Grain, Hay Production Drops In P.E.I. In 1965

Prince Edward Island livestock producers are down slightly more than 2,500,000 bushels of grain this year for their livestock, they're short 120 000 tons of hay.

The loss is charged to the lack of moisture which lasted through the growing season.

Up to now there has been speculation this year comparing the yields of grain and hay with those of 1964, but this is an official estimate. It came to the Guardian from S.C. Wright, deputy minister of agriculture.

The production of "oats for grain" — that is how the official estimate terms it — was 3,519,000 bushels this year. It was 5,272,000 a year ago.

Mixed grain production this year was 1,998,000 bushels and it was 2,627,000 a year ago.

Barley production this year was 433,000 bushels. It was 582,000 bushels last year.

Estimated hay production this year was 246,000 tons. It was 364 000 tons in 1964.

There is still some spring wheat grown. This year's crop of 97,000 bushels compared with 132,000 bushels in 1964.

POTATO YIELDS

The official estimate in potato yields this year is that 6,966,000 hundredweights were produced. This compares with 8,362,000 hundredweights a year ago.

Put potato yields are usually thought of in bushels here on Prince Edward Island. So that's approximately 11,600,000 bushels of potatoes this year, compared to approximately 13,953,000 bushels in the 1964 crop.

Production of field roots is down sharply with the 26,000 tons this year comparing with 48,000 a year ago.

But this drop is not all charged to the dry summer. Many farmers have stopped growing such things as turnips and mangles.

Glaucoma Clinic Swamped Again

SUMMERSIDE — Another Glaucoma clinic under the sponsorship of the Summerside Lions Club was held yesterday afternoon and once again the response was so great that the doctors were unable to handle all those who attended.

"Literally hundreds were turned back", Ken Linkletter, chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements, stated last night. 475 persons were attended to at yesterday's clinic compared to 425 the previous Sunday.

Of this number at the second clinic, nine persons require immediate attention while 24 are borderline cases. Mr. Linkletter pointed out that those needing attention will be notified.

Yesterday's clinic was again under the direction of Dr. G. G. Houston of Charlottetown assisted by Doctors James L. Saunders and Hubert MacNeill of Summerside. They were assisted by eight registered nurses.

Mr. Linkletter stated that the club hopes to hold another clinic in the spring. Next Sunday a clinic will be held in Souris.

LATINS LIKE FISH

Peru is the biggest fishing country in the world, with a catch of 9,130,700 tons in 1964.

KEVIN WHITE

City Student Wins Award

Fireco Sales Limited, Rexdale, Ont. — a national distributor of non-food products through supermarket chains — announced that Kevin Gerard White, 26 Prince St. Charlottetown, was one of nine successful applicants for a first year tuition bursary, awarded by Fireco at 10 universities across Canada.

Kevin was employed at Dominion Stores Limited, 158 Queen St., Charlottetown, and is attending Dalhousie University in Halifax, N.S., where he is taking his first year arts course.

Annual Parade Held Saturday

A large and enthusiastic crowd of children and parents turned out to welcome Santa Claus to Charlottetown on Saturday, the occasion being the annual Santa Claus parade sponsored by Holman's of P.E.I.

Units taking part in the parade included: Summerside Majorettes, Burke's Pipe Band and the Sea Cadet Band. A number of clowns and characters from storybook land also took part.

The gentleman who seemed to cause the biggest stir in the crowd was Santa himself. Instead of the usual float of sleigh and reindeer Santa was sitting on a chimney of a house from where he threw candy to children lining the streets.

Club Sponsoring Lighting Project

SOURIS — At a meeting of the Souris Lions Club held on Nov. 25 it was decided to again sponsor a Christmas lighting project which proved most successful last year when the homes in the town displayed a lighting program that was a credit to the town and probably the best display for many years.

The prizes will be awarded by the Lions Club on the same basis as last year with a first prize of $15, second $10 and third $5 for the respectively best lighted homes.

