

FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY

St. Louis Man Plunges To Death At Montrose

ALBERTON BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN
Funeral services will be held Wednesday for Bernard John Fitzgerald of St. Louis who was drowned early Monday morning when a truck he was driving plunged through the guard rails of the Montrose Bridge and ended up in 15 feet of water in the Kildare River.

The funeral will be held from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fitzgerald, for services at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Palmer Road. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Other survivors include a brother Edward of Summerside and a sister Edith of St. Louis.

The 26-year-old man, a driver for Wendall Stewart of St. Louis, was hauling asphalt from the plant at Alma when the accident occurred.

According to reports from the scene the truck was heading towards Alberton when it struck a telephone pole on the east side of the bridge, veered over to the other side and sheared off 16 yards of double steel guard rail.

The truck then hit a 22-foot, 16-inch square piece of cross-tied lumber, one of a number being assembled for the construction of a new Montrose bridge.

The force of the impact sheared off one of the rear dual wheels, which was later found about a quarter of a mile down stream where it floated, forced on by the wind and waves.

The accident took place about 3 a.m. it was reported by Kenneth Pridham of Montrose who lives near the bridge and heard the crash.

The owner of the truck was determined several hours before the truck was located by R.C.M.P. officers and volunteer workers. Glen Matthews, a transport driver, who lives nearby, recognized a tarpaulin used to cover asphalt, a case of motor oil and

three inch-wide truck springs as belonging to a new 3 1/2 ton truck.

Only three trucks of this kind exist in the area and a check revealed Stewart's to be the only one unaccounted for.

Despite choppy waves and a cold wind, a dory was obtained and Matthews, Elmore MacKay and Herb Matthews, all of Alberton, carried out the work of placing the grappling hooks.

A wrecker called up from Summerside was not able to haul the truck to the surface. A bulldozer was then hooked on to the truck and the wreck was brought to road level at 9 a.m., fully six

hours after the mishap. Fitzgerald's body was found on the seat of the cab. The roof had been smashed down to the level of the steering wheel. The truck was badly wrecked in the plunge to the water.

The coroner Dr. Charles Dewar of O'Leary, arrived at the scene shortly after the truck was raised from the water. He gave the cause of death as drowning and said no inquest would be necessary.

Construction of a new and wider bridge over the Kildare River, scene of at least 15 accidents over the years, is to be started right away. Contractor is Mr. William Noye of Ellerslie.

Crews Begin Repairing Freight Train Wreckage

ALBERTON—Work crews of the Canadian National Railways were reported working around the clock to clear up wreckage and debris caused by an eight-car freight train derailment near Coleman yesterday morning.

The freight involved was the regular morning train from Tignish to Summerside.

At a late hour last night it could not be learned when train services on the line would be restored to normal. C.N.R. officials yesterday were hopeful that the debris could be cleared up last night but it did not appear likely.

Heavy damage was sustained by a number of refrigerator cars and about 150 yards of road bed but the seven man crew escaped injury although three were reported to be badly shaken up.

