



### SPLASHING IT UP!

Children from Mt. Herbert orphanage were "splashing it up" at the YMCA pool last night. On the receiving end are Bob Williams (center) and Mitch Harris. Andrea Duvier in the background seems to be

escaping the deluge. All three are acting in a supervisory and teaching capacity for the children's outings at the pool. The Alpha Y's Men's Club is sponsor for the project, which will see the children visit the pool for 20 nights.

## Truckers Stop Work, Seek Gov't-Set Scale

The truckers' strike that began yesterday morning may be the first step toward a major development in the private trucking industry in this province.

It may result in a government set scale of minimum haulage rates or the formation of a truckers association with power to negotiate rates with contractors. The government has a minimum rate set but it applies only on provincial government contracts.

Some 40 truckers stopped hauling, full yesterday morning in the new federal wharf job in Charlottetown after highways department officials notified them that the load limit of 24,000 pounds gross weight will be strictly enforced.

The truckers state that they cannot make a living wage on this job at the prevailing haulage rate unless they overload their trucks. The truckers are being paid what amounts to 27 cents per ton for the haul from a pit near Mount St. Mary's on the Mt. Edward Road to the job site at the foot of Queen Street. The load limit of 24,000 pounds gross gives a net load of about 7½ tons. Overloaded they net about 12 tons.

A truckers' delegation approached Highways Minister Philip Matheson yesterday morning to ask that the trucks be permitted to finish the job on a net tonnage basis of 10 tons but the minister said this was impossible.

#### WILL BLOCK PIT?

The drivers then decided to hold out for a new rate that would give them a profit on 7½ tons that would previously have been realized on 10 tons. They say they are prepared to refuse to haul for as long as will be required to obtain the increase. They will block the pit, if necessary, to prevent the hiring of other trucks, they said.

They do not altogether blame

## LOCAL BRIEFS

**JOINS ARMY**  
Ian MacLennan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon MacLennan, 22 Brackley Point Road has joined the Royal Canadian Army. He left Monday for his posting in London, Ontario.

**WINSLOE CARD PARTY**  
Winners at the Winsloe Road card party Tuesday night were ladies' first, Mrs. Neil Diamond; second, Mrs. Stan Younker; consolation, Mrs. Ronnie MacDonald; mens' first, Alton Younker; second, Alan Perry; consolation, Claude Craswell; freezout, Mrs. Randy Vessey and Smith MacFarlane.

**DOIRON FUNERAL** — The funeral for Miss Agnes M. Doiron was held Wednesday morning from the residence of her brother, Alphonse Doiron Mayfield, to St. Ann's Church, Hope River, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph Trainor, who also conducted the service at the grave. Pallbearers were Francis Reid, Stanley Gallant, Louis Doiron, Lloyd Houston, Byron Houston and Alban Peters. Interment was in the church cemetery.

### Convention Is Listed

Mayor A. Walthein Gaudet announced yesterday that another large convention has been added to the list of those to be held in this city during Confederation Centenary celebrations in 1964. It is that of the Canadian Plumbing and Heating Contractors Association and will bring approximately 300 visitors to the city. Dates for the convention have not been definitely set but it is expected to be held early in the summer.

### Blaze Fought In Workshop

The Sherwood fire department extinguished a blaze in a workshop owned by Robert Bears, Falconwood Drive last evening about 7:35. Extensive damage was caused to the equipment in the workshop with slight damage to the building itself. The fire was said to have started by a spark from a torch igniting combustible material. The Sherwood firemen used their 2,000 gallon tanker and pump to extinguish the blaze.

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### 'La Boheme' To Be Performed By Opera Company Tonight

"La Boheme" the master work by the famous Italian composer Giacomo Puccini, will be presented by the Canadian Opera Company tonight when it stages the first of three performances at Prince of Wales College.

The opera will be repeated Friday afternoon at a matinee performance specially arranged for school children and also Friday evening.

