



**PROVIDE THE GRASS ROOTS**

The Galt Ont., Liberal Association wants to make sure that the Liberal convention, Jan. 14-16 stresses the "grass roots" aspect of party organization. The Galt association sent MP J. W. Pegg, former immigration minister, a box of grass. Here he hands it over to Duncan MacTavish, QC convention chairman. (CP Wirephoto)

## Old Age Pensions Approach 4 Million Annually In P. E. I.

In 1957 the Charlottetown Old Age Security Office forwarded 83,685 cheques totalling \$3,808,658.00 to persons in this Province who are seventy years of age or older. The entire amount of this payment was paid from Federal Funds.

This information was announced recently by Mr. A.S. Tait, regional director of Old Age Security. The following table shows the number of pensioners in this province and the total payments made by months for the year 1957:

	Pensioners	Cheques Issued	Payments
Jan.	6,969	6,879	\$279,665
Feb.	6,973	6,882	279,585
Mar.	6,993	6,900	281,650
Apr.	7,002	6,908	285,770
May	7,060	6,965	292,761
June	7,101	7,005	286,565
July	7,112	7,011	328,690
Aug.	7,129	7,024	329,200
Sept.	7,146	7,043	329,396
Oct.	7,142	7,035	329,214
Nov.	7,134	7,028	333,166
Dec.	7,113	7,005	332,396
Totals	83,685	83,808,658	

"A noticeable increase in the payment for the month of July over the month of June can be seen in the above table. This is due to the first increase in the amount of the pension from \$40 to \$46 per month. A second increase in the monthly amount of the pension from \$46 to \$55 was made effective with the month of November, thus making the total payments for November much greater than the total payments for October.

"The Regional Office continues to receive application forms from persons after they have reached their seventieth birthday. Because of the delay in making application, the applicant has lost one or more months pension, as payments can only be made commencing with the month following the month when the application form is received in the office of the Regional Director of Old Age Security. Representations have sometimes been made to the Regional Director's office for retroactive payment to the month following the month of applicant's seventieth birthday, but the existing legislation will not permit such payment. Some of the reasons given for the delay by the applicants are, 'I did not have any documents available at the time to prove my age' or 'I was trying to get my birth registered so that I could send my birth certificate with my application form'. If an applicant's birth has not already been registered with the Vital Statistics authorities it is not necessary

to do so before applying for Old Age Security. The Regional Office will give every assistance and direction possible to applicants in obtaining satisfactory proof of age. When a person who is a resident of Canada, and has lived the required number of years in Canada, reaches the age of sixty-nine and a half years, he is eligible to apply for the Old Age Security pension. Application forms are available at all post offices or can be obtained by writing to the office of the Regional Director of Old Age Security, P. O. Box 1238, Confederation Building, Charlottetown, P. E. I. If the applicant has nothing to prove his age at the time he is eligible to apply, a completed application form should be sent to the Regional Director's office so that no loss of pension will result because of delay in applying. When the application form is received in the Regional Office the applicant will be advised what he may do to obtain satisfactory evidence of age."

## Former Nurses' Registrar Dies

Mrs. Reagh Horne, R.N., died Friday at the Prince Edward Island Hospital. Until two months prior to her death, Mrs. Horne had been the Registrar of Nurses, Charlottetown Central Registry, a position she had filled most efficiently since her appointment nine years previously.

Born in Brookfield, P.E.I. she was the former Helen MacLean, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. L.Y. MacLean and widow of the late John Reagh Horne of Winsloe.

A graduate of the Prince Edward Island Hospital School of Nursing, she came to Charlottetown following the death of her husband several years ago and after practising her profession in the City assumed the office of Nurses' Registrar.

She is survived by two daughters, Betty (Mrs. Maurice Blake) and Margaret of this City. Also surviving are a sister Margaret MacLean, R.N., Sackville. A brother, Wilfred lives in Charlottetown and a brother James lives in Brookfield. Three other brothers in Western Canada also survive her.

Her only son John Reagh "Buddy" was killed in an airplane crash in Alberta, in June 1955.

## JORDAN JAILS REDS

AMMAN, Jordan (Reuters) — A military court in Jerusalem Tuesday sentenced five Jordanian Communist to prison terms ranging from 15 to 19 years for subversive activities and for taking part in demonstrations in Jordan last April.



MR. CUTCLIFFE

## Former Islander Writes Article For Engineers

The December issue of The Journal of Applied Mechanics, published quarterly in Easton, Pa., by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, carries a paper written by a former Islander, John Lloyd Cutcliffe.

Mr. Cutcliffe's paper deals with the symmetrical buckling of a series of uniformly loaded parallel struts supported by spot connections to a long thin plate.

It was delivered in June of last year at the Applied Mechanics Division Summer Conference held in Berkeley, California.

