

# ISLAND NEWS PAGE

Alberton and West Prince County

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## History Of Geological Surveys Here Outlined

KENSINGTON — During recent geological surveys a fern frond found at Miminigash is estimated to be over 250 million years old—petrified wood found on the farm of John Rogerson, Crapaud, is of approximately the same age, B. Graham Rogers, told the Kensington board of trade, among many other interesting things, during his address at the regular meeting Wednesday evening.

"Science is advancing so fast that things considered useless yesterday are valuable today," he told his audience.

Mr. Rogers, chairman of the geological surveys, was introduced by the new president, Edson Rayner, and began his talk with a brief background history of the beginning of surface surveys.

The speaker said the present survey started in 1953 under an act passed in 1929 which allowed the government to take over all deposits, the profits to be used for certain designated purposes.

**FIRST SURVEY**  
Imperial Oil made the first survey, the guest speaker stated, and the island was divided into licensed areas. Other companies carried out later surveys. Oil seepage was found at Wellington but not in sufficient quantity to warrant development. The speaker kept the interest of his audience at a high pitch as he described valuable finds and showed samples of several of these. In addition to the fern frond and petrified wood Mr. Rogers said that two sunken forests over 1000 years old had been discovered in the eastern part of the island in peat bogs.

He went on to stir the imagination as he cited the potential wealth in the development of products from the island's peat bogs and the numerous purposes for which the silica sand, found in many parts of the province, may be used. Of special interest to the Kensington audience was the story of lime. Mr. Rogers told of the search for lime of commercial quality and quantity, of deposits being found in Tignish, Kinkora and Crapaud, with the largest in Spring Valley and the second largest at French River, both near Kensington.

MANY PROBLEMS  
Most exploration has been done on the farm of Fred Profit, Spring Valley, where deposits were found to contain up to 73 per cent lime on the top layer, falling to 32 per cent in deeper layers. The speaker said that many problems have yet to be solved such as a detailed analysis of how the lime can be gotten out at the least cost, examination of the grinding process, examination of the extent of deposit, study of wear and tear on machinery, study of transportation costs.

A deposit on the farm of George Howatt, French River, will also be examined with the hope that it too may be worth developing.

Claude Smith, director of town planning gave an interesting outline of improvements that have been made and others that should have been made on the rural scene. Mr. Rogers and Mr. Smith were thanked by Morris Caseley on behalf of the board.

The business of the meeting included brief reports by the chairmen of various committees.

Mr. Monckley explained that his pay stops at the plant where he works, when he leaves to attend a session of the legislature.

Mr. Monckley said that his \$500 cheque was returned, with the notation that he would not accept it as full payment.

(Mr. Monckley told this paper in the press gallery later, that he had cashed the cheque but had made the notation on the back of it.)

Expressing strong feeling on the subject, Mr. Monckley said that the members might be kept in session sometime for three months or more, if something unusual developed. In that case, he said they would still only get the \$1,500.

**MORE IN NFLD.**  
Newfoundland is the poorest province in Canada, but members there get \$5,000 plus an expense allowance of \$500 which is tax free, he said.

The "local press" was scolded emphatically for an editorial note criticizing the amount of \$500 as being too large, and for a headline "Liberal resolution blocked by speaker" as indicating bias by the speaker "who is always completely fair".

In most cases, he said, the editorials in Prince Edward Island papers have dealt very fairly with us... but half truths are as dangerous as falsehoods," he added.

"Instead of criticizing the government for paying members too much, the paper should have commended them for their austerity program to members of the House," he stated.

"My contention," he continued, "has always been that we are underpaid." He went into

## Members Are Said Entitled To Full Pay For Session

By NEIL MATHESON  
Farm and Provincial Editor

Members of the provincial legislature should have been paid \$1,500 last December for their four-day special session, instead of \$500, Lorne Monckley, PC-5th Prince, said as he participated in the Throne Speech debate yesterday.

Reading from the provincial statutes, the Summerside man said the act provides for payment of \$1,000, plus an amount of \$500 for expenses which shall be tax free.

That is the amount members should be paid whether the session lasts four days or four months, he emphasized.

"If the law says that is what should be paid, that is what I should get," he stressed.

## Island Hogs Grade Well

Island hogs marketed in January of this year showed a percentage increase in grade A carcasses over January, 1961.

Provincial livestock director Lou Roper said that grade A's rose from 53.6 per cent to 58 per cent. The number of hogs marketed last January was 5,640, compared to 5,847 in January, 1961.

**GRADE B'S DOWN**  
Mr. Roper said that grade B's dropped last January from 35.9 per cent to 32.7 per cent, and grade C's dropped from 2.3 per cent in January, 1961, to .8 per cent last January.

Commenting on the statistics, Mr. Roper said "this shows that growers can produce more grade A hogs, providing they watch the weight of hogs more carefully and pay more attention to the finish of the animals before marketing."

"It has been evident that there are still too many overweight hogs being delivered to packing plants. This could be eliminated by watching weights more closely."

