

Manpower Strength Continues To Fall

By DAVE McINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Manpower strength of the armed forces is continuing to fall despite re-engagement bonuses announced in February and an across-the-board pay increase promised for October.

A defence department spokesman said Monday strength at the end of March, the last date for which figures are available, stood at 107,467, a drop of 408 in a month.

The exodus increased to 408 in March from the 282 in February — the month in which the re-engagement bonuses were announced — but was only half what it was in January.

The number of persons recruited by the armed forces in March was 927 compared with 1,002 the previous month and 791 in March, 1965.

Defence Minister Hellyer has conceded that the manpower strength of the services may fall to approximately 100,000, or 23,000 fewer than when he took over the portfolio. The reduction to 110,000 was intentional.

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The minister so far has not said how he plans to get service men to "increase their productivity." Members of the armed forces are not paid overtime and many already work a week of much more than 40 hours.

N.Y. Professor States Views

TORONTO (CP) — Professor T. Bruce Birkenhead of Brooklyn N.Y. College said at a conference of 150 theatre men here that it is impossible for live theatre to survive as an industry.

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Peter Arnett Takes Award

NEW YORK (AP) — Peter Arnett of The Associated Press was awarded Monday the Pulitzer Prize for international reporting for his coverage of the war in Viet Nam.

The public service prize went to the Boston Globe, for its campaign to prevent the confirmation of Francis X. Morrissey as a federal district judge in Massachusetts.

Other journalism category winners: Local reporting, general — The staff of the Los Angeles Times for its coverage of the Watts negro riots.

Local reporting, special — John A. Frasca of the Tampa (Fla.) Tribune, for his investigation and reporting of two robberies that resulted in the freeing of an innocent man.

National reporting — Haynes Johnson of the Washington Evening Star, for coverage of the Selma, Ala., civil rights conflict and its aftermath.

Editorial writing — Robert Lash of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Cartoons — Don Wright of the Miami News, for his editorial cartoons exemplified by one entitled "You Mean You Were

Bluffing?" It showed two injured men limping toward one another between two craters in a war-ravaged landscape.

News photography — Kyoichiro Sawada of the United Press International for his combat photography in Viet Nam.

Arnett's award in international reporting was the 21st Pulitzer Prize for The Associated Press and the third straight year that an AP man in Viet Nam has won.

Arnett, 33, a native of River-ton, New Zealand, has reported from Viet Nam for 3½ years.

much of the time from under fire. The awards were announced at Columbia University by the university's trustees. The prizes are administered by Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism.

It was the 50th annual award of the prizes, created in the will of Joseph Pulitzer, founder of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and later publisher of the New York World. He died in 1911.


ACTIVE AT 103 BEEBE, Que. (CP) — Mrs. John Grieve has celebrated her 103rd birthday and reports she is still active and in good health for a person her age.

Mrs. Grieve was born in Scotland and Scottish songs were high on the program for the birthday celebration, which took place Monday in this community on the United States border, 80 miles southeast of Montreal. Thirty guests attended.

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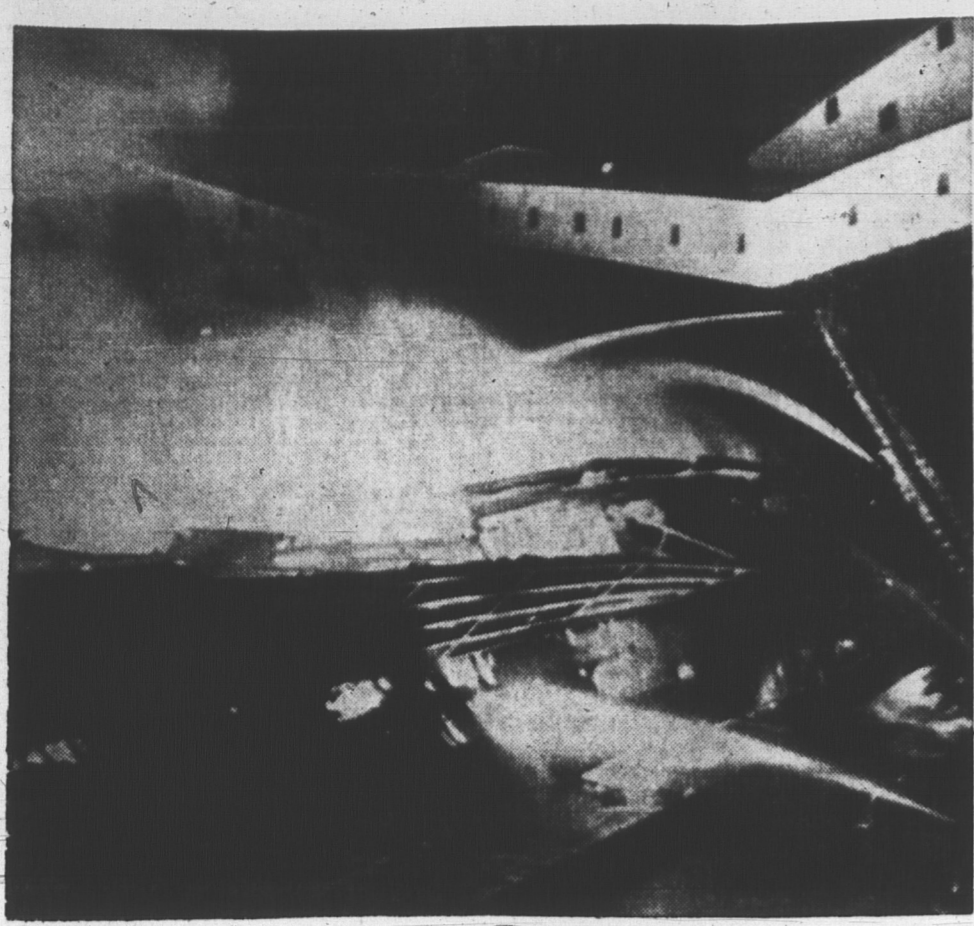
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FACTS FOR FARMERS



