

Death On Monday of Mr. Chas. A. Beer

The funeral of the late Charles A. Beer, who passed away in the Prince Edward Island Hospital early on Monday morning in his 64th year, will be held this afternoon from St. Paul's Church at 2 p.m.

The late Mr. Beer was the son of the late Mr. E.H. Beer and Mrs. Beer and was for many years manager of the Board of Fire Insurance Underwriters and Provincial Fire Marshal, being appointed to this post in 1926 and retiring in June, 1940.

Prior to serving overseas with the 8th Sarge Battery in the First World War, he was employed by the Bank of Montreal and resumed this occupation on return, serving in the Western Provinces and Newfoundland. Upon his return to this city he was appointed assistant Fire Marshal to his father and became Fire Marshal following his father's death.

During the second World War, he was in charge of all A.R.P. fire services and fire prevention work in the Province, and was also secretary of the "Carry On Canada" corps.

A valued member of the Masonic Order, Mr. Beer took a keen interest in the welfare of people and numbered his friends in the thousands throughout the Province.

An enthusiastic fisherman, hunter and golfer, he maintained his interest in outdoor activities in recent years despite poor health.

Surviving him are, his wife; his mother, Mrs. E.H. Beer; a daughter, Betty, who arrived home on Monday from Toronto; a sister, Miss Jessie Beer, R.N.; and a brother, Walter, of Montague.

Bare Knees Out For Army Men

OTTAWA, Jan. 1 (CP) — No more bare knees for Canadian soldiers. Army headquarters said that a year-old discussion on the merits of shorts for the troops in summer has ended with a decision to withdraw any existing authority for their wear.

Headquarters decided the shorts caused more trouble than they were worth. They left soldiers wide open to poison ivy; they invited sunburn and they provided little protection against mosquito and other insect bites.

New, loose-fitting, lightweight bush clothing now is being issued for summer wear. It has long trousers and is ideal for training and operational wear in summer.

Existing stocks of shorts will not be wasted. They are being recalled and will be re-issued to all ranks on a repayment basis—but for sports and recreational wear only.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

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BIRTHS KISSINGER — At 63 Beckesham Rd., Kent, England, on December 2nd, 1951, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kissinger, a son, 9 lbs, 6 ozs.

SHERREN — At the P. E. I. Hospital, Dec. 28th, 1951, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. D. Sherren, Cra-paud, a son, Allen Wendel, 9 lbs, 15 ozs.

DORSEY — At the Brantford General Hospital on December 2nd, 1951, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dorsey (nee Geraldine Noonan) a son, Weight 6 lbs, 7 ozs, Gary Thomas.

MARRIAGES MacDONALD — At the Charlottetown Hospital on December 29th, 1951, to Mr. and Mrs. John D. MacDonald (nee Marie MacDonald, Pisquid East), a son, Donald Joseph.

KENNEDY — At the Prince County Hospital, Summerside, on Tuesday, January 1st, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kennedy, Kensington, (nee Margaret Nisbet), a daughter, Deborah Fay, weight 7 lbs, 7 ozs.

MARRIAGES MacLAINE & BEARISTO — At Zion Presbyterian Manse, Charlottetown, on Dec. 29, 1951, by the Rev. G. C. Webster, Anna Jimima MacLaine to Ralph Arthur Bearisto, both of Charlottetown.

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Local Watch Night Services Held

Watch Night services at the Central Christian and St. Paul's Churches and the Salvation Army Citadel were well attended on New Year's Eve.

The pageant of the burning of the Midnight Candle, signifying the end of the old year, and the lighting of the new, took place at the Central Christian Church where the service was conducted by Rev. M.D. Dunbar. The meeting commenced with a Fellowship service followed by the Watch Night service at 11:30 p.m.

The special speaker was the Rev. J.D. Davison. The service closed with "Blessed be the Tie That Binds" followed by the Benediction.

The services at St. Paul's Church were conducted by Rev. J.T. Ibbott, and at the Salvation Army Citadel, by Sr. Captain Leslie Titcombe.

A Holy Communion service was held yesterday morning at St. Peter's Cathedral by Canon E.M. Malone. A special New Year's service will be conducted tonight at the Charlottetown Baptist Church by Rev. J.D. Davison.

No midnight masses were observed at the Roman Catholic Churches in the City, where regular Sunday masses were held yesterday morning.

