

THE GUARDIAN

Authorized as Second Class Mail Post Office Department, Ottawa. The Island Guardian Publishing Co. CIRCULATION Total City Zone 3,765 Retail Trading Zone 8,457 All Others 826 Total Net Sale 13,048 Editor and Managing Director, J. M. Burnett Associate Editor, Frank Walker. "The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink" CHARLOTTETOWN WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3, 1951

EDITORIAL NOTES

Charlottetown may well be proud of Mr. Joey McDonald's new entertainment centre, which he has erected out of the ashes of the old Sporting Club.

The Town of Summerside wants house-to-house delivery of mail, and if past success in getting what it wants is any criterion, postmen will soon be making their rounds.

Amidst all the uncertainties of crops and markets one thing stands out. Food supplies will be one of the most vital factors in the history of the next decade, and the farmer is the most vital factor in food production.

The Chinese Communists seem to have profited by the gratuitous advice given out by General MacArthur's headquarters to the effect that concentrated assaults are far more effective than general pressure on all points at once.

Major F. F. May, now of Duncan, B.C., writes: "What is all this fuss over a new Museum in P. E. I.? Do you want me to return to assist in managing it?" If he comes back he certainly would not allow the grass to grow under his feet till the Museum was an accomplished fact.

As we did not fulfill our contract to supply Britain with bacon at 29c plus subsidy of 4 3-4 cents per lb., we are not going to get any contract direct for the current year, although the Government indicates that it will purchase all it can get at 32 1-2 cents, so that may be considered the floor price.

The ten-day London conference of Commonwealth prime ministers will probably not produce any earth-shaking decisions but is part of the continuing association by which each keeps the others informed of its own changing viewpoint, and common decisions and action become possible.

George Monckton, 1st Duke of Albemarle, English soldier and sailor, died this date 1670. He saw much foreign service prior to the Civil War; was for some years in Dutch army; was Royalist in the early stages of the Civil War, but after capture by Fairfax and imprisonment from 1644-6, accepted the Parliamentary Command in Ireland; he distinguished himself as Lieutenant-General under Cromwell at Dunbar in 1650, and as Admiral against the Dutch in 1653. He was instrumental in bringing about the Restoration of Charles II in 1660 who created him Duke of Albemarle. Six years later as Admiral of the Fleet, he defeated the Dutch.

Most foolish is the stream of comment that war with China would involve committing U. N. forces to the Asiatic theatre on such a scale that this would make the defence of Europe impossible. It would be extremely unwise to engage in large scale land war with China, except to the extent of trying to hold some of Indo-China, Burma, and Malaya, and possibly the Southern portion of India. In the present state of comparative military preparations, the Korean lesson seems to indicate that the free nations should try to hold those areas on a purely defensive basis, while speeding up the preparation of the forces that will be necessary to enable them to hold some of Western Europe on the same basis. So great are the requirements in the latter direction, that the maintenance of even a million troops operating defensively in South-East Asia would represent but a small diversion of the needed total force.

Egg prices on December 28 this year and previous years. The prices quoted below are for Grade A Large. At Montreal and Toronto the prices are those at which graded shipments are selling to wholesalers. At other points quotations are prices to shippers for ungraded eggs.

Table with columns for City (Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, Charlottetown), Price (1950, 1949, 1948), and Weight of Live and Dressed Poultry at Registered Stations week ending Dec. 16, Dec. 9, Dec. 2.

Top Of The List Resolution



PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

MAKING THE PACIFIC SAFE FOR DEMOCRACY

Sir,—Today, the diplomacy of international relations must be studied with a map of the world in front of us. If democracy is to survive as a world system the Pacific must be made as safe for democracy as the Atlantic. That is why Douglas MacArthur flew to Formosa the other day and kissed the hand of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek. It was a gesture that indicated that there was a place for China in the comity of democratic states. To make the world's commercial highways safe the Pacific seaboard must be paved with good intentions and fortified with modern equipment, and the road from Singapore to the Aleutians must be patrolled and kept in serviceable condition day and night, summer and winter, against international brigands no matter what ideology they profess.

