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Recollections Of Maine's Past

Persons who have berated this winter as the coldest in years may get some comfort from this photo taken of Portland Harbor in 1917 by Capt. Frank A. Wilson. Not only did the harbor freeze that year as it has during the current winter, but it froze solid enough for people to walk in safety from Portland Pier to the old Ferry Wharf on the South Portland side. The shore-to-shore trek required four minutes.

Peaks Island

A wine velvet altar curtain has been presented to Brackett Memorial Church by the WSCS. Delay Ann, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richmond A. Hornby was christened at the morning service Palm Sunday. The Misses Barbara Ann and Doris McGlenshey and Luther Taylor Jr. were received into church membership by the pastor, the Rev. Luther Taylor. The Youth group of the church presented two selections accompanied by Miss Marjorie Whiston, organist.

Miss Kimberly Erle, daughter of Mr. Richard Erle of Peaks Island at the Cardiac Clinic of the Maine General Hospital. Examining are Doctors Ralf Martin and Richard Taylor.
Island Calends Study
Chooses New Officers

By Benjamin S. Doe

Currently elected officers of Calends Study Club include, in the seated row from left: Mrs. John P. Toochy, vice president; Mildred Corcoran, president, and Mrs. Joseph S. Beauregard, secretary. Standing: Miss Ruby M. Wescott, recording secretary; and Miss Lucy E. Hill, corresponding secretary. Also elected was Mrs. Harry J. Ward, auditor.

WCSN Lists New Officers

A new slate of officers was elected for WCSN, Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, at the annual meeting last evening in the church vestry. Those elected for the new term are Mrs. Harold F. Norris, president; Mrs. A. J. Shute, vice president; Mrs. William L. Berryman, secretary; Mrs. Raymond H. Bay, treasurer; Mrs. Ernest H. Eliot, secretary of Mission work; Mrs. Everett Skillings, secretary of student work, and Mrs. Robert W. White, chairman of the floral fund. Mrs. Luther Taylor presided for business.

Mrs. Skillings will entertain members May 4 to sew for the annual summer fair. Mrs. Shute was named chairman of arrangements for a food sale May 22, the place to be announced. Society members will meet at 2:30 p.m. April 30 in the church to assist with cleaning and renovating.

Others attending were Mrs. Marshall M. Taiio, Mrs. Hugh H. Millis, Miss Ethel M. Ackley, Mrs. Edward E. Buskey, Mrs. Ruth Smith, and Mrs. Ruby Foss.
Mary Says

There's Comfort In Remembered Words

By Mary Margaret McBride

A famous engineer who has been going through personal tragedy tells me that in his darkest moments he has found relief in the 111st Psalm more effectively than taking a sleeping pill. This disturbed man has picked one favorite verse: "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." As he says this over and over his burdens lift and he falls asleep.

The educational experts tell me that children aren't required to "memorize" much any more, that learning by heart, as we used to call it, has almost gone out of fashion along with other outmoded pedagogical ideas. If this is true, I think children are missing a lot of pleasure now and will miss more when they grow up without fine thoughts tucked away in their heads for use at need. I still have the memorizing habit but it's not so easy as you get older to commit to memory, and the poems and verses learned in childhood are still the ones that provide comfort today.

My favorite quotation is the 111st Psalm which I began to learn when I was five. Nowhere is there more majesty and solace than in words like these: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber. The Lord shall protect thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and even for evermore."

It's a pleasant picture I paint in a bleak moment. I conjure up Wordsworth's crowd of dark clouds by saying over to myself, "I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high over vales and hills." For declaiming in the bath tub I like Sir Walter Scott's "Young Lochinvar's come out of the west," or "The boy stood on a burning deck," or even, "The forest shall not ring tonight..."

I envy professional memorizers, actors and actresses whose words come tripping off the tongue so effortlessly. The other day, in the course of an ordinary conversation with me, Shirley Booth, who has been desired by many discerning critics to be the finest actress in the world and now is a hit in Broadway's 'By the Beautiful Sea,' said

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 1954

The Big Clean-Up

Spring has sprung, make no mistake about it. Perhaps the showers remain cool, perhaps the robins were early. Maybe the first brave flowers didn't convince you. But from Peaks Island today comes the word that means spring definitely is here. The message of reassurance is wrapped in this small item forwarded to our newsroom:

The ladies of the parish of Bennett Memorial Church are asked to meet at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow to clean the church.
Farewell Luncheon Honors Two Guests

Mrs. Charles A. Holden entertained at luncheon Wednesday afternoon in her home on Main St., honoring Mrs. Marshall M. Taber and Mrs. Hugh H. Milburn of Portland and Peaks Island, who are leaving in June to reside at Nantucket Island.

Gifts were presented the honored guests and card games were played.

Also present were Mrs. Hayward S. Pore, Mrs. Lawrence M. Burke, Mrs. Alberth M. Pastrie, Mrs. Robert P. Skillings, Mrs. Jessie Stevenson, Mrs. George J. Huelin, Mrs. Earle C. Skillings, Mrs. Harold W. Isenhour, Mrs. Lewis M. Watson, Mrs. Mary Mathews, Mrs. Joseph S. White, Mrs. Van M. Stevens, Mrs. Walter G. Hoag, and Mrs. Arden Young.
News Of Peaks Island

Sunday, May 7, 1967

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with Mrs. Harold F. Norris, president, chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Winfield, Brackett Ave., have had as recent guests their son-in-law and daughter: Mrs. and Mrs. Carroll Mountfort, Berlin, N. H., and their granddaughter, Mrs. William Thomas (Connie Mountfort), and her children, William and Susan, Monterey, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fisher, Cape Porpoise, are announcing the birth of a son, James Trumant, Monday, May 3.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hussey and daughter, Linda, Hermann Ave. have returned from a visit with Mrs. Harry Dand, Marion, Mass.

Mrs. Harry S. McLean, Central Ave., visited recently her grandson, Peter Comas, Ipswich, Mass.
NOW FOR A PARISH HOUSE!

May, 1954

Friends:

New plans are moving forward for a Parish House Addition to our Brackett Memorial Church. The need for this for multi-purpose year-round activities is growing. We are asking all friends to join in this great enterprise.

There is an accumulation of $1,200 in the building fund now. But as much as $300 may be needed. Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) invested to produce income of $250 to $500 a year. But who can estimate what it would yield in better times? When a substantial amount is in hand, it may be practical to put up an uncompleted, but usable, structure, complete it as additional funds are obtained.

The need is for a sizable addition to accommodate all kinds of assemblies. The needed space will be invaluable to Pastor and helpers in development of youth activities under the Christian influence. A small stage will be useful for pageants and a modern worship program. Kitchen and dining facilities will provide opportunity for more.

...are seeking donations for the Building Fund in multiples of $5, $10, $25 and $50, and, as our active membership is not a very large one, we hope for the cooperation of those of large, moderate, and small means — all pulling together. We are, thereby, but prayerfully, suggesting to those most interested in the progress of the Parish and of our historic and beloved little church on the hill that they make subscriptions divided into quarterly payments, or into two payments spaced six months apart. This reduces the impact of sacrificial giving for a great purpose, and invites wider participation. All those joining with us may figure that they are going into business with us for the promotion of the Christian way of life on our Island.

Gifts may be made in remembrance of loved ones. Names of donors and names of those in whose memory gifts are made will be placed on a suitable scroll, and will eventually become a part of the Church's permanent records. Will you and your family give thoughtful and prayerful consideration to this appeal? Please make checks payable to Building Fund Brackett Memorial Church.

Faithfully yours,

THE BUILDING FUND SOLICITATION COMMITTEE

By L. Clinton Miltimore, Chairman

Keep silence: let HIM speak anew.
To every heart — perhaps to YOU!

A Friendly, Ministering Church
Brackett Memorial Church
PEAKS ISLAND, MAINE
John W. Neff, Pastor

In Our Sanctuary

"Keep silence, friend, for some have come
To cast their care on God today;
And some ‘Thy Kingdom Come’ to pray.
Keep silence: let Him speak anew.
To every heart—perhaps to YOU!!"

A Friendly, Ministering Church
Miss Maine Of 1928—Then And Now

Maine of 1928 is shown left in a photo taken just after she had won the beauty crown. She was then the 17-year-old Ethel Mallett of Peaks Island. Tonight, she's Mrs. Erlun S. Noyes of 96 Clifford St., South Portland, with two daughters in South Portland High School. The girls are Winnifred, 16, left, and Marie, 17. (Photo at right By Staff Photographer Johnson) Mar. 17, 1954
Miss Maine Of 1928 Mighty Surprised To Discover 26 Years Have Slipped By

By OTIS CARL WILLIAMS (Staff Writer)

Twenty-six years ago Miss Maine of 1928 was a dark-eyed brunette beauty of 17 from Peaks Island.

In case you don't remember, her name was Ethel M. Mallett and she placed third in a Miss America contest held the following year at Revere Beach, Mass.

Today, a quarter-century later, she's Mrs. Elton S. Noves of 30 Clifford St., South Portland.

She's the mother of two attractive teen-age daughters, and proprietor of a Portland beauty lounge.

A handsome woman of 43 with a sparkle in her dark brown eyes, Mrs. Noves smiles at the term "a quarter-century ago."

Only recently one of the girls called her excitedly at the shop.

"MOTHER," she exclaimed, "it's in the paper that you won the Miss Maine contest 26 years ago today!"

At first, Mrs. Noves recalls, "I said, 'They're lying; I didn't vote that long ago. Then I thought, Oh, yes, I did!''"

Her daughters, by a previous marriage, Frances Gallagher, 17, and Winnifred Gallagher, 16, are both pupils at South Portland High School. Frances will be graduated this June and Winnifred, next year.

MRS. NOYES won her Miss Maine crown at a Maine In The Market promotion exhibit at the Exposition Building. She had been named Miss Peaks Island and then Miss Portland when she was invited to enter the Maine event.

She recalls that Portland-born John Ford, Hollywood film director, was promoting the biggest portion of the exposition.

After she won, Ford asked her to take a screen test, but she explains she was engaged at the time and "I wasn't interested."

SHE WORKED for about a year as secretary to the late Dr. Albert Johnson, Portland dentist; married and left Maine for a number of years.

During that time she worked as a beauty operator in Connecticut, taught beauty culture at a school for operators in Philadelphia and returned to Portland to represent two cosmetic firms here.

She opened her present Congress Street shop three years ago.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mallett, now live at 20 Glen Ave., Cape Elizabeth.

ALTHOUGH she wouldn't recommend her own daughters entering a beauty contest, Mrs. Noves says she thinks the contests "are much better today."

Years ago, she points out, "They'd pick a girl just because she had a pretty face, today they look for personality and talent, too."

"A girl has to have more than just looks."
Father Struggles To Save Boy

Man Thomas G. O'Connor, right, works with resuscitator vainly trying to
rock life to his son Johnny, 6, who was drowned off Peaks Island yesterday.

Sweeney, who directed attempts to save the boy, is at left. (By Staff
Spher Olson)

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 25, 1954
Jellyfish Lures Peaks Boy To Death At Forest City

Apparently reaching for a jellyfish he had been trying to catch for several minutes, a six-year-old Peaks Island boy fell into the water yesterday. He was discovered floating near Government Wharf about 100 yards from the float and brought to shore by Ray Emerson, 16, of New Island Ave., Peaks Island. Dale Grant, 14, of Central Ave., a friend, ran for help.

Meanwhile, Johnny's father had just gotten off the Peaks Island ferry and saw a crowd down on the beach and went to investigate.

O'Connor immediately started artificial respiration and kept it up for nearly an hour before he was relieved by other islanders. Shortly afterwards, a resuscitator from Central Fire Station arrived by Coast Guard boat.

Preliminary findings indicate that the boy was finally pronounced dead by Dr. Raymond Sweeney.

The boy is survived by his parents, three sisters and a brother, and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Carlson of Cumberland Ave.
Obituaries

JOHN F. DEVINE

John Edward ("Ed") Devine, 84, of Portland, former Portland Fire Department lieutenant and a retired employee of the Guy Gannett Publishing Co., died in a local hospital yesterday after a short illness.

Mr. Devine was born here April 18, 1870, son of Hugh P., and Mary A. Fenney Devine. He went to Portland schools.

He served as a drill team member in the Portland Fire Department prior to World War I. He was connected with the Guy Gannett Publishing Co., 20 years until his retirement in 1943.


Mr. and Mrs. Devine had lived on Peaks Island for many years and Mrs. Devine operated the Avenue House on Island Avenue, a summer hotel for nearly 35 years. In recent years, Mr. Devine lived in the Graymore Hotel here.

In 1946 Mr. and Mrs. Devine celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.


Funeral will be held from 18 Deering St. at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, followed by a High Mass of Requiem at 9:30 a.m. in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.
Cumberland Pomona Grange
To Be Entertained At Peaks Island

Cumberland County Pomona Grange will be entertained at Peaks Island Saturday, starting with a supper at 5:30 p.m. A special boat will leave Custom House Wharf at 3 p.m. to transport members.

The business meeting and working of the fifth degree will be followed by a memorial program to be conducted by the chaplain and a lecturer's program entitled, "Lest We Forget to Give Thanks".

Robert Casey, master of Forest City Grange, Portland, will give the welcome and Louise Blake, Palmouth, the response.

The program of the chaplain, Mrs. Carrie Batte, will include a solo by Dorothy Prince; a reading of names of deceased members by the secretary, Genevieve Hascall; a decoration of the altar by Faye Henry; a poem by the chaplain, and a vocal solo by Merle Crossett.

Selections on the lecturer's program will be "To God", tableau by Betty Skillings; "To Our Country," a reading by the Rev. John W. Neff, "Mothers", a reading by Edward E. Buskey, and "To Our Youth", Cora Ellen Doél III. The Brackett Memorial Church Choir will provide music.

The state winner in the National Grange soil conservation essay contest will read her essay and be honored by the Grange.

Taking part in the tableau will be Mrs. Hilda Shute, Norman Ivers, Mrs. Eileen Herrick, Martin Herrick, Mrs. Edward E. Buskey, Philip Buskey, Mrs. Bertha Grant, Miss Kittle A.

