



LANDS BIG CATCH AT SOURIS

The drifter Souris II landed a big haul of fish on Tuesday morning. The haul was high boat during the 1955 season landing over one million pounds of fish, with the same Captain and crew aboard. Unloading operations began at Eastern Packing Co. wharf at 10 a.m.



YOUTHFUL GUARDSMAN

Cpl. John I. McPhee, Armada, P.E.I., receives his certificate of qualification from Major General J. M. Rockingham at a graduation parade for members of a junior non-commissioned officers course held recently by the Canadian Guards Depot at Camp Petawawa, Ontario. The 39 graduates of the course underwent an intensive three months training in the duties of

EASTERN GUARDIAN

DON'T MISS Heatherble variety concert, Cambridge Hall Wednesday, May 22nd at 8:30 p.m.

LADIES' LEGION Auxiliary meeting tonight at Mrs. Atwood MacDonald's, featuring white elephant sale.

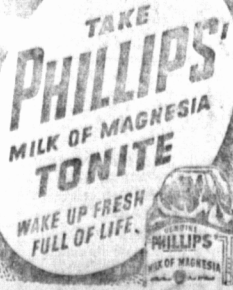
PROGRESSIVE Conservative poll meeting for Lower Montserrat and Montserrat South, at Montserrat rooms at the commercial hotel Wednesday at 8:30.

BE SURE TO See "Come Next Spring", sponsored by C.W.L. at Yeo's Theatre, Montague Wednesday, Thursday, May 22nd and 23rd. Matinee on Thursday.

MINE INJURES CANADIAN

OTTAWA (CP) — A Canadian Army officer escaped with minor injuries when his jeep was blown by an Egyptian road near Rafah by a mine. Maj. Don Morgan of Montreal, Ont., is in hospital at Rafah, a Canadian-managed United Nations Emergency Force maintenance outpost, with minor skull injuries, army headquarters said Tuesday.

FIGHT ACIDITY AND CONSTIPATION



ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

New Glasgow & District Crapaud & District

These clubs will commence operation on Thursday, May 23rd. For service in the New Glasgow Club phone Charles Carr, Hunter phone 22-22. In the Crapaud Club phone Lyman Harvey, Crapaud 7-3. For service during the day calls must be in by 10 a.m.

Old City Fire Bell Is Honorably Retired

It is a matter of satisfaction to Charlottetown citizens that the Old Fire Bell will remain as a permanent relic of the past. Progress in the field of sound devices and the resulting decision of the City Council have been firmly secured in the tower of the City Hall where it was placed after the building's erection in 1887. Dismounted from its original, decaying supports, the now stilled bell is stationary, reposing on heavy steel girders erected in concrete.

FIRST FIRE BELL

Charlottetown's first fire bell was so well known to the contemporary population that "he" was, presumably affectionately, given the nickname of "Big Donald." History does not describe the stature of the then fire chief, Donald MacKinnon, who lent his Christian name to the bell, but one can speculate that it was not in proportion to Big Donald.

Originally located in a tower of the old market building, Big Donald's summons of firefighters was at least adequate according to an 1844 legislative discussion, recorded in the Journal of the Legislative Council. Therein "the honourable Mr. Young said the going was to be preferred before any other instrument. It could be distinctly heard at a distance of three miles, and the sound of it entered the room like a strong rushing of air and it was sufficient effectually to arouse the soundest sleeper in the night."

For many years Big Donald's ominous tones heralded fires which could develop into conflagrations, until his day of fate—October 28, 1877. On that day a serious fire was raging and an overzealous official rang Big Donald so violently that a two foot, six inch crack developed. This factor, no doubt somewhat impaired Big Donald's tonal qualities, for an interprising workman, James Butcher, was engaged to effect repairs.

The contemporary Daily Examiner eulogized Mr. Butcher's efforts, saying "he did a good repair job," but the City Council thought otherwise, claiming Mr. Butcher had agreed to do the job for forty pounds and had then

asked seventy, plus the fact that the work "was not satisfactory."

The net result of deliberations sent Big Donald, sustaining multiple fractures to his ebony frame, to Boston, where he entered an institution catering to such persons as sick bells. Repaired, Big Donald returned to the Market House, and the City Council passed a resolution to test the results. Big Donald was rung, but the Examiner contained no comment on his performance, although he was apparently used until 1881.

A report of the fire department, dated January 10, of that year, notes that Big Donald was sold for \$866.62 and a new bell purchased and placed in the market tower at a cost of \$222.96, resulting in a \$43.66 profit for the City treasury.

