# Tenth Musical Festival Opens Today At P.W.C.

The Prince Edward Island Musical Festival is ten years old as it opens today at Prince of Wales College Auditorium, and is able to look back to steady growth and accomplishment over the years and to look ahead to wider and wider areas of cultural development in the field of music in this Province.

The Festival now includes three days of choral reading and folk dancing as well as the week of music and has expanded to the use of three halls in Charlottetown and two in Summerside. With four adjudicators for the music part alone. Considering the large number of entries the festival can be classed with the larger festivals of Canada and is a member of the Canadian Federation of Musical Festivals.

Frank Wharram, a popular adjudicator of last year is returning, also two colleagues from Toronto: Mr. Killburn and Mr. Blatchford. A fourth man Mr. Mitchell is from Montreal.

The choral reading opens today at P.W.C. and will be adjudicated by Mrs. Arthur Roper C.D.A. The folk dancing also beginning today will be adjudicated by Major Callum MacLeod, Sydney, N.S., and Mrs. Gardem Lawson Summerside.

An interesting display of Festival shields and cups and artistic crests is being shown through the kindness of Moore and McLeod's and is attracting a great deal of interest.

It is pleasing to note that there are more entries this year from more widely diversified areas of the Province. It is hoped that the Festival while encouraging those of exceptional talent may also make the lives of many of average musical ability happier and fuller.

Truly it has been said "Culture is something which comes from a people, rather than something super-imposed upon them".

Dr. G. D. Steele, will preside at the opening session.

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## Heads Campaign

Dr. L. I. Duffy (above) has been appointed general chairman of the Catholic Social Welfare Bureau drive for funds which will be held this year on June 15 and 16.

Other chairmen appointed to work with Dr. Duffy are Mr. Roy MacGillvary from the St. Dunstan's Basilica parish, Mr. Frank O'Neill from the Holy Redeemer parish and Dr. Brendon O'Grady for the special names.

Executive members on the campaign includes Messrs George Cheverie, J. T. Doyle, Eugene Kelly, Walter Morrissey and A. R. MacInnis Jr.

The special names canvass will be held during the week of June 5. The members of the Board of Directors of the Catholic Social Welfare Bureau plus a number of retired members will constitute the canvassers.

The drive is usually held in November each year but this year owing to a great need for funds the time of the drive was moved ahead to June. It will be held annually at this time.

A meeting of canvassers will be held on June 10 a few days before the drive opens. The monthly directors meeting will be held next Wednesday night.

### DRUG CACHE SEIZED

MONTREAL (CP)—RCMP officers Tuesday night arrested two Montrealers and seized 11 pounds of marijuana. It was disclosed Wednesday. The seizure was described as the largest in the city in seven years. Names of the two were not disclosed.

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## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS
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### BIRTHS

MULLEN—At the Charlottetown Hospital on Wednesday, April 27, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mullen, Bedford, a son, 8 lbs, 3 ozs.

### DEATHS

MacDONALD — At her home in Cardigan Head, on Wednesday morning, April 27, of Mrs. John William MacDonald in her 78th year. Funeral Friday at 2 o'clock from the home of her son James A. MacDonald. Interment Cardigan Cemetery.

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## 5-Day Postponement

The tri-service radiation detection team from Kingston, Ont., had been in position beside slit trenches for three hours in temperatures around the freezing mark when the postponement was announced. Their trenches are only 3,500 yards from ground zero, the second most forward manned position at the Nevada desert test site 80 miles north of here.

The Canadians returned to their quarters in the U. S. Army's Desert Rock camp about 40 miles west of the test site. They had a warm meal. Then when word that a new attempt would be made was received, Lt.-Col. Robert Klaehn of Ottawa, the team commander, ordered all personnel to go to bed to ensure they would be fully rested if the test shot came off.

Officials said that if the test has not been fired by Friday, an additional attempt may be made Saturday before a lengthy halt is called to check instruments.

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## Saurel Ends

ly beef and beans when the Saurel arrived with fresh foods. There was no scarcity of canned foods, however.

Only one patient had to be airlifted to hospital from Bell Island — a youth who developed acute appenticitis was picked up by helicopter. But because the island has no hospital this is often done even when conditions are normal.

Movies were cancelled because no films could be taken in.

### SCHOOL CLOSED

At least one school had been closed since Easter because the teacher was stranded on the mainland.

The Saurel plowed through the ice as a southwest wind began easing the cakes out of Conception Bay, bringing the first sign of relief to the ice-infested northeast coast.

An ice-belt stretching across the mouth of St. John's harbor also showed signs of breaking up on Wednesday and if southwest winds continued 15 ships waiting to get in could probably nose through later in the day.

The freighter Exploits, loading fish in Conception Bay ports forced her way clear of the ice Wednesday and headed for Halifax but the jam is still too thick to allow the small ferries to ply between Bell Island and Portugal Cove.

