



PROSPECTIVE PARENTS OF N. S., N. B. OYSTERS



LANDING AN OYSTER CATCH FOR SEED

### P. E. I. Disease Resistant Oysters Go To N. S., N. B. Beds

A plan to rehabilitate oyster fisheries in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia which have been wiped out by an epidemic oyster disease is now being put into effect by the Federal Department of Fisheries. This oyster disease which during the past two years has killed off 90 per cent of the oyster stocks in some parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, is definitely not injurious to humans even though oysters are eaten raw.

Research by fisheries biologists has shown that if these stricken fisheries are left to themselves they might restore themselves from resistant survivors in about twenty years. However, if P.E.I. oysters which are resistant to this disease are transplanted to these stricken areas to provide spawning stock, these mainland fisheries can be restored in from seven to ten years.

The Department of Fisheries plans to transplant 10,000 barrels of disease resistant P.E.I. oysters to the stricken areas in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia during the next three years.

**TRANSPLANTING**  
The first phase of this plan which will transplant 1,500 barrels is now in operation. Of this 1,500 barrels, 1,000 will be transplanted to the oyster leases and public fisheries in the Wallace-Malagash area in Nova Scotia.

Tenders have been accepted by the Department of Fisheries from Fred Arsenault, Oystercrats Inc., and Sonier Bros., all of Summerside, to supply these 1,500 barrels of oysters which are now being fished in Summerside Harbor. Only sub-standard oysters which have market value are being taken so that the normal market production from Prince Edward Island will not be affected.

The oysters are being received by the Department of Fisheries at the Marine wharf in Summerside from where they will be transported to New Brunswick and Nova Scotia in the department's vessels. The photo above shows part of a motor boat load of barreled oysters which has just been fished from Summerside Harbor, and which will be part of the first shipment to the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia areas.

**TIMELY NOTES ON FUR TOPICS**  
Last week's Hudson's Bay Company's fur sale in New York which was featured by EMBA mink was reported a success, with a high percentage of turnover and prices "very firm" to 10 per cent over its February auction. A total of 35,391 dressed Ceruleans were 98 per cent sold with prices very firm. Cerulean Breeze of Spring were all sold. Prices advanced 10 per cent, also the Jasmine were similarly marketed. The company draws attention to the excellent attendance and competition which was particularly marked in the sale of the above mutations. Dressed Argenta sold at a 97 per cent rate. Desert Gold, Lutania types (13,000) was 88 per cent sold. Top standard males \$74, females \$33.50. The price for the males was a high for this season. One lot was shipped by Northwood Fur Farms, another lot was shipped by Starr Ranch. Cerulean (35,291) was 98 per cent sold, top males \$35, females \$26. Price for females was high for the season. They were shipped by the Starr Ranch and bought by Bernice Wollman. Cerulean Breeze of Spring (1,964) was 100 per cent sold, top males \$82, top females \$36. Both were shipped by Starr Ranch. Males were bought by J. Weinig and Son. Azures were brought top price for males \$66, females \$28. Jasmine, 100 per cent sold. Top males \$72, females \$36.50. Males were shipped by Flambeau Fur Farms and females by Elcho Fur Farm.

ed but we do not notice any mink or silver fox in the collection. **CONVENTION**  
At the annual convention of the EMBA in Milwaukee, Harry Wittig, chairman of the marketing board, stated that the association had marketed roughly 70 per cent of their mutation mink crop, and at a meeting of the Great Lakes Mink Association the members were told that very little in the way of relief from imports could be obtained during the current year and were urged to produce less mink to receive better prices for their pelts. He expressed the belief that they will have government relief from the importation of foreign mink but it won't come overnight.

**SILVER FOX**  
Little Denmark still seems to believe in silver fox as will be noted by the list of pelts that will be auctioned by the Danish Skin Auction Company in Copenhagen on May 23-24. Among them are standard mink, 40,000, mutation mink 20,000 and silver fox 2,000. This is the largest number of silver fox we have noticed scheduled for auction for a long, long time. One reason for its being a wanted fur is that during the years when Hitler was riding high and afterwards, no silver fox was obtainable and it is only since the new West Germany government took over and prosperity is evidenced that women want to buy fur that in the long ago they could not afford.

