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Packed House Sees St. Patrick's Play

"Kitty Kearney From Killarney" Well Acted Comedy Presented By B. J. C.

Last night's performance at the Prince Edward Theatre of "Kitty Kearney From Killarney" packed the theatre to the doors.

Sponsored by the Benevolent Irish Society, and performed under the direction of Mr. J. Joseph Callaghan, an experienced producer of Irish plays, the production lived up to all its advance notices.

The matinee yesterday afternoon gave hundreds of the City school children an opportunity of witnessing the play while at the same time it enabled the players to perfect their characterizations before they should face a more adult audience across the footlights.

The afternoon specialties were of high merit and were performed by the children of St. Vincent's Orphanage and the pupils of St. Joseph's Convent. Among those taking part in the specialties were the Misses Frances Henderson, Lora Doreen Wood, Electa Roberts, Leona Weatherlie, and George Weatherlie.

"Kitty Kearney From Killarney" is a recently-written Irish-American comedy whose scenes are built around the luxurious Spencer residence in Killarney, the son of a downed pilot, who leaves his home in America on a business trip to Ireland where he meets the fair Kitty and becomes smitten. Once more home in America, however, he slowly begins to forget the beautiful colleen and has practically dismissed her from his mind when, suddenly, she turns up in his own home. Developments then follow thick and fast and not always smoothly or to the liking of

either. But all works out right at the end with everyone in a happy frame of mind, especially Kitty and Kenneth.

All characters in the play were portrayed with a realism which showed that Mr. Callaghan, as usual, had had his cast pay careful attention to every minute detail.

Last night's performance, the specialties included an Irish reel by the children of St. Vincent's Orphanage, vocal solos by Miss Margaret Osborne, Mr. Frank MacIntyre, and Mr. Charlie Chamberlain, and tap dancing by Mr. Joseph Morrison. The music for the evening was ably supplied by Don Messer and his Islanders.

The brilliance of last night's performance will, no doubt, result in another capacity-house at the Prince Edward this evening when the play will be reproduced. There will also be a matinee this afternoon.

Cast of Characters

- Kitty Kearney.....Louisa Rossiter
- Kenneth Spencer.....Frank Moran
- Mrs. Wellington Spencer.....Dorothy Allen
- Phyllis Spencer.....Joan MacCallum
- Eugene Van Brunt.....Roy McCallum
- Steve Garret.....Russell Kelly
- Pole.....James McAleer
- Mrs. Taylor.....Grace Diamond
- Suzanne Chatterton.....Dorothy Hughes
- Mrs. Chatterton.....Rita MacDonald
- Janet Pearson.....Ruth MacMillan
- Mr. D. F. Dowling, Sr., was the narrator.

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SPECIAL PRE-EASTER BARGAIN SALE, Mrs. Johnston's Ladies' Wear.

ODDFELLOWS, REBEKAHS and friends are invited to a Box Social in the Oddfellows' Hall tonight, Proceeds in aid of the Walter Calver Carrier Fund.

CONGRATULATIONS—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Robertson, Kingsboro are today celebrating the 25th anniversary of their marriage, and are receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

FLUE FIRE—A flue fire in the attic of the office building next to the Bank of Canada had the City firemen out at 2 p.m. yesterday afternoon. The blaze was quickly extinguished with no damage resulting.

VISITING HOME—Mrs. Joseph MacLacase, St. Eleanor's has returned home after spending the past two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Daniel Jarvis, Munn's Road. The sympathy of the whole community goes out to Mrs. Jarvis and family in the death of her husband, Mr. Jarvis who passed away Feb. 28th after a prolonged illness.

CITY POLICE COURT—At the Police Court yesterday morning a man charged with vagrancy was fined five dollars and costs or 10 days in jail. A drunk and incapable was fined five dollars and costs or 10 days while another was remanded until Thursday.

