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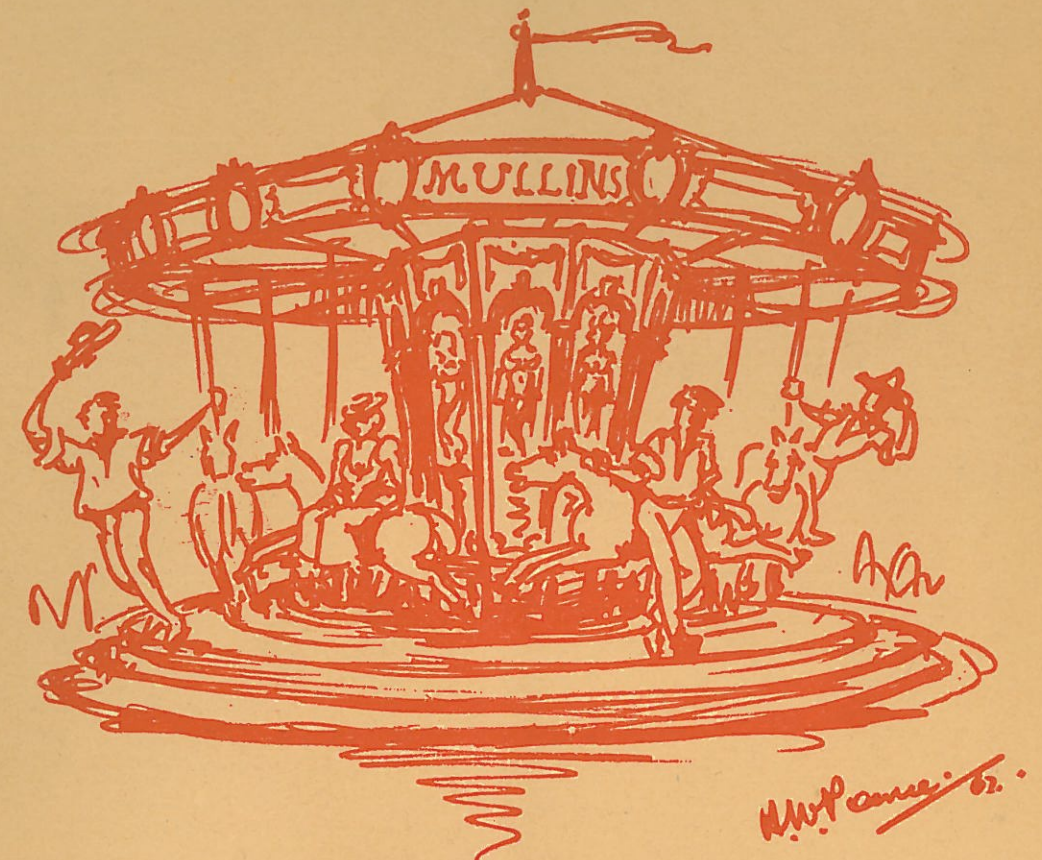
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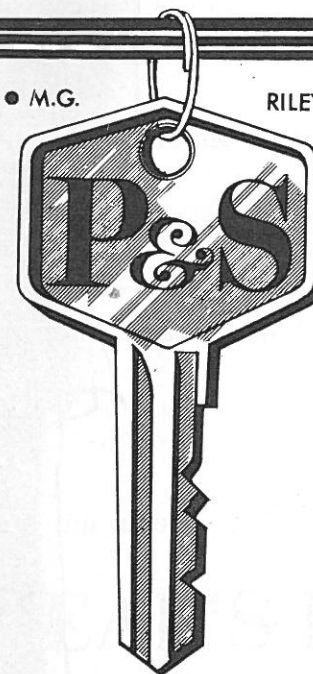
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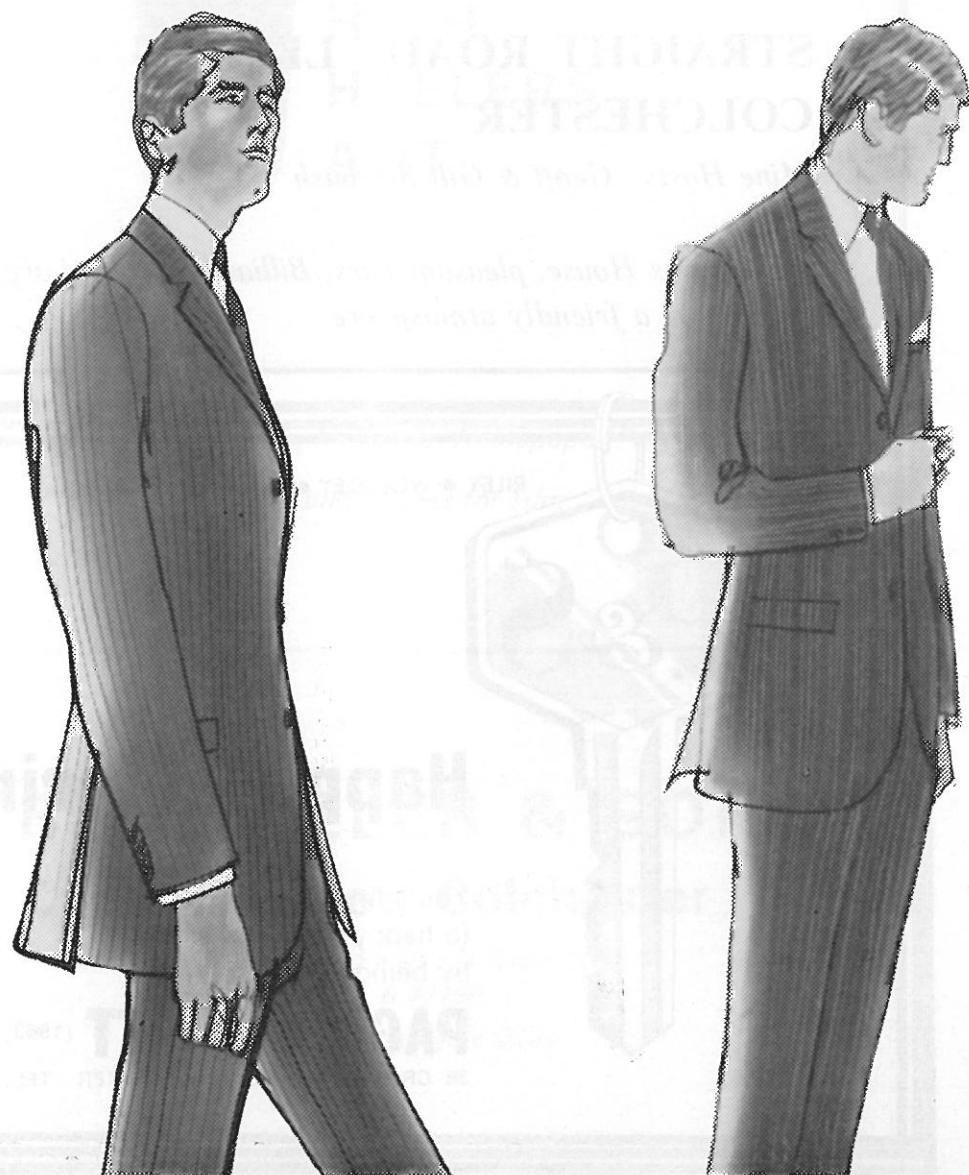
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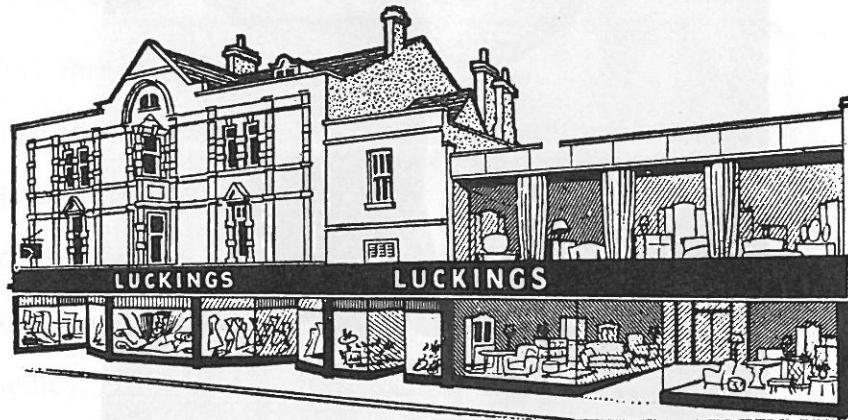
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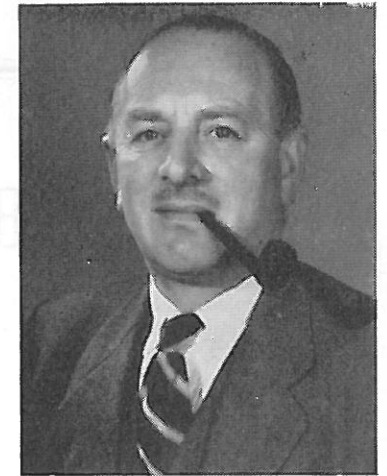
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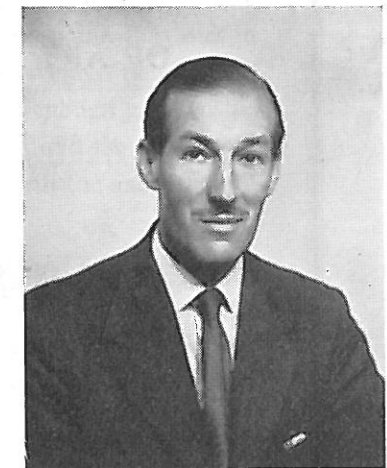
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Billy and Julie marry and settle down with Julie's cousin, Nettie Fowler, who has a Spa on the Waterfront. Out of work and restless Billy makes friends with the disreputable Jigger Craigin, who is out to get money by whatever means are necessary. He formulates a plan to rob Mr. Bascombe when he comes down to the deserted quay to pay the Captain of one of his ships—all this under cover of darkness during the Clambake which is held every year on the island.

