A CNR WRECKING crew and crane were called out yesterday to clear the Charlottetown to Mount Stewart line of seven derailed cars loaded with potatoes. Three of the cars toppled over on their sides in the runoff. The crane is shown in action as it prepares to right the caboose. The line was expected to be cleared by last night or early this morning. (Photo by Eldon Glover)

Seven Cars Derailed Near Mount Stewart

A nine-car train extra from Souris heading for Charlottetown ran into trouble on a curve in the line about one miles west of Mount Stewart Saturday night.

Three cars left the rails and turned over on their sides while four other cars including a passenger coach and caboose left the rails but did not turn over.

Two diesels and the lead car stuck to the rails.

The train which was made up of refrigerator cars loaded with potatoes left the rails about midnight Saturday and it was expected the line would be cleared by midnigh last night.

CNR officials said that no one was injured and very little of the cargo of potatoes was damaged. It was stressed that nearly all the potatoes were salvageable and that the heaters had continued to function even in the overturned cars.

The potatoes will be transferred to other cars today, it was expected.

An investigation into the derailment will be made by local CNR officials, it was stated. The engineer was Charles Fraser and the conductor was M.E. Burgoyne.

UN Ass'n Plans Film Show Tonight

In response to requests from a number of members, the Prince Edward Island Branch of the United Nations Association in Canada will present a film night tomorrow evening.

Under the chairmanship of Miss Helen Yeo, the branch program committee, has selected a variety of United Nations films for local showing.

The films have been chosen to portray the varied work of the United Nations and its member agencies. Each film will be preceded by a short commentary to indicate the scope of the film.

Some of the topics to be considered are the General Assembly, peace keeping operations, the meaning of the UN charter, and a UNESCO case-study.

The meeting, open to the general public, will be held in the library of Montgomery Hall at 8.15 p.m.

EASTERN BRIEFS

HAS POSITION

Errol MacLure, Montague, has accepted a position in Charlottetown.

HOME FROM QUINCY

Mrs. Joseph Bell has returned to her home in Murray Harbor after spending several months in Quincy, Mass.

TO ONTARIO

Miss Helen Bell, RN, who spent some time in Murray Harbor with her family left recently for Ontario.

RETURNS TO U.S.

Mrs. Hubert Beck, who visited with relatives in Murray Harbor recently has returned to her home in U.S.A.

TO MASSACHUSETTS

Inman Herring, has returned to his home in Waltham, Mass., after attending the funeral of his mother, Mrs. James F. Herring.

OUT OF HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ernest Machon has returned to her home in Murray Harbor from the Kings County Hospital where she had been a patient for some time.

RETURNS HOME

Hammond Reid, Victoria Cross returned from Moncton, where he spent several days in the interest of his firm, studying the operation of new tractors and other machines.

TEXTILE PAINTING

Mr. and Mrs. Lister will be instructing a class in textile painting at the Montague Elementary School beginning this evening. Classes will be conducted each afternoon and evening.

ATTENDED FUNERAL

Family and relatives who attended the funeral for Colin White, Murray Harbor and who have since returned to their respective homes are as follows: Mrs. Robert MacKenzie and John White and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Small, Jr., all of U.S.A.; Mr. and Mrs. Lester White and their son Raymond, Mr and Mrs. Walter White of Dartmouth, N.S.; Arthur White and Mr. and Mrs. Claude White of North Sydney, N.S.

LOCAL BRIEFS

OUT OF HOSPITAL

Miss Shirley Bell, Charlottetown, has returned to her home after being a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

TO NEW YORK

John Holmes, barrister, left for New York by plane Sunday on business. He is expected to return to Charlottetown at the end of the week.

HUSBAND TRANSFERRED

Mrs. Bruce MacDougall has returned to her home in Halifax. Mrs. MacDougall was called home by the death of her aunt, Miss Christene MacRae. Mr. MacDougall, who has been transferred to the Summerside Branch of The Imperial Canadian Bank of Commerce has taken over his new duties. Mrs. MacDougall and the family will join him later.

SMITH FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. Harry Smith was held Sunday, March 17, from the MacLean Funeral Home to Park Royal United Church, where service was conducted by Rev. Henry Tye. Pallbearers were, Claude Carroll, Murray MacKinnon, Robert MacLean, Parker Wood, Earl Foster and Brent Howatt. Interment was in Murray River cemetery.

