



AT ALBERTON SERVICES

Remembrance Day services at Alberton were largely attended in spite of the cold stormy day to date. The parade to the war monument shown above pro-

Mayor Says Careful Inquiry Being Made Re Snowblower

Mayor W. A. Currie said that inquiries at present are being made as to the purchase of a snowblower for Summerside would be a profitable venture, but he stated that any money being going to save money by doing so. He was speaking at the regular council meeting last evening at which all councillors except Mr. M. Cannon were present. Council Cannon is in the province. Town manager Joseph Brophy was also in attendance. Mayor Currie stated that he had sent letters to nine different towns in cities in several provinces which have similar problems to those of Summerside and who purchased snowblowers. He said that only three replies have been received as yet, but one of these, from Fredericton, N.B., stated that snowblowers in that city had been reduced nearly 50 per cent in cost with the use of a snowblower. The two winters compared had similar snowfalls. Mayor Currie stated that it would be advisable to wait for further replies before reaching a decision. **TAX REPORT** Council, MacCauleid reported that the Summerside tax roll for 1957 is \$8,700,000 of which 88 per cent has been paid. This, he stated, is considered satisfactory. Nevertheless it is the intention of the committee to collect ar-

Agent States Position Re Honduran Sailor At S's side

The following statement has been received for publication from Mr. J. L. MacCauleid for the firm Summerside and MacFarlane Limited, agents for the S.S. "Alta-will": "A news item appeared in the November 9th issue of this paper in connection with the fate of a sensational pattern rather than the fact. It was incomplete, misleading and inaccurate. "While we were agents for the ships owners and became involved in the report we feel it necessary to make a statement as to our position. We, as agents for this ship and several others, are responsible to the owners and take our instructions from the masters and owners. We have absolutely nothing to do with the crew and their contact with the agent is through the master only. We are fully aware of our responsibility as such and our instructions should not be construed as being the action of Summerside and MacFarlane Limited or any individual connected with us. "If we were to do anything contrary to the owners' instructions or authorize any procedure without the owners' approval, the result could be a financial drain on us. If, on the other hand, the instructions of the regulations of the port, customs and immigration departments, etc. are proven a penalty could be imposed in accordance with the regulations, should such a penalty, be the result of detention of the ship and the agent has protected himself by following the owners' instructions, then the agent has not jeopardized his position. At no time did I, acting for Summerside and MacFarlane Limited, as agents, attempt to evade our responsibility as such in the case of the "Alta-will" or any other ship. We have been commended in many instances by the owners and masters of ships handled by us for the efficient and satisfactory manner in which we have protected their interests and to maintain that reputation regarding the company or pressure. **UNUSUAL PROBLEM** This instance, which developed into a problem unusual to this port had to be handled with the same care and protection to the ship owners and ourselves and it is easily understood that while reaching a solution, which is always possible, considerable time was required. As soon as I was able to reach the solution, through the department of Halifax, and have it confirmed locally, I acted as promptly as possible and made every effort to dispose of Mr. Matute to the satisfaction of all concerned including the ship owners who insisted on his deportation. "We had no reason to lose confidence in the 32 year old master who was entrusted with this half-

million-dollar ship. We had no reason to disbelieve his statement to the effect that this crew man threatened him when armed with a knife and which knife was on his person when arrested. "When endeavouring to arrange accommodation for this man at various places proper information was carefully given to the parties contacted and in three instances when asked if there would be any trouble I stated we could not assume any responsibility for the man's actions that we would be responsible only for his room and board. Appreciation of the approach I made has been extended by some concerned. "Following this difficult ordeal I read a report in another paper to the effect that a statement was made by the local immigration officer and I quote "He will be boarded at the Prince County Jail until transportation arrangements are made." This certainly added to the aggravation as I had been required to meet about an hour making arrangements which included a request of the immigration officer to permit the use of quarters at the jail available to that department for crew members of a certain category and this was declined, no doubt in accordance with regulations. "I then received a telephone call from a reporter of this paper, Mr. George Wotton, who had accompanied this man to jail until transportation arrangements are made. I am at a loss to know the purpose of this phone call or in what capacity Mr. Wotton was acting at that time. He certainly did not seek news or facts. I was told I had made a certain statement and MacFarlane Limited, this I contradicted and corrected and offered proof and still will, if requested, I cautioned Mr. Wotton and suggested he acquaint himself with the regulations of a ship's agent before making any news report in the incident. I suggested he make some effort to learn the facts, which are far from what appeared in the papers and agreed to provide him with what I had available. I later, that same evening, November 8th, phoned to ascertain the whereabouts of the man and as Mr. Wotton was out, let my name and phone number for a call on his return to the office. However, he has not yet completed that call. **MR. MATUTE** "I know very little about Mr. Matute, and it could be that he is a reasonably good fellow. I do know that at no time did I ridicule him. I do know that he was completed in the local court for hitting the master of the ship, the seriousness of which was plainly told by the magistrate and the possible result if handled by marine law. "I also know he made strenuous efforts to avoid being in our island homes."

