



**DELIVERS FIRST STONE**

Ken Jenkins, president of the Charlottetown Curling Club delivers the first stone to officially open the 19th annual Confederation Bouspiel at the

Charlottetown club yesterday. Looking on and getting into the spirit of the bouspiel are only a few of the 100 team skips who entered the bous-

piel. Sixty-nine of the teams participating in the nine-day bouspiel are from out of the province.

## Central Queens Fishermen Re-Elect Bert Blacquiere

Bert Blacquiere, North Rustico yesterday was re-elected president of the Central Queens Fishermen's Association at the annual meeting at Birch Court, Charlottetown.

Other officers include: first vice-president, Lee Taylor, Nine Mile Creek; second vice-president, Francis McAdam, Morell; secretary-treasurer, Mervyn Robinson, Covehead.

Other directors elected are: Charles Murphy, Sledge Harbour; Robert Clow, Tracadie; Manson Murchison, Point Prim; Earl Moore, Canoe Cove; Wally Howatt, Victoria; Chris Judson, Pownal.

The treasurer's report revealed 103 paid-up members, with a few more areas yet to report. The meeting went on record as approving an application for membership in the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation. This would en-

title the association to four voting delegates at all general meetings of the Federation. A great deal of discussion took place on the question of lobster trap limit and lobster fishing licence restrictions.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**  
A resolution was passed commending the federal department of fisheries' work in this domain and urging the department to continue its efforts to implement legislation to control the number of traps which fishermen can fish as well as determine the number of fishermen who may engage in this fishery.

It was suggested that the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation should appoint a province-wide committee, representing the fishermen particularly, whose function would be to make strong practical recommendations to the department concerning lobster trap limit and licence restrictions. Fishermen expressed the view that buyers were particularly responsible for the alarming increase in lobster fishing gear, since many of these buyers were

very liberal in granting or making available boats and fishing gear to would-be fishermen. This is posing a problem on the south side of the Island where fishermen have accepted a lobster trap limit on a voluntary basis. Unless constructive steps are taken to curtail this procedure, fishermen said the situation would continue to deteriorate.

Warren Farrar, federal department of fisheries, Charlottetown, told the meeting that in recent years the fishermen from most areas of the Island had been much more co-operative. He expressed his pleasure at being invited to the association meetings and said that at all times his department welcomes the views of the fishermen on regulations, etc.

Urban LeBlanc, extension department, St. Dunstan's University, also spoke, urging the fishermen to support their association and work in close co-operation with the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation and department of fisheries for the betterment of the industry.

## DEATHS

**MacNEILL** — At his late residence, 76 Brighton Road, Thursday, March 17, 1966, William R. MacNeill in his 59th year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home until noon Saturday, March 19, then to Trinity United Church for funeral service commencing at 2 p.m. Interment in Sherwood Cemetery. Visiting hours today: 10-12 a.m.; 3-5 and 8-10 p.m.

**HARDY** — At the Prince Edward Island Hospital March 16, 1966, Mrs. Lily Hardy, of York, widow of the late Capt. W.E. Hardy, in her 82nd year. Resting at the Cutcliffe Funeral Home until noon Saturday, then to York United Church for funeral service commencing at 1.30. Remains will be placed in Cutcliffe receiving vault, later to be interred in York cemetery.

**MacLEAN** — At the Livingstone and MacArthur Nursing Home March 15, 1966, George A. MacLean of Lewis in his 86th year. Remains will rest at his late residence until noon today, Friday, then to Caledonia Presbyterian Church for funeral service commencing at 1.30. Interment in Caledonia Cemetery.

**BETHUNE** — Thursday, March 17, 1966, M. Ross Bethune of 8 Brighton Road. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held Saturday, March 19, with service commencing at 3:30 p.m. Interment in People's cemetery.

**DUCK** — At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, March 16, 1966, Mrs. Vernon Duck of York, aged 41 years. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home until noon Saturday, then to York United Church for funeral service commencing at 1.30 p.m. Interment in the church cemetery.

**MacLEOD** — At the Kings County Memorial Hospital Wednesday, March 16, 1966, James Harvey MacLeod of Murray River in his 75th year. Resting at the Murray River Funeral Home until noon Saturday, then to the Free Church of Scotland, Murray River, for funeral service at 2 o'clock. Interment in Murray River cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Cancer Fund would be appreciated.

**YEO** — At Harmony on Thursday, March 17, 1966, Edwin Yeo in his 77th year. Forwarded this afternoon from Jolley's Funeral Home, O'Leary, to his late residence, Harmony. Funeral on Saturday from Victoria West Presbyterian Church, with service at 2 o'clock. Interment in the People's cemetery, Victoria West.

