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Roxie Carrier's Action Averts Panic in Old Ottawa Auditorium

THOUSAND PEOPLE WERE IN DANGER

Stops Rush for Exits by Resuming Song in Collegiate Production.

Roxie Carrier, sixteen year old pupil in the Lisgar Street Collegiate School, Ottawa, who left St. John when her parents removed to the Federal capital a few years ago, undoubtedly saved many lives from panic results during the earthquake a week ago tonight.

The Collegiate scholars were having their annual entertainment, which included a musical comedy entitled "El Bandido." The earthquake struck about 9:20, when Miss Carrier in the role of Donna Cyrella held the stage alone. A spotlight was toppled by the tremor and the rocking of the building in which 1,000 people were seated, caused an excited person to shout "fire!"

Stopped the Show.

The orchestra of 80 Collegiate girls stopped playing, the audience rose en masse and a moan of fearful outcry swept through the old fashioned auditorium furnished with two small exits. The floor swayed and people were tattered almost off their feet. Reports say the shock was very severe in the Ottawa district.

An Eye-Witness Relates.

Quoting an eye-witness writer in the Ottawa Citizen, Miss Carrier's coolness and common-sense is thus described: "In the meantime, Miss Carrier had stayed at her position on the stage. She had stopped singing, and the orchestra had also ceased, the effect of that young girl standing, a picture of loveliness in herself, unconcerned and waiting for the people to settle down and let her continue her singing, was magnetic, for the people did quiet down and settled once again into their seats."

"Only an Earthquake."

Some of the girls in the orchestra started to cry, and Miss Carrier called to them that it was only an earthquake and nothing to cry about. She then called to the conductor to tell her where to start her song again. He did so and she continued her singing as if nothing had happened.

In the meantime many of the girls behind the scenes were crying, and one fainted, but the boys of the Cadet corps soon restored their composure and convinced them that all danger had passed. When the time had arrived for the chorus to enter the stage there was no trace of fear or distress on any of the singers.

A Narrow Escape.

The sensation during the swaying of the building was most alarming, the Ottawa paper states, and at the height of the quake the menbers of the orchestra, so much so that there was no doubt in the mind of anyone as to what was happening.

The experience of last Saturday will probably never fade from the memory of those present and the features that will remain uppermost is the bravery of Miss Roxie Carrier, of the boys who reassured the panic-stricken crowd, and the pluck of all those taking part in the evening's entertainment in continuing and finishing in such splendid form after such a startling and trying experience.

Roxie Carrier is niece of Miss Bertha Lav. Worden, formerly of St. John, and well remembered as a prominent musician here, now of the faculty of Ottawa Conservatory of Music. Miss Worden happens to be in town at the present time, having accompanied Mrs. William Pugsley from Upper Canada.

CHILDREN HEAR STORIES OF CHINA

Hundreds of Kiddies Delighted by Tales Told at Three Places.

Mrs. W. J. Davis, who has traveled afar with her husband, Captain Davis, delighted 100 children, assembled at the armory this morning, with her stories of China. She had for illustration of her stories, many rare curios of that country, which she showed the children and explained their purpose to them. Four little girls sang "Peggy O'Neill" at intermission, with the whole company joining in the refrain. Miss Mary Gunn was in charge and was assisted by Mrs. Arthur Burdett and others of the mothers, who accompanied their little ones and enjoyed the hour quite as much as anyone else.

Free Public Library.

Miss Sybil Barrington, R.N., provincial organizer of home nursing classes for the Red Cross, held 65 children spellbound this morning when she told them "Animal Stories from Life." The hour was spent in the Natural History Museum assembly room, as the reference room of the Free Public Library is still experiencing house cleaning. Mrs. Margaret Lawrence was with Miss Barrington, to keep order, but this was not a trying task, as the children were "As quiet as mice," Miss Barrington said.

At St. Vincent's.

St. Vincent's gymnasium was a very interesting place this morning, when Miss Alice Glennie told the large number assembled there about "Peter Pan." The children listened with breathless attention to the story, so vividly in their minds, from the recent display of the fairy boy in pictures last week.

FLOR DOWN AGAIN

Second Cut of 30 Cents a Barrel Within 3 Days—Went up Wednesday.

For the second time within the last three days the wholesale price of flour was reduced 30 cents a barrel here this morning. This is the third change in four days, the price having been increased 30 cents a barrel on Wednesday. Dealers here anticipated that the quotations would likely show further movements in the near future, but they were unable to say whether they would be higher or lower.

Local News

G. N. HEVENOR ILL.

The condition of G. N. Hevenor, who is critically ill at the General Public Hospital, remains unchanged.

TO SOUTH CAROLINA.

Morris Scovill and his sister, Miss Elizabeth Scovill, of Fredericton, will leave on Tuesday next for South Carolina, where they will spend several months. They will visit Mr. Scovill's son, Roger P. Scovill, at Greenville, South Carolina.

ALLOWED TO STAND.

Two reports against Dr. T. E. Bishop on charges of driving an automobile without a 1925 license were given a hearing before Magistrate Henderson today and after hearing the explanation, they were allowed to stand.