And here's something that is encouraging. It is a despatch to Women's Wear Daily from Buffalo, N.Y. which we quote in part: The tremendous popularity of mink has continued unabated in the Buffalo fur market this season. And furriers are more "mink-minded" than ever, putting a larger portion of their running inventory in mink pelts. Fur houses that go after the mink trade report that their sales appear to vary in direct ratio to the assortments and selections they are able to offer shoppers. Well rounded selections usually generate steady sales. Limited assortments often spell lost find what they want.

This season, the "mink houses," have generally made larger investments in their mink stocks, cutting down on depth and selection in other type furs which have been lagging in consumer demand. It also was noted that many furriers have been allocating an increasing share of their advertising budgets to mink. Several stores here have been running mink ads consistently, right through the current season, in contrast to their former policy of promoting minks only two or three times during an entire season.

**IMPROVE QUALITY**  
Doc Collins, editor of the National Fur News, heads his column in the latest issue — A Dollar Saved is a Dollar Earned... Quality is the watchword this year. Every mink rancher in on the alert for ways to improve quality. Now as never before the rancher needs to cut production costs to the bone and at the same time improve quality. And he needs every spare minute to work closely with his mink, tending them as an expert gardener tends a rare flower bed. Any piece of modern equipment, any idea, in feed or housing that saves in time and labor should be reflected in improved quality of his herd.

### Record Traditional Songs Of The Blackfoot Indians

GLEICHEN, Alta. (CP)—To the Blackfoot Indian ownership of a song is a prized possession. Ownership means considerable prestige. Many Blackfoot songs have been bought for a substantial amount. Indians say the price paid for one song was 45 horses. Another was sold for 100 bushels of wheat.

Indian song are reputed to possess special virtues giving strength, restoring health, putting a curse on an enemy, bringing victory in battle, attracting a loved one.

Some Indians feared the influence of modern schools and Christian worship would cause the art of storytelling about ancient myths and tribal customs to disappear.

The Glenbow Foundation of Calgary is carrying out a project to preserve as much as possible of the cultural heritage of the Blackfoot.

Interviews were held with residents of the Blackfoot reserve 50 miles east of Calgary and arrangements were made for the Indians to assemble at Crowfoot school while a technician from Calgary recorded their songs and were given and these were incorporated in the recordings.

The Indians cooperated and gave all their sacred compositions except the death chant which they would not allow to be recorded.

The technician recorded the sun dance, the tobacco dance, the deer dance, healing songs, the medicine man, the prairie chicken dance, the owl dance, love ballads and other material.

Songs were sung against the rhythm of the tomtoms, the rattles and other traditional instruments. Most of the ballads were sung by the men, but in the owl dance and love songs the women joined in.

The Indians were pleased with the playback and the records were placed in the archives of the Glenbow foundation.

Mr. and Mrs. Don MacDonald of St. Elmo's, were Sunday visitors to relatives in O'Leary.

Mrs. Alex MacDonald, Summerside, spent a few days with relatives and friends in O'Leary and Unionvale recently.

Mrs. William Ellis, Summerside, was a visitor for a few days to Springfield West.

Mr. William Humphries, who has been spending a couple of weeks with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Matheson O'Leary left for his home in Swift Current, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Seaman Bell, Summerside, were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Bell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacLeod in Brae.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hardy, Rosebank, were visitors to relatives in O'Leary and Knutsford recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Adams and family of Charlottetown, spent the weekend with relatives in O'Leary and Knutsford.

Mrs. William Jay of Charlottetown was a visitor to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jean Collicutt in O'Leary recently. She also visited other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gay and family of Knutsford were recent visitors to relatives in Freeland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Meggison of Summerside spent the weekend with relatives and friends in Knutsford recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ashley and family, Summerside, motored to Knutsford, recently to spend a day with Mrs. Ashley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Erskin Silliker.