NSAC Diploma Course Helps Young Farmers

By ROBERT WOOD

In May 1965 I graduated from the Nova Scotia Agricultural College and received a diploma for completing a two-year course known as the Diploma Course. I would like to discuss how this course has helped me since my return to the farm. Also, I would like to tell about other activities which were part of our college life.

LIVESTOCK

Being a livestock enthusiast, the Animal Husbandry course, probably has been the most beneficial to me. This course covers the study of all the most important breeds of livestock—their history, care, and management. The course also includes a study of dairying and the importance of producing top quality dairy products. The part from which I received the most benefit was the feed and feeding segment. This really proved to me the great importance of feeding properly balanced feeds to livestock.

AGRONOMY

In relation to Animal Husbandry, the Agronomy course is the first in importance when it comes to producing top quality products for animal consumption. From this, we learn that we need such requirements as: Top quality forage with high TDN and Protein levels. The importance of Pasture Rotation and Pasture Management.

The importance of high yielding varieties of grain crops, which should also maintain high levels of TDN and Protein.

And lastly we need to obtain a complete knowledge of soil fertility, (pertaining to Fertilization and Cultivation) to make all these requirements successful and profitable. If a farmer has good quality livestock from the standpoint of breeding and then with these requirements on feed conversion it is not hard to keep production and reproduction at a high level.

Also, included in Agronomy was a course in genetics which I found most interesting. I am hoping that the knowledge that I obtained from this course will further help me in the development of top quality livestock.

In summing up the Agronomy Course I would stress its great importance in the role of farming and the Nova Scotia Agricultural College has a lot of information for students on this subject.

FARM MECHANICS

The most interesting course and certainly one from which I received great benefit was the Farm Mechanics Course. Here we realized the importance of capable farm machinery to do the job sufficiently well on a farm. Our studies in this subject included the upkeep and maintenance of machinery as well as repairs, and the building of a farmer to repair his own equipment could mean a saving of time and money. This course is well worthwhile and I am sure every student will enjoy it.

FARM MANAGEMENT

The Nova Scotia Agricultural College provided an excellent Farm Management Course for its Diploma Students. It proved to me the importance of good Farm Management and its basic principles to make a farm

operation work as economical and as efficient as possible. A farm operator may have all the essential resources that go with farming such as: Land, Labour, Livestock and Building, but none of these will profit him unless he understands the basic principles of farm management.

From this course I realized the importance of Farm Records, as they apply to the Farm Function.

One may ask why should we keep farm records? We keep Records: (1) To provide information on past history; (2) To provide information for future reference to know whether the animal or crop is profitable and (3) As a guide to greater efficiency.

Farm Records should be kept on: (1) Livestock—Information from—ROP, DHIA, Rate of Gain by feed conversion, Gestation periods, etc.; (2) Crops—Information on—Fertilizer applications, soil testing, yields per acre; (3) Complete accounts on Farm Receipts and Expenses.

This is just one of the many important steps in Farm Management.

WORK STUDY

A new course just begun lately is a Work Study Course which has been designed to save unnecessary steps in ordinary farming procedures and make one's work more efficient and time saving. It proved to me that one should plan his work before proceeding to do it, thereby making the job easier than it ordinarily might have been. This course will be developed further in the future in regard to Method and Work Study.

This management course covers much information in relation to greater development in Farming Organization. Remember that a Farm Manager determines the farm's success or failure.

The subjects which I have discussed are vitally important in every farming operation. With this in mind let us remember that a farmer is always learn-

ing in these fields, but the important thing in farming today is to be practical—yet at the same time he must be as economical and as efficient as possible, in order to make every dollar spent bring a dollar or better in return.

Young farmers must obtain more knowledge about new farming techniques and price fluctuations as they apply to supply and demand. They will have to cope with the vast changes in technology which will occur from year to year. The only way to get this knowledge will be through more education and practical training in relation to agriculture. The more education we can get now the more success we can expect in the future.

I firmly believe that the Diploma Course at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College can provide a great many new ideas and methods which are educational and practical to those concerned with agriculture.

I would wholeheartedly encourage any young man who is interested in this industry to take the Diploma Course at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College. Every young fellow needs to get away from the farm for a year or two, and this would be a golden opportunity to have a vacation from the farm and at the same time broaden his outlook in the different aspects of farming.

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