VISIT OF CHIEF JUSTICE MURPHY—The Law Society of the Province are making plans for a dinner meeting of the Bench and Bar of this Province to welcome Chief Justice Murphy, the Dominion President of the Canadian Bar Association. Chief Justice Murphy has advised the Provincial Vice-President, N. W. Lowther, that he plans to visit the Province on Friday, March 28th. It is many years since the President of the Canadian Bar Association has visited the Province and plans are being made for a meeting of all the members of the Law Society to gather in Charlottetown to welcome Chief Justice Murphy. Committees headed by K. M. Martin, K.C., D. L. Mathieson, K.C., and A.H. Peake, are busy arranging details for the meeting.

Investiture At Legislative Chamber

A unique feature in connection with today's opening of the Legislature will be the investiture with the decoration of the Distinguished Flying Cross of Squadron Leader Clarence F. Higgins, R.C.A.F., of Charlottetown.

The investiture will be made during a brief recess period after the opening at 3 o'clock.

Squadron Leader Higgins was awarded the D.F.C. in May, 1944, for having taken part in attacks on numerous targets in the Ruhr Valley and other heavily defended German objectives, including Berlin, Mannheim and Hamburg. On three occasions he flew his aircraft back from Germany with one engine not functioning and on two other sorties he successfully evaded persistent attack by enemy fighters.

He is the son of Sgt. J. Watson Higgins, of the City Police Force, and Mrs. Higgins.

Legion Gets \$20,000 in Pensions For Veterans in February

Amongst the "Purposes and Objects" set out in the Constitution of the Canadian Legion is the following:—

"To secure adequate pensions, allowances, grants and war gratuities for ex-service men and women, their dependents, and the widows, children and dependents of those who are dead, and to labour for honourable provision being made for those who, in declining years, are unable to support themselves."

From its inception in November, 1925, the Legion through its 2,000 branches—9 Provincial Commands—4 State Commands in the U.S.A. and the Dominion Command, has consistently provided a Free Service to assist veterans and dependents in their varied problems. Gradually, Service Bureaus manned by well-trained and experienced Adjustment Officers came into being, and have established thousands of pension and other claims. In 1925, the Special Committee of the House of Commons on Veterans' Affairs, after an examination of the operations of the Dominion Service Bureau of the Legion in Ottawa, made this Report to Parliament:—

"Your Committee was greatly impressed by the efficiency of the Dominion Service Bureau of the Canadian Legion. This Bureau, since its inception, has handled thousands of cases and has been of inestimable value, not only to members of the Legion, but to all ex-service men and their dependents."

It can be stated that, over the past 22 years, the Legion has obtained much favorable and beneficial legislation based, largely, on the experience acquired in dealing with claims. Convincing Briefs have been presented to the Government and to Parliamentary Committees, supported by evidence obtained through the operation of its Service Bureaus. It is well, therefore, that all should understand how valuable is the service performed by the Bureaus.

Illustrating the complicated character of some of the claims referred to the Dominion Service Bureau is that of a middle-aged Canadian, who sacrificed a remunerative position to serve his country. Enlisting in 1941, he served overseas until discharged as medically unfit in 1944. During his service he contracted Arthritis and also suffered from Bronchitis. He also fractured one of his legs, and his right eye was injured. The strain of military service to a man of 56 years also induced High Blood Pressure and, towards the end, he was found to have Arterio-sclerosis.

Following discharge, the Pension Commission gave the following decision:—

Arthritis—incurred during service—Pension of 10 per cent.

Retinal Arterio-sclerosis, Vitreous Opacity, Nerve Deafness—Pre-existence conditions—not aggravated by service.

The man then sought the assistance of the Dominion Service Bureau, claiming that he was in good health before enlistment, and was now almost completely incapacitated. Following intensive study of the case and several presentations to the Commission dealing with various phases of this claim, here follows the result:—

July 27th, 1945—Pension increased from 10 per cent to 30 per cent for Arthritis.