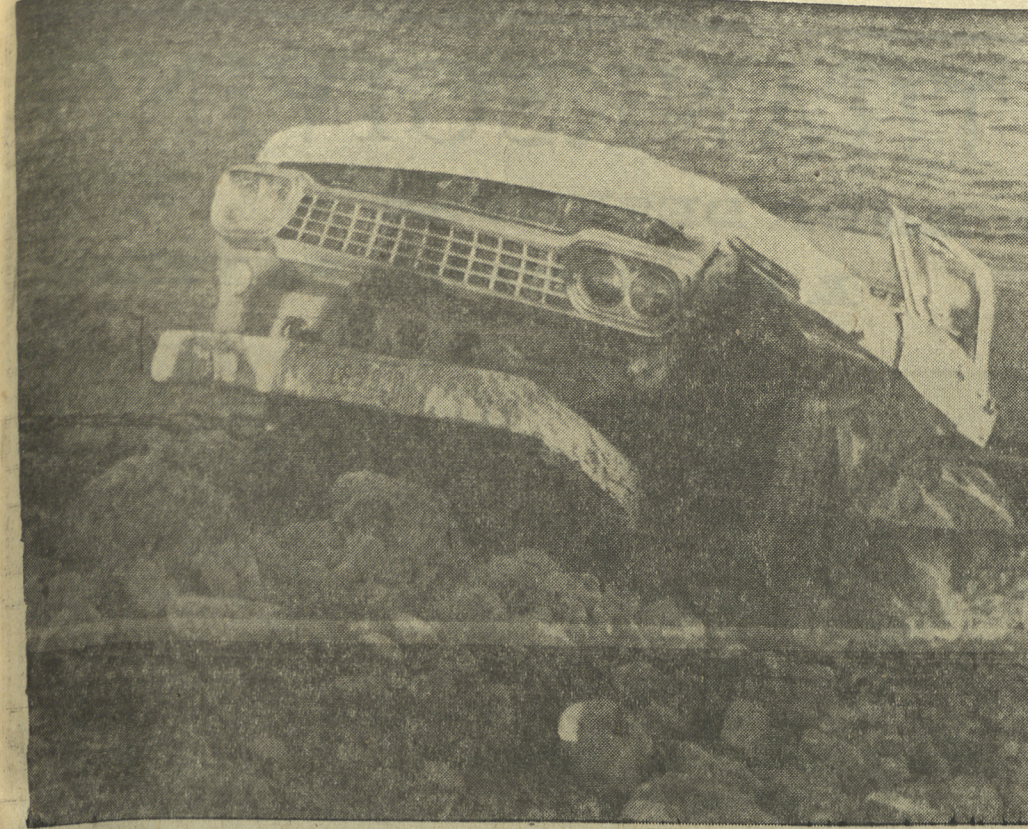
The three were conductor Verne Curley, mail clerk Jack Pickard and baggage man Frank Wheately. Other crew members were engineer Elias MacKay and fireman Roy McGee, express messenger Alton McInnis and trainman E. Jay.

Four of the 150-yard distance ties and rails were completely demolished and strewn



SOME OF THE derailed cars and the torn up track. This picture was taken from the engine caboose.

with wreckage from the running gear smashed from the cars which were heavily loaded with potatoes. Four of the potato cars ended up on their sides completely of the road bed and a fifth car, one of the two diesel engines, a passenger car, an express car and a baggage and mail car were off the rails but more or less in upright position. There were no passengers on board. An auxiliary train left Charlottetown yesterday morning shortly after 11 a.m. Cause of the derailment could not be learned last night. The actual scene of the accident was on a straight stretch of railway at Leard's Mill Pond about three miles north west of Coleman.



TRUCK BACK ON BRIDGE

The gravel truck in which Bernard Fitzgerald was drowned early yesterday morning is shown above just as it was pulled

back on to the Montrose Bridge from a depth of 15 feet of water where it had rested for six hours. The body of the

driver, the only occupant of the vehicle when it crashed over the bridge was found lying on the seat. Damage to the truck was extensive.

Life Member Certificate Presented AYP A Member

On Monday evening the St. Mark's A.Y.P.A. Kensington, entertained new members with a Pot Luck Supper with 30 members present. The supper was followed by special prayers for a successful year.

Clayton Mills thanked St. Mark's A.Y.P.A. who had jointly with the A.Y.P.A. presented a Life Membership certificate and a ring to him at the recent Deaneary conference. This is the first Life Membership certificate issued to a member on P.E. Island by Dominion Council for faithful service in A.Y.P.A.

He has been active in the branch and has held several offices including president and vice president of the P.E. Island Council. He also served as chairman of the extension committee and chairman of the Deaneary conference.

The president, William Pidgeon commended the group for the great response the members gave to the deaneary conference, having won the Banner for the 2nd consecutive year. The banner goes to the parish having the largest representation present with a total of 25.

St. Mark's has been very active in Deaneary activity through out the past year, having won the Deaneary Drama Festival and the best actress award.

The National Youth Sunday Rally will be held Oct. 19 with Holy Communion Breakfast and installation of officers. Prizes for the best attendance from a e a church will be presented. Three members were appointed to the nominating committee, Lauretta Mill, Garth Gillespie and Cleo Sudsbury. The evening closed with an enjoyable programme and closing prayers.

REGULAR DANCE Borden Legion Hall, Wednesday, Modern and old time dancing 9.00 p.m. to 12.30 p.m. Music by Hi-Fy Orchestra. Admission 50 cents.

DANCE Spring Valley Hall, every Wednesday night. Dancing from 9 p.m.

HOT CHICKEN Supper in Immaculate Conception Church basement Thanksgiving Day, October 13.

