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PANTRY SALE AND BAZAAR at the Presbyterian Church Hall, Kensington, Saturday afternoon, May 19th, at 3 P. M.

FIRST BEDEQUE INSTITUTE are sponsoring Kensington Presbyterian Play in Central Bedeque Hall, Monday, May 21st, at 8.30. Admission 50c and 25c.

FREETOWN PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S. are sponsoring the Kensington Presbyterian hilarious comedy on May 25th, in Birch Grove Hall at 8.30.

CHURCH SERVICES for the Parish of New London, Trinity Sunday, May 20th. Morning Prayer at St. Stephen's, Burlington 11 A. M. Evening Prayer, St. Thomas, New London, at 8.30. Evening Prayer, St. Mark's, Kensington, at 7.30. Sunday School at 8.30. Rev. R. W. B. Coupland, rector-elect of the Parish will officiate at all these services.

HIT AND RUN CASE - Before Magistrate R. S. Hinton, K. C., at Alberton yesterday a party from Sea Cow Pond charged in connection with a hit and run accident was convicted and fined \$10 and costs. Three parties from Alberton South were charged with creating a disturbance. Two were fined \$100 and costs and one \$20 and costs. Three people, one from Killarney, one from Sea Cow Pond and one from Ebsfleet, charged under the Highway Traffic Act with operating an unregistered vehicle were given nominal fines. A person from Skinner's Pond, charged with operating a vehicle without an operator's license, was fined \$5.00 and costs. A person from Tignish and one from Sea Cow Pond, charged with illegal possession of liquor, was fined \$25.00 dollars and costs. Five persons from Sea Cow Pond were convicted of illegal consuming and fined \$20.00 and costs each. One party from Alberton was convicted of illegal possession and fined \$25. and costs.

PRINCETOWN UNITED CHURCH, Malpeque, Sunday, May 20th. Services: 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Rev. S. H. Haslam, B.Th., B. D., will conduct the evening service. Weeknight services as usual. Rev. James Cross, Minister.

BORDEN CHURCH SERVICE Sunday, May 20th, at 3 P. M. in Legion Hall, Bible School at 2 P. M. Evening Meeting and Bible Study Wednesday evening at Mrs. E. MacKenzie's. Everyone welcome. Rev. D. M. Fraser, Minister.

KENSINGTON - FREETOWN AND MALPEQUE Presbyterian Churches. Services Sunday, May 20th. Kensington at 11 A. M. Free-town at 3 P. M. and Malpeque at 7.30 P. M. Sunday Mother's Day program will be followed. Kensington Sunday School at 10 A. M. Mr. Gardiner Dalzell, B. A. will conduct all services.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL - Master Neil MacGregor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. MacGregor, Summerside, and Master Alan Carr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carr, North St. Eleanor's, have returned to their homes after undergoing tonsil operations at the Prince County Hospital.

STUDENTS HOME - The following students are home from St. Dunstan's University, Charlottetown, after writing their final examinations for the year: Roy and Kenny Gault, Donald McPhee, Gerald Dalton, Richard and Stanley Deighan and Geraldine Robertson, all of Summerside.

KINETTE CLUB MEETING - The regular meeting of the Kinetite Club of Summerside was held on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Alex MacRae, Slemom Park. Lunch hostesses were: Mrs. Bert Hunter, Mrs. Roy Johnston and Mrs. Robert Ross. The members were busy completing articles for the Kinetite bazaar booth at the coming Kinsmen Carnival. It was decided that no further meetings would be held till after the carnival.

PERSONALS - Mrs. Samuel Simmons of Summerside has returned to her home after a most enjoyable visit to friends and relatives in Moncton, N.B. - S. Mr. Erro Carruthers, student at Mt. Allison University, spent the past week-end at his home in Augustine Cove. On Monday morning he left for Cornwall, Ontario, where he will be employed for the summer months.

RATES HEARING - Continued from page 1 told they were not available but would be sent to him in his office. He stated that it was his understanding that the contract between the Company and the Dominion Government had been made at a rate which, compared to the rates in Charlottetown, were very favorable. On his unofficial information he thought that a rate could be established to the Summerside Airport which would be much more favorable than to the City of Charlottetown.

Mr. Scales stated that it was his understanding that the Summerside Airport had been offered a five year contract and could obtain a certain amount of electricity without any basic charge. Mr. D. L. Matheson, representing the Innkeepers Association submitted that the proposed rates were nearly doubling the load on tourist businesses and in doing so would be apt to ruin the industry which each year nets about \$4,000,000 in the Province.

He stated that the higher electrical costs would discourage expansion and keep newcomers out of the business. The industry is a highly sensitive type of business and only a few people can handle it properly, he said. On the suggestion that the amount of electricity a tourist used could be limited, he stated that Prince Edward Island was in a position where it had to coax the business rather than wait for it to come. He asked that some

concessions be made to the tourist industry.

