

WOMEN

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Monacans Planning Large Celebration For Wedding

By GEORGE MEARTHUR
MONT CARLO (AP) — The principality of Monaco is a pocket watch country all set to go off like an alarm clock for Grace Kelly.

The happy local citizenry believes with some reason that Miss Kelly's marriage to Prince Rainier III is a big event as the discovery of the wheel—the roulette wheel. The celebrations they plan are all out of proportion to the size of Monaco, which, with only 367 rocky acres, is the world's smallest kingdom. But the Mediterranean land never acts the part.

While the street dancing, soccer playing and aerial acrobatics (such as a trapeze artist working without a net beneath a helicopter) lend a circus atmosphere to plans for the civil and church weddings April 18 and 19, "Monacans really take their country seriously."

When Prince Rainier assumed the throne in 1949 he made a stirring appeal for support of "the fatherland." The coronation set off Monaco's last big royal wedding and the population has been anxiously waiting ever since for the wedding party.

Europe's nobility has also accorded the ruling house of Grimaldi respect out of proportion to its estates. Through astute marriages, the ruler of Monaco is entitled to 24 titles. On her marriage, Miss Kelly becomes four times a duchess, eight times a countess, and, of course, a princess.

SPECTACULAR ENTRANCE
Rainier's 120 room movie-set palace sits some 200 feet up on a rock that made a fine fortress for centuries. The first Grimaldi made a spectacular entrance. Disguised as a monk, he got in by asking hospitality for the night. Beneath his robe he carried a sword. He subsequently set off a disturbance, enabling his followers to come in and take over the fort.

That was in 1297, and the feat is recorded to this day by two sword-wielding monks in the royal crest.

Although he is an absolute monarch, Rainier III is so popular that even the Communist newspaper at nearby Nice speaks well of him. Eight or nine hundred years ago few people outside Monaco spoke well of the area. There was a good bit of piracy conducted from the small harbor, upsetting the then powerful Italian city states.

The Guelphs of Genoa quickly noted Monaco's fine harbor. The Guelphs of Pisa took similar notice a bit later. The result was some 200 years of war, during which Monaco changed hands as often as a route ship.

Rainier dates back to the Guelphs. He is descended from Otto Canella, a consul of Genoa who died in 1143. Otto's son, Grimaldo, gave the name to the house of which Rainier III is the 30th direct heir.

MIXED BLESSING
In Spanish weight to muscle in on the early Grimaldi's territory. Prince Charles sought help from the French lords who surrounded Monaco. With a few lapses, this has been the case ever since. French protection, however, now is regarded as a mixed blessing by Monacans, who are free from military service and most taxes. Should the royal house die out, Monaco would become French. This gives Monacans more than a passing interest in the married life of their prince.

While the first Prince Charles was handy with his sword, he was a commercial success. Monaco rocked along for several centuries with little prosperity. It was another Charles, the third, who put an end to this. He imported the roulette wheel and, after a faltering start, things have been rolling ever since.

Charles III was a foresighted ruler in other directions: He forbade Monacans themselves to enter the gambling casinos and also decreed that the croupiers should have their pockets sewed up. The casino proved so profitable that by 1869 the prince was able to abolish all taxes. Although some have been restored, the casino is still ranked foremost as a source of income and income taxes are unknown here.

Tourists are another big source of revenue. Another is stamps, and officials of Monaco think Miss Kelly's Hollywood beauty will prove a great boon to the business. Orders for the commemorative stamps of the wedding have swamped Monaco, bolstering hopes for future business.

STEADY CITIZENS
The easy state of financial affairs has moulded the personality of Monaco. The permanent residents are largely croupiers, millionaires, retired persons, bartenders, restaurateurs and the intense-looking "system gamblers" who haunt the casino.

Perhaps Monaco's steadiest citizens are the croupiers—some 600 in number. The aristocrats of the gambling world, they are civil servants and get a nice pension when they retire at 60.

Pre-war, the dignity of the gambling rooms was never shattered by crude noises. You won or lost in silence. Nowadays, cries of "Little Joe" and "snake eyes" can be heard. The game of "les craps" was instituted in 1945 to attract American tourists, but the tables are located in a manner not to offend European dignity.