One of Mr. Cutcliffe's former teachers H. S. Heaps, Associate Professor of Applied Mathematics at Nova Scotia Tech, drove all the way to the American west coast city in order to deliver Mr. Cutcliffe's learned treatise at the engineers conference.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Cutcliffe, Fredericton, P.E.I. Mr. Cutcliffe graduated from Nova Scotia Technical College in 1956. At this time he was the sole honor graduate in civil engineering.

An employee of the Dominion Bridge Co. of Montreal, Mr. Cutcliffe is Structures Engineer at the Robb Engineering Works, Amherst, N.S.

## MONUMENTS

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## Is Remanded On Theft Charge

Charged with the theft of money in the amount of over fifty dollars in City Police Court Saturday an accused was remanded until January 18 by Magistrate K. M. Martin.

Charged with drunken driving, an accused entered a plea of guilty to the lesser charge of driving whilst his abilities were impaired by alcohol, and was fined one hundred dollars and costs or twenty days.

Of four drunk and incapable, two were each sentenced to twenty days in the Queen's County Jail, another was fined five dollars and costs or two days, and the fourth was remanded until the 18th.

## Local Gideons Honor Mr. Runtz

During the week members of the Charlottetown Gideon Camp waited upon Mr. Vic Runtz to make a presentation of a coloured Island Scene and to wish him

bon voyage as he leaves to take up his new duties in Bangor, Maine.

The presentation on behalf of the Gideons was made by Claude Lewis and the address was given by Millar MacFadyen. Members of the Gideons present spoke briefly of Mr. Runtz' valuable contribution to the society where he has been a past president and secretary and presently is Zone Leader for the Province.

## Takes Roll Out Of Small Ships

ANGLESEY, Wales (Reuters) — A boon to seasickness sufferers—a stabilizer for small ships—has been developed here, it was announced Wednesday.

A spokesman for Saunders-Roe Limited, who developed the new stabilizer, said "it has taken us

three years to perfect it." "It will reduce the rolling effect of small ships to the greatest possible extent and therefore should reduce seasickness to the absolute minimum."

The invention can be used on pleasure steamers, trawlers, coasters, yachts and all ships of less than 1,000 tons.

The admiralty is having a minesweeper fitted with the stabilizer and foreign navies also are interested, the company said.

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## Defected Diplomat Said Anxious To Return Home

LONDON (AP)—Guy Burgess, one of two high-ranking British diplomats who defected to Russia is reported anxious to come home.

Michael Ingrams, a television official who spent four months in the Soviet Union making films, says Burgess is asking British visitors whether he would be accepted here.

Donald Maclean, the other diplomat who crossed the iron curtain with Burgess, also came back into the news after months of obscurity. The mass circulation Sunday Pictorial reported he has split with his 41-year-old American wife, Melinda, and that she wants to get their three children out of Russia.

The report said Mrs. Maclean has appealed for help to British and U.S. authorities.

Ingrams brought no word of Maclean except that he lives in a pleasant house in a Moscow suburb with his family and that the three children, who go to a

state school, speak only Russian.

**COLONY OF "RUNAWAYS"**  
The television official told reporters Soviet authorities let him mix freely with the people and he met a small colony of "runaway Britons."

"I refused invitations to attend their parties and to meet Burgess," Ingrams said. "But they talked a lot about him. They told me he was most unhappy and looking very old."

"He is keen to meet British visitors because he wants to get back to England. He is continually asking people from this country if they think he would be accepted here."

Ingrams added that Burgess is drinking heavily and has only one close friend, a Russian miner.

Burgess and Maclean disappeared from London in 1951. Russia never officially admitted they had crossed the iron curtain, but the two diplomats finally held a press conference in Moscow in 1956 to confirm reports that they

had gone to work for the Soviet foreign ministry.

## HANDIWORK INDICATED

There have been indications that some Kremlin notes to the Atlantic Allies were worded by Maclean.

Mrs. Maclean and the children went to Russia in Switzerland in 1953.

The Pictorial said Mrs. Maclean has been "living a nightmare" and parted with her husband "because of his drinking." She was described as making frantic efforts to persuade her relatives to do all they can to get the children — Fergus, 12, Donald, 10, and Melinda, 6 out of Russia.

Maclean was reported by the Pictorial to have lost his job in the Soviet foreign languages department. The Pictorial said the Russians now "appear to have washed their hands of him."

## Former Antarctic Exploration Ship Loading Potatoes Here

The "Theron", a ship with an enviable record among those that have sailed the frigid wastes of the Antarctic, Saturday was berthed at the Railway Wharf loading a cargo of 8,500 bags of Island potatoes for United States ports. The 849-ton freighter and sealer is under the command of Captain Marold Maro of Halifax, formerly of Aalesund, Norway.

