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SEE Bedeque Players present "The Missing Heiress" in Summerside Hall, May 19th, at 8:30 P.M. sponsored by Springfield W.I.

ADJUDICATION OF W.I. 3 one act plays, Hamilton, Indian River and Tryon, Kensington, Monday, May 18th, Curtain 8:30.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF Bedeque Housing Co. will be held at the Central Bedeque Hall, on Wednesday night, May 20th, at 8 P.M.

NOTICE: All rate payers of Clement district who have not paid their school taxes kindly do so on or before the 6th day of June. Edson Rayner, secretary.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Summerside Lord's Day, May 17, 11:00 am. Rev. H. F. MacEwen, Minister. Communion, National and Revealed Salvation.

APRIL SHOWERS bring May flowers and May showers often mean a June wedding. Moose Jewellers have over a 100 different patterns of newest styles in their large assortment of Diamond and Wedding Rings. You might like to select the set of your choice now.

THE UNITED Church of Canada, Kensington charge, May 17th, Rural Life Sunday, Sunday School 10:00 am; morning worship 11:00 am; evening 7:30 p.m. Summerside, Sunday School 10:00 am. The congregation will worship at 10:00 o'clock, Rev. Lewis Murray, B.A., B.D., minister.

STUDENT PASTOR ARRIVES - Mr. Gerald Doran of Montreal arrived in Alberton Thursday evening to serve as student pastor of Alberton Presbyterian Church during the summer months. Mr. Doran who is a student in the Faculty of Presbyterian College, Montreal, will conduct his first service in Alberton Sunday morning.

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE - Two occupants of an automobile narrowly escaped injury when their vehicle was in collision with a freight train at the Portage crossing about ten o'clock yesterday morning. The accident occurred when the driver of a 1952 Chevrolet, a resident of Tignish, failed to stop in time at the crossing, and struck the east bound freight with considerable force and resulting heavy damage to the front end of the car. After a short delay the train proceeded on its way.

MOTHER'S DAY SERVICES - Special Mother's Day services were conducted in the churches of Alberton pastoral charge of the United Church of Canada last Sunday by the minister, Rev. A. R. Wallis. At the morning service in Alberton 18 infants were baptized and eight persons were received into the membership of the church. Three in profession of their faith and five by certificate from other congregations. By request the choir sang "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". At the close of the service the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed. At Cascumpec in the evening 18 men and women became members of the church by profession of faith. An exceptionally large number of members partook of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Mrs. Reg Compton is a patient in the Prince County Hospital and her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Alberton and Vicinity
Miss Janet Bell, Alberton, is a patient in the Western Hospital.

Mr. George Agnew, Charlottetown, was a visitor to Alberton on Friday.

Miss Helen Hardy, Alberton, is confined to her home by illness. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Magistrate's Court At Alberton
There were 20 cases on the docket at the Alberton Court House yesterday before Magistrate R. S. Hinton, Q.C. Defendants in ten cases under the Highway Traffic Act, three against residents of Elmisdale, 2 from Bloomfield, and 5 from the Tignish area, were all convicted and given nominal fines.

A party from St. Louis was fined \$50 and costs under the Temperance Act and two persons, one from Bloomfield and one from Alma, were each fined \$20.00 and costs, also under the Temperance Act. A resident of O'Leary, charged with being impaired, was convicted and fined \$100.00 and costs.

Two persons from Tignish were charged with creating a disturbance were each fined \$100 and costs.

Three cases under the Excise Act, two against residents of Duvar, Roseville, were adjourned and a charge of obstruction under the Criminal Code, against a party from Duvar, was also adjourned. Prosecution was conducted by members of the Alberton Detachment of the R. C. M. P.

Sport Echoes From Prince County

The Summerside Intermediates, led by the hero of the good old days when Summerside won Maritime championships, until the fans got a little bored with it all, have decided to enter the Prince Edward Island Baseball League. We're glad to hear that, but the team does look woefully weak, and unless reinforcements arrive in time to help them out on the mound, and in some other vital spots, the boys will definitely have a hard row to hoe.