Blow To Small Towns - Mr. Melvin MacQuaid, Souris, stated that the proposed plan to put every community outside the City in the same category strikes a bad blow to the small towns. Under the proposed rates the individual consumer will be asked to pay a service charge of \$4.00 a month instead of the \$2.25 charge he now pays, he pointed out. The service charge or first block, he stated, would be high. He pointed out that the individual consumer in Souris did not use much above \$3.00 worth of electricity under the present rates but that the proposed rates would increase his costs. The taxpayer would be hit in another way by having to pay additional for street lights. The street light bill in Souris for the 76 lights would result in an increase of \$380, he stated.

Some people in Souris will be forced to discontinue their lights if the proposed rates go into effect, he stated. These would be the people who probably have only the lights, and an electric radio, he said. After pointing out how the proposed rates would lessen the cost of the big consumer, he stated that the man who would buy electric stoves, washers, irons and other electrical appliances was presumably in a position to pay for his electricity. He foresaw the danger of the Maritime Electric Company installing more rural lines near Souris and asking the Board for another increase in rates at the expense of the consuming public of Souris. Mr. MacQuaid suggested that the Commission should make three lines of demarcation, one to include the rural areas, another for Charlottetown and a third for incorporated towns. One possible solution, he concluded, would be for the government to subsidize rural lines.

Mr. Walter Gaudet, who represented Montague and Georgetown, concurred with the suggestion of Mr. MacQuaid. Under the proposed rates it looks as if the loss will be made up from the rural areas and the incorporated towns will be thrown in with them, he stated.

Rural Contribution - According to the proposal the rural areas will make up nearly \$118,000 and the City about \$2,000, he continued, and the incorporated towns are expected to make up about \$25,000 of the rural amount. He pointed out how the incorporated towns are run on a budget which is fixed after a Town Council has been elected. If the new rates were put into effect now there would be no money available to pay the increase in the cost of street lighting and these services would have to be foregone. He requested the establishing of a rate for incorporated towns that would be somewhere between the City and rural rates. Mr. Gaudet said that nobody was denying the right of the Maritime Electric Company to increase its rates but speaking on behalf of Montague and Georgetown he only wanted to pay in proportion to what would be paid elsewhere.

Enthusiastic Meeting S'side Athletic Ass'n

Search Continues For Missing Plane

The organized search from Summerside air station for a missing Dakota aircraft with four men aboard has been abandoned. However, searching operations are being continued from Goose Bay, Labrador and six aircraft from Summerside are taking part in the search from that airport.

The plane became overdue at Summerside on Monday evening when it failed to return from a routine navigation training flight. It had reported over Goose Bay about 2 p. m. and then set course for Summerside. It was never heard of again.

Concentrated searching was carried out from Summerside for the next three days over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and it is considered that the area has been pretty well covered. While no further search sorties will be flown, navigation training exercises will be carried out over the Gulf area for the next several days and aircraft will be expected to keep a watch over the water.

The president, D. O. Stewart, reported for Charles Hogan, baseball chairman, and announced that if the weather were an exhibition game on the renovated High School grounds May 24. No teams were named. Alan Stewart and F. O. Palmer will assist Mr. Hogan with intermediate ball and James Hogan will supervise minor ball. An effort will be made to have intermediate baseball pay its own way but \$500 would be needed to look after the minors. The Junior team which will enter the Town League is anxious to obtain a sponsor.

James Hogan announced that last year's empires, Jack Schumann, Reg. Phillips, Glennie DesRoches, Frank Savidant, Henry Bernard, and Mr. Hogan himself had decided to give their services free of charge during the month of June to help the newly organized association to get started.

Eric Campbell reported for softball. He said an intermediate league would be formed and an effort would be made to have a ladies' softball league also. Ron Kennedy was a member of his committee and others would be named later.

In addition to the eight directors who were elected at the organization meeting, an executive of nine members were elected last night. They are: Dr. A. A. Lockhart, Dr. H. E. Clark, Carl Fitzpatrick, Al Bestall, Tanton McNeill, John McNeill, Geo. Walker, James Hogan and Norman MacDonald.

Other committees were as follows: Ways and means, James Hogan, chairman; other members, Eric Campbell, Earl Smith, Al Bestall, Ross MacKenzie. Finance, Dr. H. E. Clark, chairman; Bob Clark, John McNeill, Norman Hogg and Norman MacDonald.

At the suggestion of Al Bestall it was decided to make a drive for funds to carry on this worthwhile sports program which is expected to help considerably in the fight against juvenile delinquency. The campaign will start at 6 o'clock some evening in the near future and will be completed the same night. Results of the canvass will be broadcast from time to time as the canvass progresses.

The present rates for last block electricity in rural areas is 3.1 cents while under the proposed rates the price of electricity in this category will be two cents a kilowatt hour. At two cents the company is losing money and the cost should at least be 25 cents, he stated.

He said that he would prefer to see a reduction in the minimum charges rather than in the last block. He did not think that the proposed rates would give the company a seven per cent return on their earnings base.

He would not offer any counter proposals (when asked by Mr. J. O. C. Campbell) about what changes could be made because the bond market had fallen off and things were so unstable at present that any suggestions would be based upon an unsound basis.

