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HIGHLIGHTS OF HARVEST EX. AND RURAL YOUTH FAIR

It was a real day of achievement for large numbers of 4-H club members who came to Charlottetown last night for the opening of the Provincial Harvest Exhibition and Rural Youth Fair. UPPER LEFT, Premier Matheson presides at the opening. UPPER RIGHT are 4-H members who have earned a trip to the Amherst Fair. They are: left to right, front row, Joan Douglas, Head of Hillsboro Calf Club; Anne Ramsay, Malpeque Calf Club; back row, Stanley Palmer, Kensington Calf Club; Arthur Cameron, Head of Hillsboro Calf Club; Douglas Jewell, North River Calf Club; Boyce Stevenson, North River Calf Club; Merrill Scott, Cornwall Calf Club. LOWER LEFT, are the members of calf clubs who won a trip to Toronto Royal Winter Fair. They are left to right: Earl Lockerby, Malpeque Calf Club; Garth Coffin, Head of Hillsboro Calf Club; Douglas Proffitt, Free-town. LOWER RIGHT: These are the girls from the sewing clubs who have won themselves a trip to the Royal Winter Fair. They are: Elaine Wright, Middleton; Ruby Moore, West Royalty; Elaine Gallant, Miscouche and Margaret Jean MacDonald, Brudenell.

NO FALL SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

P.M. Hints Next General Election To Be June 1957

Report Big N.B. Potato Deal Pending

HARTLAND, N.B. (CP) — The Weekly Observer says Venezuelan interests are negotiating with the McCain Produce Co. of Florenceville, N.B., for "possibly one of the biggest potato deals in recent years."

The newspaper quotes McCain Produce official Robert McCain as saying "The discussions represented a business venture of considerable size."

No official confirmation of the negotiations could be obtained. The McCain firm was one of the first in Canada to export seed potatoes and has been involved in several South American transactions.

John Mahoney Found Guilty Of Manslaughter

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP)—John Patrick Mahoney, 33, Thursday night was found guilty of murder but guilty of manslaughter in the death of his wife Aug. 6.

The RCAF veteran will be sentenced this morning by Mr. Justice W. Arthur I. Anglin.

The jury in the Saint John circuit court retired at 6 p.m. and reported its verdict at 7:47 p.m.

Mahoney looked relieved and smiled slightly when the verdict was reported. Earlier Thursday he sobbed while telling the court he had cut his wife's throat after she admitted going out with other men and threatened to leave him and their three young children.



4-H CLUB KING AND QUEEN

Rural Youth Hold Spotlight At Fair Opening Last Night

The rural youth of the Province held sway in Prince Edward Island's Capital City yesterday and the performance put on by the boys and girls was a definite credit to themselves and to their leaders.

Oswald Pineau of North Rustico Garden Club and Elaine Green of Central Bedouque Calf Club were chosen King and Queen of 4-H Clubs in Prince Edward Island for the year 1957. The two were selected by Judges A. Walthen Gaudet, deputy Mayor of Charlottetown, Mr. W.A. Currie, Mayor of Summerside and Mrs. Allison MacMillan, past president of the P.E.I. Women's Institute.

Previous to their being selected as King and Queen Miss Green and Mr. Pineau had competed in elimination contest with some 16 other entrants and in this competition Miss Patricia Poirier of Miscouche Garden Club and Lynden Ellis of Northam were chosen to share with the other two as candidates for King and Queen but came second best in the final selection.

FASHION SHOW

Immediately following the competition for King and Queen, the girls from sewing clubs put on a fashion show in which they modeled clothing which they had made themselves as a part of their club work.

The choices of styles, color and practicality of the garments on display would do justice to a much larger show and the young ladies acquitted themselves gracefully as models.

Joan Douglas a 16 year old secretary of the Head of Hillsboro Calf Club won the public speaking contest. Her subject dealing with education was most forcefully and dramatically delivered. She showed that she had a good knowledge of the subject matter and was at ease in her speaking.

