

Little Theatre Movement Showing Plenty Of Action

By WILLIAM GLOVER
NEW YORK (AP)—Broadway's sassy rivalry, the Little Theatre movement, is giving show fans plenty of action.

All over town, ambitious youth and shoestring enterprise are keeping up the boom that began six seasons back.

In sheer output, the white way experimenters are neck and neck: At the moment there are 25 attractions on Broadway, 25 in fringe playhouses.

Ten of each rate as box office and critical hits, and exactly half a dozen other undertakings in each league have flopped dismally since the season started.

COSTS CLIMBING

The big differences between the two are geography and money, but the distinctions are lessening. The costs of staging an entry in a reclaimed garret or converted shop far from Times Square keep jumping.

During 1958-59, the 76 shows displayed off Broadway cost \$1,000,000, and the 1959-60 ceiling will likely go higher. Ticket prices have risen from a couple of bucks to \$5—not so long ago the tariff to a show uptown (there the scale now is up to \$9.00 for musicals).

Two groups of theatrical purpose are the principal off-Broadway forces: The outright experimenters who are seeking artistic outlet, and producers who want to put on strictly Broadway commercial entertainment but who can't afford those prices.

SPARKS DISCUSSION

The situation has sparked discussion.

considerable discussion and criticism. "You might say that some downtown geniuses are in such a hurry they want to start at second base rather than begin at home plate," comments Julie

4 Freighters Slip Seaway

MONTREAL (CP)—Four more salt-water freighters slipped through the St. Lawrence Seaway Monday, leaving 32 in the race to beat winter's ice-blockade.

With good weather, all were expected to make it. Conditions along the giant waterway were favorable early Monday. But snow started to fall in late afternoon, curbing visibility and producing some delays.

The four ships that moved through the St. Lambert locks here before 3 p.m. Monday were the Norwegian freighters Ravnfjell and Vestevoy, the British ship Hopetide and the Dutch cargo ship Prins Willem III.

That brought to 34 the number of ocean vessels that have cleared the giant seven-lock waterway since midnight Friday.

Hard on the heels of the four were three more freighters, the Prins William George Frederik and Prins Frederik Willem, both Dutch ships, and the Panamanian freighter Michigan.

Still in the waterway along with them were seven Norwegian ships, five British and five German, four Swedish, two Dutch and two Italian and one apiece from Denmark, United States, Israel and Finland.

The transport department had originally planned to close the seaway at midnight Monday night. But the plan was modified to leave the locks and navigation channels open for vessels clearing the seaway's western entrance before midnight. All 32 have entered.

Last year ice in the Lachine canal — the seaway's smaller, shallower predecessor — trapped 13 ocean vessels in late November. They made it to the Atlantic in mid-January with an ice-breaker escort.

Meanwhile Monday near Brockville, Ont., 110 miles southwest of Montreal, a salvage tug was working to free the 5,000-ton Norwegian ship Vilja, which ran aground on a shoal Sunday night.



CHRISTMAS PARCELS BY THE TON

Tons of Christmas parcels destined for the United Kingdom and points in Europe are

packed up in the Vancouver Post Office. Parcels are bagged at sorting tables for shipment.

ment. Deadline for overseas Christmas mail is Dec. 1. (CP Photo)

DAILY MARKET QUOTATIONS

SUMMARY

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
New York: Stocks higher, electronics pace advance.
Toronto: Market down, moderately heavy trading.
Montreal: Market lower, trading slow.

CURRENCIES

MONTREAL (CP) — The U.S. dollar closed Monday at a discount of 5 per cent in terms of Canadian funds, down 5.32. Pound sterling 2.66 1/2, down 1/2.

DIVIDENDS

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
John Labatt, Ltd., 30 cents, Jan. 1, record Dec. 11.
Ocean Cement and Supplies Ltd., 15 cents, Jan. 4, record Dec. 17.
Royalty Oil Co. Ltd., 5 1/4 per cent pfd., 32.8125 cents, Jan. 1, record Dec. 11.
St. Lawrence Corp., common 25 cents, 5 per cent pfd., \$1.25, Jan. 25, record Dec. 22.
Southern Canada Power Co. Ltd., 6 1/2 cents quarterly, Feb. 15, record Jan. 20.
Toronto Star Ltd., pfd. 75 cents plus 1¢ participating, Dec. 31, record Dec. 10.
Wool Combing Corp. of Canada Ltd., 15 cents Jan. 15, record Dec. 31.