He stated that whenever the cost of fuel rises there should be some way to increase the proposed rates. He stated that the price of fuel was equal to nearly 40 per cent of the total operating expenses of the company and if the fuel prices should increase by 20 per cent the cost of production would increase by \$40,000.

The company can not build up reserves to take care of any such contingency, he stated. He feared that a careful investigator would not put money into a company that could not handle such a situation and without the necessary capital the company could not expand its services.

Mr. John K. Kay of the Engineering Service Company, Halifax stated that the reverse was true of Mr. Stairs' remarks about the larger consumers being subsidized by the smaller ones.

Mr. T. Earl Hickey of Summerside asked if it would be economically possible to put a sub-station at Summerside if the Maritime Electric Company extended their lines west to Tignish. Mr. Kay replied that it would but that there would be no material change in the rates.

At the conclusion Mr. H. F. MacPhee, K. C., on behalf of the Maritime Electric Company stated that he felt Mr. Kay had done a very workmanlike job of a difficult task in preparing the proposed rates.

Two cents a kilowatt hour was

Drama Festival Playoff At Central Bedeque Hall

The Prince County plays in competition received competent adjudication on Thursday night when three plays: "The Wisdom Tooth," "The Valiant" and "Remarkable Baby" were presented.

Mr. Theophilus Inman performed the duties of chairman, and during intermissions Mr. Raymond Kelly favored the audience with several solos.

Captain Briggs, introduced by Mrs. J. Herring of the Festival executive, gave the players some general tips on the importance of controlling the hands and feet, and making the facial expressions contribute to the mood of the scene.

Discussing the plays in detail, Capt. Briggs referred to the stage background, which while suitable for one of the plays ("Remarkable Baby") was too elaborate for the others. He suggested various means of creating or disguising the background to create the illusion desired. He called attention to the importance of varying pace of the plays, and said in some instances the delivery was a little too deliberate. With a bit more speed and several rehearsals to polish up these defects, the presentations would be much improved.

"The Wisdom Tooth," a light comedy presented by Central Bedeque Women's Institute, Captain Briggs described as a good performance but could be improved with attention to minor details.

"The Valiant," he thought could be stepped up in pace. Several scenes might be built up a bit by using more expression and variety of tempo. He commended the costumes of several players and good use of facial expression. The supporting players had minor parts but played them adequately.

"The Remarkable Baby," was the final play of the evening, and in this the pace was fast—almost too fast, at times, said Captain Briggs. He commended the players for a convincing performance, good audibility, and picking up cues promptly. He cautioned more natural use of the hands by the men—sleeves inclined to push up with unnecessary motions. Difficult to keep hands still, but necessary when script calls for idleness. Altogether a very good performance.

The honors for best actress and actor of the evening both went to

looth, Eva Perry; The office nurse, Harriet Riley. Scene—Dentist's Office. Kinkora Sodality "The Valiant" Directed by: Emmett Trainor. Cast: Warden Holt, Emmett Trainor; James, the prisoner, Wilfred Trainor; Father Daly, the chaplain, Jacie Mulligan; The Jailer, Raymond Kelly; Attendant, Raymond McCarville; Josephine Paris, Una Trainor. Scene—The Warden's Office of a Connecticut Prison, Time—about 11.30 p. m. Kelvin Grove Women's Institute "Remarkable Baby" (By special arrangement with Samuel French Ltd.) Directors—Elsie Laird, Arnold Walker. Cast: Marie Parke Gilwilly, the baby's moth, Ethel Callaghan; Lola Bradford, the baby's God-mother, Mary Webster; George Watterson Gilwilly, the baby's father, John Picketts; Nellie, the baby's nurse, Marjorie MacMurdo; Miss Adelaide Gilwilly, the baby's

mother's aunt, George Yeo; Mrs. Louisa Gilwilly, the baby's father's mother, Phyllis Paynter; Max Parke, the baby's uncle, Arnold Walker; A Stranger, (Leroy), Edgar Millar; and Himself, The Baby, aged ten weeks. Scene—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilwilly. Time—An afternoon in Summer. REO THEATRE BORDEN presenting "BAD BOY" Starring: Lloyd Nolan, Jane Wyatt, James Gleason, Stanley Clements and Martha Vickers Saturday May 19th. Shows: 7.15; 9.15 Matinee 2:30.

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\$400,000 CONTRACT Continued from page 1 sent contract, the supply building, is to be constructed just to the rear of the boiler building and adjacent to the railway spur. It will be a large building, about 350 feet in length and will be of concrete and steel construction. It will have a loading ramp for receiving supplies direct from rail-cars. Here will be kept all types of supplies with the exception of food which is under the Army Service Corps. This building is two storey. The other structure for the works and buildings section, is known as a construction engineering building and will be located in the interior of the station. It will be 100 feet long, one storey, and of brick, tile and steel construction. Work is expected to start immediately. Another job that is going on there at present is the construction of an underground steam distribution system. - S