YOUTHFUL CONTESTANT

Young 14 year old Perley MacNeill from O'Leary almost stole

Mid-January Opening Of House Seen

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent hinted strongly Thursday the next general election will take place in June, 1957.

He told reporters he is not saying there actually will be a national vote in June, but there is "apt" to be necessary for one in 1957 and June is the "best" month.

He gave these other election hints following a two-hour cabinet meeting: there will be no fall session of Parliament and the one that takes place early next year is "apt" to be short.

An early budget and a short session would give Commons members an opportunity to head back to the hustings for some months of campaigning if a June vote is held.

NOT DEFINITE

The Liberals, who have been in continuous power since 1935, picked June as an election month in 1945 and 1949. In 1953, the vote was called on Aug. 10. This led to numerous opposition complaints that many Canadians were away on summer holidays during the period of enumeration and the actual vote.

Mr. St. Laurent was asked Thursday just what date in June he had in mind for the possible vote he declined to say, adding that he wanted it made clear he was not actually announcing that a vote will be in June.

Some observers believe the next session may open in mid-January and that the budget may be brought down in February with the session ending in late March or early April. Speculation on election dates has centered on June 10 and June 17.

Present standing in the 265-seat chamber: Liberals, 170; Progressive Conservatives, 53; CCF, 22; Social Credit, 15; independents, three; vacancies, two.

UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS

Harvest Exhibition Draws Large Crowds At Opening

The first Provincial Harvest Exhibition to be held in the Province for many years was officially opened last night by the Premier of Prince Edward Island, Hon. A. W. Matheson who for a number of years has been promoting the idea of such a Fair in which the products of the soil could be exhibited.

Mr. Matheson said the idea of having a Fall Fair could not be attributed to himself entirely. He revealed that the late Premier Jones had visualized such an exhibition but unfortunately did not live to see his dream realized.

The Premier predicted that the show would grow in size from year to year until perhaps it would have to be held in the larger exhibition building, the Coliseum.

from the outset of its planning were most anxious to see that the Fair was an unqualified success. He said from the number and quality of the exhibits, this hope had to a great extent been realized. He thanked the Provincial Exhibition Association for its kind co-operation in placing its grounds and buildings at the disposal of the Department. He also thanked the members of the Federal Department of Agriculture who so kindly gave of their time and effort to make the event a success.

Mr. Allison Proffitt, speaking on behalf of the Provincial Exhibition Association said he was happy on behalf of the directors to be able to play a part in the Harvest Exhibition.

He told the young people gathered at the Fair that there was no happier life to be found than that of a farm boy or girl. He said there was just as much honour in following a plow as in writing a poem.

Mr. Proffitt said that it has been in the minds of some that the annual exhibition should be held at this time of year. He felt however that this would be impractical since housing of the animals and the matter of heating would pose a big problem. He could see no reason why the Harvest Exhibition could not take on an individual growth from year to year.

Mr. S. C. Wright, Deputy Minister of Agriculture presided at the opening. Dr. George Fisher, Director of Veterinary Services was master of ceremonies for the 4-H Club events which went to make up a most attractive program.

Dr. D. C. Harvey Retires At Halifax

Dr. Daniel Cobb Harvey, Nova Scotia provincial archivist, was announced Thursday. He is a native of Cape Traverse, P.E.I.

Dr. Harvey will be succeeded by Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson, assistant archivist since 1946.

Jet Trainer Is Overdue

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Man. (CP)—A T-33 jet trainer from the RCAF base at Macdonald, 10 miles northwest of here, was reported overdue Thursday. Aboard the plane on a routine training flight were an instructor and a student pilot.

World-Famous Doctor Killed In Accident

LONDON (AP)—Sir William Gilliat, 72, the cyneologist who delivered both children of the Queen was killed Thursday night in a collision of his car with a truck just outside London.