REGULAR MONTHLY meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary, Kensington Legion Home tonight at 8 o'clock.

DR. ZIELINSKI will be at Kinkora every Tuesday 4-5. Office located at Mack McKenna's home.

REGULAR DANCE Borden Legion Hall, Wednesday, September 8. Modern and old time dancing 9-12:30. Music by Hi-Fi's Orchestra. Admission 50 cents.

TO CONVENTION—Vaughan H. Groom of the Garden of the Gulf Motel in Summerside will attend the national convention of Quality Courts United Inc. to be held at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, October 12-16.

CALLING ALL FARMERS! Come to Summerside Elementary School hall Thursday, October 9th, at 8:00 p.m. and talk over your problems with CCF House leader Hazen Argue who is an agricultural expert.

LONG TIME PRODUCER—Donald View Bessie Belle' ranked 16th in Canada for Holstein cows receiving the blue seal long time production record. Owned by K. Donald of Malpeque, P.E.I. the cow in ten lactations produced 127,086 lbs. of milk containing 4,360 lbs. fat. The blue seal record is awarded to cows producing over 125,000 lbs.

HIGHLY RANKED—An Alberton breeder had two high ranking Guernseys in the all-Canada R.O.P. test for the month of July. 'Ten Maples Della' a 4-year-old owned by MacLean Home, Alberton R.E.I. in 305 days 7,695 lbs. milk containing 439 lbs. fat with a test of 5.71 per cent. A two year-old owned by Mr. Horne—'Ten Maples Tulip' produced 7,191 lbs. milk—336 lbs. fat with a test of 5.37 per cent.

Mrs. W.R. MacQuarrie is the Brown Owl of this wide-awake Brownie Pack at Victoria while Mrs. Allison Lea, the Chairman of the Brownie Committee is going to become the new Truivy Owl. The Secretary of this Victoria Group Committee is Mrs. Keith Boswell.

Miss Iphigenie Arsenault, Division Commissioner for Queens Co., and Mrs. Urban McQuaid, District Commissioner for Central Queen's County were present at this happy gathering held in Victoria Hall which was beautifully decorated with autumn flowers for the occasion by friends of the Brownies.

Coleman Airmen Back To Canada From Overseas

Cpl. Lorne MacLean of Coleman, Prince Edward Island, a firefighter in the Royal Canadian Air Force, returned to Canada on board the Empress of England, Saturday on completion of a three year tour of overseas service.

Cpl. MacLean is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan MacLean, Coleman. While overseas he served at 30 Air Materiel Base Langar in Nottinghamshire. This base is the only commonwealth base in England, provides the equipment that keeps airborne the jet fighters of Canada's NATO Air Division in Europe.

At 30 A.M.B., Cpl. MacLean was employed in the base fire hall which is fully equipped with

modern firefighting gear, capable of extinguishing any fire which might occur.

Lorne was born in Coleman, P.E.I., and has been in the RCAF since 1951. Since enlisting he has served at units in Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia.

On his return he will be stationed at Sea Island B. C. He was accompanied in England by his wife, formerly Lois Palmer of Coleman.

Cpl. MacLean was a member of the team which recently won the Allied Air Force fire fighting trophy at R.A.F. Kenley. The competition was held between U.S.A.F., R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. teams.

Preliminary Hearing Will Continue Today In S' Side

SUMMERSIDE — Preliminary hearing on a manslaughter charge against John A. MacKenzie of the Brae, resulting from the death of Ernest Brown of Plusville, at Bloomfield Corner on June 19th, was adjourned until this morning when the evidence of five witnesses called by Crown Prosecutor D. O. Stewart, Q.C., was concluded at Summerside last evening before Magistrate R. S. Hinton, Q.C.

Evidence concerning the fatality was given by Claude McKenna, E. W. Turner, Joseph Pineau, Cpl. G. Chipman, and Cpl. C. R. Humphries.

The accused is represented by Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, Q.C. Roger Gallant of Duvar, who previously had pleaded guilty to escaping custody and theft of a truck, was further remanded for sentence until October 14.

Three other men, Albert Kelly, formerly of Borden, Gerald Gracie and James Jackman of

Clare Bay, charged with robbery with violence, resulting from an alleged assault against snack bar operator Ted Perry, and theft of \$117 from him, were remanded to October 8th.



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