**STRETCH** — The death occurred at Sackatoon, Sask., on March 15, 1966, of Joseph B. Stretch, formerly of Long Creek in his 75th year.

## Large Audience Witnesses Play

**ALBERTON** — A three act farce, "Professor, How Could You?" — was played to capacity audiences in Alberton hall Wednesday and Thursday evenings. There was also a matinee for students on Wednesday.

It was the traditional St. Patrick's presentation by the Sacred Heart Parish Players, directed this year by Paul Bathchilder, who also played the leading role. The young professor, Keats Petry, who has an aversion to girls, has been offered the position of dean of his college, provided he can become a married man. Through the activity of helpful friends, and much to his dismay, he soon finds himself with three enthusiastic prospects. Though surprising circumstances he is saved from them all and ends up by falling in love with one of his students, Vicky Randolph, who has previously been the bane of his life. Alice

## Bank Suit Adjudged

The case of Woodrow Wheatley, Mt. Edward Road, versus the Provincial Bank of Canada, was adjudged to April 6, at the completion of defence evidence in Supreme Court Thursday afternoon.

Edward Black, manager of The Provincial Bank of Canada was the only defence witness heard in yesterday's session presided over by Mr. Justice R.R. Bell.

Mr. Wheatley is suing the defendant-bank for \$100,000 for an alleged breach of contract. At the close of yesterday's hearing John Holmes, counsel for the plaintiff, made a motion that he will on April 6, introduce evidence of a tape recording of an alleged conversation between Mr. Wheatley and Edward Black, in May of 1964. It is believed that this will be the first occasion upon which evidence of a tape recording may be offered in evidence on Prince Edward Island. Representing the Provincial Bank is C.R. McQuaid, Q.C.

Faye Barrett played the part of Vicky.

Other members of the cast were Mrs. Stephen Burke (Grandma Perry), R.D. McKinnon (Grandpa Perry), Beverly Frizzle, (John Appleby), Krystyna Hellmich, (Priscilla Morley), Sandra Shea (Tootsie Bean) Robert Broderick, (Tootsie's big brother, butcher boy), Mrs. R.D. McKinnon, (Valerie Whitman) and Bernard Tosenard, (Boggs, the butler).

## Large Group Attends Play

What is reported to be one of the largest crowds to attend an Irish play assembled at Birchwood High School last night to witness the last scheduled performance of the Benevolent Irish Society's presentation of "Norah's Folly", an Irish comedy in three acts.

Numbers of the enthusiastic audience journeyed from points on the Island far from Charlottetown. The audience appreciated the humor of the plot and were as enthusiastic as the near capacity crowd which assembled on the opening night Wednesday, which was termed as one of the best audiences to witness a production by the BIS.

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## OPPOSITION

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"Dr. Dewar said he saw no point in making the plan public. He said "it may stir up controversy in some districts and controversy could be better settled by discussion."

Kings County Liberal William Acorn suggested there was compulsion on the part of the government to form consolidated school districts. He said the government pays \$6,000 per classroom toward consolidated elementary schools and only pays \$2,500 per classroom for other schools. "The compulsion aspect," he said, "is the extra \$3,500 per classroom. No area can afford not to build a consolidated school under this plan."

Welfare Minister, Hubert MacNeill said "now we know why no progress was made in this province under 22 years of Liberal government. Everything we did in education, you have been against it."

Mr. Acorn said he is not against education, nor is his party. Walter Dingwell (PC 2nd Kings) said the resolution suggested that "we have a regimented plan to tell the people what to do." He said he would rather have a democratic system of allowing districts to form consolidated units.

## LIBERAL

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another could rise the members of the government kept requesting the Speaker to put the question, finally Alex Campbell, who made the motion, spoke on it for the second time closing the debate and the vote was taken.

## WESTERN FUNERALS

**MALLET FURNERAL** — The funeral of Charles W. Mallett of Miscouche, formerly of Palmer Road, was held Thursday morning from the Rooney Funeral Home to Immaculate Conception Church, Palmer Road where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Arthur Pendergast. Rev. Patrick Walsh and Rev. Reginald Phelan were in the sanctuary. Pallbearers were Fred Mallett, Leo Mallett, William Mallett, Robert McInnis, Ernest Myers, Arthur McInnis. Flower bearers were Howard Griffin, Wilfred Mallette, Bernard Griffin, Charles Griffin, Howard O'Holloran, and James Mallette. Interment was in the church cemetery.