IN POMONA GRANGE TABLEAU—Mrs. Gilman E. Skillings will portray Mary weeping at the Cross in a series of tableaux to be presented at a meeting of Cumberland County Pomona Grange at Peaks Island Saturday night.
A week ago yesterday, Percy McCann resigned as pier superintendent of the Corporation's carloading operations at the Canadian National Railroad's piers at Maine State Pier. Above, left to right, James E. Gorham, Jarka Corp. representative, hands a gift to McCann as Peter M. Costello, president, Portland Ship and Lawrence Garvey, president, Garvey Ship Corp., look on. After serving at McCann went to work for the Portland Terminal Co. in 1912, serving in various jobs until 1932. In November of that year, he became pier superintendent for Corp. at Wharf No. 1, Portland Terminal. Then in 1939, McCann moved to New York, where he became manager of Jarka Corporation's office. In 1945, McCann retired from the position from which he has now retired. (By Staff Photographer)

**They'll Conduct Palm Sunday Service**

The Youth Choir of Brackett Memorial Methodist Church on Peaks Island will sing and conduct the devotion at the Palm Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. One of their songs will be an original composition by Miss Marlene Whittington (at piano), Edith Gut, William Fess, Patricia Jones, Howard McCracken, Jr., Beverly Whittington, Luther Taylor, Jr., Leah Smith, Doris McElhinney, and others.
Putting the finishing touches on aprons for the fair of WSCS of Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, are left to right, Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, Mrs. Ruth Smith, Mrs. Everett Skillings, Mrs. Harold F. Norris and Mrs. Philip S. Skillings.

Peaks Island WSCS To Hold Annual Fair In Legion Hall

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, will hold its annual fair on 8 p.m. Thursday in the American Legion Home on Welch St.

Various table chairmen and workers include Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, Mrs. Will L. Sergeant, Mrs. William A. Snowden and Mrs. Norman A. Back, aprons; Mrs. Philip S. Skillings and Mrs. Ernest H. Elliot, cooked foods; Mrs. A. J. Shute, Mrs. Frances Russell and Mrs. Thomas L. Kirk, snack bar.

Mrs. Ruth Smith, parcel post; Mrs. Harold F. Norris is Zen. Mrs. Raymond H. Boyle, candy; Mrs. Everett Skillings, Mrs. H. Guy Pettingill and Mrs. Estelle Stimson, fancy work; Mrs. William L. Berryman, flowers; Mrs. Arthur M. Young and Mrs. Thomas Lynch, white elephant.

Benjamin S. Doe

Models and chairmen for the fashion show being presented by Randall-MacVane Post, AL Auxiliary, at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Post Home, Peaks Island, include, left to right, Mrs. Frances M. Clark, model; Mrs. Alfred J. Rioux, reservations; Mrs. Dana E. Butterfield, general chairman, and Mrs. Frank H. Flannery, properties. Mrs. Donald Crandall will be pianist. Mrs. Phyllis Varney, narrator, is to be assisted by Mrs. Norton H. Montgomery, Mrs. Robert L. Hanson, Mrs. Roy V. Norris and Mrs. Raymond W. Davis.
News

Miss Maureen McNally is under a white wisteria trellis at the entrance to her garden. She is wearing a white dress with a blue sash. A bronze statue of a woman is situated in her garden. The statue has a serene expression and appears to be in a praying position.

Rev. Are at F

The Rev. John W. Neff, rector of St. Martin's Church, visited the community on Tuesday evening. He was accompanied by Mrs. Neff and their daughter, who were visiting the area for the first time. The couple was greeted by the congregation with a warm welcome and was presented with a bouquet of flowers.

The Rev. and Mrs. John W. Neff

Newly assigned to the St. Martin's Church, Peeks Island, is the Rev. John W. Neff of Baltimore, Md., who with Mrs. Neff arrived last week to become residents on the island. The Rev. Mr. Neff is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, 1951, and Boston University School of Theology, 1954. Mrs. Neff, a native of Hingham, Mass., is a graduate of Simmons College, 1953, majoring in accounting. The couple was married at Tiverton, R.I., May 23.
Peaks Island School Holds Annual Graduation Exercises

Miss Marlene Whitton was mistress of ceremonies at the graduation exercises of the Peaks Island School held yesterday afternoon in the school. The invocation and benediction were given by the Rev. George Fitzgerald, Corcoran and the Rev. John W. Neff, respectively.

A salute to the Flag was led by Sally Costello, scripture reading, Marie Jordan: speech of welcome, Shirley Rioux: "I Hear America Singing" (poem), Elizabeth Melch: "Why I Am Fortunate To Be An American" (Richard Howland; "Ship of State" (poem), Linda Hussey; "A Look At Our History" Beverly MacVane; and "What We Can Give To Our Country" (John J. Tolan, Dr. Harrison E. Leach, Supt. of Schools, spoke.

Presentation of Counselor O'Brien awards to Linda Hussey and William Mulkern was made by O'Brien. American Legion citizenship medals were presented to Miss Whitton and Tolan and the Legion Auxiliary flag essay prize was presented to Miss Whitton. Frederick A. Hailey, Eastern District superintendent, presented promotion certificates to the graduates and spoke briefly. The program cover-design was made by Richard Hanson. Mrs. Donald A. Crandall was piano accompanist.

Rev. Mrs. Neff Are Honored At Reception

The Rev. and Mrs. John W. Neff, recently assigned to Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, were honored at a reception in the church vestry last evening.

In the receiving line were representatives from the church including William E. Cleave, official board; Miss Ethel Ackley and Edward Bussey Jr., Church School; Miss Leah Smith, Youth Fellowship; Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, Willing Workers Society; Mrs. Raymond H. Borie, WSCS and Prof. and Mrs. Everett Skillings, church-at-large. A corsage of red roses was presented Mrs. Neff. The social book also was presented the honor guests.

Mrs. Pauline Fielding Stephens, president of the Willing Workers Society, was in charge of arrangements. She was assisted in serving by Mrs. Harold Norris, Mrs. A. J. Stude and Miss Frances Russell. A reception was held in the church vestry for Rev. and Mrs. John W. Neff.

Receiving awards at Peaks Island School graduation were, left to right, front, Marlene Whitton and Linda Hussey; back, John J. Tolan and William Mulkern. (Photo by Doe).
Committee for annual fair of the Randall and
MacVane Post AL Auxiliary of Peaks Island to be held
from 11 a.m. Saturday in the Legion Home. Seated, left
to right, Mrs. Richard Erich, Mrs. James Townsend,
chairman, Mrs. Dana E. Butterfield; standing, Mrs. L. S.
Stanton and Mrs. Frank Boyce. Others on the commit­
tee are Mrs. Frank H. Finnerty, co-chairman, Mrs. Lewis
M. Watson, Mrs. Roy A. Whilcomb, Miss Annie B. Ran­
dall, Mrs. Alfred J. Rioux and Mrs. B. W. Tardif.
Somebody Got High?

There's a mystery in Portland Harbor but not one that calls for any official investigation. Jauntily perched atop No. 2 bell buoy, about half way between the city and Forest City Landing, Peaks Island, is a beer can. The buoy is about 15 feet high. The mystery, How'd it get there? Voice off stage said: "That's a typical yachtsman's prank." (By Staff Photographer Olsen.)
Miss Helen B. Dunlap, seated left, and Mrs. Norman A. Black were pourers at the silver tea held by Willing Workers Society, Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, yesterday. Among others attending were, left to right, Mrs. Russell G. Sterling, Mrs. Ruth Smith, Mrs. Edna M. Will and Mrs. Arthur R. Leete.

Brackett Memorial Church Will Benefit From Tea Wednesday

Additional care of the parsonage and property of Brackett Memorial Church will be provided by funds raised at the silver tea of the Willing Workers Society, yesterday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Frank K. Pierce, Island Ave., South Portland.

Mrs. Pauline Fielding Stevens, president, was assisting tea. Miss Helen Dunlap and Mrs. Norman A. Black poured servers included Mrs. Philip S. Skillings, Mrs. Fred Rasmussen, Miss Blanche Randall, Mrs. James A. Boyle, Miss Florence Jarrett, Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, and Mrs. Ralph E. Beal.

Among others attending were Mrs. Russell G. Sterling, the Rev. and Mrs. John W. Neff, Mrs. Edna M. Will, Mrs. Arthur R. Leete, Mrs. Ruth A. Smith, Mrs. Frederick W. Doull, Mrs. Ellen Goff, Mrs. Will L. Sargent, Mrs. Ray Pottle, Mrs. Leavitt, Mrs. M. A. Forster, Mrs. M. M. Forster, Mrs. Sigurd Gustafson, Mrs. Ira Wells, Mrs. Carl G. Dahl, Mrs. Hazel Skillings, Mrs. Lewis M. Watson, Mrs. Estelle Stanton, Mrs. Everett Skillings, Mrs. Stanley Eaton, the Misses Sara J. Cockcroft, Margaret W. Henderson, Ethel M. Ackley, Alice M. Russell, Irene K. MacDonald, Charlotte Forster and Freda Mitchell.
Priest:
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eery of the Holy Sepulchre in Washington, D.C. and St. Anthony's College, Franciscan House of Studies, Kansas, where he completed his theological studies. He was ordained in Rome July 24, 1904 by Bishop Ispeltelli. Soon after receiving his Doctor of Sacred Theology degree.

Through Ignatius Cardinal Pacelli, then apostolic delegate to the United States, Father Donovan was granted the unusual privilege of a private audience with the Pope, who was recently canonized as St. Pius X.

After his ordination Father Donovan returned to the United States and was assigned to the teaching staff of St. Joseph's College, Caililcoo, N.Y. A year later he became professor of philosophy at the Franciscan House of Studies in Washington, D.C. and in 1910 he was appointed to a similar post at St. Bonaventure's College. He remained at Allegany until 1918, when he was commissioned a chaplain in the U.S. Army.

As chaplain Father Donovan served at Camps Col. Dix and Benning and after the armistice aboard the U.S.S. Madawaska. He received his discharge in May 1919 and returned to Allegany, where he remained until he joined the Diocese of Portland in July 1921.

Named Principal
Following a short summer appointment as assistant at St. Michael's Parish, south Berwick, he came to Portland as a member of the teaching staff of the Catholic Institute, foremost of the Peaks Island Church. He was named principal of the school the following year and continued in that capacity until 1933.

He also continued as curate at St. Dominic's, acting as administrator after the death of the pastor, the Rev. Michael W. Bellly, in April 1926 until the appointment of the Rev. Nicholas J. Horan in March 1927. Father Donovan then took up residence in the old Kings Academy with three other priests on the faculty of Cheverus High School and was given charge of the Peaks Island Church, of which he was appointed canonical pastor in 1927. He was transferred to St. Patrick's Church Nov. 4, 1948.

Reservations for the dinner honoring the priest should be made by Wednesday with committee chairman Louis E. Albert (2-8824) or reservations chairman John H. McDermott (3-4256).

Fr. Donovan Dinner Planned
Priest To Be Honored On 50th Anniversary

Portland's beloved priest—the one with the Air raid dog—will be honored at a city-wide dinner marking his 50th year in the priesthood at 6:30 p.m. July 25 in the England Hotel.


Persons of all faiths and tongues may not know him by name—will readily recognize Father Donovan. For wherever the pastor goes, his dog goes. Rarely he be seen on the streets of Portland without his faithful companion walking beside him.

The priest's inseparable friend has in reality been three dogs. The first, Riggs, died in 1938 and was succeeded almost immediately by Toro Taurus, Peals, a third Air raid dog. Toro Taurus Secundus, described as a "fifth cousin" to his predecessor, has been with Father Donovan for two and a half years. From the former parishioners and pupils—some of them now priests themselves—who will turn out to pay homage to Father Donovan at the dinner will be many residents of Peaks Island. For when he was pastor of St. Christopher's Church on the island Father Donovan ministered not only to the spiritual needs of his parishioners but also to their bodily ailments.

Never Refused Call in those days when there was no doctor on the island, residents turned to the priest in an emergency illness. Many a mother has breathed a silent prayer as she saw the priest arrive after one of her children became suddenly ill. And Father Donovan never refused such a call—thus putting to good use early medical studies or III on the side while pursuing a career in religion.

Father Donovan was the son of a widely known Quincy, Mass., doctor, Dr. Samuel M. Donovan. His mother, who was known professionally as Mrs. Welsh, was a noted contralto and for many years was with the quartette of the Immortal Conception Church of Boston. She is said to have once come to Portland to sing at the church of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

Father Donovan has long been known for his sets of triplets. Typical of them was his refusal in 1945 to accept a leg- acy left him by the will of a Massachusetts woman to provide services to her band. The priest declined, saying he preferred that the bequest go to her children.

He was born in Quincy, Aug. 27, 1881. In the fall of 1896, at the age of 15, he entered St. Bonaventure's College in Albany, N.Y. and the following year he was received into the Institute of the Franciscan Order there. He later entered the Novitiate.

He continued on Page 104; 2nd Col.
Mrs. Harry J. Ward, left, and Mrs. A. John Shute are assisting with arrangements for one of the annual summer events of Calends Study Club, Peaks Island, to be held Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joseph S. White.

Calends Study Club Considers Exhibition For Summer Event

Mrs. A. John Shute is general chairman of arrangements for the annual summer tea to be sponsored by Calends Study Club of Peaks Island from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the home of Mrs. Joseph S. White, Turin Pl.

The summer party is only fund raising project held each year. The club uses the money for donations to local charitable organizations and equipment for the island school.

The assisting committee includes Mrs. Harold B. Corkum, Mrs. L. S. Stanton, Miss Marion L. Sterling, Mrs. Thomas L. Kirk, Mrs. Ovilia O. Chevalier, Mrs. Frances Russell and Mrs. Robert L. Speer. Mrs. Corkum and Mrs. John P. Tooby have charge of tickets.