Only a few months ago, three Americans had to be restrained from playing with allegedly doctored dice.

The big buildings housing the casino also hold Monte Carlo's opera house and swank nightclub. The whole establishment is known as the Societe des Bains de Mer ou Sea Bathing Society. It is largely owned by shipping magnate Aristotele Onassis, an Argon-

tine of Greek extraction who sells many of his ships under the Panamanian flag.

Rainier III is the other big real estate holder. His palace, located at 1 Place du Palais, is the prime tourist attraction.

The place was started about 1200 and was sacked several times in the early years. It has been extensively reworked and was completely remodelled in the 19th century following the pillage of the French Revolution. It retains much of its ancient beginnings, however.

NAPOLEON'S RAZORS
The sun-drenched court of honor is surrounded by the gallery of Hercules, containing frescoes done by Genoese painters Cambiasco and Oratio Ferrari in the 17th century. The colors are bright and striking too.

The palace contain a lot of things that would normally end up in the attic—such glass-enclosed dust catchers as a set of Napoleon's razors and oddments of military uniforms.

The private apartments are modern, except for Rainier's lavish Roman bathroom, done in marble. The apartments overlook the prince's private yacht basin. From the other side of the palace, Miss Kelly can look down on a Coca Cola bottling plant being built at the base of the palace rock.

In front of the palace is the big open court where crowds gather daily to watch the changing of the guard in the little candy-striped guard boxes at the gate.

To guard his orange-colored palace, Rainier has 65 carabinieri and an assortment of muzzle-loading cannons. Even the cannonballs have been cleaned for the wedding.

The carabinieri are all French, a precaution dating to the French Revolution, when the house of Grimaldi found itself briefly without a throne as the local citizenry declared a republic.

GLISTENING CATHEDRAL
Just down the street from the palace is the beautiful cathedral where the wedding will take place. Begun in 1874, it is constructed of a local white stone which glistens in the bright Mediterranean sunlight.

It was here that Monaco's last big royal wedding was staged—the wedding of Rainier's mother, Princess Charlotte, to French Count Pierre de Polignac in 1920. That marriage ended in divorce. This is a circumstance often found in the recent history of the house of Grimaldi.

Princess Charlotte, who was in line for the throne, renounced her rights in favor of Rainier's elder sister, Antoinette. Antoinette, in turn, renounced her right in order to marry a Monacan tennis player. That marriage also ended in divorce.

Rainier's grandfather, Prince Louis II, did not marry until late in life, then to a French actress who now is the Princess Ghislaine. However, he had gone off to Algeria many years before as a young lieutenant and there met a young French laundress, Princess Charlotte was born of that romance. Her rights to the throne were made legal in 1919.

Rainier's great-grandfather was twice divorced. Although they have had their marital troubles, the house of Grimaldi has never lacked for spirit. It is said that on his way back to Paris from exile in Elba, Emperor Napoleon encountered Prince Honoré IV of Monaco, himself with a shaky throne in the wake of the French upheavals.

Honoré is reported to have asked where Napoleon was off to and the returning Corsican replied: "To regain my honors."
"Me too," Honoré answered. History records that while Honoré's claim was more modest than a Napoleon's he made it good.

"NIGHT" FOR BALLERINA
LONDON (AP) — Former Soviet Georgi Malenkov sent a bottle of Russian perfume (called "Night") and a huge bouquet of tulips to British ballerina Margot Fonteyn Wednesday night. Malenkov, who is on a tour of Britain, made the gifts after watching Miss Fonteyn perform in Cesar Franck's Symphonic Variations at the Covent Garden opera house.



COAT-LENGTH SWEATER

This cardigan sweater, elongated to coat length, is a surprise note in this spring's fashion picture. The "look" is achieved with an easy reef style in black and white broken Linton wool tweed. (CP Photo.)

KEEP IN TRIM

Aggravates Weak Back

By Ida Jean Kain
Foot is kept flat on floor to avoid strain.

