

Deer Population Puzzle To Nova Scotia Game Experts

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 HALIFAX (CP)—Puzzled Nova Scotia game experts are trying to find out why deer herds are decreasing in the province's south-western counties while the animals are increasing in other sections.

D. A. Benson, wildlife biologist for the lands and forest department, says steps cannot be taken to manage the herds until the reason for the decline is known.

"Without this knowledge," he says, "restrictive legislation control them could be harmful."

CONSIDER TOURIST TRADE

A shortened hunting season, for instance, could result in a drop in tourist trade and the income of provincial guides. The present season extends from the middle of September until the end of November.

Several explanations have been given for the decline.

"But," Mr. Benson says, "they lose a great deal of strength in the face of sportsmen's results over the years."

Many claim bears, lynx and wildcats are making serious inroads in the deer population but this theory is not borne out in several counties.

Bears are plentiful in Nova Scotia and they usually hibernate in the winter when deer are weak and tied down by snow.

Bears, wildcats and deer are kept in the same area at the Toboatic sanctuary in southern Nova Scotia without a sizable drop in the number of deer.

Mr. Benson also doubts if over-shooting is the cause.

Despite intense hunting, herds are approaching the peak of production in the central section of the province and are still increasing in Cape Breton Island.

KILLING NECESSARY

He advises residents in these sections to maintain the hunting pressure to prevent herds from becoming too large to exist on present sources of food.

The estimated 1955 kill will be

Land Costs Are Expected To Keep Price of New Homes Up

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 OTTAWA (CP)—High land costs dim prospects of any general decline in the price of new homes in the immediate future, says Stewart Bates, president of the crowning Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The actual cost of house construction may decline, he told the Gordon economic commission Tuesday. But this decline likely would be offset by the increasing cost of land.

As an example, the average price of a lot in Toronto had quadrupled in the last five years to about \$4,000 from \$1,000. And this pattern of cost rise could be envisaged for every Canadian city in the years ahead.

With indications of a continuing heavy demand for new homes, land speculators were active particularly in the fringe areas of cities and towns, the government's housing chief added.

It appeared that this active speculation in land will continue "for some time."

Mr. Bates touched on prices and costs in reply to commission questions and in elaborating on the CMHC brief forecasting the housing picture for Canada over the next 25 years.

Basing its predictions on a 10-500,000 increase in population to 6,500,000 by 1980, CMHC considered that most of the population increase will take place in cities and towns, turning Canada mostly into a country of city dwellers.

In the 25 years, some 3,400,000 new homes would have to be built at a possible cost of \$55,000,000,000 with prospective home owners putting up \$15,000,000,000 and mortgage lenders \$20,000,000,000.

O'LEARY

Miss Cynthia Kennedy O'Leary, was a visitor to Summerside recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Foley, accompanied by Miss Valarie Foley and Miss Florence Gallant, O'Leary, motored to Summerside.

Mrs. James M. MacWilliams, O'Leary, is confined to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris, O'Leary, motored to Summerside.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harris of Knutsford were recent visitors to Summerside.

Mrs. Isabelle MacIsaac of Brae was a visitor to O'Leary on Monday afternoon.

Hon. Forest and Mrs. Phillips

of Mr. Royal are spending some time in Charlottetown, where Mr. Phillips is attending meetings of the General Assembly.

The friends of Mrs. Elva Wedlocke, Knutsford, are sorry to hear that she had the misfortune to break her arm recently.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wagner, O'Leary, were visitors to Summerside on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Clifford Ellis, O'Leary, was a visitor to Charlottetown on Wednesday.

Mr. Claude Jelley was in Charlottetown Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harris, Knutsford, were in Summerside on Knutsford on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman MacMillan, Mrs. Carota Stetson, Mrs. Oliver Johnson and Miss Jean

Stetson, O'Leary, were visitors to Summerside on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harris, Knutsford, accompanied by Mrs. Hellen MacWilliams, O'Leary were visitors to Summerside on Monday.

The many friends of Mr. Lester Proffitt are sorry to hear that he is confined to his home through illness.

Dr. L. George Dewar is attending meetings of the General Assembly in Charlottetown this week.

The members of the O'Leary and District Brotherhood held their supper and meeting in the basement of the school on Tuesday night. Dr. Orville Phillips was the guest speaker for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Palmer ac-

company by Mrs. Jessie Stetson, head, O'Leary, motored to Summerside on Wednesday. Mr. Palmer visited his brother Mr. Harold Palmer in Kensington also.

Friends of Mr. Edgar Harris, Springfield West, are sorry to hear that he is confined to his home through illness.

Mrs. Heber Proffitt and children, returned to their home in Rosebank after spending a few days at York where Mrs. Proffitt's father was sick at his home.

Sympathy is extended to the relatives of the late James Walsh whose death occurred at Beech Grove Mr. Walsh was a former resident of Cape Wolfe.

Preston in Lancashire, England, was granted a royal charter by Henry II in 1179.

Season One Of Hoping For Higher Prices In Maritimes

HALIFAX (CP)—The 1955 potato season was mainly one of hope for Maritime growers. Most of the hoping was for higher prices.

