

Fellowship In Surgery Granted To Dr. T. A. Laidlaw

At the recent convocation of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, Dr. T. A. Laidlaw, of the Polyclinic staff, Charlottetown, was granted his fellowship in surgery in competitive examinations. It is understood that he is the only doctor on the Island to receive this recognition on an examination basis.

Christmas Tree Fire Takes Lives

MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (CP)—A gaily-decorated Christmas tree burst into flames in suburban Lachine today and a grandmother and her 11-months-old grandson perished in the subsequent blaze.

Use Micro-Wave For Teletype Circuit

HALIFAX, Dec. 22—(CP)—Canadian Press news flew to Prince Edward Island by air for a time tonight when regular teletype wire circuits failed across Northumberland Strait.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS 50c per insertion

BIRTHS GAUTHIER—At the Charlottetown Hospital on Dec. 22, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Urban Gauthier, nee Lorraine McDermid of Malpeque Road, a son, weight 10 lbs, 5 oz.

DEATHS STEWART—At Seaview, December 21st, Mrs. Joseph Stewart in her 81st year. The funeral from her late residence Saturday at 2 p.m. Interment in Malpeque Cemetery.

MATHESON—At Regina, Sask., Dec. 19, Daniel J. Matheson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Matheson of Springfield, P.E.I. in his 58th year. Interment in Regina.

MACDONALD—At Montreal on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1950, Althea MacDonald in her 13th year. Remains were transferred from the MacLean Funeral Home last evening to the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacDonald, Covehead Road, Funeral from her parents' residence tomorrow (Sunday), service starting at 2 o'clock. Interment West Covehead Cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of husband and father, JOHN EWEN SINCLAIR who departed this life on December 23, 1948.

Inserted by Wife and Family

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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

CRASWELL for Xmas Photos.

BOYS WATCHES \$5.75. Toombs Music Store.

LUCKY AND HIS EASTERN RHYTHM BOYS, Sunnyside Ballroom tonight.

REFRIGERATORS, Ranges, Motors and Washer repairs. Storey Electric. Phone 3007.

HEAR THE GIRLS CHOIRS of St. James and Baptist Churches on Saturday night at the Kinsmen Tree.

SEE SANTA CLAUS and hear the choirs singing Christmas carols 7:30 to 8 at the Kinsmen Tree.

WELL DRILLING — Water systems sold, installed and repaired. Call, write or phone Douglas Bros. and Jones, 155 Kent Street, Charlottetown.

MR. AND MRS. Warren Vessey wish to thank all who in any way remembered them during their 50th anniversary.

HELP THE KINSMEN to help the kiddies by your voluntary contributions of gifts or cash at the Kinsmen Tree. Remember Santa can forget some of the little ones.

GUARDIAN STAFF TREATED—Once again the Guardian staff has received a hamper of lovely articles with the compliments of Northumberland Ferries Ltd., through its president, Mr. R. E. Mutch.

WINS TEDDY BEAR — Mr. Thomas Curran, Peakes, is the winner of the Teddy Bear which was lotteried by the Nurses' Guild of the Charlottetown Hospital. Mr. Eugene Doucette one of the veterans in the Charlottetown Hospital, drew the winning ticket.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS —Students at city schools concluded their fall term yesterday and are free to enjoy the Christmas festivities until schools reopen their doors on January 2nd. A number of the classes in the various schools held parties on the last day, and a few were held previously. Schools in Unit No. 1 also closed for the same period.

CITY POLICE COURT —At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, two men charged with being drunk and incapable were both fined \$5 and costs or five days in jail each. The remaining case of two young men charged with theft were further remanded for one week. The remanded case of a man charged with common assault was also further remanded for one week.

HOLMAN'S TURKEY DO —Winners of the two turkeys given away by Holman's to Christmas visitors in the Furniture Department of both stores were (Summerside Store) Mr. Russell Thompson, North Tryon, (Charlottetown Store) Mrs. William A. Henry, 84 Hillboro St. The drawing at Summerside was made by Miss Geraldine Noonan, at Charlottetown by Mr. V. A. Ainsworth.

