

Long a holiday centre of stately interest - Edinburgh celebrates its great Festival of Music and Drama.

At the Assembly Hall, Miss Fay Compton is one of a fine cast ~~that is~~ ~~playing~~ "Hamlet".

In a new role - Richard Burton plays the Young Prince of Denmark. While Claire Bloom adds to the production as "Ophelia".

The last rehearsal - before the Drama makes its contribution to another Edinburgh Festival.

Last-minute practice, too, for the Home Radio Orchestra, at the Usher Hall under the baton of its Conductor, Sgar. Fernando Previtali.

With nightfall comes one of the most spectacular events - the Searchlight Tattoo - staged on the floodlit Esplanade of Edinburgh Castle.

And the skirl of the pipes brings to an end another crowded day of Scottish ^{festivity} pageantry.