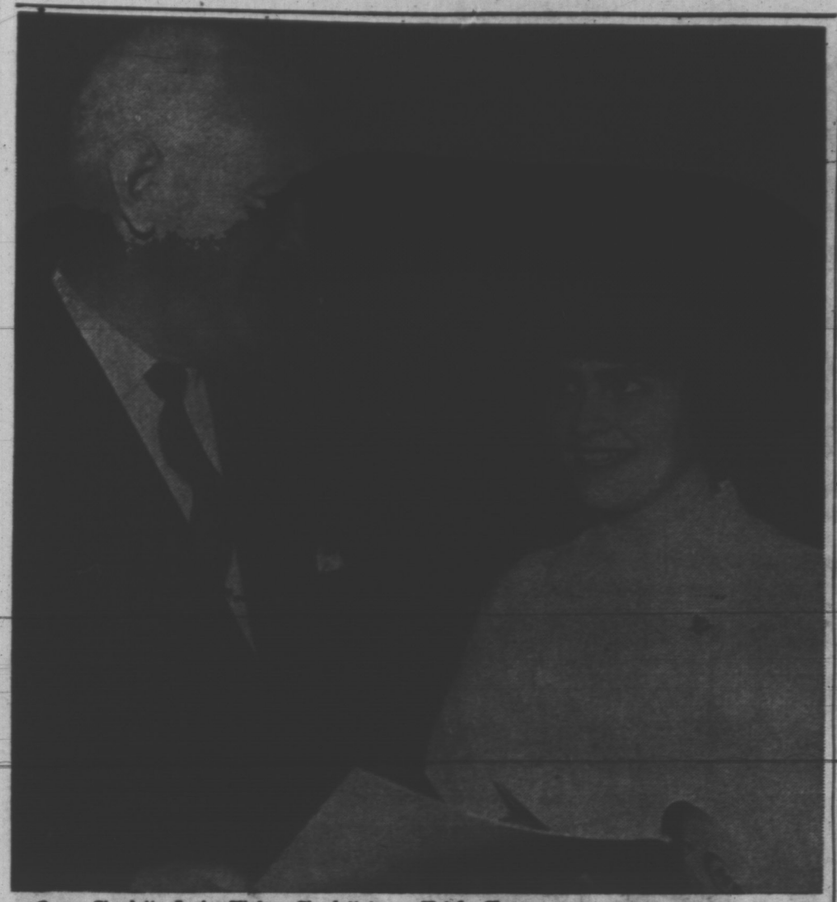

Queen Charlotte Junior High School girls' choir entertained Charlottetown Rotarians yesterday with Christmas carols at the weekly luncheon at The Charlottetown Hotel. Here Royston Mugford, pianist and director, is seen chatting with choir member, Bronwyn Murray.

Rev. Ross Howard Addresses Rotary

"We are no different than men the world over, in that we are figuratively making our annual pilgrimage to Bethlehem" stated Rev. Ross Howard in addressing the Charlottetown Rotary at luncheon yesterday.

Mr. Howard is hospital chaplain in Charlottetown. A native of Springhill, N.S., this Baptist minister served the pastorate in O'Leary, P.E.I. from 1957 to 1962.

STRESSED TO LISTENERS

The speaker stressed on his listeners that Christmas is ,not just a date, but rather a state of mind. "The nature of our pilgrimage" he added "depends upon our attitude. In fact it depends upon our very philosophy of life."

"Perhaps more than at any other time of year, our thoughts turn to others at Christmas. The lonely, the deprived, the saddened, the shut-in, the handicapped. We have an inner desire to give, to help and to serve; and th sheer joy of Christmas, comes to us, as we give of ourselves without expecting anything in return."

Past president W.W. Reid was presented with a 20-year membership pin.

CHAIRMAN

Chairman was J. Andrew Like-ly, and co-chairman Harry Bartlett.

The Queen Charlotte Junior High School girls' choir rendered several Christmas carols during the entertainment period. Royston Mugford was accompanist.

Two new members, Glen Russell and Wallace Scantlebury, were introduced at the meeting.

GUESTS

Guests of Rotary were: Rundell Seaman, Jr., Charles Moffatt, Philip MacKinnon, Peter MacKinnon, Wendell Horton, Rev. G. Wyrwas, Tom Flood, Tom DeBlois Jr., and Graham Scott, all of Charlottetown, Archie MacArthur, Toronto, and Ronald Reeves, University of New Brunswick.