HOME FROM NEWFOUNDLAND —Mr. Ingham W. Palmer has returned from Corner Brook and St. John's, Newfoundland, where he has been on business for the past ten days. Mr. Palmer reports business conditions good in the neighbouring provinces and while in Corner Brook met a former Islander, Mr. C.R. MacKay who is manager of the Bank of Montreal at Corner Brook. His mother, Mrs. W.J. MacKay resides in Freeland.

NOT HOLIDAYS—"Saturday, Dec. 23 and Saturday, Dec. 30 are not statutory holidays insofar as the Province of Prince Edward Island and the general public are concerned," Hon. J. W. Arsenault, Provincial Secretary, said here yesterday Mr. Arsenault was commenting on a Post Office announcement in the press which stated that tomorrow and next Saturday had been proclaimed "statutory holidays." Under "The Interpretations Act," he pointed out, the only statutory holidays for the Christmas and New Year's season are Christmas Day, Dec. 25, Boxing Day, Dec. 26 and New Year's Day, Jan. 1. The announcement of a holiday by the Post Office for tomorrow and next Saturday is "an internal matter" and affects postal employees only, he added. (Post office officials here said that normal mail deliveries would continue on both Saturday, Dec. 23 and Saturday Dec. 30).

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

FROM WIMPY'S GRILL Open Continuously Day and Night WE NEVER CLOSE

Baby Abandoned On Truro Door Step

TRURO, N. S., Dec. 22 (CP)—Police here are trying to locate the parents of a young baby boy, abandoned on a door step last night. Mrs. Robie Betts was awakened by a knock on her door. Answering, she found the baby, several weeks old, warmly-wrapped and lying in blankets on the porch. Beside the child was a bag containing a can of milk, diapers and other baby necessities.

APPOINTED CORONER — The appointment of Dr. Malcolm Beck, St. Peter's, as Coroner for Queen's and King's Counties was announced yesterday. Dr. Beck's appointment was made at this week's meeting of the Provincial Executive Council.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS — Miss Mary Stewart arrived in the City Thursday night from Toronto to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. F.M. Stewart. Also arriving the same night was Mrs. Stewart's son, Donald, and his wife and young son, Donald, from Truro, N.S. They will return next week. Miss Stewart plans to remain until after the New Year.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY — The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Jane Mullen took place yesterday morning from her late residence in Scotchfort to St. Bonaventure's Church, Tracadie, where Requiem Mass was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Kenneth MacPherson. Rev. T.P. Butler was present in the sanctuary. The pallbearers were Messrs A.J. MacDonald, Edward Hughes, Leo Lund, John MacDonald, Lee Fisher and Alexander MacKenzie. Interment took place in the family plot in the Church cemetery where services were conducted by Rev. T.P. Butler.

Personals

Among those expected to arrive in the city tonight are Miss Norbert Auld, Victoria, B.C., to spend the Christmas holidays with her family.

Mr. Ingham W. Palmer, Jr., is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital where he underwent a tonsillectomy operation yesterday.

Miss Elinor Hynes of the Royal Bank staff, Montreal, is spending the Christmas holidays in Charlottetown, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hynes, 221 Weymouth St.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton A. Lomas will arrive in the city on Sunday from Cookstown, Ont., to spend the holiday season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ingham W. Palmer, Charlottetown and Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Lomas of Halifax.

Douglas R. Bustin of Port Arthur, Ont., arrived by plane on Wednesday last on a visit to his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Parker. Mr. Parker arrived home by plane last Wednesday after a business trip to Fredericton. N. B. Mr. Bustin will leave by plane on return to Port Arthur on Wednesday next.

LEGION FUNERAL for late comrade ARCHIE THACKER, from St. Paul's Anglican Church at 2 P. M. Saturday, December 23rd.

Choirs Join In Singing of Carols

The Kinsmen carollers again gathered at the "Tree" on the corner of Queen and Grafton last evening to sing of peace on earth and goodwill towards men. Their voices were heard over Paul's sound system through the generous co-operation of Moore and MacLeod, and people who heard the music three and four blocks away came to listen, and sometimes to sing. The choir was composed of volunteers from all city choirs, and was under the capable direction of Mr. Stanley Lancaster. It is hoped that this will become an annual event, bringing as it does the spirit of Christmas and the simple pleasure of joining in the singing of the beautiful Christmas music. Santa was present with his rosy cheeks and hearty greeting, and was surrounded by an excited group of children immediately he made his appearance. This evening the girls' choirs from the Baptist Church and the Kirk will be heard between 7:30 and 8 p. m.

