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# LAND REFORMS OUTLINED FOR JAPAN

## Returning Veterans Given Enthusiastic Welcome Yesterday

## Heavy Storm Damage At Quebec City

QUEBEC, Dec. 9 — (CP) — Damage estimated at nearly \$1,000,000 was caused by rain, wind and sleet in the Quebec City area during the week-end. All telephone and telegraphic communication with outside points were reported down at one period. All districts of the city were deprived of electricity for more than 36 hours after a great number of broken trees and poles had fallen on electric wires. Street-car and bus services were discontinued for a time.

## Montreal Textile Strike Is Settled

MONTREAL, Dec. 9 — (CP) — Production is to be resumed tomorrow morning at three Montreal mills of Dominion Textile Company Ltd. following a four-day general strike. This decision was made known by the company late yesterday following an announce-ment by the regional office of the United Textile Workers of America (A.F.L.) that the union had accepted a Provincial Government proposal for settlement and that the 2,300 employees involved would return to work.

## Coming Events

- \*Suffolk School Concert, Thursday Dec. 20th. 12-10-11.
- \*Christmas Concert, Fredericton Hall, Thursday, December 20th. 12-10-11.
- \*Wheatley River Christmas Concert December 21st. If not fine, December 22nd. 12-10-20-21.
- \*Wanted: Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowl and Chickens. Eastern Packers Co., Souris. 11-29-181.
- \*Christmas Concert, South Melville School, Thursday, December 20th. 12-10-11.
- \*Unloading car of Bulk Barley & Vernon River Station, Gordon Ford. 12-10-11.
- \*Christmas Concert, Millville Hall, December 10th and 11th, 20th as previously announced.
- \*Reserve Friday, December 25th. Dance, Millville Hall, Millville Orchestra. Dancing 9-12. 12-10-11.
- \*Dance Vernon Bridge Hall Wednesday night, Dec. 12. McKenna's orchestra. 12-10-11.
- \*Reserve December 20th for Warrenton School Concert, North River Hall, Sale of lunches. 12-10-12-21.
- \*All interested in new rink at Wilshire, kindly meet at the hall Tuesday Dec 11th. 12-10-11.
- \*Reserve Friday, December 14th for North Tryon School Concert. 12-11-11.
- \*Buying daily, all kinds of live dressed poultry. Plying top market prices. Signed Davis & Fraser Ltd. 11-28-1f.
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- \*Wanted — Large quantity of live and dressed poultry. Also dressed geese and ducks. Top prices paid. Plus MacDonald, St. Peter's Bay. 12-7-31.
- \*Annual Meeting of Clyde River Farmers Institute will be held in Clyde River School, Monday, Dec. 18th at 8 o'clock P. M. Frank Gillespie, Secretary. 12-8-10-21.
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- \*Souris Hospital Visiting hours 3 to 4 P. M. and 7 to 9 P. M. The welfare of the patients demands that these hours be strictly adhered to. The Hospital staff solicits the co-operation of the public in the observance of this. 12-8-31.
- \*Evangelistic meetings in Orange Hall Hunter River, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8 p.m. December 10th, 11th, 13th. All welcome. 12-10-11.

The sun shone, citizens cheered and the band of the 17th Armoured Reserve Regiment played as the Province and City bade welcome to a large contingent of returning Prince Edward Island servicemen yesterday.

Over 100 Island veterans were met at Moncton by Legion representatives, Lieut. Col. J. D. Stewart, D.S.O., and Joseph Shelton, A.I.B. Borden the happy warriors, repatriated on the Queen, Elizabeth, which docked Friday in New York, split up. Buses took those who lived in Summerside and the western end of the Province and a special train continued to Charlottetown with those whose homes were in the Capital and eastern section.

Other Legion officials met the repatriates at Borden. The largest crowd yet to meet homecoming veterans voiced welcome. There were embraces, hand-claps, back-slaps and not a few tears as relatives and friends singled out loved ones.

Emphasis of the reception was at the Legion Home on Grafton St. where refreshments were served to the returning men, relatives and friends by members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Legion.

## Death Yesterday Of Mrs. J. A. Mathieson



MRS. J. A. MATHIESON

The death occurred at her residence, 1 Grafton Street, City yesterday morning of Mrs. J. A. Mathieson, wife of the Hon. J. A. Mathieson, former Chief Justice of the Province. The late Mrs. Mathieson had been in ill health for some months. She was 79 years of age.

Few women in the Province have had a more eventful career than Mrs. Mathieson. Her husband had the privilege, as she did, of seeing and of being more or less directly concerned with the welding of Canada into a great and autonomous nation.

Her father, the late Hon. David Laird, had been appointed Governor of the Northwest Territories, and in 1876, Mary Alice Laird, then a child of ten, journeyed with him, her mother, and the other members of the family to North Battleford, Sask., which had been designated the seat of Government for the Territories. The trip from Winnipeg to Battleford was made by prairie schooner and the hardships which few of the young generation of Island women have ever experienced.