Stone Thrown At Window Of Summerside Jewellers

"At no time did I give any indication that this man would be penniless or destitute. We have had other men left from ships in Summerside and looked after them. Summerside and MacFarlane Limited, as a company and as individuals, are always ready to assist the destitute using the word in its broadest form. However, the S.S. "Alta-will" was not held in detention at Summerside but sailed quickly out for Newcastle November 12th and was completed in the local court and flown to his island home. "Now may he be all happy in our island homes." A large stone, about the size of a brick wrapped in cloth and tied with string was thrown through the Plate Glass Window of Crockett's Jewellery store some time Tuesday morning, presumably between the hours of five and seven. The stone was apparently thrown by someone with a stout arm as it crashed through the Plate Glass leaving a circular opening, broke the Double Plate Glass sliding doors at the rear of the window and came to rest about four or five feet inside the store. Although the window has been filled with watches nothing was taken, either because the stone thrower was scared away or because he could not reach the merchandise though the opening, which was somewhat high up. (Police stated that all was well during a routine check at five o'clock and the damage was discovered about two hours later.) **ANCIENT ISLANDS** The Annes-unnabihab explored by the Portuguese in the 15th century—were visited by the Carthagians many centuries before.

Honduran Seaman Is Flown On First Leg Of Trip Home

Shepherd Matute, native of Honduras who was refused the captain's permission to return aboard the Liberian ship Atlanta, left Summerside yesterday morning by plane and is understood that he will meet in Saint John by the American consul and will apply for a visa which will permit him to land in New York and remain there while he presents his case to the consular officer of the ship on which he shipped to this port. The sailor was brought in the public eye as a result of a common assault charge laid against him by the captain of the

Girl Guides and school children. Service at the memorial were conducted by Rev. C. J. Ryles, M.C.

Photo by F. Weeks

W. Bowness Dies In Alberta

After a lingering illness, William Vernon Bowness passed away in the Olds Hospital on October 14th, 1957 at the age of 57 years. He was born at Stanley Bridge, Prince Edward Island and came to Alberta with his parents in 1908. They settled in the Morning-side district and later moved to James River Bridge where Mr. Bowness resided up to the time of his death. Services were conducted by Rev. Terry Anderson and Mr. J. R. Jackson of the Sundre United Church. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Cora; his mother, Mrs. John Rhodes, and his two brothers, Elton of James River Bridge and Cecil of Eagle Hill. Burial was in the Olds Cemetery with Emil Youngman, Lloyd Fletcher, Jim Waters, Earl Johnson, Art Carpenter and Hubert Carpenter as pallbearers. Report of various departments were given by the chairman of the committee to collect ar-

Tells Of Middle East Problems

Two hundred years of British influence, and the problems posed by the present Soviet expansion in the Middle East, were discussed by Mr. William Courtney, O.B.E., in an address delivered to personnel of C.C.A. Station Summerside yesterday. Mr. Courtney is a British correspondent who spent five months this year in the Middle East. The discussions are sponsored by the Department of National Defence, Current Affairs.

WESTERN GARDIAN

SHUB-GAIN Cavalcade Sea View Hall, Nov. 15th. Sponsored by Sea View W.I. **DR. ZIELINSKI** will be at Kinsara every Thursday, 1:00 - 3 p.m. Starting November 14th, Kensington daily 1:00 - 3:00 and 7 - 9 a.m. **HEAR MR. THOMAS HALL**, Mrs. Eleanor MacArthur, Malpege Hall tonight. **HOT TURKEY Supper**, Carlton School Auditorium, Wednesday, November 20th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Adults \$1.00. Children under 12, 50 cents. **LADIES** of Presbyterian Church Freeborn, will hold bazaar sale Friday afternoon November 15 at Smallmans. **KENSINGTON** Home and school meeting Thursday Nov. 14 at 8:00 P.M. In high school auditorium. Program in conjunction with citizens forum. **Professional Cards** **Chartered Accountants** T. Earle Hickey & Co. Canadian Bank of Commerce Building Summerside, P.E.I. Phone 2235 **INSURANCE** R. E. Ellis & Son Limited Fire - Auto - Casualty 5 Summer St. Summerside **Optomist** E. E. Parkman Opt. D. R.O. PHONE 387 **OPPOSITE GARDOFF OFFICE** Summer St. Summerside **B. F. Hunter, R.O.** P.E.I. Phone 3110 **SMALLMANS BUILDING** **Water Service** Summerside Above Marquis Men's **Photographers** THE READ STUDIO & W. SEANE

QUEEN'S AUNT TRAVELS

LONDON (AP)—The Princess Royal, 80-year-old aunt of Queen Elizabeth, left by plane Tuesday for a 12-day visit to Nigeria, where she will inspect social welfare facilities. She is travelling in a chartered plane. Princess Margaret was at the airport to wave goodbye.

LIBERAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the East Prince Liberal Association will be held at the Civic Auditorium, Summerside, Friday, November 15th, commencing at 7:30 p.m. At the conclusion of the routine business, the meeting will be addressed by the Hon. Lester B. Pearson. The public is cordially invited to attend.