

Happenings of The Week

The Prince Edward Island premiere of the official film of the Canadian tour of their Royal Highnesses, the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, just released by the National Film Board, was held at the Prince Edward Theatre Sunday evening, by invitation of His Honour, Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hartien are entertaining from five to seven this evening at "The Charlottetown".

Mrs. Sidney Green entertained a few friends on Thursday evening at her home, when Mrs. Earl Taylor poured, and Mrs. Arthur Carruthers and Mrs. J. C. Gallant served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mould entertained on Christmas Day at "The Charlottetown".

Mrs. Lewis Turner entertained at tea yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Sidney Green Jr. presided over the tea table, and Mrs. Gordon Clark and Mrs. Turner's home was beautifully decorated for the occasion with seasonal trimmings.

Mr. W. Chester S. McLure had only a brief visit home for Christmas, leaving next day on return to Ottawa.

The Christmas decorations and lights were unusually attractive this year, possibly those calling for most favourable comment were those of the Hon. and Mrs. George DeBlois, West Street.

Mrs. P. W. Turner was among the Yuletide hostesses, entertaining at afternoon tea on Thursday.

Miss Heather MacLean, who is a student at McGill University, is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordon MacLean.

Mrs. W. W. Crosby, Cornwall, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Gordon MacLean and Mr. MacLean for a few days before leaving for Montreal, where she will spend a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Shetler and Mr. Shetler.

Miss Elizabeth Wright has returned to Charlottetown after spending the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edison Wright, Central Bedouque.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barrett of Halifax are visiting Mrs. Barrett's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. Earle MacDonald, after spending Christmas with Mr. Barrett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barrett in Shelburne, N. S.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. MacLean of Vancouver are visiting Mr. MacLean's sister, Mrs. J. M. MacFadyen after spending Christmas in Halifax.

Mrs. W. M. Mellish, Brighton Road, had as her guest over the Christmas holidays Mrs. Minnie MacDonald of Montague.

Mrs. A. R. Wise spent Christmas in Moncton, N. B., with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Donpierre and family.

Miss Joan Large of Toronto is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jack Large, for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Wade MacBride of Saint John is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Hill, Mount Edward Road.

On Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Worth entertained in honour of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mutch, the occasion being their 29th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Watson of Halifax were guests at "The Charlottetown" over the Christmas holiday.

Miss Marion Saunders arrived from Toronto on Christmas eve to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Saunders also have as their guest Mr. Harold A. Kennedy of Pine Hill Divinity Hall, Halifax.

Morning Smile

Gossip Two friends were discussing a new neighbor. "I believe Mrs. Green is a great gossip," remarked one. "Yes," replied the other, "she has a keen sense on rumor."

Weaker Sex

It was the first time the lady had been honored as a ship christener, and she was quite nervous. Immediately before the ceremony the shipyard superintendent asked her, "Is there any question you would like to ask me?" "Yes," was the meek answer, "if you don't mind, please tell me how hard I must swing to knock it into the water."

Alibi

On the day the World Series was to open, an office boy approached the boss. "Oh, come, come now," snapped the boss. "You're not going to drag out that old fable about your grandmother having passed away?" "Oh, no, sir," responded the boy, "She's home on furlough."

law, Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Tanton, Summerside.

Miss Dorothy MacPhee of Toronto and Miss Helen MacPhee, R. N., of Montreal who have been visiting their parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. MacPhee, Summerside, left yesterday morning on return.

Dr. and Mrs. Eric Loth and two children of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, also Miss Gloria Bernard of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, were Christmas guests of Hon. and Mrs. J. A. Bernard, Tignish.

Miss Annabel Allen of Charlottetown, and Miss Winnifred Schurman of the Provincial Sanatorium were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Arthur Allen, Summerside, for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Semple of Charlottetown spent Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. S. Todd, Summerside.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Silliphant, Summerside, entertained at their home at a dinner party on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. William Hayward, Mrs. Harry Silliphant, Mrs. Fred MacRae, Mrs. R. L. Willet and Mrs. Fred Folland will serve this evening at the Summerside Curling Club.

The many friends of Mrs. J. A. Bernard of Tignish will regret her illness in the Charlottetown Hospital.

