

NOTICE:—No orders will be accepted for slabs until August 1st at Kings Mill.

BE SURE TO SEE "Rachol and the Stranger" being sponsored by the C. W. L. at Yeo's Theatre, Montague, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 6th and 7th. Show time 8.30. Also matinee on Thursday.

Wood Is. Ferry Figures For May

Traffic figures released yesterday for the Northumberland Ferry service from Wood Islands to Carleton Place, for the month of May according to Mr. R.E. Mutch, president of the company. A marked decline is shown in all classifications. The number of passengers carried dropped from 7,137 in 1955 to 5,897, autos from 2,056 to 1,827 and trucks from 762 to 648.

Due to harbour conditions at Wood Islands the "Charles A. Dunning" was unable to operate for a period of six days. This and the combination of poor weather and road conditions offered a degree of discouragement to the travelling public.

MRS. GORDON MacMILLAN

A COUNTRY GARDEN

Fragrance and beauty come in with the green. The ragged bushes put on sweet attire. The birds forget how chill these airs have been. The clouds bloom out again in limpid fire. Blue dawns the day! Blue calm lies on the lake. And merry sounds are fitful in the thorn. In covert green the young black-birds wake. They shake their wings, and sing upon the morn.

I like the way—a May morning smells when the first real dew the young season can generate lies still on the garden. I like the sound a spade makes when it is thrust i earth which, for the first time, is not too wet and, perhaps for the last, not too dry. May makes every promise seem certain of fulfillment, and not since May of last year have I felt such a sense of well-being when out working in the garden.

A flower leaps to life—the quiet clod has uttered music; noiselessly a tree flings forth green song; beauty whispers to the listening heart. God spoke and from the arid scene sprang rich and verdant bowers, till all the earth was soft and green. He smiled; and there were flowers.

The sweet white violet is carpeting the small wood at the top of the garden and grape hyacinths and the daffodils with hundreds of blue forget-me-nots will be lovely for weeks when the beech leaves come with their tender green pleated beauty.

The breath of the woodland spirit has blown out the bubble of spring, and to his tenuous glory, the birdsong lifts the heart. No where do the birds sing so joyously as in a sunlit wood. It is a benediction to listen awhile in the busy day.

Now the lengthening twilights hold tints of lavender and gold, and the marshy places ring with the pipers of the spring. Turn thine eyes to earth and heaven, God for these the spring has given; taught the birds their melodies, clothed the earth and cleared the skies. For thy pleasure or thy food—pour thy soul in gratitude!

It is so good to be able to garden these days! There are some who have been laid aside from gardening for the first time, it is difficult to look out the window and wish to be outdoors digging in the good earth and making a good garden as in other years.

On a trip to Town it was pleasant to see how many were busy in their gardens. A man and his woman were making a raised bed around a nice birch tree, and others were busy raking and seeding a new lawn. In another garden I saw walks being laid, and everywhere there were signs of the spring-time. Lawnmowers were carried in the back trunks of cars and little girls carried bunches of dandelions in a golden heap to their grateful Mothers we hope.

A garden park was being staked off in paths and borders after being smoothed and raked. This will be an asset to our Capital, far more than can be anticipated. We love only to read about such beauty spots in other countries to know that they are prized, and enjoyed by many folk who may or may not have gardens of their own.

Over at the Memorial Nursery the other morning the yard was filled with cars, and all the folk out in the gardens selecting their shrubs and plants. Can you imagine half the beauty this means to our Province in the years to come. It was a wonderful ideal for all who had the vision to see.

Strolling through the Nursery I found many of the shrubs were in leaf and early tulips and daffodils were making a colorful showing in the early morning sunlight.

"Spring comes to flower in secret, or at night, in vain pry or eav, drop, none has yet surprised the break of life. Watched the rumping out of the packed leaf. The stabbing tip of the shoot. The little momentous things that earth achieves—while no one is about."

