Women

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HAPPENINGS

The following interesting item is handed in by Mrs. Ellis Profitt, Kensington.— Many Island friends will remember Thomas A. Christopher, since he was a frequent visitor to Clinton in his youth. His mother was the former Stella Rankin, and his grandmother, Mrs. J. Rankin was formerly Lavinia Pickering

It is interesting to learn that the fun loving lad of that day, now Captain Christopher, married, and the father of five, is in command of the aircraft carrier, Essex, that supported the U.S. marine landing in Lebanon, according to a news item in a New Jersey newspaper.

An Annapolis graduate, Christopher won the Navy Cross, and a Gold Star in lieu of a second Cross, for gallantry in the Bismarck Sea on December 31, 1943 and January 9, 1944.

He later received two other Gold Stars, and was subsequently awarded a presidential citation for gallantry as commander of a patrol squadron in 1944.

Born in Perth Amboy, New Jersey on May 24, 1911, Christopher attended local schools before entering the Naval Academy in 1929. He was commissioned an ensign in 1933, and attained the rank of Captin six years ago. His mother is Mrs. H. L. Hall of Perth Amboy.

Mr. R. E. Morse, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and Mrs. Morse, have returned to their home in Dartmouth, N.S., after spending their vacation with Dr. and Mrs. Smallwood, Souris.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Ross, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hayes, have returned to Moncton, N.B., having spent some time in Souris, the guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Smallwood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Heffell and sons Harry and Lloyd, Montreal, are spending their holidays at their home in Borden.

Mr. Harry Heffell, Montreal, attended the 105th. Battalion Reunion in Summerside on Wednesday, August 6th.

Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm C. Johnston, Toronto, are spending their vacation with Dr. Johnston's parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnston, Montague.

Visitors to the province are Dr. and Mrs. E. Sprochlein and family of Halifax who are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnston, Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Johnston, Gordon Drive, were weekend visitors of Mr. Johnston's parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnston, at their cottage in Brudenell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Buell and son Wayne left on return to their home in Oshawa, Ontario, on Sunday, having spent a pleasant holiday with relatives on Prince Edward Island.

Mrs. Mark Horton, now of Oshawa, is spending some time with her family here. She will return later in the month to Oshawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brellard, San Gabriel, California, are in the province. Mr. Brellard's mother's maiden name was Miss Young and her home was in Earnscliffe.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg MacRae and son Brian, Summerside, spent their vacation visiting relatives and friends. They were the guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacRae, Brookfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Parkman, Rustico.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bulman, Summerside, who are on vacation, left Monday on a motor trip to Fredericton, N.B., where they will visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Ross, Sydney, Cape Breton, are visiting Mr. Ross' father, Mr. Wilbur Ross and Mrs. Ross, Charlottetown.

The Misses Claudia Drummond, Norma and Linda Stetson of Freetown and Susan Salome of Middletown, have returned to their homes from a very pleasant vacation at Chelton Beach, where they were the guests of Miss Charlene Wright at her summer cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hartlen Halifax, N.S., have been spending a very enjoyable vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas, Breadalbane, but have been called home due to illness in the family.

Mrs. Maurice Hartlen and daughter were visitors at the Thomas home Sunday.

Miss Eleanor MacGregor and Mr. Lloyd MacGregor of Toronto are spending their holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester MacGregor of Kingston. They are accompanied by Miss Ann Davis of Toronto.

The Calgary Herald carries a four column picture entitled "Charming Picture of the Princess." The cut line is as follows: "Princess Margaret is shown talking to Lou S. Crosby, pioneer Banff businesman, after she was presented with a Buckskin Indian costume at the Buffalo Paddock in Banff.

The Mr. Crosby referred to is a brother of Mr. P. D. Crosby, Bunbury, Prince Edward Island. The Banff Crag and Canyon paper carries a similar picture, this time with several people in the picture.

The cut line reads as follows: Princess Margaret chats with Eleanor Luxton in this photo, taken at the airport. Occasion was presentation of a buckskin Indian costume to the Princess by Norman Luxton.

Others in the photo including Park Superintendent Harry Dempster are Ann Boon and L. S. Crosby, members of the Banff Chamber of Commerce which arranged the presentation.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. Craig, Winnipeg, are visiting Mr. Craig's relatives around Bedeque. Mr. Craig was at one time in business with his father in Emerald. He is a cousin of Mr. P. D. Crosby.