Island Holsteins Among Champions

Lewisdale Anson, and a progeny of dam out of Molly Abbecker Korndyke Ann owned by Lewis Bros., York and Norma Marie Pontiac, owned by C.C. Lewis, of Free-town, were three Island owned Holsteins nominated last year for All Canadian. Lewisdale Anson was first prize senior calf and junior male champion at Charlottetown and a second prize winner at the Maritime Winter Fair.

The two animals nominated for Lewis Bros., in the progeny of dam won that class at Amherst and Norma Marie Pontiac was senior and grand champion at Charlottetown and Amherst in 1951. Another animal nominated was Abegweit Bourbon Darcy Junior champion and reserve grand at Toronto and junior champion at Amherst in 1951, which was bred on the Bunbury Farm of Premier J. Walter Jones, and now owned by Dickie Bros., Truro.

Celebrate 40th Wedding Anniversary

On December 20th the members of Prince Arthur and Princess Mary Lodges, as well as friends and neighbors, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Verner Moore, Westmoreland, to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of their marriage.

When the bride and groom of forty years arrived home Mr. Percy Dawson acted as chairman and called on Mrs. Elizabeth Best to read an address, at which time they were presented with a silver casserole and silver candle sticks by Mr. Stafford Leard.

Mr. William Waddell was then asked to read an address to Brother Moore and Mr. Fred Sherren presented him with an emblematic pin on behalf of the members of Bedeque Black Chapter.

The groom replied on behalf of the bride thanking all for their kindness in remembering them at this time.

After a pleasant evening spent all departed wishing the bride and groom many more years of health and happiness.

British Racegoers Bet Heavily

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP)—British racegoers pushed \$25,566,196 through the pari-mutuel machines in 1951, a bigger total but a smaller average than in 1950.

The total was up \$51,304 compared with a year ago but there were 13 more days of racing in 1951.

Pari-mutuels account for only a small part of the total betting since bookmakers are legal in Britain, both on and off the track.

Pari-mutuel tickets are sold here in denominations of two shillings, 10 shillings, £1 and £5.

CARD OF APPRECIATION On behalf of the patients of the Convalescent Home, Montague, I would like to extend our deep appreciation and sincere thanks to the firms, organizations, and individuals who assisted in making Christmas at the Home such a happy one. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those who donated magazines, gifts and entertainments throughout the past year.

The patients join with me in wishing you one and all a very Happy New Year.

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN 15 First Aid Instructors Take Refresher Course

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a new nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

COOK'S STUDIO for perfect pictures.

GUESTS AT DINNER — Chief of Police C.W. MacArthur and Mrs. MacArthur, former Chief of Police A. Birtwistle and Mrs. Birtwistle, and members of the City Police Force were guests at a turkey dinner given annually by the management and staff of the New England restaurant yesterday.

SAUREL CLEARS ICE — The C. G. S. "Saurel" left the Charlottetown harbour yesterday morning for Picton, breaking a path through the ice for an Imperial Oil Company tanker which had been discharging nearly a half million gallons of oil for the Maritime Electric Company, at the Railway Wharf.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY — The funeral of the late George Van Buskirk was held yesterday from the Cutcliffe Funeral Home. Service at the home and grave was conducted by the Rev. H.E.D. Ashford. Pallbearers were Arthur Roper, Weston Lowe, J.W. Mutch, Weston Whitlock, Fred Smith, and Borden MacLeod. Interment was in the People's Cemetery.

FUNERAL MONDAY MORNING — The funeral of the late Gertrude Doucette, Hunter River, was held from St. Augustine's Church, Rustico, on Monday morning, Dec. 31st. Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Pitre. Pallbearers were: Gerald Proctor, James McDonald, Lemming Proctor, John Gallant, Leo Gallant, and Fred Ford. Burial was in the church cemetery.

FUNERAL MONDAY — The funeral of the late James A. MacFadyen was held from the MacLean Funeral Home Monday afternoon. Service was conducted by the Rev. Donald Nicholson. Interment was in Clyde River Baptist Cemetery. The pallbearers were Alex MacLean, Neil MacLean, Seymour MacLean, Donald MacPhee, David Inman, Daniel MacNeill and Eldon Darrach.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LEBLANC — The funeral of the late Mrs. James LeBlanc was held from the MacLean Funeral Home Monday afternoon. Service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Crawford. Interment was in Marshfield Cemetery. The pallbearers were Irving Thompson, Alfred Stewart, William Dover, William Vessey, W.R. Burnett and J. E. Burnett.

