

ASPARAGUS, FANSY and strawberry plants available. See classified advertisements, George Wright.

F. E. L. RURAL BEAUTIFICATION SOCIETY The Rural Beautification Contest for 1954 is now on and this year the Rural Beautification Society offers up to 65 valuable prizes for Home Improvement for Improvement to farm buildings, for flower gardens, for outstanding homes. There are prizes for Community Improvement, School, Rural Cemeteries, and Roadside Planting. Entries must be sent in this week. Initial judging will begin shortly. Send your entries now to the Rural Beautification Society, Charlottetown.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT - At Magistrate's court at Georgetown yesterday before Squire Magistrate Joseph W. MacDonald, a resident of Montague was convicted of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated and sentenced to serve 15 days. His license is also automatically suspended for one year. A resident of Montague was fined \$25.00 and costs for being intoxicated while another resident of Montague and one of Kinross were each fined \$20.00 and costs on the same charge. A resident of Gaspereux was fined \$30 and costs for possession of illicit spirits under the Temperance Act.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fitzpatrick have returned to their home in Montague following a short trip to Moncton and Halifax.

Mr. Harold Stewart and Mr. William MacIntyre, students at Dalhousie University, arrived at their homes in Montague last week.

Miss Norma Campbell, Charlottetown, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Campbell, Whim Road.

Mr. John B. Clancy, accompanied by Mr. George Clancy and son, Norman, were visitors to Charlottetown on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald MacLean, Charlottetown, were recent visitors to Whim Road, where they visited Mrs. MacLean's father, Mr. John Campbell.

Little Glen Moore, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore, Whim Road, is ill at his home.

Mrs. A. J. MacPherson and Mrs. Max Cooper, both of Bellevue, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell, Whim Road.

Master Hugh Graham, Commercial Cross, has entered the King's County Hospital for treatment. His many friends and playmates hope to see him back at school very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gillis, Truro, N. S. were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Stewart, Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Higginbotham, Halifax, were week-end visitors to Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanhope MacLeod, of Alberta, motored to Montague last week and are guests of Mr. MacLeod's mother, Mrs. A. J. MacLeod.

Rev. Carl Currie, Murray Harbor North, was the guest speaker at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Montague, Sunday evening.

Sterling Area's Gold, Dollar Reserves Up

LONDON, (AP) - The sterling area's gold and dollar reserves registered their biggest increase last month in more than two years, inspiring "cautious optimism" in the future of Britain's economy, the treasury announced today. The reserves, economic lifeblood for Britain and her sterling area partners, jumped by \$135,000,000 during April to a total of \$2,820,000,000. British officials welcomed the rise as "encouraging." But they quickly pointed out that the sterling area, which embraces the Commonwealth exclusive of Canada, plus some small countries, still suffers a chronic scarcity of dollars. The April increase was the largest since Whitehall began making monthly announcements in January, 1952.

Pilot Missing After Jet Crash

CHATHAM N. B. (CP) - An ROCAF Sabre jet fighter crashed into Miramichi Bay off here Monday and searchers found no immediate trace of the pilot, the only occupant. The pilot was identified as FO. Garnet Brine, 30-year-old Second World War veteran from Antigonish, N.S., and an instructor. The Sabre was on a routine training flight out of the jet fighter base here when the accident occurred in shallow water near an island in the bay. Plans started an immediate search of the district and a diving team was being flown from the navy base near Halifax.

QUEBEC MAN KILLED - BALTIMORE (AP) - Arthur Baughard, described by state police as a wealthy 61-year-old restaurateur operator from Quebec, was killed early Saturday by an automobile on a highway 40 miles northeast of Baltimore. Police were looking for a car with a badly dented radiator grille.

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given both the federal and provincial governments the right to levy direct taxes. No one in parliament would agree to Quebec's claim to priority in collecting income taxes. Mr. St. Laurent said he hopes Quebec will not feel there can be no agreement with the federal government because of the Quebec government's attitude toward provincial autonomy. But there was no reason for other provinces to take part in any discussions toward solving the problem with Quebec.

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