Mrs. John Scott, Mertzon, Texas, and Mrs. Vestor Hughes of the same place are visitors to the province for several days and are planning to leave on Thursday.

Mrs. Scott's father was Duncan Chester McKinnon, a native of Prince Edward Island. He left this province around the year 1890 and was a representative of the New York Life Assurance Company until his death in 1910.

Mr. McKinnon had married Mrs. Scott's mother, a young widow with three children. Mr. McKinnon had returned to this province in 1910 to visit his brother. He took pneumonia, died and was buried here. Mrs. Scott is trying to augment family records by finding her father's burial place.

Mr. Dougall McKinnon has been very kind in taking Mrs. Scott to various places in her quest of information about her father's family.

Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Hughes are registered at the Charlottetown Hotel. Mrs. Hughes is the mother of the prominent young corporation lawyer, Mr. V. Hughes, of Dallas, Texas.

The "Martha" group of the Charlottetown Baptist Auxiliary recently met for supper at Gregor's Restaurant, Cornwall to honor Mrs. Cedric Buckingham who leaves this month to reside in Fredericton, N.B.

Later in the evening they gathered at the home of the president; Mrs. Lemuel Webster, wh where a social time was held and a suitable gift presnted to Mrs. Buckingham in token of the appreciation and affection of the group.

John Langstaff of Brooklyn, New York, the possessor of a beautiful baritone voice, was a recent contestant at the Nova Scotia Festival. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Langstaff, have been staying at MacEdward Manor and left to attend the festival.

Mrs. Frederick Kachler of Westville, N.J., arrived in the city Saturday afternoon by air on a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Toombs, Kent St. and other relations and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Brighton accompanied by their two children Joan and Francis, Needham, Mass. have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blanchard and family. While on the Island they also visited Mr. Brighton's uncle, Mr. Thomas Noonan, Richmond. They left on return Tuesday and will visit St. Anne de Beaupre and Halifax before returning home.

Dr. David Silverstein his wife Dr. Christine Pegg Silverstein and son Robert who have been visiting Mrs. Silversteins grandmother Mrs. A. J. Macleod, Montague have returned to their home in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crombie and family who have been visiting Mrs. Crombies grandmother Mrs. A. J. MacLeod, Montague, have returned to their home in Guelph, Ont.

Dr. Anne Garnison, editor for the Michigan State University magazine, and her nine year old son Andrew are guests at MacEdward Manor.

Mr. William Cullen, formerly of Prince Edward Island, and Mrs. Cullen are now residents of Dovercourt, Harwich, Essex, England.

Recently while in London Mr. Cullen entertained in the Knights of Columbus Hall beautiful diningroom. His guests were Mr. Jamer, the agent - general for the Atlantic Provinces House and Mr. Heath Macquarrie, M.P.

The christening took place on Tuesday evening at the home of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brown, of their granddaughter, and daughtar of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Brown. The baby was christened Susan Patricia. The Rev. F. H. Littlejohns performed the christening ceremony. Afterwards a small family reception was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marsh of Toronto, Ontario, are leaving tomorrow morning after spending the last two weeks with Mrs Marsh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lavers, 91 Upper Prince Street. Charlottetown.

ELLEN'S DIARY

Pretty And Sweet—You Know The One I Mean!

Today saw the end of the haying in fields of the name. Last bales were stored away, and on the heels of this the haying-machinery drawn too off to shelter.

For this family it has been a great haying. Never before in memory has so much been mowed and made and gathered in harvest, in so short a time. The weather-what perfect days there were for it. . .haying - sun and breeze, and good health to wait on them to make it altogether ideal.

The trailer-mower which this year took the place of the mowers formerly used at the mowing, contributed much, indeed amazingly to the progress of the work, leaving the farmers well satisfied with this addition to the machinery of the farm. It, as one of the younger generation had anticipated of it happily, "knocked it down" in fine style, thus contributing more time to the making, and for the farmers to attend to other phases of the endeavour.

We look back through the years to an era of haying on the Islandfarms we knew, which included no more machinery than a mower, a primitive hay-rake and in the light of now, a smallish wagon, all of course horse-drawn.

Then to own a hay-fork and carrier in the barn as well, to do away with the necessity of lifting the bundles by hand to the mow, was to be enviably equipped for its toils.

What changes there have been since in the machinery of haying! And what added improvements and changes there is bound to be through the years ahead. We doubt that even the most speculative could even envision them in part.

