

SMILES

GABBIE CERTIE



"People are occasionally arrested for bearing arms but luckily there's no law against bearing legs."

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO SEE THEM?

With what joy that coach would cackle. Who had Hercules at tackle next to Atlas, playing center, and Goliath, playing guard. It would be like drinking nectar to see fullbacks such as Hector take the signals from Ulysses when we needed but a yard.



"Has your wife's card club started to yet?" "I guess so. She told me a lot of surprising things about two of our neighbors last evening."



Centepede: Wish I had only two feet then I could afford to buy a pair of skates, too.



Detective O'Brien often folks to know how that he was in the min highest up in the police department.

In Difficulties Through Economic Depression

Rev. William McPhee, son of Captain Hugh McPhee, Georgetown, and brother of Mr. H. F. McPhee, city, preached the sermon at the church of the Most Holy Redeemer yesterday morning. Father McPhee, who is a former student of St. Dunstons' University and a graduate of St. Augustine Seminary, Toronto, is a mission priest at Saddle Lake, 120 miles north east of Edmonton. The residents of that section which was formerly an Indian Reserve but which was opened for settlement in 1927, are immigrants from the British Isles. The people, although new to the country, are quickly adapting themselves to Canadian life.

On account of the economic depression, Father McPhee states, and the failure of the grain pools to find a market for wheat, those people are having a very unfortunate time. It costs 60 cents to produce a bushel of wheat while the highest price recently received for best grade wheat was 30 cents a bushel. Excellent crops are grown in the vicinity of Edmonton. Although mixed farming is being encouraged, it will never be followed as successfully in that locality as in Prince Edward Island, on account of climatic conditions such as early frosts. The light equipment which the farmers of the west use with the heavy nature of the soil are additional difficulties.

Capt. John Gillis

The death occurred at his home 192 King Street, at an early hour Saturday morning of Capt. John Gillis, an old and highly respected citizen at the ripe old age of 98 years. Had he lived until May 24th Capt. Gillis would have reached his 99th birthday.

Born in Scotland the deceased emigrated with his parents to this province when but seven years of age, the family coming out on the ship "Harrington," and landing in Charlottetown. They then went to Point Prim where the family located and where Capt. Gillis received his early education. Later on the family removed to Montague and about six years ago he with Mrs. Gillis removed to this city.

Capt. Gillis from early youth followed the sea and when quite a young man commanded a sailing ship which called at New York and the West Indies. Later he commanded his own ships. After spending many years on the high seas and although still in good health Capt. Gillis retired from the command of sailing ships and was for years Captain of the steamers plying on the East and West River routes where by his courteous and friendly disposition he made many friends who will hear with regret of his passing.

Capt. Gillis was one of the founders of Zion Presbyterian Church of which he was always a devout member and served for many years on the Board of Trustees. He was also a member of the first Board of the Prince Edward Island Hospital on which he served for a number of years.

About twenty years ago Capt. Gillis retired from active work and has lived quietly at his home in this city ever since.

He was a prominent member of the Caledonian Club and was always to be seen in the parades even up to a few years ago—in fact when he was 92 years of age. He was also an Honorary Member of the Orange Society.

Kindly and charitable to a fault, Capt. Gillis was well known to the poor of his church and the city in general and this class will miss him greatly. Those deeds were done in a spirit of charity which he never wished made public.

Capt. Gillis' wife predeceased him about eighteen years ago and for the past six years he has been taken care of by his niece, Mrs. Forde Young, who also cared for him during his failing health and was at his bedside when he passed away.

One sister, Mrs. Donald McLean, Brooklyn, Lot 16, now 95 years of age, survives.

His only child died in infancy and after the loss of this child he adopted Bertha J. Kennedy of Shediac, now Mrs. S. C. Moore. Another adopted daughter, Margaret M. Swain, now Mrs. Weaver, resides in the United States.

The remains will be transferred to Zion Church today, Monday, from where the funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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A Great Adventure in Co-operative Industry

The development of the Prince Edward Island Potato Growers' Association makes fascinating reading. From a modest beginning ten years ago the Association's activities have expanded until today its reputation as a co-operative organization is second to none in America.

