

'Brighten The Corner' Best Play Of Season

'Brighten The Corner' a scintillating, three-act farce comedy which will be presented by the Little Theatre Guild in the Empire Theatre on February 27th and 28th was written by John Cecil Holm, co-author of 'Three Men on a Horse', the riotous comedy which has become a modern classic of the American Theatre.

'Brighten The Corner' was first produced in New York in 1945 starring Charles Butterworth in the leading role. It is a fast moving comedy crammed with lively action, highly amusing situations, and interesting characters, and is guaranteed to bring laughter from the most serious theatre-goer.

The director of the Little Theatre presentation is Jock Lawson, who directed 'John Loves Mary' last year, the performance of which was favourably compared with the Hollywood version of the same play. The cast is composed largely of some of the Guild's most seasoned players, with two new-comers to the Little Theatre stage.

Adherents of the live Theatre should not miss 'Brighten The Corner' which will be one of the Guild's major productions for this season and may be the only public performance open to the public.

Present prospects are that it will also be the best stage play, that Charlottetown theatre-goers are likely to have the opportunity of witnessing this year.

Tickets available to the general public are limited, but may be obtained, while they last, at Abegweit Gift Court and Garnwhill's Photo Studio.

A. Y. P. A. Local Council Meeting

The Deanery Local Council of the A.Y.P.A. met on Friday, Feb. 17 at St. Peter's Cathedral Hall. The president, Art MacLean, presided at the meeting. Reports were read by the Sunday School by past convener, Barbara Pickard, Inter-Denominational Sunday by secretary-treasurer, G. Anderson, Drama Festival by Carol Marie Coles. In her report Miss Coles stressed the importance of mailing entries before the closing date and that another letter would be sent to all branches concerning the Festival.

The president made many suggestions about the proper observance of Lent, among them, attendance at all mid-week services, attendance at all Sunday services, and consideration of a special study book. G. Anderson was appointed to take charge of all arrangements in connection with the next meeting of the Diocesan Council at St. Paul's, Charlottetown. Rev. A. E. Piercey, Deanery Organizer, closed the meeting with prayer and benediction.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS 50c Per Insertion

**BIRTHS**  
FROUDE—At Milton on Friday, February 10th, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Froude a daughter, Lois Marie.

**DEATHS**  
NICHOLSON—At the Prince County Hospital, Charlottetown, Feb. 20, 1950, Roderick Nicholson, of Shamrock aged 65 years. Funeral from his late residence Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Interment Hartsville Cemetery.

**MUTCH**—At the P. E. I. Hospital Monday, Feb. 20, Catherine Georgie Mutch age 6 weeks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mutch, Southport. Funeral private from the MacLean Funeral Home today Interment Clifton Cemetery.

**ANDERSON**—At the Victoria General Hospital, Charlottetown, Feb. 19th, Edward W. Anderson, 68 years, P.E.I. Funeral on Wednesday from Marie United Church, service starting at 2:30. Interment Midgill Cemetery.

**PARKMAN**—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital on Sunday, Feb. 19, Mrs. Ernest E. Parkman of 3 West St., in her 70th year. Funeral from the MacLean Funeral Home on Wednesday, service starting at 3 o'clock. Interment People's Cemetery.

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Central Guardian

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**NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.**—Advertisers are reminded that their copy must be in The Guardian not later than noon the day previous to inserting. Those who telephone classified, etc., should particularly bear this in mind.

**BURIAL AT MORELL.**—The remains of the late Edward W. Anderson of Morell arrived from Halifax last evening and were transferred from the MacLean Funeral Home to his late residence in Morell.

**C.W.L. CARD PARTY.**—At the regular weekly C.W.L. card party held last night prizes were won by the following: Ladies' first, Mrs. Ernest Coker; second, Mrs. William LeClair. Men's first, Mr. J. McIsaac; second, Mr. W. Colley. Door prize, Mr. Vernon MacEachern. Freezout, Mrs. Everett Kelly and Mrs. James Revell.