BIGGEST

Continued from page 1 three-pronged offensive. At Chongons, 32 air miles north of Seoul, the Red invaders were punching at United Nations defenses south of the Imjin River, trying to break out on the road to Uijongbu. Farther east, two pincers were slicing across the parallel to snip off Chunchon, highway and rail centre 45 miles northeast of the South Korean capital. Camels were reported to have been seen in the immediate area, "suggesting that the attackers were Chinese Communist forces," an army spokesman said.

Aggressive Probing

MacArthur's headquarters said "persistent, aggressive probing action" in the 38th parallel area "indicated the enemy intention to repeat his late-November offensive." That was the Chinese drive which drove Lt-Gen. Walton H. Walker's U. S. Eighth Army back from the approaches to the Manchurian border to positions now south of 38th parallel, and which has restricted the U. S. 10th Corps to a toe-hold in Northeast Korea. Headquarters estimated that two reorganized North Korean army corps and one Chinese Red army corps formed the vanguard of the new Red offensive—a force totaling probably 10 to 12 divisions. This meant a minimum of 80,000 and a maximum of 120,000 Reds. Another 15 Chinese divisions are believed moving up from the rear.

Still Holding Beachhead

In Northeast Korea, where American soldiers have been holding a dwindling beachhead since completion of the Marine withdrawal from the Changjin reservoir sector, Dec. 11, two Red attacks were smashed. The Chinese Reds who had ringed the beachhead 100,000 strong, appeared to have turned the costly siege over to three re-habilitated North Korean Red divisions—perhaps 30,000 men.

An American spokesman said the Hungnam operation is proceeding according to schedule. At Hungnam, the curtain of military security was lifted briefly. U. S. 10th Corps authorities said 25,000 Korean civilians, including 300 officials, technicians and police had been loaded aboard transports and evacuated to Pusan, the big Allied port in southeast Korea.

Annual Christmas Concert At Zion

The annual Christmas concert of Zion Sunday School was presented last evening to a large and appreciative audience. The accompanists for the evening were Miss Joan Large, Miss Sondra Sutherland and Mrs. G. C. Webster. The minister, Rev. G. Carlyle Webster acted as chairman. The following is the program: Chorus: "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Junior School. Recitation: "A Little Wish", Lillian Somers. Piano Solo, Carol Stavert. Recitations, Lynn Currie, Margaret Burns, Shiela Roper, Doreen Balderston. Solo: "Winds Through the Olive Tree", Judy MacDonald. Recitations: Dorothy MacEwen, Cheryl MacQuarrie, Vickie MacNevin, Wilma MacDonald. Dialogue: Margaret MacLeod, Virginia MacNutt, Elizabeth Phillips, Margaret Stavert, Dawn Currie, Betty Carol Matheson. Recitation: Marilyn and Gloria Douae. Dialogue: "Frosty the Snowman", Norva MacDonald, Isabel Downe, Ella MacKenzie, Suzanne MacLeod, Elizabeth Small, Anne Magee, Gail Partridge. Solo: "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer", Garry MacPherson. Recitations: Ira Balderston, Douglas MacDonald, Donnie Roper, Allison MacNevin, Robert MacNutt, Jimmie Stavert. Solo: "The First Noel", Patsy Jane MacDonald. Quintette: "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", Joan Smith, Joan Wilson, Barbara Leitch, Nerene MacLean, Winnifred MacPherson. Recitation: "A Star", Bobbie Burns and Jimmie Webb. Solo: Marilyn MacDonald (accompanied by Sondra Sutherland). Recitation: "Do You Know Why?", Beverley MacPherson; "A Star Song", Heather MacNevin; Rena Glover. Recitation: "Santa Claus", Carol MacKenzie. Dialogue: "Christmas Advice", Paul Whelan, Reggie Webb, Harry Sentner, David Rodd. Solo: "Bring a Torch", Jean Bevan.

