



FORMER ISLANDERS HERE FOR MOTHER'S FUNERAL

Here to attend the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Finlay MacPhail were two nephews and a niece of the late Sir Andrew MacPhail. The deceased lady was the widow of Finlay MacPhail a brother of Sir Andrew.

The members of the MacPhail family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Neil A. Matheson. Left to right in the above picture are: Albert MacPhail, Rockland, Me.; Harold MacPhail, Randolph, Mass.; Mrs. Adney Peck, Noble-

boro, Me.; Mr. Matheson, Mrs. Albert MacPhail, Mrs. Neil Matheson. The late Mr. and Mrs. Finlay MacPhail were at one time residents of Southport where Albert Harold and Mrs. Peck were born. Mrs. Peck is president of the

Maine Extension of the Women's Association and last year was the winner of the Homemaker's award for the State. Mr. Albert MacPhail is the present grand master of the I.O.O.F. in Maine. Barter's Film Lab.

Fire Losses Heavy During 1955 In City And Province

The Provincial Department of Industry and Natural Resources through the office of the Provincial Fire Marshall, has released the following fire statistics for the year 1955. Fire losses in Charlottetown during 1955 amounted to approximately \$70,000. This total does not include the large fire loss incurred on December 14th of this year when the Masonic Temple Company Building, housing the Prince Edward Theatre, the Lodge Rooms of the Masonic Order, and the confectionery store and news stand of Ray Keenan were completely destroyed by fire. It is estimated that the damage will be a quarter of a million dollars, which will send the fire losses for Charlottetown soaring to a high figure when the reports of the adjusters on this loss have been received.



MR. T. A. CAMPBELL
Provincial Fire Marshal

"Another large fire occurred in Charlottetown in the building at the corner of Queen and Kent Sts. in Charlottetown, owned by the late W. Chester S. McLure on June 17th, 1955. This building contained Arthur Haslam's grocery and A. M. Whitlock's restaurant. Another building, situated around the corner on Kent St., also owned by the late Mr. McLure and housing stores and offices, suffered considerable damage. Loss was approximately \$45,000.

Fire losses outside the City, and throughout the Province, resulted in a property loss of approximately \$601,995.

OUTSIDE CH'TOWN
The largest fire outside the City occurred on February 2nd., when the Summerside Town Hall was completely destroyed, causing a property loss of \$75,000. Other large fires outside the City were: The O'Leary Farmers Co-Operative Association Store, on June 4th, showing a property loss of \$64,085.00, and on July 5th, the Roman Catholic Church, Seven Mile Bay, which was totally destroyed by fire when a lightning bolt struck it, resulting in a loss of \$50,000.

In addition to the above, the following major fires have been reported in 1955, with a property loss over \$10,000.
Mar. 17, 1955 - Erskine Clark, \$89,388.00.
Mar. 25 - Everett MacDougall, Dwelling, Vernon Bridge. Loss \$18,810.
Mar. 25 - Levi McNally, Dwelling, Johnston's River. Loss \$11,073.00.
April 25 - Albert E. Saunders,

"Sandy's" Restaurant and Dwelling, Marshfield, Loss \$29,000.
June 28 - Ralph Raynor, Chick Hatchery and Poultry Houses, Mt. Herbert. Loss \$20,000.
July 14 - Louis Burge, Barn, Five Houses. Loss \$17,000.
Oct. 2 - Leo P. MacIsaac, Dwelling, Mermat. Loss \$13,000.
Oct. 18 - Clarence Carr, Barn and contents, Miscouche. Loss \$11,175.00.
Nov. 16 - Daniel Taylor, Dwelling, Nine Mile Creek. Loss \$10,100.

FIVE DEATHS
There were five deaths from fire during the past year, namely: Jan. 7, Mrs. Daniel Fortune; Jan. 15th, Freddie Somers, Charlottetown; March 22, Joseph Doucette, DeBois; Hammond MacKenzie at Summerside, May 27th; Mrs. John Clarey, Montague, June 21st.

"We have an early winter which could well mean a disastrous winter, insofar as fire losses are concerned. A glance at our statistics for the past few winters reveals, that in each year, the fire losses rise very sharply during November and December, and continue to be high during the months of January, February and March.

"In an effort to check the rise in fire losses, the rural Fire Safety Program, conducted by the Fire Marshal's Office was inaugurated to help the rural people in Fire Safety. The people in rural areas must be made to understand that fires on their property can be pre-

vented. Once this is done we can bring the rural fire loss down to at least a level, coinciding with a comparable monetary loss in rural areas, as in villages.
CO-OPERATION SOUGHT
"A large increase in oil burner fires has been noted. These fires have been caused mostly by faulty installation of both new and converted burners. Our Fire Prevention Act provides that all oil burning equipment must be approved by the Underwriters Laboratories, and we ask the co-operation of the public to buy only approved burners, and to have the installations made by qualified persons.
"We expect to have a newly organized Fire Department in Kinkora in the near future, and there is a movement started to have a Brigade formed on the south side of the Hillsboro River.