It has long been known that muscular deficiency can result in nagging backache. It is also true that flabby abdominal muscles and excess fat on the abdomen put an extra strain on the already weak back muscles.

While the correction is through special calisthenics, the quandary in which many a person finds herself is that exercise aggravates the back trouble.

There are safety exercises which can be taken without strain. These corrective calisthenics must be done very slowly and for a few minutes only, both morning and night. All twisting movements and jerky, sudden motions must be avoided.

The safety posture for exercise is to lie flat on your back, with knees flexed and soles of feet on the floor.

The first exercise movement is merely to pull up-and-in forcibly with the lower abdominal muscles and press the small of the back flat against the floor. Hold the up-and-in pull to a slow count of 6. Do not hold your breath. Repeat this exercise 5 complete counts, gradually increasing to 10 complete counts.

The second exercise strengthens upper back as well as abdominal muscles. Position: Same as for first exercise, but with palms of hands on thighs.

Movement: Lift head and shoulders from the floor as you slide hands down toward flexed knees. Hold this position for a slow count of 6, and slowly return head to floor. Repeat exercise 3 times, later 6. Always hold the movement, but never hold your breath.

In the third exercise, you hold against gravity. Position: Lie on back on floor, right knee flexed. Have the left leg straight down on floor, knee straight. Note: In this exercise one knee is always flexed and sole of



You can't go ALL-OUT
If you feel ALL-IN
These days most people work under pressure, worry more, sleep less. This strain on body and brain makes physical fitness easier to lose—harder to regain. Today's tense living, lowered resistance, overwork, worry—any of these may affect normal kidney action. When kidneys get out of order, excess acids and wastes remain in the system. Then backache, disturbed rest, that "tired-out" heavy-headed feeling often follow. That's the time to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. Dodd's stimulate the kidneys to normal action. Then you feel better—sleep better—work better. Ask for Dodd's Kidney Pills at any drug counter.

HAPPENINGS

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Lorne McEwen that we purchase a radio for a patient in the Orthopedic Centre in the Sanitarium. Red Cross work was passed in. Collection for the evening was \$1.85.

The next meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. Earl Henry. Lunch committee: Mrs. D.B. Reid, Mrs. T.C. Gallant, Mrs. Max Ferguson, Mrs. Carl Woolner and Mrs. Earl Carr. Roll call to be answered by a "Tested Recipe". Mrs. Carl Woolner and Mrs. D.B. Reid are to be in charge of program. Interesting contests were enjoyed by all and lunch was served by hostess, assisted by committee in charge. Meeting closed by singing the National Anthem.

HAMILTON W.I.
The March meeting of the Hamilton W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Lockerby. The President presided and the meeting opened by singing "School Days" and repeating creed in unison. Roll call was responded to by fourteen members. Finance reported \$19.10 from ca-

party. School committee reported blind needed to be repaired, if this is not possible another one to be purchased. Sick comm., no report. Correspondence. Reply from In-movited office re Order of Rules, moved and seconded we send for same; annual report from Red Cross Society; letter from Mrs. Gaudet, citizenship convener.

On motion it was decided \$10.00 be donated to Hall committee fund. The program consisted of a debate and contests. Lunch was served by hostess and committee. Next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Stewart Carruthers. Roll call to be answered by giving a supper dish recipe. Meeting closed by singing the National Anthem.

MT. MELLICK W.I.
The Mt. Mellick Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Arden Richards on Tuesday evening, March 6th with the president Mrs. Robertson presiding.

The meeting opened by repeating the Mary Stewart Collect, followed by roll call with seven members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed. The correspondence received during the month was read and discussed. Following this the various committee reports were read and the treasurer reported having paid the music teacher and bought hot liver oil capsules for members in the district also the entry fee to Musical festival. There were three cards sent to the sick in the district.