LOCAL BRIEFS

NEWS OF PASSING

Word has been received by Bruce Deacon, North Wiltshire, of the passing of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Luke Deacon in Vancouver, B.C. on December 14th. She was formerly Flora Campbell, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Campbell, Darlington, P.E.I.

CORRECTION

Murvin Edward McInnis, formerly from this province who has recently been appointed school inspector for two counties of Nova Scotia, graduated from St. Dunstan's University in 1951. It was incorrectly reported in Saturday's edition of The Guardian that Mr. McInnis had graduated in 1915.

WORD RECEIVED

Word has been received of the death in Cardiff, Wales, on Friday, December 9, of Walter Jones, father of the late Flight Lieutenant J.M.G. Jones, Cherry Valley and grandfather of Gwyneth, John, Suzanne and David Jones of Southport, Prince Edward Island.

RECEIVES WORD

Word has been received by Mrs. Carrie Reeves, Winslow, of the death of her sister, Mrs. Mae Teed, on December 18th, at St. Petersburg, Florida. She leaves to mourn, a daughter, Mrs. Harry Callaghan, Jamaica Plains, Mass., one granddaughter, and three great-grandchildren, also her sister Mrs. Carrie Reeves, Winsloe. A brother, I.J. Inman passed away five years ago. Interment in St. Petersburg, Florida.

NAMES OMITTED

In addition to those surviving and deceased members of the family of George A. Dickieson, of New Glasgow, P.E.I. who was fatally injured in a highway accident Saturday, the following were omitted from the list. Three sisters: Mrs. Alberta Stevenson, Charlottetown; Mrs. Henry Ross, Wheatley River and Mrs. Leslie Weeks, Fredericton, N.B. A half-brother Melville Bradshaw of Summerside predeceased him 10 years ago.

Adjustment Cheques Have Been Mailed

A welcome Christmas Gift for 1966 was received by persons who get disability pensions as the result of war service.

Adjustment cheques have gone out to these pensioners for the 15 per cent increase which is retroactive to Sept. 1, 1966. The increase for the month of September, October, November and December made up this Christmas gift. When January cheques arrive, the 15 per cent will be added to the amount heretofore received.

Inquest Ordered Into Death

Dr. H.A. MacMillan, coroner, has ordered an inquest into the death of George A. Dickieson of New Glasgow, P.E.I., who died in a two-car collision on Saturday morning. The inquest has been set for January 5, at 7:30 at the City Hall. An autopsy was held Saturday afternoon

Members of the jury are: Reginald W. MacLean, Charlottetown, Thomas Kier Jones, Charlottetown, Sterling Brown, Sherwood, Moise Robert Callbeck, Charlottetown, Leonard Boudreau, Sherwood, William Blair MacDonald, Bunbury, and Kenneth Crosby MacLean, Charlottetown.

Two Accidents At Summerside

SUMMERSIDE — A 1962 Chevrolet owned by Zelma Blanchard, 493 North Market Street, suffered $100 damage while it was parked near her residence when it was in collision with a 1957 Dodge operated by Wendell Grady, Summerside. The accident occurred at 6.25 p.m. Sunday.

Miss Hattie Keough, 22 Granville Street, received severe facial cuts as the result of an accident near her residence early yesterday morning. Miss Keough was struck by a 1958 Chevrolet, driven by Albert Earl Anderson, 22 South Drive, St. Eleanor's. Dr. J.F. Jodrey attended the woman at the scene.

Couple Honored On Anniversary

The teachers of Central Queens Regional High School honored Mr. and Mrs. Albert Todd at the Charlottetown Hotel last evening on the occasion of their 32nd wedding anniversary, during their annual teachers' banquet. Mrs. Winnifred Cutcliffe, principal of the school, and Harry Kielly presented Mr. and Mrs. Todd with flowers. Mrs. Todd has been on the staff of the school for several years.

Strike Deadline Is Set For December 24

As a result of the Charlottetown Typographical Union Local 988's dispute with the Guardian-Patriot Publishing Company, it has voted unanimously in favor of strike action.

The vote, taken last Friday, indicated 35 favoring strike action and three not availing themselves of the opportunity to vote."