Mrs. Harry J. Ward is arranging an exhibition of handicraft to be featured at the tea. Among articles to be displayed will be a hand carved walnut table and hammered copper candle sticks, Mrs. Shute; hand made bed spread, Mrs. Corkum; antique chairs with needlepoint. Mrs. Dorothy Ward Lynch; hand carved wooden doll and molded composition dolls, made and dressed by Mrs. White; hand made candles, Mrs. White; fiber wood flowers, Mrs. Malcolm G. Kennedy; hand made peasant dresses with tatting trimmings, Mrs. Tooby, and hooked rugs. Mrs. Edith Stites and Mrs. Henry W. Ingraham.
Many visitors to Peaks Island attended the tea held by Calends Study Club, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Edmund Corcoran, president of the club, is shown pouring, and among the guests were, left to right, Miss Gladys Silverson, Montreal, Mrs. Ice Nye, New York, N. Y., Mrs. Marjorie Reed, Montreal, and Mrs. Robert Spear.

Calends Club Sponsors Sole Annual Fund Raising Project

Twenty-five persons attended annual summer tea of Calends Study Club, Peaks Island, Saturday, at the home of Joseph S. White, Torrington Pt. The summer party is only fund raising project, each year by the group, seeds will be used for localities and equipment for the school.

Mrs. A. John Shute was general chairman assisted by Mrs. and E. Corcoran, president. Mrs. Henry G. Gay, Mrs. Corcoran and Mrs. Gay were Mrs. Harry J. Ward in charge of arranging edition of handcraft.

Among those attending were R. Thayer Sterling, Mrs. Jennie L. Jones, Mrs. Sydney D. Jackson, Mrs. Frank Skillings, Mrs. Margaret Strohmayer, Mrs. Marion L. Cook, Mrs. Edward Knight, Mrs. Fred Haswell, Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, Mrs. William E. Cleaves, Mrs. William N. Freake, Mrs. Florence J. Ventres, Mrs. Elinore B. Stevens, Mrs. Pauline Stephens, Mrs. Ovila O. Cheralier, Mrs. Irene Hill, Mrs. L. S. Stanton, Mrs. J. Austen Cullen, Mrs. Fred L. Brackett, Mrs. Estelle Elainton.

Mrs. Everett Skillings, Mrs. Thomas L. Kirk, Mrs. Malcolm J. Kennedy, Mrs. Dwight A. Brackett, Mrs. Walter P. Dow, Mrs. Jack T. Feeney, Mrs. Denton W. Randall, Mrs. Ernest J. Jeffery, Mrs. Roy Curtiss.

Mrs. Horace A. Little, Mrs. Fred L. Bence, Mrs. Harry Blake, Mrs. John P. Toohy, Mrs. Fred W. Doull, Mrs. Robert L. Spear, Mrs. John B. Peterson, Mrs. William J. Spear, Mrs. Alan R. Cland, Mrs. Norman A. Black, Mrs. Donald A. Elliot, Mrs. Ernest H. Elliot, Mrs. Gladys Silverson, Mrs. Marjorie Reid.

New officers of the Peaks Island PTA are, left to right, Mrs. Eleanor O'Connor, secretary, Harvey J. Woodbury, treasurer, Mrs. Edward E. Buskey, president, and Mrs. Alfred J. Rioux, vice president.

President Lists Committees

Mrs. Edward E. Buskey, president of the Peaks Island Parent-Teacher Association, has named committees for the coming year.

The group includes, Mrs. Barbara Mulhern, chairman, Mrs. Malcolm Murray, Mrs. Merton Gervais, Mrs. Alan R. Cleland and Mrs. Joseph A. Hurl, program; Mrs. Leroy Parkhurst, chairman, Mrs. J. Edward Divine Jr., Mrs. Edward Ivers and Mrs. Arthur Harmon, hospitality.

Malcolm Murray, chairman, Mrs. Tennis J. Woodbury, Mrs. Murray P. Roberts, membership; Mrs. Raymond H. Bosie, chairman, Mrs. G. Clifford Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin S. Deo, publicity; Mrs. Alfred J. Rioux, chairman, Mrs. Ruby Fess and Mrs. Buskey, finance; Mrs. Thomas L. Kirk, chairman, Mrs. James Brown, Mrs. Bradford Meehan, sick committee.

T/Sgt. Ernest A. Young

T/Sgt. Ernest A. Young, 36, died yesterday in the Veterans Hospital, Manchester, N. H., He was a World War II veteran. Prior to a medical discharge in 1945, he had served 13 years in the Air Force. He was stationed at Fort William in South Portland, attached to the Fifth Infantry Regiment. He was born in Bakersfield, Vi., and for the past five years lived in Concord, N. H. Previously he had lived in Laconia, N. H.

He was a member of the Concord Post, FVFW.

Sergeant Young leaves his widow, Mrs. Mary C. Mulise Young, Concord; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Young, Littleton, Mass.; four brothers, William, Lewis, Archie and Kenneth Young; five sisters, the Misses Lydia, Joanne, Julia, Marjorie and Mary Young, all of Littleton.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Walters Funeral Home, Concord, N. H. Interment in Blossom Hill Cemetery, Concord.
Portland Man Resigns Federal Commission Post

George E. Sterling of Peaks Island, a member of the Federal Communications Commission since 1948, has submitted his resignation to President Eisenhower in order to retire.

Sterling made this announcement this morning at his Peaks Island home, "Upon the advice of my physician and family I have decided to retire at this time," he said this morning.

Sterling could have remained on the commission until the expiration of his present term in 1957 in an advisory capacity, but he preferred to retire and let the President name a successor to avoid throwing additional responsibilities on the other commission members at this important time," he said this morning.

ONLY MAINE MAN

The only Maine man to become a FCC Commissioner, Sterling has been serving at his Peaks Island home this summer. He reports his condition "considerably improved" the past month.

Sterling, a native of Peaks Island, served in World War II after being assigned to the Signal Corps where he was a radio instructor. Remaining in the radio field after the war he served as a radio operator in the Merchant Marine and a marine radio inspector for RCA.

GEORGE E. STERLING
Frank H. Finnerty, Peaks Island fisherman, puts the finishing touches on his boat before putting it into the water for the season. Helping with the job is four-year-old Dana Knudsen, an early summer visitor at the island. (Benjamin S. Doe Photo).
The 80-foot steel ferry Berkley, which arrived yesterday afternoon from Norfolk, where she was purchased by the Casco Bay Lines for service, starting in July between Portland Pier and Peaks Island. Her carrying capacity is 175 passengers and eight cars. Cmdr. Christie T. Christiansen, retired South Portland Guard Base commander, brought her here from Norfolk. (By Staff Photographer Elwell)
Street Fair Scheduled
Forest City Grange Saturday

Shute and Mrs. Harry Shute are co-chairman of the street fair sponsored by the Forest City Grange. The street fair will be held Saturday, May 17, from 1:00 p.m. until midday at Peaks Island.

The following are in charge of various activities:
- Mrs. Shute and Mrs. Norris: snack bar
- Mrs. Ed and Mrs. Lytle: check table
- Mrs. Shute and Mrs. Norris: snack bar
- Mrs. Edward Fred: refreshments and fancy work
- Mrs. Goff and Mrs. Cleaves: elephant table
- Mrs. Shute and Mrs. Norris: snack bar
- Mrs. Edward Fred: refreshments and fancy work
- Mrs. Goff: in charge of arrangements for the dance that will be held in the evening at the Lyons Playground with a professional caller and refreshments.

Committee for the street fair of Forest City Grange at Peaks Island Saturday, on final arrangements. Seated, left to right, Mrs. Carrie Erskine, Mrs. Shute, Mrs. Harold F. Norris, Mrs. Frances Russell; standing, Ebridge Trott and William E. Cleaves.
Peaks Island Lions Club
Fifth
ANNUAL SHOW

Music by Joe Michaud Trio

LIONS CLUB PLAYHOUSE
Peaks Island, Maine

DAY and SATURDAY, AUG. 20-21, 1954
at 8:15 p.m.

Tomplets

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The Quintuplets

The unexpected death of Emile Diomande, marking the first break in the unity of the famous quintuplets, brought sorrow to many thousands of persons who had come to regard the Canadian girls almost as personal friends and sisters. Since their extraordinary birth 20 years ago, their progress has been the subject not only of endless publicity but of genuine interest and affection.

The death of any young person is tragic. In this case, the fame of the five sisters carries the tragedy to the utmost corners of the world.

The poet Wordsworth wrote about a child who insisted on counting two departed youngsters among her brothers and sisters:

"But they are dead; those two
Are dead!
Their spirits are in Heaven!
"Twas the voice of words away;
For still,
The little maid would have her will!
And said, "Nay, we are seven!"
Even without Emile, the quintuplets always will be five.

Fifty Years Ago

The opening gun of the Republican State campaign was signaled at a rally of the Stalwarts at Peaks Island. Horace William T. Cobb of Rockland was the prospective party choice for Governor at the September election.

Reduced attendance at the reunion of the Fifth Regimental Association at Peaks Island was believed to have been due to many of the veterans planning to attend the National Encampment of the GAR during the month in Boston. Members and visitors present included Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Edmunds of Riverside, Calif.; Brig. Gen. Stephen H. Massingale, who was promoted from major service as first lieutenant in the regiment later to captain and assistant adjutant general, USV, and brevet brigadier general.

Attendance of 500 was reported at the 25th annual reunion of the Portland Marksmen's Field Day at Old Orchard Beach. Chairman M. Lombardo, general chairman. In a bull game the Woodford clays defeated the fish dealers, 9 to 7.
On Whipple Resigns Post, as Ill Health As Reason

W. Charles E. Whipple, the Episcopal Church at The Virgin, Pat

onicke, has resigned (ill health. Resignation was reluctantly

oted at a meeting of the vestrymen last senior Warden Richard

ounced this morning.

Whipple's resignation a surprise to members of the clergy. He conducted last

ers at St. Mary's and handed over his congregation to

ler and Carl A. Church and the Rt. Rev. E. Loing, Bishop of

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Canon Whipple

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recommended acceptance of the resignation to the vestrymen.

Canon Whipple has already

left the State for medical treatment. Warden Tyler said.

Tyler expressed the vestry's feeling that "Canon Whipple

was a superior cleric, admired as much for his knowledge of the

 Episcopal faith and his deep devotion to it, and beloved by his

parishioners as their spiritual leader and as an individual."

Canon Whipple began his duties at St. Mary's in October,

38, the youngest pastor ever to serve that parish. A native of

Hamilton, Mass., and a graduate of Dales College, he had

served as curate at St. Paul's Church, Brockton, Mass., and as

vicar of St. John's in Holbrook, Mass.

He quickly established his spiritual leadership in his new

parish and during his 15 years as its priest an addition to the

church was built and the parish house enlarged.

Canon Whipple was also very active in diocesan affairs. He

was secretary of the diocesan convention, vice chairman of its

department of finance and a member of its standing committee

and had been editor of the church publication, "The North-

cast". He had been a delegate to the Episcopal General (na-

cional) Convention several times.

A lover of travel, he made two

rips to Europe, one to attend the Lambeth Conference with

Bishop Loring in 1946. The past

winter he went to Puerto Rico in connection with the nation-

wide Builders For Christ movement.

After accepting on Canon Whip-

ple's resignation last night, wardens and vestrymen made

plans for supply clergy for the immediate future and discussed

selection of his successor.

P. BURGOON

BAY HARBOR — The

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Monday after a long

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Benjamin Brewer,

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lived in the West. He came

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930 and served there.

He was rector of

church at Eastport from

40 and priest in charge

Albans Church, South

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because of illness in 1944.

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eral services were held at

i's Church, Wisconsin.

The Rev. Canon

Akeley, rector of Christ

d, Gardner, and the Rev.

P. Feaster, rector of St.

Church, officiated.
George E. Sterling, federal communications commissioner who summers at Peaks Island, beams as he gives his granddaughter the present he built for her third birthday — a radio set without a tube, one of the first ever built. It uses finger-tip-size transistors instead, and has excellent tone and range. The little girl is Margaret Sterling Jabine, Baltimore, Md. At left is her mother, Mrs. William Jabine II (Patricia Sterling). Picture was made at Baltimore television station where the set recently was demonstrated.
Members of the Garden Club of the Women's Literary Union photographed at a meeting held recently with Mrs. Joseph S. White of Peaks Island. Seated, left to right: Mrs. Robert J. Peterson, Mrs. George W. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Herman B. Libby, and Theodore C. Davis. Standing, Mrs. Earl M. Plummer, Mrs. Charles F. Drescher, Mrs. White.

Barbara J. Ritchie

Chosen Miss Peaks

Miss Barbara J. Ritchie was chosen Miss Peaks Island at a dance Saturday night sponsored by the Randall-MacVane Post No. 142, American Legion at the post home on Welch St.

Miss Ritchie, a summer resident, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Ritchie of Nooksack Street, Portland.

A graduate of Deering High School, she plans to enter the Portland School of Fine and Applied Arts in the fall.

She was presented a gold plaque by the post.
Mrs. Pauline Fielding Stephens, right, president of Willing Workers, Brackett Memorial Church, is assisting with arrangements for a bazaar, dessert and game party Wednesday in the American Legion Home, Peaks Island. The committee also includes Miss Blanche Randall, left, and Mrs. Fred Ramsdell, center. The fair and dessert is to be held at 12:30 p.m. Games will be arranged during the afternoon.