Piano solo: "Brownies' Courtship", Sondra Sutherland. Dialogue: "Thoughts on Mrs. Santa", Sondra Sutherland, Diane MacKay, Verne Lea Ford. Duo: "Jingle Bells", Margaret and Phyllis MacMillan. Dialogue: Frances Thompson. Dialogue: "The Christmas Story", Donna MacLean, Lauretta Small, Edith Phillips, Gail Andrews, Vera Cameron, Marilyn White. Recitation, Ella MacKenzie. Recitation: "A Lady Santa Claus", Marjorie Balderston. Chorus: "O Come Little Children", Marilyn Burns, Gail Currie, Margaret MacLean, Janet Mingo, Marjorie Stewart, Andrea Lavers, Nerene MacLean. Recitation: "Naughty Kids", Keir Cameron. Recitations, Lyaal Somers, Henry Somers, Johnny Davis. Dialogue: "The Twenty-sixth", Albert Murphy, David Farquharson, Archie MacFadyen. Chorus: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", Zion Mission Band. Play: "A Christmas Want Supplied", Bobbie Lea, Donnie MacRae, Ernest Roper, Peter Dewar, Ralph Kennedy, Norman Haines, Eric MacRae, Blair MacDonald. Piano solo: Faye Hickox. Dialogue: "Johnny's Pa Plays Football", Lloyd White, Rae Birt, Donald MacAusland, Douglas MacEwen, Rae MacLean, Stewart Powders, Allan Smith, Margaret MacLean, Gail Currie. Piano Solo, Marjorie Balderston. Play: "Christmas Lesson", Helen Cooke, Barbara Whittow, Mary Magee, Arlene Larter, Corena Steele, Theresa Presley, Thelma MacFadyen, Frances Farquharson, Percy Sentner, Freddie Hickox, Beryl Shelton. Solo: "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", Paul Whelan.

Couldn't Find Their Sea Legs

ABOARD THE CANADIAN DESTROYER NOOTKA EN ROUTE TO PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 22 (CP)—This is the story of the

Christmas trees that couldn't find their sea legs. When the Nootka left Halifax Nov. 25, bound for Korean waters, four Canadian fir trees were potted and stowed aboard the destroyer, a present from Mayor Gordon S. Kinley of Halifax to the Mayor of Honolulu. Only a few hours out of Halifax, the Nootka ran into a wild Atlantic gale and while crew members struggled to gain their sea legs with varying degrees of success the four trees writhed in their tubs and wilted. By the time the Nootka had shaken her bows free from gale-driven Atlantic combers she was into the sizzling heat of the tropics—and the trees just couldn't take it. Their limbs sagged, the needles turned brown. The Mayor of Honolulu won't have Nova Scotian trees for Christmas this year.

LAST MINUTE SHOPPERS We still have a good supply of electrical gifts. Blankets, Heating Pads, Kettles, Automatic Irons and Toasters, Egg Cookers, Percolators, Grills and Christmas Tree Lights—Musical Altars, Candles, Frosties, Santas, Fancy Figures, etc. FLASH, just arrived a shipment of kitchen, bedroom and mantel clocks, moderately priced. Electrically yours, PALMER ELECTRIC 96 Fitzroy St. Phones 1443-1444 "We Service Everything We Sell"

HOLMAN STORE NEWS G. H. M. "WHAT CHRISTMAS DOES TO ME" Alfred Grant Walton Bring the candles, light the tree, There's something Christmas does to me. It weaves a charm, it casts a spell, It sheds a warmth I cannot tell. It melts the years with magic art, It makes me young again in heart; I long to give where pity pleads, I think of friends and human needs. I thrill with joy as from afar I hear a song and see a star, Thank God! Whatever else may be— For all that Christmas does to me. Henderson & Cudmore Christmas IN THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDLINESS AND GOOD CHEER, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY FAVORS AND SINCERELY WISH YOU AN OLD-FASHIONED YULETIDE AND A NEW YEAR ABOUNDING WITH SUCCESS, GOOD LUCK AND HAPPINESS

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