The world-famous surgeon attended the birth of Prince Charles in 1948 and Princess Anne in 1950.

Barber Shop At Crapaud Lost In Fire Outbreak Last Night

The barber shop of Raymond Molyneux in Crapaud was completely destroyed by fire of unknown origin last evening, and his residence separated by a driveway was saved only by the presence of the village owned fire engine operated by the volunteer fire department.

Mr. Molyneux's car, which he had parked in the driveway between the house and barber shop, was removed from danger when the fire was first discovered about 7.00 p.m. the barber chair was about the only item saved from the shop, which burned to the ground. When the heat from the fire scorched the side of the house, causing concern for its safety, most of the furniture was removed as a precaution against its loss by fire in the event that the house could not be saved.

A large number of people whose attention was attracted by the flames, arrived at the scene of the fire which lighted the sky in the area for almost two hours.

TOP HONOURS

Howard and Harold Dixon of Fortune Bridge did themselves double honour yesterday when they took the grand championship for seed potatoes and the reserve grand championship for tablestock.

The grand championship for Tablestock went to Fred and Frank Coffin, Fortune Bridge. The reserve grand for seed potatoes went to Russell Ching, Sunrise R.R. 2. First prizes for seed were won by Mrs. Beecher Smallman, O'Leary for her Sabago entry while Fred and Frank Coffin took a first with their Kathadin entry.

Avard Clow of York had the biggest squash of the show. He also took firsts for onions, squash collection, broccoli and sweet corn. Bev Simpson, York had the reserve grand for the vegetable collection. He took first for yellow and green beans, lettuce, cucumbers, Hubbard squash, small sugar pumpkin, Connecticut field pumpkin and cranberries.



WINNER

Miss Joan Douglas from the Head of Hillsboro Calf Club was the winner of the public speaking contest held last night in conjunction with the opening of the Provincial Harvest Exhibition and Rural Youth Fair.

Prime Minister Wants Drew To Continue In Public Life

OTTAWA (CP) — Hon. George Drew has been asked by Prime Minister St. Laurent to continue in public life as a senator or in some other post.

The prime minister told reporters Thursday on his return to the capital by train from his summer home at St. Patrick, Que., that he expressed this wish in a telephone conversation Wednesday with Mr. Drew, who resigned a week ago as Progressive Conservative leader.

Mr. St. Laurent said he had not specifically offered Mr. Drew a seat in the 102-member Upper Chamber. However, he indicated to reporters that he has a Senate seat in mind.

Following an afternoon cabinet meeting, Mr. St. Laurent was asked whether he would give Mr. Drew's reaction to his telephone call.

"No I won't," Mr. St. Laurent said loudly, obviously irritated.

"I can have some private conversations without having to report to the press of the country the results of those conversations," he said.

The 74-year-old prime minister said at the railway station it would be a tragedy for a man of Mr. Drew's age to be debarred from public service. He did not consider that Mr. Drew's age—82—"is more than just ripe manhood."

Mr. St. Laurent telephoned Mr. Drew—now convalescing in a Toronto hospital—on the last day of his summer holiday at St. Patrick.

One report here is that if Mr. Drew does not accept a senatorship he may be offered the job of Ontario lieutenant-governor. The current term of office of Hon. Louis O. Brehaupt, appointed in 1952, expires next year.

Mr. St. Laurent said he had never felt that a Senate seat was a very strenuous job and there were many in Mr. Drew's own party who believed the opposition could stand some strengthening in the Upper House. Conservative strength in the Senate was reduced to five with the death Sept. 15 of Senator John T. Hackett of Montreal.

DOCTOR WINS

Dr. David MacKenzie of Eldon took the grand championship for the best garden collection of vegetables.

Stanley Willis, Cornwall took first for interwhite mangels, cauliflower and carrots. Robert Jewell, Cornwall took first for mangels (s.e.v.). His entry of plums took a second prize.

Mr. B.C. Hardy of East Royalty took first prize for feed turnips. Arthur Wheatley took first for turnip swedes.

A. MacRae and sons had the best pressed hay at the show and Albert J. Boswell of Marshfield exhibited the best stage.

P.L. Smallwood of Charlottetown Royalty took firsts for Wealthy apples, Cortland Apples and plums. M.F. Reeves, Cross Roads, took top honours for green gages plums, delicious apples, northern spies and any other variety. Everett Howatt of North Tryon took first with his entry of plums.

G.G. MacMillan of New Dominion had an exhibit of grapes for which he received a first prize. Willard MacPhail had the best crab apples and Andrew MacRae and Son showed the best corn fodder.

The complete results of the judging were not compiled at the time of going to press last night.

MOMENTARILY OUTSHINES SUN

British Test A-Weapon

MARALINGA, Australia (Reuters) — Britain's latest atomic weapon exploded Thursday in a yellow flash that made the bright desert sun look like a 60-watt lightbulb.

It gashed the south Australian proving ground with a mile-wide red scar and left a litter of iron sheets spread out like confetti across the sand.

Concentric circles of buildings around the blast-centre were demolished. The closest ones vanished, those further away were buckled and twisted beyond recognition.

Six Supermarine Swift jet fighters, sitting within a mile of the centre, were tossed over and over along the ground.

The slim steel tower from which the weapon was detonated disappeared without trace in the explosion. Half a minute after the flash, a low rolling boom grew into a massive "bang" heard 100 miles away.

Minutes later, on the heels of a tornado-like wind, a flight of British Canberra jet bombers linked into the mushroom cloud to collect samples of radioactivity.

Other aircraft tracked the cloud as it drifted slowly away on a northwest wind. On the ground, scientists and technicians moved into the test area, looking like medieval knights in their gleaming white protective suits.

Five miles away, British, Canadian and Australian troops on their first atomic manoeuvres waited for orders to advance into the blast area. They will press forward today to the limit of the radio-active area.

Britain's top atomic expert, Sir William Penney, made an official announcement on the successful test in a flash to Australia's supply minister, Howard Beale. Penney is in charge of Operation Buffalo, the current test series.

The New South Wales civil defence chief, Maj. Gen. Ivan Dougherty, watched the explosion and flew over the rim of the test area. He said later that atomic bombs have "definite limitations" as a weapon of war.

"A backyard shelter with three feet of earth or concrete over it would protect a family from the effects of the heat, blast and direct radiation," Dougherty said.

In war, he added, "the big killer would be panic."

NEW BRUNSWICK

Richard Palmer of the Public Works Department of New Brunswick, speaking on behalf of Hon. Hugh John Flemming in his unavoidable absence, extended his best wishes and gratitude on behalf of the New Brunswick delegates for the excellent facilities provided for this conference. "Our thanks is directed to the hosts—the Province of Prince Edward Island and the City of Charlottetown and also to the Departmental Association Officials."

"There is always the likelihood, if we improve the particular highways to both Nova Scotia and P.E. Island, that tourists may drive so quickly through our province on their way to the others, that we shall see very little of them," Mr. Palmer said. "While we hope that our highways will never be used merely as funnels for traffic through our Province to the other Maritime Provinces, we have already proceeded with one construction job at Aulac, with plans for new work on Route 16, Aulac to Cape Tormentine, which it is hoped may get under way within the year or two."

NEWFOUNDLAND

Mr. R. Manning, Deputy Minister of Public Works, Province of Newfoundland regretted the absence of Hon. E. S. Spencer, Minister of Public Works. He was glad however to bring his personal greetings and also from the Province and to extend an invitation for the Association to meet there next year.

"We have a coastline of 6,000 miles with many villages but no roads. However on a recent visit to England I saw some old Roman roads built in the time of the Caesars and I don't want to discourage you, some of them were better than some in P. E. Island," he said.

Mr. Manning described the early history of Newfoundland and difficulties which remain to be overcome which he summed up by saying "Years of isolation have been the lot of Newfoundland but this situation will no longer be put up with—we want schools, hospitals and roads."

Link With Past Is Severed By Death Of P. E. I.-Born Senator

CALGARY (CP)—A link with the old Canadian West was severed here when Senator George H. Ross, 78, died in hospital Wednesday night.

Senator Ross, one of the province's most successful professional men, began his career in the early West as a cowboy. Later he was one of the lead lawyers in this area.

Born at Bedouque, P.E.I., he was appointed to the Upper Chamber Dec. 1, 1948, after sitting in the House of Commons as a Liberal. He was first elected to Parliament in 1940.

Senator Ross was in Ottawa for the last Senate session which ended during the summer. He returned, as was his usual custom, to be in Calgary for the Stampede.

Back at the turn of the century he came west at the age of 21 to make enough money to become a lawyer. He worked as a cowboy on many well-known western ranches and also spent some time in Saskatchewan.

In 1905, after six years on the ranches, he entered the University of Michigan and graduated two years later.

Senator Ross was married to May McDougall, daughter of a well-known pioneer, at Morley in 1911.

He was the only Liberal ever elected to the House of Commons from the constituency of East Calgary. He served by Douglas Harkness in 1945 by Progressive Conservative, a Progressive Conservative.

Senator Ross is survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. F. L. Casey of Polson, Mont., and Jean Ross of Calgary. His son, David George, died in 1950 at the age of 39.

His brother, Rev. Theodore Ross, lives in Summerside, P.E.I. and his sister, Mrs. D. J. McCutcheon, in Vancouver. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Senator Ross' death increases vacancies in the Senate to 17. Present membership: Liberals 77; Progressive Conservatives five; independent Liberals one; independents one; no party affiliation one.

Inquest Opens In Axe-Slaying Of Quebec City Area Couple

QUEBEC (CP)—A coroner's inquest into the axe slayings of a middle-aged suburban Silery couple was opened Thursday and then adjourned to Oct. 2 after one witness had been heard.

Robert Walsh testified he had identified the body of his brother, Austin J. Walsh, 55. But he was unable to identify the second mangled body as that of his brother's 48-year-old wife.

The adjournment was necessitated by the absence of Dr. Gustave Desrochers, Quebec medicolegal expert, who performed autopsies on the bodies of the two victims, viciously attacked Sept. 24.

Jean Boulanger, 19, heard as a material witness, appeared at the inquest.

In Quebec no charges are laid in cases of violent death until after a coroner's inquest is held. Before the inquest a member of the provincial police homicide squad said in an interview that evidence indicated that Mr. and Mrs. Walsh knew their killer.

ARGUE OVER CAR

Detective Jean-Pierre Bernier said evidence in hands of police shows Walsh's automobile was apparently the subject of an argument that led to the slayings. He said the killer's mind must have "snapped" during the argument.

Police have established that the Walshes were killed late Monday afternoon, and that the killer chatted with Mrs. Walsh for several hours before going berserk.

Walsh arrived home shortly before 6 p.m. but did not have time to remove his overcoat before he was struck.

"Something Walsh said apparently infuriated the killer," said Detective Bernier. "Possibly it was refusal of a request for the loan of the automobile or for money, or both, since Walsh's car keys and wallet containing \$66 were missing."

The woman's torn clothing, as well as some wild blows to her face and body, indicated she was dashed to the ground by her husband and engaged in a struggle with the killer.

The killer changed his blood-soaked pants and shirt for some clean ones from Mrs. Walsh's wardrobe, grabbed the keys to the car, took the wallet from his victim's pocket, turned off the lights and fled.

SOAP SUBSTITUTE

The Bouncing Bet, a showy perennial, is also called soapwort since its roots were used for centuries as a form of soap.