Mr. and Mrs. Stirling Ellis and family, O'Leary, were recent visitors to Mt. Pleasant. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude MacArthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dunbar and son Archie, Montrose, were guests at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Lockhart recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacCormick, Unionvale, visited with relatives in Summerside on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Harris of Springfield West were visitors to O'Leary recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rix of Locke Road motored to Alma recently and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Dunbar.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph MacIsaac and family, Dunblane, were recent visitors at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ellis in O'Leary.

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### BRITISH TOGOLAND TO VOTE

In preparation for the plebiscite to be held in British Togoland on May 9, a meeting of the elders, of Ketz Kraehi, held in the presence of the Imam (Muslim priest), and Zongo chief, is shown in progress. The ballot paper is being explained by U.N. observer W. Kiangrod. A total of 193,674 persons have registered for the plebiscite, to be supervised by the U.N. and the first of its type to be held in a U.N. trust territory. The Togolandians will be asked whether they wish to join the now independent gold coast, or whether they prefer to continue separately under U.N. trusteeship, pending a final solution of their political status.

### HAMPTON

Deep concern is being expressed by relatives and friends in the condition of Mr. Edward Boswell following a major operation performed at the General Hospital at Halifax, N. S. to where he was transferred by plane on April 22 from the P. E. I. Hospital. Best

wishes are extended for an early recovery.

Mr. Hollis Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, is visiting friends and relatives here following a considerable period of time, during which he has been busily engaged at his trade as a mechanic, in Toronto.

Friends of Judy Dawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dawson are extending congratulations in winning 2nd prize, solo tap dance, Class 258, second prize, Highland Fling class 271 and First prize oin Sword Dance class 274 also to Mrs. Lawson's Kensington dancers class 263 in Scottish Reels, at the Summerside coliseum.

Island visitors at N. S. capital on April 26, included: Mrs. Allison Lea, Mrs. Carl Boulter, Mr. John Lord, Victoria and Miss Sylvia Boulter all of Charlottetown.

Argyle shore has lost one of its highly esteemed citizens in the death of John W. MacDougall at the P. E. I. Hospital on April 23, leaving to mourn his loss, his widow, son and daughter, the loss of an esteemed friend and neighbour. Services at the home and cemetery very largely attended) were conducted by Rev. J. A. Bishop, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kellam pastor of Clyde River Presbyterian Church. Mr. Bishop's inspiring address was taken from Hebrews 4: 4 "A rest to the People of God." Hymns sung were: The Lord's My Shepherd and Abide with Me." Pallbearers were: John D. MacPhail, Wilbert MacPhail, Nicholas Gillis, William Campbell, Borden Walton, Myron Shaw... Interment was made in Argyle Shore Cemetery.

Friends of Mrs. J. D. Flood are pleased to learn that her condition has sufficiently improved to enable her to leave the Charlottetown Hospital, where she has been receiving treatment and is presently visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan McGaughey.

Dr. Vladimir Poremsky, head of the National Alliance of Russian Solidarities, with headquarters in Frankfurt, Germany, is shown as he testified at a U.S. senate hearing in Washington. Poremsky said his organization carries on a massive underground operation inside Russia, where it has "hundreds of thousands of agents." New popular uprisings on the scale of the Hungarian revolt will break out within the Soviet empire within one or two years, he said.

### UNDERGROUND

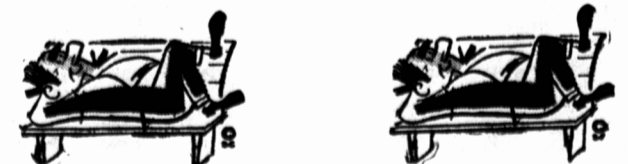
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### DEPORTED

Major General Ali Abu Nawar, army chief of staff in Jordan, was smiling in this recent photo, but now he has been deported to Syria as King Hussein attempts to drive out pro-Egyptian elements. The monarch's measures were described as a pro-iraq, allied with the West, coup d'etat. Troops loyal to Hussein reportedly clashed with forces supporting Nawar.

### HISTORIC RIVER

The Ottawa River, largest tributary of the St. Lawrence, was first visited by Etienne Brule in 1610.

### ANCIENT SITE

Waltham Abbey in England was converted into an abbey in 1184, having been founded as a church more than 100 years earlier.