Sept. 21st, 1946—Pension Entitlement obtained for Bronchitis, and also aggravation of Arterio-sclerosis and Hypertension.

Nov. 5th, 1946—Pension Entitlement for Retinal Arterio-sclerosis, with Vitreous Opacity, as aggravated by service.

Jan. 23rd, 1947—Clothing Allowance of \$34.00 per year, as man had to wear a brace because of Spinal Arthritis.

Disability Pension at 45 per cent is now in effect and retroactive pension totalling \$625.50 has also been paid. This man knows the value of the service rendered as, without the expert knowledge and experience of the personnel of the Dominion Service Bureau to assist him, it is doubtful if his difficult and contentious claim could have succeeded.

February, 1947, was another busy month, and substantial success was achieved. For World War II veterans and dependents, a grand total of 125 pension claims were successfully established, involving the payment of \$19,569,000 in retroactive pension, and the monthly value of pensions secured was \$2,338.16. It will be interesting to World War II veterans to know that, as related to the Services, these successes were Army 77—R.C.A.F. 24—R.C.N. 8. In addition, there were 9 pension claims established for World War I veterans and dependents, with \$1,322,000 paid in retroactive pension and the monthly value in future of \$234.00. Other miscellaneous claims for medical treatment—war veterans and widows' allowances, etc., were successfully established in 18 cases and \$4,318.25 was paid to the successful applicants. On March 1st, 1947, the Dominion Service Bureau was dealing with over 4,000 claims.

Strike On Island Connector Continues

MONTREAL, March 17 (CP)—An official of the Inter-Island Steamship Company, owners of the strike-bound freighter Island Connector tied up in Halifax harbor, said here today that his company has not received any demands from the Canadian Seamen's Union with regard to a settlement.

The four-day old strike was brought about when 15 members of the freighter's crew said to be C.S.U. members, walked off the ship demanding wages of \$150 a month, compared with the \$90 monthly they were receiving.

Plan Province-wide Programme For Pasteurization

Preliminary plans for a province-wide program of education regarding pasteurization of milk were discussed last night in the Charlottetown Hotel at a meeting sponsored by the Health League of Canada.

H. C. Rhodes, representing the national office of the League, described the educational program that is being conducted across Canada to bring about a more informed public opinion regarding pasteurization.

"In a recent Gallup Poll," Mr. Rhodes stated, "it was discovered that while the majority of Canadians favored pasteurization of milk, 42 per cent didn't feel that any harm could come from drinking raw milk." This indicated a need for an aggressive educational program.

The speaker declared that a number of cases of undulant fever—caused by drinking raw milk from cows infected with Bang's disease—were occurring on the Island. This was a serious crippling disease that often disguised itself in form that resembled rheumatism.

"The continued widespread supplying of raw milk to consumers can be detrimental to the Island's tourist industry," he added. "Many of the people who come to enjoy the many attractions on Prince Edward Island may be discouraged from returning or recommending it to their friends if they are forced to use raw milk or none at all."

Mr. C. M. Cox stated that last year one tourist colony on the Island had petitioned that it be supplied with pasteurized milk. This had been done, at a loss to the company supplying it, to maintain the goodwill of the visitors.

Organizations in Charlottetown and throughout the province will be invited to distribute literature explaining the value of pasteurization as a protection to public health. The support of the press will also be sought, and arrangements made for speakers to discuss the subject before meetings.

Recognizing some of the difficulties in carrying out the pasteurization process in thinly populated areas, it was recommended that resolutions supporting pasteurization should indicate that it be done "wherever it is practicable to do so."

Home pasteurization methods can give protection to families not served by pasteurization plants, it was stated.

An organizing committee was appointed by the twelve organizations represented at the meeting. The committee members are: Dr. Frank MacMillan, Mrs. J. G. McDonald, Messrs. B. Graham Rogers, J. R. MacDonald, C. M. Cox and H. Walthein Gaudet.

The support of other voluntary organizations will be invited.

their present levels.