### USE HELICOPTER

Some 40 people stranded on the Newfoundland mainland were flown home by helicopter Monday night and Tuesday morning and still more were scheduled to be flown in late Wednesday. Two earlier attempts to reach Bell Island by boat failed when the powerful rafting ice took the ships in its grip.

For more than a month nearly every port along the northeast coast has been solidly jammed with the Arctic floes that drifted farther west than usual this year. There is little chance of it drifting away until a prolonged southwest wind blows it into the channel.

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## 5-Point Program

those now dealing with relief in various localities. This is in line with the prime minister's own views.

### WIDE SCOPE

Primary purpose of the October conference is to start negotiations for renewal of the federal-provincial tax rental agreements expiring March 31, 1957, but the agenda agreed upon was worded in terms wide enough to leave scope for a discussion of many subjects.

Here are the points as listed in the official statement:

1. Federal-provincial fiscal relations.
2. Public investment and natural resources development.
3. The desirability of establishing a federal-provincial continuing committee.
4. Health and Welfare services.
5. The timing and scope of such other special conferences as may be desired.

### APPOINT CHAIRMAN

The announcement left out unemployment as a specific topic for the October agenda, evidently in the expectation the question of federal aid to jobless would be cleaned up before then.

It stated that the meeting had appointed a committee representing each province and under the chairmanship of Kenneth W. Taylor, federal deputy finance minister, to prepare statistical and technical material for the old conference.

Despite the brevity of the headings for the October agenda, they appeared to leave the provincial premiers with plenty of leeway to discuss main points that they want to have acted upon.

Quebec's Premier Duplessis has been anxious to have tax matters at the head of the agenda. It is expected that in October he will seek to have Quebec taxpayers get full deduction from their federal tax liability for what they pay in provincial personal income tax.

This year, the federal government extended them a 10-per-cent deduction for the next two years.

### MAY BE GOOD PROGRESS

Ontario's Premier Frost, conference informants said, had a big hand in getting the "health and welfare services" item put on the agenda, mainly to open the way for approaches to a contributory national health insurance plan which he suggested publicly Tuesday.

After Wednesday's meeting, Mr. Frost said he considers the conference made good progress.

Premier Hicks of Nova Scotia said he is "satisfied" with the meeting.

"We didn't get anything," he added. "We were just getting up the agenda for the main meeting."

### PROPOSED REVISION

Mr. Hicks is proposing a radical revision in the basis of federal payments to the provinces for tax rental. The present basis is a combination of provincial population and production. Mr. Hicks would add the factor of the provincial level of individual income, which would tend to give a break to the "have not" provinces on the Atlantic seaboard.

Premier Matheson of Prince Edward Island described the conference as "very harmonious." He also is an advocate of a shift in the basis of payments to help the less-wealthy areas.

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## Queens Liberal

Mr. Matheson expressed high hopes of future accomplishments of the Atlantic Provinces Development Council. This council operates on the principle of self help and plans a new deal for the economic life of the Maritimes. Through research, businessmen of the four Atlantic Provinces will work towards improving production, marketing, and utilization of Maritime goods. Resources of the Maritimes, although not comparable to those of certain other parts of the country, are by no means depleted, he said. Agriculture, fisheries, minerals, lumber and the tourist trade are the sound and basic elements of present and future prosperity.

The Atlantic Provinces Development Council, Mr. Matheson said, is patterned on a similar body operating in New England. Through it, Maritimers can put their collective minds at work to find new ways of stimulating business and industry, and of making the best use of resources at their disposal.

### FISHERY INDUSTRY

The Queens member emphasized the importance of the lobster industry in the Prince Edward Island waters. All coastal provinces and some of the inland provinces as well, he said, were given substantial aid and guidance by the Federal Department of Fisheries. He mentioned in particular the test kitchen of the Department of Fisheries whose excellent fish dishes were doing much to increase the popularity of fish amongst the Canadian people.

Mr. Matheson paid tribute to Works Minister Robert Winters for his speedy action in starting the new Federal Building in Charlottetown. Steelwork of this building will be completed about the first week of May, he said, and thanks to intervention of the Department, work which had been threatened with a stoppage, moved on without delay. He re-

## Egg Station Operators Hold Meeting

The gentlemen above were just five of the 35 men who gathered at the Queen Hotel for the semi-annual meeting of the Egg Station Operators Improvement Association. From left to right they are: Stuart MacEwen, Egg Grader, St. Peter's; Mr. E. A. Holland, Egg Inspector, Charlottetown; Urban MacQuaid, president of the Association and chairman for the evening; Mr. S. C. Wright, Deputy Minister of Agriculture; Dr. George C. Fisher, guest speaker, and Mr. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon, secretary-treasurer.

