

Local Business Women's Club Christmas Party

The regular monthly dinner meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club was held at the Charlottetown, Monday, at 7:30 p.m. and took the form of a jolly Christmas party.

CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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PLEASE NOTE CHANGE. Caledonian Club Meeting, Empire Life Office, Tweel Building, Friday, December 12th, at 7 P. M. All members urged to attend.

SAD NEWS RECEIVED - Word has been received here of the sudden passing of Mr. Arthur McCarron at Everett, Mass., on Monday, December 8th. The deceased was the son of the late Dr. Peter McCarron and Mrs. McCarron of this city.

ATTACHED TO 5TH SIGNALS - Temporarily attached to headquarters of No. 5 Signals Regiment is Staff Sgt. Patrick J. Bolger who has had several years' experience with the unit. Now residing in Highfield, he is a son of Mrs. Bolger and the late Joseph Bolger of Hope River.

SINGS SOLO AT MEETING - A carol solo by Mr. Rupert MacKay at Trinity Men's Association meeting on Monday was an added feature to the regular sing-song conducted by Walter Cox and O. K. Presby.

HOME FROM GERMANY - Private John B. McGrath of Morcell who was among the Canadians arriving in Halifax on Monday by the liner Cythia, reached his home last evening where he will spend 37 days leave before reporting to Halifax for a further assignment in the Canadian Army.

PARKDALE CARD PARTY - Following were the prize winners last night at the weekly Parkdale card party: Ladies' first, Mrs. Fred Gallant; second, Mrs. Calvin Campbell; consolation, Mrs. Will Gaudet. Men's first, Lloyd Long; second, Art Frey; consolation, J.O. Bond. Door prize, Mrs. Calvin Campbell. Freezout, Daniel Mahar and Fred Toombs.

ARMY RECRUITS - A large group of recruits from Carleton Siding and Summerside left here recently for Halifax for final attestation prior to joining the Canadian Active Army. From Carleton Siding were C. E. McLellan, J. C. Howatt, R. G. Campbell, E. A. Sutherland and J. L. O'Connell. The boys from Summerside were J. K. Arsenault, J. A. Gallant and J. D. Perry.

Y'S MENETTES MEET - The Y's Menettes held an enjoyable social meeting on Monday, December 8th at the Y.M.C.A. After a short business session the members gathered around a small decorated Christmas tree where they exchanged Christmas gifts. Mrs. Ray Barrett and Mrs. James Brady read articles of interest to the members and Mrs. W. E. Agnew entertained them with a few humorous skits. Refreshments were served.

FUNERAL SATURDAY - The funeral of Mrs. Lillian Morrison took place on Saturday morning from the A. A. Hennessy Funeral Home to St. Dunstan's Basilica where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Francis Corcoran. The pall bearers were Anthony Gallant, William Austin, Louis MacAulay, Loman MacAuley, Adolph Dolron and Parker Lund. Interment took place in St. Dunstan's Cemetery. Summerside where services were conducted by Monsignor MacLellan.

ZION Y. P. S. - The regular weekly meeting of Zion Y. P. S. was held last evening. The meeting opened with a study on "Our Christian Friends in Formosa" led by David MacEachern. The devotional period was led by Marian MacDonald, and Rena MacNevin read the scripture lesson. The president, John Phillips, presided over the business portion of the meeting. The meeting then adjourned to the lower hall for games. The Young People then joined in the singing of Christmas Carols. The meeting closed with the singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

TRINITY Y. P. U. MEETING - The regular weekly meeting of Trinity Young People's Union was held in the social hall with the Missions and World Outreaches Commission in charge. The meeting started with a lively period of recreation led by Brenton Partridge. The business meeting followed with the vice-president, Mrs. Morrison, in the chair. The main feature of the program was a panel discussion led by Gladys MacMillan. On the panel were representatives from four countries: Austria, Latvia, Denmark, and Holland. The meeting was adjourned with the singing of "The Christmas Carol" by Doreen Blair with Mary Morrison as pianist. During this solo "Stranger of Galilee" was pleasingly rendered by Doris Andrew.