Walking in the garden this evening I found that many shrubs were in leaf and flower buds and blossoms were ready to open on sunny days. The earliest shrubs in the series here, Cydonia or flowering quince with the scarlet tree-like blossoms and the Daphne Mezereum with the stems covered with snow bells before the leaves

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Sponsor Show At Murray Harbour

A very enjoyable evening was spent by young and old at Savage Harbour school on Thursday night May 24th where the Canadian order of Foresters of Prince Island sponsored a show. Brother F. Mosher a member of the Organization was assisted by district manager J.L. Sturdy of Moncton.

Brother Sturdy spoke briefly in connection with the organization and pointed out the benefits of being a member of the society and stated the fraternal part its operating in our community and country of today. \$25,000 was presented to Cancer Research during the year 1954.

A generous collection was received which was handed over to the trustees, to assist in purchasing supplies for the school. Following the program a delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the community, which brought the evening to a close.

Attending the first mass celebrated at St. Margarets on Sunday, May 27th, by Father Wendell MacIntyre, who was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on Saturday, May 26th and also attending the dinner and reception at the home of Father MacIntyre's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Michael MacIntyre were:— Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Scully, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Scully, Mrs. Walter MacLean, Mrs. Alex Arsenault and Mrs. J.B. Scully of Georgetown and Mrs. and Mrs. Plus Fitzpatrick of De Gros Marsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burke and family of Charlottetown motored to Cardigan on Sunday, May 27th, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conohan.

Mr. Herbert George Jr., of the Canadian Army, Permanent Force, stationed in Halifax, N.S., was a recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.P. George Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Ross and family and Mr. and Mrs. Clements of Halifax, motored to Georgetown recently, where they were guests of Mrs. Mabel Hearn.

Mr. and Mrs. Long of Boston, Mass., arrived in Georgetown several days ago and have taken up residence in the home of the late Capt. C.M. Fitzgerald. Mr. Long, who was here last summer, will be employed as a diver on the new dragger slip, now under construction here.

Mr. Fred Allen, accompanied by her daughter Mae, were week-staged at Truro City Hall on April Twenty-fourth of this year. The Society was honored by the presence of the President of The Royal Horticultural Society the Hon. D. Boves Lyon, V.M.H., who endorsed the view that it was an amazing and versatile exhibition. Well-known judges drawn from a wide area included The Lord Strathcona, Mr. Baker, Major Sherrard and Mrs. Cecil Pope.

The hall was a blaze of color, the large stage being used for the groups from the large estates of Cornwall. Prizes went to superb Rhododendrons and exhibits in this class same from the National Trust Gardens. One of the highlights of the show which was especially commented upon by the President and awarded the Cornwall Spring Flower Society's gold medal was the collection of rare trees and shrubs from Commander Smith's garden. The President also commented on and gave great encouragement to small producers, particularly those not employed in agriculture. Prizes went to exhibits of Daffodils, Polyanthus and Orchids.

Also well supported were the sections for pot plants and the decorative and children's classes which are causing problems for the organizers as far as space is concerned. The Camellias and Azaleas were glorious in color and in spite of the weather magnolias were much in evidence.

Another English Show was televised and shown to many, besides the thousands in attendance. Surely in the older countries of the world, great value is placed on flowers and gardening!

end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gay of Montague. On Sunday, 27th, they motored to Little Sands, where they visited Mrs. Allen's and Mrs. Gay's uncle, Mr. Hector MacLean, who is recovering from a recent attack of pneumonia.

Mr. A.A. Mosher and Mr. Montague Anear of Montague were business visitors to Georgetown on Tuesday, May 29th.

On Sunday, May 20th, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gay and their grandson, Noah Gurnham of Montague, and Mrs. Silas J. Gratts of Pictou Landing, N.S. Mrs. Gay and Mrs. Gratts are sisters of Mrs. Allen.