FUNERAL ON SUNDAY.

The funeral of Max Ross, who died suddenly on Friday evening at the Park Hotel, King Square, will be held on Sunday afternoon from the Hotel to Fernhill cemetery, with service at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rabbi Mendelbiatt and Rabbi A. Bab.

FATHER IS FINED.

A juvenile was before Magistrate Henderson this morning on a charge of throwing stones and breaking a window of a C. P. R. passenger coach at the Hilliard street crossing on March 8. A fine of \$8 was imposed on his father but allowed to stand.

WELL ATTENDED.

The mission of Rev. Harry Taylor, who assisted by Miss Ruth Taylor as soloist, at the Main street Baptist church, is growing in interest and last evening's service of the weather the vestry was well filled. On Sunday Rev. Mr. Taylor will preach at both the morning and evening services.

IN THE MARKET.

Good supplies of everything except poultry greeted the eye of the housewife this morning when she paid her Saturday visit to the country market. What few chickens and turkeys that were on sale found ready buyers at 50 to 55 cents per pound. Eggs sold for 45 and 50 cents per dozen, and butter for 30 to 45 cents per pound.

DRIVER FINED.

A. Levis was fined \$10 by the Magistrate on three reports—operating an automobile at a greater speed than necessary yesterday, operating a car without front and rear lights and failing to stop when signaled by the police. The maximum penalty for the three charges was \$50 but defendant was allowed to go after paying \$10 and listening to a warning.

TUXIS BOYS MEET.

At a meeting of the Rockets, Tuxis Square, of St. David's church, held last evening with the pastor, Thomas Auld, in the chair, an excellent address was given by Douglas Breen of the Brookville group. Mr. Breen is a member of the House of Parliament and he spoke most interestingly of the recent meeting in Sackville. Plans were made for the father and son banquet on Friday evening next.

ST. MATHEW'S W. M. S.

The W. M. S. of the St. Mathew's Presbyterian church, Douglas avenue, held its monthly meeting this week at the home of Mrs. E. B. McLean, Victoria street. Miss Jane Scott, president, was in charge of the business and devotional sessions. Mrs. J. W. Britton led in the prayers and Miss Bessie Magilton gave a paper on India. A social hour was enjoyed, at which Miss Ida Harper of Chipman was a special guest.

KEYNOTE OF MORNING.

Among the flagstuffs that floated solemn farewell to Hon. William Pugsley yesterday was that of the new Admiral Beatty Hotel, a singular coincidence in the forward history of St. John. No citizen of late years struggled harder or more effectively to bring about the conditions that demanded a modern hotel than the man whom the Beatty honored with its 24 foot Jack at half-mast Friday. Furthermore it was a keynote of mourning in the very heart of town.

OBSERVE BIRTHDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flewelling, Manawagonish road, entertained for their little daughter, Olive, when she celebrated her eleventh birthday a few days ago. The guests were Dorothy Baird, Mary Clarke, Betty Clarke, Jean Baird, Mary O'Brien, Stephen Clark, Maynard Chadwick, Leslie Chadwick, Clifford Barlow, Alex. Baird, Ralph Carpenter, Stephen Clark, George Carpenter. Yellow and white coloring was used for making the cake the pretty centre for the tea table. Many gifts were brought by the guests to their little friend.

WILLIAM D. GIGGEY DEAD.

William D. Giggey, retired millman, died at his home, 230 Millidge avenue, this morning, after an illness of five weeks. He was 66 years old and a lifelong resident of the North End of the city. Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Frank, of the city postal service, and Wilbert, at home; one daughter, Miss Beatrice M. Giggey, R. N., of New York, and four sisters, Mrs. George Crouse, Mrs. Alfred Brown, Mrs. Alfred Bent and Mrs. John Allen, all of Massachusetts. The funeral will be held from his late residence to Fernhill on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with service at the house by Rev. Canon R. P. McKim.

SERVICE STATION IS ORDERED CLOSED

Fire Marshal Takes Action Regarding Menace to King Square Property.

Things have been moving swiftly since the complaint of H. A. Powell to the City Council that the gasoline service station on the north side of King Square was a menace to property and possibly to life—and that he would hold the city responsible if any damage was done to his property, which it admitted.

H. H. McLellan, fire marshal, today confirmed a report that he had given orders to have station closed. Mr. McLellan said he made examination of the store in which the pumps were located and found it a regular fire trap. The walls were made of board and the floor was soaked with oil and gasoline, he said, and all that was needed to start a conflagration was for some one to drop a lighted match. He had found that the door was open all night and any person could enter.

May Order Removal.

The fire marshal said he also had under consideration the ordering of the removal of the building in which the store was located as an examination had revealed that it was not in a fit state of repair for occupancy and unless repairs were made it would have to come down.

GIRLS' W. A. BRANCH AT EAST ST. JOHN

Officers Are Elected at Organization Meeting in All Saints Church.