PERSONALS - Mr. W. E. Moore, Montague, was in the City yesterday on business. Mr. Roy Enman, Vernon River, was in the City on business yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Albert King, Georgetown, was in the City on business yesterday. Sgt. J. A. Gallant of the P. E. I. Regiment, who was severely injured recently in a fall, is progressing as well as can be expected. A patient in the Charlottetown Hospital at present, Sgt. Gallant fell from a staging on which he was working and broke

Santa Claus To Visit Children At The Armouries

Santa Claus is coming to town for all the youngsters of members of the Garrison N. C. O.'s Mess at the Armouries. He will arrive in all his glory, loaded with toys and Goodies, on Saturday afternoon, December 20, and will be greeted by 150 gleeful children who have waited a year since his last visit. The fathers of the little ones have aided Santa by listing the names of the kids, their sex and their age to make it easier for the bewhiskered gentleman to bring the correct type of gift for each child. The big party will be held on the main floor of the Armouries to provide plenty of room. At the same time the big floor space will permit the entertainment which will precede the visit of Santa. This will include the presentation to each tiny youngster of sweets and drinks, fruits and novelties, and everything the wee ones need for a memorable afternoon. Climax of the afternoon will come with the arrival of St. Nick with his big bag of toys. In it will be a gift for every child present, and all of them will be carefully selected and individually wrapped so that Santa can call for each child to come forward in turn.

Rotarian Turner Honored At Rotary

Mr. Charles Hunt, C.M.G., of St. John's, Nfld., a past director of Rotary International and former District Governor, was guest speaker at a meeting of the local Rotary club held at the Charlottetown Hotel last evening. The meeting, which was designed primarily to do honour to International Director Percy W. Turner, was attended by over 100 Rotarians, including many Rotary Anns. In his opening remarks Mr. Hunt voiced the satisfaction with which he accepted the invitation to attend the function. "It is always a great pleasure to visit the Island Province," he said. "Some people think of Newfoundland as an Island Province, but as you know, part of our province is an area in Labrador, several times as large as the Island of Newfoundland, but not as large as we expected. Probably the change in our political status will mean increased trade unless increased production in our own land helps to supply our own needs. "Your Premier, who is very popular in Newfoundland," continued the speaker, "told us some time ago that the best hope for the agricultural development of our Province would be for us to raise cattle with necks so long that they could graze in P. E. Island. "I often marvel when I realize how far-reaching the vision of statesmen can be, but the fact that for many generations your produce of every kind has been purchased by us in large quantities, makes us fully aware that there is wisdom in your Premier's remarks. "My coming before you at this time is enhanced by happy recollections of former visits to Charlottetown, usually when this fair island was dressed in all her splendour. Each of these visits was climaxed by a banquet under the auspices of your Club. You can easily imagine why, as I stand before you once more, fond memory brings the light of other days around me. I was taken sometimes to scenes of pastoral beauty where I could see, almost growing visible, those crops of vegetables which in the late autumn would be exported to our Island at or below cost, we were informed." (laughter). The speaker dealt in humorous vein dealing with his former visits and recalled incidents of special interest to older Rotarians. In speaking of Islanders and the love they have for their native Province, Mr. Hunt recalled that once when he addressed the Canadian Society in New York on Newfoundland, quite a number present were from this Island and came to him afterwards to let him know that "your Island is even better than ours"; naturally, I did my best to humor them." After reviewing the ideals of Rotary, the speaker concluded by expressing the hope of all present that Director Percy Turner "may be spared health and strength to perform the heavy duties that lie before him". Christmas carols were a pleasing feature conducted by Walter Cox, with O.K. Presby at the piano. Especially pleasing were the vocal duets by Nancy MacNevin and Barbara Rupert, "Coventry Carol" and "White Christmas". A presentation of flowers followed to Mrs. Turner by Mrs. Gordon Avar on behalf of the "Rotary Anns", and a National Directors' emblematic button to Mr. Turner on behalf of the Club by President Avar. Mr. Turner expressed his deep appreciation for the honour done him and pledged himself to do all within his power to carry out the program of Rotary. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Turner, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Taylor, Walter S. Grant, Rev. T. H. B. Somers, J. A. Webster, B. E. Rogers, Lt. Governor Prowse, P. G. Clark and Resh Riney.