Lions Club Holds Affair At Island

A silver tea and cake sale in the home of Mrs. Arthur H. Lette and her son, Malcolm R. Lette, Island Ave., Peaks Island, yesterday afternoon will benefit the work of the Lions Club on the island.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Smith, Mrs. Curtis M. Low, Mrs. Ellie J. Goff, Mrs. Paul F. Stettheim, Mrs. Norman A. Black, Mrs. Mary Demi of Las Vegas, New York, Mrs. Elsie Brackett of Springfield, Mass., Mrs. Adolph Steverson, Mrs. Stanley R. Eaton, Mrs. Edward Ward, Mrs. Henry Mainstead, Mrs. Verne Hulley, Mrs. Harry W. Filer, Mrs. Ruth P. Bartlett, Mrs. Raymond Goudy, Mrs. Paul R. Daigneau, Mrs. William H. Mathews, Mrs. Edward J. Jeffrey, Mrs. Joseph M. Callan, Mrs. John B. Dawson, Mrs. Bernard P. Shelvey, Mrs. Charles Frazee, Mrs. Edward E. Buskey, Mrs. Frank Boyce, the Misses Kittle A. Grant, Margaret W. Henderson, Jeannette M. Briga, Grace Lindsey, Helen Dinalp, Jessie B. Trotjer, Freda Mitchell, Hazel A. Tappley, Florence M. Alexander, Arabella C. Anderson, Ruth M. Rockwell, Estelle and Omer McClaire.
In Peaks Island Show
Gay 90's bathing beauties who will take part in the Lions Club variety show Friday and Saturday at Peaks Island. Left to right: Mrs. Raymond Boyle, Mrs. Murray Roberts, Mrs. Harold Barnard, Mrs. Wallace Palmer, Mrs. Edward Buskey and Mrs. Ruby Foss. (Photo by Doc)

News Of Peaks Island
Lions Club Will Present Show Friday And Saturday

The Lions Club will present its fifth annual variety show in the Lions Playhouse Friday and Saturday evenings. Edward Buskey will be master of ceremonies. The Joe Michael Trio will be the accompanists. Raymond H. Boyle is the director. The Can-Can girls and the Gay 90's bathing beauties will be specialty numbers.


Marilyn Kimball
Franklin Kimball
Edith Burgess
Clyde H. Goff
Carol Church
Mills Herbert
Olivia Boyle
June Buskey
Car Ferry Berkley Starts Scheduled Runs To Peaks

As Island folks warmly welcomed the car ferry Berkley to maiden run this morning, restrictions on future vacationists summed up the island.

Several vacationists joined island residents at Jones Wharf to cheer the first landing of a 34-foot steel ferry which will be the daytime Peaks Island passenger boat.

In the first round trip was Mrs. Paul R. Daigneau of Wellesley, Mass., granddaughter of the late Capt. Walter S. Treat, whom the famed island landing was named.

Another was Mrs. W. H. Mathews, now a year-round island resident.

RECALLS SWAMPSCOTT

She recalled the old ferry Swampscott which operated between Portland and Peaks for 26 years, starting in 1909. She first came to the island in 1919.

Nine years ago she chose the island as her home because of its beauty, she said, adding, "I could have gone to any place in the United States." She worked a few years ago with a committee to get a tank fire truck for the island.

She said she hoped the City of Portland would consider the island other than a "stepchild," a term once applied to it.

Mrs. Daigneau said she couldn't understand why the city didn't take a greater interest in the island.

David T. Rubinoff, treasurer of the Casco Bay Lines, who planned the trip, said the Berkley would provide faster and more adequate service to the island.

Cost of the Berkley was in excess of $60,000, he reported.

He believes the improved service will bring the island better business and increase real estate values.

The City of Portland spent $10,000 to install new fender pilings and make other repairs to the Portland Pier slip.

General Manager Walter Swett Sr. said Peaks Islanders would be transported during the day on the Berkley. Passengers will be able to buy tickets from a purser aboard, saving them the inconvenience of going to the Bay Lines ticket office at Custom House Wharf.

The Berkley can accommodate 180 passengers and carry eight motor vehicles. It has steam heat for the comfort of passengers.

She succeeds the smaller and slower ferry Narrada which has been beset recently by motor trouble.

The Narrada will be assigned to "down the bay" ferry jobs when it permits island docking. She has been running to these islands only once a week a service when Rubinoff said was inadequate.
ISLANDERS WELCOME 85-FOOT VESSEL AT JONES WHARF

By Staff Photographer Morrison
The American Way is a theme chosen by Calendars Club of Peaks Island for 1954-55 season. The club programs are held on alternate days at 3:30 p.m. in the home of members. Edmund E. Corcoran, president, announces that the club will open with a reception entertainment furnished by the executive committee on "The Land of Flowers," by Mrs. Harry J. Corcoran, and Mrs. Ernest H. Elliott and Gertrude Ingraham.


The field day committee includes Mrs. White, Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Meehan.

Officers include Mrs. Corcoran, president; Mrs. Tooly, vice president; Miss Wescott, corresponding secretary, Miss Hill, corresponding secretary, Mrs. White, treasurer; Mrs. Arlette F. Fred- lick, auditor. On the executive committee are Mrs. Sylvia Petersen, Mrs. Stites and Mrs. Spear. Resolution Committee includes Mrs. Corcoran, Mrs. Gay and Mrs. Kean.

Peaks Island

Miss J. Ruth Johnson, reading supervisor in the Portland schools, was guest speaker at the Calendars Study Club meeting in the home of the president, Mrs. Edmund E. Corcoran, Oak Ave. Guest night was observed and the committee in charge of the arrangements included Mrs. Harry J. Ward, Mrs. Ernest H. Elliott and Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham.

Attending were: Dr. and Mrs. Joseph S. White, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvia O. Chevalier, Mrs. William J. Spear, Mrs. J. Edward Devine, Mrs. Catherine Folan, Mrs. Harry W. Johnson, Mrs. Sydney D. Jackson, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Henry Q. Gay, Mrs. Florence Venetis, Mrs. Edith Stites, Mrs. Frances Russell, Mrs. L. S. Stanton, Mrs. John P. Toohey, Mrs. Ralph Thayer, Mrs. Ingraham, Mrs. Alan R. Cleland, Mrs. Robert L. Spear, Mrs. Adolph Stevens, Mrs. Corcoran, and the Misses Marion L. Sterling, Ruby M. Westcott, E. Dorothea Hagan and Hans E. Hill.

Richard E. Coffin has returned to New York City.

Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, Brackett Ave., will be hostess to the Christmas Club Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thayer, Franklin, Mass., are weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Toohey, Evergreen.

Mrs. Clayton G. Pickett, Brackett Ave., has left for Los Angeles.

The Rev. John W. Neff will speak on "It Begins at Home," at 10 a.m. tomorrow in the Brackett Memorial Church. The church school will observe Rally Day and will attend the 10 o'clock service. All parents are invited.

A meeting of the official board will be held at 2:30 p.m. and the Youth Fellowship will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mason and family, Natick, Mass., have been recent guests of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Staney and family, who are vacationing at Evergreen.
Miss Carol Church

Peaks Island ...

Juvenile Grange Elects Officers

Miss Carol Church was elected master of Forest City, Juvenile Grange at the recent meeting held in Island Hall.

Other officers are: Overseer, Kathleen Howland; lecturer, Nancy Pegg; secretary, Edith Goff; treasurer, Jack Ivers; steward, Thomas Gallagher; assistant steward, Philip Fuller; chaplain, Joan Devine; rain-keeper, Christopher Church; Ceres, Carol Bryant; Pomona, Cheryl Skillings; Flora, Linda Ivers; and lady assistant steward, Nancy Gallagher. The installation will be held Nov. 5 in Island Hall. Mrs. Clyde H. Goff is matron of the Grange.

Ovila O. Chevalier, Bernard Ave, has been promoted to foreman of the stitching room at the Songo Shoe Manufacturing Plant on Smith St., Portland.

The Catholic Women's Council of St. Christopher's Church will meet at 8 p.m. today in the rectory with Mrs. Gerritse Ingraham and Mrs. Harold S. Crofton as hostesses.
Waiting For Edna

Their bows pointed to the harbor as a safety measure. Casco Bay Lines' island steamers are shown braced for Hurricane Edna at Custom House Wharf. Moored securely between them and the adjacent Randall & McAllister Wharf is an unidentified yawl. (By Staff Photographer Curran.)

New Hurricane Bears Down:

All fire stations in Scarborough are to be staffed on a 24-hour basis during the emergency.

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is safe, and added that he all were in port safely, I know of a one at sea, two small pleasure craft boated at Handy Boat.
Upper. Members of the Youth Committee make ready for the Beggars' Night Dance in Trefethen-Evergreen Club House tomorrow evening, the group including, left to right, front row, Miss Patricia Allen, Miss Diane O'Donnell, Ernold R. Goodwin Jr., Robert Allen, the Misses Janet and Sandra Ratray; standing, Peter Dahl and Miss Gretchen Sills. Lower, Mrs. C. Eugene Fogg, general chairman, seated second from the right, is being assisted by Mrs. Ernold R. Goodwin, in foreground, left to right, Mrs. Bernard J. Morrison, Mrs. Francis C. O'Donnell and Mrs. Joseph S. White.

Trefethen-Evergreen Club
To Hold Special Event Friday

A large group of members of Trefethen-Evergreen Improvement Association and their guests plan to attend the Beggars' Night party tomorrow evening in the clubhouse at Peaks Island, according to announcement of Mrs. C. Eugene Fogg, general chairman of arrangements for the event to begin at 8 p.m. Costumes will be optional.

The chairman also announces Philip Libby as master of ceremonies. Mr. Libby is to present a special hobo act. Mrs. Ames Manchester is arranging special music for square dancing as well as ballroom dancing. Prizes will be offered for a balloon dance, spotlight dance and a waltz contest, also for the most com-

St. Lawrence Women's League
To Have Fair And Serve Meals

Mrs. Donald S. Webber, president of the Women's League of St. Lawrence Congregational Church (Wright Memorial) Church, is general chairman of the annual fair.
Harbor Maintenance Dredging Starts

The 352-foot Army Corps of Engineers dredge Gering is shown at work this morning in inner Port-}

aur, where she has started to remove silt from shallow spots in the 35-foot channel. Portland skyline}

background. The dredge, the largest ever sent here for such work, will remove an estimated 200,000}

yards in the month-long project. The cost is estimated at $100,000. The dredge, self-propelled and of the}

type, has a 3,000-yard capacity. (By Staff Photographer Curran)
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Goff Elected Grange Master

Clyde H. Goff was elected master of Forest City Grange last night in Island Hall. Other officers elected were Roy V. Norris, overseaser; Mrs. Goff lecturer; Robert Goff, steward; Norton Montgomery, assistant steward; William E. Cleaves, chaplain; Mrs. Gilman E. Skillings, treasurer; Mrs. John A. Mortill, secretary; Matthew Early, gatekeeper; Mrs. Edward N. Ivers, clerk; Mrs. Roy V. Norris, Foreman; Mrs. Carroll C. Church, Flora; Mrs. Montgomery, lady assistant; steward and pianist Miss Kitty A. Grant. Members of the executive committee include, Raymond S. Herrick, Mrs. F. J. Shute, and Gilman E. Skillings.

Election of officers of the grange corporation will be held Oct. 27.

Herman C. Littlejohn Jr. and son, Alan, New Milford, N. J., are spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman C. Littlejohn, Island Ave.

Peaks Island . . .

95th Birthday Observed Today

Mrs. Dwight J. Coburn, New Island Ave, entertained this afternoon observing the 95th birthday anniversary of her father, Capt. Alvah M. Strunk. Guests were Mrs. Pauline Fielding Stephens, Miss Kitty A. Grant, Mrs. E. A. Brown, John Grant and William Hatch.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Glen and children, William, Rebecca and Douglas, who have been residents at Trefethen's for several years, have moved to their new home on Mayer Rd., Portland.

Mrs. Ralph E. Beal, Mrs. Christian Pedersen and Mr. James A. Boyle were luncheon guests Thursday of Mrs. William E. Cleaves.

Miss Florence Jarrett, Hotel Estilland, will be hostess to the Willing Workers Society of the Brackett Memorial Church Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Boothby, Pleasant Ave, will observe their 64th wedding anniversary Sunday. Mr. Boothby is a native of Portland and has resided in Portland all his life with the exception of the last six years which have been spent on the Island. Mrs. Boothby is the former Margaret S. Hansen and is a native of Liverpool, England. Mr. Boothby was retired in 1939 from the Portland Fire Department after 41 years service. They have one daughter, Mrs. Theodore Low and of the Island, and three sons, Walter E., George W., and Donald A., all of Portland. They have eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Miss Helen E. Dunlap entertained the Willing Workers Society of the Brackett Memorial Church Wednesday. Mrs. Ruth Smith was a guest.
Council To Discuss Proposal
Lease Dump-Picking Here

day may be near when scavengers will have to deal with the City before a visit to a municipal dump. Scavengers came under fire by Manager Julian H. Orr at a regular public meeting of the council held Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

In response to a request from Orr to discuss the future of a proposed lease on a dump, Orr said that the city would eventually have to deal with the issue. Orr noted that there is a need for more control of the dumps, and that the current arrangement is not working as intended. Orr suggested that the city consider leasing a dump to a contractor for a fee, which would provide a source of revenue for the city.

The proposal for the lease would be discussed at the next council meeting. Orr recommended that the council consider the idea further.

Swept by two hurricanes this season, Maine residents today counted their blessings after being stood up by a third call of the winds—Hurricane Hazel.

Still packing a powerful punch, Hazel passed 30 miles to the west of here shortly before midnight, about 200 miles farther west than had been anticipated.

Instead of getting 50 to 60-mile winds, Portland was sidestepped by the tail of the storm, which brought gusts of 56 miles per hour at 3:45 a.m. today.

Only .64 of an inch of rain fell instead of the expected three to four inches.

Public utility officials, prepared for the worst, happily reported today that damage was relatively minimal in comparison with usual southeasterners.

Central Maine Power Co. had only spotty power interruptions caused by snapping of occasional limbs weakened by pre-
Salute to Cap'n Strout...

Oldest Living Steamboat Officer 93 Today

The oldest living steamboat officer in the country is 93 today.

Capt. Alvah B. Strout of Peaks Island, who missed going down with the ill-fated steamer Portland in 1898 only because he switched places with another officer just before the ship left Boston for Portland, was master of his own vessel at 21 and retired at 70.

"All I do now is just sit, look and smoke," Capt. Strout said today. "Can't play the violin anymore; fingers are too cramped."

Up until a few years ago Capt. Strout used to fiddle out the oldtime jigs and reels with nary a squeak. And just to keep busy he hand-built 25 violins in a little more than 12 years.

