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Nature's beauties of Prince Edward Island are still in beautiful Autumn dress. What could be more gorgeous than the background of some roads and fields by the wood in crimson, red and yellow and are very fittingly given by the poet in these few lines.

October gave a party  
The leaves by hundreds came  
The Chestnuts, Oaks, and Maples  
And leaves of every name  
The lovely Misses Maples in crimson looked their best.

Another evidence of Summer weather was reported to the writer that while Messrs. Clifford Webster and Herb MacDonald were repairing and remodeling some buildings for Mr. Edson Hardy of Pleasant Grove, they picked some delicious ripe raspberries on the sunny side of the woods last week.

Mr. Frank Vessey also reported picking some ripe strawberries on his farm this week.

Messrs. Lloyd Vessey, York, and Ledwell Boswall, Marshfield, were recent visitors to Sydney, Cape Breton on business.

Farmers are busy grading potatoes which after having filled their cellars had to be stored in out-buildings. They are now racing with time and King Winter to lessen any damage done to the potatoes by frost. Many of the shippers such as Messrs. Ira Lewis, Johnson, Suffolk, and W. Cooke are busy loading.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacEachern now located in Toronto, Ontario, were spending his holidays at Mrs. MacEachern's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond MacMillan, York. While in the province they were entertained at Mrs. MacCallum's at West St. Peter's, Mr. MacEachern's sister, also visiting friends and relatives in Covehead. Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacEachern were accompanied by Mr. Robertson of Civil Service of Ottawa. It was Mr. Robertson's first visit to P. E. I. and he enjoyed the Autumn beauties of harvesting of potatoes of which he had never seen in such large acreage and many other phases of farm activities. He promised on leaving to come again to visit the Island.

Many friends were sorry to learn of the serious injuries received by Miss Edith MacDonald, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacDonald, Covehead Road. While Edith was at Mrs. MacMillan's West Covehead, picking potatoes with the crew, and returning to the house from the field, all riding on the trailer loaded with potatoes she in some manner slipped off, falling between the tractor and the loaded trailer. Miss MacDonald hearing her cries stooped the tractor just in time to halt the trailer's full length from passing over her body. As it was the wheel passed over her seven crushing her shoulder and breaking several ribs. Her friends wish Miss Edith a speedy recovery.

The regular monthly meeting of the Star Senior Mission Band of York United Church met at the home of Mrs. Elmer Brown on Saturday evening, the theme of the meeting was "Following Jesus." Meeting opened with all to worship by Marina Watts followed by hymn. "Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling." Responsive readings were taken from Mark I. Verses 16-18 and read by Doreen MacDonald. Acts 9, verses 3-6 read by Rose Watts. Gerald Robinson read a story about "Paul the great Christian Missionary." Followed by prayer by Leader. Marina Watts read from Study Book the story "Finding a new home at boarding school." Worship period closed with hymn, "Father Lead Me Day by Day." Thankoffering envelopes were distributed also more squares for quilt. One new member joined the Band. The offering was taken by Doreen MacDonald. Recreation period followed. Meeting closed with Missal Benediction.

C.N.R. PRESIDENT RETURNS FROM WEST

MONCTON, October 28 — Western Canada is enjoying continued prosperity and views the future with optimism. R. C. Vaughan, C. M. G. chairman and president, Canadian National Railways, said on his return to Montreal recently from a 6,000-mile inspection trip over the western lines of the system. He was accompanied by N.E. Walton, C. B. E., executive vice-president.

Heavy demands on transportation facilities have resulted from the continued industrial expansion taking place in both Eastern and Western Canada. "We are doing everything possible," Mr. Vaughan said, "to see that the best use is made of the equipment available. We now have on order \$80,000,000 worth of new equipment, including 5,000 box cars, and some of that has been on order for 18 months, but none of it has been received." The orders covered new passenger cars as well as freight equipment and locomotives.

On the Pacific Coast, Mr. Vaughan attended the launching of the new C. N. S. "Prince George," the largest passenger vessel to be built in Canada for 26 years. The new ship is to go into service next spring between Vancouver, Prince Rupert and Alaska.

EVEN RETURNED?

Group studies indicates that a book purchased by one individual is used at least five times.

Own Auto Industry Plan Of Australia

By LESLIE BRODIE  
Canadian Press Correspondent

SYDNEY, Australia, Oct. 28 — (CP) — High price of United States and British automobiles in this country has given impetus to a drive to produce an all-Australian automobile.

A number of companies are busily re-tooling their war plants in an effort to get the first Australian automobile on the streets but only two of them appear to be in line to start production.

General Motors Holden's Ltd., have almost finished re-tooling, and four Adelaide (South Australia) brothers named Wiles announce they are putting into production a streamlined light model of the four-seater type.

The Wiles brothers, who are entirely new to the motoring world, are hoping to put their model on the road for less than \$900, considerably less than the British light automobiles (with Australian bodies) on the market here.

The General Motors Holden's automobile is expected to be in the \$1,600 class, but is a heavier six-cylinder type.

At the same time the government is offering all possible assistance to companies engaged in the industry.