By J. W. BOULTER Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Secretary of the Prince Edward Island Potato Growers' Association in The Golden Future

The development of the greatest co-operative industry, possibly, in the Maritimes, dates from the summer of 1920, when a small number of men gathered at the Board of Trade rooms, Charlottetown, to consider some means of improving the potato industry in Prince Edward Island. This group of interested farmers did not have anything very definite in mind. They felt that if some organization was at work, the farmers could be educated to grow other varieties than the Dakota Red, and Chenausos or Blues, which were the common varieties grown at that time.

Consequently, the Prince Edward Island Potato Growers' Association was organized with the objects to improve the potato industry, standardize the grades, assist in marketing, eradicate and control fungus and insect diseases, encourage proper cultural practices, give special attention to seed improvement, and other worthy objects.

What this little Province of Prince Edward Island owes to the foresight of these men can never be estimated. It is a far cry from the potato industry of 1920 to that of 1930.

Early Activities

Gradually, the objects of the Association became realized. The Association began its work immediately. Members were first secured by offering cash prizes to those who would produce the greatest yield per acre of marketable potatoes of the white variety. The money to pay these prizes was generously donated by the merchants throughout the Province.

Simultaneously, growers from Long Island, New York, began to visit the Province, attracted here by the very fine results from demonstrations carried on in their own State, through the efforts of Paul Murphy, Plant Pathologist, Charlottetown. So satisfied were the visitors with the appearance of our few acres of Green Mountains, which were grown at that time, that it was not difficult to make a sale at very fancy prices of all the seed available; and at the first annual meeting, held on January 27, 1921, the statement submitted by the Secretary showed a small balance of \$62.35. But so encouraged were the members, that it was resolved to incorporate the Association. This was done by Act during the following session of the Legislature.

Increasing Development

The very high prices received for seed gave an impetus to the industry, and more and more farmers became interested in the growing of potatoes that would certify for seed. With the success which attended the growth of the Association, was the very close co-operation of the Federal Division of Botany, through their Branch in Charlottetown. The principal factor in this connection was the service performed by Mr. S. G. Peppin, who has continued since before the organization of the P. E. I. Potato Growers' Association, as Chief Inspector for Seed Certification. Mr. Peppin and the Secretary of the Association have held hundreds of meetings throughout the Province, and through these meetings the farmers learned many things helpful to them in matters of disease, marketing, grading, spraying, fertilizing, seed treatment and other phases of the work.

As the acreage increased, it was necessary to look for larger markets, and from the small seed marketing centre of Long Island in 1920 and 1921, the Association has gradually expanded, until today its scope includes the entire eastern coast of the United States, ports in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as Cuba, and other centres.

The Years Between

From a small beginning the volume of business increased. From the crop of 1921 the Association did a total business of \$78,024.00. From the crop of 1922, or for the year ending in the spring of 1923, the total

volume of business amounted to \$222,193.00. This was not a very profitable year for growers of potatoes, as the highest price received for seed was 70c a bushel, while tablestock sold very low. The total bushels handled in the year was 203,613.

In the spring of 1923 the Association decided to handle for its members fertilizer, spray materials and insecticides. This was a very profitable move, and resulted in reducing the price to the farmers, and encouraged the use of chemical fertilizers. That spring 1600 tons of fertilizer, 12 tons arsenate of lime and 48 tons copper sulphate were handled.

It is not necessary to state here the yearly turnover of the Association, more than to say that it had its ups and downs, particularly in the fall of 1925, when it was under obligation to supply certified seed at prices which, at the time sale was made, were looked upon as good, but which, due to the extremely high price reached by tablestock, proved almost disastrous. Nevertheless, ninety percent of the members remained loyal to the Association, and supplied their seed at a loss. This was a wonderful evidence of the true spirit of co-operative marketing. These men realized that the Association had done something in the interests of the people of the Province, and they would not sacrifice it for the sake of making a few extra dollars from the crop of that year. They felt there was a future, and in this they were justified.

Better regulations were made by the Association, and since that time the volume of business has increased, until from the financial statement given in June, 1928, we find the Association with a total turnover of \$2,113,346.00. They handled for their members 1,367,500 bushels of potatoes, 28,304 tons of fertilizer, insecticides to the value of \$85,000.00, and sacks to the value of \$120,000.00.

