# Curtain going up Friday on Midsummer Mink

Mary Haskill

"Midsummer Mink" which opens Friday at Sacred Heart School in Midland will introduce three newcomers to Huronia Players, Deborah Hallyburton, Ted Drennan and Frank Holm.

They provide a delightful addition to the experienced and popular "regulars" who make up the balance of the cast.

Deborah Hallyburton is a Midland girl who followed her interest in drama all through school, first at Midland Secondary School and later at Trent and Queen's University. She has done both musicals and drama. "Somehow, I always seemed to be cast as a noisy older woman," she laughs.

While not rehearsing as the vivacious and questionable Mme. Chambert in "Midsummer Mink" she works at co-ordinating children's programs at the Military and Naval Establiishments for the Ministry of Culture and Recreation.

Fence

Ted Drennan acts as a fence called Mike, a shady sort of character who disposes of the stolen furs. In private life he is the proprietor of T & G. Fabrics Inc. on King Street.

Before casting, Director May Williams overheard him clowning around in the store in a rich Irish brogue. "Why not read for my play?" she asked. Ted did and got the role.

Asked about his

previous stage experience, he replied with a twinkle in his eye. "Forty-five years ago, Ted Drennan was wellknown professionally in this town. He was in all the skits the Y's Men's Club put on at the YMCA and he sang in the church choir. This isn't a comeback though. That was my father! He was manager of the Loblaws store here.

Ted left Midland when he was six months old and did not return until after the Second War when he came to work for RCA.

Frank Holm grew up in Victoria Harbour, the son of Bill and Helen Holm. Most of his adult life was spent in Toronto where he was involved with such prestigious theatre companies as the award-winning Scarborough Players and Playhouse 66. He also has done television and movies. When he returned to these parts to work for Jones Construction, he naturally headed for Huronia Players. Holm will play Ted, a policeman who is sweet on Lily, the maid.

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February 1980 May Williams directed "Breath of Spring", a British comedy about some British ladies and one brigadier who accidentally become involved in the stolen fur trade. They liked it. Audiences loved them!

"Midsummer Mink" brings the fur coat gang back again and oh my how much they have learned!

You might say "Midsummer Mink" has an all star cast with well-known such thespians as Emily Lloyd, Nora Thompson, Lee Knight, Audrey Hamilton, Ray Holt and the Hanna family, Joan, Bill and Beverley. Some of these people have been with Huronia Players since the

beginning twenty years ago. They are enjoying bringing the zany "Breath of Spring" characters back to life.

"Midsummer Mink" will run two weekends. May 8, 9, 15, 16 at Sacred Heart School. The gala opening May 8, will feature dessert and coffee in the school library, 6.30 to 7.45 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased at Huronia Office Services, Barber & Haskill Ltd., Mac's

Announcement The Midland Civitan Club and The Midland Times have announced that they will again be sponsoring a "Citizen of the Year Award".

The award will be presented at the club's annual inaugural ball to be held in mid-September.

Application forms will appear in this newspaper beginning the first week in August.

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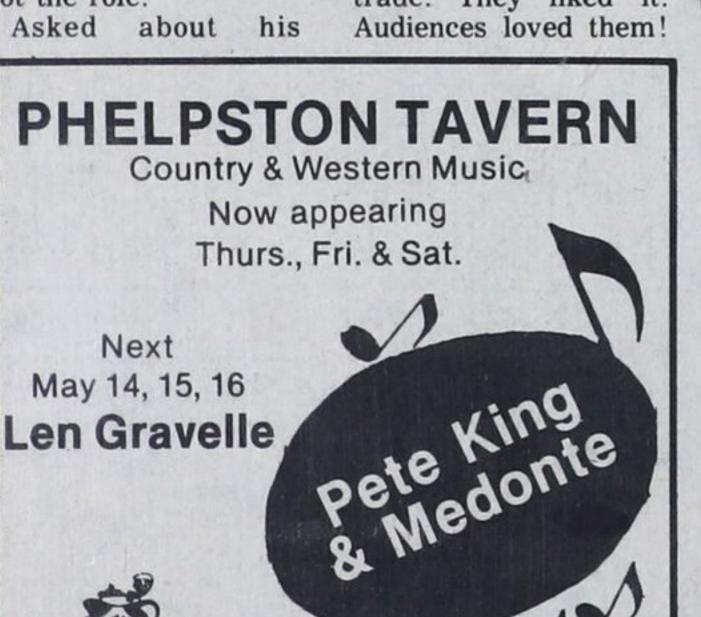
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