HUME FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. Edison Hume was held Saturday, March 16, from the Murray River Funeral Home to Caledonia Presbyterian Church, where service was conducted by Rev. M. Carl Currie. Hymns were "The Lord's My Shepherd", "Will There be any Stars in My Crown", and "Will the Circle be Unbroken". Pallbearers were Benjamin Matheson and Ivan Buell. Flowerbearers were Donald Young, Wilmot MacLeod, Benjamin MacDonald, Harold MacKinnon, Joseph Kennedy and Murdoch Hume. Interment took place in Caledonia cemetery.

Veteran Marksman, Farmer Percy T. Hooper, Milton, Dies

The death occurred yesterday afternoon in the Prince Edward Island Hospital of Percy T. Hooper, 74, a well known retired farmer of Milton and one of the Island's leading rifle shots.

Death came following a brief illness after a visit to the mainland.

Mr. Hooper during his life was a very active member in the affairs of St. John's Anglican Church, Milton, and was one of the senior members of the Loyal Orange Lodge.

For more than 50 years he was an active member of the Prince Edward Island Rifle Association, the events of which he still participated in up until his death. At the annual meeting of this organization in mid-February, the association had honored Mr. Hooper by conferring a life membership on him.

As far back as about 1911 or 12, Mr. Hooper first qualified as a member of the P.E.I. rifle team to the Dominion competitions in Ottawa, and was successful almost every year since. In 1932 he qualified in Ottawa to become a member of the 1933 Bisley team.

Soon after the outbreak of the First World War, Mr. Hooper enlisted in the Canadian Army and saw service overseas with the 105th Battalion.

Besides his wife, the former Goldie Coles of Milton, he is survived by one daughter, Gladys (Mrs. Robert Stevenson), Amherst, N.S., two brothers, Harold, Oakville, Ont., and James, Strasburg, Sask., and a granddaughter, Marion Stevenson, Amherst.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

Variety Show Staged At SDU For Mulligan Scholarship

Around 900 persons gathered at St. Dunstan's University last night to hear a variety concert in aid of injured hockey player Billy Mulligan, sponsored by St. Dunstan's High School and University.

Proceeds from the show will be used for a Billy Mulligan scholarship fund to be set up for his education at SDU. The total is expected to reach around $1,000.

The crowd gave a four-minute standing ovation to the young hockey player, who told the audience, "It's hard to stay sick when so many people are rooting for me. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart."

A total of 15 acts made up the program, which featured five rock and roll bands, and a number of soloists and folk singing groups.

A highlight of the evening was the performance of Maximilian Seiler, who sang songs from 11 different countries. Mr. Seiler and Alan Connolly later got together for an instrumental rendition of "Bill Bailey," Billy Mulligan's favorite song.

Other numbers included songs by Patricia Leightizer, Eileen Grant, Peggy MacIntyre and Bethany MacIntyre; selections by folk-singing groups; and music by Robert Simmons on saxaphone along with his Collegiates.

Mrs. Fred Harris Dies In Quincy

MONTAGUE — The death occurred Friday, March 15, at Quincy Hospital, Quincy, Mass., of Mrs. Fred W. Harris, the former Minnie MacPherson of Heatherdale.

Mrs. Harris had been taken to hospital suffering from severe injuries following a car accident March 8, when her husband suffered a heart attack while driving their car. Mr. Harris was killed instantly.

Mrs. Harris was born in Heatherdale, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander MacPherson.

She is survived by four sisters: Mrs. Hector MacDonald (Marion), Wood Islands; Mrs. Lloyd Carlton (Catherine), Charlottetown; Mrs. Charles Farmer (Mae), Woodville Mills, Vermont, and Florence, New York.

One brother, John Albert MacPherson and two sisters, Mrs. Annie Cameron, Boston and Mrs. Craig Matheson (Jessie), Belle River, predeceased her.

Funeral services will be held in Quincy.

TIGNISH

Mrs. Harry Dawson, Sea Cow Pond left for an extended visit to Boston, where she will visit members of her family.

Miss Norma O'Holloran teacher at Tignish elementary school has resumed her teaching duties after her recent accident, when she fell and suffered a broken arm. Mrs. Joseph Dorsey was supply teacher during her absence.