The financial statement of 1929 gave a larger quantity of potatoes handled, but the value of the turnover was very much less, because of the exceptionally low prices prevailing for the crop of that year.

From the 1929 crop, however, the Association expects to reach its maximum turnover. It has already handled practically a million and a half bushels of potatoes, at prices very favourable to the producers, and estimates a turnover for the year of at least two and a half million dollars.

Hence, in a decade, from a start at zero, there has been built up a co-operative organization, without any capital stock, non-profit making, which today has a membership of over three thousand, and controls a business that has probably the largest turnover in value in the Province.

One of the chief features in the development of both the seed and tablestock market for potatoes, has been rigid adherence to grade. It was only by giving the purchaser something better than he could get elsewhere, that we were able to expand our markets, to take care of our increased production. This was more difficult in the tablestock market than with seed; but with compulsory inspection in effect for all potatoes shipped from the Province and with

the assistance of the Fruit Branch at Ottawa in making the regulations to conform to the requirements of the trade, we are able today to place on the market a potato that is second to none in quality to potatoes grown in any country in North America.

Farmers, by following the modern methods of production, have increased their yield, so that today it is common to have a crop of from 300 to 400 bushels to the acre, which, when properly graded, will give an outturn of seventy per cent. No. Ones. Our people have learned that it is not the quantity they place on the market which brings them the best returns for the crop, but the quality, and that it is better to cull carefully, keeping the undesirable potatoes at home, as feed for live stock, than to attempt to mix them with the high stock, leaving a dissatisfied customer, and no guarantee for a repeat order. QUALITY is our slogan.

Central Guardian

SKATING TONIGHT. SPECIAL WALTZ PROGRAM. 1599-11

SERIOUS ACCIDENT—The Antigonish Casket says: Reuben Hayden, a native of St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I., who is employed lumbering by Bragg Bros., at Ohio, was brought to St. Martha's Hospital Saturday, with two legs badly bruised. While Hayden was piling timber a log fell across his right instep, at the same time glancing against his left shin.

FORMER RESIDENT — Arthur Wightman, who came from Montreal to spend the holidays with his father, Reverend F. A. Wightman, and his sister, Mrs. Murray Kierstead, underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital for removal of tonsils and is doing as well as can be expected.—Fredericton Gleaner (Mr. Wightman was formerly stationed in Prince Edward Island.)

THERE PASSED AWAY at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. MacLure, on Thursday evening Jan. 8th, Anna Margaret MacLure, the only daughter, aged seven years and six months. Little Anna was a very sweet child, and passed after a brief illness. The funeral was held from the Christian Church on Saturday afternoon. Six brothers of the father were the pallbearers. The very numerous floral tributes and the full audience at the church bore eloquent testimony to the high respect and the sincere sympathy of the town and community toward the stricken family. A mixed quartette rendered suitable selections and Mr. Watterworth, the minister, was assisted by Mr. Gibson of the Presbyterian Church and Mr. Sterling of the United Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Nash and Emmy Lou left Saturday morning on return to Berwick after spending the Christmas holidays here.

Y BOWLING TONIGHT

CITY LEAGUE

7 p. m.—Y vs. Rovers. 8:30—Printers vs. C. N. R.

REBEKAH LEAGUE

7:00—Forgetmenots vs. Sunflowers. 8:30—Duffers vs. Kloras.

BIRTHS

KING—At the P. E. I. Hospital on Jan. 16, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. King, a daughter.

FURNESS—At Vernon Bridge on January 14, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Furness, a daughter.

MACNEILL—At Long Creek, January 9th, to Mr. G. Malcolm and Mrs. MacNeill (nee Jean MacArthur), a son. Congratulations.

DEATHS

MCGOUGAN—At his home in Summerside, Jan. 17, 1931, William Keir MacGougan, aged 65. Funeral Wednesday, 2 p. m., at Presbyterian Church. Remains will be placed in the church at noon that day.

PILLMAN—At his home in Travellers Rest, Jan. 17, 1931, William J. Pillman, aged 31. Funeral Tuesday, 1 p. m., from New Annan to St. John's Cemetery, St. Eleanor's.

