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Mrs. S. W. Burt returned on Monday from a two week's visit in Fort Fairfield.

Miss Season of Fredericton has returned and resumed her duties as stenographer for the United Farmers Cooperative Co.

School closed on Wednesday last. No public examination was held as the teachers and pupils have been putting all their extra effort into preparation for the concert to be given in the Opera House here on Christmas night. There will be no change in the personnel of the teaching staff for the ensuing term.

L. H. Baldwin and Miss Kathleen O'Hara attended the meeting of the Carleton-Victoria Teachers Institute held in Woodstock on Thursday and Friday of last week.

The merchants report a bumper Christmas season's trade. Although the H. C. of L. has left its mark especially noticeable on gift stuff and Christmas necessities, the hesitation of purchasers is not marked in the same proportion, as nearly all buyers have bulging pockets from sales made at the high market price of products.

Miss Mary Gallagher of the Model School Staff, Fredericton, and John Gallagher of the Fredericton Business College are spending the Christmas tide at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Gallagher.

Miss Vera Brown of the teaching staff of McGill University arrived home from Montreal last week for a vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Brown.

Miss Mary Harold student at the Provincial Normal School is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Harold.

Charles Estabrooks, who has been spending the last two months in Montreal taking a course in the Mohr Barber College, arrived home on Tuesday.

Miss Marguerite Campbell of Aroostook Junction and Miss Pertie Reit of Jacksonville are spending the vacation at their respective homes here.

Douglas Downey of Canterbury and Miss Evelyn Downey of Normal School, Fredericton are home for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anna Downey.

Mrs. Geason of Hartland is the guest of her daughter Mrs. H. E. Hagerman at her home here.

Fred Perry and Andrew Stephenson of Florenceville were the guests of Bert Perry on Saturday.

John F. Scholey of Mars Hill spent Sunday with his mother Mrs. H. T. Scholey.

Special Christmas addresses and carols Christmas music was forthcoming in all the churches on Sunday for the edification and enjoyment of the several congregations.

Carl Brown of Fredericton arrived home on Friday.

Rev. D. B. Sharp of Regina, Sask., leader of the Allied Church Forward Movement in the Western provinces, will preach on this subject in the United Baptist church on Sunday morning.

Mrs. Abbie Smith and Miss Hazel Smith of Knoxford spent Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Niles.

H. E. Hagerman and family motored to Hartland on Sunday and spent the day with relatives.

On Sunday evening a special missionary service was held in the United Baptist church. The service was conducted by Mrs. Johnson, wife of the pastor, who gave a most interesting address. An instructive paper on missionary work was read by Mrs. Jessie Campbell special music was rendered by the choir and two solos were beautifully given by Mrs. J. I. Gallagher and Mrs. R. Johnson.

and discontent among a certain class of Mr. Caldwell's glib followers?

In an attempt to justify his criticism Mr. Caldwell in his letter asks "will anti-Bolshevik not admit that it is harder to raise money in 1919 than it was in either 1917 or 1918?" We have the Government's statement that the amount raised in the Victory Loan of 1919 surpasses that of any previous loan. The large corporations in many instances subscribing double the amount they did last year. Does this not rather disprove Mr. Caldwell's statement? If however, Mr. Caldwell means "was it not harder to get the small investor to subscribe in 1919?" then I readily agree with him. Why was it that the farmers of this country (particularly those of the parish of Brighton) did not heed the patriotic appeals as formerly and subscribe better to the Victory Loan of 1919? Does not the sentiment found throughout the rural districts explain the chief reason? Could

not this sentiment be summed up as follows: "Let the professor and the wealthy class do the subscribing to the Victory Loan. We owe nothing to the Government. Why ask us to make further sacrifice?" It has been said that the radicals on one hand and the professors on the other are the chief cause of the prevailing unrest and discontent throughout the U.S. and Canada. That Carleton county lacks in professors it certainly makes up in radicals. In his letter Mr. Caldwell wholly evades the real issue brought forward in my previous letter but seeks by using innuendoes to belittle the truth and accuracy of the statements contained therein. Such a course cannot fail to be understood by the public.

Yours respectfully,
Anti-Bolshevik.

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ANTI-BOLSHEVİK WRITES AGAIN

Dear Mr. Editor: I wish to explain that part of my letter which appeared in the Dec 4 issue of The Observer in which I refer to "Mr. Caldwell's criticism of the 1918 Victory Loan." I had no intention of insinuating that Mr. Caldwell had criticized the victory Bonds as an investment or the Government's policy of selling the bonds direct to the people, but what I did mean was that Mr. Caldwell had criticized the fact that 1918 Victory Bonds were untaxed, as all intelligent readers know the Government's chief reason for not taxing these bonds was that the bonds might prove a greater inducement to the small investor. The wisdom of this was fully vindicated by such a large part of the loan being subscribed by small investors, during his election campaign, however, Mr. Caldwell ignored this and in an endeavor to discredit the Federal Government he told his audience that by not taxing the 1918 Bonds the Government was favoring the wealthy class of this country and thus discriminating against the poor. Can there be any doubt but that arguments of this kind helped create prejudice

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