



DAVID ATKINSON

## Outstanding Young Artist Has An Island Background

The Canadian baritone, David Atkinson, has been chosen for a leading role in the forthcoming Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II production of *Carousel* at the Brussels International Exposition in Belgium.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke have just left by air for Brussels in Belgium where he will star in "Carousel" in a few days time. Mr. Burke's full name is David Burke Atkinson after his father who was a Prince Edward Islander.

Latest press release reports that Canada will not have official artistic representation at the International Exposition in Brussels. This is offset, however, by the selection of David Atkinson of Montreal for the leading role in America's outstanding musical production "Carousel."

Competition for the leading parts was never keener than behind the scenes or in the "coulisses" as they say in French, and it is only fair to Atkinson to state that this wonderful young artist won his place hands down and in easy fashion from among many dozens of other aspiring youngsters.

Atkinson's singing career began in traditional manner at his

mother's knee as she did and her mother did in turn so it seems quite a family trait seeing that his uncle Edmund Burke, Canada's outstanding operatic singer in the early days of the present century, came up in similar fashion to be acclaimed at the Royal Covent Garden Opera in London, the Royal Opera at the Hague in Holland, the Metropolitan in New York and then with tumultuous enthusiasm in Australia with that worldwide celebrity Dame Nellie Melba.

The apparent flair for languages runs in Atkinson's family for his uncle, Edmund Burke, is fluent in French, Italian and German while Mrs. Edmund Burke speaks, as she modestly declares "only seven of them."

David Atkinson was educated at Bishop's College School in Lennoxville, Que., and McGill, he then entered the service of the Bank of Montreal but music apparently called him for, being awarded a musical scholarship by the Quebec Educational Department he enrolled with the Juillard School which he appeared in several of the big hits and also did a great deal of singing before the New

## WE AND OUR NEIGHBORS

### "The Darling Buds Of May" Should Not Be Hurried

By Kuhamah S. Frank

Just because it's May must it necessarily be warm and sunny? Year after year we have found that summer comes slowly and late to the island yet we reject each chill day as if it were a deliberate disloyalty and we try to hurry the season by sheer will power.

Personally I love the gradual approach of the heart of our spring and summer. Too soon the lilacs will be in bloom lingering scarcely long enough for us to savor their full beauty. Small young leaves are now soft star-flowers and the witchery of bird-song will never be equalled. And even if we were not so royally rewarded for waiting, can any expect the very young afford to push time ahead?

#### TIPS RETURNS

The season has brought our small terrier back to us from his winter's stay with the kindest friends a dog (or his master and mistress) ever had. He is sleek, healthy, well-mannered and affectionate — proof to me that kindness never spoiled man, woman, child or beast. The same kindness he has known all his life — winters and summers, has helped to make him an adjustable little creature (inborn tendencies have helped too, perhaps). He has made with surprising ease the transition from his exciting life on a farm with its busy farm-household of adults, children and the family pet — his dog companion by night and day to our quiet way of living. Yet these first days there is a sadness about him. He sits still too long looking over the fields. He came away with us willingly enough — but quite evidently he left part of his heart with his good friends on the farm. They say they miss him, too.

#### CHANGED ATTITUDE

I dropped in on my friend Mrs. Best and was surprised to find her home quite in order — knowing that she was unable to get help. There were no suit-cases a-riding; floors and furniture and highly polished. And she herself looked hardly fit as a fiddle but more relaxed than I had seen her in some time.

"Yes, I feel fine," she said when I commented on this. Wonderful what a change of attitude and a lowering of standards can do. It really takes less energy to chip away at household tasks a bit one day, a bit more the next. Monday the living room is touched up, Tuesday, the dining

room etc. etc. who says everything must be shining all the time?"

"As far as I can see, everything looks all right," I said looking around.

"Ah, that's the secret," said Mrs. Best. "There's lots more to keeping house than the visitor can see. It's the corners, the top of the window sills, the closets that can get you down, keeping a house tidy than the area behind the scenes, so to speak. For instance, how do the book shelves look to you?"

"Fine," I said. "All dusted."

"But not behind and between the books," said Mrs. Best. "Used to worry me — but now — let it wait — tomorrow, or the next day or the next" —

#### LONG TIME BETWEEN

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. (CP) — When Keith George Jones married Barbara Ann Davis in nearby Warsaw (population 266) Saturday, it was the first wedding in St. Mark's Anglican Church since the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Davis, exchanged vows there 25 years ago.

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# Women

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## HAPPENINGS

Senator F. Elsie Inman is pictured in the Club News — events of interest — section of the recent Business and Professional magazine. Senator Muriel Ferguson and Senator Elsie Inman are shown entering the Manor House of the Seignory Club which was formerly the residence of Hon. Louis Joseph Papineau. B.P.W. members spent a weekend at the club last month.

On the verandah of the century-old manor house at the Seignory Club in the Laurentians, members of Business and Professional Women's Clubs were snapped as they enjoyed the warm April sunshine. Senator Elsie Inman was among a group of ten well-known women in this group.