"I might add," he continued, "that I will shortly ask that a sum be voted to cover the cost of these feed subsidies."

Army News Letter

Prepared by the Directorate of Public Relations (Army), March 17

C. O. T. C. Not To Be Commissioned Until Graduation

University undergraduates accepted in the Canadian Officers Training Corps will have the status of second lieutenants but will not be commissioned until they are announced to do so. It was previously announced that those appointed in the Corps would be immediately appointed temporary second lieutenants and that they would retain that rank throughout the entire training period. Members of the Corps will now be known as officer cadets and not as commissioned officers. They will, however, be paid as second lieutenants; be subject to military law as officers and liable to undergo annual military training. Officers already published showing if the veteran so desires, may be students appointed to commissions in the C. O. T. C. will be cancelled in view of the new ruling, Army Headquarters said.

Active Force May Buy Veterans Insurance

Members of the Canadian Army, Active Force, if they saw service in World War II, may now buy veterans insurance under the terms of the Veterans Insurance Act, the Department of Veterans Affairs has announced. Replying to numerous queries from members of Canada's peacetime forces, the Rt. Hon. Ian Mackenzie, Minister of Veterans Affairs, said recently that veterans who are still serving are eligible to apply for veterans insurance at any time within three years of "discharge" which, for purposes of the Act, will be deemed to be April 1, 1946. The insurance is available without a medical examination, and paid from re-establishment credit.

Unification of Services Given Go Ahead At Edmonton

Plans for the unification of certain Army and Air Force services have been given the "go ahead" signal at Western Command's Edmonton.

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moved to St. Dunstan's Basilica where a Solemn High Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. by the Rev. P. McMahon, assisted by the Rev. F. McDonald and Deacon and the Rev. K. MacMillan as sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by His Excellency the Most Reverend James A. Boyle, Bishop of Charlottetown, who, in keeping with the significance of the day, told something of the historical background of Ireland's patron saint and of his hardships as experienced in his Christianizing of the Irish people.

Upon the return of the marchers from Mass at the Basilica, a smoker was held in the old B.I.S. Hall.

Among the speakers were His Honour Lieut.-Governor J. A. Bernard, His Worship Mayor B. Earle MacDonald, Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, O.B.E., Rev. T. E. MacLennan, pastor of Trinity United Church, Lt.-Col. W. W. Reid, D.S.O., and Dr. J. D. MacGuigan.

EPSOM, England—(CP)—T.H. Carter, private secretary and clerk controller to the Duke of Windsor's household for 37 years, has died.

Junior Ladies Aid Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Junior Ladies' Aid of the Prince Edward Island Hospital was held at the Cundall Home on Monday afternoon, March 17th, with 30 members present. After the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted, the secretary read a letter from Mr. A. G. Hogan, manager of the Island Purifiers, enclosing a cheque for fifty dollars, and one from Miss Cronin, of the Gloria, containing a cheque for twenty-five dollars, showing their appreciation of the Fashion Show held in the Charlottetown Hotel on Wednesday, March 12th.

Several members volunteered to assist the Ladies' Aid on their annual tag day, on Easter Sunday, April 5th.

A League of Women committee, consisting of representatives from the different churches, was appointed.

It was decided to invite the Fashion Show models to a luncheon at the Charlottetown Hotel on Saturday, March 22nd at one o'clock. All members desiring to attend were asked to leave their names with the secretary, Mrs. H. A. Brown, not later than Thursday evening.

At the close of the meeting the Dorothy Gray Beauty Plim was shown, and tea was served by Mrs. Gordon Foster, Mrs. Earl MacLeod, and Mrs. J. T. Lines.

Search For Missing Man Is Fruitless

The search for the body of Stewart McNeill, Rocky Point, who is feared to have drowned on Monday, March 10, while crossing the ice on foot from the City to his home in Rocky Point, has been fruitless.

