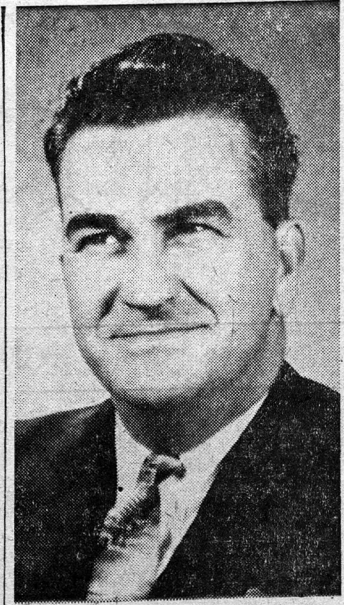


WEATHER

Table with weather forecasts for Toronto and other locations, including temperature ranges and conditions like 'Cloudy' or 'Snowflurries'.

are expected in most localities today as colder and drier air moves into the district. Forecasts: Northern Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island: Cloudy. Showers changing in the afternoon to snowflurries; cold with southwest winds 15. Low-high at New Glasgow 40 and 45, Charlottetown 30 and 35. Eastern N.B. counties, Lower St. John River valley: Cloudy with snowflurries; colder; west winds 20. Early morning and mid afternoon temperatures at Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John 35 and 30. Upper St. John River valley, Bay of Chaleur: Cloudy with snowflurries; colder; west winds 20. Low-high at Edmundston and Campbellton 22 and 25. High tide today at Charlottetown at 8.14 a.m. and 7.15 p.m. At Rustico at 2.04 a.m. and 2.52 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.



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U. S. Airlines Had Good Year

WASHINGTON (AP)—Although 67 persons were killed in scheduled airline accidents in 1957, the Civil Aeronautics Board says the industry ended the year "with a safety rate practically unparalleled in modern transportation history." The fatality rate was 0.2 per 100,000,000 passenger miles flown, the board said, compared with 0.5 in 1956, which recorded 143 deaths. By comparison highway travel had a fatality rate estimated at nearly six per 100,000,000 passenger miles. A passenger mile is one person travelling one mile.

Indian Woman Says She's 119

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—If Mrs. Ardie Nixon's memory is correct she was born three years after the battle of the Alamo and was 119 years old Wednesday. Mrs. Nixon, a Choctaw Indian and Puerto Rican ancestry, said she was born Jan. 1, 1839 in Hawaii. She said her mother lived to be 119 and her father died in 1940 at 125. Mrs. Nixon still can thread a needle without glasses and jump rope. Her grandniece, Mrs. Carmen Navarro, said Mrs. Nixon also plays ball with the children and likes to fish.

Joint Project To Build New Jet Airliner

LONDON (Reuters)—Two large British aircraft firms—the Hawker Siddeley Group and the Bristol Aeroplane Company—Wednesday night announced details of a joint project to build a jet airliner British European Airways. The new company formed for the task will have as chief engineer Dr. A. E. Russell, designer of the Bristol Britannia turbo-prop airliner. The managing director of the company — to be called the Hawker Siddeley - Bristol Company — will be Sir Arnold Hall, director of Hawker Siddeley. A joint statement said work on the new plane would enable the plane "to be offered in world markets at dates, times and prices which will be internationally competitive." BEA asked in 1956 for a medium-range jetliner for service in 1963 and 1964. The aircraft was to have a cruising speed of about 600 miles an hour, accommodate 80 to 100 passengers, and have a range of about 1,500 miles.

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New Year's Levee Is Held On HMCS Queen Charlotte

Commander J. N. Kenny, Officer Commanding H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte held a levee aboard ship yesterday afternoon at 1300 hours. Assisting Commander Kenny in receiving the guests was his First Lieutenant, Norman Black. The Levee was attended by Naval officers and senior officers of other armed services and a number of other specially invited guests.

Watch-Night Service Held In Ch'town Baptist Church

For many members of the congregation of the Charlottetown Baptist Church the passing of the old year and the beginning of the new year was an occasion of thankful reflection and thoughtful worship. The New Year's Eve Watch-Night Service was directed by the pastor of the church, Rev. H. L. Mitton, assisted by several members of the congregation. Prayers of thanksgiving for the year that is gone were offered by S. H. Burhoe, Mrs. H. L. Mitton, and Ira Lewis. Words of witness were spoken by Mrs. Robert Brown, Mrs. T. G. Ives, Leonard and Leo Greenan of Brae and one daughter, Mrs. James Smith of Lot 11; also two brothers, Peter Greenan of Charlottetown and John Greenan of Bangor, Maine and two sisters, Mrs. Fred Moran of Charlottetown and Mrs. Georgina Constantine of Bangor, Maine. His wife and one son predeceased him several years ago.