W. J. Hancox, publisher and general manager of The Guardian-Patriot said any comment from him at this time might jeopardize a chance of a settlement.

Union president, M. Allison Croken ,had no comment for publication. Strike deadline is set for midnight, Saturday, Dec. 24, 1966.

Borden Man Is Fined $35

Edward Joseph Gallant, Borden was ordered to pay $52.71 in damages or in default of payment, an additional sentence of 30 days as well as a fine of $35 and costs or 30 days for damaging a glass door at the main entrance to the Borden Legion home. He appeared yesterday morning before Magistrate W. Chester S. MacDonald, QC, in Prince County Magistrate's Court in Summerside.

Albert Stewart Ferguson, Stanley Bridge, was fined $75 and costs for impaired driving.

Edgar Cannon, Summerside, was fined $10 and costs for speeding.

White Gift Services Held

ALBERTON — White gift services were held on Sunday in the United Churches at Cascumpec, Campbellton and Montrose. Participating with the congregations of these points were members of the congregations of Alberton, Miminegash, Elmsdale and Tignish.

The service was conducted by the minister, Rev. M.R. Pocklington.

The minister's message was entitled, "The Return of the Angel," took the form of a dialogue, in which he was assisted by Ricky Hardy of Alberton.

AT CASCUMPEC

At Cascumpec the scripture lessons were read by Ernest Hudson and Judy Dennis. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was sung as a solo by Carol Hudson. The organist was Mrs. Artemas Cameron.

At Campbellton the scripture lessons were read by Judy MacKay and Barbara Cousins. The organist was Mrs. Blanche Crockett and young people of the congregation formed the choir.

AT MONTROSE

At Montrose the lessons were read by Barry Pridham and Beth Smallman. Members of the primary Sunday School class sang a special selection.

Awards were presented to Sunday school pupils for attendance, the presentations being made by Mrs. John Donald, assisted by Neil Barbour.

Coleman Man Pleads Guilty

SUMMERSIDE — Percy MacEachern, Coleman, pleaded guilty before Magistrate W. Chester S. MacDonald QC, yesterday to breaking, entering and theft, into a CPR building in O'Leary and was remanded in custody to Friday; on the same charge, Ewen Stirling Jelley, O'Leary, elected trial by Judge and Jury and the preliminary hearing was set for December 23rd. Bail was set at $1000, with two sureties of $500 each.

STRANGERS GET CASH

Foreigners earn 75 per cent of the wages paid in Mauretania, a former French possession in Africa.

Vancouverites Told To Hold Off On Ark

VANCOUVER (CP) — The weatherman advised Vancouverites Monday not to start building an ark—yet.

A clerical error, he said, put the record rains at 30 days Monday and not 40 similar to the biblical flood.

It appeared that someone at the weather office marked down a trace of rain for Nov. 10 when in fact there was none.

The continuous downpour began Nov. 11 and one wag commented that it has only rained twice in Vancouver—but only stopped once.

The record fall amounted to more than seven inches so far this month alone and more than 14 inches since it began.

BRIEF RESPITE

There was a brief respite Monday when Vancouver came out from under a black cloud for a few hours and shafts of sunshine appeared. But the weatherman predicted more rain, mostly showers.

The deluge has resulted in widespread flooding of basements in Greater Vancouver and the evacuation of seven families from the Cowhican Indian Reserve on Vancouver Island.

In Delta, a low-lying area south of Vancouver, Reeve Clarence Taylor said he expects no further flooding. A downpour Thursday put 4,000 acres of his municipality under a few inches of water.

In the Cowichan Valley low-lying areas were covered with as much as five feet of water and for some the only mode of transportation was by rowboat.

$1000 Damage In Accident

ALBERTON — Approximately one thousand dollars damage was caused Sunday afternoon to a 1966 Chevrolet, driven by Cecil Earl Wallace of Coleman, when the vehicle was in collision with a Vauxhall driven by Alvin Webb of Woodstock. Webb was taken to the O'Leary Hospital for a side injury.

Church Is Decorated

ALBERTON — Alberton Presbyterian Church is beautifully decorated with evergreen, white poinsettias and candles for this Christmas season. Sunday evening worship was conducted by Mr. A.R. Murray, whose sermon had to do with the incarnation—the coming to earth of the Christ who was both God and man.