Neighbors of the missing man, under the direction of and assisted by the R.C.M.P., have been carrying on an intensive search in the vicinity of the spot where they found his cap and some groceries on the ice last Friday.

Inspector N.J. Anderson, R.C.M.P., expressed the opinion last night that further searching under present conditions would not accomplish anything.

A heavy tide is said to run where the missing man is believed to have fallen through the ice.

Red Cross Drive Here Next Week

Provincial Objective \$25,000; City Goal Set At \$10,000

On Monday of next week volunteer canvassers will visit employers, employees and other residents to raise \$25,000, Prince Edward Island's quota to the national objective of \$500,000 which the Canadian Red Cross is seeking to enable it to continue for another year its peace-time work in Canada.

Members of the Special Names Division for the city drive, under the chairmanship of Major Frank Storey, held a supper meeting at the Charlottetown Hotel last night. The city objective has been set at \$10,000.

The slogan this year is "The Work of Mercy Never Ends—Give" and each donation will enable the Red Cross to finance the continuance and expansion of a half dozen major activities and several lesser known activities.

Local Objective

Speakers at last night's meeting were Mr. Edwin Johnstone, provincial chairman of the campaign, and Major Storey. It was pointed out that although the provincial objective was \$25,000 the sum of \$26,000 was earmarked for expenditure here.

More than \$1,000,000 of the \$5,000,000 sought for operations in 1947 will be used to organize the new nation-wide blood bank by which the Canadian Red Cross will supply free blood and plasma to hospitals large and small from coast to coast. Already the blood bank has opened in British Columbia and it will extend eastward.

A second major service of the society is outpost hospitals and nursing outposts in isolated places throughout the Dominion. Other Red Cross services are its disaster preparedness and relief provisions by which it gives emergency clothing, food and medical treatment and shelter to fire and flood victims when asked by civil authorities. Still other forms of service include comforts, outings and handicraft instruction for hospitalized veterans.

Hospitalized Veterans

Mr. Johnstone pointed out that last year over 5,000 visits were made to 1,000 hospitalized veterans by the Red Cross Corps in this Province. Comforts such as cigarettes, magazines and games were distributed weekly. \$1,400 was spent alone in this way, last year.

A full time paid worker gave instruction on the indicators, and materials were supplied free by the Red Cross. This work cost in the vicinity of \$2,000.

Major Storey paid tribute to the Divisional Commanders in the drive and laid emphasis on the great good which would result to humanity in the establishment of "blood banks" in hospitals.

The Special Names Division got away to a splendid start yesterday when the following contributions were received:—

DeBolis Bros. \$300.00; Moore & McLeod, \$250.00; S. A. McDonald, \$150.00; Carvell Bros. \$100.00; Prowse Bros. \$100.00.

Encouraged by these generous donations campaign officials were confident that this year's appeal in the cause of peace would compare with the success of previous campaigns held during the war years.

Canada's Petroleum Output Down in '46

OTTAWA, March 17 (CP)—Output of crude petroleum and natural gasoline in 1946 totalled 7,813,520 barrels compared with 8,488,796 in 1945, the Bureau of Statistics reported today. December production was 600,119 barrels compared with 619,832 in November and 660,149 in December, 1945.

Of the total, Alberta produced 7,388,532 last year, 165,536 in December, and 636,654 in December, 1945. Production in New Brunswick last year was 28,581, in Ontario, 122,082 and in Saskatchewan, 136,346.

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Ontario Premier Charges Deliberate Misrepresentations

TORONTO, March 17 (CP)—The CBC today was charged by Premier Drew with "deliberate misrepresentation" of Ontario policy regarding taxation and the Dominion-Provincial conference.

Speaking to the Ontario legislature this afternoon, Mr. Drew said a statement made by "paid news commentators" (giving an interpretation of the week's event under the title "capital report"...) was absolutely untrue and utterly indefensible. The Premier quoted the commentator as saying:—

"The budget statements from Ontario and Quebec destroy any hope which may have remained that tax agreements could be reached soon with all nine provinces..."