Mr. W. Greenan Dies At Brae

William Greenan, 87, passed away at Brae Lot 9, on January 1. He is survived by two sons, Leonard and Leo Greenan of Brae and one daughter, Mrs. James Smith of Lot 11; also two brothers, Peter Greenan of Charlottetown and John Greenan of Bangor, Maine and two sisters, Mrs. Fred Moran of Charlottetown and Mrs. Georgina Constantine of Bangor, Maine. His wife and one son predeceased him several years ago.

Urges Farmers In Nova Scotia To Hike Output

TRURO (CP)—Agriculture Minister E. D. Halliburton said Wednesday farmers in the province have to increase production and specialize in certain phases if they are going to compete successfully against imported produce. He told delegates to the annual convention of the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture that in this province the average farmer works 28 acres, compared with 62 in Ontario. "To hold our own against our competitors we must match their productivity or surrender our markets to them," he said. Local farmers are protected somewhat by freight rates, he said, but if those outside farmers "half their cost by doubling their productivity, our advantages are lost." He said mechanization is necessary for increased production, "but perhaps the most important of all the trends is specialization. Across the country today the successful farmers are specialists." Specialization ties in with marketing "and marketing will always be a haphazard business."

\$75,000 Fire In Saint John

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—Fire Chief H. S. Knight estimated the loss at \$75,000 after flames swept through an old, four-storey office and warehouse building at a corner of Union and Mill streets late New Year's Eve and early Wednesday. Two firemen suffered slight injuries. The building was owned and occupied by A-1 Appliances and Service Ltd. Its roof caved in but the brick walls remaining standing. Firewalls of adjoining structures helped prevent the fire from spreading in the business district of central Saint John. About 80 washing machines were destroyed on the top floor. All company records were believed lost in the second floor office. The loss included television sets, radios and other appliances on the ground floor. A fire in the same building last August caused heavy damage.

Traffic Death Toll Mounts In United States

CHICAGO (AP)—The new year traffic death toll mounted Wednesday at a pace that exceeded the rate expected by the National Safety Council. "It's certainly heavier than our estimate," an NSC spokesman stated at nightfall. The total at 6 p.m. AST was 94. The council had figured that 130 Americans would die in motor vehicle accidents in the period between 6 p.m. Tuesday and

Says Warm December Here But It Did Not Set Record

Last month was one of the warmest Decembers in many years but it did not set a record, Warren A. Burns, official weather observer at the Experimental Farm, told this paper last night. Mean temperature for the month was 31.9 degrees. The warmest December on record was in 1950 when the average or mean temperature was 33 degrees. In 1923 the average temperature for December was 32.2 degrees. Records have been kept here for 48 years and during that time the average temperature for December was 25.3 degrees. Mr. Burns observed, however, that the temperature last month was more even than it has been in the record year of 1950. In that year it was very warm the first part of the month and very cool in the latter part. Last month there was a reading of 3 degrees one night and eight degrees on another occasion. But clear of that, the temperature was always over fifteen degrees.

Three Mothers Leave For China

NEW YORK (AP)—Three stout-hearted American mothers set out Wednesday for the interior of Red China for a two-week visit with their sons imprisoned by the Communists on spy charges. They boarded an airliner for Los Angeles with the hope that somehow they could win release of the young men, serving terms up to life. "I have no fear whatsoever," said Mrs. Mary V. Downey, a



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Killed On Road Near N. S. Home

HALIFAX (CP)—George Fraser, 39, of Milford Station, about 35 miles north of here, was killed Wednesday when his car left the highway on a sharp turn about 10 miles from his home.

East Germany Eases Stand On Visa Regulation

BERLIN (AP)—Deputy Foreign Minister Otto Winzer of Communist East Germany said Wednesday a new visa regulation of his government will not affect allied officials. In an interview with the official East German news agency, ADN, Winzer said the U.S. ambassador to West Germany, David K. Bruce, would have free access to West Berlin without a Red regime visa. Bruce is also the U.S. commissioner for Berlin. He now is in West Berlin and planning to return to West Germany by train Friday. His passage through East Germany on the way out of this enclave had been expected to test the Communist visa regulation. East Germany informed the American - British - French allies last Sunday that beginning Jan. 1 civilians, including diplomats, would have to possess East German visas to enter its territory. Russia, as the Second World War victor occupying East Germany, had issued the visas previously.