Capt. Strout was born at Milbridge the first year of the Civil War. His father was a shipbuilder. He went to sea at 15 aboard a two-masted lumber schooner sailing between Calais and New York. His first command was the Julia, another two-master in the lumber trade.

Narrow Escape

The captain and his family moved to South Portland in 1901. It was aboard the brig Kama, plying between New York and Buenos Aires with general cargo, that Capt. Strout had one of his narrowest escapes.

The vessel was becalmed somewhat near the West Indies, the oldest recalls, and pirates tried to board us.

"We had to fight them off and throw them into the water," he says and a gleam creeps into his eyes. "They tried several times and finally gave up."

The Portland which was never heard from again after she left Boston for Portland on a bleak November night in 1898, was one of Capt. Strout's first commands on the Boston run. The night the Portland went down Capt. Strout was aboard the Bay State, laying over in Portland Harbor.

Not a Fit Night

"It wasn't a fit night for any boat to go," Capt. Strout reminisced. "We even had to put extra lines out to hold the Bay State to the dock."

Capt. Strout's regular berth was on the Portland but he had switched commands at the request of another officer.

Hurricanes? Never used to get 'em up this way, says the captain. But he knows all about hurricanes. He was caught not once, but twice, in such storms in the Indian Ocean.

"Never thought we'd ever come out alive,"

Hurricanes Carol and Edna didn't impress Capt. Strout too much, although "they're all bad," he added. "Glad Hazel petered out," he remarked.

Incidentally, in 50 odd years at sea, Capt. Strout has never had an accident at sea.

He wasn't planning much for today.

"Just sitting, looking and smoking," he repeated.
Newly elected officers of Brackett Memorial Church Youth Fellowship at Peaks Island are, seated, Shirley Goff, vice president, and Beverly Whitton, secretary; standing, Edward Buskey, president, and Howard McCracken Jr., treasurer.

Youth Fellowship Considers Program Of Future Events

Youth Fellowship of Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, is making plans for an active season. Programs already planned for the future include sponsorship of the showing of the full-length movie on the life of John Wesley; a study of the Maine Seacast Mission; discussions on vacations, delinquency and alcoholism, visits with other youth groups and presentation of a Christmas play or pageant.

The group meets at 6:30 p.m. each Sunday in the church and plans a social program once a month.

Officers are Edward Buskey Jr., president; Shirley Goff, vice president; Beverly Whitton, secretary; Howard McCracken Jr., treasurer.

The following committee chairmen have been named: Leah Smith, publicity; Edith Goff, MYF Fund treasurer; William Foss, Christian Faith and Worship; Shirley Goff, Christian Fellowship.
An annual event at Peaks Island in the Gay 90’s was the water carnival staged there. Activities include exhibits of monkeys and snakes and theater productions. Carnival adorned boats such as this moved along the shore while musicians strummed mandolins, autoharps and banjos in harmony. (From Maine And Its Scenic Gems, submitted by Mrs. Robert Wallace, Falmouth Foreside)
Big Recreational, Camp Area Proposed For Peaks Island

175-Acre Site, U. S.-Owned Up For Sale

The City of Portland has a "magnificent opportunity" to acquire a 175-acre park on the ocean front for use as a recreational area.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

That's the enthusiastic report the City Planning Board made to the City Council today after investigating the military reservation on Peaks Island. The reservation is surplus federal property now and is for sale through the General Services Administration.

The city can acquire the area, which would compare favorably with Reid and Seabro State Parks, for one half the appraised value provided the plan for its recreational use meets the approval of the National Park Service.

City Manager Julian H. Orr's opinion, after walking over the entire area, is that it has a "tremendous recreational potential for Portland in future years."

The council will not be expected to make any commitment about the project today. However, Orr recommends that the council authorize him to inform the GSA that the city is interested in the property and to make inquiry as to the exact procedure involved in acquiring it.

Orr said the GSA appraiser has discussed the value of the tract in general terms but at this time could not definitely fix the cost.

Future Playground For Portland?

Area enclosed by white line indicates approximate site of Peaks Island ocean frontage now available to Portland for recreational use. Formerly a military reservation, area now is for sale through General Services Administration. The 175-acre tract offers scenery, hiking, camping, picnic and bathing opportunities. Lower right portion of Fort Leavitt on Cushing's Island.
News of Peaks Island

Mrs. James Townsend and Mrs. Frank Boye are in charge of arrangements for a card party to be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the American Legion Home, Welch St., sponsored by the auxiliary to the Randall and Maine Post.

The Peaks Island Parent Teacher Association will sponsor a cooked-food sale Saturday, starting at 12 noon in Jenness Store. The committee is Mrs. Alfred J. Rieux, Mrs. Edward E. Buskey and Mrs. Ruby Potts.

Seventy-eight persons became charter members of the Fifth Maine Regiment Community Center at the first meeting held Sunday afternoon. John T. Peery, president, presided. The charter will be held open until the annual meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Boyle, summer residents of Seashore Ave., and their aunt, Mrs. Theodore Low, Park Ave., are in charge of arrangements for a card party to be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in St. Christopher's Church, George Hunter, Freeport, will be the guest speaker at Island Hall following mass. The committee in charge of arrangements includes John Robinson, George A. McEachen, Richard P. Howland and Malcolm Murray.

Mrs. A. H. Rose, Bangor, who has passed the summer with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McCracken, Island Ave., is convalescing following a several weeks illness at the Maine General Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. James A. Boyle, summer residents of Seashore Ave., left today and will reside in Augusta for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. La-

Peaks Island Clubs

Set Meeting Dates

Willing Workers Society and the Mothers Club, Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, held recent meetings in the home of Miss Florence Jarrett, Eastland Hotel and Mrs. Raymond W. Davis, Peaks Island, respectively.

Mrs. Pauline F. Stegman presided for the society business meeting, Mrs. Edith Stitt, Mrs. Gertrude Thomsen, Mrs. Jack F. Peery and Mrs. Thomas Lynch.

The Women's sodality Council of St. Christopher's Church, Peaks Island, held a penny auction in the home of Mr. Edmund E. Corcoran, Oak Ave., recently. Others attending were Mrs. Stanley Dutkin, Mr. Joseph P. Whitten, Mrs. Malcolm Murray, Mrs. John P. Tolan, Mrs. Fred P. Royce, Mrs. Harold Conley, Mrs. William H. Roach, Mrs. Henry C. Gay, Mrs. Martin J. Murphy, Mrs. Joseph McGovern, Mrs. George Mahoney, Mrs. John E. Phillipe, Mrs. Edith Stitt, Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, Mrs. Robert L. Hanson, Mrs. George F. Feeney, Mrs. Arthur Harmon, Mrs. Gertrude Thompson, Mrs. Jack F. Peery and Mrs. Thomas Lynch.

Available

d camping sites are available farther inland there, but locations for Adirondack shelters where family parties could anchor in the area after hiking about the island. The report said the area is typical of the coast of Maine; that the area is the open ocean, rising into higher ground with er growth, largely hard of many species. In the whole area, it is in spite of the fact that the area has an intensely stocked with species of birds on the main island.

It is a wildlife sanctuary and it is excellent. The network of in and out on the island the vegetation is very the quality of the island. From the outside, it is excellent. The network of in and out on the island the vegetation is very the quality of the island. From the outside, it is excellent.
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5th Maine Group Seeks Members

A meeting will be held tomorrow from 2 to 4 p.m. for all persons over 16 years of age wishing to become charter members of the Fifth Maine Regiment Community Center. A meeting of the board of directors will be held at 4 p.m. John T. Peeney is president.

Mrs. Cyril D. Hill, Sterling St., and Mrs. Fred W. Stephenson, 1271 Elizabeth St., are visiting their sister, Mrs. C. D. Pulkinist in Ponacook, N. H.

Mrs. James Townsend and Mrs. Frank Boyce are in charge of a card party to be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Legion Home, sponsored by the Auxiliary to the Randall and Marine Post, AL.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank I. Davis, Windus Way, have as weekend guests, their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank I. Davis Jr., and children, Stanley, Glenn and Cheryl, Portsmouth, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Fikes, Island Ave., will be Sunday guests of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Fikes Jr., Edward St., Portland.

Mrs. Ellie Goff, Welch St., will be hostess to the Willing Workers Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. John W. Neff will be the sermon subject, “The Binding Plume” for the 10 a.m. service Sunday in Brackett Memorial Church. Annual Missionary Sunday will be observed. A discussion, led by the pastor, will be held at the 6:30 p.m. meeting of the Youth Fellowship.

To Be Peaks Island Community Center

The Fifth Maine Regimental building on Seashore Avenue, Peaks Island, will soon be opened to the public as a community center and will be renamed The Fifth Maine Regimental Memorial Community Center. Corporation officers include John T. Peeney, president; the Rev. John W. Neff, first vice president; Richard A. Hebert, second vice president; Ernest E. Elliott, secretary; James Brown, treasurer; George P. Feeney, clerk; and John E. Phillips, the Rev. George W. Corcoran, Clyde H. Goff, Raymond H. Boyle, Mrs. Verna Harvey, Fred W. Stephenson, Merrill W. Jones, Mrs. Cobb, and Norton Montgomery, directors. By-laws will be drawn up at a Sunday meeting of the executive committee. (Photo by Doe).
1749 Coin Found
At Peaks Island

A 206-year-old British copper coin bearing the likeness of King George II and the date 1749 was found today in the yard of the Peaks Island School by a sixth-grade pupil.

Principal Calvin E. Eells said Althea Riddell, 11, told him the antique coin turned up “between first and second base.”

The school’s ball diamond is in its front yard. Eells said no such coin had been reported lost and that it was Althea’s to keep. The girl’s mother, Mrs. Edwin Robb, said she hopes someone will have an idea of the coin’s worth.

Peaks Pupil Finds
Second Old Coin

An eighth-grade student at this Peaks Island School yesterday found an 1858 penny in the same school yard where a 206-year-old coin was found two days ago.

Principal Calvin E. Eells and Perley Tracy found the coin, reported to be worth 15 cents.

The 1749 coin found earlier bears the likeness of King George II. No one knows just how much it is worth.

Calends Club
Has Program

Mrs. Edmund E. Corcoran, president of Calends Study Club, Peaks Island, and Mrs. Henry Q. Gay gave papers at a program meeting Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Edith Stiles.

Mrs. Corcoran had a paper on “Beyond the Rockies” in keeping with the theme of the season “Life the American Way.” Mrs. Gay discussed “TV versus Radio.” Mrs. Corcoran announced another meeting Nov. 18.

Also present were Mrs. Everett Skilling, Mrs. Florence Ventres, Mrs. L. E. Stanton, Mrs. Harry J. Ward, Mrs. Joseph S. White, the Misses E. Dorothy Hagan, Ruby M. Wescott, Marion L. Sterling and Lucy E. Till.

Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, left, new president of the Catholic Women’s Council, St. Christopher’s Church, Peaks Island, consults with her vice president, Mrs. Hildegarde Corkum.

New Officers Serving Council

Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham is serving as president of the Catholic Women’s Council of St. Christopher’s Church, Peaks Island, this year.

Other officers are Mrs. Harold S. Corkum, vice president; Mrs. Robert L. Hanson, secretary; and Mrs. J. J. Arsenault, treasurer.

Mrs. Edmund E. Corcoran was appointed general chairman for the annual summer fair in the form of a lawn party, July 16, on the church grounds.

The council will hold its next meeting in February. Mrs. Alan R. Cleland will have charge of the supper to be held in the church rectory.
Prepare Thanksgiving Baskets

Free members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, prepare Thanksgiving baskets they will distribute to the aged of the church. Left to right are Edith Goff, Marlene Whitton and Norman Doe. (Photo)

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Dana E. Butterfield, Frank H. Fennerty, Mrs. H. Harmons and Mrs. Frank re awarded table prizes at a party Tuesday afternoon by the auxiliary of the Odd Fellows. Mrs. Millmore, Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller, Miss W. C. McGlinnhey. The group will meet at 6 p.m. at the church.}

Tim Harms, Miss greeting were Mrs. George Lewis Watson, Velyn Seabury, Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. L. G. P. G. A. Whitecomb, and Mrs. Harry Paine. Sault, Mrs. Willmore, Mrs. Harold Peterson and Mrs. Norwood. Tallahassee, Fla., is passing some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood.

Mrs. Randolph S. Smith and her son, Ralph J. Smith, Barrington, Nova Scotia, and her sister Mrs. Weston W. Baker, Lubec will arrive Friday for a several days visit with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. I. Clifton Millmore, Island Ave.

Peaks Youth Fellowship Officers

Officers of the newly-formed Intermediate Youth Fellowship at Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, include, left to right, Philip Buskey, treasurer; Beverly Whitten, president; and Robert Gibbs, secretary. Elected secretary at the organizational meeting Sunday was Doris McGlinchey. The group will meet at 9 p.m. each Sunday at the church. Members will meet at the church at 7 p.m. tomorrow for a scavenger hunt under the direction of the Rev. John W. Neff, pastor. (Photo)
The Parent-Teacher Association of the Peaks Island School has scheduled a variety show Friday to raise funds for projects to benefit the school. PTA members taking part in the show include, above, left to right, Mrs. Eda Ivers, Mrs. Roberta Mecham, Mrs. Ellen Goff, Mrs. Lorraine Cleland, Mrs. Patricia Gervais, Mrs. Peggy Harmon, Mrs. Ethel Kirk and Mrs. Lillian Johnston. The show will start at 8 p.m. in the school's Parsons Hall.
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The WSCS of Brackett Memorial Church will hold its Christmas fair, Dec. 2, in Island Hall. The fair will start at noon and continue through the supper hour when a chowder meal will be served by Mrs. A.J. Shute as chairman of arrangements. Mrs. Harold F. Norris presided at the business meeting and the table chairman included:

Mrs. Philip A. Skillings and Mrs. Adolph Stevens, cooked food.
Mrs. Everett Skillings, fancy work.
Mrs. Ruth Smith, gift baskets.
Mrs. William L. Berryman, white elephant.
Mrs. Ernest H. Elliot, a porgy, and Mrs. Raymond H. Boyle, candy.
Mrs. Collins F. Smith, Spruce Ave., returned Monday from a visit with Mrs. Dorothy Hamblett, Waterville.