**CHARLOTTETOWN NURSE ILL.**—Recent word received by Mr. and Mrs. Lorne L. Noonan of this City from their daughter Noreen, patient at Saint Michael's Hospital, Toronto, indicate steady progress from her recent illness. Miss Noonan, graduate nurse of Charlottetown Hospital, is a student at University of Toronto, where she is completing a special Public Health Course in Nursing. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

**MISSION CIRCLE MEETING.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Trinity Mission Circle was held in the social hall on February 20th, 1950, with an attendance of 18. Study class based on "Growing With The Years" was conducted by Eunice Cudmore, and consisted of an imaginative world tour of the high schools and colleges founded and supported by the United Church Women's Missionary Society. The worship service was led by Ena MacLeod. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the committee in charge.

**SLIGHT ACCIDENTS.**—City Police reported two slight accidents yesterday, the first at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon occurred when a car proceeding west on Grafton Street skidded and struck the front of the "Paddy Wagon." Slight damage was done to the car, but the "Paddy" escaped uninjured. The second at about 4:30 yesterday afternoon occurred when a taxi cab proceeding east on Longworth Ave., struck the open door of a car parked on the south side of the same street. Slight damage was done to both cars.

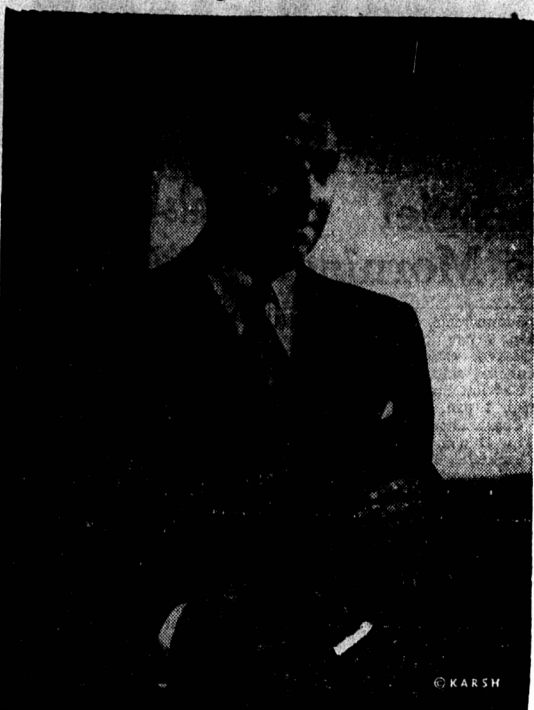
**BACK IN MARITIMES.**—A former Maritime aviator, Mr. Walter Fowler, is back in Maritime aviation circles again, this time as Director of Operations with T.C.A. Eastern Division, Montreal. He was one of the pioneers in commercial aviation in the Maritimes together with Mr. H.S. Junior Jones of M.C.A. Charlottetown. Both have come a long way since those days when they landed their planes on the harbor ice in winter and in a pasture field at Upton in the summer. Mr. Fowler has been on the staff of Trans Canada Airways for several years and has recently been on duty in Winnipeg and Montreal.

**WILL FILM RACING MEET.**—Two representatives of the National Film Board, Mr. Gordon Burwash, and Mr. H. J. Linieux, arrived here from Ottawa last night. Mr. Burwash is a writer-producer and Mr. Linieux is director camera man. They are on a tour of the Maritimes filming short news reel features and other subjects of national and international interest. They plan to film the Inter-provincial horse racing meet here this week. All films are sent to the news reel editor in New York, from where they will be distributed through the United States and Great Britain. Messrs Burwash and Linieux expect to spend approximately one week in the Province and will return this summer for Maritime tour.

**POLICE COURT.**—The adjourned case of a Charlottetown barrister charged with converting to his own use funds held by him in trust was again taken up in the City Police Court yesterday morning. Mr. W. E. Bentley, K.C., counsel for the defendant was assisted with Rev. H.E.D. Ashford, Minister of the United Church of Canada. He informed the court on behalf of Mr. Ashford, that the latter had received instructions from head office of the United Church of Canada in Toronto, requesting him to inform the Attorney-General and the Court that the United Church of Canada disavowed itself from any proceedings which have been launched or which may be launched against anyone in respect of any funds payable to the United Church of Canada under the estate referred to. He also stated that the money bequeathed the Church by the late Mrs. D. L. MacIsaac represented the defendant, who did not appear, Mr. John Nicholson represented the Crown.