The Theron first came into prominence in the winter of 1955-56, when she was used to transport Dr. E. Vivian Fuchs and Sir Edmund Hillary and the remainder of the advance party of the British Antarctic Expedition from London, England to set up the Shackleton Base from which the expedition was to operate.

Leaving London on November 14, 1955, the sturdy vessel headed across the Atlantic stopping at Cape Verde for fuel and then continuing on to Montevideo. After a brief stop there they again set sail for South Georgia an island located on the very rim of the Antarctic.

**REACHED ANTARCTICA**  
The Theron finally tied up alongside the continent of ice, on

January 29, 1956 to land equipment and stores of the expedition. When unloading operations were completed she started on her northward journey only to be caught in an ice-trap. Eventually with the use of demolitions and a shifting of winds the Theron was able to work herself clear.

The spot where the Theron was locked in the ice, was almost the exact location in which Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship "Discovery" was crushed and sunk.

The 39-year-old skipper said that he had been going to sea continuously since he was fifteen, except for three years during World War II. Captured by the Japs, Captain Maro spent three years in Japanese concentration camps.

## Medical Mirror

WHAT DOCTORS SAY ABOUT

• Babies And The Moon



Q. Is it true that more babies are born when the moon is full than at other times?

A. No, but this is a popular and world-wide notion. A doctor in Danville, Pennsylvania, recently decided to prove or disprove this ancient belief. Records of almost 10,000 births showed no increase in deliveries at the full moon. In fact, births at the new moon outnumbered deliveries at the full moon by 3 to 2. It's high time, says the doctor, to discard the superstition that the moon influences the time of birth.

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## Four Traffic Cases In Court

In Queen's County Magistrate's Court, Friday afternoon a resident of Charlottetown was fined ten dollars and costs or ten days by Magistrate Gilbert Gaudet, on a charge of speeding.

Two accused from Bredalbane and Rocky Point respectively, were each fined five dollars and costs or five days on charges of operating motor vehicles with defective equipment, lights, etc. A second Bredalbane man facing a similar charge was given a reprimand.

## COMING EVENTS

Dance in Bonshaw W.I. Hall Tuesday, Jan 14th.

Annual meeting Murray Harbor Presbyterian congregation in church Tuesday, January 14th at 2 p.m.

The annual meeting of Brookfield Church will be held on Tuesday Jan. 14 at 2 o'clock.

Opening Card party at York Point School, Wednesday night, January 15th at 8.30 p.m. Sponsored by York Point W.I.

The annual meeting of Harisville congregation will be held in the Church Wednesday, Jan 15, 8 o'clock.

Strathalbyn District L. O. L. meets in Bradalbane Tuesday, Jan. 14th at 7.

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# DO IT NOW!

## Get Your JOB DONE This Winter!

### Join Your Community Campaign Against Seasonal Unemployment



## CHARLOTTETOWN

J. DAVID STEWART, Mayor of the City of Charlottetown;  
To the Citizens of Charlottetown, GREETING:

Whereas there is much work to be done on residential and business premises within this City; and skilled and unskilled workers are now available to do that work promptly and well; and the National Employment Service is conducting a campaign to alleviate seasonal unemployment.

Now Know Ye that the Mayor and Council call upon the Citizens of Charlottetown to ascertain what repairs, remodelling and construction are desirable on their respective properties and urge them to have the same done without delay.

This is a case where good citizenship is good business. We can have the work done with the least possible delay and help to maintain a constant rate of employment to the benefit of all.

By Order,  
James A. Fullerton,  
City Clerk.

## SPUTNIK!!!

Yes we are living in a new age. Old customs are being left behind. More and more people are accepting the idea that winter employment is not only possible but economically sound. Don't be handcuffed by tradition. If you intend to renovate, redecorate or make an extension to your home or business premises, don't wait till Spring. Material is more readily available now than at any time of the year, and also the finest type of tradesmen. For more information call the

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## LET'S HELP OURSELVES

Habit is the enemy. We have got into the habit of having most of our work done during the summer months with the result that during the peak period men and materials are often not available to finish the work within a reasonable time. Many men are seasonably unemployed in Charlottetown and vicinity, during every winter.

The loss in wages adversely affects every business establishment in the City and the payment of unemployment service benefits only partly relieves the situation.

It is necessary to substitute common sense for habit and distribute the work to be done as evenly as possible throughout the year. This, like the breaking of any bad habit, requires a real effort.

The saving of time and money to the householder and businessman; the spread of employment over the whole year for the worker; the intelligent use of all our resources of manpower, material, transportation and storage; can add to the prosperity and well being of all our citizens.

Do the job while there are men and materials available. The National Employment Office in Charlottetown has the men, your local merchants have the materials. Get in touch with both.

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