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# High School Drama Festival

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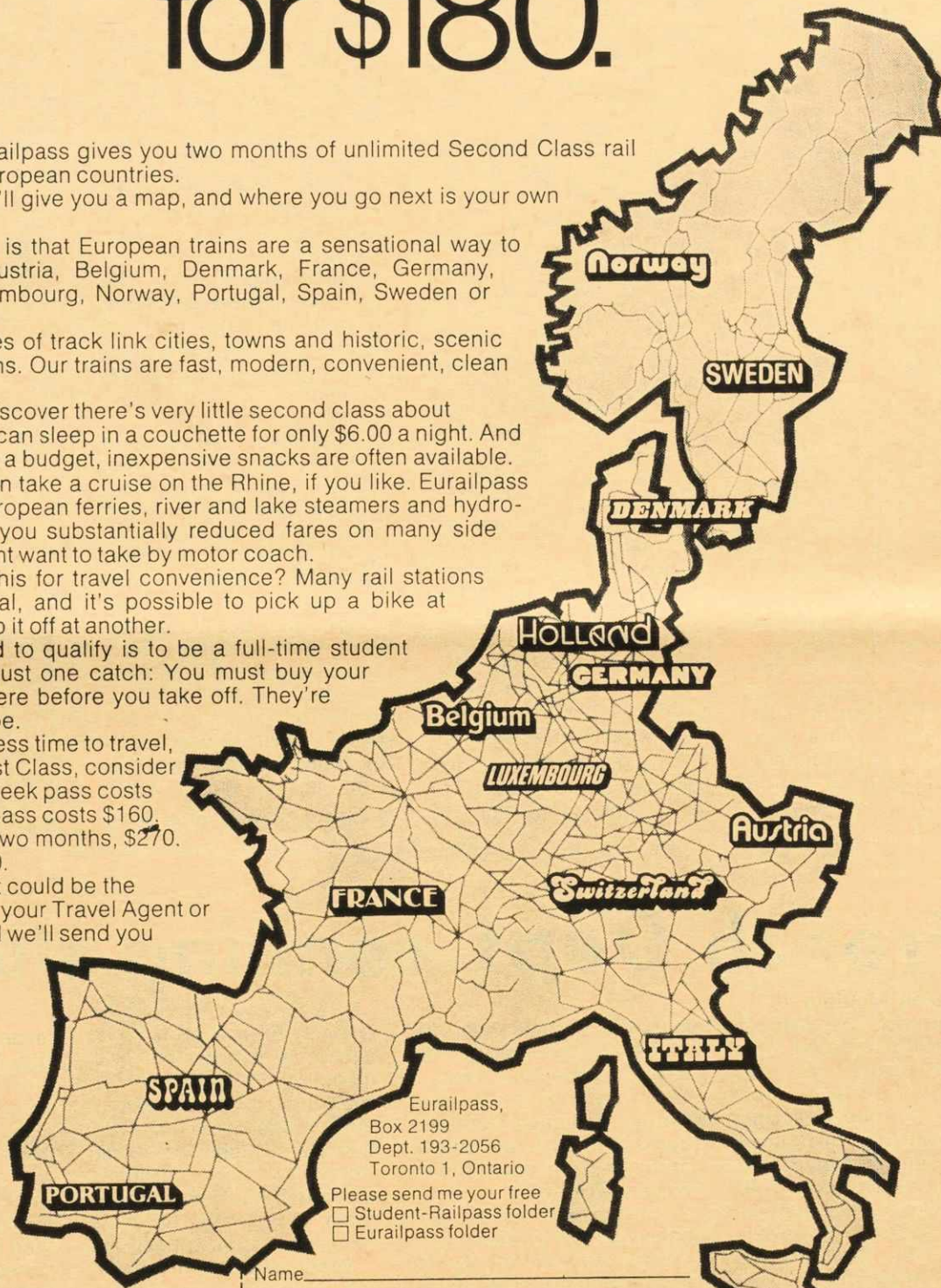
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"The response to our invitations has been overwhelming" reports Barrie St. Germain, Co-ordinator of the Nova Scotia High School Drama Festival '75. "We began to receive replies almost immediately and to date over 30 schools have expressed a desire to participate with a production. This enthusiasm is indicative of the strong interest in drama at high schools."

Interest in the Festival is being generated outside the province. Walter Learning, Artistic Director of Theatre New Brunswick will be present for a part of the Festival and The Hon. Thomas Wells, Ontario Minister of Education, will be sending a member of his staff to take part in the Festival.

Four symposiums will be held in conjunction with the Festival. These are to be held in the Dalhousie Arts Centre on May 8 and 9. The subjects for discussion are "Creative Expression in the Classroom", "Creative Drama in the Classroom", "Play Production in the School", and "Community Theatre and High School Drama". Each symposium will be led by a panel of five, comprised of various members of the Education and Theatrical Community. The Symposiums are expected to attract teachers from throughout the province.

It looks like a busy week but also a very rewarding one.

Anyone wishing further information is encouraged to contact the Dalhousie Theatre Department, Dalhousie Arts Centre, 6101 University Avenue, Halifax, Nova Scotia 424-2233.

### Cod on a Stick ?

The revue known as **Cod on a Stick** and recently reorganized as **Codco** will be appearing in the Dalhousie Art Gallery, Dalhousie Art Centre on Wednesday, March 19, at 8:30 p.m. There will be no charge for admission.

"Codco is a vigorously delightful program of sketches, written and performed by six young Newfoundlanders". The Toronto Star says "the show is memorably scruffy, with a trick of turning Newfie jokes on their ear and keeping them spinning. It isn't simply a wonderful instant mosaic of that 10th province but a witty, backward-glancing commentary on the other nine as well". Andy Jones, Tommy Sexton, Greg Malone, Mary Walsh, Cathy Jones, Dyan Olsen and Bob Joy have conjured up a show that is affectionate, tough, hilarious and overwhelmingly detailed.