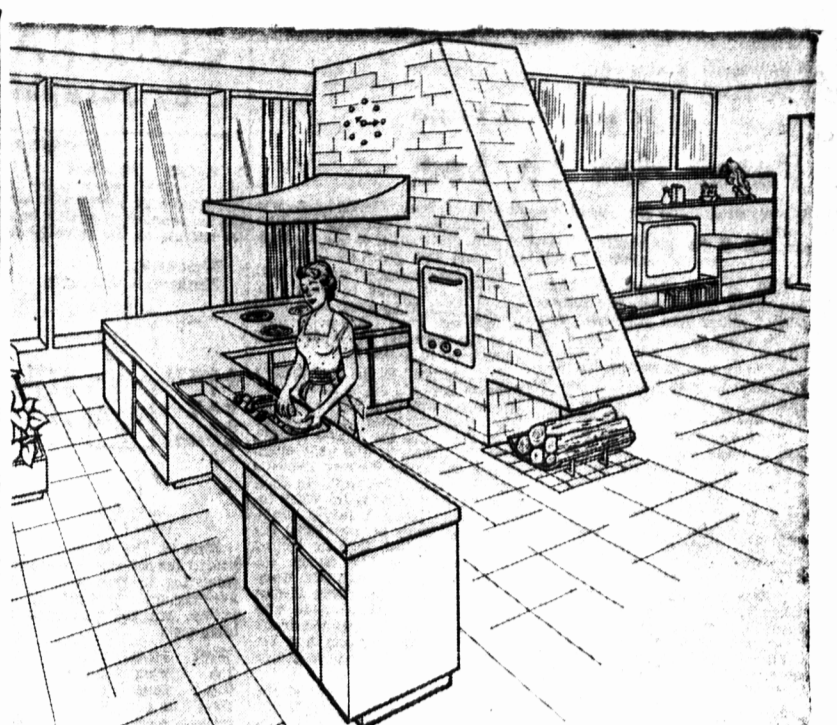
It was moved and seconded that we invite Cherry Valley Musical concert. Several articles of Red Cross work were passed over and new materials given out. It was also decided on to get remnants for sewing. A donation of \$1.50 was given in by Mrs. Ilett Richards. The next meeting is to be held in the school. Lunch was served by the hostess.

CARDIGAN C.W.I.
Mrs. Earl C. MacDonald was re-elected president of the Cardigan subdivision of the Catholic Women's League at the annual meeting held on Tuesday, April 3. The following is a list of the

other officers: First vice-president Mrs. Patricia Donahoe; second vice president, Mrs. Richard J. Quinn, third vice president, Mrs. Harold Roche; secretary, Mrs. Peter Sullivan; treasurer, Stella Sullivan. Highly satisfactory reports were

presented by the treasurer and convener, and plans were made for this year's activities. Mrs. Alban Brothers, on behalf of the meeting, wished Father O'Hanley bon voyage on his trip to Europe.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charles Bohlen, U. S. ambassador to Moscow, and George Wadsworth, ambassador in Saudi Arabia, are being called home for consultations, the state department said Thursday.



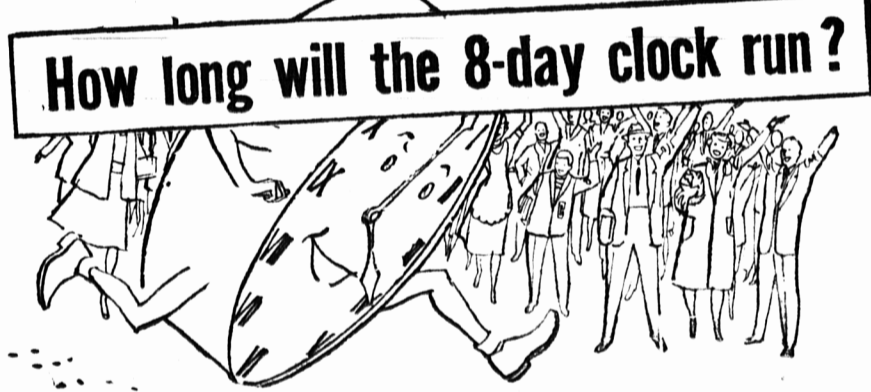
HOME DESIGN DEVELOPS THEME OF SPACIOUSNESS

The new trend to spaciousness presents a neat appearance and to add to convenience. The fireplace is built into the wall, the central point of the room, is in a novel position, with its brick chimney used as dividing panel for the dining-room and living-room all in one, with all appliances built in to kitchen, and also to contain the

oven. Sink is but 3½ inches deep to allow for sit-down work. Cherry-wood is used throughout from kitchen to living-room. The whole room measures 20 by 24 feet.

