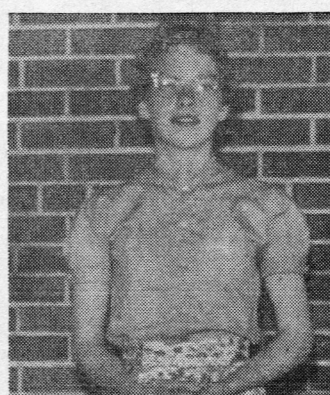




GAIL CARTER



NANCY THOMPSON



DIANNE RODD



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Four North Milton girls figured prominently in vocal and piano classes in the recently concluded Musical Festival.

Miss Carter placed first in Classes 166B, piano solo, 166A, piano solo and 177A piano sight reading.

She placed second in Class 176A, piano quick study and

third in Class 94, Girls Trio with Dianne Rodd and Nancy Thompson.

For her efforts Gail was awarded a piano scholarship of \$25 and two scholarships for winning Classes 166A and 166B.

Miss Thompson placed first in Classes 182, piano duet, accompanied by Dianne Rodd and 165, Piano Solo.

She placed second in Class 82, Girls Solo and third in Class 94, Girls Trio with Gail Carter and Dianne Rodd.

During the Stars of the Festival Concert she was awarded a certificate for her efforts in Class 165.

Dianne Rodd was awarded

first place in Classes 182, Piano Duet with Nancy Thompson and 176A, piano Quick Study.

She also placed third in Classes 166A, Piano Solo and 74, Girls Trio with Gail Carter and Nancy Thompson.

Miss Janet Rodd took third place in Class 81, Girls Solo, low voice, with her rendition of "Little Shepherd".

York have returned to their home after being in Boston for the past year. They visited Mrs. Watts' parents in Whim Road the past weekend.

Miss Juna and Zona Beaton of Charlottetown were weekend visitors at the home of their father, Mr. Norman Beaton of Commercial Cross.

Mr. Kenneth MacDonald, Student at Dalhousie University, has returned to his home at Kilmuir for the summer holidays.

The Kilmuir Women's Institute held their May meeting in Charlottetown at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Downe. Mrs. Downe is a former resident of Kilmuir. There was a good attendance and a very lovely evening was enjoyed.

Friends and playmates of little Miss Nancy Clarey are pleased

to hear that she is feeling better and able to be back at school.

Congratulations are being extended to Kathleen Stuart and Sandy Munro of Whim Road who were chosen to sing on the Smur-Gain Amateur Cavalcade on T.V. on Saturday. We are looking forward to seeing them again on the semi-finals. D.G.

MAN WITH AXE DIES BROWNSVILLE, Tex. (AP) — Francisco Gomez Marfil, who said he was 124 years old, died Wednesday. He was called The Man With the Axe, because he always carried an axe on his shoulder when he walked around this town until becoming ill six months ago.

FRENCH CHEESE Roquefort sur Souizon, France, annually produces about 13,000 tons of the blue-veined cheese named for it.

Mr. A. A. Mosher of Montague was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday.

Miss Holly Baker of New Glasgow, N.S., is visiting in Georgetown at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Llewellyn.

Mr. Leon Johnston of Montague was a recent business visitor to Georgetown.

Mr. Adam Schoner of Primrose was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday, May 21st.

Mr. Guy Hemphill has returned home from Pictou, N.S., where he visited his brother, Mr. Milton Hemphill of Pictou, N.S., and Mr. Ivan Hemphill of Eureka, N.S.

Mrs. Jean Stewart of Boston, Mass., is visiting relatives in Georgetown and Souris.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fitzgerald and son Charles, attended the Charlottetown Hospital graduation exercises on Wednesday evening when their daughter Gertrude was a member of the graduation class.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Pettitt and son Gregg were visitors to Georgetown on Thursday.

Miss Charlotte Gordon, R. N. Public Health Nurse of Montague was a visitor to Georgetown High School on Thursday, May 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Watts of

Many Visitors To Montague

Summer is definitely near at hand as the many visitors to Montague noted yesterday while watching a number of locally owned speed boats out on their first run for this year. Their enthusiastic passengers enjoyed the high tide and the scenic river which runs through the town.

Some visitors enjoyed a brief tour of the Garden of the Gulf Museum where they viewed the many interesting items on display. The museum will be opened on June first for the summer season.

Dwelling At Montague Burns

The Montague Fire Department responded to a call early Sunday morning at the home of Ham MacLellan. The fire was apparently caused by an overheated stove. Mr. MacLellan, who arose early, was heating water to shave and while waiting stepped out side for a few moments. On returning found the entire interior in flames.

In an attempt to save a few personal belongings, his hair was singed and the back of his head and neck were slightly burned. The building was a complete loss.

He was the guest of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonaid.

Miss Kay MacDougall, Montague, spent a recent weekend in this vicinity. She was the guest of Miss Joan MacIntyre.

