's Aid Society of Prince County was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening the President, Rev. Mr. Cook, presiding.

The agent and truant officer, Mr. Joseph Gallant tendered his resignation on account of obtaining employment elsewhere. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Gallant for his faithful and efficient services rendered during the past three years. He reported that during the past month there had been very little truancy not more than one case.

The Executive meeting in connection with the 99th annual general meeting of the Diocesan Church Society was held in St. Paul's Parish Hall yesterday afternoon, with the Venerable Archdeacon Harrison, B.D. in the chair. There was a good representation of Clergy and lay delegates. Considerable routine business was transacted. It was decided to have the old Anglican Cemetery at Southport put in repair. Committees were recommended as necessary for the carrying on and consolidating work in connection with Social Service, Religious Education and Missions. During the discussion on Social Service one speaker drew attention to the good work being done by several women in the City caring for numbers of babies born out of wedlock, but that it was felt that such homes should be under the strictest Government supervision.

The annual meeting of the Charlottetown branch of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind was held in the Charlottetown Hotel on Tuesday March 16th. The various reports for the year were read.

In addressing the meeting the president, Mrs. J. E. R. MacEwen, thanked the committees for their splendid co-operation and assistance at all times during the year. Mrs. MacEwen stated that the receipts from the annual Tag Day sale were very satisfactory, considering that a great number of Tags had been sold this year by the different organizations for war work.

There are 125 registered blind people on P. E. I., and of this number 95 are receiving pensions. Twenty-five reside in Charlottetown, three of whom are not eligible for pensions but are taken care of entirely by the ladies of the Auxiliary who visit them regularly and purchase for them such articles as they think would brighten their perpetual blackout.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Mould for his kindness in allowing the ladies the use of the hotel for their meetings.

Mrs. J. J. Morris, acting Convener of the Nominating Committee, conducted the election of officers for the ensuing year. The Hon. President, Mrs. B. W. LePage; Past President, Mrs. J. E. R. MacEwen President, Mrs. D J. Riley; Treasurer, Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan; Secretary, Mrs. J. Sinclair McKay.

FRIDAY

—WINS SCHOLARSHIP — The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dennis of Warren, Ohio, formerly of Summerside and Kensington, will be pleased to hear that their son Ralph has been awarded a scholarship to Hiram College. Their daughter Georgie Elizabeth is now on the staff of the Warren Public Library. Mr. Dennis has been with the sunlight division of General Motors for almost 12 years, Mrs. Dennis (nee Jean McPherson) was formerly on the staff of the Summerside High School. —S.

—LAID TO REST — The funeral of the late Joseph P. Murphy took place from his late residence at Notre Dame Street, Summerside, on Thursday morning, March 18, at 9 o'clock to St. Paul's Church where Requiem High Mass was sung by Rev. Father MacDonald with Rev. Father Butler in the Sanctuary. The esteem in which the deceased was held was shown by the large number who attended the services. The service at the grave was conducted by the pastor Monsignor G. J. MacLellan, and interment was in the family plot. The pallbearers were:— Mayor Lidstone, Messrs. Thomas M. Linkletter, M.L.A., E. P. Foley, M.L.A., Lorne Driscoll, Bennett R. Kelly, Wilfred Sonier, all of Summerside. —S.

—FORMER P. E. ISLANDERS.— The foregoing will prove of much interest to the many friends of the Farrant Family in Summerside. Many citizens will recall when the Farrant boys, George and Eric were living in Summerside on Cambridge Street and will also remember the tragic death referred to of Mr. Farrant who met his death by falling from the spire of the Trinity United Church while engaged in painting the building.— Fresno California—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Farrant are expecting as a guest in their home on Callisch Street the former's brother, Corporal Edward R. Farrant, who is stationed with the United States Army at Brigham, Utah. The visitor who will be here a week, also will be entertained by other brothers and sisters including George, Eric and Wanda of Fresno and Mrs. George Gage of Clovis. He also visited with another sister Maude Farrant in San Francisco, before returning to Utah. He lived in Fresno until he joined the service ten months ago. His sister Miss Wanda Farrant, R.N. is now a 2nd. Lt. with the Camp White Army Hospital, Medford Oregon. Cpl. Farrant was born in Summerside, P. E.I., youngest son of the late Frederick and Mrs. Farrant, and after the tragic death of his father, Edward at the age of five years, together with his Mother and other members of the family removed to California where they have since resided. Corporal Farrant is a nephew of Mrs. Amy Palmer Summerside. —S.

GOES TO BRITISH COLUMBIA —Fusilier Ralph Acorn, who has been taking a special electrical course in Ontario, has passed his examinations with honors and has been transferred to British Columbia as an instructor. His many friends here, will be glad to know of his promotion. Ralph received his early education at Prince Street, and West Kent Schools in this City, and is a son of Mr. Sidney Acorn, formerly of Charlottetown.

$315.00 FOR PRISONER OF WAR FUND — Some time ago, Mrs. H. H. Horne headed an energetic group of ladies who undertook a bridge enterprise for the benefit of the Red Cross Prisoner of War Fund. The first of these bridges was given at Government House last fall through the kindness of the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. LePage. A second one followed at Brighton Club Hall which Mrs. C. H. Foster again generously placed at the disposal of the Red Cross. After this each of the ladies attending the original bridge had individual bridges and now that these have been completed the handsome sum of $315.00 has been handed to the Prince Edward Island Red Cross to be forwarded for Prisoner of War Boxes.

