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DELIGHTFUL COMEDY DRAMA PRODUCED BY LOCAL TALENT

"Beneath Skies of Blue" Produced at the Prince Edward Theatre Last Night Under Auspices of St. Charles Auxiliary Society Was Very Successful.

The delightful comedy drama "Beneath Skies of Blue" which was presented last night at the Prince Edward Theatre by the Charlottetown Dramatic Club, in aid of the Charlottetown Hospital was a first rate performance and in every way fulfilled the high expectations entertained. The play which was under the auspices of the St. Charles Auxiliary Society was very largely attended and reflected great credit upon Mr. J. Austin Trator, the capable stage director and on all the members of the cast. Mr. Trator has directed many successful productions, including minstrel shows, comedies, dramas and other entertainments, but none which furnished more pleasant entertainment than the performance of last evening. Applause was frequent and enthusiastic, the specialties also, which were numerous and all of a high order, received hearty applause. The performance was well staged, the cues being picked up quickly and with no stage delays. This is a feature much appreciated in any amateur performance. Excellent music was furnished by a local orchestra, which also added to the enjoyment of the evening.

Mr. Andrew Williamson in the important leading role of Bruce McCulloch, a foreigner, disclosed a fundamentally rich and pleasant voice which he supplemented with good stage deportment, and which made his part delightfully natural. Gladys M. McCormack's performance as Clara Joyce, the heroine, showed a true understanding of subtle expression and shading. She repeated her big stage success of last Easter and received much enthusiastic and well-deserved applause.

Another important part was that of Edith Warren, an heiress, taken very capably by Miss Agnes Flynn, who played her part very clearly without stepping out of her character role.

Miss Misa Brothers in the character role of Old Sarah, the housekeeper played her part well and was responsible for many hearty laughs. Mr. Jas. Callaghan, as her grandson, "Sleepy Jimmy" also scored many hits.

G. W. V. A. Held Successful Dance

The Easter Dance and Supper at the Casino last evening, under the auspices of the local branch of the Great War Veterans Association, was an unqualified success. Upwards of 130 couples were present and the entertainment was enjoyed from start to finish. The Casino orchestra furnished excellent music and a very tasteful supper was provided.

The chaperones were Mrs. J. S. Bagnall, Mrs. J. E. B. MacCreedy and Mrs. A. G. Peake.

Following was the programme: Zero Hour, 9.00 p. m.—Clothing Inspection, Powder Parade and Sitting-Up Exercises.

1. Waltz—"Victoria: All Change" Casino Orchestra.
2. Fox Trot—"Hello, Canada!" Grosvenor Hotel Sextette.
3. Waltz—"A Double—and a Small"—Sunshine Inn Stellar Stringers.
4. Fox Trot—"Arm Drill" Orderlies and Waacs.
5. Waltz—"Confetti Barrage" Southampton Street Trio.
6. Fox Trot—"Stranded on the Strand" Safety Remarkable.
7. Paul Jones—"Rum's Up" Ex-Emptions, Nil.
8. Waltz—"The Man in the Moon Can't Tell" Waterloo Lemon squeezers.
9. Fox Trot—"Am and Happle Quickstep" (With apologies to Red Newman) Act. L. Pte. Beer schooner.
10. Ration Waltz—"Margarine, Love You" Col. Dickie, A. S. C., & Staff.
11. Fox Trot—"Limber Limbers" Stretcher Bearers' Chorus.
12. Waltz—"My Moonlight Peach" Southampton Street Trio.
13. Fox Trot—"Two Days' Extension" Redwood Painters' Band.
14. Ballroom Waltz—"Heinie's Up" R. A. F. Tender Party.
15. Fox Trot—"The Last Long Smile" Annie Whooperers.
16. Waltz—"Kiss Me, Sergeant" Submarine Dodgers.

Disco: Clean Fatigue.

N. B. Commanding Officers will be held responsible for the routing and discipline of their bands.

Absentees from any of the above parades will be considered casualties, and will be so reported on the back of this form, which will be returned in duplicate.