Mr. Lea Toombs, Commercial traveller for DeBlois Bros., Charlottetown, was a recent business visitor to this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. John McAulay, Charlottetown, spent a recent weekend in this vicinity, they were guests of the former's brother, Mr. Russell McAulay.

Mr. Johnnie Nicholson, Charlottetown, spent the holiday weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Nicholson, Lorne Valley.

Mr. Heath MacGrath and Master John MacGrath were visitors to Montague on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crane and son, Lea, of Bangor, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Crane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.M. MacGrath on May 18th.

Miss Annie McAulay and Mrs. Eddie Lowery were recent business visitors to Mount Stewart.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Lawrence MacInnis of Halifax, N.S., a former resident of Lorne Valley, on the loss of his wife, who recently passed at such an early age leaving six young children to mourn the loss of a mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis MacIntyre and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd MacDonald were recent visitors to Marie. They were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cuyler Dingwell. A.M.

WOMEN'S VOTE Among the Iroquois tribes for centuries the consent of the women was required for election of chiefs.

Mr. George W. Jay was a visitor to Lorne Valley on Tuesday.



BARN BURNED AT MILLVIEW YESTERDAY

A large barn owned by Vernon McIntyre of Millview was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon from what appears to be spontaneous combustion. The fire started in a large pile of

straw at the rear of the 100 x 30 structure and in spite of the prompt response of willing neighbours nothing could be done to save the building. Luckily the wind was blowing away from the

farm dwelling at the time and no damage was done to the house. A number of calves and pigs were turned loose in time to be saved and several pieces of farm machinery were removed

from the doomed building. Mr. McIntyre estimates that it would cost in the vicinity of \$7,000 to replace the barn on which he carries only a small amount of insurance. The fire started about 4.00 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

French Crisis Points Up Commonwealth Trade

By HAROLD MORRISON
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—The lingering French crisis throws fresh importance on the forthcoming Commonwealth trade and economic conference.

Developments in France seem to indicate the strengthening of Commonwealth trade and not the European supermarket may be the big economic event of 1948.

Britain, the Gibraltar of the Commonwealth, had hoped to throw in with her European neighbors to erect the so-called industrial free trade area, to reduce tariffs among the European partners and create a somewhat protected market involving 250,000,000 customers.

But the internal weakness of France, and its shaky future, raises doubts whether the free trade area will ever be fully realized.

The alternative for Britain may be to concentrate on an expansion of her trade within the Commonwealth.

NOT FREE TRADE FOE
Canada is not entirely opposed to the free trade area. Some federal experts believe a strengthening of the European economy might eventually lead to a growing market there for Canadian exports.

But others cannot help feeling Britain's link-up with Europe might lead to a new trade bloc, heavily fenced with tariff and other barriers that would hinder transatlantic trade.

Canada has already urged British exporters to pay more attention to the Canadian market, with the view that the more Canada buys from Britain, the more Britain will be able to buy from this country.

Efforts are being made to attract more United Kingdom capital to Canadian industry. Trade usually follows investment. Canadian officials say Canada imports so heavily from the United States partly because that country has established many subsidiaries here which import goods from their parent companies.

Last November Canada sent a 57-man trade mission to Britain to investigate and perhaps set up new sources of supply for Canadian markets. Britain recently sent a mission of her own to Canada.

Meanwhile experts from the two governments have been working quietly, laying the foundations for the Commonwealth conference that will open at Montreal Sept. 15.

PLAN LONDON TALKS
A new meeting of officials will

EASTERN GUARDIAN
DANCE, WHIM Road Hall, Monday, May 26th. Good Music. Everyone welcome.

DANCE C. Y. C. hall Cardigan Monday, Webster's orchestra.

MUSIC FESTIVAL pictures taken at Yeo's Theatre are now available at the Guardian office, Montague.

PERSONALS
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stewart, Montague, were in Halifax last week attending the Convocation exercises at Dalhousie University where their son, Harold received his degree in dentistry. While in Halifax, they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wightman and of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stewart and son, Paul, are visiting in Montague, guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Chester MacLure.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fraser, Halifax, were in Montague recently attending the funeral of Mrs. Fraser's aunt, Mrs. Alex Hamilton.

Mrs. Novella Cummings, Rothesay, N.B., spent the weekend with relatives in Montague. While in Montague she enjoyed a visit to the Garden of the Gulf Museum.

take place at London next month to develop the agenda for the September meeting, the biggest of its kind in a quarter-century. Tariff negotiations are not expected to figure largely among the chief delegates, the Common-

wealth finance ministers, but they have already agreed to consider other ways of strengthening Commonwealth trade including some central organization to plan and build up a huge Commonwealth investment program.

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Apply this truth to the confusion of our world today. The reins have not slipped from God's hands. He is still directing the movements of the nations toward His own objects. Nations may ignore Him or deny Him; they may even form "anti-god" societies to promote their unbelief; but God is still behind His laws and active in enforcing them.

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