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S'side Curling Club Schedule

The following is the schedule at the Summerside Curling Rink for this evening:
7:00 p.m.
Ice No. 1—L. H. MacFarlane vs. Ivan Nicholson.
Ice 2—A. S. Hopkins vs. Elmer Offer.
Ice 3—P. L. Keyes vs. W. E. Jenkins.
8:30 p.m.
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Ship Rolls

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Boote.
Lying astern of the Empress of Canada was her sister ship, the Empress of France. The second liner was not considered to be in danger. Other ships were eased away from the burning liner's berth. More than 130 firemen participated in fire-fighting operations. Escape ladders were run up the side of the ship at every available point so that firemen could get to the seat of the fire. Miles of hose twisted and curled around the deck road and trailed over the side of the ship.

ALBERTON RINK — Skating

Thursday night, January 27th, 8-10 P. M.

NOTICE. Men's Association supper meeting of Kensington United Church, Monday evening, Jan. 26th at 7 p.m. Guest speaker, Rev. A. F. MacLean of Trinity United Church, Charlottetown. All men of the congregation are cordially invited.

GUEST SPEAKER — Dr. Frank MacKinnon will be the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade tonight. Other guests from Charlottetown are Mr. Gordon MacDonaid, President of the Charlottetown Board of Trade and Mr. Walthen Gaudet, Secretary.

Alberton and Vicinity

Mrs. Clifford Boundy of Fredericton, N.B. is a guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Matthews, Alberton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. MacDonald, Peter and Barbara, visited relatives in Malpeque and Charlottetown over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Atkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wells and their families, of Alberton, motored to Winsloe on Saturday where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Heber Hardy. They also spent some time in Charlottetown.

Mrs. Rhodes Ashley, Cascumpec, has returned to her home after undergoing an operation in the Prince County Hospital.

J. Pike, Springhill, N.S. motored to Alberton on Saturday to join Mrs. Pike who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Myrick during the past week. On Sunday they returned to their home in Springhill.

Miss Margaret Hardy, R.N. of the Prince Edward Island Hospital, staff is spending a brief holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hardy, Alberton.

During the past week Mrs. A. R. Matthews, Alberton, has been confined to her home by illness.

The illness of Mr. Gordon Hardy at his home in Brooklyn near Alberton, is regretted by many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner Marks, Summerside, were Sunday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Fraser, Alberton.

Mrs. Stirling Wilkie has returned to her home in Alberton after undergoing surgical treatment in the Prince Edward Island Hospital. It is pleasing to report she is making excellent progress toward recovery.

Mr. Golding Frizzell, Springfield West, is a patient in the Western Hospital, Alberton. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Prince Co. Dairy

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reached the stage where the project can go ahead and the amalgamation is to become effective on Tuesday, February 2nd.

The site of the new company is the Pioneer Building on Water Street, Summerside. Renovations and the construction of the necessary additions to the present building will commence as soon as weather permits and it is expected that the new business will be in operation by June 1st of this year.

Either cream or whole milk will be accepted from the patrons as the basic idea of the new plant is to provide facilities for the manufacture of the primary dairy products for which this Province is famous.

The three butter manufacturing companies entering the amalgamation, have long been recognized as leaders in their field, these are—Kensington Dairy Association, Tryon Dairy Company and Dury Dairy Company. They are the top ranking factories this year according to the report of the dairy produce graders.

The cheese manufacturing companies, Abrams Village, Grand River and Tyne Valley have always been in the forefront of that important local industry and their continuance in the amalgamation should guarantee a continuance of their well known high standard.

Powdered Milk Equipment
Equipment for the manufacture of powdered milk is also to be installed in the new plant. This diversification of products will enable the new company to take advantage of the changing trends in the dairy industry as well as to still supply the old and valued customers with which the participating companies have enjoyed mutually profitable business connections for many years.

WITH FIRST COMMONWEALTH DIVISION, Korea, Jan. 25—(AP)—A Canadian general court martial convened Saturday and heard three witnesses testify that one Canadian soldier was seriously wounded by another in an argument over which was the better soldier.
Cpl. Percy Melvior, 23, of Massey, a member of the Royal 22nd Regiment, faces four charges including the attempted murder of Craftsman Richard Antoine Brochu, RCEME, 22, of (12 Candiac St.) Quebec City, who has been returned to Canada suffering from a head wound.
The witnesses, Cpl. Raymond Lloyd, of Hagersville, Ont.; L/Cpl. Robert Lambert of Kingston, Ont., and Pte. Jacques Gauthier, of (10295 Hamel St.) Montreal, were among four prosecution witnesses heard today.