Miss Nancy Gallagher was elected president of the Girl Scout troop yesterday. Other officers are: Nancy Ivers, vice president; Cheryl Skillings, secretary, and Barbara Butterfield, treasurer. The Peaks Island Parent-Teacher Association is sponsoring the troop. Mrs. Joseph S. White will give a demonstration of Thanksgiving centerpiece next Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. George Sargent is leader.

The Senior Youth Fellowship and the Intermediate Youth Fellowship of Brackett Memorial Church are soliciting canned foods this week for holiday baskets. Each group will arrange three booths of the goods and a prize will be awarded for the best display. This will take place at the 5 p.m. meeting Sunday in the vestry.

Donald Barnes, who is at the Naval Training Base, Bainbridge, Md., is passing a leave with his mother, Mrs. Edith Barnes.

Baskets were given as gifts to the seniors.

Mrs. Robert T. Sterling, Jr. and family have returned from a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Thayer Sterling, Brackett Ave.

The choir of Brackett Memorial Church will rehearse at 8 p.m. Thursday.

Mrs. Roy V. Norris, Maple St., had as guests last night, Mrs. Gloriam E. Skillings, Mrs. John W. Reif, Mrs. Rudy Pass, Mrs. Lency Parkhurst, Mrs. Edward N. Ives, Mrs. Raymond S. Herick, Mrs. Jack Puller, Mrs. Theodore Lowe, Mrs. Murray P. Jollett, Mrs. Edward L. Bisley, Mrs. Robert W. Smith, Mrs. John Sleight, Mrs. Bradford Mesher, Mrs. Samuel Pederson, Mrs. Thomas F. Kirk, Mrs. Raymond W. Davis, Mrs. Roscoe N. Smith Jr., and Mrs. Harvey J. Woodbury.

More Than 3,000 Attend Food Fair

More than 3,000 attended the session of the Food Fair homemakers show yesterday. City Hall Auditorium, daily cooking school is at 2:30 p.m. sponsored by the Portland Gas Light Co. Directed by Mrs. Margaret H. Milord, 10 turkeys and 40 hams were given as a prize.

Of the 59 exhibitors, all but the red food baskets were awarded.

Gray St.: J. R. Nicholls, 11 Fair Lawn Ave., South Portland; Mrs. W. Horn, 23 Strathearn Rd., South Portland; Ida Towe, 49 Anderson St.; Charles Higgins, 143 Grant St.; Maria Bole, 390 Danforth St.; Mrs. Ida McLeod, 15 University St.; Theresa Permaidt of Madison; Charles Brown of Standish; Doris Santoro, 76 Congress St.; Mrs. R. S. Ber, 220 Eastern Prom.; Richard Windecker, 21 Pine St.; Ruth Emerson, Box 86, Portland.

The show will continue each day from 1 to 6 p.m. through Saturday.
Plan Fair At Peaks Island

The WSCS of Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, will sponsor a cooked and fancy work fair from noon to 5 p.m. Dec. 2 in Island Hall. The committee judges, left to right, Mrs. Henry Hear, Mrs. Harold Norris, Mr. Philip Skillings, Mrs. S. Everett Skillings and Mrs. Ruth Smith. (Doc Photo)

Peaks Island
Christmas Fair Slated Thursday

The Christmas fair, sponsored by the WSCS of the Brackett Memorial Church, will be held in Island Hall Thursday from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Mrs. Harold P. Norris is general chairman of arrangements. A fish chowder supper will be served from 5:30 to 7 p.m. with Mrs. A. J. Slute in charge.

Mrs. and Mrs. Abbe Speer returned Sunday from a holiday weekend visit with the former in-law and daughter, and Mrs. Walter Krause, New Britain, Conn. They all visited Mr. and Mrs. Iver Beek and family, Leavittown, L. I., N.Y. The Beek's are former residents of the island.

The Peaks Island PTA will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in Parsons Hall.

A special rehearsal of the Methodist Church choir will be held at 7:30 p.m. today in the church to practice Christmas music. Another rehearsal will be held Thursday evening.

Mrs. Charles H. Sterling and Mrs. Marion L. Sterling, Tarrington Pt., are visiting Mrs. Sterling's family. Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Sterling, Latham St., South Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Berryman, Central Ave., have returned from a visit with their family. Mr. and Mrs. William L. Berryman Jr., Dover, N.J.

A special meeting of the Catholic Women's Council of St. Christopher's Church, will be held in the rectory Dec. 6. In the evening plans will be made for the Christmas party for the children of the parish.

Mrs. Charles O. Blackman, who fractured her shoulder last week in a fall, is a patient in the Connecticut Hospital of Maine. Mrs. Clarence Gregory, Greenwich, Conn., is in Portland to visit her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hanson, Tarrington Pt., have a weekend guest in Mrs. Grace Davis and son Paul and Rex.

Miss Connie Bonam, Waukefield, Mass., has returned from a visit with her cousin, Miss Kathy Fahey, Pleasant Ave.

A rehearsal of Forest City Juvenile Grange will be held at 7 p.m. today in Island Hall. The first meeting of the new officers will be held Friday night in Island Hall.
Varney Heads Building Panel
Peaks Island Church

Harry D. Varney was named chairman of the building committee for the Brackett Memorial Methodist Church on Peaks Island at a recent meeting of the group. Dr. Harold Varney was named secretary. He serves as the steering committee chairman for a proposed addition to the size and widen the program of the church.

A successful preliminary drive among summer residents and friends led to establishment of the group to plan a campaign for spring or summer next year.

A group talked proposed at a recent meeting and to name a sub-committee to develop a firm idea for addition.

The building plans call for a building with adequate church seating, a kitchen, a large hall for entertainments and a meeting and furnished for smaller functions.

The church, which observed its 60th anniversary, a few years ago, has grown in recent years. The Rev. John Neff, the present pastor, began his work with the charge in the end of May following graduation from Boston University.

Brownie Leader

Mrs. Edward N. Ivers, who has been appointed leader of the Brownie Pack at Peaks Island. Officers of the group include Cheryl Whitten, president; Sharon Dressley, vice president; Barbara Jean Cleland, secretary, and Margaret Butterfield, treasurer.

Weather

A Quebec says rising temperature killed $2 billion cubic feet in Canada's Maritime and Quebec and New England.

Pomerleau, director of the forest pathology at Laval University, reviewed last night's profile and yellow birch will vanish from the area unless average temperatures return to their levels of the past.

A tree disease called die-back. Dead and dying birch in Eastern Canada and Maine now cover "at least 175,000 square miles," he declared.

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John Robinson is new president of the Holy Name Society of St. Christopher's Church. Other officers are: Richard P. Howland, vice president; George R. Mullen, secretary and George Alexander, treasurer. The officers and John Keefe are in charge of arrangements for a coffee breakfast to be held Sunday, Jan. 3, in Island Hall. Robert Robinson, attorney, Portland, will be the guest speaker.

Miss Marguerite Boyce, Livermore Falls, is passing the Christmas recess with her mother, Mrs. Fred P. Boyce and family, Willow St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward, East Hartford, Conn. are announcing the birth of a daughter, Patricia Anne, Dec. 5. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Ward, Willow St.

Miss Bianca W. Regan, Island Ave., will leave Friday for a visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Hoff and family, New Rochelle, N. Y.

The Colants Study Club held its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. L. S. Slanton, Oak Ave., last week. Mrs. Edith Stiles and Mrs. Ovila O. Chevalier were assisting hostesses. Attending were Mrs. Ernest Elliot, Mrs. Henry Q. Gay, Mrs. Robert J. Ward, Mrs. Joseph S. White, Mrs. Alan R. Cleland, Mrs. Edmund E. Corcoran, Mrs. John Robinson, Mrs. Everett Skillings, Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, Mrs. Bradford Meehan, Mrs. Robert L. Spear and the Misses Marion L. Sterling, Lucy E. Hill, Ruby M. McConnell and E. Dorothy Hagan.

The next meeting will be held Dec 30 with Mrs. John B. Peterson, Adams St.

Mrs. Ella Mosley, Pleasant Ave., has returned from a visit at Montauk.

It Wasn't Her Eyes

Which Needed Correcting

BATH, Dec. 24.—As a narrator of what she has seen at the home of a neighbor who had set up a Nativity crib, a bright little Bath girl was perfect until she got to the last word this week.

At the supper table the three year old bubbled with enthusiasm over her visit and was immediately responsive to prompting.

What had she seen?

"I saw Jesus, and Mary, and Joseph..." And who else?

"The angels..." And?

"The Three Wise Guys!"
Candidate With A Head Start

William H. "Billy" O'Brien, 87-year-old city councilor who was elected yesterday to his third term, obviously got quite a vote in his own family. Father of 14, he's shown here surrounded by relatives who, naturally, are all O'Brien boosters. Front row, Catherine and Isabell O'Brien, daughters, the patriarch himself, Mrs. Agatha Carey and Mrs. Edna A. Lydon, daughters; rear, Roberta Rand, grand-daughter, George O'Brien, brother, Mrs. Etta Cameron, granddaughter, Ray A. Rand, son-in-law, James W. O'Brien, son, and Mrs. Elizabeth Rand, daughter. (Story on Page 28) (By Staff Photographer Curran)

News Of Peaks Island

Mrs. Frank H. Finney was awarded the door prize at the card party held Tuesday by the Randall and MacVane Post Auxiliary, at the home of Mrs. James Townsend, Adams St. Also playing were Mrs. P. M. Demson, Mrs. Hannah Paine, Mrs. William H. Roux, Mrs. Frank Boyer, Mrs. Dana E. Butterfield, Mrs. Elsie Tardif, Mrs. Richard E. McCarthy and Mrs. L. B. Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril O. Chevisier have moved to Stevens Ave, Portland.

Members of the Catholic Women's Council of St. Christopher's Church will meet at 8 p.m. today in the rectory to make plans for the Christmas party for the children.

Mrs. Harvey J. Woodbury Jr. and children, Jennifer and Robert, Newport, R. I., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Norwood, Pleasant Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lydon and family have returned to Brackett St., Portland, for the winter.

Miss Eleanor Powers, state director of education for the physically handicapped, Augusta, will present a travelogue in Brackett Memorial Church at 8 p.m. Friday. It will be sponsored by the WECS. The committee on arrangements includes Mrs. I. Clifton Millmore, Mrs. William A. McNair, Mrs. Malcolm F. Sterling and Mrs. H. Guy Pettipell. A miscellaneous fair will be held from 7 to 8 p.m.

Mrs. Carlisle I. Elliot and son, Robert, and daughter, Vicki, are residing on Codman Street, Portland. Captain Elliot left Sunday for service in Saudi Arabia.

Miss Jessie D. Carney, Willow St., has returned from Augusta where she took a week's course of study at the State Laboratory.

Mrs. Clyde H. Goff, State
Peaks Island

Nancy Gallagher is president of the recently formed Grill Youth Fellowship. Other officers are Nancy Ives, vice-president; Cheryl Skillings, secretary and Arlene Hamilton, treasurer. Mrs. George Geoghegan is leader.

Miss Kathleen Grant and John Grant, Island Ave., were holiday dinner guests of Mrs. Ernest W. Gulliver, Sterling St.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Murray and family are passing the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Murray and Mrs. Harry White, Newport.

Miss John W. Sanborn won the Peaks Island Parent-Teacher Association turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lewis, Central Ave., are announcing the birth of a son, Wednesday in Maine General Hospital. He weighed seven pounds and two ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hanson and family, Torrington Point, attended the Thanksgiving Day wedding of her cousin, Miss Jacqueline Normand and John O'Donnell in Lewiston.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Sweeney and family, Island Ave., are passing the holiday weekend with his mother, Mrs. Mae Sweeney, Wollaston, Mass.

Miss Mildred Davis and her son, Robert, Stratford, Conn., are visiting Mrs. Davis, daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hanson, Torrington Point. The seventh birthday anniversary of Suzanne Hanson was observed recently.

The Rev. John W. Neff will use as his sermon, "It's An Investment" at 10 a.m. Sunday in Brackets Memorial Church. Sunday will be Dedication Sunday and a 100 per cent collection is anticipated. The Peaks Island bus will be at the church at the close of the service. The Senior Youth Fellowship will enter members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the First Methodist Church South Portland.

FROM MAGAZINE "THE HOUSEWIFE" (English)

"Sitting in a train the other day, a small five year old was deep in conversation with two men. As they got up to leave the carriage, they turned toward and whispered to the child: 'Mother rode in a porker.'"

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM MAGAZINE "THE HOUSEWIFE" (English)
Peaks Island

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boothby, Pleasant Ave., were holiday guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Law and family, Park Ave. They also celebrated Mrs. Law's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Cantaloop and son, George Michael, Brooklyn, New York, are visiting Mrs. Cantaloop's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Slater, Island Ave.

Miss Annie E. Randall, Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. G. Clifford Randall, Luther St.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Curran, Luther St., entertained at a family dinner on Thanksgiving day. Guests included Mrs. Joseph A. Curran, Mrs. Melvin Barnes and son Clifford, Philip Curran, Miss Faye Curran, Capt. and Mrs. G. Clifford Randall and Miss Annie B. Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Stevens, Island Ave., were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Howard, Sunset Road.

The federated choir of the Brackett Memorial Church will rehearse at 8 p.m. this evening in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Boyle, Sterling St., had as holiday dinner guests Pfc. and Mrs. Elbridge Boyle, Elbridge Trott, Harry Boyle, Esseley and Betty Ann Boyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Mountfort, Berlin, N. H., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Winsfield, Brackett Ave., Mr. and Mrs. Mountfort will visit Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ward in Newton Center, Mass., before returning home.

TO VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Leonard, Portland, will visit the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Davis, Whiting Way.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Guy Pennington, Central Ave., will pass Thanksgiving Day with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh R. S. Davis, Noyes St., South Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Poore, Whiting Way, will entertain on holiday their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Reid W. Albee, Richard and Diane, Riverview St., Portland.