Mrs. Foster Skerry was called to Amherst, N.S., due to the illness of her daughter Mrs. Clayton Ripley.

Mrs. Narcisse Richard is a patient at Western Hospital, Alberton.

Gerald Doucette is improving in health at his home in Skinners Pond after his recent operation at Western Hospital, Alberton.

Gerald Handrahan, manager of Tignish Cooperative Ltd., is a patient at Western Hospital Alberton.

Mrs. Lester McAlduff has returned to her home in the village after visiting members of her family in Toronto, Ont.

GROW MOST DATES

Iraq grows about four-fifths of the world's dates but only about half its cultivable land is tilled because of water shortage.

Ideal Weather Greets Irish Society's Parade

Blessed with ideal weather more than 125 members of the Benevolent Irish Society of Charlottetown, turned out yesterday morning for the annual St. Patrick's Day parade to St. Dunstan's Basilica.

Under the command of chief marshall, Everett B. Beagan, and headed by the Prince Edward Island Regiment band under Lieut. C. E. MacGregor, the parade moved off from the Whalen Memorial Building shortly after 10:30.

A brief halt was called at the cenotaph where John Coady and Stephen Malone laid a wreath in memory of the members who gave their lives in the two world wars and the Korean conflict.

Following this brief ceremony, the parade continued to the Basilica via Queen, Richmond and Great George streets.

High Mass at 11 o'clock was celebrated by Rev. Charles Cheverie of St. Dunstan's University, and the sermon was delivered by Rev. Edward Meyer, C.Ss.R.

Following mass the parade reformed and paraded back to the clubrooms via Richmond, Prince Kent, Queen and Grafton streets.

St. Patrick's Play Meets Success

The Benevolent Irish Society scored another big hit in show business Saturday night when it presented the three-act comedy "Daffy Flynn" before a bumper audience at Birchwood High School auditorium. The play also marked the 138th anniversary of the society.

The production was under the distinguished patronage of Lieutenant-Governor F. Walter Hyndman and Mrs. Hyndman, Premier Walter R. Shaw and Mrs. Shaw, Councillor Arthur Gormley and Mrs. Gormley represented Mayor A. Walthen Gaudet and Mrs. Gaudet at the performance. The Lieutenant-Governor was accompanied by his military aide, Major R. D. MacGillivray.

Bishop Malcolm MacEachern, Very Rev. P. F. MacDonald, chancellor of the diocese and Msgr. J. A. Sullivan, rector of St. Dunstan's University were also in attendance.

In staging this production, J. Pius Gallaghan, CDA, once again confirmed his right to the national distinction conferred on him by the Canadian Dramatic Association. The play received an enthusiastic reception by the appreciative audience.

The show centres around John J. Flynn, played by Mr. Callaghan, and his wife Katie, played by Eileen Norton, both of whom carried the brunt of the comedy throughout with outstanding success.

In an effort to impress a young soldier returned from Germany, their daughters, Dorothea, played by Patsy Lappin; Daffy, played by Maureen Beagan and Cora, played by Eileen Beagan were embroiled in a series of falsehoods that rapidly embraced the parents and their brother Charles, played by Ron Cameron.

BECAME INVOLVED

The boy friends of the daughters came in for severe jolts as the plot thickened. Jimmie became involved and in this, Jimmie Carver, played by 'Kip' Morgan, had ample scope for action which makes him a local headliner. Ellsworth Norton, played by Jock Blanchard, Miss Thorpe, played by Jacqueline Bentham and Mrs. Merrell, played by Corena Steel were bright and pleasing parts handled quite effectively by the players.

Kent Merrell, Daffy's "mail order" beau for whom the atmosphere of affluence and culture was conceived to impress, was capably played by Kelvin Dowling. Lawyer Flynn, also John J. but no relation, made tough going for headliner John J. through frequent diversions of important letters. David Gallant as the lawyer knew his rights and asserted them, to the confusion of the other John J. (Mr. Callaghan).

However, as in all good plays, harmony was restored in the last act and John J. was triumphantly escorted to the local park to conduct the band in a musical hit which he had written, contrary to the opinion of his family. Gloria Darte and Jeanette Boudreault, resplendent in majorette costumes gave color to the scene as they accompanied the composer to receive well-merited acclaim.

