

# Sees Opportunities Of Further Development In Fish Processing At Souris

The need for a second fishmeal plant at Souris was emphasized in the Legislature on Monday by Mr. William Acorn, leader of the Opposition. Mr. Acorn, speaking in the Budget debate, gave many reasons to show that increased production had warranted such a move.

He said that the fishmeal plant now in operation was not able to handle all the offals of the fish being processed and a great deal of the raw material had to be taken to Nova Scotia for processing. "With the mill and a second plant not only will the fishermen have an outlet for his rock, hake and haddock, but he will be able to realize something for the other fish he may catch such as dogfish and other products of the sea."

In support of his argument that the plant should be located at Souris, Mr. Acorn said that Central Creameries was located in Charlottetown, but milk was shipped to them from all island points. "Anyone who says that a plant should be established at any other place than Souris, doesn't know what they are talking about," he said.

Referring to a map, the First Kings member said that Souris had a harbour with bold water and that it possessed a mill race and a dam in all the Eastern area. The North shore inlets he said were not suitable because of frequent rough weather and the type of harbours most of which were partially obstructed by sand bars. This important point, Mr. Acorn said, is that the fishmeal plant depends upon daily deliveries.

Mr. Acorn went on to tell of a captain from Halifax who was visiting the Island a few days ago with the proposal to construct a plant near New Brunswick and Souris would be a wonderful help to fishermen all over the Island since they would have a market for all their herring at Souris. He complimented the men who had foresight enough to establish the new plant. He said that the machinery required to fill the 205 foot building was at the Magdalen Islands and it presented a problem to transport it to Souris, but it was finally floated from the Magdalen on 50 gallon drums.

## Second Filleting Plant

In a like manner, Mr. Acorn supported the need for a second filleting plant. He pointed out that the locks at the Canso Causeway would not be available to shipping until next November and that machinery was expected to handle much of the Nova Scotia catch. He expressed the hope, that once started, a great deal of this trade would continue. He said that the fleet of 10-12 dragners would be sufficient to keep two plants going throughout the year.

Speaking of frozen fish sticks, Mr. Acorn recalled that last year he had advocated the production of this fish product, but noted that the fishermen of Gloucester, Mass., had made a concentrated effort in this direction and were pretty well looking after the American market. He felt that there would be a future in this phase of the industry as the Canadian market became bigger. He noted that one or two New Brunswick plants were taking care of the needs on this latter market.

Mr. Acorn said that the new filleting plant, able to accommodate 5,000 lbs of fish at one holding, represented an investment of between \$175,000-\$200,000 and the company going into this business deserves all the credit possible. "They have requested a loan and whether they get it or not, they are going ahead with plans."

"It would be a good thing for the Government to invest in such a plant to see that a large American firm does not start up, because it would not be long before they would be doing large volume of business to put the existing plant in which the Government has a large investment, out of business," said Mr. Acorn.

The Souris Member had high praise for the work of Mr. Eugene Gorman, director of fisheries and Mr. Francis Campbell who were instrumental in starting the dragger fishing industry in the Province. To show that it has meant to the Province as a whole, Mr. Acorn said that the underwater equipment for a dragger, including propellers, packing boxes and bearings cost \$3,000. The Firm of Hall and Stavert in Charlottetown have been doing this work and this year points to the fitting of 30 draggers at a cost of \$60,000.

Irish Moss

"The Leader of the Opposition says he racked his brain, but he could not come up with an answer to solving the unemployment problem for the fishermen of North Rustico," continued Mr. Acorn. "I have here a copy of the 'Fuddy

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herd in the past year, were they tested for Brucellosis before being placed on the farm?"

4. If cattle have been so added has the Federal Health of Animals Branch been notified?

1. Yes—seven; Leigh Kennedy, 3; \$640.00; Walter Hartz, 2; \$400; E. A. MacRae, 1; \$225; D. R. Baker, 1; \$200.

2. Yes.

3. Five tested on vendors' premises and two tested in isolation.

4. Yes.

Question—Mr. R. R. Bell:

1. Who were the suppliers of bread to the public institutions of Falconwood, Infirmary, Beach Grove and Queen's County Jail during the fiscal year of 1954 to date?

2. Give amount paid to each.

3. At what price per loaf was bread supplied?

4. Were tenders called for said supplies to said institutions?

5. Was all bread purchased during period wrapped?

Answer:

1. Crown Bakery, 59 Dorchester St., Charlottetown. Supplied bread to: Falconwood Hospital, Beach Grove, Provincial Infirmary, Queen's County Jail is not administered by Department of Health.