PRODUCE

MONTREAL (CP) — Agriculture-department quotations: Eggs: Wholesale dealer prices to country station, wooden cases, extra-large 38-39; large 35-36; medium 31-31 1/2; small 28-29; B 29; C 18. Receipts unavailable.
Butter: Current receipts, tenderable 63 1/2, non-tenderable 63; fresh grade creamery prints, job price 64-65 1/2; fresh whole-sale, tenderable 64, non-tenderable 63 1/2.
Cheese: Delivered Montreal, not waxed, current receipts Que-

bec white 35, colored 35, wholesale Quebec white 36, colored 36 1/2; current receipts Ontario white F.O.B. grading station 34 1/2-37, colored 35 1/2-37; wholesale Ontario colored and white no quotations.
Potatoes: Quebec 75s 1.90-2.00; N.B. 75s 2.10-2.15; N.B. 50s 1.35-1.40; N.B. 10s 32-33; P.E.I. 75s 2.30-2.40.

GRAIN

WINNIPEG (CP) — All prices moved lower Monday on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange as increased selling and lack of aggressive commercial demand featured trading.
Shawinigan lost 1/4 and Canadian Marconi and Molybdenite 1/4 each in the Canadian list.
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NEW YORK

NEW YORK (AP) — Electronic issues paced the New York stock market Monday to a sharp advance.
Gains ranging to 8 1/4 for Texas Instruments featured the Electronic and space-age issues. Motorola rose 7 1/4 and Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing, aided by an advisory service recommendation regarding magnetic tape operations, 8 1/4.
Advances elsewhere ran from fractions to a point or so as rails, oils, airlines, tobaccos, chemicals,

Quebec Natural Gas, up 1/4 at 16 1/4.
Closing averages showed banks off 11 at 59.31, utilities unchanged at 42.2, industrials off .2 at 309, combined off .1 at 253.6, papers up .2 at 446.5 and golds off .79 at 78.28.
Of 225 issues traded, 53 advanced, 67 declined and 70 were unchanged. There were two new yearly highs and 10 new yearly lows.

MONTREAL CLOSING STOCKS

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks rose \$1.50 to \$224, its peak since Nov. 10. Industrials rose \$2.50, rails \$1.20 and utilities 30 cents.
Volume rose to 3,670,000 shares from 3,030,000 Friday.
Among Canadian issues, International Nickel and McIntyre Porcupine rose 1/4 each, Aluminium Ltd., Canadian Pacific 1/4 and Granby Mining 1/4. Hudson Bay Mining lost 1/2.
American Stock Exchange prices were mixed on volume of 1,510,000 compared with 1,200,000 Friday.
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MONTREAL

MONTREAL (CP) — Papers survived a slight but general downturn Monday to close with an increase on index on the Montreal and Canadian stock exchanges.
Trading was slow all day and most sections closed irregularly lower. Both industrials and banks were off fractionally while utilities remained unchanged.
Big gainer in papers was Price Brothers, up 1 1/2 at 46 1/2. Fractional gainers included Abitibi and B.C. Forest Products while losers were Anglo-Newfoundland and Great Lakes.
Steels were stronger in late trading with one-point gains to Dominion Foundries at 4 1/4 and Premier at 9.
Pipelines were stronger, led by

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KISS IS FOR WINNER

Don Gillis gets a kiss from his wife after he led all of his 17-man, anti-communist slate to victory in the elections of

Local 508 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers at Sudbury, Ont. In elections as bitter as any

in Canadian labor history, Gillis trounced former union boss Nels Theibault who stepped down from the Canadian pre-

sidency of the Communist dominated international union to try to knock out the freshman leader.

Advertisement for Moore & McLeod Ltd. featuring 'Christmas Enchantment' and 'Cigarettes Anden'. Includes contact information for Marjorie E. Gill, Paraplegic Subscription Agent, and phone number 5655.

Advertisement for Central Printery featuring 'IMMEDIATE DELIVERY ON POTATO & TURNIP TAGS'. Includes contact information for phone 8506 and address 121 Grafton St.

Advertisement for Minard's Liniment, featuring a cartoon character and the slogan 'WHY HAVE SORE FEET?'.

Advertisement for Garnhum Photo Studio, located at 135 Kent St., offering developing services.

Advertisement for Taylors Jewellers Ltd., located at 121 Grafton St., offering layaway services.