Watching the countless millions of Chinese pouring down over the hills and through the valleys of our eastern domains against the harmless and helpless Koreans as seeing the yellow peril in action. There was a time when we built walls thousands of miles long to prevent such vandalism, but to Douglas MacArthur must fight with his hands tied behind his back. Weapons designed to guarantee respect for law and order in the West must not be used in the East. If the United Nations flew from Lake Success, New York, and took up residence at Lake Geneva, Switzerland, they might become a League and act with greater foresight and precision. The Koreans are not so fantastic if so many human lives were not involved. The spectacle of Chinese Communists driving United Nations democrats into the sea would be pitiable if it were not preventable. But it is preventable. Chiang Kai-Shek is the answer to our dilemma in Korea. Chiang is a democrat and he fought the Communist war-lords in China for ten years. He was fighting the Communists and beating them while we in Canada and the United States were fraternizing with Communists and in some instances giving them access to our state secrets.

Chiang Kai-Shek has a million nationalists to throw into the battle for civilization and Formosa is his headquarters. Formosa may well become the Gibraltar of the Pacific. If the acquisition of Chiang Kai-Shek means no imposition upon the war-lords Japan might be willing to take a hand. It is the presence of Douglas MacArthur standing guard over the Japanese that makes the Chinese Communists so sure of themselves, and so deaf to reason.

A treaty of mutual support between Japan and the democracies should have top priority in Pacific negotiations. There is no power in the Pacific that could deal with Communism in the East quicker and more effectively than the Japanese and they would be campaigning on familiar ground. There is not much fear of Japan repeating her mistakes of 1940-1945. The democracies seem to be planning their Korean campaign with their eye on Russia, overlooking the fact that a successful termination of that campaign will leave them stronger to handle subsequent events. A strong, fearless Pacific policy will make it easier to handle Communism when it becomes a threat in India for instance, for India is a country that might deteriorate rapidly under the allurements and blandishments of Communist propaganda. India just recently turned her back on the one country that could guarantee her protection against revolution.

It is a providential arrangement that this misunderstanding in Korea fell upon the world before India and China and those teaming millions in the Pacific became armed with modern weapons of extermination. Providence seems to plan his global strategy with a map of the world in front of him. The closer we come to collective bargaining or communism in the Pacific the easier it will be to work out mutually agreeable commercial arrangements between Europe and Asia and the rest of the civilized world in the 20th Century. Russia is not anxious for a show down in the Pacific for Russia is not a sea power unless

Old Charlottetown

From the advertising columns of The Islander, April 3, 1868: The Charlottetown Dramatic Club, through its secretary, W. C. Grant, announces a "grand, dramatic and musical entertainment, for the benefit of the poor, to be held at St. Andrew's Hall on Easter Monday and Tuesday; tickets 1s. 6d., to be had at the stores of Hon. P. Walker, W. R. Watson, James Reddin, Owen Connolly, N. Large and Edward Kelly, Esqs. "This Musical Melange," it is predicted, will eclipse anything as yet attempted in Charlottetown. Both evenings will be devoted to Comedy of the most side-splitting nature. The musical part of the entertainment will be performed by Messrs. Earle and Vinicombe, who have kindly volunteered their services on this occasion." Messrs. Thomas Dawson, Richard Hearst and Thomas Alley, trustees of the estate of William B. Dawson, announce the sale by public auction of the City Tannery, comprising Lot 21 and parts of Lots 22 and 27 in the Third Hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown, having a frontage on Grafton Street of 114 feet 9 inches, with premises comprising tannery, sale room, office, engine house, boiler shed, currying house, hide and salt house, and bark sheds, with valuable machinery and apparatus, including steam engine and boilers; also a piece of land adjoining the City Tannery property on the east, fronting 49 ft. 6 in. on Grafton Street, containing a large two-story dwelling, and another property, almost directly opposite the Tannery, having a front of 42 feet on Grafton Street. H. Hazard announces the sale of "that commodious and elegant house, known as the Pavilion Hotel, situated on the corner of Great George and Dorchester Streets." Wm. Dodd, auctioneer, offers for sale a valuable property on Sydney Street, presently occupied by Mr. William Barnstead. The property is advertised as being "situated in one of the most central places of business in the city, within a few yards of Queen Street, well adapted for carrying on any mercantile or mechanical business, and comprising a large 2-story building, divided into a store and dwelling house, with stable, bakery and out-houses in the rear." Edward Henry advertises for sale

THE AGE-OLD STORY

Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms... And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins they shall be forgiven him.