The singing of carols was led by Senior and Junior choirs under the direction of the organist, Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie.

Special music included "Silent Night" sung by the junior choir and three selections by the senior choir, "Tenderly Sleeping," "Shepherds Rejoice" and "Softly the Night."

On the previous Sunday, a white gift service was held. On this occasion the junior choir sang "Bethlehem Lullaby" and "Away in a Manger," and Mrs. Ralph Haywood sang "He Washed My Eyes with Tears."

Saturday evening there was a party in the church hall for the Sunday school children.

Former Resident Dies In N.B.

ALBERTON — The death occurred recently in Point Du Chene, N.B. of Mrs. John Sherry, a former resident of Alberton South. The former Gertrude Perry, was a daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Benjamin Perry. She was eighty-two years of age.

She was married first to Mr. MacQueen and after his death, to Mr. Sherry, who also predeceased her. Surviving are two sons and one daughter of her first marriage, Herbert of Newport, R.I.; Mrs. Arthur Lutes (Mae) of Point Du Chene and Clifford of Montreal, and one son of her second marriage, Joseph, of Point Du Chene. There are 18 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. One sister, Mrs. Herbert Houston, of Westwood, Mass., also survives.

The funeral was in Point Du Chene with interment in Shediac. Mrs. Maurice Perry, Mrs. Lemuel Arsenault and Mrs. Raymond Saunders, all of Alberton, attended the funeral.

FUNERALS

MACKINNON FUNERAL — The funeral for Simon MacKinnon of Bangor was held Saturday, December 17 from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home to Bangor Free Church of Scotland. Service was conducted by Rev. Ewen MacDougall. The hymns sung were "The Lord is my Shepherd" and "Unto the Hills". The pall bearers were: Otto Robbins, Campbell MacDougall, William Finlayson, Robert Compton, Wellington MacKay, and Benjamin Compton. Interment was in the Bangor Cemetery.

MACDONALD FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. MacDonald was held Saturday, December 17, from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home. Service was conducted by Rev. Frederick Lloyd. The hymns sung were "The Lord is my Shepherd" and "Abide with Me". Mrs. Arthur MacDonald was organist. Attending in a body were members and the Ladies Auxiliary of Kingston Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, also the staff of Holman's. The ball bearers were Campbell MacPhee, Bruce Smith, Hector Currie, Walter MacEwen, James Yeo, Tupper Strang. The interment was in New Dominion cemetery.

WOOD FUNERAL — The Funeral for Mrs. Henry Wood, of Alexandra, formerly of Vernon River, was held on Saturday afternoon from Jenkins Funeral Home to Pownal United Church. Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. W. E. Grant, assisted by Rev. T. R. Goudge. Hymns sung were "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross", "In The Garden". A solo, "The Old Rugged Cross" was sung by Lloyd Martin. Organist was Mrs. Etta Wood. The management and staff of Carvell Bros. Ltd. attended the funeral in a body. Flower bearers were nephews of the deceased: Lawson MacEachern, Ralph Lee, Frank Mutch, Glen Lea, Brent Mutch, Gordon Lea, Frederick Jenkins. Pall bearers were six grandsons; Preston Richards, Collins Wood, Chris Jenkins, Harold Richards, Kimble Wood, Milton Jenkins. Interment in church cemetery.

WHITE FUNERAL — The funeral for George Henry White was held Wednesday, December 14, from the Murray River Funeral Home to the United Church Murray River, where services were conducted by Rev. Herbert Chapman. During the service the Murray River Trio sang "Goodnight and Goodmorning". Hymns were "In [illegible]weet Bye and Bye" an[illegible]t a Friend We Have [illegible]us". Flower bearers we[illegible]rling Burke, Alfred Acorn, Emerson Gormley, Boyd Allen, and Waldo Lowe. Pall bearers were Douglas Saunders, Judson Nicolle, Rankin Keenan, Harold Cuddy, Basil MacLeod and Darrell Lowe. Interment took place in Murray River cemetery.

Fire Destroys Brennan Residence On Dock Road

ALBERTON — Early yesterday afternoon fire of unknown origin destroyed the home of George Brennan on the Dock Road about two miles west of Elmsdale.

Occupants of the house besides Mr. Brennan were his sister Evelyn, his niece Grace Brennan, his eighty-nine year old mother who is blind and deaf, and Wilfred McKenna, a boarder.