The opera is full of glorious melodies and is the latest addition to the company's large repertory. It is being performed for the first time by the

### Reasonable Doubt Is Ruled Cause For Case's Dismissal

The case of Wynand VanWestereng of East Royalty was dismissed last night when the Crown failed to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the accused was guilty of driving a motor vehicle without due care and attention.

The case was heard in Queen's County magistrate's court before Justice of the Peace Albert Dennis. The Crown was represented by RCMP Cpl. Eric Tedford while John P. Nicholson appeared for the accused.

The charge arose from an accident on Jan. 9 when the accused's vehicle went into the ditch on the Mount Edward Road.

Giving evidence were LeRoy George Vessey, Dunstaffnage truck driver, and Cst. Eric Bishop, a member of the RCMP traffic squad at Charlottetown. In his summation Cpl. Tedford said that there was no evidence of speeding and that in meeting another truck driven by Mr. Vessey, the accused's vehicle went into the ditch. He observed that if Mr. VanWestereng had been driving with due care and attention he would not have gone into the ditch.

**STONE SHIFTED**  
Cpl. Tedford also stated that there was evidence of a large stone apparently shifting which might have caused the vehicle to go into the ditch. He noted, however, that the stone was on the right hand side of the vehicle after the accident and this could have been the result of the truck going into the ditch.

He stated that it was revealed that the accused had told the investigating officer that he had been forced off the road by a blue car but Mr. Vessey's evidence indicated that there was no other traffic in the area. Mr. Nicholson pointed out in his summation that if there was any doubt, the accused must be given the benefit of the doubt, noting that Mr. VanWestereng was charged under Section 36 which referred to driving without giving due consideration to other people on the highway. He stated that Mr. Vessey had said the accused did not interfere with him in any way and there was no evidence of speeding.

### Funeral Saturday For Late Senator

The funeral for Senator George H. Barbour will be held Saturday afternoon from Trinity United Church with service at 1:30 p.m. Senator Barbour died in the Senate chamber Tuesday night shortly after making a speech.

His remains will rest at the MacLean Funeral Home, arriving late this evening from Ottawa. Interment will be in the Bloomfield cemetery.

#### TRIBUTE PAID

"I am deeply grieved to learn of the sudden passing of Senator George H. Barbour. We were very close personal friends," Thomas J. Kichham, Souris West, said yesterday.

"While Senator Barbour served as provincial minister of public works, Eastern Kings procured its first major road construction work.

To his wife and family I extend my deepest sympathy."

### Lions To Hold Convention Here During 1964

The 1964 multiple-district convention of Lions Clubs will be held in Charlottetown, it was announced by William Brown last night at the regular meeting of the Charlottetown Lions Club held at the Charlottetown hotel.

He also reported on the recent mid-winter convention at Saint John, and outlined the dates and places of the 1963 conference.

Reid Sangster, director of marketing for P.E.I., as guest speaker pointed out marketing problems of the area, and outlined the products which are in short supply, and those in over supply. There are markets within reach for good, attractively packaged products, he said.

"However, we must work at this business of selling, and encourage everyone to do the same. King Lion Vernon Williams



### CANDIDATE TAKES OATH

City Clerk John Butler, right, administers the oath to R. Earl Taylor, candidate for a seat on the Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply during Nomination Day proceedings.

ings at City Hall yesterday. All candidates for office swore to their qualifications and paid a deposit which was returned immediately after a declaration of election by acclamation.

presided, and Russell Driscoll thanked the guest speaker. The meeting discussed a number of new projects.

William Brown led the singing with Redmond Soy at the piano.

#### MOUNTAIN BIRD

The nutcracker, related to the crows and jays, is a grey bird larger than a robin, found in the Rocky Mountains.