Miss Lucy E. Hill, Central Ave., will entertain on Thanksgiving Day Mrs. Bertha Seabury, Miss Evelyn Seabury, Miss Martha Littlefield, Portland, all summer residents of Chebeague Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swett,

Reading, Mass., and Miss Helen H. Pease, Greenwich, Conn., will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Hudson, Island Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Elliot, Island Ave., will have as holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Emery C. Bick and children, Carroll and Leanne and Capt. and Mrs. Carlisle T. Elliot and children, Robert and Vicki, and Mrs. Donald Elliot.
Miss Reta Pedersen To Wed Charles Morrill, Peaks Island

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Christian Pedersen of Peaks Island are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Reta Jean to A2/c Charles Thomas Morrill, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Morrill, also of Peaks Island. Miss Pedersen is a graduate of Portland High School and is employed by the Casco Bank and Trust Co.

Reta Pedersen Selects Aides For Wedding

Miss Reta Jean Pedersen, who is to become the bride of A2/c Charles Thomas Morrill, Thursday in Brackett Memorial Church, Peaks Island, announces Mrs. John E. Bump Jr. of Gorham as her matron of honor and only attendant.

Kenneth W. Pedersen, brother of the bride-elect, is to be best man. Francis A. Morrill of Portland and Mr. Bump are to usher. The Rev. John W. Neff will officiate at the 7:15 p.m. ceremony.

Miss Alice M. Boyce will have charge of the guest book and Mrs. Melvin L. Barnes is to preside over the gifts at a reception in American Legion Hall. Mrs. Morrill is to cut the wedding cake. Assisting in serving will be the Misses Sue Crawford and Waneta Norwood and Mrs. John J. Curran.

Following a wedding trip the couple will reside on Barr Parkway, Wareham, Mass. The prospective bridegroom is stationed at Otis Air Force Base, Plymouth, Mass.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Morrill of Peaks Island attended Portland Schools. The bride-elect, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jens Christian Pedersen of Peaks Island, is a graduate of Portland High School and employed by Casco Bank and Trust Co.
Morrill-Pedersen Bridal Takes Place In Peaks Island Church

PEAKS ISLAND, Dec. 18—At the Peaks Island Church, A2C and MRS. CHARLES T. MORRILL (Reta Jean Pedersen) were married. The wedding reception was held at the American Legion Home.

The Rev. John W. Nett officiated. Mrs. Edith Samborn was the organist. White chrysanthemums and carnations were used as the altar decorations.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Christian Pedersen of Central Ave. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Morrill of Pleasant Ave.

The bride wore a street length princess style gown of white faille with a bolero jacket and a white sash. She carried a miniature bouquet of white carnations.

Mrs. John E. Bump Jr., of Gorham was the maid of honor.

The wedding was attended by the bride's brother, Mr. Bump, and the groom's brother, Mr. Pedersen.

The bride was graduated from Portland High School and is employed with the Chase Bank and Trust Co. in Portland.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Portland High School and is serving with the U.S. Air Force stationed at the Otis Air Force Base, Plymouth, Mass.
Wilda Elms Becomes Bride
In Peaks Island Ceremony

Evergreens, lilacs and white and Peaks Island. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Robertson of East Sullivan.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her cousin, Russell G. Rogers, wore a white waist length gown fashioned with a Chantilly lace bodice and jacket and skirt of net with inserts of lace. Her veil fell from a cap trimmed with seed pearls and she carried a cascade arrangement of white roses and feathered carnations.

Miss Patricia Ames of Bath, Mass., and the late George Elms, and is the niece of Mrs. Elmer O. Rogers of Springvale, was the bride's only attendant, wearing a wine colored waists.

William Alexander of West Point was the best man. In the usher group were Murray H. Roberterts Jr., of Peaks Island, cousin of the bride; and Leland Priest of East Sullivan, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Priest presided over the guest book for the wedding reception at the American Legion Hall on Peaks Island. Miss Alice Boyce of Peaks Island and Miss Gwendolyn Conteau of Haverhill, Mass., sister of the bride, were the gift hostesses. Assisting with the serving were Mrs. Glenwood Day of Limerick, the Misses Madeline Clement of South Pembroke, Barbara Bernard of Cranley, Joan Price of Brunswick and Elizabeth Green.

For their wedding trip through Maine, the bride chose an aqua faille dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses. Mr. Robertson and his bride will reside at 56 Cumberland Ave. on their return.

Mrs. Robertson is a graduate of Portland High School and Gorham State Teachers' College where she received her B.S. degree in education.

The bridegroom was graduated from Harris High School in North Carolina and is a student at Gorham State Teachers' College.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Randolph Brackett (Lois Mor-
rong) of Main St., Gorham, Dec. 25, a son, William Ran-
dolph Jr., their second child. Mrs. Leona Morong of Park 
Ave. is maternal grandmother, and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight A. 
Brackett of Main St., Gorham, are paternal grandparents.

Peaks Island

The Peaks Island Lions Club will hold a free dance this eve-
ing in island hall for the pub-
lic, starting at 8 o'clock and 
lasting until 10:30. Mr. John 
Ford is chairman.

The FTA will meet at 8:15 
P.M. Wednesday in the school 
at which time the annual 
Christmas party and exchange 
of gifts will be held.

The Mothers Club of the 
Brackett Memorial Church will 
meet at 8 p.m., Tuesday at the 
home of Mrs. Gilman Skillings, 
Central Ave.

Edward E. Baskey, Is-
land Ave., has been chosen as 
chairman for the Peaks Island 
1955 March of Dimes drive, 
which will start Monday.

Rev. John W. Neff has chosen 
his sermon subject at the 10 o'clock service Sunday mor-
ning at the Brackett Memorial 
Church—Covenant or Resolu-
tion.

The Intermediate Youth Fel-
lowship will meet in the vestry 
at 5 p.m. and the Senior YP 
will meet at 6:30 in the vestry.

Capt. John E. Devine Jr., New 
York City, is passing a week 
with his wife and daughter on 
Central Ave.

Miss Lucy E. Hill, Central 
Ave., has returned from a visit 
with friends in Bath.
MR. and MRS. PHILIP S. SKILLINGS of Brackett Ave., Peaks Island, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Janette Bell Skillings, to Robert Lewis Pickett, son of Everett R. Pickett of Augusta, and the late Mrs. Pickett. A June wedding is planned.

Miss Skillings is a graduate of Portland High School and the Dorothy Mayon School of The Dance where she is a member of the faculty.

Mr. Pickett was graduated from Abington High School, Abington, Pa., and attended the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, Va. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force in World War II. Mr. Pickett is employed by Hall, Knight Hardware Company in Lewiston.

Portland (Me.) Sunday Telegram, Dec. 5, 1954
Local Man Remembers Great Stars Of Past

BY HAROLD L. CALL

It’s dark and lonesome backstage at the Civic Theater these days, stage manager “Mort” Woodbury doesn’t mind too much.

For 58 years of Mr. Woodbury’s 85 years have been spent in the theater and the shadows are bright with scenes from plays he’s worked and the faces of stars he’s known.

In fact, his head’s so full of plays and players that he sometimes has trouble sorting them out as they parade by in retrospect.

Maurice Henri Woodbury was born in the Perry Village section of South Portland Aug. 24, 1869. He was one of four children and his father, a sea captain, was destined to lose at sea. By rights Maurice should have followed the sea but Fate decreed otherwise.

Nicknames Puzzles

Woodbury can’t remember where, when or why he picked up the nickname “Mort” nor does he have any recollection of any special interest in the theater prior to going to work at Deering Hall. It was a straight case of needing a job, and when the property boy there, with whom he was pulling around, decided to quit, Mort moved right in.

It was, he agrees now, a case of love at first sight. “I never wanted to do anything else after that,” he says.

Mort isn’t sure whether it was 1866 or 1867, but it makes little difference now. It was a long time ago. Deering Hall was located upstairs at Pringle and Congress streets. It became the New Portland Theater when a new manager painted that name on a gaslight at the entrance door, Woodbury recalls.

His first show was “The Jilt,” with Dion Boucicault, one of the great names in that era. Maurice Barrymore was another who came to that playhouse, and Woodbury recalls that Augustus Thomas, the playwright, didn’t, did a bit part in his own production, “Reckless Temple,” which had its opening here.

Stock Popular

The “The” theater in those early days was Fanny Marsh’s stock company in the present Union Mutual Building. The late George M. Cohan’s parents appeared there, and little George attended the chestnut street

Headful Of Memories

Maurice H. “Mort” Woodbury, stage manager of the Civic Theater, has 68 years of theater memories to keep him young. (By Staff Photographer Johnson)

Turnabout

Woodbury’s working schedule for many years was winters at the Jefferson Theater and summers at the Gem.

“I was at the Jefferson when it opened in 1897 with Francis Wilson in ‘Half A King.’ Woodbury worked that house as a carpenter, subsequently alternating between that and property man as jobs required.

Well-grounded in those backstage chores, and having covered the local scene so far as theaters went, Woodbury decided to try the road. He started off from Philadelphia, with the late Nazimova in ‘Beladonna’ on a tour that took him to the West Coast. That was the first of several such tours over a period of 30 seasons, “Never went out of the country,” says Woodbury, “but
Proposed Budget for the Brackett Memorial Methodist Church for the year 1955.

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Explanation of Budget Items:

1. Minister's salary to be increased from $38.00 per week to $43.00 per week. Conference payments will be based on this figure.
2. Minister's administrative expense - The sum of $2.00 per week to be paid weekly shall be added to the weekly payment to the minister for this purpose.
3. The need for Janitor service has been quite apparent for some time and this amount represents an increase in this service from $2.00 per week to $5.00 per week.
4. Organist - The sum of $4.00 per week for David A. Morr as organist as long as he continues to be the organist shall be paid to him. If it becomes necessary to change organists this amount shall be subject to adjustment at the time the change is made.
5. Pulpit Supply - This amount to be used in the case of sickness or vacation of the pastor.
6. Fuel - Church and Parsonage - In accordance with our agreement we shall be responsible for the fuel both for the church and parsonage. The parsonage fuel shall also include oil for the kitchen range as well as coal for the furnace.
7. The Electricity and Water - These two accounts will be paid for by the church. This will also include the parsonage amounts.
8. Insurance - The same premiums will be due in 1955.
9. Telephone - The same as last year.
10. Conference - This amount represents an increase of $102.00 for the current year. At the 1954 conference we were told by the supt. that we could expect some relief in the 1955 apportionment.
11. Miscellaneous supplies. As our church expands more is needed to cover the internal operation and this item has been necessarily increased.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Stevens, Treasurer.
LIKE ‘WHO’S WHO’

Woodbury’s recollections of players and plays is like reading “Who’s Who In The Theater,” with Sarah Bernhardt, Leslie Howard in “Escape,” Helen Morgan in “Sweet Adeline,” Georgie Drew Barrymore in “A Possible Case,” with Robert Hilliard and Cora Payton, the matinee idol.

His last road tour was with the Abbey Players from Dublin, the company including Barry Fitzgerald, star of the film, and his brother, Arthur Shields. “We opened in Wellesley. They arrived late in Boston and came to the theater directly from the boat.”

At a result of his travels, Woodbury came to the conclusion that New Orleans and San Francisco were the best cities in the country, but “that Maine is the best place to live.”

Despite his years on the road, Woodbury married, maintained a home and raised two daughters in Portland. The latter, Mrs. Irene MacVane and Mrs. Edna W. Littlefield, reside in this city.

Yes, it’s sort of quiet backstage at the Civic Theater where the movies come and go with regularity and require little attention from the stage manager. But Woodbury has his memories to brighten up the dark corners, faces of players that will be remembered long after many film players have been forgotten.
Miss Alberta Elizabeth Alexander became the bride of Edward John Polk in St. Christopher's Church, Peaks Island, Saturday.

The Rev. George W. Coreen officiated at the 9 a.m. ceremony. George Joseph Alexander gave his daughter in marriage.

Mrs. Raymond Sweney was organist and soloist.

The bride wore a gown of pale blue net with a diaphanous bodice and bowfront skirt, and matching jacket. She carried a white prayer book, covered with baby red roses. Her pillbox hat matched her gown.

The bride traveled in a gray suit, red coat and black accessories.

The bride attended Cathedral High School and is employed in South Portland. The bridesmaid, who has been residing on Cumberland Ave., attended school in Lubec and Eastport and is employed by Casco Bottling Co.

The couple will reside in Portland.
Folks All Over Agree 'Twas A Snappy Spell Of Weather

This lad was but two years old when this photograph was taken. He was born here, son of George and Alice Walters Feeney. His father was prominent in the field of shipping. He was Maine State Pier traffic manager and Portland Chamber of Commerce secretary.

George Feeney Jr. now is chief deputy clerk of the U. S. District Court and an attorney practicing law at 97A Exchange St. He attended local schools and Portland High School and was graduated from Cheverus High School in 1939. He was graduated from Portland University Law School in 1950. He married the former Helen K. Cochran of Madawaska in 1942. They have five children, Maureen, Alexina, Kathleen, Daniel and David. He is former commander of the Randall-MacVane Post, AL, Peaks Island, and a member of the Cumberland, State and American Bar Associations.
Sticky Storm Loads Maine With Up To
18 Inches Of Snow
Blamed For Death Of Kittery Girl;
Heavy Fall Slows Traffic, Cuts Power

All of Maine was pelted by a northeast storm yesterday which left up to 18 inches of heavy, wet snow.

The storm grounded airplanes, slowed traffic, caused electric power and telephone failures and disrupted public transportation.

It also claimed the life of 17-year-old Edith Horning in a car which was riding skidded and crashed into a tree.

IN THE PORTLAND area the storm turned to rain and sleet early last night, after dropping seven inches on top of three that fell Tuesday. By early this morning heavy snow again was falling.

Forecasters at the U. S. Weather Bureau here saw no immediate end to the snow. The forecast called for moderate snow this morning, tapering off to flurries this afternoon and tonight in this area.

They predict an additional five inches will fall in the southwestern section.

The storm came on the third anniversary of the blizzard of Feb. 17, 1932, when up to 26 inches of snow fell, marooning of Kittery, killed when the car in which she was riding skidded and crashed into a tree on Route 101 this morning, tearing off her flares this afternoon and tonight in this area.

