

AGRICULTURAL NEWS

P.E.I. Department of Agriculture

THE QUEEN'S VISIT
4-H Club Members from all over the Province will be assembling in Charlottetown on July 28th., to participate in the celebration of the visit of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and His Royal Highness Prince Philip.

All 4-H Clubs in the Province have been contacted by letter and asked to submit the appropriate number of members who will be coming in for this outstanding occasion. It is hoped that over fifteen hundred 4-H Club Members will be in attendance. White blouses for the girls and white shirts for the boys will be the order of the day. This will be an opportunity for the Club Members to show their strength, therefore, let all get behind the 4-H Club participating in the Queen's visit.


P.E.I. BREEDERS
The second Annual Meeting of the P.E.I. Artificial Breeding Association was a great success last Monday night. Over two thousand livestock owners from all parts of the province assembled in the Birchwood High School, Charlottetown. The president, Mr. Frank Jardine welcomed the Minister of Agriculture and all members present. Mr. Collier felt that this programme had shown one of the most rapid advances of any farm organization in this province. He went on to congratulate the farmers on their ability to organize and develop such a programme. He further said that the Department of Agriculture was only too anxious to co-operate with them.

Dr. J.A. Henderson, Head, Department of Medicine of the Ontario Veterinary College was the guest speaker. He outlined that activities of some of Artificial Breeding Programmes in other parts of the country, he said, it was amazing that such a growth had taken place here in such a short space of time. The progress in this province has been unequalled in any other province. During the course of Dr. Henderson's remarks he stressed very strongly the importance of proper sire selection.

The manager of the N.B. Central Artificial Breeding Co-operative Limited, Dr. D.G. Moore brought greetings from that Association and answered a number of questions.

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those of the last corresponding period, and equal to marketings in 1943-44, the highest on record. The greatest increase is expected in the east. Production in the west appears to be nearer, the peak of output. For all Canada an increase of 33 per cent in marketings is expected during April-September and four per cent during the remainder of the 12 month period ending next March.

FEEDING DAIRY CATTLE
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HOGS
The upswing in production which began in early 1956 now appears to be approaching a peak. Carcass gradings of hogs averaged 176 thousand weekly during the first four months of 1959, an increase of 48 per cent over a year earlier. The increase was shared almost equally by both eastern and western regions of Canada. Marketing during the 12 month period, April 1959 to March 1960 are now forecast at 8.4 million hogs, a 16 per cent increase over

was equal to an average of 220 thousand hogs per week during January-March 1959. Exports of hogs and pork increased from the equivalent of 8.6 thousand hogs per week during January-March 1958 to 11.9 thousand per week during the first quarter of this year.

In supporting hog prices the Agricultural Stabilization Board has accumulated large holdings of pork since its purchasing began late last October. On April 1st., 1959, there were 70 million pounds of pork in cold storage compared with 19 million a year earlier and a peak of 53 million pounds in cold storage when price support operations were carried on during the foot and mouth crisis in 1952-53.

On March 23rd., 1959, it was announced in the House of Commons that the support prices for hogs of \$25.00 per hundredweight dressed, for grade A carcasses at Toronto and Montreal, would remain in effect until September 30. From October 1st., 1959 to March 31st., 1960, the support price will be at the mandatory level of 80 per cent of the ten year average, which is \$33.65 per hundredweight at Toronto. The Minister of Agriculture also announced that the deficiency method of payment for returns below

the support level would be instituted as soon as feasible. The Minister stated: "This method of payment would make it possible to withhold payments from commercial organizations operating under the so-called vertical integration plan and to limit payments to any individual to a specific number of hogs delivered."

York Point Garden Club met in the York Point School on May 28th. The meeting was called to order by the President, Lois McKinley. The meeting opened with the repeating of 4-H club pledge. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and approved. The garden seeds which had been ordered by the club from Vessy's Seeds were then distributed to the club members. Roll call for the next meeting, on June 20, will be answered with the favourite sport of the club members. Lois McKinley will be in charge of the program.

The Alexandra and Districts 4-H Club held its regular meeting, May 15, at Cross Roads School. The meeting was called to order by the president, June MacCabe. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Questionnaires were passed out and also papers on Public Speaking. The study material for the

next meeting is a review of the Questionnaires.

Miss MacCabe is going to show films at the next meeting which will be held at Pownall School. A judging class was held May 1st. at Cyril Jones—another one, at Alford Roberts. Heather Jones—Secretary - Treasurer.

The Springfield Calf Club meeting was held at Blair Sinclair's Tuesday evening, May 19th., 1959. The meeting was called to order by President and eleven members answered to their names at roll call by naming a Good Point of a dairy cow. A questionnaire entitled "Selecting a Calf" was filled in by the members, and afterwards discussed. Treasurer reported a balance on hand \$37.25.

A meeting was held at the home of the leader, June 16th., at 7:30 for Judging class. Roll call was answered by a Health Rule.

Miss MacMillan was present at this earlier and the first Judging class was held. Marjorie MacKay, secretary.

National Gallery of Canada Closes in Move Preparation

By CAROLYN WILLET
Canadian Press Staff Writer
OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's National Gallery will close its doors to visitors Aug. 4 in preparation for its move to a new building next January.

A little bit like the old woman who lived in a shoe, the gallery has had so many works of art—paintings, drawings and sculptures—that the only thing it could do was store many of them and show a few at a time.