U. S. House To Probe Defences

WASHINGTON (AP)—A House hearing starting next week will cover all phases of United States defences, Rep. Vinson (Dem-Ga) said Wednesday. "We're going into everything, not only missiles — all weapons, organization, administration, roles and missions, appropriations, everything," he said. Vinson is chairman of the House armed services committee which opens hearings Jan. 10. It appeared likely the House group would cover at least part of the same ground already studied by the Senate preparedness subcommittee, which resumes on Jan. 6 a hearing which emphasized missile development. The House inquiry will be conducted behind closed doors but Vinson said daily summaries of the developments will be made public.

Local Y. M. C. A. Directors At Home Yesterday

The directors of the Y.M.C.A. were at home yesterday afternoon to the menfolk of Charlottetown and vicinity. The guests were greeted by Arthur Duvar, President of the Board; Dan Bell, past president; John Evans, general secretary; Lorne MacLellan and Jack Sutherland. The catering was in the capable hands of the Ladies Auxiliary under the direction of Mrs. S. D. Irvine, the auxiliary president. Pouring were Mrs. Arthur Duvar and Mrs. John Evans. Serving were Mrs. Rankine MacLaine, Mrs. William MacLean, Mrs. Walter Bearisto, Mrs. William Rix, Miss Ethel Sutherland, Mrs. Ernest Bell, Mrs. B. Frank Tinney, Mrs. William Davies, Mrs. Max Burgess, Mrs. Jack Large.

N. S. Amends Fishermen's Loan Rules

HALIFAX (CP)—Trade Minister E. A. Manson announced today that amendments have been made in the operation of the Nova Scotia Fishermen's Loan Board to make it easier for fishermen to buy boats. Under previous regulations, he said, a vessel costing \$35,000 required a down payment of \$7,000 from the fisherman. The board loaned \$18,200 and the federal subsidy of \$165 per ton came to about \$9,000. Under the amended regulations the down payment from fishermen will be \$6,300, the federal subsidy remains unchanged, and the board will lend \$19,000. Previously 75 per cent of the loan had to be repaid in five years with the remaining 25 per cent being repaid over another five year period. Under the new system 65 per cent will be repaid in five years and the remaining 35 per cent in the next six years. The interest rate of 4 1/2 per cent remains unchanged. The board was established 13 years ago by the government and has made about 700 loans.

Will Urge Changes In U. S. Defence

NEW YORK (AP)—President Eisenhower will be urged to make fundamental changes in the organization and philosophy of the defence department, the New York Times said Wednesday. The recommendations, The Times said in a Washington dispatch, is contained in the first of a series of "Rockefeller reports" to be published Monday. The story said the reports have been in preparation for 15 months. They attempt to foresee the major security, economic, political and social problems facing the United States in the next 15 years in the light of new Soviet challenges. The first report deals with U.S. international security objectives and strategy and recommends the appointment of a single military chief of staff to the president and the secretary of defence, over the joint chiefs of staff. The proposed chief of staff would be charged with seeing that unified advice on policy and execution of policy is achieved. Also recommended is increased expenditure of about \$4,000,000,000 on defence and related matters, including education, in the coming budget. The study was financed by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. It was proposed by Nelson A. Rockefeller, a former assistant to President Eisenhower.

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RECEPTION HELD AT BISHOP'S RESIDENCE

His Excellency Most Reverend Malcolm A. MacEachern, Bishop of Charlottetown, is seen here greeting a few of the many guests who attended his New Year's reception yesterday afternoon. His Excellency was assisted in receiving the guests by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Patrick McMahon, D.P., Rector of St. Dunstan's Basilica; Rev. Francis Corcoran and Rev. Preston Hamill. Shaking hands with Father Hamill in the picture is Preston Curley. Stewart Smith is shaking hands with Monsignor McMahon who is not visible in the picture. Vernon S. Munn is at the left of the picture where he is about to be greeted by His Excellency. Alongside Father Hamill, with his face partly hidden, is Father Corcoran. The guests were introduced to His Excellency by Very Reverend P. F. MacDonald, Chancellor of the Diocese.