On Sept. 15, 1886, she married Mr. J. A. Mathieson, at the time a rising young lawyer of Georgetown, who had been designated Attorney-General, and later Chief Justice of the Province. Five children were born of the union: Louise, who died at the early age of three; Helen; Mrs. Frank Chauvin, Montreal; Mrs. Doris Campbell, City; Avilla; Mrs. T. B. Rogers, City; and Major D. L. Mathieson, K.C., also of Charlottetown.

The late Mrs. Mathieson was deeply interested in all work of a charitable and religious nature. A prominent member of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, she held for many years the office of Regent of the Royal Edward Chapter of the Order and during the war years her responsibilities as Regent exacted labour from her of a strenuous and continuous nature. For several years she was National Councillor of the I.O.D.E. for the Province.

Her work as a member of St. James' Church and especially in the Women's Missionary Society, which she joined in 1901, and her self-sacrifice which will not soon be forgotten by those who have had the privilege of working with her.

Besides her husband and the four children above mentioned, Mrs. Mathieson is survived by one sister, Louise, wife of D. H. Laird, Winnipeg; and three brothers, Messrs. D. R. Laird, city, retired bank manager; A. Gordon Laird, professor at the University of Vancouver, and William C. Laird, attorney, Winnipeg.

## Mauretania Is Making Fast Trip: Due Today

## Islanders Due On Mauretania

The following Prince Edward Islanders are listed among returning Canadian Army personnel expected to be aboard the troopship Mauretania: Lieut. A. Mc Gillis, Charlottetown; Pte. J. H. Anderson, White Road; Pte. G. W. Campbell, Oilmorac; Cpl. H. L. Crossman, Summerside; Pte. H. E. Doucette, Portage; Pte. G. H. Doucette, Tignish; Cpl. E. Dugay, Summerside; Pte. F. B. Gallant, Summerside; Pte. G. H. Gallant, Armadale; L.-Cpl. W. G. Gregory, New Zealand; Cpl. R. W. Green, North River; Pte. W. D. Judson, Dundas Centre; Cpl. J. L. MacLeod, Charlottetown; Pte. E. N. McEachern, Summerside; Pte. A. Wright, Summerside; Pte. J. P. Beer, Charlottetown; Pte. P. P. Campbell, Charlottetown; Sgt. R. H. B. Coffin, Morell; Sgt. A. W. McEachern, Charlottetown; Cpl. R. L. Banks, Conway; L.-Cpl. G. J. Bell, Stanley Bridge; Pte. F. W. Bowlin, Charlottetown; Pte. F. J. Coyne, Charlottetown; Pte. E. E. Essler, O'Leary; Pte. E. J. Gallant, Summerside; Pte. A. McKenzie, Charlottetown; Pte. S. E. Ross, Georgetown; Sgt. N. E. Smith, Charlottetown; Pte. E. J. Wedge, O'Leary; Sgt. E. E. Easter, Charlottetown.

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Born in Buffalo, New York, Mrs. Morris first came to Charlottetown as a summer resident forty-two years ago with her first husband Mr. George Gane and took a prominent part in the social and church life of the community.

After the death of Mr. Gane in 1929, she became the wife of Mr. Frederick E. Morris of Charlottetown in 1934.

Mrs. Morris, one of the most prominent ladies of Charlottetown, spent her summers here, leaving in the early autumn to spend the winter in Florida and the South-east States. Very talented and widely travelled, she could talk on almost any subject and country in the world.

Deeply religious, she was a staunch supporter of St. Peter's Anglican Church where her kindly interest and support will be greatly missed.

Surviving are her husband Mr. Frederick E. Morris; her step-children, Mr. Thomas Harry Morris and Miss Florence Marion Morris; a niece, Mrs. M. G. Chard, New York and a nephew, Mr. Richard J. Chard of California.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 9 — (CP) — Canadian butter production in November was approximately 14,400,000 pounds, compared with 16,500,000 pounds in the same month last year — a decline of 13 per cent, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported tonight.

During the 11-month period of 1945, production amounted to 282,688,000 pounds against 285,881,000 in the same period of 1944.

In Charlottetown, production dropped to 6,890,000 pounds in November, a reduction of 27 per cent in the same month last year. In the same month last year of 9,399,000 pounds. Figures for the 11-month period showed 177,709,000 pounds compared with 197,000,000 in the same period of 1944.

Milk production in October registered a further decline, the total supply of 1,466,502,000 pounds, being approximately 1/2 per cent less than that produced in the same month a year ago.

## Access 22 Weds For Fourth Time

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 — (AP) — Actress Carol Landis and theater producer W. Horace Schmicklapp were married here Saturday at a private ceremony in applying for a marriage licence at the city clerk's office, the actress gave here as 22 and listed three previous husbands. Schmicklapp, 37, said this was his first marriage.