GILLIS—At 192 King Street, Saturday, Jan. 17, 1931, Capt. John Gillis in his 99th year. Funeral from Zion Church, Monday, January 19th, service starting at 2 o'clock. Interment People's Cemetery.

MULLALLY—At the City Hospital on January 17, 1930, Mrs. P. J. Mullally aged 56 years. The remains were forwarded by train from Mr. Hennessey's Funeral Parlors to her home in Souris West from where the funeral will be held Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock to St. Alexis Church, Rollo Bay.



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SKATING ON RIVER—A fine sheet of smooth ice on the harbor off the Victoria Park Roadway provided skating for a host of young people over the week end. A dozen hockey games were in progress at once. The ice was very smooth and is approximately seven inches thick. A number of teams have crossed from Rocky Point and York Point to Charlottetown.

Aftermath Of Manufacturers' Finance Crash

TORONTO, Jan. 17—More than \$1,000,000, it is said, is involved in the trial of four actions which started here today, arising out of the crash of the Manufacturers' Finance Corporation in 1928. Chief Justice Rose is hearing the case in non-jury Assizes.

The defendants are four insurance companies, Northern Assurance Company Limited, Sun Insurance Office, Canada Accident and Fire Assurance Company Limited and the London and Provincial Marine and General Insurance Company Limited.

The various plaintiffs are suing for moneys on policies issued by the Insurance Companies on notes held by the Manufacturers' Finance Corporation. The defendants allege there was misrepresentation and concealment on the part of the corporation, and counterclaim cancellation of the policies.

The Manufacturers' Finance Corporation was started in 1923 dealing in various mercantile paper, financing notes on pianos, radios and automobiles. Large amounts of stock and bonds were in the hands of the United States holders mainly in the middle west.

The last financial statement of the corporation issued Jan. 31, 1928, claimed total assets of \$3,756,693. Liabilities shown to the shareholders were capital stock of \$3,000,000, of which there was paid up and issued \$1,702,410 and partly paid up and unissued \$134,150. At the time of the crash criminal charges were brought against the secretary-treasurer, but he died before being brought up to trial.

Y. M. A. C. SERVICE OF SONG

This service of song for students and young people was held in St. James Church last evening at the close of the regular Sunday evening service, with an attendance of about 300.

The Rev. Henry Cousins of La Chute Quebec, now supplying at Zion Church, was the speaker for the occasion. Following up his address to the young people, last Sunday on "What Do You Think of Religion?" he took as his topic "What Do You Think of Jesus?" in which he pictured Christ both as a man and as The Divine Son of God. The speaker gave his personal opinion of Jesus; his admiration for the Loyalty, the Physical and Moral Courage and most all the love of Christ caused him to love and respect the Divinity of the Saviour. He urged all young people to seek the truth about religion as they do of the other things of the world, and Christianity "The Hope of the World" would stand all the tests to which it is put.

During the service a pleasing duet was rendered by Mrs. Lawson and Mr. Gallagher, and also a solo by Miss Margaret Wood. The service was assisted by the Rev. Moorhead Legate, who led in prayer, and by Walter Mutch, who read the scripture. The choir of St. James Church directed by Mrs. K. S. Rogers was in attendance and assisted in the singing. Secretary R. A. Pendleton of the Y. M. C. A. was chairman for the meeting.

The next service will be held in the Baptist Church, at the usual time, the speaker being the Rev. A. C. Vincent.

Dizzy Headaches and Fainting Spells

Mrs. Lloyd Babcock, Hartington, Ont., writes:—"Some time ago I was all run down in health. I had dizzy headaches, and suffered a great deal with fainting spells. I was advised to try Burdock Blood Bitters and after taking two bottles I felt like a new person. "My husband was troubled with indigestion, after meals, and could get nothing to do him any good until he took B.B.B."

Western Guardian

POLICE COURT—In the Summerside Police Court a drunk and incapable had his bail of \$10 estreated when he did not appear on Friday morning.—S.