\$410,180 Incurred In Fire Losses In City During 1957

The Department of Industry and Natural Resources, through the Office of the Provincial Fire Marshal, has released the following Fire Statistics for the year 1957. Fire losses in Charlottetown during 1957 amounted to approximately \$410,180. The largest fire loss in the City was sustained when the Central Farmers' Co-Operative Building on Queen Street burned, causing a loss to them of \$132,500. The adjoining Dry Goods firm of Moore and MacLeod Limited suffered a loss of \$50,000, approximately. On September 1st., the Odd Fellows' Hall Company Limited building on Richmond Street was destroyed by fire. The loss was approximately \$100,000. The Patriot Publishing Company, occupying the first floor of this building, sustained a very heavy loss, estimated at about \$40,500. Other large losses in the City were the Island Tire Service, Weymouth St., on January 28th, causing a loss to the proprietors Walter MacDonald and Howard MacLaughlan of about \$14,000, and to the owner of the building, Mr. Ivan A. Horne, a loss of \$20,000. Then on February 21st, an explosion in the gasoline tank of a car at Maurice Martin's Garage on Queen Street caused a property loss of \$15,285.00 to the garage, its contents and adjoining buildings. THROUGHOUT PROVINCE Fires outside the City, throughout the Province, amounted to approximately \$385,700 in property losses. On January 1st, the dwelling and store of Joseph Arthur Noonan, Tryon, was destroyed by fire, with a property loss of \$14,483. On January 19th, Leonard Willis, New Haven, lost his store, dwelling and warehouse by fire, with a loss of \$12,293. On February 22nd., Roy M. Young, Earncliffe, had the misfortune to lose by fire his large barn and all its contents, including cattle, horses, feed and machinery, with a loss of over \$10,000. On March 9th, the Montague Feed Service was destroyed by fire. The loss in this case was approximately \$12,500. On May 7th, The Baltic Starch Company, Souris, had their Starch Factory at East Baltic destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$26,200.00 to the building and equipment. On June 20th, the apartment building of the estate of the late John K. Curran burned. The loss was approximately \$35,000. to the buildings and furniture. OTHER MAJOR FIRES In addition to the above, the following major fires have been reported during 1957, with a property loss over \$10,000. Oct. 21, 1957—Willard Lank, North River, barn, feed mill and equipment. Loss \$11,850.00 Oct. 22, 1957—Walter MacCallum, Lower Bedouque, barns. Loss \$11,685.00 Dec 2, 1957—Hazelbrook Butter Factory. Loss approximately \$17,000. It is pleasing to report that there were no deaths from fire on the Island during this past year. The Provincial Fire Marshal earnestly solicits the continued interest and assistance of all persons in the promotion of Fire Prevention throughout the Province during the year 1958.

CITY AND CENTRAL

DR. J. K. L. IRWIN will return to practice Jan 13th, 1958. ADELLA'S MILLINERY Specials, \$1.00, \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.95, 177 Grafton Street. WE TREAT the sick well. Giggy's Pharmacy, open 8.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. VISIT HI-STYLE Millinery. Great George Street where every style is Hi-Style. ALL ACCOUNTS owing to Sherren's Meat Market must be paid by January 6, 1958, otherwise they will be handed in for collection. Roland Sherren, Prop. HARP RECITAL by Susan Haraszthy Notre Dame Auditorium February 1, 1958 Under Auspices of St. Dunstan's Basilica Sub-Division of the C. W. L. FUNERAL TUESDAY - The funeral of the late William Stewart was held Tuesday afternoon from The Cutcliffe Funeral Home Service was conducted by Rev. E.C. Evans, assisted by Rev. A.E. Piercey, members of St. John's Lodge No. 1, A.F. and A.M. attended in a body and their service was conducted by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master, R. E. Kemp. Pall bearers were Hammond Sanderson, Stewart MacKinnon, Archibald MacLeod, J.F. Townshend, Stillman Frizzell, Robert Curley. Interment was in Highfield Cemetery. BIRTHS MYERS—At the Charlottetown Hospital on Dec. 29, 1957, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myers (nee Margaret Lamphier) Covehead, a daughter, Weight 8 lbs. 13 ozs. SMITH—Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Smith (nee Audrey Reeves), announce the birth of a son, Frederick Graham on December 27th, 1957, at the Halifax Infirmary. Weight 8 lbs. 10 ozs. DEATHS BIRT - At East Millinocket, Maine, Tuesday, December 31, 1957, Arthur S. Birt, formerly of Pisiquid in her 75th year. Remains arrived last evening and were transferred to the MacLean Funeral Home where they will rest until tomorrow

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