Miss Jean Tweedy, daughter of

Hon. Mr. Justice George J. Tweedy and Mrs. T. Tweedy, has returned to Montreal after a pleasant holiday on the island. Jean has received the results of her Registered Nursing exams which she successfully passed. She will graduate June 6th and on June 9th with four other nurses will sail on the Homeric on a trip to Europe. They will travel in Great Britain, visit the World's Fair in Brussels and other places on the continent.

Johnny Belinda, a movie of international fame, is to be shown on television this Saturday evening. Jane Wyman and Lew Ayres have the principal roles.

Elmer Harris, the author of Johnny Belinda, and Mrs. Harris reside in their beautiful home at Fortune, Prince Edward Island.

## Conservative Association Held Its Annual Meeting

Mrs. W. A. Ready presided at the annual meeting of the Women's Conservative Association of 5th Queens, which was held on Monday evening at the Conservative Club Rooms. The meeting was well attended.

In the absence of the secretary Miss W.D. Gillis, Mrs. G. Madigan read the minutes and correspondence.

The president read a very interesting and concise report of the year's activities. She expressed her appreciation to the women of the organization for the magnificent part they played during the two successful federal election campaigns.

She made reference with deep regret, to the deaths of three great stalwarts of the Conservative Party: Dr. W. J. MacMillan, Mr. H. T. MacPhee and Mr. G. DeBlois, also to one of the very loyal and active members of the women's organization Mrs. P. Ready. Sincere sympathy was expressed to the bereaved families.

Mrs. T. B. Rogers read the report of the nominating committee. The following is slate of officers for the coming year: Honorary President, Mrs. W. R. Shaw, Past Pres., Mrs. W.H.V. Dunbar, President, Mrs. W. A. Ready (re-elected); 1st Vice President, Mrs. Ivan Home; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Charles McQuaid (re-elected); 3rd Vice President, Mrs. Alban Farmer; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. I. Madigan; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Gordon Senn; Treasurer Mrs. James Brady.

The new revised constitution was presented and accepted. Mrs. W. A. Ready and Mrs. R. Sutherland were appointed to the Provincial P.C. executive. It was decided to discontinue regular monthly meetings during the summer. Next meeting will be held in October.

Following the meeting the refreshment committee served coffee and sandwiches.

Members were reminded to bring mite boxes to next meeting, also donations for Churches in new Communities. Mrs. George Lewis reported on district convention. Mrs. Milton gave a summary on the address given by Dr. George Allan. Mrs. Warren Robinson was appointed to go on the visitation committee with Elsie Casford.

Mrs. Sterling Inman invited the members to her home for the next meeting, at which time she will lead the devotional, Mrs. Lloyd Gibson to lead the Study, Mrs. Allison Mutch to tell about her missionary. Lunch committee to be Mrs. Milton and Jeanne Slaght.

Meeting closed with the repeating of the Guild Covenant. Lunch was served by the committee in charge.

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## GUILD MET

The Fern Levy World Wide Guild held their May meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Rodd with fifteen members and one visitor present. In absence of the secretary Mrs. Keith Carmichael was appointed to act pro-tem. Devotional was led by Mrs. Keith Carmichael taking as her theme "Christian Worship and Fellowship." Minutes were read and approved. Roll call was announced.

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## ELLEN'S DIARY

### Farmer's Slogan Now: Make Haste, Sow And Plant

The best of the springtime — when is it? We considered the question with a pair of visitors this evening — folks who had come by on an errand. "No, we're not staying. Can't. You know. Got to get away home and to bed to be up in good time in the morning for the planting."

"Spring's near its best now" he offered. "When the fields are in first green and the trees are coming into leaf and everyone's into the cropping, that's the time of it I like."

"I think I like it best" James chuckled "back when I hear the first crow call! No, not really" he amended "for I enjoy all of it. Yes, it's all good."

"It's best" she smiled "when ever, thing is in order, the house-cleaning done, the yards tidy, the garden and crop about in. Then" she said, "I can draw a long breath and really look about."

"Isn't it best in the blossom-time?" we suggested. "When every orchard tree and wilding is in bloom, wild cherry, apple and rowan. And the lilacs have come. The only regret then is that it's about over, and again months away."

"And we're so busy" James nodded "We have scarcely time to notice them and before we realize they're gone. I like the time that sees the last of the young cattle off to pasture" he said. "It's always quite a relief. I think that fact adds something to the loveliness of the year."

"There's this to it" she commented with a little smile. "I'm never ready to die in the spring-time! I can reconcile myself to it in some of the other seasons. But dear me there's too much that's lovely of earth to leave behind then."

"Too much unfinished business" her husband said with a teasing chuckle.

Life was in the grain dropped to the red of Island-fields today, and the farmers' slogan followed on every hand seemed to be "Make haste now. . . sow and plant!"

We caught a scriptural lesson toward dusk when with James we came to the meadow to help feed some lambskins. . . Not fields of a storied but troubled land these

pastured in, but on Island-green wrapped in every serenity and peace.

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