Julie tells Billy that she is to have a child. In his Soliloquy on the forthcoming child Billy realises that if he falls in with Jigger's plans he may indeed, have enough money to look after Julie and the child properly.

At the Clambake, Jigger makes overtures to the naive Carrie. They are caught by Enoch Snow, and this leads to a break in their combined happiness.

The robbery misfires, and in a fit of remorse Billy stabs himself with the knife intended for Mr. Bascombe; the party returns from the Clambake, and Billy dies in Julie's arms. While Julie and Nettie kneel by the body, the Heavenly Friend comes and takes Billy to the backyard of Heaven. He has not done enough good in his life to be allowed to enter Heaven other than by the back door, and the Starkeeper tells Billy that if he left anything unfinished he can return to earth for one day, and perhaps in this way redeem himself.

Julie catches a glimpse of Billy when he returns to earth and talks to Louise, now 15, who refuses the star he has brought her. At the Graduation Day ceremony Billy manages at last to whisper words of encouragement to Louise which make her feel one with her fellows, and gives her a new understanding of her Mother. Billy crosses to Julie and says "know that I loved you", the Heavenly Friend beckons him away, and Julie is happy at last in the knowledge of Billy's love.

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**PRELUDE—An Amusement Park on the  
New England Coast—May**

## ACT ONE

**A tree-lined path along the shore. A few minutes later**

Mister Snow .. .. .	CARRIE AND JULIE
If I loved you .. .. .	BILLY AND JULIE

**Nettie Fowler's Spa on the ocean front. June**

June is bustin' out all over ..	NETTIE, CARRIE, CHORUS AND DANCERS
When the Children are asleep .. ..	CARRIE AND MR. SNOW
Blow High, Blow Low .. ..	BILLY, JIGGER AND MEN
Hornpipe Dance	
Soliloquy .. .. .	BILLY

