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Y.M.C.A. APPOINTMENT—Mr. Harold Cross has been appointed acting General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., Montreal.

ISLANDER'S DAUGHTER PLAYWRIGHT—On Maritime Theatre broadcast last Friday night, the play "The Witching Hour" was presented.

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Gareau-Macdonald Wedding

The marriage of Miss Virginia Kimball Macdonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colin Macdonald of Penitence, B.C., to Mr. Paul Gareau, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Urban Gareau, of Regina, Sask., took place recently in the United Church at Penitence.

The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colin Macdonald were formerly of Charlottetown. Mr. Macdonald is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. A. B. Macdonald.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and wore a simple gown of white faille taffeta with her veil falling from a Dutch cap of white lace.

The bride attendants were all dressed alike in princess style frocks of American Beauty faille taffeta, with matching halo hats.

B. C. was matron of honor, and the bridesmaids were the two sisters and a cousin of the bride, the Misses Jean and Nancy Macdonald, and Miss Barbara Warren of Vancouver.

Mr. John Gareau was his brother-in-law. The ushers were Mr. John Warren, of Vancouver, and Mr. George and Mr. James Mitchell, of Penitence.

The reception was held in the Glangarry Room of the Prince Charles Hotel. For her honeymoon in Banff, Alta., the bride wore a suit of blue and beige checked wool, with blue accessories and topped with a brown fur coat.

Mr. John MacKinnon, Ugg, was a recent visitor to Charlottetown.

Miss Norma Jones, student of P. W. C. spent Tuesday afternoon, January 22nd, at her home in Pownal.

WESTBROOK, Me., Jan. 23—(AP)—Two robbers wearing knitted black masks today robbed the Cumberland Mills branch of the Westbrook Trust Company of \$25,000 to \$30,000, police reported.

There passed away suddenly at Belle River on Tuesday, December 4th, 1951, James Craig Matheson in his 64th year, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Allan Matheson.

He lived for a number of years in Boston, Mass., and served as a commissioned officer in the U. S. Army during World War I.

His wife, the former Miss Jessie MacPherson of Heatherdale, P.E.I., predeceased him. A brother Alexander and two sisters (Anne) Mrs. James A. MacDonald and Flora also predeceased him.

His funeral which was largely attended was held on Friday, December 7th, from his late residence to Wood Islands Presbyterian Church.

The pallbearers were Ralph MacKenzie, J. J. Gillis, Elmer Stewart, Norman Bell, Donald Campbell and Daniel Compton. Interment took place in Wood Islands Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Burreigh Owen, Malpeque, wish to thank relatives and friends, also the Malpeque Women's Institute for messages of sympathy sent to them at the time of the death of their little grandson Ralph W. Howatt.

The family of the late James Craig Matheson wish to thank friends and neighbours for their many acts of kindness. Also those who sent flowers, cards and messages of sympathy in their sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of William H. Green, who passed away January 24th, 1951.

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The Passing Scene

By Observer

MR. SHEEHAN'S BILL

The suggestion of Representative Timothy Sheehan of Illinois that the United States should purchase Britain's rights and interests in Canada is naturally causing consternation in various quarters.

An official of the External Affairs Department calls the suggestion "fantastic," and a member of Parliament uses the same word.

He wants to confirm what I wrote in this column a week or so ago, that Americans generally are almost totally ignorant regarding our political situation.

Mr. Sheehan is not alone in his view that American annexation of Canada would be the right thing. I have heard the same view expressed by all sorts of people many, many times.

Mr. Brown, the M.P. referred to above, thinks that such views do not represent general American opinion. Perhaps not, but they certainly represent a wide area of it.

The fact that Mr. Sheehan has put his views in a Bill to be introduced in Congress doesn't mean much, for it isn't likely that the matter will come up for discussion. Many ideas just as foolish as this one are embodied in Bills every year, but they rarely see the light of day.

I have not yet noted the Congressman's reply to Canadian reaction to his proposal, but I should not be surprised if he calls it "fantastic."

Mr. Churchill and Congress

Once again Prime Minister Churchill has addressed the combined Houses of the United States Congress, thus adding another distinction to a career that has been filled with out of the ordinary experiences.

Perhaps in this case it was felt that the burden of the speech was too solemn and critical a matter to permit of anything more than polite hand-clapping.

Whenever he gets a chance, Mr. Churchill lets them know that he is aware of this fact, and he told them so on this occasion.

Something Else

He told them something else, too, in choice but unmistakable language, namely, that Britain and the Commonwealth are still powers to be reckoned with in World Councils and that there is still a British Empire.

His immediate predecessor, Mr. Attlee, was just as sincere and, probably, in many ways of statesmanship just as capable.

Mr. Churchill does for the simple reason that his cold, emotionless manner is strange to American ways. They don't understand it very well and they don't like it at all.

There is, of course, a cheap kind of showmanship, calculated and laboured. This kind impresses no one but the showman himself.

There is another kind that comes almost without effort, unpretentiously from within. This is the kind that Brooks exhibited and

that Mr. Churchill exhibits in his dealings with present day affairs.

"Lay It On The Line"

This is a common American expression by which they mean, "don't quibble, say what's in your mind". This, Mr. Churchill has done.

He does not want any of their gold that is buried at Fort Knox; he wants some of their steel. He does not ask for charity; he asks them to recognize that Britain is playing its full part in combating aggression.

This latter will take a lot of substantiating evidence for most Americans have believed for some time that they are pulling practically the whole load, and they find it convenient to forget all about the dark days when Britain stood virtually alone against the common foe.

He wants at least token forces from the United States which would help to keep the Suez Canal open for world commerce. He has, indeed, "laid it on the line".

The Same Path

There are plenty of Americans

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who dislike Britishers just as there are many Britishers who dislike Americans. This mutual dislike, where it is found, is not in itself anything to be alarmed about.

You find it in even the best of families. What I believe most intelligent Americans do accept, sometimes reluctantly, is that, for good or ill, the fortunes of the two peoples are interwoven.

They are convinced that their "speaking the same language" does add something to their kinship. There is a deep feeling, growing all the time, that both have much to gain and nothing to lose by "treading the same path".

Barnes-Costello Wedding

Amidst a setting of white muslin in St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Toronto, Reverend Father Frenovost officiated at the recent marriage of Ida Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Costello, Toronto, and formerly of Charlottetown, and Edward Ronald "Cory" Barnes, only son of Capt. and Mrs. J. R. Barnes of Belleville, Ontario and Cairo, Egypt. Mr. Hughie O'Neill was soloist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was gowned in white french nylon lace over silk taffeta. A pearl headdress held her fingertip veil and her flowers were white carnations and delicate pink and white roses arranged as a cascade on a prayer book.

Miss Pauline Kelly attended the bride. She was gowned in moss green velvet with matching hat and gloves, and carried a nosegay of yellow poms and roses.

John O'Leary was groomsmen and ushers were Dom O'Keefe and Ray Costello, brother of the bride.

Guests were received afterwards at Malloney's Art Gallery. Later the couple left by plane for the States.

For her going away costume the bride wore under a camel coat a navy blue suit, hat, purse and shoes with white blouse, gloves and corsage.

Out of town guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Baxter, Hamilton (formerly Marjorie Trainor of Charlottetown) and Mrs. Ken Webster, Charlottetown.

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