The Lions Club themselves last year displayed a very beautiful Christmas tree, well lighted in the centre of the town which they plan to do again this season.

It is hoped that all citizens will again co-operate in this project and come forward with a display of lights for the Christmas season that will be a credit to the community.

HEADS DISAPPEAR

SAIGON (Reuters) — Viet Cong assassination squads have murdered and kidnapped 1,100 South Vietnamese local government officials this year, a U.S. mission spokesman said Wednesday. Most of the victims were district and village chiefs working in the country's 46 provinces where one of their main tasks is to rally the local population against the Viet Cong.

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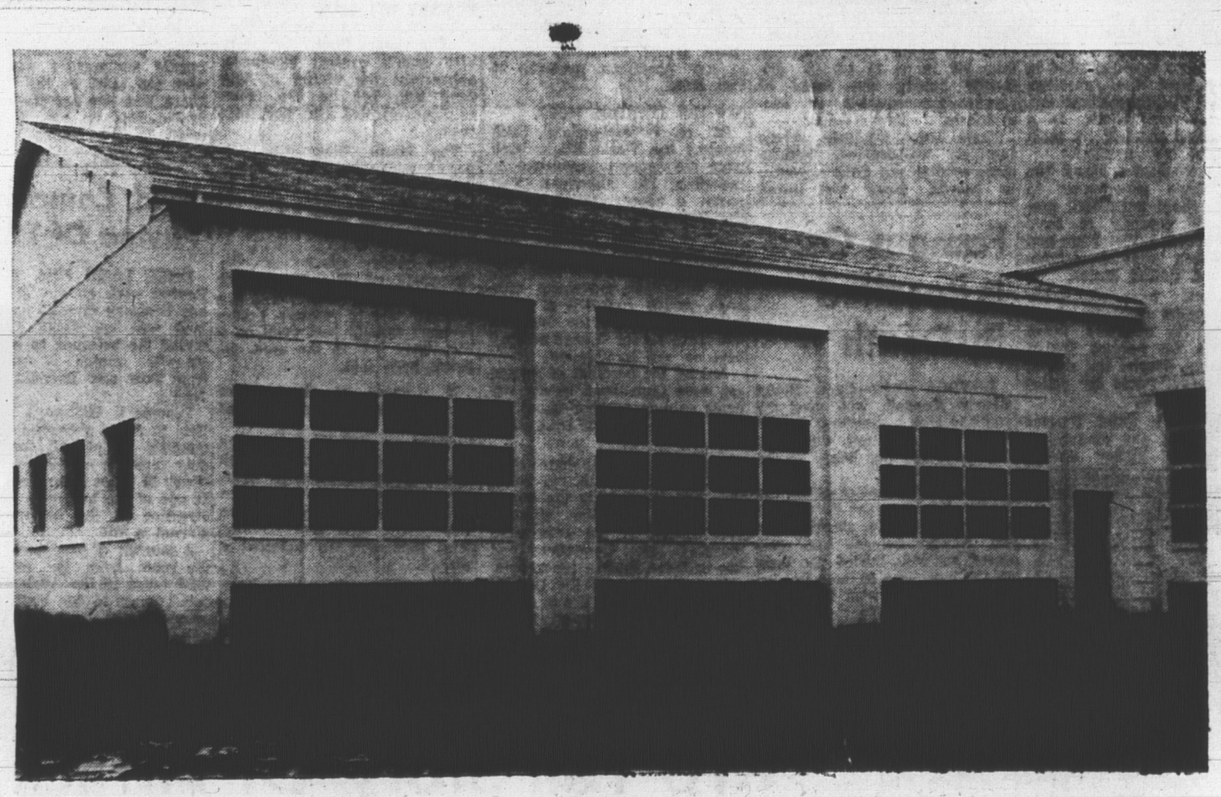