Right now Joe Bernard seems to be the only flogger who can toe the slab with any hope of making a respectable showing, and even Joe is getting more and more like the old gray mare. There is probably still enough authority in that good right arm, to pitch pretty fair ball games, but the most thrilling chapters in Joe Bernard's pitching career have been read.

Curran and Briggs juniors should be better this year than last. For one thing, the boys will be a year older, and as the boys are still marching uphill, added years should be an asset, from the standpoint of both experience and physical maturity. The infield of Cannon, Whalen, Coke and Grant Grady should play better ball this year. They were brilliant in spots last year, but not consistent. They'd complete a brilliant double play, and then boot an easy roller while you were still cheering. Experience should give them more confidence and steadiness.

The outfield was as good as they came last year, and very much defensive improvement cannot be expected there. The boys didn't hit as outfielders should, however, and another year of competition would help matters in that department. Purcell of Charlottetown will, of course, not be playing for C. and B. this year, so a new outfielder will have to be broken in to make it a three-act team with Neil Walker and Joe Dalton. There are Vance Harris, Mark Delaney, Ed Dalton, and Clarence Gillis, to mention a few prospects.

Of course, a lot will depend on how the new slate of pitchers compare with the Carson-Simmons combination of last year, which no matter how you look at it, was largely responsible for the success of C. and B. last year. If the "south of the border" duo are as good, you can look for the Curran and Briggs team to be the outfit to beat again this year.

Monday will see the Ladies' Softball League getting under way, and the softball diamond at Queen Elizabeth Park is in close to perfect shape for the league opening. There should be a very fine band of ball displayed by the ladies of this league in '53.

May 23 is "Beat Julius Boros Day" in Summerside, as well as in other centres of Canada, and the United States. Those who beat the brilliant pro-considering their handicap, of course, will get a medal testifying to their achievement.

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STOCKHOLM. (CP)—The Swedish Academy, which awards the Nobel Prize in literature, has elected Dr. Sten Selander and Dr. Bertil Malmberg to occupy two chairs vacant by death. The two poets succeed the late explorer Sven Hedin and the novelist Gustav Hellstrom who died earlier this year.

Earliest mineral industry in the Manitoba area was extraction of salt from brine springs near Lake Winnipeg.

Hunter's Corner

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have learned that obedience to their parents' orders is essential to a long life and obey, with some expectations, from the time they first see the light of day. I thought of how pleasant it would be if every time a human mother shouted at a bunch of youngsters raising the roof with an ear splitting din one could hear a pin drop a second after.

Young crows are not so obedient, and this goes for other species of wildlife as well, after they have learned to stretch their wings and move around a bit in the green world. I have tried to sneak up on a family of crows and had one or both their parents spot me. They would immediately take wing giving the danger signal and calling for their family to follow them.

There are always one or two in the brood who will take off after their parents without hesitation. Often one will wait till the last minute to find out what the commotion is all about, the curious one, before getting under way. Sometimes the curious one learns the hard way, which in the wild may mean a single ticket with no return, or he or she may feel the smart of seven and a half shot on their backs as a reminder that curiosity doesn't pay. There is generally the dope who stays put until the man with the gun is so close he gets panicky and sidles along the limb and tries to hide against the trunk of the tree instead of flying.

Young rabbits were out in March this year. Sometimes they creep up through the brush, under which they are sometimes born, to enjoy the luxury of a sun bath and are easy pickups for a hawk, crow or raven. Four footed predators as a rule do not hunt in the daytime unless the pickings were poor the night before.

In early May a few years ago I surprised a Red-tailed hawk that had been sitting on an old brush pile beside a swamp road. I turned to investigate and found the half eaten remains of two young rabbits. I had the misfortune to step on the remaining member of the little rabbit family. A rabbit's life is always short but life for this one was shorter than usual. It apparently had worked under the brush and was concealed by a thin coating of twigs and I had to place my foot on the exact spot.

This week I saw where a mother mink had taken her family along the edge of a brook a few yards from the den site. They were quite small as the tiny pad marks in the mud indicated. Mothers in the wild have quite a time guiding their families through the maze of dangers and pitfalls that beset them. Young great horned owls seldom leave the nest before June but this spring the first ones hatched were out in the trees close to the nest in April. Often there is a lapse of two weeks between the hatching of the first horned owl and the next.