**WEATHER**  
TORONTO (CP) — Temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	11b	5
Vancouver	26	39
Victoria	28	36
Edmonton	27b	11b
Calgary	16b	7b
Regina	31b	7b
Winnipeg	34b	4b
Churchill	31b	19b
Toronto	4	13
Ottawa	1b	10
Montreal	9	16
Quebec	19	24
Fredericton	25	35
Saint John	26	34
Moncton	20	32
Halifax	29	38
Charlottetown	19	31
Sydney	21	37
Yarmouth	29	36
St. John's	31	37

**OBITUARY**  
MRS. PHILLIP REID  
A wide circle of friends and relatives were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. Phillip Reid on December 28, 1961, at the P.E.I. Hospital.

The late Mrs. Reid was born in Charlottetown, P.E.I., the daughter of the late Robert and Sadie Ward (MacCallum).

She was a member of the Salvation Army and a regular attendant while health permitted.

She leaves to mourn her husband, son Merrill, daughter Carol Ann, also her sister, Mrs. Preston Diamond (Elsie) and brother Ambrose, all of Charlottetown.

The funeral was largely attended, held from the Salvation Army Citadel, on Sunday, December 31st, at 2 p.m. The service at the Citadel and grave were conducted by Brigadier L. A. Hicks.

The funeral arrangements were under the direction of A. Cutcliffe (Cutcliffe Funeral Home).

She was tenderly laid to rest in the People's Cemetery.

The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
The family of the late Mrs. Phillip Reid wish to thank all who sent flowers, telegrams, also neighbors and friends who in any way assisted in our recent sad bereavement.

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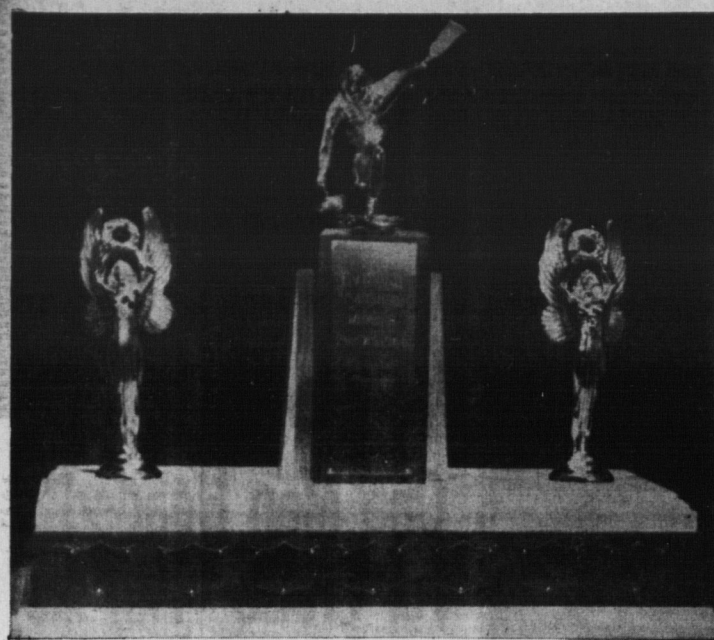
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**Special Notice**  
P. E. I.

**Rural Beautification Society**  
Prize Lists for the 1962 competitions are now available on application.

For copies write to the Secretary, Rural Beautification Society, Box 1194, Charlottetown. Entries for the regular contests and for the new Tourist Association Competition close April 24, 1962. No extension of date of entry for these classes will be considered this year.

Entries to the Perfection Dairy Barn Competition, which is open to any producer of milk or cream in Prince Edward Island, must be in the hands of the Secretary prior to April 30, 1962, to be considered. If interested in any or all of these competitions, write now for your copy of the Prize List.



THE EVENING PATRIOT TROPHY

Thirty-two women curlers will compete for the Evening Patriot trophy at Alberton next Tuesday, March 6. Three rink teams are entered from Charlottetown, two from Summerside and one each from RCAF, Montague and Alberton. To the winner goes The Evening Patriot trophy, first competed for at Charlottetown in 1960. Members of the winning

## Engineers Seek Causeway Statement Clarifications

P.E.I. engineering societies will ask Ottawa for clarification on two technical points regarding the proposed P.E.I.-N.B. Causeway.

This decision was reached following discussion at a joint meeting of the Association of Professional Engineers of P.E.I. and the Island branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada, Wednesday night.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Alex Scott, consulting engineer on the new Hillsboro Bridge. Mr. Scott spoke on the Causeway, the Hillsboro Bridge and suspension bridges.

W.S. Veale presided. The engineers felt there were discrepancies between a statement made by Major-General

## Ferry Trials Postponed

Sea trials for the new Prince Edward Island ferry MV Confederation have been postponed until March 7, it was learned yesterday.

The ferry has already undergone builder's trials in Halifax harbor and Bedford Basin. CNR officials will conduct the final sea trials before the new ship goes into operation between Cape Tormentine, N.B. and Port Borden, P. E. I.

The Confederation, a \$3,000,000 ship, can carry 70 automobiles and 300 passengers. She was launched last September.