"Closer co-operation between poultry organizations that would enable the better functioning of the industry as a whole on the Island is necessary," Dr. Fisher stated in his address entitled, "Let's Take Inventory." He pointed out that since hatchery production for the year was down, quality should be stressed for '55 and could be achieved by better feeding methods.

A business meeting was held after Dr. Fisher's interesting talk.

Deputy Minister Wright and Boyd MacPherson, Poultry Production for New Brunswick, also spoke briefly. The next meeting will take place in the fall.

—(Barter's Film Lab.)

## Hon. Mr. Cullen Gives Talk On Town Planning

Hon. Eugene Cullen, Minister of Industries and Natural Resources, was the guest speaker last night at the Central Royalty Community Hall. He spoke on "Town Planning and the Village Service Act."

"Town planning has been going on for a long time," the minister declared, "but it was done in a different manner than we do now. An absolute monarch or dictator planned for large areas, roadways and the like, and then went ahead and had the work done without consulting anyone. If you were in the way of a building project, it was just too bad for you. Today, town planning is done in a vastly different way. People must be interested in their community and have a desire to provide for better living in the future. Our local government is endeavouring, through the enactment of laws, to assist these communities."

The speaker continued to outline the various aspects that had to be taken into consideration in planning communities, such apparently mundane matters as sanitation, water supply and the beautification of an area. Restrictions on buildings, and calling for certain specifications as to the size of lots is important, otherwise a hedge-podge of buildings and lot sizes would occur instead of the uniform and organized.

The original planning of the Charlottetown main artery is an example. The wide streets and the well appointed buildings on the square were planned for 200 years ago. "We can thank the city fathers for their vision. After that ,however, as some of our districts bear witness, the planning of streets was forgotten. Now we have government assistance for planning and organizing all over Prince Edward Island," the Hon. Minister said.

Mr. Cullen enumerated many benefits presented in the Village Service Act that covers the incorporation of a district. He pointed out that the government presented a per capita grant of $1.25 to villages incorporating.

Mr. Claude Smith, director of Town Planning, also spoke briefly and answered questions on community planning and the Village Incorporation Act. In community planning the government will match dollar for dollar for roadside beautification. Mr. Smith spoke of other features also and told the group present how they could go about arranging to become an incorporated village.

Mr. E. D. Reid and Mr. John MacAleer were nominated as a committee of two to arrange for future meetings pertinent to town planning and incorporation for the Central Royalty district.

called that under present-day construction methods, even the project of a large building gives work to relatively few people.

It was fortunate for some of the potato growers in the Province that potato prices took a sharp upturn a few weeks ago. This was a windfall, however, and not a permanent solution. He expressed the hope that adequate protection can be given the Maritime potato growers either by tariff or some other solution.

### P.E.I. ECONOMIC COUNCIL

The Prince Edward Island Government, Mr. Matheson said, had made a fine start on economic development of the Province. A new program sponsored by Premier Matheson was designed to aid the fishing and farm industries and would also provide employment for town-dwellers. Strides are also being made along the lines of rural electrification.

Mr. Matheson voiced regret at the cut-throat competition which has surged up in Prince Edward Island against Perfection Brand condensed milk, a brand produced by two young Islanders. He scored the price-cutting of condensed milk "by a very large and a very powerful company."

"I do not know just how serious the threat to Perfection Condensed Milk may be," he said, "but it is another example of how some of the big firms will try to squeeze out competition to maintain the monopoly they invariably seem so anxious to have."

### QUAKES SHAKE SALVADOR

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador, (AP)—Eleven earth shocks were felt in El Salvador Monday night. The most severe lasted four minutes. No damage was reported.

### WHEAT STOCKS DOWN

OTTAWA CP)—Stocks of Canadian wheat at April 13 declined slightly to 329,802,000 bushels from 330,528,000 in the preceding week and from 351,601,000 for the same week last year, the bureau of statistics reported Wednesday.

### GREAT PORT

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HARRISON JAMES,
Secretary-treasurer.

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ATTENDS V. A. CONFERENCE — Lt.-Col. F. B. Conrad left Sunday morning by plane for Ottawa where he will attend a conference of the district administrators of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

POLICE COURT—At City Police Court yesterday morning, before Magistrate K. M. Martin, two drunk and incapables were fined $5.00 or five days, and another drunk and incapable was remanded until May 2. A third offender facing this charge received a sentence of ten days. Three cases of criminal negligence in the operation of motor vehicles were adjourned until May 4.

FUNERAL SERVICE — The funeral of the late Mrs. George H. Mitchell of Truro, N.S., was held yesterday afternoon from the MacLean Funeral Home to Zion Church where service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Brown, Rev. A. Frank MacLean and Rev. E. C. Evans. Interment was in the People's Cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. George Ayers, Louis Simmons, John H. Court, Earl Wonnacott, Ivo Cudmore, Gordon Bowness.