The first egg or eggs often work down through the twigs that line the nest bottom. The last egg being on top is the first one hatched and unless food is plentiful, so plentiful that the first comer is kept stuffed to the gullet, the second and third members have pretty lean diets to subsist upon and often the third one doesn't survive. This is one of the reasons advanced by some ornithologists for the great horned owl not increasing in numbers as they should. They have no natural enemies that I am aware of, except it is Mother Na-

ture herself, and man would like to account for more than he does but the nature and habits of Old "hootie" work against very many being shot.

The longer I live the more I realize that Mother Nature knows her stuff. It seems like that when she created the Great Horned Owl she realized she had perfected a killer de luxe and decided to cramp his style and instilled him with a nature that works for an off season period for reproduction as well as a slap-happy nest builder.

Every time I learn about or find an horned owl's nest site I always make it a point to look the location over and find out what they are taking in the way of game. I was rather late in checking the nest site where the young owl was out of the nest in April but nevertheless I found the remains of a number of rabbits, a pheasant, muskrat and snake. I have found signs of most everything that moves in the woods, fields, or marshes, including the remains of an old tom cat, around old Hootie's nest tree.

I think the most destruction in respect to game I ever witnessed was about 15 years ago around a nest at the head of the Hillsboro River. I found five black duck wings, traces of several muskrats, rabbit signs galore, at least one ruffed grouse, yellow feathers from a Flicker (Yellow hammer) and other feathers I assumed came from Hungarian partridge.

Even with this evidence of destruction the common house cat gets the nod as a wild life destroyer. I do not mean as a body but as individuals and there are hundreds of cats loose in the countryside for every horned owl. A cat may sleep on a cushion on a sofa all day, as dreamy eyed as a little cherub, and yet when out in the woods and fields become a yellow eyed killer. If the owners of a cat could see the birds their pets kill in a season stacked up in a pile they would receive the shock of their lives. I know cat lovers living in the country who shut their cats up in an old box from May to September. I also know an elderly lady who was looking for a small bell to fasten on her cat's neck to give birds a Duvax, doing six months for breaking, entering and theft.

He was picked up in his stocking feet, on the Western Road, about two miles west of Miscouche. One other prisoner, who is believed to have been with the other four, was back in the jail when police arrived with the first prisoner arrested.

Later in the day a thorough search of the jail was conducted by Sheriff J. Hubert Hall and Constables Leach and Grover of the R. C. M. P.

This search revealed merchandise and money stolen in breaks at two O'Leary stores on the previous night, and three suitcases and other items stolen in a break at Smallmans on April 1st.

On the night of the two breaks at O'Leary a break occurred at MacLean Motors at the east end of Summerside and a 1952 car was stolen. This car was found undamaged the next morning a short distance from the jail. The gas gauge in the car indicated that sufficient gas was missing to have driven to O'Leary and return.

While conducting the search the police are said to have discovered some home made beer hidden in the jail by the prisoners.

One of the prisoners who participated in the break was reported to have been seen walking around Summerside streets about 9:00 p.m. on the evening of the jail break.

It is believed that at least some of these prisoners are responsible for thefts of articles from automobiles that have occurred on recent nights in Summerside.

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It is expected that the prisoners who took part in the jail break, and who are associated with other breaks, will appear for preliminary hearing next week.

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Umpires' Ass'n Is Organized At Summerside

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—What is probably an innovation in Island baseball procedure was introduced in Summerside last night when Gerard Bernard, chairman of baseball under the Summerside Athletic Association, called a meeting to organize an Umpires' Association for the town. Henry Landry was elected president of the newly formed body, with Harrison Ferguson as vice-president, and Gordon Sullivan secretary-treasurer.

Sgt. Joe Hunter, president of the Island Baseball League spoke to the members, outlining the different angles proposed by the Island Baseball League with regard to proper dress, discipline on the field, etc. He assured the umpires that the Island League will behind them 100 per cent in their efforts to enforce the rules, and maintain order on the field.