FUNERAL AT MORELL — The funeral of the late Peter MacDougall was held from his residence at Morell yesterday afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. R. A. MacLeod. Interment was in Bangor Cemetery. Left Post and Reveille were sounded by Bugler Smith. Pallbearers were William Kelly, James Arnold, William Geldert, Byron Webster, John Macinnis and Carl MacAdam.

FUNERAL AT YORK — The funeral of the late Gordon (Bob) Brown was held from the MacLean Funeral Home to York United Church on Monday. Service was conducted by Rev. John Douglas. Interment was in York Cemetery. The Legion burial service was read by James Walker. Last Post and Reveille were sounded by Bugler William Chaisson. Pallbearers were Lloyd Crockett, Elmer Brown, Benjamin Mallett, A. O. F. Gill, Frank Watts and Leigh Vessey.

PERSONALS Miss Paty and Justin Gallant returned to Charlottetown over the week-end after spending the Christmas holidays at their home in Rusticville.

Her many friends will regret to hear that Mrs. James MacKendrick, City, is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

Miss Alvere Arsenault, Bank of Nova Scotia staff, Toronto, returned by plane yesterday afternoon, after spending her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alyre Arsenault, Charlottetown.

Roald Amundsen, Norwegian explorer, on Dec. 14, 1911, was the first man to reach the South Pole.

Heart Of Montrose As Wedding Gift

VANCOUVER, Jan. 1 (CP) — Something new in wedding presents: Tom Hurley, 64-year-old Vancouver criminal lawyer, has bought his bride of five days a mummified human heart.

Not just an ordinary heart, though. This one belonged to the first Marquis of Montrose, beheaded in Scotland three centuries ago after a series of defeats by the Scottish Covenanters. Montrose was captain-general of the Scottish armies of King James.

Of the gift, now en route to Vancouver from the Royal Stuart Society of Scotland, Mrs. Hurley exclaimed: "How lovely, how absolutely grand."

She is the former Mrs. Maizie Amyntage Moore and claims to be a direct descendant of the First Marquis of Montrose.

"My mother's uncle presented the heart to the Royal Stuart Society and when I heard about it was able to prove to the governor of the society that I was the only surviving granddaughter of my generation of the family," she said.

"The society had offered the heart for sale to the rightful claimant and when I told Mr. Hurley about my deep interest in its history he arranged to buy it for me as a wedding present."

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HOLMAN STORE NEWS

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15 First Aid Instructors Take Refresher Course

The first aid instructors' refresher course conducted by the Red Cross was completed Saturday, December 29th.

Saturday morning's program was opened by Mr. Lawson Jenkins, chairman of Disaster Services. He outlined the duties of Red Cross personnel during an emergency.

Dr. J. A. Murchison lectured to the instructors on poisons and insensibility.

The final speaker was Dr. W. H. Soper, chairman of the First Aid Services, who commended the instructors on the interest they showed by attending this course.

He emphasized the need for each instructor to assume responsibility for organizing first aid classes in local communities. Education is needed, Dr. Soper stated, to reduce our accident rate. First aid classes serve to educate the public in safety consciousness.

Miss Mary C. Campbell, Graham's Road and Mrs. Reginald Palmer, Freehold, both expressed the thanks of the group to Dr. Soper and the other doctors who had lectured and to Mrs. Harry Cudmore, Director of Red Cross First Aid Services.

The following instructors were granted renewal of their qualifications: Miss Mary C. Campbell, Emerald R. R. 3.

Mrs. Sterling Clow, Cornwall. Miss Helen Foley, Souris. Mrs. Ray Handrahan, Tignish. Miss Marguerite Houston, Mayfield.

Mrs. Mary MacLeod Koughan, Charlottetown R. 5. Mrs. Charles McCormick, North Lake.

Mr. D. A. MacCormack, Georgetown. Mrs. Oscar MacNeill, Conway. Mr. John Mullanly, Souris. Miss Noreen Noonan, Souris. Mrs. Reginald Palmer, Freehold. Miss Catherine Wallace, Alma Lot 3.

Mrs. Velda Wells, Alberton R.R. Miss Rita Wight, Montague.

Earliest Arrival At Local Hospital A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ramsay, 44 Villa Street, was the first child to be born in a hospital here this year. He arrived at 12:55 a.m. January 1 at the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

The Charlottetown Hospital was not far behind, however, as a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis McKenna, Newtown Cross, at 3 a. m.