"Will the pelleting of hay become a common farm-practice" one interested reflects. "Or of more immediate interest, will hay conditioners or stem crushers prove their worth in the hay fields of eastern Canada?"

Will balers, we wonder, have to be equipped to carry Sodium bisulphite, that agent which helps to cure to a nicety and quickly the tough green hay.

But whatever the years may bring in changed methods and machines of haying to the farms, we know that before the first mowing, some Island - farmwife will look out from her window or door, to love as we always have, the haylands rippling in varying shades of green as winds play across them when summer sets her spell on the farmlands. And sigh that so soon the lushness must be lost. And sooner or later she will catch that peculiar sweet fragrance of mown fields and stored harvest which must mark forever the season.

"Aren't the pansy faces pretty!" Granddaughter commented this evening coming to join us on the front verandah her hands full of those destined to be a bouquet for her room.

"They don't scent the air like the petunias are doing now" Mack offered from the lawn, where with a length of rope he and the pup were enjoying a friendly tug-of-war.

"But they have a delicate scent" she nodded. "So they're both pretty and sweet! Like "she chuckled teasingly to him, "you know the one I mean!"

Like the evening both pretty and sweet which was then filling and the day sun - spread and the valley with purple shadow — and the day sun — spread and lovely truly one of August's own.

Until tomorrow—Diary—Good - night. . .

Handicraft Exhibits Show Hand Of Women's Institutes

Throughout its lenghty history in Prince Edward Island, the Women's Institute has always worked to promote the interests of Islanders in general and Island women in particular.

Just one of the many ambitious projects which the P.E.I. W.I. has sponsored for the benefit of the people of the province has been the management of the handicraft exhibits at the Provincial Exhibition.

The history of the Women's Institute participation in the Exhibition began in 1949 when the Institute petitioned the Provincial Government to replace the building which had previously been used for handicraft exhibits and which had been destroyed by fire some years earlier. W.I. Members felt that the fire had deprived the women of Prince Edward Island of their only opportunity to receive recognition for their handicrafts.

TOOK OVER

On the condition that the Institute members take charge of the displays, the petition was granted and the W.I. took over part of an existing building which they used to display handicrafts.

So in 1949 the huge task of receiving, cataloging, displaying, and returning handicraft items was taken on by the Prince Edward Island Women's Institute as a voluntary project

In that first year 2000 entries were received. Since then, the quantity of the exhibits has decreased slightly but the quality has increased remarkably.

In 1949, the members experienced some difficulty in organizing the project but in ten years the procedure has become far more systematized.

HANDICRAFT VAN

Most Institute members feel that the credit for the improvement in the quality of the exhibits is due to the Handicraft Van. The Handicraft Van is another voluntary project of the P.E.I. W.I.

Best described as a travelling handicraft class, the Van is equipped with sewing machines and weaving looms. The project, under the management of Miss Bertha DesRoches, was initiated so that country homemakers, who are not able to attend home economics classes in Charlottetown, might be able to get expert instruction in the handicraft arts.

During its six years in operation the Handicraft Van has been in wide demand by the three hundred Institutes of the province.

The efficiency with which the handicraft display is managed may be credited to the executive of the P.E.I. W.I. and to the staff of the Women's Institute office.

Miss Theresa MacLeod, supervisor of the Prince Edward Island Women's Institutes, and Miss Jessie Bingham, assistant supervisor, began their work in connection with the handicraft display long before the exhibit begins.

GETTING READY

Compiling, sending, ad receiving entry forms, compiling judge sheets, and tabulating the results of the competitions are among the tasks performed by the competant staff of the W.I. office. However, during Old Home Week the burden of management falls on the members of the provincial executive.

Representing all three Island counties, the executive consists of Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie, Alberton, president; Mrs. Murdock McGowan Kilmuir, past president; Mrs. R.L. Burge, St. Peter's Bay, Secretary; Mrs. Philip Matheson, Oyster Bed Bridge, first vice-president; Mrs. Stewart MacGregor, East Baltic, second vice-president; Mrs. Leslie Ramsay, Indian River. third vice president Mrs. Norman MacMillan, Alberry Plains; Mrs. William Alyward, Morell, convener of United Nations, letter friends, and exchange programs; Mrs. Anthony Gaudet, St. Nicholas, citizenship convener Mrs. David Mutch, Mt. Herbert, agricultural convener; Mrs. Arthur Campbell, Spring Brook, cultural activities convener; Mrs. Lincoln Dewar, New Perth, health and welfare convener; Mrs. Aubrey Cutcliffe, Fredericton, home economics convener; Mrs. Robert Woodside, O'Leary; Mrs. Julian Herring, Charlottetown, radio convener, Mrs. Fred Gates, West Royalty, publicity convener.