A Girls' Branch of the W. A. was formed on Wednesday evening at All Saints church, East St. John. Miss Peter, the diocesan secretary, explained the work and aims of the association. A. L. Gardiner opened the meeting with the W. A. prayers. The selection of officers was conducted by Miss Peter assisted by Mrs. C. W. Stephens and Mr. Gardiner, and resulted as follows:—

President, Miss Margaret Emery; vice-president, Miss Ivy Wixon; treasurer, Miss Alice Emery; dorsas secretary, Miss Muriel Chamberlain; assistant dorsas secretary, Miss Mabel Woodroffe; correspondent and recording secretary, Miss Ruth Stephens; E. C. D. treasurer, Miss Phyllis Holten; prayer partner, Miss Margaret Emery; wing messenger treasurer, Miss Ivy Wixon.

Church Activities.

This church has been very active since its organization last June. It has a women's guild of 25 members and every Thursday evening its meetings are well attended. During the winter many poor families have been helped by the guild, at each meeting the members bringing groceries for some family in need.

During Lent on Wednesday evening lantern slides are being shown by Mr. Gardiner to depict the Life of Christ. A confirmation class has also been formed and is well attended.

ST. JOHN LADY IS AMONG GRADUATES

Miss Dorothy Christie Receives Diploma at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1925 at the Mount Sinai Training School for nurses, held last evening at the school in New York, held particular interest for many in this city. One of the members of the class, Miss Dorothy Christie, of this city, has many friends here who will be pleased to learn that she received the coveted diploma for which she has labored so earnestly.

Miss Christie is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Christie, 133 Victoria street. Congratulations messages were sent to her by friends in the city and other parts of the province and a number of floral tributes were telegraphed to her.

St. John Man Operated Upon in Massachusetts

Delbert Seely, proprietor of the Park Hotel was operated upon in Newton, Mass., on Wednesday and will receive further surgical attention in a week or 10 days. Mr. Seely withstood the operation well and while confined to hospital will have the special attentions of a daughter and a son-in-law physician.

Hiram on Tour

EDMONTON, Feb. 23.—Well, sir, here I be back to Edmonton —an' I hed to dig up my old coonskin cap. It was ruther cold in Calgary yesterday—but this town aint agont to let Calgary git ahead. I was thinkin' about that feller I seen ploughin' in the Fraser valley in British Columbia last week—an' what a lot o' different kinds o' weather you kin strike in a big country like Canada. A Truro feller told me about gettin' in his hull crop in Alberta, an' then gont down an' stayin' fer a spell in Ottawa—an' when he went down to Nova Scotia his brother hed just begun plantin'. Well, sir—the folks out here can't do enough fer a feller. I heerd a good story today about one o' these here western farmers. When he was gont to die he ast his lawyer to hev six men from the town to be the pallbearers. The lawyer says, say he: "Why don't you hev your old neighbors do it instead o' them fellers from town?" The farmer he gits another breath an' says he:—"Them three bankers an' them three storekeepers hes been carryin' me all my life—an' they may as well finish the job."

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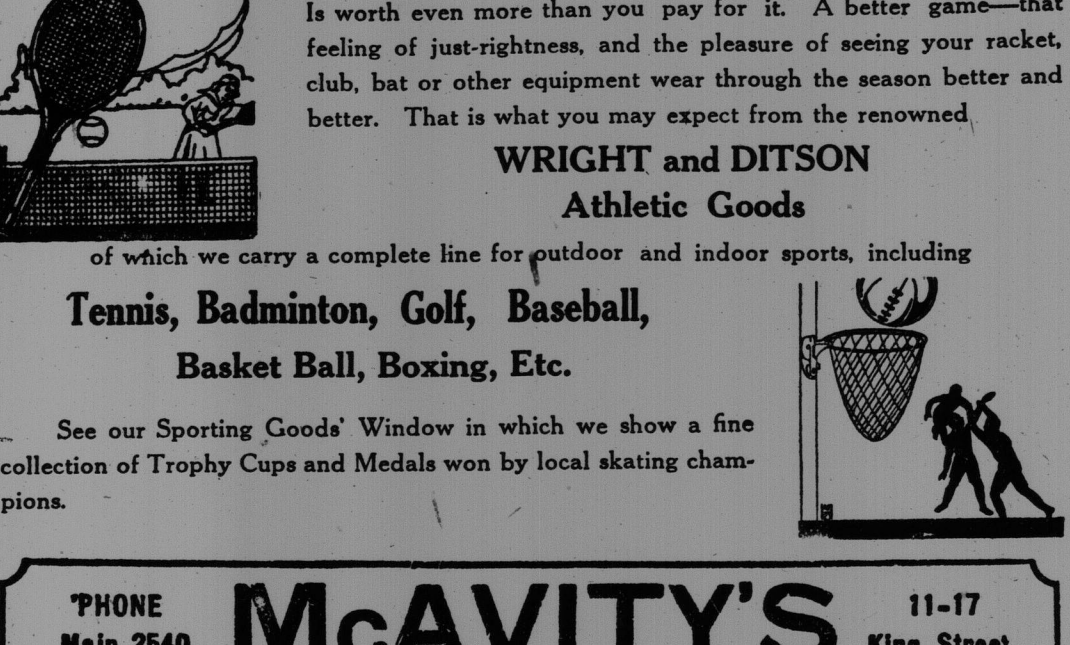
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