Soldier Wounded During Argument On Korean Front

The trio said that on the night of Nov. 23, Melvior and Brochu began an argument on their soldiering abilities while drinking beer in a dugout. After Melvior unsuccessfully attempted to assemble an American pistol which had been stripped down, the men said, he took a carbine from his kit bag, assembled it and fired a shot through the stove pipe to prove that although his pistol was out of order his carbine was functioning properly.

Lloyd said he had been drowning on his bunk when the shot awakened him. He said he jumped to his feet and took the gun away from Melvior, put it in the kit bag and hid the magazine in his blankets.

Lloyd said that Brochu then laughed at Melvior and said that he did not have the guts to take it back and fire again.

Lloyd said Melvior continued to provoke Melvior until Melvior reached into his kit bag for the carbine. He was looking down at the gun and fumbling with it, Lloyd related when the carbine went off. It struck Brochu over the right eye. Lloyd said Melvior did not seem to realize what had happened.

Col. R. C. Clark, DSO, commander of Camp Bedford, Ont., is president of the court martial.

Alarmed Londoners

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Many Londoners, catching grit from fog-crusted lungs and feeling vague aches in the chest, are frightened. There is uncertainty over whether anything effective can be done.

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By Phil Clarke
LONDON, Jan. 25 — (CP) — Somerset Maughan enters his 80th year Monday with this warning to modern writers: Don't carry frankness too far or readers may revolt. "I think it's a good thing that present-day authors can write it much more freedom than I had a quarter of a century ago," the English writer said in a pre-birthday interview here. "But if frankness of expression goes too far there may be a popular revulsion against it." Maughan finds that morality in writing generally has changed greatly in the last few decades. To illustrate this change, he recalled that "In the First World War, the English Tommies' favorite swear-word was 'bloody.' It was awful then but it's not so bad today."

Speculate Stalin May Be In Retirement

By William L. Ryan, Associated Press Foreign News Analyst
The strange manifestations in the Communist world recently raise an important question: Has Joseph Stalin withdrawn from personal rule of the Soviet empire? Sparked by Moscow, Europe's Communist capitals appear to be engaged in a mighty new purge which might be intended to establish beyond question the rule of the group now in control of the Kremlin. Why is Moscow picturing the U.S.S.R. as overrun by United States spies? Why has Communist Poland chosen this time to broadcast its anguished story of American spying and sabotage within its borders? Why has Hungary followed faithfully by the United States? Why has East Germany selected this time for a drive on "Trotskyists and Zionists?" The whole Communist picture strongly suggests that the absolute power at the top has been questioned. In turn this raises questions about the status of Stalin himself. Staling gave the impression last October that his pronouncements to the all Union Communist Congress amounted to a swan song. He is 73. There is a strong impression in all that has happened since that Stalin is becoming the symbol rather than the actual power ruling the Communist world. It is difficult to conceive of this coming about without some sort of sharp struggle at the top. Today we have evidence of such a struggle. The broad, open purge is strong medicine, used only in the greatest of emergencies. Who ever is to control the Communist world after Stalin must act quickly and decisively. If Stalin should be forced to retire—indeed, if he should die—it seems unlikely that we would know about it at once. The question of the rule of his vast empire would have to be decided, and it would be given hints in recent weeks of some sort of cleavage at the

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top, and a dictatorship cannot afford difference of opinion. The violent, almost desperate-sounding Moscow blasts about American spies seem to be laying the groundwork for widespread trials in the Soviet Union and satellite countries of persons who are in the way of the group holding the whip hand. If the time has arrived to establish a new leadership, the possible dissidents cannot be left at large. Only reasons of the most abiding importance, it would seem, would have induced Moscow to present to its own public and to the world the face of fear it has presented.

NEW LONDON W. I.

Mrs. Ralph Cobb was hostess to the New London W. I. for their January meeting which was held on Tuesday evening January 13th. The meeting opened by repeating the Creed in unison, followed by roll call responded to by sixteen members. Minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed. Correspondence received consisted of letters received from Mrs. Cudmore re—First Aid, Mrs. Malcolm MacLeod, Mrs. MacKinnon, needlecraft contest; also thanks for fruit received. The school committee reported the children had been treated at Christmas and the usual items were needed for school. The sick committee gave their report and a new committee appointed—Mrs. Morton Adams, Mrs. Ross MacEwen and Mrs. Oliver Bernard. It was decided to remember one of the members, Mrs. Robert Carr, with an Institute Pin, Mrs. Oliver Bernard to see about same. Discussion took place on purchasing extra chairs for the use of the Institute, and it was decided to order a dozen at present. It was moved and seconded all bills be paid. The next meeting is to be held at Mrs. Oliver Bernard's, roll call to be answered by "A country I'd like to visit and why." The new programme committee will be Mrs. D. A. Campbell and Mrs. Wilbur MacKay. Collection amounted to \$170. Two contests were put on by Mrs. James E. Cole and Mrs. Ralph Cobb, prizes being awarded to Mrs. George Cole, Mrs. Morton Adams and Mrs. Wilbur MacKay. The meeting closed with the "Queen".