Miss Barbara Delaney, R.N., of Boston, Massachusetts, arrived this week by plane to be with her father, Dr. Mark Delaney, who is seriously ill at his home in Summerside. She was accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Wilfred Delaney and daughter, Claudette, of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Adams of Summerside spent the Christmas holidays in Montague, guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vickerson.

Mrs. Shirley Simpson of Summerside has as her guest, Miss Fern Bell of Halifax, N. S., and Charlottetown.

Miss Betty MacMurdo, teacher of Household Economics in Bridgewater, N. S., is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. MacMurdo, Summerside.

Miss Kathleen Allen, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. Allen, Summerside, left Thursday morning on return to Halifax, N. S.

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Beer, Summerside, had as their Christmas guests the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Beer of Montague.

Mrs. H. M. Downing who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Beer in Montague spent the Christmas holidays in Summerside with her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. John Downing.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Donald MacKay of Summerside spent the Christmas season in Nova Scotia, guest of Mrs. MacKay's parents.

Miss Willene MacLean, on the teaching staff at Slemon Park, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Eureka, N. S.

Miss Mary Palmer and Mr. Robert Palmer arrived from Ottawa to spend their Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Palmer, Summerside.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Cobb were guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Drummond Cobb in Halifax over the holiday.

Recent Marriage In Toronto



Shown following their recent wedding at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Toronto, are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ronald "Cory" Barnes, Belleville and Cairo, Egypt. The bride was Ida Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Costello, Toronto and Charlottetown, and the groom is the only son of Capt. and Mrs. J. R. Barnes, Belleville and Cairo, Egypt.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Keen Standards High

Girl Should Not Let Marks Slip To Appear Less Talented Beau

DEAR MISS DIX: I have a boy friend with an inferiority complex. I am an officer in various social clubs, and an "A" student while he is not active in any of our school groups, and is a "C" student. I am very popular. When we are together he acts bashful. I think this is because I outshine him. He has been avoiding me lately and I wonder if I should keep up my good work or get down to his level so he will be interested in me again.

ANSWER: While your delany, indeed, be abashed at the superiority you display in school, I detect another reason for his avoidance. Could it be that you wax a trifle too boastful over your achievements? Perhaps even to the exclusion of other subjects? As a bright and popular girl you will have to watch this tendency, or you'll drive all boys away.

You have been endowed by your Creator with a better-than-average brain and personality. To do anything but make the most of these gifts would be a crime against nature, so give up all ideas of deliberately letting your work lapse to lower grades. Such practice will certainly not enhance you in the eyes of your schoolmates—male or female. You owe it to yourself, your teachers, your family to make the most of your talents and get the highest grades possible.

GIVE HIM ENCOURAGEMENT

If you really want to interest one particular boy, give him the center of the stage when you're together. Even though you're just dying to discuss your latest honorary post, let him have a lion's share of the conversational limelight. His achievements may not be as glamorous as yours, but to him they are mighty important. A little encouragement, properly meted out, may even spur him on to better marks and more active participation in school affairs. Such procedure will shed much more credit on you than a passive attempt to lower your marks.

DEAR MISS DIX: I am 27 years old and engaged to a boy 25 who is away at college. Since he has been away I have met a nice young man 27, who is also engaged. He travels and every time he is in town I go out with him. Nothing has been said between us as to our feelings for each other; we have kept on a strictly friendly basis but I am very disturbed to find myself looking forward to seeing him. I know I love my fiance; would you advise me to stop seeing the other man?

ANSWER: You are playing with fire and are bound to be badly burned unless you straighten out a bad situation. If you are really in love with your fiance, the honorable thing to do is stop seeing this other man. You are being unfair to your own betrothed, as well as to his. If, however, a thorough analysis of your emotions indicates that he has wound himself more thoroughly around your heart strings than you now think, break your engagement. Don't marry one man while your mind is dwelling on another.

DEAR MISS DIX: A young man who works under my husband has bought a house next door to us. We don't know the family too well. What effect will such close association have on business relations? I would like to make real friends of these people, since they will be next-door neighbors. How can I do this?