### Panel Discussion Held By Zion YPS

A panel discussion on censorship, social drinking and segregation highlighted the regular meeting of Zion YPS held Tuesday evening. Panelists were Anna MacDonald, Vickie MacNeil, Garth MacGougan and Clair



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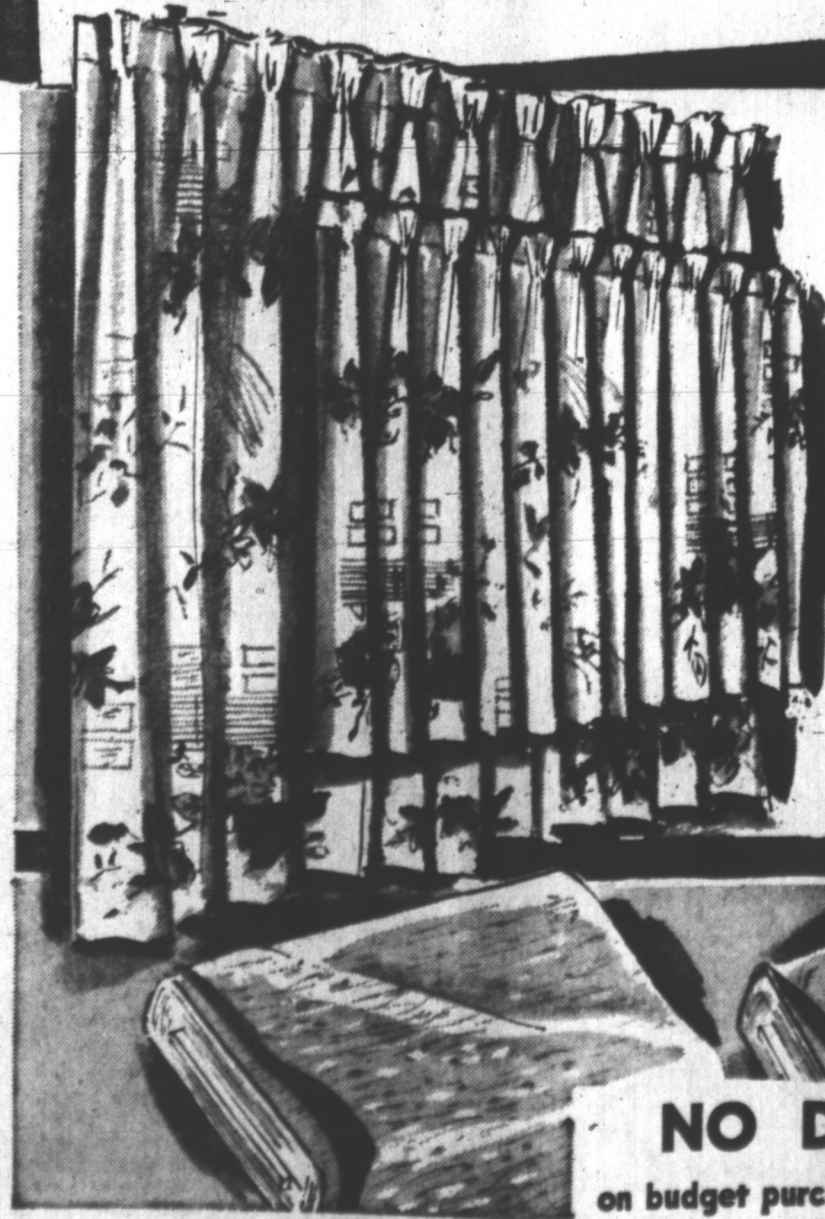
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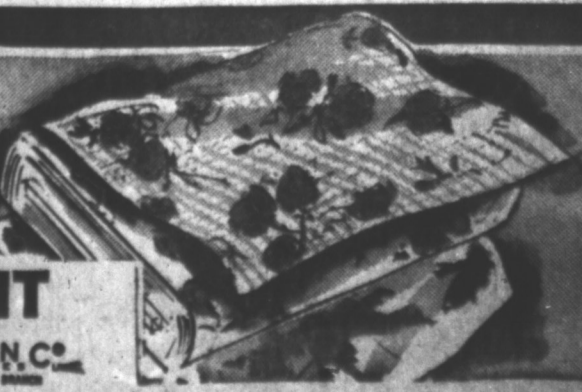
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