Y'S MEN'S MEETING — Dr. Frank MacKinnon, principal of Prince of Wales College was guest speaker last night at the weekly meeting of the Centennial Y's Men's Club. He spoke on the Charlottetown centennial year celebrations and gave a very interesting description of the difficulties encountered by early settlers. Co-chairmen were Earl Taylor and Percy Simmonds. A sing song was led by Bob Giggey and Les Alexander while Arnold Callbeck was finesmaster. Dan Reid and Jack Davies were guests.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY —The funeral of Mrs. Peter Trainor was held yesterday morning from her late residence at Mt. Ryan to Mt. Ryan Church, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Frederick Lynch, S.J., who also conducted the service at the grave. Master of ceremonies was Rev. Allan MacDonald. The honorary pall bearers were: J. J. MacDonald, Somerled Kelly, Levi MacNally, Hugh Hayes, Raymond Boylan, and Daniel Ferguson. The active pall bearers were six nephews of the deceased: Ernest Currie, Daniel Currie, Chester Quinn, Earl Quinn, William Trainor and Frederick Trainor. Burial was in the church cemetery The funeral was very largely attended.

SERVICE STATION FIRE—The alertness of two police officers was the means of preventing a major conflagration at the east end of Grafton Street early this morning. Constables Russell Downe and Preston Hillier, while making a routine check at Nelson's Service Station shortly after midnight, noticed a pane of glass broken in the door leading to the grease pit of the station. Upon closer examination flames were seen to be coming from the pit. City firemen were called and were quickly on the scene to put the fire under control. Since the broken glass was about five feet up, and obviously broken from the inside, it is believed that Mr. Nelson's Collie dog jumped through the door to make his escape. It was this broken glass which attracted the officers' attention.

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## Personals

DR. E. S. GIDDINGS now at 222 Queen Street will be found in his new office at 78 Kent Street, commencing May 2. There will be no office hours April 30.

Mrs. Everett MacLeod and young daughter, who have been visiting relatives in Grandview and Newtown, left this morning to join her husband who is attending Radio College of Canada in Toronto.

Councillor Edwin C. Johnstone leaves tomorrow morning for Toronto where he will attend the International Council of the Canadian Red Cross. He expects to be out of the Province for a week.

## Civic Centre Shaping Up In Old Market Building

After May 4, the name of one of Charlottetown's best known buildings will no longer officially exist. What has been known to many generations as the Market Building, will, after that date be known as "Civic Centre." Of course there will still be a market but the building itself will no longer be called by that name.

The official opening of Civic Centre will take place at four p. m. when Mayor J. D. Stewart cuts the ribbon allowing some 80 invited guests to enter the modern tourist bureau and bus terminal which include public rest rooms and a lobby. After the opening ceremonies, the Island Motor Transport will take the guests in one of their new buses for a short drive around the outskirts of the City. From 5-7 p.m., the Prince Edward Island Travel Bureau will hold a reception at the Charlottetown Hotel.

The general contract for the renovating of the West section of the Market Building to provide for the tourist bureau and bus terminal was carried out by M. F. Schurman and Co. The plumbing was done by Douglas Bros. and Jones and the electrical work by Burke Electric. The architect for the job was Mr. J. F. Toombs of this City.

Adequate provision has been been made for the parking of buses on the existing market square, immediately adjacent to the South side of the building. Separating the bus parking area from the remainder of the square will be a two foot wide curb, behind which will be space for two parking lanes. There will be free parking space provided for tourists with the whole area being laid out in such a way as to cause as little confusion as possible.

The initial move on the part of the Market Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. A. Walthen Gaudet, was to have the old scale house and scales removed. This was followed by the installation of a modern oil heating unit. It, was noted by Mr. Gaudet that the old market building had always operated at a deficit of about $5,-000 per annum. It is now anticipated that it will be able to function with a surplus over the first full year of operation.

## 1,800 In Mad Scramble For 1,200 Goggles

By Ken Metheral
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LAS VEGAS, (CP)—Six hundred chilled press and civil defence observers were double losers Wednesday as the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission's operation eue was postponed for the second straight day.

Not only did the unlucky 600 suffer the disappointment of postponement after a bone-chilling three-hour wait in near freezing temperatures, they also lost the battle of the goggles.

Portly senators and buxom ladies leaped in the air alongside lean office workers and grim reporters in a mad scramble for 1,-200 pairs of goggles available for 1,800 persons gathered on News Nob to witness the scheduled nuclear explosion.

Workers at the hill, official observation site for the AEC's vast atomic proving ground in the Nevada desert 80 miles away, tossed the goggles from the back of a truck to the waiting crowd.

In the resulting scramble all rolled to the ground in a wrestling match for possession of the high density goggles without which it is impossible to look at the fierce fireball produced by an atomic explosion.

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