

Happenings of The Week

United States servicemen have been in Newfoundland for 10 years, and they like it.

The Yanks join in sports and social activities and they cooperate with provincial authorities. But more than that—they are marrying Newfoundland girls.

Marriages between islanders and American servicemen stationed at the three Newfoundland bases have increased to a point where straightening out citizenship of wives and offspring has become one of the major jobs of U. S. consular offices.

If anybody is unhappy about the arrangement, it is the unmarried males who already exceed eligible females in the province. Bachelor servicemen have cut into the woman surplus in the years the U.S. forces have been stationed there, and last year more than 800 Newfoundland girls went to the States with their American husbands.

That's the figure revealed by the U. S. Consul-General's office in Newfoundland. It covers marriages at the St. John's and Argentia bases, but does not include many others at west coast Harmon Air Force Base.

American couples are also taking to parentless Newfoundland children. Last year 25 adoptions were arranged by authorities in co-operation with the Newfoundland Department of Welfare.

"As far as I have seen, the adoptions have been very successful," says Ellis A. Bonnet, the Consul-General. More applicants are coming forward now than at any time since the bases were established in 1941.

Marriage to a serviceman does not automatically give U. S. citizenship to a Newfoundland girl, but speedy naturalization is arranged when the couple returns to the States. The same applies for adopted children.

Dr. and Mrs. Alan Ernst of Halifax are arriving this week-end to spend the Easter holiday with His Honour Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse and Mrs. Prowse.

Hon. George D. DeBlois has left for Boston, where he will be joined this week-end by Mrs. DeBlois, who is returning from a trip to Mexico. They will spend Easter there before returning to Charlottetown.

Reports from the Lady Alexander Gift Committee indicate that contributions are flowing in a steady stream, and it is to be hoped that many more will avail themselves of the opportunity to contribute.

Mrs. Noel DeBlois is spending Easter in Baltimore, Md., the guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Storey.

Cmdr. and Mrs. G. H. Buntain and son Master Derek Buntain left on Tuesday to spend Easter in Washington.

Miss Norah Longworth is returning home this week-end after a trip through the eastern United States and Mexico.

Mr. W. Chester S. McLure, M. P., and Mrs. McLure are arriving in Charlottetown this week-end to spend the Easter recess here.

Mrs. P. A. Creelman has left for Halifax and will visit her mother, and her sister who is ill.

Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Laidlaw and their two children left yesterday to visit Dr. Laidlaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Laidlaw, of Saint John, N.B., for the week-end.

Mr. Nell Higgins, C.A., is leaving this morning by air for his home in St. Petersburg, Florida, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Higgins, Kent St., for the past week.

Dr. and Mrs. Kelsey Jones, who delighted music lovers at the Prince of Wales College Concert Wednesday night with a very fine duo-piano performance, were the guests while here of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Lothian. Mr. and Mrs. Lothian entertained informally in honour of their guests, who are now living in Saint John, N.B., after the concert, when Mrs. Frank MacKinnon poured.

Cook's Corner

EGGS WITH RICE
(4 servings)

One-quarter cup butter, 1 tablespoon minced onion, ¼ cup flour, 1¼ cups milk, 3-ounce can sliced, seeded mushrooms, ¼ cup of sliced Canadian cheese, ¼ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper, 2 cups cooked rice, 4 eggs, paprika.

Melt butter in saucpan. Add milk and contents of can of mushrooms. Cook, stirring constantly, until sauce thickens and boils. Add cheese, salt and pepper. Remove from heat and stir until cheese melts. Place rice in each of four greased shallow individual baking dishes.

Make a small depression in center of each and break an egg into each depression. Spoon cheese and mushroom sauce gently over the tops of the eggs and rice. Sprinkle liberally with paprika. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) about 30 minutes until the egg is just set. Serve immediately for lunch, or for the main course at supper.

Mr. J. A. Lawson, Jr., (Sandy) of Stellarton, N. S., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lawson while here on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Gass left Wednesday morning for a two weeks' vacation in New York.

Mr. Peter Mellish, a student at Rothesay Collegiate, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mellish for the Easter vacation, and has as his guest Mr. Terrence Ingham of Bermuda.

The members of the Charlottetown Legion Auxiliary met at the Legion Home Monday night to pack boxes containing food and other comforts, of which 21 have already been mailed to Island servicemen serving in Korea. The work was done under the direction of Mrs. Harry Tidmarsh, convener.

Her friends regret to learn that Mrs. Arthur Roper is a patient in the hospital, where she underwent an operation Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Redmond Soy, 131 Spring Park Road, entertained Wednesday evening in honour of Mrs. A. W. Swan, who has recently moved here from Glace Bay. Mr. Swan, who was originally of Charlottetown, has returned to

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That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

RHEUMATIC FEVER IS GRADUALLY DISAPPEARING

Although there are cases of rheumatism that physicians and dentists cannot trace back to infected teeth and tonsils and which they believe are caused by other conditions (too much starch food, cold and dampness, and injuries), there appears to be no question but that in most cases rheumatic fever can be traced directly to the streptococcus organisms found in the throat.