LONDON (CP)—A report from Singapore says the last census there did not account for "paper-house-makers, still walkers, snake-charmers, reptile catchers, egg hatcher or fancy-fish breeders."

COMPLETE INSURANCE SERVICE

W.K. Rogers Agencies Limited GENERAL INSURANCE AGENTS CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I. Phone 5-106-41 181 QUEEN ST. AGENTS THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE Any of our Customers wishing Calendars, please call at our Office, or write.

E. R. Brow & Son Fire, Auto, Life, Accident, Sickness And Plate Glass Insurance At Lowest Rates Agent at Summerside, D. O. Stewart 144 Richmond St. Charlottetown

Notes By The Way

The majority of Acadia University students don't care what goes on outside college. We might even narrow it down and say that they are rarely concerned with anything outside their own little social group in a large number of cases. They look on those who have adopted a broad interest and outlook toward both student and public affairs as a group of warped-minded intellectuals or "fudy-duddies". Is it unfair to conclude that the majority of Acadia students are self-centered or group-centered? — Acadia Athenaeum.

Years ago every small town had a group of people who could provide entertainment, vocal or instrumental, but now those who can sing a song or play an instrument can be counted on the fingers of one hand. Locally, we are without any incentive to promote the cultural arts. Our standard of entertainment is the movies, and young minds are influenced by the "Dead End Kids" or roarin' gun-fighting western dramas. Our church choirs are the only organizations which make any attempt to encourage the art of singing, and only a small percentage of the people go to church, so that singers, as well as clergymen, who spend time and mental effort in trying to bring home to people the benefits of spiritual things, receive scant encouragement. — MacLeod Gazette.

What percentage of a person's income can be spent for housing, with enough left over to take care of all the other necessities of life? Central Mortgage and Housing Corp. has made an income analysis of 15,000 borrowers under the National Housing Act and found that the average ratio of gross income to rent is 1.5 to 1.0. The Granville Mills, in New London, with 166 acres of land, comprising a grist mill, with three run of stones, an oat kiln, a saw mill, double geared, a shingle mill, "considered to be the best and fastest on the Island;" also a comfortable dwelling house, store, good stable, barn and other out-buildings.

William P. Lewis, auctioneer, announces the sale of a gristmill, sawmill and farm of over 100 acres on the Cardigan River, within two miles of Cardigan Bridge; the gristmill containing three run of stones with a kiln built of stone, the sawmill being capable of driving a gang of saws for ship plank, with great power and speed; "as good a stand for shipbuilders as there is on Cardigan River."

GOING TO CHURCH Here in a quiet, unpretentious spot Of the turbulent earth, stands in the dignity Of its peace, a country church. On Sunday morning Its doors stand open to each refugee From the problems of living. First to arrive are the old, Disillusioned and weary; after them stroll the young, Whose lives are still touched with wonder, who have less need Of the comfort of prayer, their lyrics still unsung. Their rainbow visions unfaded of what may be, In a world of confusion and increasing fear, Of men divided by aspirations, creeds, The bells of this little church ring loud and clear. Despite the crosses standing on the hill, It promises the trials of life shall be brief, It promises fulfillment of man's Asking only humbly, only a steadfast belief. —Helene Mullins.

J. P. MacPherson & Son Men's Clothing That Fits SUITS - TOPCOATS - OVERCOATS 157 QUEEN ST.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

Professional cards for A. Walthen Gaudet, J. S. Taylor, Joseph R. MacMillan, John P. Nicholson, MacPhee & Trainor, Dr. A. L. MacIsaac, Frederic A. Large, K. C., Dr. W. R. Carson, J. A. McGuigan, J. A. Carruthers, R. O., E. R. Doane & Co., and others.