This, Mr. Drew said, was an "all-front not only to the people of this province but to all the people of Canada whose money is being used for false propaganda of this nature."

The broadcast obviously referred to both the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the legislature two weeks ago and the budget speech last week, which said Ontario would raise its own revenue, since it was not entering a new tax agreement. The speech from the throne said Ontario would not enter an agreement replacing the 1942 arrangement "because of the failure of the Dominion government to reconvene the dominion-provincial conference."

secondary schools," said C. E. Phillips, executive secretary of the association.

"We feel that the present secondary school courses employ too great a degree of the traditional academic subjects which are of a university preparatory nature in character... it is hoped by a progressive research not only to give added emphasis to practical courses in secondary schools but also to assure that practical courses will be adapted to the needs of business, industry, agriculture and home life in Canada today."

Begin Move For More Practical Education System

OTTAWA, March 17 (CP)—A move for a more practical educational system in secondary schools was launched today by the Canadian Education Association at the opening of a three-day convention here.

"We wish to set up a comprehensive research with a view to securing more practical courses in our

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been paid our couriers long ago. I would have looked after the Tories and I'm very sure my good friend Douglas would have taken care of the Grits."

Mr. Douglas smiled agreement from his seat on the government side of the chamber.

Suggests Fairer Basis

Some form of rural mail contract based on a mileage or air-tour basis would be fairer than the present tender system. Mr. McLure contended. He cited one case in which the courier had a 21-mile route and received \$5 a day or \$1,500 a year. On another route also of 21 miles, the courier received only \$3 a day. This was insufficient, particularly in view of the fact that the man getting \$5 a day was getting "none too much."

In reply to Mr. McLure's remarks, Postmaster-General Bertrand said that the present system of bonussing had been carefully studied by administrative heads of his department and that it had come to the conclusion that it was the only fair and equitable system for the present circumstances.

Mr. Bertrand said the department had considered the matter of paying mail couriers on a mileage or an hourly basis as the Queen's member suggested but had rejected the plan on account of many factors such as the number of receivers of mail on the route and the conditions of the roads at different times of the year. More-over, he pointed out, a system of fixing mail contract prices by the mile or by the hour would wreck the "tender system" to which the post office department now adhered. "It is unfortunate," he said, "that in certain cases couriers tendered at prices too low for the service performed."

"It cannot be denied that in many cases, that was their own responsibility. They must have known of the increasing costs of labor, transportation and materials and increased their tenders accordingly."

The adjustment of the bonus now being put into effect would have the result of making up many of these deficiencies and putting mail contracts on a better basis, the Minister concluded. The discussion was on third reading of Bill 17 providing for supplemental payments on mail contracts.

PERSONALS

Lieut.-Col. F. F. Cook, M.M., Sydney, C.B., is visiting in the city.

Mr. S. F. Tarbush of Charlottetown, who has been a patient in hospital for the past month is convalescing but expects to be in hospital for some weeks yet.

The many friends of Mr. Robert MacKinnon, Charlottetown, will be pleased to know he is progressing favorably after his recent operation at the P.E. Island Hospital.

Miss Audrey Gillis returned home by plane on Saturday from Boston where she had been receiving further treatment at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

Dr. Clarence Tidmarsh who is at present in Montreal for an operation will be unable to be present at the funeral of his mother, Mrs. W. F. Tidmarsh, who passed away at her home on Saturday.

Messrs. A. H. Mutch, Gerald McInnis, Howard Tweedy, George Irving and Harry Tweedy all of Emscliffe left yesterday by car to attend the Fat Stock Show and Sale at Amherst, N.S.

NORWICH, England—(CP)—Plans are being made to develop the 15th-century church of St. Peter as a centre for religious drama, starting with a passion play.

ST. HELENS, Isle of Wight—(CP)—Vice-Admiral Francis Gerald St. John, formerly naval aide-de-camp to King George V, died here aged 77.

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