Advertisement for BOND Tailored-to-Measure clothing. Features a man in a suit holding a jacket. Text includes: 'HURRY MEN!... Only A Few Days Left In The Great BOND JANUARY BONUS SALE', 'Extra Trousers FREE!', 'Tailored To Measure 39.75 COAT AND 2 TROUSERS', 'Also At 49.75 and 59.75 (SAVE UP TO 19.25)', 'Large Selection Of New Spring Patterns From Which To Choose!', 'GUARANTEED PERFECT FIT --- Come In Today!', 'HOLLMAN'S MEN'S WEAR'.

Personals

—Mrs. Mildred Craig, Summerside, has received word that her son, Stuart, arrived in Toronto and has started his studies at the Radio college of Canada.

Baltic School Christmas Concert

The annual Baltic Christmas Concert was held on Thursday evening, December 18th in the Baltic School. The school was very prettily decorated by their teacher, George Riley, assisted by the pupils.

Mr. W. K. Crafer very capably acted as chairman and the following program was presented to one of the largest crowds ever to assemble in this school.

Opening chorus: "O Canada". Dialogue by Roger Cousins. Dialogue: "Sue's Beau to Dinner". Recitation: Lorne Cousins. Duet: Neil and Mary Matthews. Recitation: Thelma Cousins and Nancy MacDonald.

Dialogue: "Zachary's Hired Man". Recitation: Sharon Crozier. Monologue: Margot Crafer. Acrostic: Seven pupils. Acrostic — Ten pupils. Recitation: George Hunter. Instrumental music: Edgar Neal and Mary Matthews. Dialogue: "Advice to the Love-lorn".

Monologue: Marjorie Riley. Dialogue: James Crafer. Instrumental music: Bruce Riley and Edgar Matthews. Recitation: Horace Crozier. Dialogue: "Yessuh Boss". Monologue: Mary Hunter. Solo: Marjorie Riley. Recitation: John Crafer. Closing Chorus: "Farewell Christmas".

Santa Claus then arrived and distributed gifts, candy and apples to the pupils and teacher, after which all joined in singing, "God Save The Queen".

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. HEATH BOWNES

—Many hearts were saddened when it became known that the Angel of Death had claimed the spirit of Mrs. Heath Bownes on Saturday, January 3rd at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. N. Pidgeon at Streetsville, Ont. Her health had been uncertain due to a heart condition, but had to a certain extent improved and her death came as a shock to family and friends.

She was the former Bridget Jane Proffitt, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Proffitt, Burlington, familiarly known as "Bea" and was first married to William Leslie of Kensington. Of this union two daughters were born — Glennie, Mrs. Elmer Bownes now of Barry, Ontario, and Verne, Mrs. Frank N. Pidgeon now of Streetsville, Ontario.

Later, after the death of Mr. Leslie she married Mr. Heath Bownes, also of Kensington, and to them was born one son, Donald, now of Picton, N.S. Mr. and Mrs. Bownes lived for a short time in Picton, N.S., and in Ontario, where Mr. Bownes passed away five years ago. She is also survived by one sister, Miss Maye Proffitt, of Malden, Mass., as well as other relatives and a host of friends, for her beautiful personality and gracious friendliness attracted all with whom she came in contact. Although making her home in Ontario, each summer was spent in Kensington, where she delighted to renew old friendships as the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. H. Darrach.

One brother, Mr. William E. Proffitt and sister, Mrs. H. R. Moore predeceased her.

The funeral was held from St. Mark's Anglican Church, Kensington, after a short service at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Darrach on Friday January 9th. The rector, Rev. R. W. Coupland conducted the service and was assisted by the Rev. J. M. Murray of the United Church. Appropriate hymns were led by the church choir with Mrs. K. Pidgeon at the organ.

The pallbearers were Messrs. James Sheen, H. B. MacLeod, William Thompson, E. T. Glyndon, Hersee Glover and Waldon Davison. The large congregation and a profusion of floral offerings bore mute testimony to the affection and esteem in which the late, Mrs. Bownes was held. Interment was in the People's Cemetery, Kensington.

—Bur.