BUILDING'S STORY

The new bell remained in the Market House tower for several, apparently uneventful, years. During this period, a considerable amount of construction was in progress throughout the City, particularly in regard to public buildings.

As early as 1768 a surveyor named Morris had reserved sites for public buildings and, in 1771, the Imperial Government had granted three thousand pounds for their erection. This money was, however, consumed in the payment of officials' salaries but sufficient funds were obtained to erect a log hut jail in 1797.

On July 16, 1866, the "Great Conflagration" supplied an adequate impetus for a construction boom, when it engulfed four City blocks in Ward One. Starting in an old building on the East corner of King and Pownall streets, it destroyed one hundred buildings in a two block swath ending at the foot of Great George Street.

CITY HALL BEGUN

In 1887, the corner stone of the present City Hall was laid, during celebrations marking the fiftieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession to the throne. Containing numerous newspapers, documents, scrolls, etc. of the period, the stone was laid with Masonic honours by Honourable John Yeo, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and a number of hymns

Officers Better Opportunities for Character Development Than Does City Life." Mary Rogers, Secretary.

The Bedouin V.E. 4-H Club held its regular meeting on May 6 at the home of Harold Mulligan, Middleton with the President Billy Craig presiding.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Roll call was answered by 12 members. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Walter Craig's, Middleton. It was moved by Gerald Green and seconded by Robert Mulligan that the club advertise a show that would be shown in the Seaside Hall on May 16, 1957. The debate "Resolved That Electricity is more Useful on the Farm Than a Sewage System" was postponed until the next regular meeting. Following the adjournment of the meeting a lunch was served by the hostess Mrs. Mulligan, Mary McCardie, Secretary.

BELL INSTALLED

History does not record the date when the new bell was transferred from the Market House to the tower, but one can reasonably assume that it was shortly after the tower's completion, for it was specifically designed to receive the bell.

Hence, the bell, now in rejuvenated surroundings, has seen Charlottetown from its present position for some sixty years, just as it watched the construction of its home from the old Market House tower. Having introduced the presence of a great many fires, it now rests in retirement beside its modern successor.

The night of the evening was a debate "Resolved That Boys Have an Easier Life Than Girls." Those supporting the resolution were Woodland Pauptit, Vera Chappel and John MacDonald. It was the decision of the judges that

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the opposing side, consisting of Violet Compton, Carl Pauptit and Allison Chappel, he declared the winners. It was suggested that at the next meeting the main feature would be public speaking. Each member is allowed a maximum of three minutes to talk on a subject of his or her own choice. The club leader, Mr. Urban Laughlin then asked questions from the new handbook.

A period of recreation concluded the meeting. Marilyn MacDonald, Secretary.

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BRITAIN MUST NOT SLIP

LONDON (Reuters) — Oliver Poole, chairman of the Conservative party, said Tuesday Britain must never slip into a position of satellite status or permanent dependence on the United States.

RADIOACTIVE FALL-OUT

TOKYO (Reuters)—More than 13 meteorological observatories reported radioactive rain was falling throughout most of Japan's 49 prefectures, a national observatory spokesman said Tuesday.

Mayfair Theatre

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SHOW TIME—8 p.m.
Coming—May 30-31—"LOVE ME TENDER" with Elvis Presley

Will Attend Diocesan Synod

A number of the clergy of the Anglican Church of Canada leave today for Halifax to attend the eighth session of the Diocesan Synod which begins with the Synod Service of Holy Communion in the Cathedral Church of All Saints on Wednesday morning.

In attendance from Charlottetown will be Rev. Canon J.T. Ibbott, Rector of St. Paul's, Rev. Canon G.E. Moffatt, Rector of St. Peter's Cathedral and Rev. A.E. Piercy, Rector of St. John's Church, Milton.

Delegates from Charlottetown include Mr. Justice H.L. Palmer, Major T.E. McNutt and G.E. Sherren of St. Peter's Cathedral and Mrs. Ernest Champion, Diocesan President of the Women's Auxiliary.

INVENTOR CHARGED

LONDON (AP) — Police filed charges Tuesday against John Raymond Bridal, 26, eccentric inventor accused of keeping 28-year-old Marjorie Jordan in a dugout for 105 days. He was remanded until May 31 on charges of detaining the woman against her will and assaulting her causing bodily harm. Police took Miss Jordan from a dugout in Bridal's garden after neighbors found a pencilled plea for help.

Agriculture

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