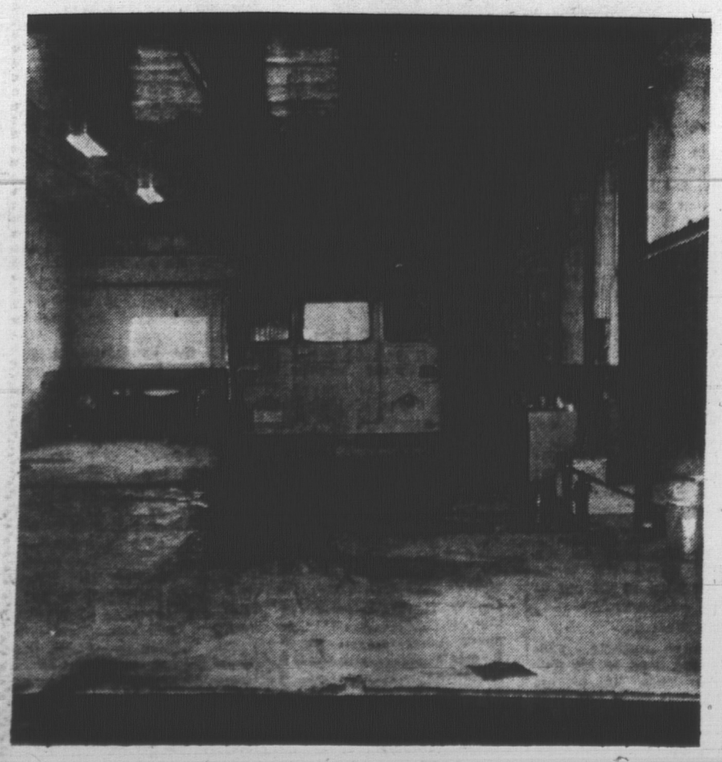
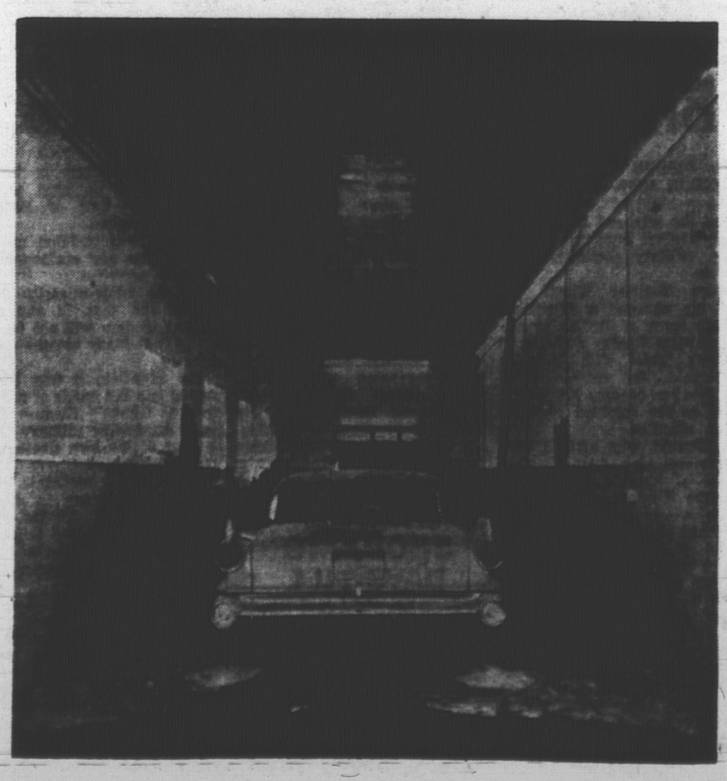


Pictured above is the exterior view of the 3000 sq. ft. expansion to S. R. Johnson Ltd. Servcie Department. This new building is built of cement blocks, fire proof and has sprinkler system. The upper area is provided for bulk part storage.



Pictured at left is the service area with 14' x 12' overhead doors and will accommodate the highest buses or trucks on our highways today. The overhead rails will permit prompt and efficient removal of engines and other heavy duty parts.

Pictured at the right is the new Body Repair Shop. This dept. will accommodate several body repair jobs at one time, with all experienced body men, plus service Centre Paint Booth.



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