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## New Potato Plan Expected To Ease Growers' Criticism

An announcement made in the provincial Legislature yesterday by Agriculture Minister Andrew MacRae will probably remove a great deal of the strong criticism levelled by potato growers in recent weeks at the regulations concerning what they can plant next spring.

The provincial government has entered into an agreement with the Canada department of agriculture which will allow persons to plant seed potato plots in the province this year. The potatoes grown in the plots can be used by the grower for his own seed in the 1967 season, it was revealed.

## Campaigns Planned

**SUMMERSIDE** — "The flowers of hope campaign is the first truly Nation wide fund raising and public education campaign with some 300 local associations from coast to coast all working in a strong and unified effort to make a better community for our mentally retarded," stated Tom J. Royal here last night.

Mr. Royal a fieldman employed by the Retarded Children National Association for three years, addressed representatives of the Summerside, O'Leary, Alberton and Tignish branches of the retarded children's organization and also various interested parties at a meeting held at the Canadian Legion home.

The main purpose of the meeting was to acquaint those attending with the plans for the fund raising drive to be carried on from coast to coast this spring and to discuss any of the problems that had arisen from last year's campaign.

Mr. Royal gave an account on how the association was planning to advertise the campaign through the various news medias. In an interview with The Guardian after the meeting Mr. Royal remarked "The Summerside Association is a dynamic group who have realized what the needs of retarded children are and they are doing their utmost to provide all services so vitally needed that will help these youngsters grow into useful happy citizens."

"It is our fervent hope that the citizens of Summerside and indeed Prince County will join together with Canadians across Canada observing retarded children's week, May 8 to 15. Also that flowers of hope will be planted and thought of in every home and when the canvasser calls the public will give as generously as they can, be concluded.

## Average Wages Are Increased

**CAPITAL BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN**  
**OTTAWA** — Average weekly wages and salaries in Prince Edward Island rose to \$65.64 in December, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports in its advance statement on employment and earnings.

The figure compares with \$63.56 in November and with \$63.09 in December of 1964. P.E.I.'s employment index, based on 1949 employment equaling 100, was 134.0 in December compared to 133.7 in November and 126.4 in December the year before.

The P.E.I. earning figure was the lowest for Canada, compared with \$75.33 for the Atlan-

## Director Receives Praise On Presentation Of Play

By MAUREEN DRISCOLL  
Rev. Adrian Arsenault, director of the St. Dunstan's Players entry in the Prince Edward Island Division of the Dominion Drama Festival, "did beautiful work."

That was the sentiment expressed last night by Jacques Zouvi, adjudicator for this year's festival. The students presented the Greek tragedy "Electra" by Euripide.

"I can see his intention and I like what he did", Mr. Zouvi said of Father Arsenault. "He did beautiful things with the tragedy and worked a great deal with the lines."

Of the play itself Mr. Zouvi said it was "very interesting." He said that the play was an extremely difficult one and had a very difficult style to bring alive. This style in Mr. Zouvi's opinion was not brought out. "It lacked humanity and just plain guts," he said.

## Approval Given Insurance Act

Approval in principle was yesterday given by the Legislature to a bill amending the Crop Insurance Act which broadens the types of crops that can be covered in an insurance scheme.

Potatoes and some types of grain were the only crops on which insurance was available in the past few years. The amendment to the act enables the provincial government to enter with the federal government in insurance schemes, where feasible, on tobacco, peas, beans, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower, spinach, carrots and strawberries.

## Two Persons Suffer Injury

Two persons were injured in an automobile accident at the corner of Queen and Water streets yesterday at 8 p.m. Involved in the collision were a 1958 model Chevrolet driven by Ervin MacLeod, 14 Orchard Court, and a 1961 Ford Frontenac operated by Cecil Hamilton 301 Queen Elizabeth Drive.

Mr. Hamilton suffered several broken ribs. His wife's shoulder was fractured and one leg lacerated, according to police. They were admitted to the Charlottetown Hospital by an ambulance from the MacLean Funeral Home. Attending physician is Dr. J. A. MacMillan who was not available for comment last night.

City police, who investigated the accident, reported that upon impact the Hamilton vehicle ricocheted into a parked car owned by George Neal, Charlottetown, damaging it but less extensively than the two cars involved in the original collision. Police reported that damage to the MacLeod car was about \$100. There was no estimate of damage available on the other vehicles.

Mr. Campbell later asked whether or not Mr. Rossiter would reveal the names of corporations that have loans from the board. Mr. Rossiter said he would not make public the names of borrowers but would give them to select standing committees of the House if they wanted them during their investigations.

set. He said it was a tricky set and he would have liked to feel the countryside and the air and the set didn't help bring out the play as it should have.