Cost More To Run

Meanwhile, cost of running an automobile in Australia is considered to be between \$10 and \$12 a day, compared with about \$3 to \$5 before the war. Figures supplied by motoring organizations show the cost of buying and running a new automobile of average United States size to be: Price \$1,950, plus sales tax of \$243; registration \$28; insurance \$24.40; depreciation, \$310 (estimated to replace vehicle after seven years); gasoline \$160 (8,000 miles); oil, maintenance etc. \$80; tires, \$32. Total annual cost—\$643.40, or about 8 cents a mile.

This puts the cost of running an automobile for pleasure beyond the reach of the average wage earner, and leaves motoring as a privilege of those earning \$3,000 or more yearly.

But new automobiles are scarce and are sold only to holders of high priority permits issued by the ministry of road transport. With tens of thousands applying for these, they are hard to get.

The second-hand market also is practically closed to the small wage earner. Price of second-hand vehicles was pegged by the government at peacetime prices, but very few dealers adhere to the legal prices.

Fall Spading Is Good For Garden Free From Erosion

Study of the serious damage to garden top soils caused by erosion has brought doubt about value of fall spading in many cases. Plots which are not level, where the newly turned soil might be washed away, or valuable elements leached out by heavy rains, may be more harmed than benefited.

Where this danger is not present, fall spading is beneficial for heavy soil, and in cases where sod is turned under or manure spaded in. When practiced, the surface should not be leveled or raked after spading, but left in rough conditions with small hills and hollows.

Frost action will tend to break down and loosen heavy soils, and the uneven surface will check the runoff of water, and cause it to soak in. Fall spading will not always take the place of spring spading, but it will make spring preparation much easier.

Where erosion is a problem, and the soil is heavy, stir it with wheel hoe a few inches deep and sow seed of rye rye at the rate of 1 pound to 300 square feet. This will germinate in a few days and should make some growth this fall. It will survive the winter and start growing in the spring with the first thaw. It can be turned under when the time comes and its green leaves will decay quickly and add substantial quantities of both humus and nitrogen to the soil.

Gardens which are spaded this fall, can be sown to this cover crop, and this is a good practice when manure is to be spaded under, or sod turned. The rye will give protection against erosion. But since spring spading will also be necessary, to turn under the rye, little is gained by spading a garden where a cover crop is to be grown, unless there is some material to be spaded under.

Fall is the best time to spade under limestone screenings, which are excellent for loosening heavy soils. There is little danger of using too much and a quantity as small as four pounds to 100 square feet will be effective.



T.C.A. PILOT SAVES LIVES

MONCTON, October 28 — Picking up a radio message for help while piloting his Trans-Canada Air Lines North Star Skyliner to London, was the cue for Capt. Steve Albulet to go into action and help save the lives of 69 passengers aboard a flying boat drifting in the North Atlantic. The radio call came from the plane which ran out of gas and landed at sea 800 miles from Newfoundland. Capt. Albulet located the plane and circled about it for an hour-and-a-half, guiding it to a weather ship. All passengers and crew were later picked up safely by a coast guard cutter. Captain Albulet, a native of Regina, Sask., is a former bush pilot. He joined Trans-Canada Air Lines nine years ago and since then has flown more than two-and-a-half years he has piloted over 100,000 miles for the past two-and-a-half years he has been flying on T. C. A.'s North Atlantic service.

FORMER STEELWORKER IS WINE KING AT 32

PAARL, South Africa, Oct. 28 — (CP) — Still the uncrowned wine king of South Africa, John W. L. de Villiers, once more swept the boards at the Western province wine show here. He won nine cups and the gold medal for the most points scored on the show, the latter for the second year in succession.

De Villiers, who was a steelworker at Iscor, Pretoria, six years ago, came down to the Western province to get married and to forsake steel for wine.

Although established wine farmer, he himself has been making wine for only five years, and during this period he has won 30 silver cups, three gold medals and innumerable other prizes. His cellar at Zonnebloem is the highest priced, having already taken more than 600 prizes.

Wines of de Villiers were supplied to the King during the royal visit. Letters sometimes arrive for de Villiers, addressed simply "The South African Wine King, Paarl." He is 32 years old.

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LOVED GERMAN F.O.W. BLAMES HER PARENTS  
NORSHAM, Sussex, England, Oct. 28 — (CP) — A 15-year-old girl who told a juvenile court she tried to run away with a German prisoner-of-war and later attempted suicide because her parents failed to show affection for her was placed on probation.

man he is not human, but I loved him even if I am only 15. If dad and you had shown me affection I might not have gone with him, but I wanted to feel somebody thought something of me and really loved me.

**BIG WINTER HAUL**  
FLIN FLON, Man. — (CP) — Northern freighters are completing preparations for what is expected to be a record winter haul this year. Frozen whitefish from Reindeer Lake settlements 300 miles north, will represent most of the cargo.



At the opening of the British Parliament, Prime Minister Attlee, shown here with his wife, heard the speech from the throne in which the King forecast further restriction in power for the House of Lords and nationalization of Britain's gas industry. Though His Majesty spoke the words, Attlee's government decided the issues, two more steps in the British socialization program.

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