2. Crown Bakery paid from April 1, 1954, to February 28, 1955: Beach Grove, \$2,571.26; Falconwood Hospital a d the Provincial Infirmary, \$11,909.94; total 14,481.20.

3. Price per loaf—14 cents per loaf.

4. Tender received from Crown Bakery Sept. 26, 1952, to supply bread unwrapped at 13 cents per loaf, and permission given July 16, 1953, to increase price to 14 cents per loaf. The bread supplied Beach Grove is unwrapped and unsliced, to Falconwood Hospital and Provincial Infirmary the bread is wrapped and sliced at no increased cost.

5. See answer to No. 4.

Question—Mr. R. R. Bell:

1. Has the Minister or his Department received a petition or delegation from residents of Glasgow Road asking for hard-surfacing of said road?

2. Did said delegation offer that the residents of the road would bear part of the cost of said hard-surfacing?

3. Will the Department accept the offer so made?

4. Will some work by way of hard-surfacing commence this season?

1. Yes.

2. Yes. A verbal offer was made.

3. This is a matter of Government Policy which will be announced in due course.

4. See 3 above.

Question—J. W. D. Campbell:

1. What was the cost of repairs and rebuilding of the Burnt Point Road, Georgetown?

2. Give particulars of wages paid and to whom.

3. Give total of cheques paid to the construction firm of Matheson and MacMillan or Matheson and MacMillan Ltd. since April 1, 1951 from the department.

4. Give total of cheques paid to legal firm of Matheson, Peake & Nicholson or to any member thereof for legal services for the Department?

1. \$16,661.14.

2. Archibald Wight, \$201.05; Stephen Scully, 2.00; Edward Blanchard, 16.50; Gerald Murphy 21.00; Irving Sampson 7.50; Bernard Walsh 20.50; Rupert Wight 89.20 (Includes Tractor); Havelock Stewart 8.80; Charles Mair 21.50; Louis Fouchere 15.00; Allan Mair 43.10 (Includes Tractor); Charles Gosbee 80.00; Archibald Wight includes some time on North Royalty of Georgetown.

## Questions In The Legislature

The following answers to questions have been tabled in the Legislature:

Question—Frank Myers:

1. Has the Government any policy to reimburse farmers who suffered losses due to Hurricane Edna?

2. Has the Government any policy to reimburse fruit growers (apples) who suffered losses due to Hurricane Edna?

3. Has assistance been requested?

4. In view of the fact that Nova Scotia fruit growers received help and that the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia is making a survey of losses suffered by farmers to their buildings, has the Government any intention of investigating the losses in this Province?

Answer:

1. Government has not decided on any policy as yet.

2. The Price Support Board at Ottawa are not willing to give any financial assistance to apple growers and no Provincial Government policy has yet been reached.

3. Yes, from two commercial growers.

4. Information is that all financial assistance to Nova Scotia fruit growers was through the Price Support Board. A survey of losses to farmers of livestock barns, pigeries and poultry houses is under consideration.

Question—Mr. Frank Myers:

1. Were any cattle purchased for Falconwood Farm during the past year? If so, how many and from whom purchased and the price of prices paid?

2. Is the Falconwood herd under the Dominion - Provincial Brucellosis Policy?

3. If cattle were added to this

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IS CONVALESCING — His many friends are pleased to hear that Mr. Harry Miller, who underwent an operation in the King's County Hospital recently is convalescing satisfactorily.

C.W.L. CARD PARTY — The regular weekly card party sponsored by the Montague C. W. L. was held on Monday night in the Armouries with a large attendance. The door prize was won by Mrs. Charles Burke, the ladies' prize by Mrs. Allan Jamieson and the men's prize by Theodore MacKearney. Lunch was served by the committee in charge.

BOOK CLUB — The weekly meeting of the Montague Ship Ahoy Book Club was held in the Library on Monday, March 14. The meeting opened with the singing of O Canada. The log of the last meeting was read and approved. Georgina Dingwell read two book reports which were discussed by the members. Two new members, Robble Beck and Jill Taylor were welcomed to the group. The rest of the afternoon was spent in reading "The Lucky Orphan."