The Queen's costume, in Mr. Zouvi's mind was the only one which was really Greek. He also liked the soldiers costumes, but felt that the others did little to help project the characters. "The lighting was poor at first but improved with the evening and was beautiful for the scene with the gods," said Mr. Zouvi.

He was not satisfied with the chorus, feeling it lacked unity. For the most part the actors and actresses seemed to please Mr. Zouvi to some degree. Electra portrayed by Judy MacKenzie, was commended for a speech she made to the queen, her mother. Mr. Zouvi said that this was one of the most difficult speeches and was done beautifully. He felt however, that she should have been stronger in her hatred of her mother and her mother's lover at other points in the play.

Comments on the other actors and actresses included: Farmer played by Ian MacDonald, good but should be less timid; Py-lades by Michael Chouinard, should be more noble; Old Man by Peter Jungermann, liked very much but a bit overplayed; Messenger, by John O'Malley, very nice, did one of the most difficult monologues in the play beautifully; Castor by Mark MacPherson, very well done, good presence; Polydeuces by Andy Pletch, well done and the soldiers played by Leon Berraud and Michael O'Brien needed to be stronger.

The plot of the evening's performance centered around the planned double murder of Clytemnestra, mother of Electra and Orestes, and her lover. The Queen's children planned to murder the two as a result of their murder of the children's father. Orestes returning from exile found his sister forcefully married to a farmer living without all the luxuries which are the usual lot of a rightful princess.

As the final curtain went down the Queen and her lover were dead and both Electra and Orestes exited as a command from the king of the Greek Gods, Zeus.

Walter R. Shaw, premier of P.E.I. officially opened the festival last night and said that he has endeavoured to initiate in this province the finer things of life which appeal to the heart and the senses, things belonging to the arts.

A plaque, commemorating the first event ever held in the Confederation Centre Theatre which was a former drama festival with eight plays from across the country competing; was presented by Richard MacDonald, the executive vice-president of the DDF and accepted by Alan Holman Sr. on behalf of the Fathers of Confederation Building Trust Fund.

The festival continues tonight with the presentation of Rumpelstiltskin by the V.I.P. Children's Theatre.

## MLA Corrects News Report

Kings County Liberal William Acorn rose in the Legislature to correct a news report which stated yesterday that he had asked Fisheries Minister Leo Rossiter to give the names of fishermen who had borrowed from the Fishermen's Loan Board.

Mr. Acorn said that he had not asked the question but that it was asked by the leader of the opposition, Alex Campbell. Mr. Rossiter refused to divulge the names of borrowers, claiming it was an infringement on privacy.

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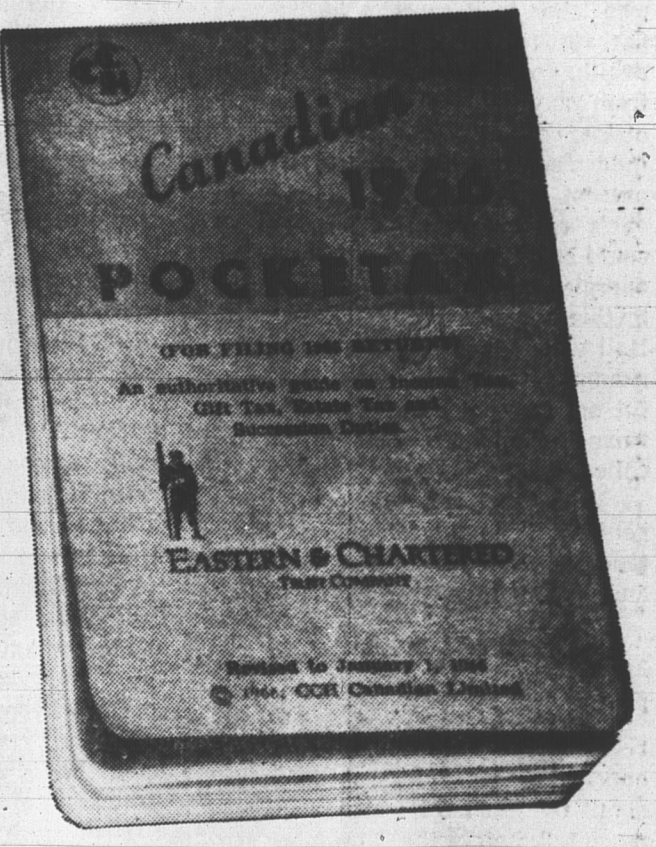
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