**FUNERAL YESTERDAY.**—The funeral of the late Reginald W. Cox was held from the MacLean Funeral Home to St. Paul's Church yesterday afternoon. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. T. Abbott. Interment was in the P.E.I. Cemetery.

British Election Personalities By Karsh



HECTOR MacNEIL, Secretary of State in the Attlee Labor Government.—Portrait by Yousef Karsh.

Boy Scouts Campaign Launched Successfully

There was an air of enthusiasm, camaraderie and pep at the supper meeting in Zion Church Hall last night launching the first Provincial-wide Boy Scout financial campaign in nearly 15 years.

There was an exceptionally large attendance, many of them ex-Scouts or leaders, and it was in the spirit of doing "a good turn" for the Scouts of today who will be the men of tomorrow that the volunteer workers got down to their task. The meeting was presided over by Judge H. L. Palmer. In a few remarks the chairman outlined the campaign and announced the provincial objective of \$5,000. He welcomed the workers and expressed his thanks to the ladies of Zion Church for their splendid supper which they provided. He also expressed his thanks to the people of Zion Church through their minister, the Rev. G. Carlyle Webster for the use of the hall.

Provincial Commissioner, Mr. R. C. Parent on being called upon expressed his pleasure on such a large turnout which assured the success of the campaign. He reminded the workers that the last general Scout campaign for funds was held in 1935. The Provincial Commissioner stressed the fact that the individual Scout and the individual troop were self-sustaining. However, the movement had grown until today there are over 700 Scouts in the Province. In order to maintain the organization efficiently and carry on administration it was not possible to rely on solely volunteer workers. It was necessary to employ a full time Scout leader to look after office, training courses, camps, etc. The money collected would be spent in this Province. A very small sum \$250 was sent annually to National Headquarters, but this and much more was returned to the Province in training leaders, supplying literature, and providing competent instructors.

Mr. Parent felt that the modest objective would be reached, and Scouting, as a program for youth, placed on a more firm basis than ever before.

Passengers From Burning Steamer Are Rescued

**COPENHAGEN, Feb. 20.—(AP)—**A trans-Atlantic liner today brought 108 passengers, most of them in their night clothes, into Copenhagen after they had abandoned a flame-swept Danish vessel in the Kattegat Strait at dawn. The Swedish-American liner Stockholm docked with all the passengers who had been aboard the 3,038-ton Konprins Olav. The Kronprins Olav caught fire amidships from unknown causes as it was en route from Oslo, Norway, to Copenhagen. Passengers were awakened about 5 a.m. and 15 minutes later ordered into lifeboats. Only a few were injured.

**FIRST DAIRY INDUSTRY.**—The production of cheese was the earliest form of dairy manufacturing. Members of the South African veterans acted as honorary pall-bearers. They were Ambrose Rodd, Donald Kennedy, Harry Hyde and Charles Hine. Acting pall-bearers were: Ernest MacKay, Harry Edwards, V.A. Ainsworth, Albert Ley, A. Black and J. Montgomery. The staff of the Maritime Electric attended the funeral in a body, also the members of the Canadian Legion. The Legion burial service was read by Whiston Smith and the last post and reveille were sounded by bugler Frank Smith.

**Party Shooting Case Sent To Higher Court.**—PETERBOROUGH, Ont., Feb. 20.—(CP)—Joseph Byrnes, 25, today was committed for trial on a manslaughter charge in the drinking-party rifle-shooting Feb. 5 of Mrs. Helen Kendry, 29. Byrnes, accused of firing the shot which killed Mrs. Kendry during the party in his home, originally was charged with murder. Magistrate W.R. Philip reduced the charge following last week's preliminary hearing. Byrnes will stand trial at winter sittings scheduled to start here Feb. 27.

Island Odds And Ends

Life is an earthly paradise in Joe Stalin's Russia, according to some Canadians, who of course live in Canada. There are even a few Islanders who talk enthusiastically of the delight and advantages of Russian life.