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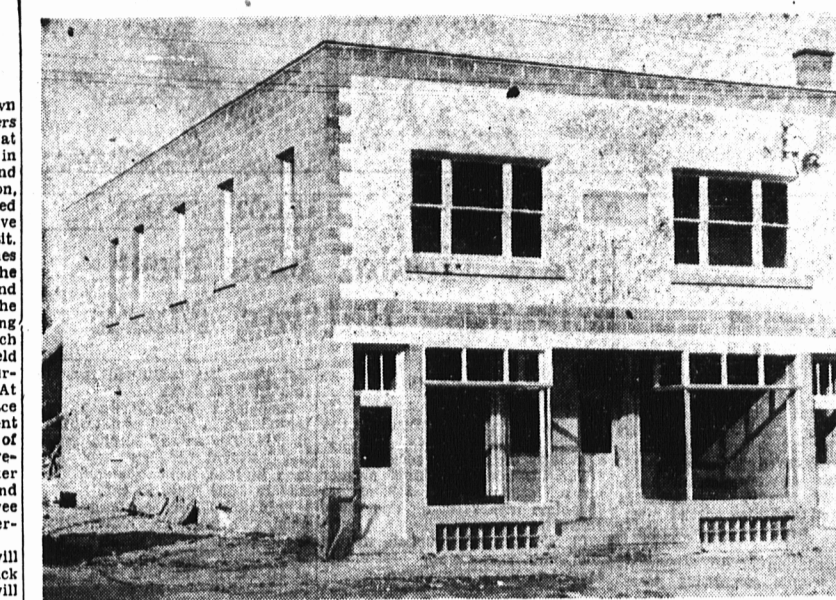
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New Whelan Memorial Building



A praiseworthy addition to the business and office premises in the city has been completed through the enterprise of the Benevolent Irish Society, in the erection of the Whelan Memorial Building on Grafton Street (above). The new structure, a description

of which appeared in a recent issue of The Guardian, replaces the former quarters on the same locality which was destroyed by fire eighteen months ago. The law firm of Matheson, Peake and Nicholson will occupy the entire second floor which provides ample space for the

staff and in addition to a large law library, individual offices for each member of the firm. According to late information, no decision has been reached regarding the occupants of the two stores on the ground floor.

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Dig Test Hole On Kent Street Building Site

A test hole 13 feet deep and a dozen feet square is being dug on the site of the old Eldon Hotel on Kent Street, with a view to obtaining information as to the location of rock and at what depth. This type of drilling and the examination of foundation possibilities usually denotes that a new building is in the offing, which would appear to confirm the rumor that such a building may be started in the early months of the new year.

Mayor Stewart Back From Ottawa

Mayor J. D. Stewart returned last night from attending the annual meeting of the Federation of Canadian Mayors and Municipalities held in Ottawa last week. While in the Canadian capital he conferred with several members of the Federal Cabinet with special reference to the airport extension and Federal works projects in this city. Mayor Stewart confirmed the Ottawa despatch appearing recently in The Guardian, to the effect that negotiations between the City and Federal authorities in the matter of the airport were proceeding satisfactorily and that it is believed the work of extension to handle larger planes will be undertaken. However, the question of the responsibility for operating the airport is still under consideration. One of the important items discussed by the municipal representatives and the full Federal Cabinet headed by acting Prime Minister C. D. Howe was a fairer distribution of the tax dollar. The Federation asked Ottawa officials for a reallocation of the money and pointed to the vast increase in the Federal "take" in the past twenty years. They pointed out that in 1930 the Federal Government received 38.6% of the tax dollar and the municipalities got 39.4%. However, in 1950 the Federal Government obtained 71.3% and the municipalities getting only 11.5%. The Mayor said that the Federation had pointed out that the municipalities were now getting almost the limit from real estate and since no greater income could be expected from that source the only thing remaining for them was to seek a greater share from the slice taken by the central government. He did not state what he expected the final outcome of the talks would be, but appeared hopeful of satisfactory results from the conferences.

