



MIAMI BOATS FLEE BETSY

Small boat owners move their craft into the Miami River Monday seeking safe harbor from the oncoming winds of Hurricane Betsy. At right is the Brickell Avenue draw bridge open over the river allowing the boats to pass. (AP Wirephoto)

THIS FARMING INDUSTRY



Dundas People Observe Their 25th Anniversary

By NEIL A. MATHESON
The people of Dundas and vicinity celebrate this week their 25th anniversary as the sponsors of a plowing match. It's called "The Provincial Plowing Match and Agricultural Fair Association." For those who criticize the "Provincial" reference, the explanation is simple. "Those people revived competitive plowing back in the late summer of 1941, and they developed an interest that extended far outside their own King's county borders. So they called their meet the provincial plowing match. The agricultural fair came from the development of the fair—it has since attained Class B status—and the organization sponsoring the plowing and other competition is incorporated under that name by an act of the Provincial Legislature."

The 25th anniversary is a time for celebration. It's more unusual in this case because Leslie Hunter, Stratcona, formerly of Charlottetown, is the original and has been the only president down through the years. That may not be a record itself, but it most certainly is unusual. The present development with its five large cattle barns in addition to the other buildings and equipment is a far cry from the group—it was a Carry-on-Canada Corps then—that held its first match on the farm of Frank Clay, Bridge-ten who later became the first man to represent this province in the Canadian match.

The first day of the first fair was May 12, 1765 and some of the early prizes or premiums are interesting. "For the person who would bring the greatest number of neat cattle, the award was three yards of English superfine broadcloth and a silver medal." I have seen that reference to "neat cattle" in some of our earlier historical references here. Apparently it meant good cattle, or cattle of good conformation. If some reader has a different explanation, I would appreciate hearing from you. "For horses the prize was a saddle, a bridle and a medal. For sheep, a pair of shears and a medal. Other prizes were a churn and a medal for the best cow. A whip and a pair of spurs was available for the best horse, and six yards of ribbon and a medal for the best 12 pounds of butter, or cheese—they made cheese at home in those days. "They had wrestling, too, apparently, and 'the best wrestler was offered a laced-hat and a pair of spurs.' For the next best wrestler there was a pair of buckskin gloves. The fairs have not been held continuously since 1765, however. Mrs. Winkworth Tonge notes that the fair was regularly open-

ported by the Hants agricultural society, and there's a historical note. In 1847 the prize list covered greatest quantity of clover seed, not less than 100 pounds, and two bushels of barley. Indian corn was added in 1848, so were buckwheat, butter and cheese, as "the premium list each year reflected the improvement in food and stock raising." After sending me so much interesting material, Mr. Maxner deserves a plug for his fair and here it is: There are morning, afternoon and evening programs from the opening on Tuesday right through Saturday evening. There are many events for saddle horses and "fine horses," in the evening program. There are six-horse teams and nothing is more colorful in a show arena. There are also four-horse exhibits. There are ox pulls, there are exhibits of the best in draught horses as well as in the standard breeds. There are classes for just about everything produced or manufactured or processed on an average mixed farm. Congratulations to our cattlemen for their excellent showing in exhibitions at Truro and Picton. Thanks also to the people who were good enough to phone me results I hope to be with you next year if you make the trip. After your showing this year, I think you'll be back again in 1966.

Monument Bombing Is Foiled

LONDON (AP)—British police disclosed Monday night they had foiled an attempt by unknown assailants to blow up the grave of Karl Marx, father of communism. The incident, which British authorities hoped to keep secret, took place last Thursday and details were confirmed by a Scotland Yard spokesman. Marx, the German socialist and philosopher, died here in 1883 at age 64. He was buried in London's Highgate Cemetery, which often is visited by curious sightseers. In answer to questions, a Scotland Yard spokesman gave these details of the incident: An anonymous telephone caller tipped Kentish Town police station (near Highgate) that Marx's grave was to be destroyed. A patrol car sped to the cemetery. On the grave police found "an explosive substance, to which an electrical device was attached." This was a home-made time-bomb. The gadget was dismantled and removed.

Trade Union Expulsion Is Industrial Death

TORONTO (CP)—Expulsion of a worker from a trade union is "a sentence of industrial death," S. E. Dinsdale of Toronto has told the labor relations section of the Canadian Bar Association. There is a need for legislation giving workers the right to work until they have exhausted appeal procedures, he added. "Often any resort to the courts is very hollow for a man who finds himself in this position. Legislation gives page after page to outlining protection of a worker against his employer but nothing about the protection against damage by a union." Few workers can wait the months involved in processing appeals while sitting unemployed and many have little knowledge of what recourse is open to them, he added.

E. R. Jolliffe of Toronto, a labor lawyer, suggested a danger always exists that a person who holds power over another may abuse the privilege but the courts have provided adequate protection. Expulsion is extremely rare.

because union leaders would not want to make a martyr of an enemy and because rank and file members abhor it as much as a management dismissal. "Not every grievance can be taken to arbitration. At some point someone must exercise judgment. If it is done in good faith union judgment should be left alone." Prof. R. G. Herbert of the faculty of law at the University of British Columbia and J. G. Petrie of Fredericton, the two remaining panelists, both felt current legislation was adequate.

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FIRST IN KINGS
Mayor Ray Leard told me at Souris this week that the first exhibition in Kings County was held at Souris in 1840 and that Alex Leslie was the first president. A few minutes later he introduced me to Harold Leslie of the Souris Line Road who is Alex's great-grandson. There were no buildings, no tickets and no classes at the first exhibition—it was held on the beach, as we approached Souris from the west, and it was an occasion for trading and selling livestock, the old story states. Incidentally I have found a reference to an exhibition being held in Charlottetown in 1833, which is the oldest I have found thus far in this province. But how about the 200th anniversary which the Hants County exhibition people are holding at Windsor, Nova Scotia September 21-25. I met the secretary-manager Watson Maxner—he is also secretary of the Atlantic Winter Fair, though he quits that post after this year's Halifax show—when he was here for the Provincial Exhibition last month, and he has sent me a history of his fair. Some of the earlier history is interesting. I'd like to tell you about it. The historical sketch by Thomas Aylward suggests "the earliest exhibition of the English period in Canada seems to have been held at Windsor in 1765... 10 years after the expulsion of the Acadians."

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