"I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation to the members of the Charlottetown, Parkdale and Spring Park Fire Departments for their co-operation at all times; also my sincere thanks to the Chiefs of the thirty-one organized Fire Departments throughout the Island who have done all possible to advance the interests of Fire Prevention and Protection."

THANK YOU
The patients and staff of Souris Hospital acknowledge, with thanks, Christmas donations from the following organizations:—
Ladies Aid, Bay Fortune United Church; Kingsboro Women's Institute; Souris Sub-Division of the Catholic Women's League; Senior Hospital Ladies Auxiliary; Junior Hospital Ladies Auxiliary; Ladies Guild, Souris United Church.

NOTICE
TO OUR CUSTOMERS
Please take notice that beginning January 2, all our deliveries will be on a cash basis only. Please do not embarrass us or yourselves by asking for credit. All accounts over thirty days must be paid or some satisfactory settlement made before January 31.

DOUGLAS MacLAREN
Canadian Oil Dealer.

YEO THEATRE
MONTAGUE
NEWS and CARTOON
Mon - Tues Adm. 30 - 46 Incl. Prov. Gov. A Tax
Matinee - Tuesday - 2:30 p.m.
SUDDENLY
Color - Frank Sinatra - Sterling Hayden
Unusual high tension romance.

MURRAY HARBOR NORTH
Mrs. David Vanderstine, and young son Barry, spent several days at Murray Harbor North, the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Webster.

The marriage of Mrs. Myron Jackson are sorry to learn she is a patient in the King's County Hospital, and all wish her a speedy recovery.
Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Jennings, and son Garry, Dartmouth, N. S., have taken up residence in Murray Harbor North, at the home of Mr. Lloyd Reid.
Pie. Vernon Stewart, Mrs. Stewart and family, who recently returned from Germany where Mr. Stewart served with the Canadian

MAYFAIR THEATRE
Murray River - Jan. 2-3 - 8 P. M.
Monday and Tuesday
"WICKED WOMAN"
Starring Beverley Michaels and Richard Egan.
(She lives up to Every Scarlet Letter of her name)
(Adult Entertainment)
Added Short Subjects
A Show you will long remember.

Eastern Guardian
WOMEN'S Institute meeting at Mrs. Cecil Beck's, Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m.
MONTAGUE Week of Prayer. Service tonight in Baptist Church 8 p.m. Speaker Rev. J. M. Fraser.

ATTENDED COURSE - Among those attending the "First Aid Instruction Course" given at Red Cross Headquarters this past week were Miss Doris Wright, Peters Road East School and Mrs. Carmelita Daley St. Mary's Road East School.

RETURN FROM TRIP - Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy, Sturgeon accompanied by Mr. Dave Jamieson, Gaspereaux, have recently returned home from a trip to U.S.A. while there they visited a number of friends and relatives in various parts of Boston and vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy also called on Mr. Murphy's Aunt, Mrs. Jack Dancee, Bethune, Mass.

Personals
Mr. and Mrs. John Creed and family, Sturgeon, spent the holidays in Gaspereaux, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil McGee.
Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy and daughter, Donna spent the Christmas holidays in Gaspereaux, the guests of Mrs. Murphy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil McGee.

Opens Practice Today In Souris

Another first is being established in the town of Souris today when Dr. J. Emer MacPhee (above) opens his office for the practice of dentistry in the thriving Kings County centre.
The young dentist is no stranger to the residents of Souris, having been born in the community the son of well known business family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Peter MacPhee.
Dr. MacPhee has had considerable experience as a dentist, wartime sailor and banker. After receiving his primary education at Souris he worked in the Bank of Commerce for three years before enlisting in the Navy.
Following sixteen months service in the country's senior service he received his discharge and enrolled at Saint Dunstan's University from where he graduated in 1951 with his Bachelor of Science Degree.
He studied dentistry at McGill University, graduating in May of last year. After graduation he was employed in dental practice in Ottawa, Ontario and Magog, Quebec, following which he spent six months with the Department of Health in Prince Edward Island.