**INTERVAL**  
(15 minutes)

## ACT TWO

**On an island across the bay. That night**

A real nice Clambake .. ..	NETTIE, JULIE, CARRIE, MR. SNOW AND CHORUS
Geraniums in the Winder .. ..	MR. SNOW
and Stonecutters .. ..	JIGGER AND CHORUS
What's the use of wond'rin' .. ..	JULIE AND GIRLS

**Mainland waterfront. An hour later**

You'll never walk alone .. .. .	NETTIE
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Ballet .. .. .	LOUISE, BOY LIKE BILLY, URCHINS, CAROUSEL FOLK AND THE SNOW FAMILY
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**Outside Julie's cottage**

I'm a Tom Boy .. .. .	CARRIE
Longing to tell you .. .. .	BILLY

**Outside the Schoolhouse. Same day**

You'll never walk alone .. .. .	COMPANY
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JULIE JORDAN .. .. .	Margaret Notley
MRS. MULLINS .. .. .	Phyl Deeble
BILLY BIGELOW .. .. .	John Huddle
1ST POLICEMAN .. .. .	John Enfield
DAVID BASCOMBE .. .. .	Kenneth Oxborrow
NETTIE FOWLER .. .. .	Freda Evans
ENOCH SNOW .. .. .	Eric Lambert
JIGGER CRAIGIN .. .. .	David Wells
ARMY .. .. .	Avril Gamble
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CAPTAIN .. .. .	Maurice Bond
HEAVENLY FRIEND (BROTHER JOSHUA) .. .. .	Ken Smith
STARKEEPER .. .. .	Joseph Robinson
LOUISE .. .. .	Jennifer Spurgeon
BOY LIKE BILLY .. .. .	Peter Hazell
ENOCH SNOW, JR. .. .. .	John Cooper
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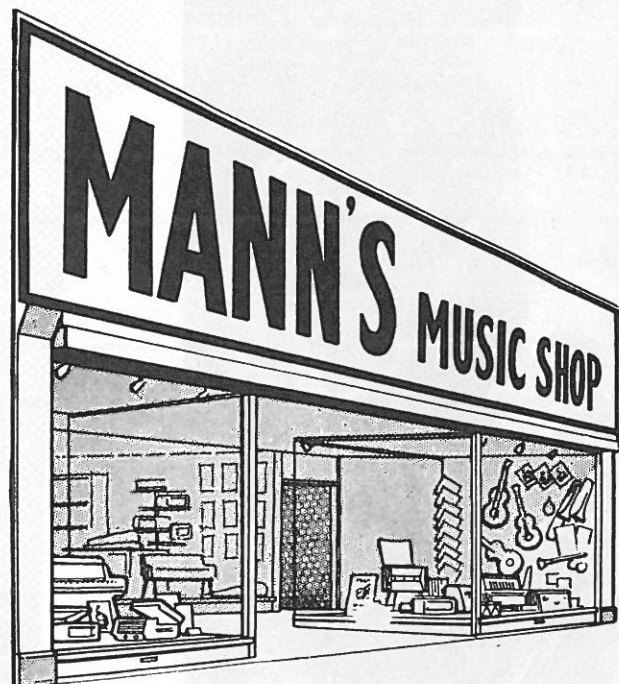
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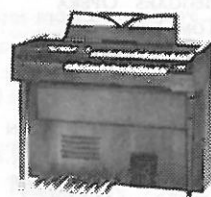


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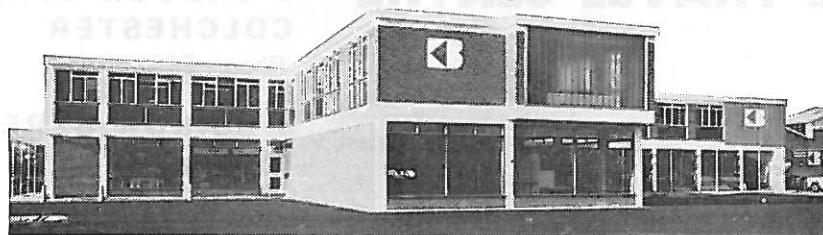
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