"Tim" Buck and other orators, show the far-away Red fields as green. Mr. Piotr Aloszyn, one of our new Canadians who lives at Marshfield, and who arrived from a D.P. Camp in Germany last summer, has a different story about Russia. Mr. Aloszyn and Tim Buck are at opposite poles of the universe, on the subject of Russia.

It happens that Mr. Aloszyn was born in Russia about thirty years ago, in the Cossack Country. He worked on one of the famous Collective Farms, which he explains was supervised by an officer of the Agricultural Department, and the Commander of the Local Security Police. It was a relief to this young Russian when he was called up for compulsory military service in 1937 with the Red Army. The first part of his service he spent with a Cossack Cavalry Regiment. After a year and a half he was transferred to the paratroops.

Army life wasn't too bad for a while, but in 1939 conditions became very bad indeed. The young Russian explains that the food was inadequate, discipline very severe, and punishment was ruthless. In spite of all preaching of equality, there was a distinct class boundary between officers and men. Desertions from the Red Army were frequent.

After the war started, a political Commissar was attached to each military unit, who had the right to shoot a soldier without regard for his rank. Mr. Aloszyn was captured by the Rumanians on the Crimean Peninsula, and was turned over to the Germans, who sent him to a camp in Germany.

Many of his fellow prisoners died at the rate of 50 or 60 per day. The cause of death was almost invariably starvation. Sometimes ferocious dogs were set on them, or they were shot for talking with other forced labourers, from other countries. When the Red Army advanced into Germany, the Germans evacuated the Russian prisoners towards western Germany. Eventually Mr. Aloszyn was liberated by the American Army.

Since he refused absolutely to return to the misery of Russia, he was permitted to remain in Germany, and after full investigation allowed to come to Canada. Before leaving the D.P. camp in Germany, he was threatened repeatedly by members of the Soviet Repatriation Mission who urged him to return to Russia. Despite all threats and enticements Piotr chose democracy, and he hopes some day to be a full fledged Canadian citizen. He works on the farm of Mr. Alex Scott, well known Marshfield farmer.

Scotland has its sea monster at Loch Ness, and British Columbia advertises a sea freak of unknown species, calculated to draw tourists. Not so well advertised but perhaps more authentic, is the phenomena, which every now and then makes conversation along the shores of the Northumberland Straits a phantom sailing ship ablaze from stem to stern, slipping before the breeze. It was seen again last summer by Charlottetown people, who were spending a vacation near Wood Islands. The eerie visitor to the Straits, is always seen at night, and so clear was the apparition on this occasion, that a fisherman who was present went home to get his family, so that they might see the strange sight. The on-lookers not only saw the craft very plainly outlined in the darkness, they fancied they saw human figures plunging overboard apparently attempting to escape the doomed craft.

It is said that the blazing ship is an illusion mysteriously produced from Nature's bag of tricks, when wind and sky, light and shade, sea and atmosphere conspire together. Those who had been lucky enough to see the sight agree that Nature puts on a great show with unsurpassed effects and stage props. It could be that it is nature's way of laughing at mere man, who boastfully claims to know most of the secrets of creation.

Fifteen hundred men are idle in King's and Queen's Counties and half that number in Prince. Strangely enough few of these people seem anxious to attend the Vocational School in Charlottetown although half of the out-of-work men are classed as laborers. The Vocational School was long-sought and was built in the belief it would be of great assistance in increasing the number of skilled tradesmen. Charlottetown will have employment for all the extra tradesmen available this summer and autumn. It is regrettable the Vocational School's advantages were not used more freely during the winter months.

**LOOK, NO GLOVES!**  
James Fligg was declared the first bare-knuckle heavyweight champion in 1719.

New Turbine To Be Installed At Electric Plant

A new turbine is to be installed at the Maritime Electric Company in Charlottetown with the cost of the turbine and installation combined approximating \$450,000. It was learned from the Manager Mr. V. A. Ainsworth last night.

Cost of the turbine was estimated to be about \$200,000 and the work required to install it and to purchase other necessary materials about a quarter of a million dollars.