Mexico May Solve Canada's Coal Problem

(Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, April 2—Canada's coal problem may be solved by Mexico, according to statistics submitted by the coal commission. He says there is a plentiful supply of coal in Mexico but owing to the demand for oil, coal has been neglected. Mines probably will be reopened with shipments direct from Tampico to Halifax.

Believe Body Went In A Grinding Machine

DETROIT, Mich., April 2—Acting on the story that Joseph A. Campbell, superintendent of a reduction company who disappeared February 10, was slain and his body destroyed by running it through machinery used in the manufacture of fertilizer, county authorities today detained George Reynolds, night fireman at the plant. Investigation is said to have disclosed that the grinding machinery in the plant was in operation from 11 p. m. until five a. m. on the night of February 10, contrary to custom. It is declared in the plant that night and that no evidence can be found that the superintendent ever left the place.

Debate Concluded on Draft Address

March 28th. Evening Session (Continued.)

Mr. H.D. McLean dealt ably with some of the financial phases of the Bell administration and compared the policies of the two parties, taking up separately the paragraphs of the Speech from the Throne. The educational question he showed to be the issue in 1911 as it had been in 1919; but upon the former occasion the Conservatives had supplemented their promises by getting a handsome subsidy of \$100,000 a year from Ottawa, whereas the government now in power, despite their great promises, had only increased taxes and had secured nothing from Ottawa. Despite the increased taxation since fair and other agricultural activities have not increased although a great deal of boasting had been indulged in. Mr. McLean pointed out where assistance could be given, the fisheries industry of the province.

Hon. Mr. Cox followed and also curtailed his remarks, the hour being late. He declared he would much rather talk at an ear-crowd when there was a good crowd around, even if he did not have much to say. It was as business man that he looked at the achievements of the government, and the big achievement was that revenue and expenditure had at last been made to meet. Who would object to taxation for this purpose? If any western claims are to be taken the taxes off. He concluded with complimentary remarks upon the highways scheme.

Mr. Deane, who was speaking in the debate, concluded it by saying: "The Speaker expressed his regret that he could not remain in the hall, but he will continue only five minutes." He was the first to leave the hall closing at 11 o'clock. The presentation of the address was then moved and adopted by the whole House.

In reply to Mr. J. D. Stewart, Premier Bell said there would not be much legislation this session. The House adjourned until Tuesday, April 3rd, at 3 p. m.

GERMANS OPENLY DEMAND RENEWAL OF PEACE FEELERS

Recent Outbreak Costing Twenty Two Lives Causes Widespread Demand for Some Kind of Settlement to End the Struggle. Essen the Storm Centre is Isolated and Doings There are Unknown.

(Special to The Guardian.) BERLIN, April 2—Germany renewed talk of negotiations to end the Ruhr deadlock today, following the outbreak of violence in the occupied areas over the week end that cost twenty-two lives. The Berlin press asks if it is not now time to put out more feelers in Paris and Brussels suggesting the advantage lies with Germany. What was going on in the troubled areas around Essen could not be definitely determined today, communications with that storm-centred city being interrupted. Mingling the popular outcry here (that blossomed in the Ruhr must cease came indications today that the Cuna Government might try new peace manoeuvres this week week based on the cry that Belgium at least is tiring of the adventure and might be split from France if satisfactory offers were made. Hints have been received here recently of the possibility that Belgium is "fed up" with the Ruhr. Foreign Minister Jaspars' visit to Italy seemed to strengthen this view. The press appeals to inhabitants of the Ruhr to remain calm in the meantime.

THE TRAINS

The blockade continues on the Tormentine branch and as a consequence there was no mail or passenger train from the mainland yesterday. It is hoped to have this line cleared this morning. The car ferry left Borden at 10.05 yesterday, arriving at Tormentine at 11.35, where she remained last night.