SOURIS STUDY GROUPS — A meeting of the Associated Study Groups of the Souris Credit Union was held in the Credit Union Hall, Sunday evening, Feb. 27th, with an attendance of forty members. John D. MacIntyre was chairman. The Secretary, Mrs. Art Paquet read the minutes of the previous meeting, also the financial statement, which were approved. Mervyn MacDonald, Joseph Paquet, Mike Lavie and Jerry Cheverie reported for the study groups. These reports were favourably accepted. Rev. E. Steele gave a very detailed report of the course held at St. Dunstan's College for Credit Union members at which he was a delegate for the Souris Credit Union. A vote of thanks was extended the entertainment committee for their wonderful work to which the chairman Mervyn MacDonald graciously accepted. A number of questions were placed before the chairman, Mr. MacIntyre for discussion. The secretary was advised to submit them to the Credit Union League. The answers to be ready for the group's annual meeting on March 27th. A special speaker will address this meeting.

**Curling Draw For Montague**  
Curling draw for Montague Club today.  
R. K. Clements Trophy.  
2:30 p.m.—B. N. Hooley vs. G. MacIntyre; Don Davis vs. Horace Fraser.  
7:15—W. MacLean vs. A. A. Fraser; S. MacDonald vs. D. McGowan.  
9:15—H. M. Smith vs. D. McLaren; Dr. MacIntyre vs. Dr. Johnston.

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**Death Tuesday of Geo'town Man**  
The death occurred at his residence at Georgetown of Henry C. Hemphill, in his 75th year. He deceased was born at Georgetown, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hemphill.

He is survived by several brothers and sisters: Sue, Mary, Mattie and Elizabeth (Mrs. Fraser) at home; Herbert and Della (Mrs. Arthur Jones), Massachusetts; Grace (Mrs. Richard Collings), Winnipeg; Warren, CNR, Charlottetown; also a nephew Charles Fraser, C.N.R. locomotive engineer, Georgetown. He was predeceased by a sister, Georgie, several years ago.

**Georgetown Eagles Win At Souris**  
The Georgetown Eagles flew to an impressive 8-3 victory over the visiting Souris East Packs in a fast and well-played hockey game in the Georgetown rink on Saturday night. Play was very fast even in the opening period.

The winners scored once on a goal by McNell, as the period ended 1-0. In the middle frame the Eagles sank five goals as they really opened up. McNell got a second of the night; R. Landry got a pair, with Hansen and MacPhee each getting singles.

Souris also broke into the scoring column, as McIntosh, their clever stick-handling center-centerman, beat Stevens in the Georgetown cage, to end the period with the score reading 6-1 for Georgetown.

In the final session the teams each dented the twines twice on goals by Publicover and F. Landry for the Eagles. For Souris the scorers were McIntosh and Jarvis.

Referee-in-chief was Edmond LaVie of Souris; linesmen: Gordon Levers and Everett MacLeod of Georgetown.

—A.C.

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**Sacred Concert At Montague**  
Yeo's Theatre, Montague was filled to capacity Sunday night when a sacred concert and hymn singing, sponsored by the Kings County Memorial Hospital Ladies Auxiliary, was presented by a community mass choir under the direction of Mr. Robert Murray, Judge J. S. DesRoches, member of the board of managers of the King's County Hospital, presided as master of ceremonies, and Mrs. J. M. Fraser was piano accompanist.

Each number on the program was very effectively rendered and greatly appreciated by the large audience. Mr. Arnold Wightman and Mr. Neil Hooley were the ushers, and during the intermission the generous offering was received by Mr. Hooley, Mr. Wightman, Mr. J. A. MacDonald, Mr. Leroy White, Mr. Gordon MacNeill, and Mr. J. J. Stewart.

The concert will be presented in the Mayfair Theatre, Murray River, next Sunday evening.

The following is the program: choir, "Day Is Dying In The West"; "It Is Well With My Soul"; "The Lord Is My Shepherd"; vocal solo, "The Holy and the Beautiful"; vocal trio, "Heartaches"; Mrs. Ralph Beck, Mrs. Douglas Coffin, Mrs. Arnold Wightman; violin solo, "Reamer"; Mr. Robert Murray accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Beck; hymn singing, (audience participation); "In The Sweet Bye And Bye"; "I am Thine O Lord"; "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder"; "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus"; remarks by Judge J. S. DesRoches; intermission.

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piano selections were rendered by Mrs. Fraser: choir, "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"; "Beneath The Cross Of Jesus"; (soloist, Mrs. Beck), "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"; vocal duet, "Nailed To The Cross"; Mr. and Mrs. Murray; vocal duet, "Marvellous Grace"; Messrs. John Bruce and Willard Bruce; vocal solo, "Were You There?"; Mr. Murray; choir, "All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name"; and "Now The Day Is Over"; The Queen.

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