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Attended Meetings On Agriculture

Hon. C. C. Baker, Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. Walter R. Shaw, Deputy Minister, returned last week from Ottawa where they attended sessions of the Agricultural Conference of Provincial Ministers and their deputies with members of the Federal cabinet. Hon. Mr. Baker returned following the main conference while Mr. Shaw remained to attend meetings of the Agricultural Advisory Committee which comprises the deputy ministers of the various provinces. The purpose of the latter gathering is to obtain an overall picture of agriculture across Canada at present. The deputy ministers agreed, Mr. Shaw stated, that though the general economic outlook is bright in the country today the same does not hold true in agriculture as prices for farm products are steadily dropping.

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asonable and civil question. He told The Guardian that Mr. Fournier had evidently forgotten that two years ago, the Public Works Department, patently on the Minister's own instructions, had given allegedly completed architects' sketches of the proposed Charlottetown building to the late J. Lester Douglas, former M. P. for publication in P. E. I. newspapers. "I don't blame the Speaker for calling me to order," the Queen's member said, "but I did want to remind Mr. Fournier of that sketch he sent out for publication. If that is not an implied pledge for a new building, I don't know what is."

Card Game At Spring Park Tonight

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Delightful Program At Little Theatre Studio Night

A delightful program was presented by the Little Theatre Guild last evening for their third studio night of the season, with three one act plays, each of which was of a completely different type, and each was an outstanding production, winning enthusiastic applause from the large audience. The program opened with a repeat performance of "Eros At Breakfast." This play, in which the penetrating observations of Robert Davies, probably Canada's best known contemporary playwright, are imaginatively presented in a clever satire, was performed by the Little Theatre at a previous studio night, and received such acclaim that it was decided to present it again. The action takes place in the office of Mr. S. P.'s solar plexus, where a number of bureaucratic officials gather to discuss a serious development in Mr. P. S.'s life when he falls in love, an event, which produces varied reactions of delight and despair among his civil servants. Outstanding performances by Florine Evans, as Hepatica, from the liver department and Bill Greer, as Cremes, head of the solar plexus, again highlighted the production and fine performances were again given by Sandy Lawson, from the intelligence department, Eric MacGregor as Crito, Cremes' assistant, and Elmer Power as Paterno, in charge of affairs of the heart. Mr. Richard MacDonald of the Dominion Drama Festival was

present for the first performance and his instructive criticism was obviously noted by the cast, as last evening's performance proved to be even finer than the first. The play was directed by Stirling Walker and George Anderson. The second production was "The End of a Fairy Tale" by Violet Rutter, directed by Elizabeth Willett. This, a lighthearted comedy while a decided contrast to "Eros At Breakfast," was equally enjoyed by the audience. Starring William Grimm, beloved raconteur of fairy tales, played by Derrill MacGowan and his brother Jacob Grimm, equally studious and rather more serious, whose role was played by Jim Coyle, "The End of a Fairy Tale" proved to be a study in human relations. Jean Giddings as usual gave a fine performance, in her role as the crochety but nevertheless warmhearted aunt of the Grimms, whose chief concern is that one of them should get married, and she provides the wife, Louisa, their cousin, played by Mary Gamble. It remains only for them to decide which is to marry her. Two more unwilling swains could not be imagined, and it is left to fate to decide which one is to make the proposal. Jacob, having lost the draw, finds making a proposal so difficult that he persuades his brother to "show him how." In doing so William finds that Louisa is both attractive and sympathetic, and he decides to

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HOLMAN STORE NEWS - G. H. M. - Bedeck your home, both inside and out, with lots and lots of Christmas Trimmings and Trappings! . . . To make a really proper job so that your own home will be the very picture of Christmas Spirit and Joy you'll need sparkling, gleaming Christmas Lights galore—all over the place. That's the very reason why, this morning, I want to tell you that the Hardware Departments of Both Holman Stores, in Charlottetown and Summerside, have complete stocks of NOMA CHRISTMAS LIGHTS. The collection includes strings of Lights of different numbers—Separate and additional Light Bulbs—Mantle Decorations—Wreaths and Candles for the windows—Santas that light up—Candabra Bubble Lights and Novelty Lights. . . . And of course, there are Outside Lights for your outdoor Christmas Project. The Noma Company has something new this year, and that is the Safety Light Sets which safeguards the whole tree and your whole home for that matter. As you can see by the illustration—"It's the Plug that does it." Insist on Noma Lights for your Christmas decorations—they're best! . . . And you can get them in the Hardware Departments of Holman's Both Stores.

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