



COCOON HIDES NEW CITY WATERWORKS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

City construction maintaining pace

A continued high rate of construction in Charlottetown saw building permits issued by the city near the \$4,500,000 mark for 1965.

Although this total is down noticeably from the previous two years, it still represents a steady building progress due to the fact the previous two years saw permits issued first for Confederation Centre and in 1964 for the new provincial government building in the west end of the city. Each one of those building permits alone was for more than the entire total last year.

The only large construction job started was the new Charlottetown High School with the building permit issued for \$1,100,000 during the month of December.

August permits issued were next highest in value at \$924,450 due largely to a single permit for \$750,000 issued for construction by St. Dunstan's University. July was close behind at \$811,000 which included the new shopping mall on Upper Queen Street.

During April the city issued permits totalling \$493,640 in value due mainly to construction of the new building for Trinity United Church.

Although the total value of permits issued last year is down by two and one-half million dollars from 1964 it actually represents an increase because the permit for the government building was for double that amount alone leaving only slightly more than \$2 million for other building.

New trials are started

PORT ELIZABETH (AP) — The South African government has started new trials of 162 political offenders who are now being released after serving portions of previous prison terms.

Dixon Funani, jailed in 1964 for membership in the outlawed African National Congress, is the first to go on trial. He was to be released this month but new charges were filed against him.

Others who are being charged anew as their release dates come up include Mrs. Francis Baard, a 65-year-old widow who formerly was president of the local branch of the Federation of South African Women, and Mrs. Florence Matomela, who was convicted earlier of treason.

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vided with the minimum equipment.

Where possible, communities requesting help were assisted in purchasing permanent playground equipment such as slides and hills for their playground. Assistance was continued to various rural leagues and sports organizations in purchasing equipment, and in sponsoring various activities which included awards for same in several cases.

BALLET

During the year the Division co-operated with Mrs. Virginia Dailley Fredericton, well known for her ballet instruction in the Atlantic Provinces, in conducting ballet classes for students in both Charlottetown and Summerside.

FIGURE SKATING

In co-operation with the city recreation department in Charlottetown the Division employed the services of Miss Sally Radford of the Moncton Figure Skating Club to conduct classes in Charlottetown and O'Leary.

RECREATION

In addition to the material distributed at clinics, curriculum guides in physical education, textbooks, and supplementary teaching materials were distributed to the many schools and others requesting them. Numerous requests for fitness booklets (BX and 10BX) and other materials were fulfilled.

OTHER EVENTS

The Division assisted in staging the Summerside Lobster Festival Maritime Invitational Track and Field Meet at the new Summerside Sports Complex in July.

The Division sponsored and staged the Open and Age Class Provincial Track and Field Championship Meet at Charlottetown in early September, with a record number of mainland and provincial entries. A number of long standing records were broken under ideal weather conditions. Of particular note was the Canadian record breaking performance in the hammer throw by our own Bob Simmonds.

The Islanders' Track and Field Club sponsored by the Division won many laurels in Maritime competition during the summer. The club had provincial representatives at the Antigonish Highland Games, the Canadian Track and Field Championships at St. Lambert, the Atlantic Provinces Meet at Moncton, the National Age Class Championships at Saint John, the Bill Haley Memorial Meet at Halifax, and the Open Provincial AAU of C. Championships at Charlottetown. The club was represented in most all of the local, provincial, mainland and national meets. Among the highlights of the summer was the winning of 27 national standards badges in track and field by 22 athletes, an increase of 11 over the previous year.

The Division co-operated with the Interscholastic Athletic Association in staging the third provincial rural basketball tournament during the month of March at the Prince County Vocational High School. The tournament was a most successful one and did a great deal to promote the game in the new regional high schools.

The distribution of the budget during the year on a percentage basis was as follows:

- Leadership—(lay and professional leadership training)—19 per cent
- Physical Education teachers for part time recreation services in incorporated municipalities—9 per cent
- Equipment—(includes material assistance to small schools and non-incorporated areas, and provincial office equipment)—11 per cent
- Municipal Recreation—(assistance to recreation commissions)—15 per cent
- Administration—(summer staff etc.)—13 per cent
- Camping—(mostly leadership training experience)—6 per cent
- Provincial Competition—11 per cent
- Provincial Organizations—(non government)—10 per cent
- Adult Fitness—4 per cent
- International Materials—2 per cent

TOTAL

100 per cent

Your director was kept extremely busy attending meetings and fulfilling speaking engagements during the year. At all of these assemblies, open discussions and question periods were conducted and every effort was made to provide advice or literature and to fulfill requests for assistance of any kind.

Winter works plan progress incentive

Perhaps "Guinness is good for you", perhaps you should "never borrow money needlessly", but it seems that the most effective sales-campaign phrase on P.E.I. this year is "Don't Wait for Spring, Do-it-Now".

The municipalities in the Province have taken the winter employment campaign to heart, and more than a million dollars worth of winter works are now underway in Kings and Queens counties.

In an effort to conquer the seasonal unemployment which has always affected the Canadian economy, and which affects in particular the construction industry so adversely, the Dominion Government introduced the Municipal Winter Works Incentive Program under which, in specified areas, the Dominion Government pays 60 per cent of all direct labour costs of projects carried out in the winter time.

To further encourage municipalities to take advantage of this program the Provincial Government pays an additional 30 per cent of the labour costs involved. This leaves the municipalities only 10 per cent of the labour costs.

building has perhaps not been noticed by the majority of the citizens of Charlottetown, but it is well worthy of mention since it typifies the new approach to construction in the winter-time.

This project was approved on November 22-65 by the Dominion Government, Department of Labour following approval by the Provincial Government, and after the pouring of the foundation the whole building area was enclosed in plywood and plastic sheeting. Work has continued throughout the winter, and passers-by have been surprised to see the flare of welding torches, inside this temporary cover, as the steel framing arose, and to the sight of brick walls rising just as rapidly as if it was mid-summer.

Rinks are a very popular project under this program, ranging from one in Montague worth a total of \$122,000.00, which is of cement block, steel framed with wooden roof, down to outdoor rinks in Cardigan and Belle River and even for minor alterations to the value of \$450.00 in the promenade section of an existing rural rink.

Other rural projects underway are repairs and renovations to halls and to fire-halls. Scheduled for early spring are sidewalks for some villages, work that will be done as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Apart from the value to a community in keeping men employed throughout the winter months, the judicious use of this Municipal Winter Works Incentive Program is helping the town and district councils to improve their areas far beyond normal expectations.

our costs, in addition to the full cost of all materials used.

NO SIZE LIMIT

Virtually all the incorporated towns and villages in Kings and Queens counties are taking advantage of these offers, especially since no size limits are placed on projects that can be carried out under this program, and this year they range from one worth \$450 to one worth \$350,000.

Three quarters of a million dollars are spent under this program for homes for senior citizens. These are being erected in all incorporated villages and towns so that older people can live their full years in the local areas in which they have spent the greater part of their lives. There is now no need for the aged to have to move into Charlottetown institutions at the end of their working lives.

The City of Charlottetown is taking full advantage of this Municipal Winter Works program in the construction of the new works and Office Building for the Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply.

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