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**80-Year-Old  
Farmer Busy  
On Birthday**

RIVERSIDE, N.S. (CP) — It was a full day by anyone's standards when Gordon Ward celebrated his 80th birthday in this central Nova Scotia farm-in community.

He milked three dairy cows, drove the mail on a 20-mile route between Kennetcook, Gore, West Gore and Riverside, milked again and then attended three parties in his honor, playing the fiddle at all of them.

He has been pretty busy for Mr. Ward since he became a full-time beef and dairy farmer at 16, leaving school to help his widowed mother provide for the family. Playing his fiddle at picnics, weddings and dances throughout Hants County helped supplement the family income. He earned \$3 for a six-hot dance and \$5 for a picnic.

An expert marksman, Mr. Ward trained militia cadets at Aldershot and Truro, N.S., after service in the First World War. He went to Bisley, England, on the Canadian rifle team in 1908.

He was voted a charter member of the school board and served 21 years on the municipal council. He sold farm machinery and fertilizer when the family farm was running smoothly.

Most of Mr. Ward's 16 children were at hand at the 80th birthday celebrations.

**No Grades,  
No Textbooks  
In This School**

WINNIPEG (CP) — There are no grades and no regular textbooks in Mrs. Helen Bumphrey's Grade classroom at Holliston Public School in Saskatoon.

She threw out the regular reading series, Mrs. Bumphrey told a conference on elementary education, because the books do little to challenge the child.

In a bid to motivate by appealing to individual interests, she allows her 21 students to select their own reading material and to progress at their own speed.

The school day starts with a planning period during which each child prepares his schedule for the day. A work period follows in which the children are free to select their own books, read silently, sit in small groups and talk, work on projects or look at films.

There is little problem with discipline. When a child wanders around doing nothing, Mrs. Bumphrey assigns work. After one day of assigned work, the child usually prefers to prepare his own schedule and keep to it.

To initiate written language Mrs. Bumphrey pins up thought starters. The starters may suggest a child write to a publisher about a book. She read to conference delegates an irate letter from a student complaining about incorrect information in a child's science book.

Mrs. Bumphrey averages one conference a week with each of her students.

**White Slave  
Traffic Heavy**

BRAMSHILL, England (AP) — Interpol, the international police organization, said today white slave traffic still is flourishing, with Africa or the Middle East the usual destination for the women.

Jean Nepote, the organization's secretary-general, told recruits at Britain's Bramshill police college:

"Women, exploited by the underworld, still end up as prostitutes in foreign countries. It cannot be denied that most of these women accept their unfortunate fate and, although they may not be happy about it, make no attempt to struggle or find a way out. Most women are unwilling to speak out there is nothing police can do."

"The danger no longer lies in the brothels of South America. The ladies involved now tend to make their way to Africa or the Middle East, often as members of so-called ballet companies."

Nepote also said there was an alarming increase in international fraud and thefts of works of art of all kinds.

**Rural Project  
Is Approved**

OTTAWA (CP) — The first project under the 10-year rural development plan for northeast New Brunswick — construction of Lower Carriquet of a marine railway and ship repair facilities — has been approved by the federal and provincial governments, it was announced here.

The rural development department said tenders for the \$767,000 project are to be released immediately with construction to begin next spring.

Financing will be mainly through the fund for rural economic development administered by the Agricultural and Rural Development Administration, with the federal government contributing 75 per cent of the cost and the New Brunswick government meeting the balance.

FLOODS HIT VENEZUELA CARACAS (Reuters) — More than 200 persons were reported homeless Saturday and 20,000 head of cattle lost after widespread floods in Venezuela's western states of Zulia and Falcon. Emergency measures were being taken in both states.



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