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Show Festival Scheduled For Month to mark this Summer

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Prince Edward Island will have its first professional theatre this summer when the Charlottetown Festival Company undertakes the production of the Charlottetown Show Festival, the exciting of these plays written by the great Irish playwright, George Bernard Shaw.

The plays, "Arms and the Man," "Candida" and "You Never Can Tell," will open at the Prince of Wales College on June 1 and run for five weeks with two performances of each play every week.

The festival is the first in the world to specialize entirely in the productions of Shaw, it is understood from the festival's director, Lionel Dixon, Prince Edward Island drama director.

"The directors of the festival have many objectives in sight for the next few years," said Mr. Dixon. "Perhaps the main purpose of the staging is to develop the island as a tourist attraction, so there will be people coming not only to see P.E.I. but the Shaw Festival as well."

T.E.I. STRATFORD
"We want to gradually develop the festival into a P.E.I. Stratford," but with Shaw in mind of course, not Shakespeare, he said. "We also want the individuality and style that have been able to build at Stratford over the past few years."

Macmillan and Pearson
A 90-minute meeting
LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Pearson met with Prime Minister Macmillan Thursday for a 90-minute discussion of trade, disarmament, western defence and other matters. Further discussions were planned for today.

DISCUSS NATO
The two defence heads discussed a meeting of the NATO ministerial council in Ottawa May 21-23, where proposed changes to NATO multinational nuclear force will top the agenda.

Prisoner, Guard Killed in Incident
MONTREAL (CP)—A prisoner and a guard were killed Thursday at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary and another prisoner wounded when the two also tried to escape from a hospital ward.

air Prizes Described Generous
Satisfaction with "generous prize money" being offered by the Atlantic Winter Fair management in U.S. has been expressed here yesterday by spokesmen for a trio of Island fishermen who are making a deal to sell their fish to the best fishermen in a meeting Wednesday with Don Oland, director of the organization, Watson Mackay, secretary-manager and Alex Lamond, who is farm manager for Mr. Oland's Ayrshire and Aberdeen Angus farms.

HAPPENED QUICKLY
Mr. Lecorre said the whole incident took no more than 30 minutes.

Hellyer Visits West Germany
ZWIBRUCKEN, West Germany (Reuters)—Canada's new defence minister, Paul Hellyer, arrived here from London Thursday for a two-day inspection tour of Canadian troops in West Germany.

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Local Airways Purchased By MCA



GENERAL PRACTITIONERS HOLD MEETING

Disaster planning was on the agenda at the annual banquet for the P.E.I. Chapter of the College of General Practitioners at the Charlottetown Curling Club yesterday evening. At the business meeting held in the afternoon the island chapter elected its new executive. Seen here left to right are Dr. Henry Moyse, past president, Summerside; Dr. Victor Johnston, executive director of the College for Canada; Dr. Lea Steeves, director of Medical Post Graduate Division at Dalhousie University and Dr. Charles Dewar, newly elected president, O'Leary, Dr. Johnston and Dr. Steeves held a press at the meeting. (See story on page 3.)

Evacuation Speeded In North

HAY RIVER, N.W.T. (CP)—Three hundred children and two dozen hospital patients were plucked from danger Thursday as an air evacuation of two island communities in Canada's northland picked up speed. The communities, with a combined population of 2,500, have been under siege by the rampaging Mackenzie River system, clogged with ice and swollen by the spring thaw.

American Two-Man Team Conquers Mount Everest

KATMANDU, Nepal (Reuters)—A two-man American team conquered 29,028-foot Mount Everest Wednesday in the first attempt by United States mountaineers to scale the world's highest peak. A total of three four-man assault teams were at camp No. 6, 1,200 feet below the wind-swept peak Tuesday night. Two teams were held in reserve while two members of the third tried for the top.

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Hovercraft Given Test
MONTREAL (CP)—British hovercraft, a cross between a plane and a boat which travels on an air cushion several feet above the water's surface, successfully crossed a tricky 15-mile stretch of the St. Lawrence river near here Thursday in its first Canadian test.

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"GIFT OF KNOWLEDGE" PAID TO INSTITUTIONS
Dr. Robert Mac'Neill (right), minister of health, represented the provincial government yesterday in accepting a "gift of knowledge" as five encyclopaedias were presented by The

British Columbia were given for the use of young patients, while the regular Encyclopaedia Britannica was given to the Riverside. (See story on page 8.)

Present Services to Be Maintained

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Eastern Provincial Airways of Gander, Nfld., has purchased Maritime Central Airways of Charlottetown, Premier Small, who announced in the Newfoundland legislature Thursday. Mr. Smallwood said EPA will take over all MCA routes and the purchase price was in the "millions of dollars."

END OVERLAPPING

Merging of the two services will eliminate overlapping in Atlantic provinces local service. Mr. Smallwood said EPA will double its mileage to 2,000,000 air miles a month, and increase the number of passengers carried to 1,000 a month. Mr. Smallwood said.

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CARL F. BURKE

DEER LAKE, Nfld. (CP)—EPA now operates services between St. John's, Gander, Deer Lake, Stephenville, Goose Bay and Wabush City, Labrador, primarily. It also operates flights from Gander to St. John's, several charter services in Newfoundland and has plans chartered to the Danish government in Greenland.

MCA also operates flights from Moncton to Summerside, P.E.I., Charlottetown, Halifax, and from Moncton to St. John's, Que., and Goose Bay, Labrador, the Magdalen Islands and New Glasgow, N.S.

With the purchase EPA now has a total of four Dart Heavies, five DC-7s, two DC-4s, a DC-4, seven Beaver, five Otters, five Cessnas, three Canoes and a helicopter.

At a news conference after the announcement in the legislature, Mr. Smallwood said he had suggested negotiations between the two airlines two months ago. The purchase was made final Thursday.

MCA vice-president Carl Burke of Charlottetown will remain with the company for a time in an advisory capacity.

New Senator Made Speaker

OTTAWA (CP)—Maurice Bourget, 55-year-old engineer, has been appointed to the Senate and named Speaker of the upper chamber. It was learned Wednesday.

Mr. Bourget, Liberal MP for Levis, Que., from 1940 until 1952, was appointed April 27 by cabinet order. No other announcement has been made since his appointment.