SPECIALTY NUMBERS

No BIS entertainment would be complete without specialties involving dancing and singing. Jackie Flanaghan, very young and winsome did an Irish dance and the Weatherbie Hatters dance group in costume made a hit as they went through routines. These were Kelva Josey, Mary Grant, Paul Smith and Larry Braza.

Leah Darte very pleasingly sang "A Little Bit Of Heaven" and for an encore "Kenny Is In Love." Vince McAllister sang "Danny Boy" and as an encore "The Rose of Tralee," all general favorites which were well received.

The play "Daffy Flynn" will be staged again tonight at Birchwood High School auditorium.

Cannery Foremen's Course Set

Hon. Leo Rossiter, minister of fisheries, will officially open a four-day course for foremen of P.E.I. lobster canneries this afternoon.

Held at the National Film Board theatre and fish inspection laboratory in the Dominion building, Charlottetown, the course is designed to cover all phases of lobster cannery operations. Around 30 foremen are expected to attend.

A highlight of opening day will be a lecture by Dr. D. G. McLeese, fisheries research board, St. Andrew's, N.B., on the life cycle and proper handling of the lobster.

Other topics on the agenda include lectures on cannery construction, sanitation and inspection, as well as those relations to the handling of live lobsters and lobster paste production.

Community Concert Week Features Membership Drive

This is Community Concert Week in Charlottetown.

The annual membership campaign, being held this year March 18 to 23, has an objective of around 700 members.

A highlight of campaign week will be the annual meeting, followed by a dinner for campaign workers, on Wednesday. Present at the meeting will be Donald G. Wiegand, a representative of Community Concerts Association of Canada. Mr. Wiegand is assisting local members in their membership drive, particularly in selection of next season's program.

The association has indicated possible choices for next season's program may include the Greenwich Quartet, and a Hungarian ballet Company.

The Community Concert Association sponsors three concerts per season. Members this season heard performances by the Hart House Orchestra and by Richard Cross, American basso. The last performance, a bonus for new membership card holders, will be by the Westminster Choir April 25 at Queen Charlotte High School.

It is hoped that next year's concerts will be held in the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Building.

President of the Charlottetown association is Dr. K. A. Parker; campaign manager and vice-president is Cyril J. Flynn, and co-campaign chairman is Mrs. J. S. Vatour.

Theft Charge Is Set Over

James Joseph Gallant, 23, 187 Prince Street, charged with theft under $50 from P.J.'s Limited was remanded to March 23 for sentencing by Magistrate A. J. Haslam in city police court Saturday.

Witnesses for the Crown were Cpst. Donald Trainor, Wilfred Cadmore and Lowell Large. The accused, who testified in his own defence, also called one witness, Joseph Byron Gallant.

Queens PCs Plan Meets

Queens County candidates Angus MacLean and Heath Macquarrie are planning Progressive Conservative meetings this week at Mt. Ryan Wednesday night, and Wood Islands Friday, it was learned last night from the two candidates.

Other future dates include meetings at Vernon River, Hunter River and Irishtown. The general pattern is that an effort is being made to hold at least two meetings in each of the districts in the riding, it was explained.

Speakers in addition to the two candidates will include the provincial members for the district, where PCs have been elected and the premier on rights he is not engaged in some other centre.

Charles Coughlin, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was given a 20-day suspended sentence.

An accused charged with being drunk and incapable was remanded to March 23. Another man on the same charge was committed to Riverside Hospital for treatment.

A motorist was fined $5 and costs or two days for failing to stop at a stop sign, and another was fined $3 and costs or 2 days for unlawfully reversing his direction on a city street.

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WHEREAS the Charlottetown Community Concert Association holding its membership drive March 18th. to March 23rd. 1963.
and
WHEREAS this Association is holding its Annual General Meeting at the Charlottetown Hotel on Tuesday March 19th. at 7.30 P.M.
and
WHEREAS the members of this Association are making a most worthy contribution to the cultural life of our city and its environs —
and
WHEREAS in 1964 the Fathers of Confederation Memorial Theatre is to available for such community projects
NOW THEREFORE It behooves all interested citizens of this city to support and promote this Association
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