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An Army statement said Gen. Patton is suffering from spinal injuries and that his condition is serious, but that he is recovering.

Maj.-Gen. H. R. Gay, Chief of Staff of the 15th Army, the only other passenger, and the 30-mile driver were shaken up.

An ambulance made the 20-mile trip to hospital in Heidelberg in 25 minutes.

Gen. Patton did not lose consciousness. It was believed he had suffered severe head injuries.

Eyewitnesses said the accident occurred when two army trucks came out suddenly from a side road into the autobahn, cutting in front of the Patton car.

The front end of Patton's machine was badly damaged and the back seat, whose legs was sitting, was covered with blood.

Hospital attaches said Gen. Patton himself gave orders to admit no reporters to the hospital.

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**ROYAL DECISION** — The Royal Family will spend Christmas at Sandringham, the King's estate in Norfolk, for the first time since before the war, it was learned Saturday. The King will make his Christmas broadcast from Sandringham. During the war, the Royal Family spent Christmas at Windsor Castle near London.

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 — (AP)** — The United States has proposed commercial use of airfields leased to the United States by Britain in Newfoundland, Bermuda and the Caribbean for military purposes, a State Department official said tonight. A reply from London is expected shortly, said the official.

**SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 9 — (CP Cable)** — Hope for an early settlement of the steel, coal and shipping strikes in New South Wales which have paralyzed Australian industrial life faded today with an announcement that union leaders and steel works owners have failed to reach an agreement to end the walkout.

**BAIGON, Dec. 9 — (AP)** — British authorities were preparing today to withdraw their forces from Indo-China for occupational duties elsewhere, leaving to the French the task of completing restoration of order in their colonial possession.

## Commons May Not Adjourn Until Next Week

OTTAWA, Dec. 9 — (Special) — Members of the Commons from eastern and western constituencies with sleeping car reservations for their homes for next Friday and Saturday, looked worriedly at their tickets this week and speculated if they would have to ride day coach out of Ottawa.

Due to the fact that the Commons will be adjourned until next week over the Emergency Powers Bill and later the filibuster of Social Credit members on the McIntosh-Wood agreement, party whiffers doubted if the Commons could get its business wound up this week.

It is expected that the Commons will adjourn on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 11 p.m. Saturday it barely managed to wind up estimates placed before it by the Department of Agriculture. With estimates of half a score of other Departments still to be dealt with and several pieces of legislation to handle, the session may well continue until December 19 or 20.

No blame for sessional delays can be cast on members for Prince Edward Island on either side of the House. With the bulk of the work the House has scheduled with issues in which the Island has no major concern its representatives are not to be faulted. The House will consider estimates of the Department of Transport and Fisheries. Transport Minister Bridges has both been advised to answer numerous questions of the Island Province.

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## U. S. Troopship Towed Into Port

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Dec. 10 — (CP Cable) — A light British escort ship towed the 7,191-ton troopship George W. McCrary into port Saturday in Bermuda. The 58 American troops aboard the crippled craft were being served a meal consisting of the last food on the vessel.

The United States War Shipping Administration vessel was in high seas when Capt. A.P. Covy said it was impossible for him to make any attempt to land the troops. The vessel was towed into port by the tugboat "The Fish Hawk" and will be repaired. One boiler being completely out of order and the other leaking badly.

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## Two Men On Life Raft Are Sighted

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 9 — (AP) — Two feebly waving men spotted today by an army rescue plane 200 miles off in the Atlantic from the Florida east coast, giving rise to the belief that they might be survivors of 27 missing naval aviators.

While the plane continued to search for the missing aviators, the United States destroyer tender Shenandoah, the Coast Guard cutter Patterson and the baby flat-top U.S.S. Solomons were racing to the area.

The men on the raft, sighted at 12:30 p.m., were believed to be two of the missing aviators who have been the object of a vast four-day hunt since five navy torpedo bombers and a big Martin bomber rescue plane disappeared off the Florida coast. All of the planes were from the naval air station at Ford Lauderdale, Fla.

## Canadian Mayors Guests In New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 — (CP) — Canadian mayors and other representatives of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities were guests of honor of the United States Conference of Mayors tonight in an informal reception in a mid-town (Astor) hotel.

The Canadians are here to attend the 11th annual meeting of the Conference. They were greeted by Paul V. Bettens, executive director of the Conference, in the absence of Mayor Jay Guardia president of the Conference.

The annual conference will open here Monday for a three-day period. Representatives of 200 municipalities 100 of whom have already arrived in New York, are expected to attend.

Canadian guests present at the reception included Mayor J. Forbes, Mayor of Fredericton, N.B.; P. H. Bolvan, Mayor of Granby, Que.; A. M. Butler, Mayor of Halifax; W. Genest, Mayor of Sherbrooke.

Other members of the official Canadian delegation will include James D. McKenna, Mayor of Saint John, N.B.