On Saturday, May 26th, Mr. and Mrs. F.J. DeLory had as their guests, Mr. Thomas Pendergast of Winnipeg, Man., and Mr. and Mrs. James Pendergast of Charlottetown.

Mrs. F.J. DeLory and Miss Sheila DeLory attended the first Mass, on Sunday, May 27th, at St. Anne's Church, Hope River, celebrated by Father Walter B. Reid, who was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on Saturday, May 26th. They later attended the reception held at the home of Father Reid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reid of Charlottetown.

Mr. David Lavers Jr. is employed in the pulp wood business in Souris.

On Saturday, May 26th, the Misses Francis Anne, Mary and Connie Cullen of Charlottetown, were visitors to Georgetown and were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F.J. DeLory.

L.A.C. and Mrs. James Walker of Chatham, N.B. were holiday guests of Mr. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walker.

Mrs. Ella MacKinnon, who spent the winter visiting relatives in Maine, and other U.S.A. centers, arrived in Georgetown last week to spend the summer at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Richards of Summerside, accompanied by Mrs. Carver, motored to Georgetown, on Sunday, May 20th, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lavers. Mr. Richards, a former member of the famous North Nova Scotia Highlanders, is now a member of the R.C.A.F. He has been stationed at Greenwood, N. S., since his return from a one year tour of duty in Europe and North Africa, last autumn.



GERALD P. MURTAGH

FORMER ISLANDER

Mr. Gerald P. (Gerry) Murtagh, has been elected President of the Ottawa Catholic Laymen's Retreat Association at the annual meeting of the association held in Ottawa on Thursday evening last.

Mr. Murtagh has been closely connected with retreat work in the archdiocese of Ottawa for the past few years. He is at present a member of the board of directors of the Villa Madonna Retreat House in Ottawa and is secretary to the board of governors of that institution.

He was named a delegate to the National Conference of Canada and the United States to be held in London on August 3 to 5th, 1956.

A former Prince Edward Islander, Gerry is with the Health and Welfare Department, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

BOYS HURT IN EXPLOSION

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. (CP)—A dynamite cap which was exploded in a snack bar Sunday injured five teen-agers, sending four to hospital. Police said the boys apparently exploded the cap with a battery.

Miss Bernice MacDonald, Covehead Road, spent the latter part of the week with her sister, Mrs. Floyd Jay and Mr. Jay.

Congratulations are being extended to Miss Doreen Jay, Fanning Brook and Mr. Carmen Jay, Pisquid West on passing their first year examinations at P.W.C.

Mrs. George Jay, was a visitor in Lorne Valley, Friday, guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonald.

Mrs. Owen Kelly was a weekend visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chester Bradley and Mr. Bradley, St. Theresa.

Miss Isabel Birt, Charlottetown, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Birt. Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacDonald, Arline Garfield and daughter Arlene were visitors in Pisquid East, Sunday, guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay.

Miss Sally Leard, Charlotte-

town, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Fred Leard.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonald, Lorne Valley, were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. MacDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Jay. Miss Juanita Jay, Charlottetown spent the May 26th weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Affleck and sons, Mount Stewart, visited relatives in Pisquid East Sunday.

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BRISTOL

The condition of Mrs. James Fitzgerald, who has been a hospital patient for several weeks remains about the same. She underwent a slight operation over the weekend. Mrs. Fitzgerald is well along in life now.

Mrs. Vincent McGrath, was a business visitor to the city over the week-end.

A rumor circulated here last week that Rev. Phalen McKenna, P.P. at Alberton, and pastor here for fifteen years till a year ago had suffered a broken back in an

accident is untrue. The Father informed us by phone he was in prime health and was in no accident whatever.

With the lobster fishing season drawn near the end, scores of fishermen here, many of them starting for the first time, will end up the red owing to the worst month of May in many a moon.

The bowling tournament has come to a close for the season and until the fall the bowling will be done in words around the stores. Mrs. Ted Anderson as in the city last week for a few days on business-

NOTICE

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