The first shipment of the 54 cases of materials, required to set up the new turbine have arrived. Three car loads of materials are already in Charlottetown.

The cases of material vary in weight from 300 pounds to nineteen hundred tons. The turbine is a 7500 kilowatt and 10,000 horsepower machine. The new turbine will have twice the capacity of the present machine and will be able to carry the whole load alone which, at times, is higher than the capacity of the present machine. The new machine will be able to carry the total Provincial electric load.

Work is expected to commence early in the spring. A large concrete base will first be placed followed by a permanent lifting crane. The machine will be set up at the west end of the building.

TRANSPORT

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said the judgment, could mean that the rate structure in Newfoundland was to be in general conformity with the rate structure in the Maritime Provinces.

"But we do not think there is anything in this sub-section to affect in any way the principles upon which the board has acted in the past in regard to discrimination under the provisions of the Railway Act," the judgment added.

It gave no ruling on the disputed point of whether the C.N.R. is justified in imposing a 10-per-cent surcharge on some island freight traffic because of the fact that the Newfoundland railroad is a narrow-gauge operation.

"The respondent (C.N.R.) has not yet shown that this additional charge is justified," the decision said, "and nothing that we have said should be interpreted as meaning that we have made any determination on the point."

ST. LAURENT

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caused some distress in Canadian industries competing with British products, and the unseasonal weather were some of the factors that contributed to unemployment.

He suggested that municipalities with unemployment problems should approach their Provincial Governments. If the Provinces believed that the matter was of national importance, then it should be brought to the attention of the Federal Government.

FANCY FOOTWEAR

A peaked leather-soled shoe called the cracowe was considered the height of fashion during the Middle Ages—a chain tied around the knee held up the long toe.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CHARLOTTETOWN HOSPITAL INVITES THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO INSPECT THE NEW PAVILION TODAY Between the hours of 3:30 and 7:30 P.M.

Island Officer With Exercise "Sweetbriar" WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Feb. 18—Capt. Maurice A. McTague, M.C. formerly of Charlottetown, P.E.I. and now stationed at Fredericton, N. B. as an administrative and training officer with the Reserve Force there, is participating as an umpire with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, in a sub-Arctic "combat" manoeuvre in the Yukon, a region long famous as one of the last great outposts of adventure and exploration on the North American continent.

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Hold Enjoyable Valentine Party On Thursday evening, Feb. 17 the staff and patients at Falconwood Hospital were very pleasantly entertained with a concert sponsored by the Men's Division and assisted by members of the Women's Division. The program follows: Opening chorus, O Canada Harmonica selections, with guitar and piano accompaniment, Miss McPhee, Mr. Flood, Mr. Walker. Monologue, Calling Information Mr. Walker. Vocal duet, Beautiful Life, Miss Flood and Miss Boulter. Vocal solo, Rose of Trales, Mr. Flood. Group of Western songs, Mr. J. Connolly with guitar accompaniment. Vocal solo, Leaf of Love, Mr. A. Muttart. Step dance, Mr. W. Redmond. Instrumental music, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Walker, Miss MacPhail, Bachelor Dorys, Combs Song, Mr. MacInnis. Vocal Duet, Sorry That's All I Can Say, Miss LeClair, Miss MacPhee. A Comedy Sketch, Courting Days, Mr. Russell. Reading, The Cremation of Sam McGee and The Stove Pipe Hole, Mr. Flood. Group of Scotch Songs, Mr. A. Campbell. Group of Songs by the Chorus, God Save the King. The accompanist for the evening was Mrs. Laura Kitchen, matron.

Italians To Take Over From British MOGADISHU, Italian Somaliland, Feb. 20.—(Reuters)—British troops with armored cars were posted at strategic points here when a troopship carrying 1,000 Italian soldiers arrived today. The Italians are the advance force of the army which is to take over this territory from British troops. They are to hold the territory—formerly an Italian colony—for 10 years under United Nations trusteeship.

Flames Rise From Roof Of Sporting Club



A graphic idea of the intensity of the flames which destroyed the Sporting Club on Wednesday evening last is given in the above picture.

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