Death of John G. Jamieson

Word was received by Mrs. Victor McGuigan, St. Mary's Road, of the death of her brother John G. Jamieson, 72, of Breser, Me. after a long illness. He was born in Sturgeon, P.E.I., son of the late Godfrey and Mary (Reynolds) Jamieson. He resided in Brewer, Me. for more than fifty years where he was employed by Eastern Corporation. He retired several years ago. He is survived by four daughters and five sons, all residing in the U.S.A. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Mrs. Myrvan Moore, Mrs. Earl Stockwell, Dan and Lester of Maine; Adam, Medford, Mass.; Plus of Sturgeon, Mrs. Harry Dunn Gaspereaux, and Mrs. Victor McGuigan, St. Mary's Road. A sister Mrs. George McKeenan and a brother, William D. passed away a few years ago. His funeral was held from St. Teresa's Catholic Church, Brewer, Me.

Government To Continue Its Price Support On Eggs

OTTAWA (CP) - The government has decided to continue the support price on eggs in 1956 at 38 cents a dozen for Grade A large at storage points, unchanged from 1955.
Agriculture Minister Gardiner said today this announcement should give assurance to producers they will receive prices for their eggs in 1956 at or above the equivalent of the support price. He said further details will be published in the new year.
The government took a sharp loss of almost \$700,000 in its 1954 egg support program. This year the loss has been only about \$50,000.

Mr. Gardiner intimated at the annual federal-provincial agricultural conference earlier this month that the support program on eggs will be continued. He estimated a price of 38 cents at storage points means a floor of 32 cents to the producer.
Federal officials stated at the conference that although egg marketings during the next few months may be down from the similar period of the previous year, they will exceed consumption.
OUTLOOK CLOUDED
The outlook for prices was one too clear. It would depend on prices in the export market and how attractive storage operations become to egg distributors.
"The outlook for exports in the next few months is not bright," the conference was told. "Egg prices in the United States are already declining and competition from the Netherlands and Denmark in present export markets is expected to be at least equal and possibly more keen in 1956 than in 1955."
SPEAK INDIAN
Paraguay is the only Latin American country in which the native Indian language is spoken among all classes.

Legion Meeting

Annual meeting No. 3
Branch Canadian Legion,
Souris, January 3, 1956 at 8 p.m. All members please attend.

CAPITOL TODAY AND WED.

Of all the crooked beauties and high-born ladies in the gilded casinos of Natchez, two spelled trouble for the gambling man - Melanie, the tempestuous river girl who could fight as well as she could love... and Yvette, the aristocratic southern belle who knew a gentleman by the way he kissed her!

Rousing as the times that inspired it!
THE GAMBLER FROM NATCHEZ
Dale ROBERTSON
Debra PAGET
NEWS - COMEDY CARTOON
Matinee 3:00
Evening 5 - 7 - 9

AN ALL-TIME FAVORITE FOR OUR Midnight Show TONIGHT At 11:30 P.M.
The most beloved story of Youth and Love that played 5 years on Broadway and 32 months on Radio.

Irving Crosby Producers Inc. presents **ANNE NICHOLS' Abie's Irish Rose**
Released thru UNITED ARTISTS
SEE IT TONIGHT At The CAPITOL

I always run a little short after Christmas...
Not me!
And you won't run short next January if you start now on this easy plan to make yourself save!

If HOLIDAY SPENDING leaves you a little short after the new year begins, make a resolution not to let it happen next January. Join The Canadian Bank of Commerce Christmas Club right away. Every two weeks you set aside regular savings toward a definite goal. Your Christmas Club Coupon Book will help remind you to make yourself save.

HERE'S ALL YOU DO

1. Look over the Christmas Club plans in box at lower right. Check plan which suits your budget.
2. Ask for Christmas Club Coupon Book for your plan at the nearest branch of The Canadian Bank of Commerce.
3. Simply make the deposit of your choice to start - and one every second week.

At the end of fifty weeks (25 deposits), you'll get a cheque next November, in good time for your Christmas needs - or whatever you wish.

DON'T DELAY!

Drop in today at any branch of The Canadian Bank of Commerce - there are more than 700 to serve you. Join our Christmas Club right now and be sure of your cheque for Christmas, 1956!

Join our 1956 Christmas Club this week at any branch of

Here's your Christmas Club Coupon Book. Hand it to teller with each deposit. He detaches coupon, stamps stub - which acts as your receipt - and hands book back to you. No deposit slips to fill out - no waiting in line while your pass-book is made up. Wonderfully simple!

Here's the Easy Way to Save!
CHOOSE THE PLAN TO SUIT YOUR NEEDS

You Make 25 Deposits - one every second week - of	At the End of 50 Weeks You Get A Cheque For
\$ 1	\$ 25
\$ 2	\$ 50
\$ 5	\$125
\$10	\$250
\$20	\$500

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Charlottetown Branch, W. M. MELLISH, Manager