ANSWER: Men usually learn more thoroughly than women how to separate business and social associations, so I think your husband and new neighbor will have no difficulty in maintaining both relationships. You are very gracious in your desire to be a good neighbor. Be cordial to the newcomers, as helpful as you can, treat their children and animals with courtesy and above all, don't be intrusive. And don't, please, ask questions or tell stories about business.

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ELLEN'S DIARY

By an Island Farmer's Wife

"With the coming of this moon, Ellen, we'll have no more short days. Oh, I know by the almanac they'll lengthen very little by then, but somehow the full of it stretches them considerably." James offered this morning glancing towards one of the new calendars which have come in of late to brighten our walls.

How pretty these are, that have arrived to take the place of the old friends of this year! The same that gave us not so long ago it seems, the silence and beauty of snow covered fields and then one day the tinkle of 'spring streamlets coursing merrily to the pond below.

Presently the magic of seedtime was spread on the farmlands... the mystery and loveliness of rebirth. Summer was marked there in numbers, but about us in dewy dawns and gentle dusks along the valley; the gold and rustle of the harvest and with a long sigh, the brilliant death-lights of autumn on hedgerow and woodland. Then nights of inky dark with rain and wind on the windows, a moan in the lawn trees and about the eaves, and apples on the orchard ground in the morning.

A first frost here by the stream-side and the farmers concerned then over the gathering in of the roots... Ravens on croaking excursions over the fields, the flash of blue and white jays' wings, sparrows ruling the yards, chickens and turkeys fattening—and first snowflakes again.

All of these old calendars gave us at Alderlea, the blessings and pleasures attendant upon these and as well their cares. It brought too, the joys of home and family which seem to grow—for us—more interesting and cherished as the years roll. How much indeed that was good and lovely the old calendars brought! And that which we would prefer to forget... our errors and failures and disappointments they have taken away.

And what should one ask of the new ones representing the year that lies ahead? And of every New Year?

"God of the years that lie ahead, Lord of the years that stretch before, Weaver of the ties that bind us, Keeper and King of the open door.

Grant us hope and a courage glowing, White and pure as the stars above; Grant us faith in a full stream flowing Down from the heights of Thy changeless love.

Out of the ruins of doubt and sorrow, Out of the ashes of pain and tears, Help us fashion a new tomorrow, Free from the anguish of blighting tears.

Build with us lest our great walls crumble, Broken stones upon useless clay; Walk with us lest our slow feet stumble, Grope and falter and lose their way.

All through the seasons of sowing and reaping, All through the harvest of song and tears; Hold us close in Thy tender keeping— O Maker of all New Years." Until Monday — Diary — Good-night . . . . .

Better English

By G. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I am through with my dinner, and I am sorry that Mary don't like hers." 2. What is the correct pronunciation of "duel"? 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Desimal, desolation, despotism, desperado. 4. What does the word "pensive" mean? 5. What is a word beginning with int that means "uprightness"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "I have finished my dinner, and I am sorry that Mary doesn't like hers." 2. Pronounce the u as in fuel, not as in rude. 3. Desimal. 4. Dreamily or somewhat sadly thoughtful. "She remained in this pensive state for a long time." 5. Integrity.

Cook's Corner

TURKISH DELIGHT

2 T. gelatin 2 cups granulated sugar 1/2 cup orange juice 1/2 cup cold water Rind of 1 orange grated 1/2 cup boiling water 1/2 cup lemon juice Icing sugar Soak gelatin in cold water for 10 minutes. Add boiling water and stir until dissolved. Add sugar and boil slowly about 20 minutes or until thermometer reaches 232 degrees F. Remove from the stove and let cool a few minutes before adding orange and lemon juice and grated or finely shredded rind of the orange. Coloring may be added if desired. Stir all together and pour into a shallow pan that has been dipped in cold water. Let stand all day and overnight. When set and firm, cut into squares with a sharp knife and roll in icing sugar.

The Stars Say - -

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow UNDER an aggregation of unpropitious aspects, particularly between the subtler planets, it is difficult to predict what peculiar or irregular events might precipitate some form of regrettable crisis. Considering the wild nature of the approaching three-day bid for celebrations, it is probable that joy and festivity may reign supreme, and this "without let or hindrance." The probable culmination: all sorts of regrets, confusion and perennial "resolutions." There may be unusual or curious events to be accounted for.