The Murray Harbor train reached Murray Harbor at 4.10 p. m. yesterday. The eastern train was reported last night at St. Peters. Conductor Hibbet's train reached Montague at 3.35 a. m. The plough extra which left Charlottetown at 2 p. m. yesterday is now working in the vicinity of 48 Road. Progress is being made two miles out from Tignish, where the track is very heavy. Another western train is working about three quarters of a mileability the announcement will be made during the Easter recess, that Hon. D. D. McKenzie, Solicitor General has been appointed to the one passenger train Charlottetown to Supreme court bench of Nova Scotia.

Russian Vicar May Yet Escape

(Special to The Guardian.) MOSCOW, April 2—It is reported on good authority that Vicar General Budkevich is still alive. The Soviet is said to be considering seriously the probable effect of his execution.

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BELL GOVERNMENT'S UNAUTHORIZED EXPENDITURE

In Ten Votes They Exceed Their Estimates by Over \$22,000

The Bell Government last year admittedly spent over \$22,000 without authority as the following statement from the Public Accounts show. According to Premier Bell this is a "criminal act."

Administration of Justice	\$ 30,243.02
Estimate	28,755.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	1,488.02
Debt of Education	\$271,105.41
Estimate	262,570.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	8,535.41
Debt of Agriculture	\$ 28,965.59
Estimate	21,000.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	7,965.59
Falconwood Hospital	\$102,663.66
Estimate	102,200.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	463.66
Legislature	\$ 18,483.53
Estimate	18,450.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	33.53
Motor Vehicles	\$ 3,440.30
No Estimate	
Unauthorized Expenditure	3,440.30
Paupers	\$ 3,820.33
Estimate	3,800.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	20.33
Postage, etc.	\$ 2,572.40
Estimate	2,500.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	72.40
Provincial Building	\$ 5,906.98
Estimate	5,900.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	6.98
Telegrams	\$ 52.78
Estimate	50.00
Unauthorized Expenditure	2.78

Will Stamp Out White Slave Trade

PARIS, April 2—The Commission of the League of Nations dealing with the repression of traffic in women and children, which had been in session here for several days, ended its work today. It was resolved that an international investigation should be undertaken regarding the nature and extent of this traffic and measures adopted for its repression. The commission in its report will ask the council of the League of Nations to appoint experts to collaborate with governments interested in the question. The commission also desires the League of Nations International Labor Bureau to collect information looking to the protection of women emigrants. The report on the commission's work will be submitted to the council of the League at its meeting in Geneva which begins April 10th.

The Weather, Etc.

WHAT'S THE USE OF GOING INTO THE BUSINESS OF FIGHTING IF YOU CAN FIND ANYBODY TO DO BUSINESS WITH?

LIKE ME AN' DEMISE

TORONTO, April 3.—Maritime fresh, south and south west winds and cloudy and milder. The lowest temperature during Sunday night was 3 degrees above zero; at 9 o'clock yesterday morning 20 above and at 9 o'clock last night 28 above.

High tide this morning at 11:55 and tonight at 6:32. Sun sets this evening at 6:32 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:33.

Last quarter moon Sunday, April 3th, 1:23 a. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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Free State Customs Now In Force

(Special to The Guardian.) DUBLIN, April 2—Free State customs laws went into operation on Sunday when officers here began searching the baggage of passengers and crews of all incoming ships. Officers worked quickly, courteously, and promise to be the only public servants in this line of work who will not ruffle the tempers of travellers.

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25 Oil Stock Fakery Arrested

(Special to The Guardian.) FORT WORTH, April 2—Twenty-five oil stock promoters were arrested in a government drive against fakery who were alleged to have swindled thousands of people in all parts of North America. The Justice Department and Post Office officials were working together, most of the prisoners being charged with violation of mail laws.

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Official Reception For Canadian Cattle in Glasgow

(Special to The Guardian.) GLASGOW, April 2—A Glasgow corporation is extending to the first shipment of Canadian store cattle received since the outbreak of the embargo, an official reception. Invitations to attend the landing have been sent broadcast by the Market Committee. The committee is hoping that the shipment which is now nearing Glasgow will be the first to arrive in Great Britain.