Rheumatic fever is acknowledged to be childhood's greatest enemy, as an attack predisposes to future attacks, followed by heart disease. While many of these cases die in childhood or in early adulthood, there are still a great number who live on and then pass away in the prime of life—in their forties.

With the coming of our new "wonder" drugs, the physician now has cortisone and ATCH with which to fight most forms of rheumatism, including rheumatic fever.

At the last convention of the American Medical Association at Los Angeles, Dr. Paul D. White, Boston, the noted heart authority, while giving credit to the new drugs, said that medicine is well on its way to controlling rheumatic fever with its toll of lives from heart failure. "Rheumatic fever," he said, "has almost disappeared in areas where the standard of living is higher, such as suburban areas. This encouraging result is due to the development of the antibiotic (germ killers) and other drugs that control the streptococcus."

While it is of interest to learn that good nourishing food so strengthens the body's defenses against disease, Dr. White goes on to say that many persons are still eating too much and if they could reduce the unnecessary calories or food units, it would help to prevent heart disease and diabetes. In the matter of food and rheumatism, Drs. A. A. Fletcher, of Toronto, Canada, and Dr. Ralph Pemberton, Philadelphia, several years ago reported their success in the treatment of rheumatism by cutting down on starch foods—sugar, potatoes, bread, pastry.

It is certainly gratifying to learn that rheumatic fever, until recently childhood's greatest enemy, has almost completely disappeared where the standard of living is higher. It can be seen that governments and industry, by taking into account the cost of living, are really contributing to the general health of the community.

Carr-Hughes-Bermuda Wedding



A very pretty wedding was solemnized when Rose Patricia, daughter of Mrs. Frederick Hughes

Bedford was united in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony to Sgt. Paul Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Carr, Rutherford, New Jersey.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Monsignor J. N. Terriault at Saint Theresa's Church, Hamilton, Bermuda. Miss Geraldine Mealey was maid of honour and Cpl. Patrick Hayes was best man. Miss Ruth Kennedy was bridesmaid and Pfc Norman Lessard, usher.

The bride, given in marriage by Sgt. J. P. Cook, was attired in white satin mingled with lace falling in a train and having long sleeves coming to a point over the hands. Her fingertip veil fell from an illusion of orange blossoms and she carried an arm bouquet of American Beauty roses. Her attendants wore pale blue and yellow net over taffeta, carrying mixed sweet peas.

The Misses Marielle Phoney and Georgette La Berge, girlfriends of the bride rendered such appropriate hymns as, "On This Day O Beautiful Mother," "Ave Maria" by Schubert, and "Panis Angelicus" by Caesars Franc.

A wedding breakfast was held at the Glencoe Guest Home immediately following the wedding.

Sgt. and Mrs. Carr will reside in Bermuda where he is stationed with the U. S. Air Force for approximately two years, after which they will take up residence in the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Carr, parents of the groom were present at the wedding.

Married Recently In Charlottetown



Shown above are Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Collings, with their attendants, following their wedding which took place recently at the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Charlottetown. From left to right are Mr. Ken Flavell, usher, uncle of the bride; Mr.

Richard Collings, groomsmen, brother of the groom; the groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Collings of Montague, and his bride, formerly Miss Margaret Sylvia Feehan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Feehan of Mount Stewart; Mrs. Richard Collings, matron of honour; and Miss Gloria Feehan,

sister of the bride, bridesmaid. In front are Miss Linda Feehan, sister of the bride, flower girl, and Master John Flavell, cousin of the bride, who was page boy. Another usher, Mr. Albert Gainer, who is also an uncle of the bride, was absent at the time the picture was taken.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By an Island Farmer's Wife

Granddaughter, a decided lift in her voice, hailed us as we shook the crumbs from the dinner-cloth this afternoon. "Come!" she called from a corner of the lawn. "You'll never guess what's here—not if you had a hundred guesses. It's something pretty—and wonderful... and with snow still about, why, you'd never expect to see the like!" We folded the red-checked table cloth, laid it on the rail of the verandah and came through the sunshine to join her. "There!" she smiled kneeling not far from the edge of a dwindling snowdrift and close to her treasure. "Snowdrops! Now what do you think of that!"

She is a great one for sighting any new interests about: firsts of crows and robins—a wedge of wild geese breasting the wind of north—a silvery winged seagull—a drift along the valley or a silent heron on a maiden trip to millstream or pond... And now, firstlings of snowdrops, the small white blossoms rising from clumps of new green opening brave hearts to the

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Better English

By O. G. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "We must leave the decision to a man who is uninterested."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "vehement"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Criticism, vacuum, equilibrium, cerebrum.