If It Is Your Birthday Those whose birthday it is may anticipate a period of strange, curious and unpredictable events, with much happening to intrigue, challenge and probably mystify. The plan of action in all forms and phases, seems to be outside of the regular and customary, with unaccountable experiences and adventures calling for clear analysis and practical adjustments in face of peculiar crises. However, there is hope of some compensations owing to the elementary gracious and friendly personality and good intentions.

A child born on this day has many unusual and challenging facets to its character, albeit its friendly, gracious and well-meaning personality may be its lifelong safeguard.

Day After Tomorrow The horoscope holds augury of some regulating factors for bolstering new plans and aspirations, with the mind alert to new angles, plans and insight, making for progress, expansion and stability. It may be well to spend the end of the year in retrospection—reviewing past defeats, errors and mishaps, with a view to develop new tactics, ways and means, as the mentality and vision as well, are framed to such ideas. Some fresh developments or surprising events may encourage this plan.

For the Birthday Those whose birthday it is may find this a propitious time for reviewing past events and circumstances, studying to adapt fresh ideas and enlightened vision to correct errors, to thrash out the "why" of failures and disappointment. The mind is well equipped for this revamping. Insight into more progressive procedures may spring from a new revolutionary inspiration. Keyed to innovation and experiment, the chances are for a new year of more solid foundations and achievement.

A child born on this day should possess ability, talents, stamina and ambitions for a promising and happy life, prosperous, perhaps renowned.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Basement Floors Many people keep their basement floors in excellent condition by painting them with deck paint. This paint comes in various colors and is a fine resistant to dampness, besides adding to the attractiveness of the basement.

Whitened Linen Linen or handkerchiefs, can be whitened by washing as usual, and then taking one teaspoonful of cold water, adding one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, and soaking them over night.

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That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

ELDERLY FOLK NEED MORE THAN JUST ECONOMIC SECURITY

I write frequently about our aging population and of how the great increase in the percentage of elderly men and women living today has made a problem for physicians, health organizations and welfare organizations which have in mind the care and general happiness of this portion of our population.

It is known, of course, that the life span has been extended by 16 years during the past 50 years, but it is not generally known that during just the past 19 years there has been a great increase in the number of people past 65 years in the United States and Canada; that whereas in 1940, there was 1 in 25 past this age to 1950 there was 1 in every 12 of the entire population.

In Statistical Bulletin, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company it is stated that during the ages 65 to 69 many retire from active employment. Because many of these people are still capable of productive effort, they form a sizeable reservoir of manpower. If there again should be a critical shortage of the employed men at 65 and over are working in agriculture. Next in numbers are the service industries, trade and manufacturing. The proportion of elderly men in manufacturing is considerably smaller than those in agriculture. This shows that there is a tendency for men in manufacturing to retire much earlier in life than men engaged in farming.

While studying this matter of the elderly, most of us have in mind their economic condition and whether they are able to support themselves as to food, clothing and housing, but it is pointed out that many elderly men and women have needs in life other than economic.

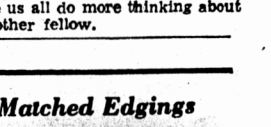
"Our older people have many unmet social and emotional needs. The numerous program now being formulated both nationally and locally should go a long way toward solving the more acute of these problems faced by our elderly men and women."

Although old age security pension remove a great burden, and the elderly individual feels that he has "done his bit" during his life time and is entitled to it, yet, as stated above, there are the other needs in his life—companions, entertainment, joining and working with organizations devoted to the furthering of the welfare of the community.

The great increase in the percentage of elderly people should make us all do more thinking about the other fellow.

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How Can I... By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I treat hardwood floors on which water has been spilled? A. Rub the stains with a cloth dipped in turpentine, using a regular motion. Dry with another clean cloth.

Q. How can I hasten the beating of an egg? A. The task of beating eggs will be accomplished in a much shorter time if a pinch of salt is added to them.

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