AFTER DINNER

After dinner Mr. Brennan returned to work at the home of a neighbor, his mother was in the kitchen and the others were in a front room watching television. When Evelyn Brennan returned to the kitchen, she found it filled with smoke and the pantry aflame. About the same time a neighbor, Earl MacArthur, saw flames coming out the cellar door. Within minutes the entire house was a mass of flames. Nothing was saved and it was with difficulty that Mrs. Brennan, clad only in a house dress, was taken from the burning kitchen to a neighbor's truck, upon which fragments of burning shingles were falling. She was conveyed immediately to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Merrill Wallace.

The house, built approximately eighteen years ago on the Centre Line Road, was hauled to its recent location about thirteen years ago. It was in apparent good condition and through the years the Brennan family had gradually acquired a number of modern conveniences. Within the past year a bathroom had been installed and not long ago a new washer had been purchased. In addition to the loss suffered by the Brennans, two large bins of potatoes owned by Earl MacArthur and stored in the cellar were lost.

ALBERTON RESPONDED

Alberton fire department responded promptly to the call but were too late to be of any assistance except to keep water on a nearby barn.

There was some insurance on the house, but not enough to cover the loss.

MEMBERS OF FAMILY

Members of the destitute family are staying with relatives and assistance is being given through Alberton branch of the Red Cross Disaster Services.

Although there was no association with Christmas decorations or with overheated stovepipes in this fire, so far as can be determined, Fire Chief Herbert Leavitt has expressed the hope that there will not be any more fires to mar the happy holiday season, and he cautions everyone to exercise extreme care in this regard.

WEATHER

TORONTO (CP) — Observed temperatures:

Dawson	12	17
Vancouver	48	53
Victoria	47	49
Winnipeg	7	27
Toronto	11	25
Ottawa	1	13
Montreal	7	15
Quebec	0	10
Fredericton	19	20
Saint John	26	27
Moncton	31	37
Halifax	37	38
Charlottetown	35	41
Sydney	38	41
Yarmouth	36	37
St. John's, Nfld.	38	49
Boston	26	33
New York	31	31
Miami	57	72
New Orleans	43	66
Tucson	36	74
Los Angeles	48	74

HALIFAX (CP) — The weather office says an intense storm which threatened much of the Maritimes was moving rapidly away from the mainland Monday night. Although it will give as much as four-six inches of additional snow to Cape Breton, only snowflurries can be expected over the rest of the Maritimes.

Wednesday promises to be generally cloudy with little change in temperature in all three provinces.

Regional forecasts:

Northern Nova Scotia, Eastern Shore, Prince Edward Island: Overcast; intermittent snow changing to snowflurries this morning; colder; winds northerly 25 with gusts to 45 diminishing this afternoon to northwest 15; low-high at New Glasgow 20 and 25, Goshen 15 and 20, Charlottetown 15 and 23. Outlook for Wednesday: Cloudy with little change in temperature.

High tide today at Charlottetown 3.42 a.m. and 4.58 p.m. At Rustico at 1.21 p.m. and 11.09 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7.20 a.m. and sets at 4.50 p.m.

WAS IT A GHOST?

GERALDTON, Ont. (CP)—A completely silver-colored moose was seen by four hunters during the winter season near here. All shot at it and missed. An Indian trapper also found two large bull moose carcasses locked together by their horns. Both had died of broken necks.

Five Fined On Liquor Charges

Five men were fined each $20 and costs for offences against the liquor control act, when they appeared before Magistrate James B. Johnston, QC, in Queens County Magistrate's Court yesterday morning. One man was charged with being drunk in a public place and the other four had illegal possession of liquor.

Pole Broken Off By Car

MURRAY HARBOR — A Maritime Electric Company crew Monday replaced a power line pole on the road to Murray River, just outside this village. It had been broken Sunday by a car which went out of control and into the ditch.

There were no reports of injuries.

YOUTH IS FREED

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain's High Court Monday acquitted Christopher Britton, 17, who was sent to a juvenile corrective centre in October after being found guilty of distributing leaflets likely to stir up hatred against colored persons. He had stuck a poster saying "Blacks not wanted here" on the front door of Labor MP Sidney Bidwell's house. Lord Chief Justice Lord Parker, decided the action of "the wretched little youth" was technically not distribution.

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