Menace of War In Near East Is Averted

(Special to The Guardian.) CONSTANTINOPLE, April 2—East Menace of war in the Near East seems to have been averted by Turkey's acceptance of the terms of the Allied note and agreement to resume the Lausanne conference today. The conference is to begin April fifteenth.

Tension here which was near the breaking point is considerably relieved.

Turks to Hold Immediate Election

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, April 2—A despatch to the Times from Constantinople says, the National Assembly in Ankara today unexpectedly on representation made in behalf of 300 Kemalist deputies voted by a large majority in favor of immediate elections so that new assembly would be ready to ratify a peace treaty if one is signed. The despatch adds that Ismet Pasha expressed his appreciation of the plan.

Handsome New Hall at St. Georges Parish

A Guardian representative had the pleasure a few days ago of being shown through the St. Georges Parish Hall and High School. This building was completed last spring and is a well-constructed structure with a concrete foundation, 65 feet long and 40 feet wide. It is built on the brow of a hill—end on—and is quite near the church. There is a large sun-bath in front, in which is situated the school. The floor of the hall is of the best hardwood and slopes towards the stage. This gives the audience a better view during entertainments. A space however of about 10 feet by 25 feet in front of the stage is level, thus suitable for dancing. The seating capacity is about five hundred. The stage is large and is also finished in hardwood. Ample room is found on both sides of the stage and two doors lead to the dressing rooms in the basement. The building as a whole is neatly finished, and its many windows allow sufficient light. A finer parish hall cannot be found on P.E. Island, and it is well worthy of praise and credit to St. Georges Parish.

Senator Godbout Died in Quebec

(Special to The Guardian.) QUEBEC, April 2—Senator Godbout died last night at his home here after an illness of several months. He was seventy-three years old and has been senator twenty-two years, previously he had recorded fourteen years service in the House of Commons. He was appointed to the senate by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in nineteen one.

Daughters of Empire Monthly Meeting

The Royal Edward Chapter held its regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at their rooms in the Navy League Building, the Regent, Mrs. MacCreedy presiding.

A good representation of the members was present and two new members were initiated, Mrs. Cecil Stewart and Mrs. Georges Inman. After the regular reports were read and adopted and the general business disposed of, arrangements were made, and committees appointed in connection with the Chapter's Annual Bazaar and tea to be held on 31st April, St. George's Day occurring on Monday the 23rd. It was decided to celebrate the date on Saturday 21st as the more convenient day. Capable and energetic committees have the matter in hand and the Patron Saint will be honored as rarely before. So many avenues of work demanding the assistance of the Daughters are opening up from time to time, that the genuinity of the Chapter is taped to raise funds to meet the demands. On this occasion the members feel sure the public will be gratified with what will be of their consideration and do well to follow.

The founder of this school was the late Rev. Pius A. MacDonnell, who was at that time pastor of St. George's and now of a venerable memory. This school will stand as a lasting memorial to his memory and inspire all to his memory and inspire all to better education in our province.

Mr. W. C. Wright Opens Grocery Store Business

His fine large grocery store of Mr. E. L. Coffin, corner of Kent and Rochford Streets has been taken over by Mr. W. C. Wright and was opened under the new management yesterday.

Mr. Wright is dealing in fruits as well as general groceries and has a complete new stock on hand. The interior of the store has been renovated and decorated in white enamel and presents a very attractive appearance, a newly installed show case adding to the pleasing effect.

The ice cream parlor in connection with the store has been largely patronized in the past and Mr. Wright is preparing to feature this part of the business as soon as the warm weather comes. The parlor will be renovated and repainted, and the large window on Kent Street will be altered. An entrance with artistic French doors will be added.

Mr. Wright is a returned soldier and is particularly deserving of patronage. He went overseas in 1914 with the Strathcona Horse (1st Contingent) and was wounded on three different occasions. His leg was badly hurt on the last occasion, (May, 1917) and as a result he was invalided home. He has been in hospital a considerable length of time since his discharge. The site of his grocery store is a splendid one and as the owner is an energetic business man as well as a deserving ex-soldier, he will no doubt achieve the success he anticipates.

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