RECOGNITION

The provincial executive and volunteer W.I. members who live near Charlottetown receive, ticket, and display the exhibits.

Pries are awarded in 250 classes for such widely varied handicrafts as leather work, cooking, painting photography and sewing and this year the executive expects to receive 1800 entries.

Under the management of the Prince Edward Island Women's Institute, the handicraft exhibit has become one of the most popular displays at the Povincial Exhibition. The members of the P.E.I. W.I. have succeeded well in their ambition to give Island women an opportunity to receive recognition for their handicrafts.

ARTS DIVISION

VICTORIA (CP) — The Victoria public library will establish late this year a new fine arts section to bring together books on art and music and feature records and films. Members will be able to borrow prints of famous paintings and records.

ST. EUGENES C.W.L.

The regular monthly meeting of Covehead C.W.L. held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Alfred Morrison on Sunday evening July 13 with 11 members and 1 visitor present.

In the absence of the Rev. Director and the president, the vice president opened the meeting with prayer. Roll call collection amounted to $1.05. Sunday visitor $1.10. Catholic boy 60 cents.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and signed. Correspondence included financial report and a letter from Multipical Sclorissis Society. Two cards were sent to hospital patients.

Treasurer reported $24.50 was realized from Show and sale of fudge in Stanhope Hall. Spiritual Convener, Mrs. L. Doyle reported 2 babies received baptismal candles when they were baptized.

Social Welfare convener, Mrs. C. Aylward reported clothing dotaken to Catholic family Centre at Charlottetown and that 3 children were placed in foster homes in the past month.

Membership reported one member paid fee making a total of 20 paid up members.

Unfinished business — It was reported 5 more stations were paid for making a total of 7 paid for to date.

New business — It was decided to hold a cake sale on the church grounds on Saturday, July 26.

Place of next meeting home of Mrs. Parnell Curran. Lunch committee, Sweets, Mrs. Tom O'Connell and Mrs. J. Ready. Sandwiches, Mrs. Alton Reardon and Mrs. P. Curran.

Meeting closed by prayer.

CLYDE RIVER W.I.

The regular monthly meetng of the Clyde River W.I. was held August 4, 1958 at the home of Mrs. H.T. MacKinnon with 10 members and 2 guests present.

The meeting opened with the Ode followed by the Mary Stewart Collect. The roll was called followed by reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

The Treasurer gave a report on the expenses for July. Mrs. Reg. MacKinnon purchased the ice cream left over at the school pic-nic.

discussed. THE GOVERN GE

Communications were read and discussed the Governmen was received and one thank you card read. Mrs. Reg. MacKinn reported that 13 pupils were taking the swimming lessons. Co lection for the night amounted to $1.15.

Next meeting is to be held in the Community Hall at which time the institutes from Argyle Shore and De Sable are invited to be present. Each Institute is asked to prepare one item for the program. Te meeting to start at 8 o'clock.

Roll call to be answered with a joke from all present. Program committee to be Mrs. Reg. Mac Kinnon and Mrs. George Dixon.

Meeting adjourned.

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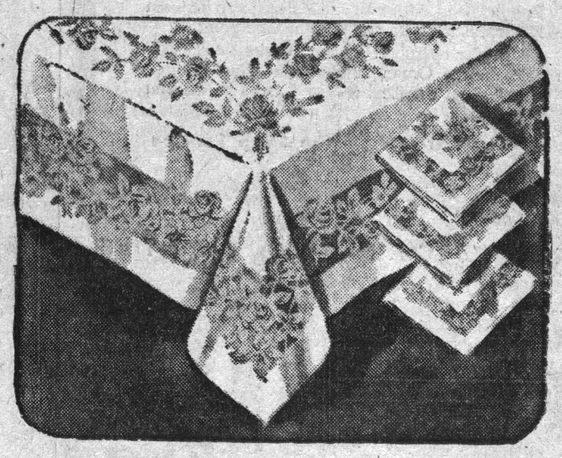

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