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New Year's Day Receptions Largely Attended Locally

Clear, cold weather yesterday brought out hundreds of citizens of the city to pay the traditional New Year's Day calls on dignitaries and friends. The largest receptions were those of His Honor Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse, His Excellency James Boyle, Bishop of Charlottetown, and His Worship Mayor J. D. Stewart.

At Government House there was the customary large number of callers paying their respects to the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Prowse. They were received at the door by Dr. Alan Ernst, son-in-law of the Lieutenant Governor, and introduced by Dr. L. E. Prowse, private secretary. In the receiving line with the host and hostess were the aides, Captain J. J. Connolly, Lieutenant Colonel A. W. Rogers and Squadron Leader A. G. MacMillan.

Government House was gaily decorated for the occasion with a large Christmas tree in the main hall and a background decoration of white chrysanthemums. In the dining room were pink snapdragons and pink candles in special candelabra to provide a setting for the blue tones of the room. The reception room had yellow roses.

Acting as ushers for the afternoon were Mrs. L. E. Wellner, Miss Lena McLure, Mrs. J. J. Connolly, Mrs. A. W. Rogers, Mrs. A. G. MacMillan and Mrs. W. J. P. Ernst. Pouring were Mrs. J. Walter Jones, Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan, Mrs. George DeBlois and Mrs. Cyrus Macmillan.

A large group of women aided in the serving during the reception period. Among them were Miss Lorraine McNeely, Miss Helen Jones, Mrs. Alfred MacNeill, Mrs. Wendall Barbour, Mrs. Jack MacEachern, Mrs. Sterling MacDonald, Mrs. Clifford MacDonald, Miss Elizabeth Lantz, Miss Heather Lantz, Miss Valerie Rogers, Miss Virginia Campbell, Miss Helen Holman, Mrs. Alan Andrew, Mrs. Douglas Hill, Mrs. William Beer, Mrs. Ian Rankin, Mrs. Robert Morris, Miss Marjorie Doyle, Miss Patsy Barrett, Mrs. Frederick Munroe, Miss Emily Kelly, Miss Beat Martin and Miss Joan MacInnis.

Music was provided for the reception by an instrumental trio comprised of Miss Kathleen Hornby, Mr. Albert Blanchard and Mr. Alfred McKearney, all well known musical artists of this city.

At Bishop's Residence His Excellency Bishop Boyle received guests of all denominations at a well attended reception at the Bishop's residence yesterday afternoon. The guests were introduced by Rev. Patrick McMahon, D.D., while assisting were Rev. F. MacDonald, Chancellor of the Diocese, Rev. Francis Corcoran and Rev. Francis Bolger.

Another large group of citizens visited the home of Mayor J. D. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart on Groswood Drive. They were introduced to the Mayor and his wife by City Clerk James A. Fullier and friends. The over 400 guests received refreshments from Mrs. Wendell Beaton, Mrs. Edwin Johnstone, Mrs. Benjamin Rogers, Jr. and Mrs. W. T. Rogers. Doing the pouring were Mrs. B. Earle Macdonald and Mrs. G. R. Keefe.

Practically all the officers of the Charlottetown Garrison, as well as officers of all other services, were present at the annual Officers Mess New Year's Ball held in the Armouries on New Year's Eve. Dancing carried on to an early morning hour to the tuneful music supplied by Mickey Coker's orchestra. Greeting the guests was Mess President Ernest McCarey.

As usual the Charlottetown attracted a large number of guests for what has become one of the outstanding social events of the year. The New Year's Eve dance was well attended in tribute to the excellent cuisine and music supplied each year. There was also a large turnout at the Rollaway and other dance halls.

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Stresses Ideals In Public Life

The urgent need for religious standards in home and everyday life to be made effective once more was stressed by Right Rev. Monsigneur R. V. MacKenzie, D. D., rector of St. Dunstan's University, in an address to the Rotary Club at the Charlottetown on Monday.

Monsieur MacKenzie, as guest speaker, was taking the place of His Excellency James Boyle, Bishop of Charlottetown, who was unable to be present to deliver his annual message to the Rotarians.

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Employee Recovers Lost Wallet For C. N. R. Passenger

The honesty of a railroad employee will mean a happier start to the New Year for an Island teenage girl now resident in Moncton, N. B. The girl was returning to the New Brunswick city after spending the Christmas holidays on the Island when she lost her wallet, containing her railroad ticket and a sum of money, at Emerald Junction.