The community of Travellers' Rest was shocked to learn of the sudden death last evening of Mr. Alexander Champion, a highly respected farmer and fox rancher of that district.

Although well advanced in years he had been enjoying good health up to the time of his sudden death. He retired from active life about ten years ago, but had always maintained an eager interest in the life of the community and he will be sincerely missed by all with whom he had been associated with during a life well spent in the welfare of his community.

The sympathy of a host of friends is extended to his bereaved widow, the former Eliza Harris, and to his sons, Russell in New York, Robert in Summerside, Preston and James at home; and to his daughters, Mrs. George Cass of Moncton, and Mrs. Keith Canfield of Tarrytown, New York.

50th ANNIVERSARY.— Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm F. MacDonald of Eldon, who are spending the winter months visiting with their family in Walpole, Mass., celebrated their 50th (fiftieth) wedding anniversary on January 24th. During the day the happy couple received many messages of congratulations and floral gifts. In the evening the family and close friends gathered at the home of their daughter Mrs. William Carr where a buffet supper was served. The table which was attractively decorated in white and gold, had as a center-piece a large wedding cake, surrounded by low vases of yellow narcissus. A gold trimmed wedding bell which was suspended above their heads showered them with confetti and gifts of money from the family. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald will be happy to welcome them back to Eldon in the Spring.—(Patriot please copy.)

—MEETING OF BEDEQUE DISTRICT L.O.L. — The annual meeting of the Bedeque District Orange Lodge was held in Berthelier Lodge Room, Summerside on March 17. The district includes primary lodges at Borden, Bedeque, Bradalbane, Lot 16, Kensington, and Summerside. District Master, W. B. Montgomery presided and gave a report of the year's activities. The new officers were elected as follows: District Master, Heath MacQuarrie; Deputy Master, A. P. Wells; Chaplain, John Y. Phillips, P.G.M.; Recording Secretary, Jas. A. Connell, (re-elected); Financial Secretary, W. B. Montgomery; Treasurer, T. J. Inman, P.G.M.; Marshall, Jesse Matheson; Lecturer, B. I. Rayner; Auditors, A.P. Wells, J. Y. Phillips. The new officers were installed by past grand master T. J. Inman of Bedeque. Appropriate addresses were given by the district master and officers. —S.

Odd amounts from various sources still continue to swell Charlottetown's Red Cross collection and the total for the city now exceeds $40,000, not much short of double the objective set of $22,000.

Collections from the country districts continue to come in and each separate section shows satisfactory increases over last year's figures. Today's total for the Province is in excess of $67,000 leaving only $3,000 to attain the voluntary objective of $70,000 set by the local executive after the objective of $50,000 set by national headquarters had been surpassed.

Special events with the proceeds devoted to the Red Cross are still to be held in a number of centres, a number of collectors have unfortunately been delayed in completing their work and it is certain that the final total will be satisfactory and pleasing to all concerned and once more Prince Edward Island is assured of maintaining its position in the forefront of Canada's war endeavour.

The forty sixth annual meetings of the Diocesan W. A. concluded yesterday. Mrs. A. B. Cosh, Diocesan President, presided at all the sessions. Much interest and enthusiasm was shown as the reports of the various secretaries were read.

These reports showed that a vast amount of work had been done for Indian children in the Anglican Mission Schools. Complete outfits of clothing have been sent to the Bishop Horden Memorial School at Moose Factory, Diocese of Moosenee, as well as supplies to the Newnham Hospital of the same place. Financial help was also sent to the Kangra Mission School in India.

The following oficers were elected for the ensuing year:

Honorary Presidents — Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Raymond.

President — Mrs. A. B. Cosh.

1st Vice-President — Mrs. C. H. Coles.

2nd Vice-president — Miss Eleanor Green.

3rd Vice-President — Mrs. George Haslam.

Cor. Secretary — Miss M. Cotton

Rec. Secretary—Mrs. J. Pierce.

Treasurer — Miss E. Lowe.

Girls' and Candidate's Sec. — Mrs. Ray Clark.

Sec.-Treas. Juniors — Mrs. M. W. Weeks.

Sec.-Treas. Little Helpers —Mrs. L. McLeod.

Dorcas Secretary — Mrs. J. R. Paton.

Living Message Editor — Mrs. Geo. Hagan.

Thank - Offering Secretary — Mrs. W. J. Paynter.

Cent-a-Week Secretary — Miss C. Acorn.

Supt. of Prayer Partners — Miss M. Haslam.

Educational Secretary-Treasurer —Mrs. G. D. DeBlois.

Y.P.U. MEMBER HONORED — Mr. Davis Murray immediate past president of Trinity Young People's Union at Summerside, was presented with a gift and address by the members of the Union at their regular meeting, March 16th. Presentation was made by Rev. John Jarvis and Miss Gladys Arthur Davis, who has joined the Royal Canadian Air Force as wireless technician and now stationed at Saint John, made fitting reply. The evening's devotional program was conducted by Catherine Mac