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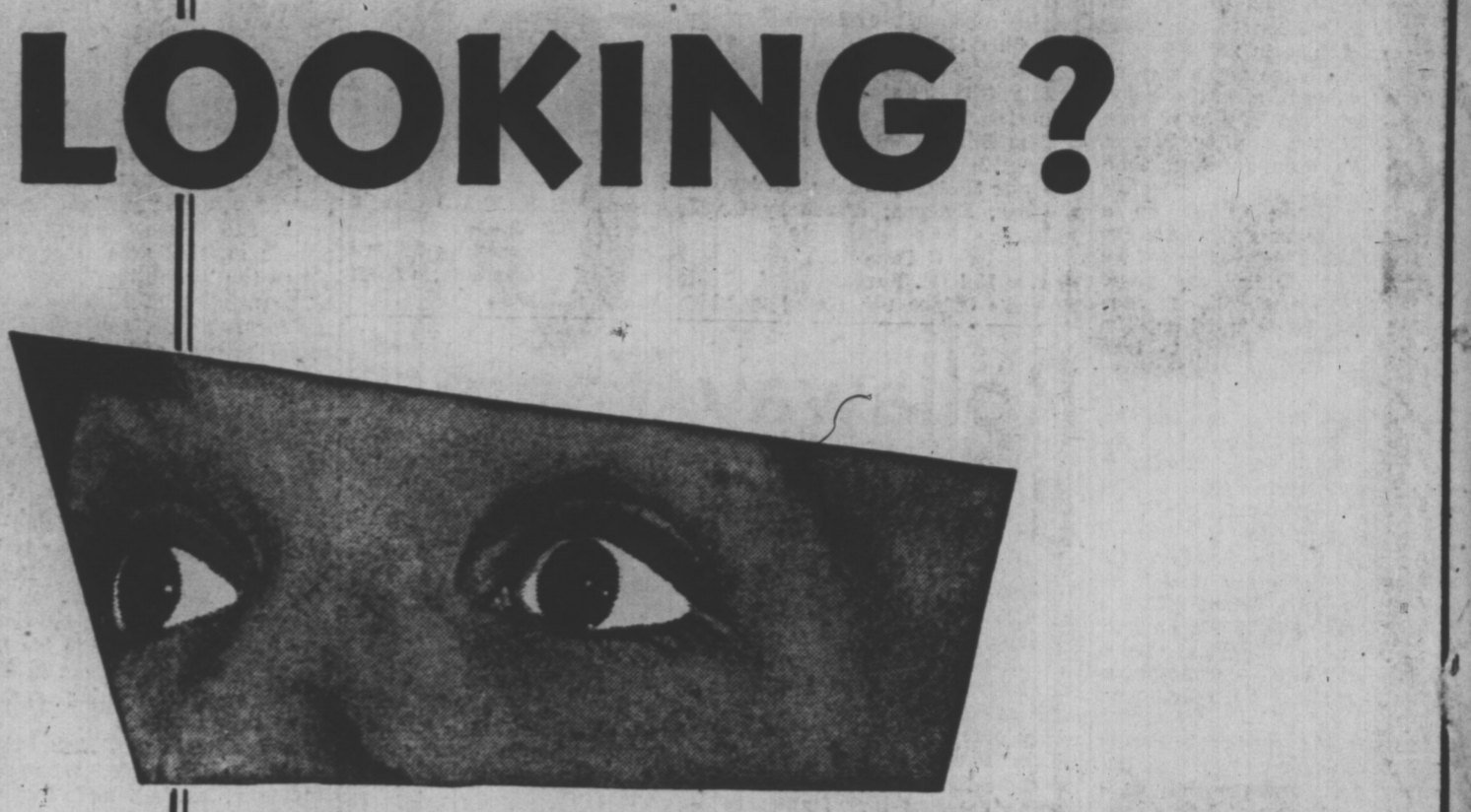
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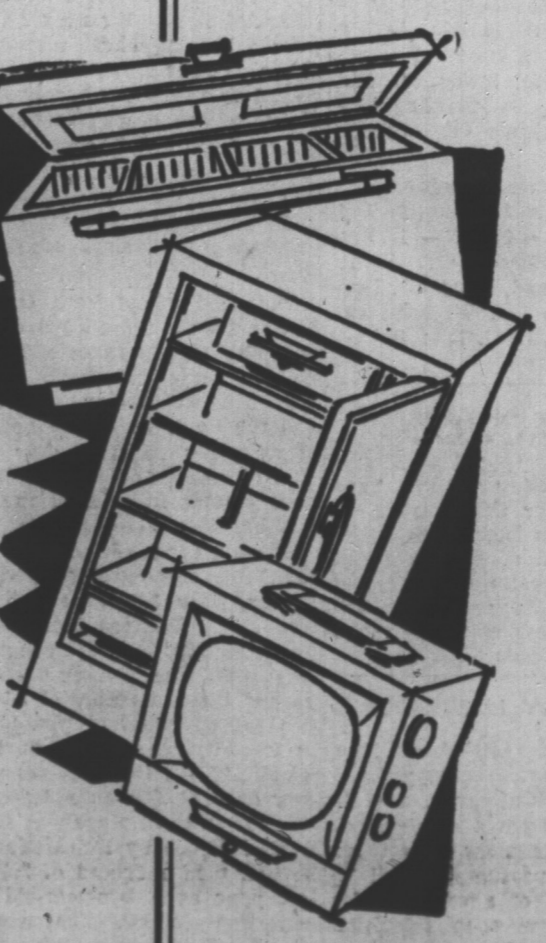
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