Members present besides the elected officers were: Jack Schurman, Bill Allen, Davis Lewis, Elmer Phillips, Frank Savidant, Emmett Trainor, Reg. Phillips. Rates for umpires in Island League games were set at \$5.00 for behind the plate, and \$3.00 for the bases.

The next meeting of the new Umpires' Association will be held in the Legion Home next Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m.

S' side Water Rates Increase By 25 Per Cent

Summerside is to have an increase of 25 per cent in the water rates, it was announced yesterday morning by the Water and Sewerage Commission. The new rates are to become effective on July 1. The reason given for the increase by the Commission is the increasing cost of materials to maintain the system and provide for the increasing demands for water and sewerage.

The present rates which will be increased by 25 per cent are as follows: kitchen tap \$6.00 per year; toilet \$5.00 per year; bathtub \$3.00 per year; set tubs \$3.00 per year; shower \$3.00 per year; outside tap \$2.00 per year; additional taps \$1.00 per year.—S

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cord to the jail while the two officers were placing Claude MacKenna in a cell.

Jackie (Slink) Gallant, serving a year for a previous jail break, also later returned to jail.

Several hours later the R. C. M. P. who had been called into the search, re-arrested Gerald MacKenna (brother of Claude), also of Duvar, doing six months for breaking, entering and theft.

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Tryouts For Little League Ball Players

Tryouts for Little League ball players were held at Queen Elizabeth Park yesterday. Players playing with their respective teams last year, must continue to play with those teams unless released. Newcomers will be auditioned off under the plan devised last year. Each team will be given an imaginary sum of money to bid on players, and they can bid as high as they choose, but must ration their available "cash" so that it will not run out before they have "purchased" the necessary number of players.

The same clubs will sponsor teams as last year, viz. Rotary, Y's Men, Kinsmen, and Legion. Hours for practice will be arranged for next week, and the schedule will probably begin the following week.

S' side Junior Baseball Meeting

A second meeting of the new junior baseball "house" league was held at the Canadian Legion Home in Summerside last night, with James Hogan, director of Physical Fitness for Prince County, and secretary-treasurer of the S.A.A.A. in the chair. It was decided to form three teams, with Kensington and R.C.A.F. players participating, but not forming teams of their own. Bob Schurman and Earl Smith will handle one team, Donnie Simmons will take charge of another for a while, at least, and Benny Grady with the aid of another yet to be named will manage the third.

Mr. J. K. Curran has offered to donate a trophy for competition among the teams of this league.—S

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MOTORISTS

Continuing with our practice of having only two service stations open on Sundays, in order to give most employees the Sundays free that they deserve, we wish to announce that

Corney Bros. Imperial Service Station, Water Street
Crystal Service Station—Irving Oil, Water Street
will be open all day Sunday, May 17th for your convenience.

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Service of Dedication

Services of opening and dedication of the New London United Church, Sunday, May 17th.

MORNING SERVICE AT 11:00 O'CLOCK—
Rev. Harry T. Jones, D.D., president of the Maritime conference of the United Church will dedicate the church and preach the sermon.

AFTERNOON SERVICE AT 3:00 O'CLOCK—
Rev. W. S. Godfrey, D.D., Superintendent of Home Missions for the Maritime Conference will dedicate the gifts for the church and preach the sermon. At the afternoon service the music will be supplied by the Kensington United Church Choir.

EVENING SERVICE 7:30—
Rev. D. W. MacPherson, B.A., of Murray Harbour, chairman of P.E.I. Presbytery will preach the sermon. If weather is fine there will be a sound address system to be used for those unable to gain admission.

AUCTION SALE

I am instructed to sell by public auction household effects of John R. Marks, New London, Wednesday, May 20th at 1:30 p. m
Arthur J. Stewart, Auctioneer.

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Advertisement for 'WANTED' and 'Service of Dedication' with details for Joyce's Restaurant and church services.

Advertisement for 'Today's Last Minute Bargains' listing various equipment items and prices.

Advertisement for 'Motorists' listing service stations and their hours of operation.