



'I REMEMBER MAMA'

Narrated circa 1910. These are two members of the cast of "I Remember Mama" to be presented Thursday, April 1, as the opening play in this year's Regional Drama Festival. "Mama" was first presented to Charlottetown audi-

ences several weeks ago by the Circle Players under the direction of Mrs. Vera Miller. The play features authentic costumes from the early part of the 20th century and a performing cat. The cat plays a key role in the play and has

developed into a seasoned trouper. The stage manager for this year's festival is Eldon Larabee who has the difficult task of relating three different plays. The two pretty nurses in the cast are Linda Jay and Nancy George.

Unique Island Organization Rescued 10 On North Shore

By DAVE MILLER

Ten people were rescued from the water of Prince Edward Island last year by an organization that is unique in Canada. This is the P.E.I. Surf Lifeguard Corps that patrols the beaches of Cavendish and Stanhope each summer. The guards are employed by the National Park and are the only unit of this type in Canada.

The National Park has set up nine lifeguard stations along the north shore from Cavendish to Dalway and tourists and residents alike can swim in safe roped-off, bathing areas.

The Prince Edward Island Lifeguard Corps is modeled after the famous surf-guards of Australia. To qualify, a guard must pass a physical exam, rigorous swimming tests and a final equipment test in the open surf.

CAREFUL TRAINING

The guards begin their training in early June when they enter a course at the YMCA in Charlottetown. The course is conducted by the swimming and water safety branch of the P.E.I. Red Cross in conjunction with the YMCA. Courses in various phases of swimming, rescue techniques, boating and first aid are conducted by qualified supervisors.

After the two week course at the YMCA the guards must proceed to the North Shore where rescue situations are simulated. The surf test includes the use of a torpedo-buoy, surf-board, and lifeboat. The students must swim over a mile and a half in water not much warmer than 55 degrees.

The final phase of the training is a number of written papers on various forms of equipment and theory. One of the most important pieces of a lifeguard's gear is a resuscitator used to revive people who have become unconscious in the water. All the guards must be experts at this technique and have to go through a test naming the different parts of the machine while their back is turned. This is to simulate actual rescue conditions when a guard must direct rather than participate.

Lifeguard Supervisor for 1964 was George MacGuigan, Charlottetown, who was responsible for all the rescue huts on the North Shore. Mr. MacGuigan also controlled a lifeguard demonstration at Stanhope last year that attracted over one thousand spectators. The demonstration shows how the guards use the various pieces of equipment and is held in the form of a competition with two teams, one from Stanhope and the other from Cavendish, competing for the top awards.

The ten rescues performed last year were classed as major ones and in one case a family of three people became caught in the heavy undertow at Cavendish and a resuscitator was used to revive them. Besides the actual swimming rescues, the lifeguard must be ready to supply first aid for any number of minor accidents. The lifeguard huts have a complete first aid kit and the guard can perform any minor medication.

Swimming classes are also conducted by the lifeguards and

many children have been taught to swim on the beaches of the north shore. A distinctive uniform marks the lifeguard and some of the equipment used to patrol the various beaches includes a loudspeaker; binoculars, and whistle.

Life guard posts are set up at Cavendish Camp Ground, Covehead, Rustico, Brackley, Stanhope, Stanhope Lane, Dalway, and Robinson's Island. Robinson's Island was a new post set up last year as part of the park's extension project.

The members of the 1964 Lifeguard corps included: Herb Murphy, Gerry Hopkirk, Charles Silliphant, Lowell Gallant, Jamie Gallant, Jimmy Bruce, John Hughes, Don Pickard, Regan Mitchell, Morgan Mitchell, Jimmy MacLean, Vince Fisher, and Dave Large.

Melrose Woman Had Relatives In Province

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Margaret Crie of New Jersey who died recently in her 47th year were held from the Baptist Church, Melrose, Mass., with interment in Medford, Mass.

Relatives on Prince Edward Island include Mrs. Robert Semple, Victoria Cross, and William MacLeod, Milltown Cross. Also surviving are her husband, a daughter and a son, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Conway. Mrs. Conway was the former Annabel MacLeod of Milltown Cross.



BLOOD DONOR SHIELD PRESENTED

John Andrew, left, chairman for Prince of Wales College blood donor committee, accepts the interscholastic blood donor shield on behalf of the male students who were top donors last year. Fremont

Archer, chairman for the Charlottetown blood donor committee, spoke on the importance of giving blood and Eddy Martin, not pictured here, a donor for many years, stressed the great need for

donors. The student assembly was staged in PWC auditorium this morning. The purpose of this rally was to promote blood donations among students.

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