ABBIES VS CRYSTALS—The sixth game of the Island league will be played in the Crystal rink, Summerside, Tuesday, January 20th. Game starts at 8.30. 1599-1-19-21

SUMMERSIDE SCHOOL BOARD — It will be gratifying to the citizens of Summerside to learn that the School Board of the High School have had a good year and although several improvements have been made at the school they will have a small balance on the right side of the ledger this year. During the Christmas vacation some of the class rooms were kalsomined and new desks put in some of the rooms. More up to date blackboards have been installed which eliminates eye strain on the part of the pupils.—S.

PRINCE COUNTY HOSPITAL HAS NEW ELEVATOR—The Prince County Hospital has its new elevator in thorough working order now. Work on its installation has been going on for some time and now every thing is complete. Doctors, hospital staff and patients find it a great boon. The ease with which patients can be taken from and to the different floors and the amount of time saved more than justify the expense of installation.—S.

DEATH OF MRS. MARGARET YEO—The death occurred at the home of her daughter, last Friday afternoon of Mrs. Margaret Yeo, Mrs. Birch of Wellington, she was the widow of the late Frederick Yeo. Mrs. Yeo was 73 years of age and was twice married, her former husband's name was Stewart, of Lot 16. The deceased was very highly esteemed by her many friends and acquaintances and much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved. The funeral took place on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment took place at Tyne Valley Cemetery beside the remains of her late husband.—S.

SUMMERSIDE MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB—Members of the Summerside Miniature Rifle Club are making some high scores in their practice this year. The club has enlarged its membership and much enthusiasm is being shown among the boys. In Thursday nights practice some very high scores were made among them were Dr. MacDonald, 99, Clifford Rogers, 98, Lowell Hancock, 98. Dr. Leard also made some high scores. On Saturday the boys from Linkletter Road came in for practice and gave a good account of themselves. It is expected the best shots will go to Charlottetown next Friday's hockey special for a friendly shoot with the Charlottetown team and Saturday of last week and attended a directors meeting of the Canadian National Fox Breeders Association, of which he is the president.—S.

Mr. Wallace E. Darby, B. A., L. L. B. son of Mr. H. A. Darby, M. A., of Abrams Village, who was recently admitted to the Prince Edward Island Bar has opened an office in the Dalton Block, Summerside. Mr. Darby after a brilliant career at Prince of Wales College and Dalhousie University, where he graduated with honors in Arts and Law, was associated in the practice of law with Messrs. Cobert, Pearson and Rutledge of Halifax, N. S. Island friends wish Mr. Darby every success in his native province.—S.

PERSONALS —Friends will regret to learn of the very serious illness of M. W. B. Hayes of Bideford.—S.

It is pleasing to report that Dr. Stewart of Tyne Valley is improving.—S.

Mr. J. E. Robinson, Secretary treasurer of the Ross Hiller Fox Biscuit Co. of Napanee, Ont., and Mrs. Robinson, are visiting in Summerside for a few days before leaving for Bermuda.—A.

Mr. Sterling Williams of R. T. Holman's, Ltd., spent the week end at his home in Cavendish.—S.

Mr. G. Sidon Shapton, M. I. A., was a visitor to Summerside on Friday.

Acadia Ice Stars Win Valley Game

KENTVILLE, Jan. 17.—The Kentville Commercialists in their opening tilt with the Acadia University hockey team in the Valley League tonight went down to a 3 to 2 defeat. Taking the short edge on the three sessions the Commercialists failed to show a winning stride in the face of Howie Ryan and MacMillan, stars for the visiting team. Grant, in the Kentville goal, made some excellent stops, with Patterson and Ferrier starting on the line. Credit for the low scores recorded is due to Charlie Cohen, Acadia goalie, who jumped from one side of the cage to the other to stop the majority of the Commercialists' chances to score. Ferrier from VanBlaarcom in the first period made the Commercialists' lead, which was short lived, in the second, when Lawrence from Ryan connected to be followed by Howie Ryan's solo rush from his own cage to centre ice, where he let drive a liner that clipped in fast.

Acadia Goal—Cohen; defense, Anderson, Cain; forwards, Allan "Toby" MacMillan, Gamman, MacDonald, Bartheaux, Ryan, and Lawrence.

Commercialists Goal, Grant; defense, Patterson, Thompson; centre, Ferrier; forwards, VanBlaarcom, Burns, Wade, Barkhouse.

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