4. What does the word "holocaust" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with ga that means "talking much"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "to a man who is disinterested." 2. Pronounce veh-eh-ment, first and second e's as in me, accent first syllable. 3. Equilibrium. 4. A complete destruction, especially by fire, as of many human beings. "The holocaust claimed more than a hundred lives." 5. Garrulous.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. When you are talking with someone whose name you cannot remember readily, and another friend joins you, should you attempt an introduction?

A. It is better to attempt an introduction than to leave two persons standing awkwardly staring at each other. Here you can say, "I am very sorry, but for the moment I cannot recall your name."

Q. What is the correct way to address a letter to a friend whose husband has recently passed away?

A. The same as always—"Mrs. Frank J. Wilson."

Q. What is the proper way to eat an apple at the table?

A. Cut the apple into quarters, then peel it. The pieces are then conveyed to the mouth with the fingers.

DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN—

Divided Loyalty

Does This Wife Owe More To Husband Or Children?

DEAR MISS DIX: Two years ago I married a man who is abusive and an alcoholic. He spends his money on himself and for good times of his own. I have nursed him through several periods of illness and have tried to make a good home for him. I have had to work since we were married to support myself and keep the home together. I have two children by a previous marriage, and my husband bitterly resents them. His family tries to keep him from drinking, but they give me no co-operation when I try to stop him.

I left him once but he begged me for another chance, promising he would do better. His promises didn't last long. Now he has decided to leave town and start all over again somewhere else. I would have to leave my children if I went with him, and this I don't want to do. His family is very bitter toward me because I feel my place is with my youngsters. He wants me to leave the children with their grandmother and go with him. Where does my duty lie?

MARGIE

ANSWER: While a mother's paramount duty is to her offspring, there are times when a little wholesome neglect may be exercised for the possibility of a greater good. Such a case of divided loyalty arises in your case.

If you want to stand on the actual question of obligation, your children come first. However, if there is a chance that your husband will rehabilitate himself in another town, and be willing to again assume his job as head of the family, I think it's worth some sacrifice on your part to help him.

BE SURE THEY'RE CARED FOR

You must first be sure that the children are well cared for; if their grandmother is willing and able to take them, let them stay with her for a few months. Then you must have some assurance of your husband's good intentions. The best help for him would come through Alcoholics Anonymous, which you can locate through the telephone book of your nearest city, or through a hospital. He should also show some evidence of being willing to accept your children as part of the family when he is able to resume work. If it is his in-

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Canadian Consumer News

Did you know that—
C. A. C. after their annual meeting last September and again last month wrote to the Government asking that tea and coffee be classified as "foods" and that the ten per cent sales tax be taken off these items?

As every consumer knows, we pay much more for our coffee in Canada than consumers in the United States. Part of the difference in prices is due to such things as higher transportation charges, slightly higher storage charges (winter supplies are brought into Montreal before the freeze-up) and to the two per cent duty that must be paid on all coffee coming from non-British sources, (about 90 per cent at the present time).

But a considerable part of the price difference is due to the 10 per cent sales tax. This is just one of the many ways C. A. C. is trying to stretch our dollar but do you realize that most of our prices are so closely interwoven with everyone's incomes as to make it difficult to bring the one down without bringing down the other.

C. A. C. can tell you what can be helped and what has to be endured. What housewives should "kick" about and what they must accept or cure through their own buying behavior. This is the first organization created in Canada through which the average housewife can bring her complaints to the Government or through which she can learn the many matters that touch her "business of buying."

Today the consumer has a means of uniting her voice with that of other housewives and consumers. She has a place where she can send her inquiries and count on receiving an answer. It takes a voice loud enough to be heard by all the big economic interests of Canada. It asks you to be a builder, not merely a "freerider." The membership is 50 cents per year and can be paid at any time to the Prov. President, Mrs. J. A. Lawson.

Helen Lewin.
Prov. Pres. C. A. C.

Morning Smile

True Enough

The teacher asked Charlie, "Is the world round?"
"No'm" was the short reply.
"It isn't!" exclaimed the teacher.
"Well, then, Charlie, is it flat?"
"No'm," was Charlie's reply a second time.
"Well," said the teacher with a smile, "if the world isn't round and it isn't flat, then tell me, what is it?"

Charlie looked confident as he replied, "Dad says it's crooked."

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I remove odor from dishes that have contained fish?

A. When washing the dishes, add ¼-cup of ammonia to warm soap water. After washing, rinse in hot water containing ammonia. This will remove any offensive odor.

Q. How can I whiten linens that have yellowed?

A. Add a tablespoon of borax to the boiler when the articles are boiled.

Q. How can I soften hard water?

A. It can be softened with borax, lemon juice, or an oatmeal bag.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Sizing

If there is no commercial sizing on hand, plastered walls and ceilings that are to be painted with oil paints may be sized with carpenter's glue diluted with a large quantity of water.

Clean Sponges

Sponges used in the bathroom may be kept soft and sweet if washed occasionally in warm water to which a few drops of lemon juice have been added.

Serge Suits

Before pressing a serge suit, sponge it with vinegar. It will remove all that shine.

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