## WESTERN BRIEFS

**HAS ACCIDENT**  
James Gallant, Medford, Mass., and a former resident of Tignish, met with a very painful accident while working at his construction job, having been hit by a huge tree pushing him directly into a power saw. Over 50 stitches were required to close the cuts on his face and head. Most of Mr. Gallant's family reside in the Tignish area.

**TIGNISH CARD PARTY**  
A card party for the Tignish Home and School Assn. was held at the home of Mrs. William MacLeod on Tuesday evening. Highest score of the evening went to Mrs. Blouice Ellis. Consolation prizes were won by Mrs. Roy MacLeod, and Mrs. John Doyle. Freezout prizes went to Mrs. Veronica Gaudet and Mrs. Edward Gavin. A cake donated by Mrs. MacLeod was won by Mrs. Ellis.

**AYLWARD FUNERAL**  
The funeral for James Aylward, was held from his late residence in Ascension on Wednesday morning to St. Simon and St. Jude Church. Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Floyd McCaughy who also officiated at the grave. Present in the sanctuary was Rev. M. J. Rooney, Pallbearers were Mark Broome, Kier Boyle, Irving Mokler, Joseph J. Hanson, Macarus Aylward and Gussie Aylward. Flower bearers Fredrick Gallant. Interment was in the church cemetery.

**Too Late to Classify**  
MODERN NEW FOUR-BEDROOM house in Parkdale, low down-payment, will take trade. Dial 4-8547, ask for MacKay.

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rink will each receive special crests while pins will go to all members of the runner-up quartet. All prizes are with the compliments of The Evening Patriot.

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## Baby Bonuses Said Nearing \$3,500,000

More than \$3,460,000 was paid out in family allowance cheques in this province last year, and an estimated \$3,500,000 or more will be paid out during the current year, it was learned yesterday from John Eldon Green, regional director of family allowances and old age security.

Combined with old age security payments, the total would run perhaps to \$9,500,000, Mr. Green suggested.

The last available estimate of tourist revenue was placed at approximately \$9,500,000 which is almost two and one-half times the family allowance figure, but slightly less than the combined family allowance and old age security (the pension over 70) figures.

Glenn Is Given N.Y. Welcome

NEW YORK (AP) — John Glenn rode in triumph through Manhattan Thursday, signalling thumbs up to the tumult of millions of New Yorkers cheering his flight around the world through space.

The grinning, freckled Marine lieutenant colonel sat atop the back seat of an open convertible as the crowd went wild. Spectators repeatedly broke through police lines to try to reach Glenn.

It was a perfect winter day—clear, cold, and sunny with a blue sky filled with a snow of paper-ticker-tape, confetti and shredded newspaper — that continued to fly long after the procession had passed by.

**LANDS AFTER CRASH**  
Glenn's plane landed at La Guardia Airport shortly after the worst single-plane crash ever to occur in the U.S. From the airport could be seen a thin trail of blue smoke in the distance, marking the spot where all 95 aboard the airliner died.

To many, the crash seemed a sober reminder of the magnitude of Glenn's accomplishment in his 81,000-mile three-orbit journey around the world Feb. 20.

dium 26-29, common 17-26, and grassers 14-16.

Common lambs sold at 14-17 and sheep 10-12.

At the west-end market, grade A hogs were 26.50 and sows 20.21. At the east-end market, grade A hogs were 26 - 26.50 with most at 26 plus 80 cents each. Sows were 19-20 with some at 19 plus 80 cents each.

**LIVESTOCK**  
MONTREAL (CP) — Calves were \$1 to \$2 lower, cows and heifers steady to 50 cents higher and hogs steady to 50 cents lower on the Montreal livestock markets this week. Trading was generally moderate under a fair demand.

Receipts this week were: 1-320 cattle, 1,057 calves, 837 hogs and 41 sheep and lambs. Last week cattle receipts were 1,547.

Choice steers sold at 24.75-25.25, good 23.75 - 24.25, medium 21-23.75 and common 14-31.

Good heifers were 20 - 21.35, medium 19.25-20 and common 12-19.

Good cows sold at 16.50-17.75, medium 15.50-16.75, common 14-15.75 and canners and cutters 8-14.

Good bulls were 18.75 - 21.50 and common and medium 12.50-18.

Good vealers were 30.35, me-

## ON COURSE

Gunner Bill Millman of Alberton, P.E.I., is among 500 young Canadian soldiers now taking a six month general military training course at The Depot, Royal Canadian Artillery in Camp Shilo, Manitoba. (NDP Photo)



**ICE TIGHTENS GRIP IN NFLD.**

By JACK PICKETTS  
ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Ice wrapped Newfoundland in a tightening grip Thursday as northeast winds pushing heavy arctic ice forced local slob and pancake ice hard against the shores.

The federal icebreaker Sir Humphrey Gilbert was unable to get into St. John's through heavy ice that extended about 50 miles east of the harbor and was sold all the way down the Avalon coast to Cape Race.

The CNR ferry William Carson, running across the Cabot Strait between Port aux Basques, Nfld., and North Sydney, N.S., gave up trying to keep a regular schedule because of the ice.

The Carson, which normally makes the round trip in a day, was making only six or seven miles an hour most of the time and was taking up to three days for the round trip.

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