Generally, the market picture for the 25,000,000 bushels produced in New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia was steady, but the bumper harvest lowered prices.

In many cases, farmers sold potatoes for what they said was less than the cost of production. They made a request for more federal financial aid and heard a warning that tariff-free United States imports threaten to destroy the Canadian potato industry.

Agriculture Minister Eugene Cullen of Prince Edward Island said the industry in his province "continues at a high level." But he noted that the average price in the island grower since the first of December was 56 cents a bushel—an amount which he considered below the production cost.

New Brunswick produced about 12,500,000 bushels—one of the largest crops in many years—but heard farmers such as a grower for 25 years at Woodstock, a grower for 25 years and shipper for 15, say there is little hope for improvement without government action on the tariff question.

NORTHAM

Congratulations are extended to Mr. James Dymont who celebrated his 94th birthday on Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Although being confined to his bed for the past several weeks Mr. Dymont takes a keen interest in all activities of the community. His many friends wish him many more happy birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Colwell entertained a number of people at their home on Wednesday evening. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by some of the ladies.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips, Summerside upon the sudden death of their son, which occurred in the Prince County Hospital recently.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Clark MacQuarrie and Mr. MacQuarrie upon the death of her grandson, Alexander Phillips.

Mrs. Angus McLennen, Port Hill was the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Grigg on Tuesday.

Friends of Mr. Willard Moore regret to learn that he is confined to his home with jaundice.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Birch and Mr. and Mrs. Edward MacArthur were dinner guests at the home of Miss Eleanor Birch on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leaman Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baker, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Prowse Gorrill, Birch Hill on Tuesday evening.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ivan MacLean upon the death of her brother Ernest Forbes which occurred recently at Calgary, Alta.

The United Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Spurgeon Dymont.

FREETOWN

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Spurgeon Ramsay on Thursday evening, Feb. 16th with a good attendance. Lunch was served by the hostess.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. Reginald Forbes and Mr. Cecil Forbes and other relatives upon the death of their brother the late Ernest Forbes.

Mr. Roy Newcombe is confined to his home with jaundice. His many friends hope to see him again soon.

The world day of prayer was held in the Presbyterian Church on Friday afternoon February 17th with a large attendance. The theme was "One flock, one shepherd" was carried out.

EARNINGS RISE

OTTAWA (CP)—Average hourly earnings in Canadian manufacturing were 1.47 in the first week of this year, the bureau of statistics reported Tuesday. The figure compared at \$1.46 at Dec. 1 and \$1.43 in the first week of last year.

NEW ANNAN

Rev. Gardiner Dalzell of Flin Flon, Manitoba, spent a few days recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edson Dalzell, Clermont.

Mr. Lloyd Manderson of Saskatchewan is spending a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Manderson. He will be accompanied on return by his brother Royace, who will be employed in Saskatchewan also.

Misses Iris and Joyce Stafford, Clermont, students in Kensington High School, spent the weekend at their home.

Mrs. Lewis Moase spent the weekend in Margate with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Warren.

Mr. Cecil Cameron was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moase on Monday.

Mr. James Tuplin motored to Charlottetown on Monday. His many friends are glad to see him around after being a patient in hospital in Charlottetown.

Mrs. Edson Dalzell and Mrs. Wilfred Curley visited with Mrs. John Melnis on Wednesday afternoon.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. W. J. HOWATT

There passed peacefully away at her residence, Water Street East, Summerside, on Sunday, Feb. 26th, Mrs. W. J. Howatt in her 80th year. She was the daughter of the late John Wesley Robbles and Louise Calbeck and was born in Tryon, P.E.I., where she spent the early years of her life.

The late Mrs. Howatt was an estimable lady; she was a life-long member of the Baptist Church.

Besides her sorrowing husband she leaves a sister, Mrs. Maude Bell, and two brothers, Frank and Reuben, all residing in Tryon.

The funeral was held from her residence on Tuesday, Feb. 27th and was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Hobson of the Baptist Church, Summerside, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Bishop, Church of Scotland, Charlottetown.

The funeral was very largely attended. The pall bearers were Kenneth Robbles, Ed Pearson, E. C. Bell, Walter Bell, Louis Parson, George Robbles. Interment was in Church of Scotland Cemetery, Cape Traverser.

IN MEMORIAM

ADDISON MACDONALD

Residents of McNeill's Mills and vicinity were shocked and saddened when it was learned that Mr. Addison MacDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. MacDonald, McNeill's Mills, was killed in a car accident due to a heart attack in Providence, Rhode Island, where he had resided for a number of years.

The deceased was 51 years of age and leaves a wife, one son and two daughters. There are also his aged mother and father, one sister, Elsie, (Mrs. Gleason Williams, Summerside), and one brother, Orrin, of McNeill's Mills.

The bereaved deepest sympathy is extended.

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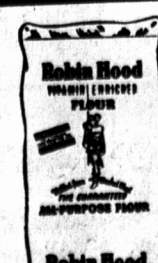
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