"Clock" Contest deadline

6 P.M. THIS SATURDAY!

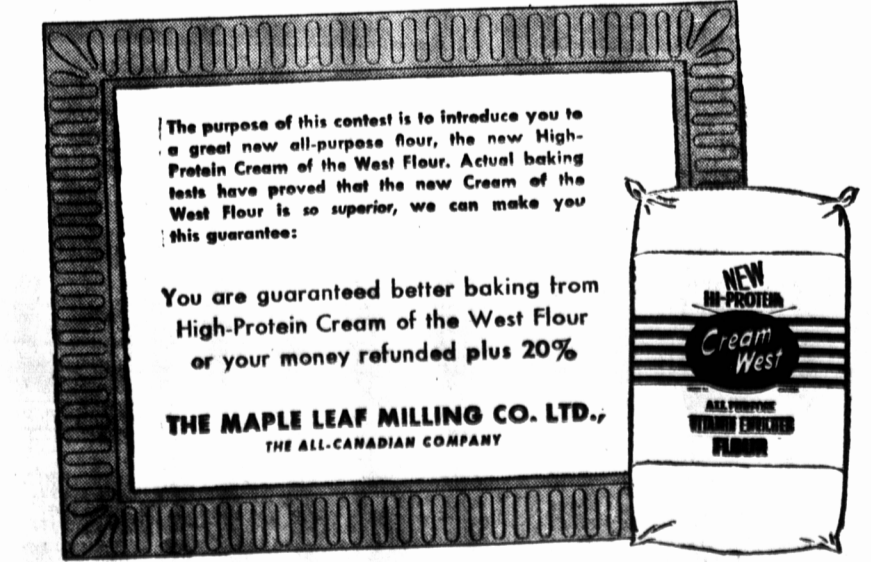


How long will the 8-day clock run?

13 prizes to be won

FIRST PRIZE IS THE CLOCK ITSELF!
Beautiful Forestville Mauthé Mantel Clock, with Westminster Chimes. Valued at \$75.00
Twelve other prizes:
Lustro Kitchen Canister Sets.
All you do is estimate how long the 8-day clock will run.

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Every time you buy new High-Protein Cream of the West Flour, your grocer will give you official entry forms as follows:

- 4 entry forms with a 98 or 100 pound bag
- 2 entry forms with a 49 or 50 pound bag
- 1 entry form with a 24 or 25 pound bag

Write on each entry form your name and address, and your estimate of how long the fully-wound 8-day clock will run—days, hours, minutes. Closest wins the clock. In the case of tie, each wins a clock. You can enter as often as you like, but entries can be made only on official entry forms, and must be deposited in one of the official ballot boxes. Only one prize per household. Contest deadline: 6 p.m. this Saturday. Clock must run a minimum of four days. If through some mischance such as its not being placed on a level surface the clock should stop before the contest deadline, it will be immediately re-wound and the time will then be calculated from the second winding.

POLIO IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

For Charlottetown Preschool Children And Charlottetown Expectant Mothers

Will be held at the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—cor. Prince & Fitzroy
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY — April 10 and 11
9:30 - 11:30 A.M. and 1:30 - 4:30 P.M.
for all PRESCHOOL CHILDREN BORN BEFORE JANUARY 1st, 1955 and for EXPECTANT MOTHERS—who will be required to present a doctor's certification of pregnancy.

To avoid crowding at the clinics will parents please co-operate by bringing their children to the clinics according to their sections of the city, as follows:—

- Tuesday morning—North of Grafton and West of Great George
- Tuesday afternoon—South of Grafton and East of Great George
- Wednesday morning—North of Grafton and East of Great George
- Wednesday afternoon—South of Grafton and West of Great George

No child will be inoculated without the parent's signed request. 2 inoculations will be necessary—given four weeks apart. The charge will be 25c and includes a 3rd inoculation at a later date.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND