

### Agricultural News

P. E. I. Department of Agriculture

**Grasses And Legumes**  
Last year on a nine acre field at Falconwood Farm, several grasses and legumes were seeded to get an idea of their adaptability here. Several mixtures were used and also pure stands of timothy, orchard grass and three legumes. This field was stubble ploughed and had two tons of lime per acre applied earlier in the spring. The alfalfa was treated with nitrogen bacteria. Barley, at the rate of two bushels per acre, was sown as a nurse crop on the entire field. In the pure stands, Orchard Grass and Rhizoma Alfalfa proved the best, on inspection June 3, with White Dutch Clover close behind. Perennial Rye Grass might well also be considered, though the plants in both cases seemed small. There might be a distinct improvement in the bromegrass later in the season. The bromegrass did not come well and only scattered plants were noticeable.

The first acre was seeded with 100 lbs Orchard Grass, 2 lbs. Birdsfoot Trefoil, and 2 lbs. Ladino. In the second, 2 lbs. White Dutch Clover stands, with Ladino and White Dutch about equal in catch. Orchard Grass is excellent in both spots and the Birdsfoot Trefoil is plentiful although plants are small.

The third acre of 8 lbs. Bromegrass, 2 lbs. White Dutch Clover, 2 lbs. Ladino is quite good, with the exception of some. The alfalfa and Ladino are excellent.

The fourth acre of 9 lbs. Perennial Rye, 3 lbs. Birdsfoot Trefoil, and 2 lbs. Ladino, did not show a good advantage. The Perennial Rye and Birdsfoot Trefoil came through but did not seem to lack any growth. The Ladino was quite a good stand.

Plot five, of 6 lbs. Orchard

### CENTRAL GUARDIAN

ALL POLL TAX is now past due. Steps will be taken for collections.

**REMEMBER — Opening Golf Club Dance, Thursday night.**

**TAILORED TO MEASURE SUITS \$39.00 up. J. P. MacPherson and Son.**

**WHEN PAYING your second installment of City Taxes please bring your stub.**

**KEROSENE, Electric and Propane Gas Refrigerators. Bryenton and MacKay.**

**WORTH'S DRUGSTORE, Prince Street, will be the only Drugstore open this afternoon and evening.**

**ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL Sunday School Picnic, Wednesday at Stanhope Beach Picnic Grounds. Cars leaving at 1.45 P. M.**

**DEATH OF FORMER BELFAST MAN — Word was received by Charles D. J. MacLeod, Mt. Buchanan, of the death of his brother, John A. MacLeod, C. E., who died of pneumonia on May 30. He died in Hackensack, N. Jersey, aged 86 years.**

**ENGAGEMENT — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rose, Red Point, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Annie Beth to Keith, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. James L. MacKenzie, Bay Fortune, P. E. I. Marriage to take place at Souris, July 8th, at 2 P. M. Rev. H. R. Bell, officiating.**

**NURSES' ENTERTAINMENT — A dance was held last evening at Falconwood auditorium in honour of the graduating nurses of Falconwood Hospital and the Provincial Infirmary. Ding Connolly's orchestra supplied the music. Chaperons were Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Murchison and Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Theriault.**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY — Mr. and Mrs. Harry MacLean, Meadow Bank, were pleasantly surprised on the evening of June 18, when the members of their family and grandchildren honored them at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon MacEwen on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary. A delicious supper was served including wedding cake. The bride and groom of 40 years received gifts including a Kenwood blanket from the family and chocolates from the grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. MacLean were married June 18, 1913, at "Watermere," Charlottetown, by the late Rev. Daniel MacLean. They were attended by Mrs. Wallace and the late Mr. Murray. Mrs. Murray was also present.**

**VISITORS FROM AUSTRALIA — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fonde of Waratah, Australia, are visiting Mrs. Fonde's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Paquet of South Rustico. Mr. and Mrs. Fonde are also guests of Mrs. Fonde's uncle, Rev. J. C. Peters, South Rustico. On May 14, Mr. and Mrs. Fonde arrived in Vancouver, B. C., by C. P. plane from Australia, where they spent a week with Mrs. Fonde's sister, Joan, Mrs. P. McAnany and Mr. McAnany. Enroute to P. E. I. they visited another sister, Mrs. Rene Salterman, at Lorne Park, Ont. At Moncton, N. B., they enjoyed a few days with another sister, (Gail), Mrs. Maurice Gould and Mr. Gould, her youngest sister, Theresa Paquet and her only brother, Clarence Paquet and Mrs. Paquet. Following a visit to Mrs. Fonde's two sisters, Mrs. T. William Campbell and Mrs. J. R. O'Hanley of Charlottetown, they will go to Ontario where they plan to reside.**

### We And Our Neighbours

by Rohamah Scheinfeld Frank

RETURN TO "LILAC TIME"

When the difficult hour comes to say "farewell", fortunate are those for whom a welcome is waiting at the end of the journey. Truly fortunate is the one, like myself, for whom lilacs bloom for the third time in a few months. In late April, I bought lilacs of a street vendor in New York City. In May, their color and fragrance added to the charm of hospitable homes of friends further west; and now, here they are, white and mauve, and deep purple, in airy sprays and in clusters, hundreds of them in our own garden on the Island. Reluctantly I watch each flowerer unfold; fully open, the lilacs stay such a short while—and it will be months before they come again. Truly, riches only make one greedy!

I came home the long way, by train from N.Y., and there wasn't a boring moment. Even the stop over night stop at Moncton was fun. For one thing, I saw a line, two city blocks, waiting there to see the technician film of the Corporation. I had stood in exactly that long a line, a few days before in New York. I wished that I had the time to see the picture again. I did the audience in Moncton laugh at the same things, applaud the same people as the audience in New York. I wondered? In the greater city, there was a laugh of good-natured amusement when the well-liked and portly figure of Sir Winston Churchill came down the aisle of Westminster Abbey, weighed down by his rich robes and decorations. And there were smiles when a lady next to me whispered when Prince Philip appeared in the procession, "What a pity to hide that stunning figure under that outfit!" As for applause, the Royal children got the most, and interestingly enough, the Queen Mother seemed to draw more affectionate applause than the Queen.

In the train, every mile of the journey was absorbing. The sight of full-blown summer retreating before the march of newly seeded farm-lands and blossoming fruit-trees kept my eyes glued to the windows part of the time, but my fellow passengers, to the Island, received most of my attention. For the time being, they formed a close little world, and in them was plain the ebb and flow of life, itself.

There was the frail little old lady, in the berth next to mine who became gravely ill during the night. There was the tiny baby, who slept through everything, as relaxed as a kitten. A young woman who had traveled all the way from Calgary, was bringing her adorable four year old son for his first visit to his grandparents. A large and hearty mother going to her sister's wedding, alternately scolding her two little girls, for no good reason, and excitedly told all who could hear, of her last minute provisions for the welfare of her husband and other four children left at home.

Noisy in a sad way, was the thin, elderly gentleman who was extremely jolly in the morning and very depressed later on. He confided to my friendly passenger, that his wife, a companion of 40 years, had recently died, and he really didn't know whether he could live in the old home, without her. Almost as touching was the absolute silence of two old people, a brother and sister. Had they been away for a visit? Were they coming back after a long absence, to spend the rest of their days on the Island?

Beautiful Island to come home to, and most blessed Island on which to be born and raised! Where else are there so many miles of rich farm-lands untouched by flood and tornado? Where are the woods so free of poisonous snakes—and poison ivy? And where are the problems as compared with the problems in most other parts of the world, so uncomplicated by the admixture of very large num-

### Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Did you know that Government House came near to getting the axe many years ago? Well its true. The old colonial building got so decrepit that many leading citizens of the province asked that it be torn down, the idea being that the Lieutenant Governor may accept any building that suits his fancy and his position.

"Since confederation, and since the Federal government controls the province, this would seem to be a wise move," they said. Could some reader of this column enlighten us as to what became of the many historical relics of the French regime which once rested on the Warren farm near Rocky Point?

One hundred years ago school teachers in this province got the princely salary of \$146 per annum for males and \$87 for females. And in order to earn this they had to be qualified to teach algebra, geometry, mensuration, land surveying and navigation, with the use of globes.

An octopus is quite a worker in magic. It can make half of its body quite dark, and the other half quite light, more, it can produce different parts of different colors in different parts of its body. At the same time, something that no other animal in the world is capable of doing to such a degree.

Notwithstanding all that Stalin did to put a blot on Russia's name he brought that impoverished country, that ignorant country, that backward country to the first industrial power in Europe and the second in the world—within the space of a few decades while it took other nations to accomplish the same thing, much longer. So after all, the end of man is action and not thought.

More babies were born in our country last year than in any year since 1947, which chalked up the highest record in births for a long time. Births totaled 395,024 an increase of 15,612 over 1951. Highest rate however, during the first half century was 29.4 in 1921 per 1000 population.

Did you know that two-thirds of the world's population live continually at starvation level? Many families in Asia, Africa, and Latin America do not receive \$85 a year.

The world's largest trading nation is the United States. Goats were using coffee centuries before man took to drinking this beverage. Of course, the goat's didn't brew the coffee as we do, but they did eat the red berries that grew wild in Abyssinia and kicked up their heels afterward according to stories told by old shepherds.

The red berries were dropped into boiling water and allowed to boil for a few minutes. To this brew was added goat's milk and honey—delicious! The new drink was called Kaffia and, that is how the use of coffee began and how it got its name.

Besides being first in a lot of things Canadians take first rank as globe trotters, according to a report recently published 2,546,190 of Canada's 14,000,429 citizens went on a lengthy journey in 1952. That's about one in five, compared with one in thirty of Uncle Sam's children. Where did they go? The greater number went to the United States and South America. But Italy was the favored country across the seas.

Good thoughts are seldom born amidst the noisy bustle and struggles of everyday life. Great inventions come to light in attics or labs.

bers of the population whose language and customs are different? Yet special problems there must be to send so many from this lovely land where their deepest affections center. I am glad my fellow passengers came back in lilac time.

where the silent worker wrestled with his brain-children while those about him were wrapped in silent slumber. Yet there are those who steal your time as though it meant nothing. And when they steal your time they also steal your thoughts and your patience. A few more curious epitaphs: "Peas to his ashes." "Life is a jest, and all things show it. I thought so once and now I know it."

"Nobles and heralds, by your leave. Here lies what once was Mother prior. The son of Adam and Eve: Can Bourbon or Nassau claim higher?"

"The turf has drank a widow's tear. Three of her husbands lie buried here"

And speaking of epitaphs, I believe it was Shakespeare who said: After your death you were better have a bad epitaph than their ill report while you lived.

Gossip is always a dangerous thing to indulge in. It is frivolous, and too often a mud-slinging contest. There are neighborhoods in which it rages like a roaring wild beast. Churches are rent in pieces by it. The good neighbor policy goes on the rocks of discord, and for all I know it may be the underlying cause of wars. In any case, no good ever came out of idle gossip and for that reason we should never gossip.

Because everybody says it, it doesn't necessarily mean that everybody is right and truthful, and a good yardstick to measure what we hear would be the yardstick of not repeating it.

"The churchyard is the marketplace where all things are rated at their true value, and those who are approaching it talk of the world and its varieties with a wisdom unknown before."

Perhaps the three greatest dif-

iculties confronting a writer today are (1) to write anything worth while, (2) to find honest men to publish it, (3) to get enough persons to read it. Or, as Burton puts it: Our writings are so many dishes, our readers guests, our books like beauty; that which one admires another rejects; so are we appraised as men's fancies are inclined.

In pioneer days in this Island trees were planted about the home to commemorate events in the family, such as weddings, births, and deaths. Here and there on the old homestead grounds may be seen those memorial trees; but like the old tradition most of them have gone from our ken forever.

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**Best Gains Made at the Lighter Weights**  
Should one hear it said that the most efficient gains are made on the heavier weight of hogs, one should give the matter a little study before adopting the theory in practice. For, according to rate-of-gain statistics which have been compiled following the completion of the 1951 feeding trials at Aulac, it doesn't work out that way at all. The most efficient gains are made on the light hogs. Twenty-three lots of 4 pigs each were used in the test. The hogs entered period one weighing 50 pounds each, and test periods covered a space of two weeks.

According to period one figures, hogs entering this at 50 pounds in weight, or on the basis of the 177 pounds of feed fed, a gain of one pound for every 3.2 pounds of feed fed.

Hogs entered period eight weighing an average of 195 pounds each. They consumed 389 pounds of feed during the two-week test and gained 71 pounds, or an average of one pound for every 5.4 pounds of feed consumed.

Between lots one and eight, the rate-of-gain figures comprise a sliding scale that gets progressively higher from 3.2 pounds in period one to 5.4 in period eight.

Since the above proves that ef-

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