They predict an additional five inches will fall in the southwestern section.

The storm came on the third anniversary of the blizzard of Feb. 17, 1932, when up to 26 inches of snow fell, marooning six persons in that 36-hour storm.

IN NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE the fall is expected to be heavier today, with as much as 20 additional inches predicted. Already 13 inches had fallen at Millinocket by this morning.

At Leeds, the Maine Central Railroad's Flying Yankee train struck a stalled highway plow on a grade crossing last night.

A railroad spokesman said no one was injured.

It arrived in Portland from Danger about 20 minutes late, officially said.

THE PLOW STALLED on a signal-protected crossing east of Leeds Junction, railroad officials said. The plow crew got safely clear before the train struck. The train conductor was R. A. Young of Lewiston and the engineer was Ralph Hooper of Oakland.

Claiming the distinction of receiving the most snow was the town of Oatfield in York County. Unofficially, 18 inches had fallen there at a late hour last night. It still was snowing, but roads were reported well plowed.

Other heavy falls were at Preble, 14 inches; Old Town, 17 inches; Augusta, 13 inches; Brunswick, Houlton and Raymond, 8 inches each, and Edmonds, seven inches.

Once Upon a Time...

Falmouth Scene In 1923

Eleven-foot drifts piled on each side of the Falmouth Foreside road near the Grand Country Club show what Maine looked like on the first Sunday in March, 1923. Snow in the road was too deep for autos, with the first one getting through Irish 16. Road was first plowed in state by tractor, with the late Ralph Redfern doing it up for his milk routes. (Submitted by Neilis Knudsen)
Other Foes Of Portland's Waterborne Firemen Include Bad Weather And That Bird, The Stork

By STEVE RILEY
(Staff Writer)

This is the time of year when the crew of Portland's fireboat cast a wary eye on the falling thermometer, cross their fingers and hope for the best.

But Maine's only sea-going firefighters are often disappointed, for all too many times, it seems, the worst waterfront fires of the year occur in zero weather, generally in the wee hours of the morning when it's darkest, coldest and windiest.

It happened Jan. 25 last year when a roaring wind-driven fire engulfed the Pocahontas Coal Co. wharf. Fireboat crews were still holding vivid memories of the bitter cold night in December, 1947, when the Randall and McAllister Wharf became an inferno that threatened the whole waterfront.

Proves Its Worth

But it's under just such adverse conditions that the little publicized fireboat proves its worth, going where land-bound apparatus is useless and getting at the heart of wharf blazes.

The fact that both those fires were confined to the wharf where they started is in no small measure due to the fireboat and its crew who drew in close and plugged it out at close range with both blazes, just as it has been doing at all waterfront fires for the past 23 years.

Officers and men of Engine Seven—that's the fire department's official designation for the boat—like to boast that the craft paid for itself at the first big fire.

They're probably right, too, because it cost the city $125,000 to build back in 1939 when it was ordered to replace a feebler old steamer. At today's price for a steel, 90-foot boat driven by three Diesel engines, that was a bargain.

There's no way to tell how many dollars worth of damage it has prevented, but firemen are willing to bet it's up in the millions.

Other Terms

It has paid for itself in terms other than money, too.

"Out of the 80 to 90 emergency calls we get every year, about half are for police other than fires," says Capt. Eugene P. Temple Jr., who has been in command of the fireboat since 1940.

"We receive many calls to go down to the island and bring back sick or injured persons," he says. "We can make it out to Peaks Island and back in about 45 minutes elapsed time."

"That's fast enough to beat the stork, at least," Lt. William F. Stanhope, the second in command, adds wryly. "We've brought many expectant mothers to the mainland and there have been some close calls, but we've never lost a race to the old bird yet."

Besides the emergency calls, the boat is called on for cooperative routine work, including such department chores as verifying mechanics out to service fire apparatus and equipment on Peaks, Long and Calf Islands, and such non-departmental work as transporting important visiting dignitaries in the islands.

Police Work

Another task the boat is often called upon to do and one for which Capt. Temple has no likeness to police work, which often includes bringing prisoners back from the island, the city place to lock prisoners up.

"We're just not equipped for that type of work," the Captain says.

The one job the boat is admirably equipped to do is to fight fires.

It attacks a blaze with a deluge from four powerful monitors, or water guns, which have a capacity of more than 3000 gallons an hour. Diesel engines, plenty of powerful propellers and an at headquarters and apparatus by rad...
Maintenance Work

Engineers Bartley F. Conley and Alan E. Stanhope work on one of the fireboat's three powerful engines. A new engine was installed a year ago in one of the first major improvements to the craft since it was built 23 years ago. The care the engine room receives is reflected in its neat and shipshape appearance.

Anning the boat, besides the skip and lieutenant, both of whom have their master's papers, are five engineers, three men and two civilians. A crew of six working under the engineers include Cliff J. White, Boyd W. Max, Alan E. Stanhope, Bartley Conley, and Raymond S. Dick. Deckmen are Edward Smith, Francis E. Peirce, and Tony Pesto. The civilian engineers are George H. Lopes and Earle Cushing.

At State Pier, the quarters are located on the second floor on the west side of State Pier where the fireboat is docked. And when the alarm rings it doesn't take long for the crewmen to board and get under way.

"We can cast off in about 27 seconds," says Lt. Stanhope, but it takes a little longer to maneuver past the other craft that are tied up at this wharf and alongside the next one."

But for all its good work along the waterfront, it remains for the Russians, of all people, to pay the fireboat its biggest compliment. In 1949, the Soviets came to the U.S. to select a design and order construction of a fireboat to protect a major Russian port, reputedly the big naval base of Vladivostok in Siberia.

And what was their final choice? An exact copy of the Portland fireboat, which they had built at the same yard that constructed the local craft. Nothing has been heard from it since it was shipped to Russia, but likely as not it is giving Soviet port the same faithful protection Engine Seven is giving Portland.

Staff Photos by William F. Curran Jr.
Ready For Action

Deckmen Anthony Feato, left, and Edward A. Smith man the monitor on the fireboat's tower. Equipped with 6,000 gallons an hour. Other moniters are located on the forward deck, aft and on top the wheelhouse.
Calends Study Club
Years Two Papers

Mrs. A. J. Shute read a paper
on "Winter Playground" and
Miss Marlen Sterling another
paper on "Under The Big Top"
last program meeting of Calends
Study Club in the home of Mrs.
Ernest H. Elliot, Peaks Island,
Thursday evening.

Members responded with sto­
ries of performers they remem­
ber in the theatrical world. Mrs.
Edmund E. Corcoran presided
or business. She announced a
meeting Jan. 27 in the home of
Mrs. Gertrude Tringham, New
Avenue. Mrs. Frances Russell
and Mrs. Harry J. Ward will
report papers on "The Blue
train Country" and "Heat And
relax With Music," respectively.
Mrs. Raymond S. Herrick was
new member attending.
Peaks Island

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ryan entertained Saturday afternoon for the fourth birthday of their daughter, Kathleen and the second birthday of their step daughter. Guests included Bonnie and Wayne MacVane, John, Barbara and Frances Van Ness, Philip Lewis, Kathleen. Robert Kennedy, Suzanne and Richard Hansen, Kimberly and Paul Erickson, Deborah Davis, Edward Tolman, John F. Toothy, Mrs. Raymond W. Davis, Mrs. Richard Erickson, Mrs. Clayton Lewis, and Mrs. Robert L. Hanson.

Forest City Grange will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in Island Hall. Mrs. Clyde H. Goff, lecturer, will present a program, "The Light on Thankfulness." Participating will be Mr. and Mrs. Norten Montgomery, Clyde and Robert Goff and Kathleen Earley.

The twin daughters born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Pettigrew Jr. in the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary have been named Denise and Deborah.

Mrs. Victoria Roach was awarded the door prize and a table prize at the party Saturday evening for the March of Dimes sponsored by Randall-MacVane Post, A.I. Auxiliary, Officer, Mrs. Alice B. Willey; Misses Edith and Shirley Goff, Linda and Leah Smith, Mrs. Harold F. Norris, Heman Ave., had as guests Monday, Mrs. Philip S. Skilling, Ruth Smith, Mrs. Malcolm P. Sterling, Mrs. Everett Skilling, Mrs. William L. Berryman, Mrs. A. J. Shute and Mrs. Ernest Edlin.

Forest City Juvenile Grange will meet at 7:15 p.m. tomorrow in Island Hall. Each member is asked to bring soap and a knife to work on stop sculpture. A skit will be presented during the lecturer's hour. Miss Edith Goff will be reader and the cast includes: New Year, Phillip Fuller, January, Carol Bryant; February, Kathleen Howland; March, Bradford Peck; April, Christopher Church; May, Oerald Skillings; June, Sharon, Bradford July, William Goff; August, Wayne Tracy; September, Nancy Toree; October, Nancy Fong; November, Nancy Gallagher and December, Thomas Gallagher.

Peaks Island

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Huelin.

The Girl Scout Troop recently worked on Christmas cards and scrapbooks for the Children's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Skilling, Bragg's Ave., had as Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hamilton, Salem, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newell, Portland.

The Parent Teacher Association will present an entertainment, "Personal Appearance of the Portland TV Stars," including "Room of the Lockers" and "Modern Boys & Girls," at the Lafayette Theater. Mrs. Edward E. Buskey is general chairman, assisted by Raymond H. Bortz, Mrs. Malcolm Murray and Mrs. Lerry Parkhurst.

Peaks Island

First Aid Course Starts Jan. 25

A Red Cross first aid course will begin Jan. 25 in Island Hall. It will be presented by the Colby's Study Club.

Dr. Raymond Sweeney, with assistant instructor, Donna Wing will underwrite in the club may be Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, who is in charge of arrangements.

The Auxiliary of the Randall-MacVane Post, A.I. will sponsor a card party at 8 p.m. Saturday in the post home. To benefit the March of Dimes polio drive.

Mrs. Richard Erickson is chairman of the committee, assisted by Mrs. Frank Boyes and Mrs. Richard Hascomb.

The Mothers' Club of the Bragg's Memorial Church will meet at 8 p.m. today at the home of Mrs. John L. Barnes, Sterling St.

Mrs. Annie B. Randall was guest of honor at a surprise Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Melvin L. Barns, Sterling St.

Mrs. Frances Feddersen of Peaks Island.

MRS. JOHN MURRAY, Av., a patient at the Maine General Hospital.

Clifford R. Barnes has returned to his Sterling Street home after treatment at the Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. Romeo Valliere has returned to her home on Kane St., after visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dahl, Cape Cod.

Mrs. Caroline Mouton has returned to Berlin, N.H., after passing a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Winstead, Breckinridge Ave., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Tibbetts, son Frank Jr., of Chelsea, Mass., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Littlejohn, Island Ave.
Peaks Island

The Auxiliary to the Randall and MacVane Post, A. L., will sponsor a card party this evening in the East Home to benefit the Foil Fund. The committee on arrangements includes Mrs. Marjorie Erico, chairman, Mrs. Frances Boyes and Mrs. Virginia Tinuske.

TWIN DAUGHTERS

Twin daughters were born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Pettingill Jr., of Harvard St., South Portland, at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. They formerly resided on the island. Mrs. Charles Hawlin, South Portland, is the maternal grandmother and Mr. and Mrs. H. Raymond Pettingill Sr., are the paternal grandparents.

Mrs. Gertrude Ingraham, New Island Ave., will be hostess to the Calendars Study Club Thursday evening. Mrs. Frances Russell will prepare a paper on "The Blue Grass Country" and Mrs. Harry J. Ward will present a paper on "Rest and Relax with Music."

The following Brownies were presented pins at the investiture ceremony of Troop 178 this week: Diane Auger, Jeanne Allee, Claudia Barbrick, Sharon Brassler, Carol Bryant, Margaret Butterfield, Lorraine Carson, Barbara Cieland, Lorraine Clough, Suzanne Hanson, Suzanne Haynes, Linda Ivers, Phyllis Norris, Penelope Pennell, Marie and Audrey Rioux, Linda Serhber, and Kathleen and Jan Sullivan. Mrs. Edward N. Ivers is troop leader.

William H. White, Maple St., is a patient at the Mercy Hospital.

The Rev. John W. Neff will use his subject, "I Hear My People Calling," at 10 a.m. tomorrow in Brucker Memorial Church. The Intermediate Youth Fellowship will meet at 5 p.m. The Rev. Mr. Neff will lead a discussion on "The Christian and War" at the 6:30 p.m. meeting of the Senior Youth Fellowship. Nominations of church officers will be held at a 7:30 p.m. meeting Wednesday in the parapagey. The church choir will rehearse at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

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Along The Waterfront...

Local Ferry Getting New Paint Job and Power Plant

The Casco Bay Lines ferry run by the Storey Marine Railway, South Portland, for repairs.

The work includes new planking, removal of ice sheathing, new guard rails, lead patch on stem, caulk and some sister frames and a new steering gear.

A new 236-horsepower Diesel engine, reconditioned by the manufacturer, also has been placed on her deck awaiting installation. The engine formerly was used in a vessel operating out of Southwest Harbor. A larger engine was installed in this vessel. After she had been lengthened:

William Bros. is building new beds for the Berkeley's larger engine. The installation is expected to be completed in two or three weeks.

The Berkeley, which went into service here last August, after operation at Norfolk, will be painted out in the colors of the Casco Bay Lines—black hull and white superstructure.

The ferry Narmada, which has been handling "down the bay" jobs, also is handling the Berkeley's run to Peaks Island.

Heavy Traffic

Passenger and freight traffic between Portland and Casco Bay Islands, particularly Peaks Island, this winter has been the heaviest in years. General Manager Walter Swett said today.

Swett expressed belief that the islands are coming back as year-round residences in view of better services.

More people have lived at Peaks Island this winter since the early morning trip-bringing passengers to Portland by 7:45 a.m., was begun Swett said.

Next summer's tourist business looks good, he said. Already boats are being reserved for charter for day excursions by groups and a bus line, Swett reported.