

# ISLAND NEWS PAGE

Montague, Souris, Kings County

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## Water And Tax Rates Set By Souris Council

SOURIS — Water rates have been set at a flat \$48 a year by the Souris Town Council at a special meeting. The council also approved a tax rate increase of

from \$1 per \$100 valuation to \$3.50 per \$100 valuation on real and personal property. The meeting also decided that both the water rates and the taxes will be payable in quarterly installments and the first bills with the new rates will be issued next week, it was stated. The council also announced that it expects Warren (Maritime) Ltd., the company which installed the water and sewerage system in the town, to fix up streets which caved in during the recent floods. The council says the company is expected to leave the streets in the same condition they were in before the installation of the services. It is hoped to have the street work started as soon after May 1 as possible.

## Employment Picture Good

No more than normal seasonal unemployment exists in this area, J.B. Murley of the National Employment Service, said yesterday. He pointed out that up to 1,500 lobster fishermen and workers in fish packing plants are scheduled to go back to work May 1, on the opening of the season, and noted that this class of people cannot work until the season is legally opened.

Mr. Murley said prospects for employment were very bright this year, as he remarked on the great amount of building scheduled. However, he also stated that due to this he foresaw a noticeable shortage of bricklayers this summer.

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A TEEN-AGE Safe Driving Road-E.O. sponsored by the Charlottetown Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be held May 12 in Charlottetown. Shown above is the Road-E.O. committee of the local JC unit. Left to right are Wil-

liam Campbell, Chester Mc Mackin and Allan MacLeod, sub-chairmen, with Miller MacLean, extreme right. Missing from the picture are Donald MacDonald and Thomas Davies, two other sub-chairmen.

## Teen-Age Safe Driving Event Planned By Ch'town Jaycees

Main item on the agenda of last night's regular meeting of the Charlottetown Junior Chamber of Commerce held in the Charlottetown Hotel was a report from Miller MacLean on the Teen-Age Safe Driving Road-E.O.

Winner of the local competition will go on to the Maritime competition. Applications should be sent to the Charlottetown Junior Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 318, Charlottetown. President Earl Beaton presided at the meeting, which welcomed the unit's newest member, Peter Davies. The effective speaking program was continued under the leadership of Henry MacWilliam, who was introduced by Ed Acorn and thanked by Gerald Matters.

## Geo'town Man Dies In Hospital

GEORGETOWN — The death occurred in the Kings County Memorial Hospital, Montague on Tuesday, April 24, of George Benjamin White, of Georgetown, in his 75th year.

Mr. White had been in failing health for some time but only entered hospital on the day of his passing. He was born in Murray River, a son of the late William Henry White and the late Ellen Allen of Boughton Island. He moved to Georgetown at an early age where he resided until his death.

The late Mr. White spent many years in the lobster fishery and sailed in the coastal trade with his father and later owned a small sailing craft which he operated in the coastal trade. He was a former court bailiff

and was Kings County jailer from 1935 to 1946. From 1946-54 he was a crew member of the Montague II, the ferry which formerly plied between Georgetown and Lower Montague.

He was well known throughout Kings County and a host of friends heard of his death with regret.

The late Mr. White was twice married and was predeceased by his first wife, Julia Hemphill, Georgetown, in 1936. He leaves to mourn his wife by his second marriage, the almost five pounds for the previous cost of four. Here is an opportunity for the housewife to improve the daily menu with a product of accepted quality. That extra pound of butter can make a world of difference either used as a spread or for baking purposes.

SPRING PROMISE Compared with conditions a year ago prospects are for a much earlier spring. Fields have been bare for sometime and successive light snow and showers have encouraged the optimist's view point might foresee grass by May 20. The application of fertilizer as soon as possible will, of course, hasten the growth.

April can be, if all the things that should be done are done, one of the busiest months of the year. New born livestock and the mothers require extra attention. Fences are to be repaired and new ones erected. Farm machinery must be checked and put in working condition. Seed and fertilizer must be prepared or stored and along with all this the day to day routine kept up. However, the days are longer and new vitality and energy appears to enable the farmer to speed up and work at an increased rate. Perhaps the big change in cropping is that of "following the horse" to one of riding the tractor. The tractor never tires, hours of work mean nothing to it and today much of the cultivation on farms is done during off hours. There are, of course, disadvantages, sitting on a tractor does not produce as finely tuned physical condition or close communication with the soil as walking for weeks after the horse.

POTATO MEETING Potato growers are reminded of the annual meeting of the Potato Producers Association to be held on Tuesday, May 1 at 2 p.m. at Birch Court Experimental Farm. Business of importance to the potato industry will be transacted. This meeting deserves good attendance.

## PROCLAMATION

The Town of Souris will adopt Advanced Summer Hours from midnight, April 28 to midnight, October 27.

C. E. LaVIE, Mayor.

## ANNUAL MEETING

P. E. I. Potato Producers' Association  
Tuesday, May 1st — 2:00 P.M.  
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## EASTERN BRIEFS

VISITED SUMMERSIDE Mrs. Angus Matheson, Montague, was a recent visitor to Summerside where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Fulton MacLeod and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Johnston.

HAGPIPE MUSIC Mr. and Mrs. Albert MacLeod and Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, Charlottetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Matheson, last week. During their visit, an enjoyable social evening featured hagpipe music.

WERE VISITORS Visitors to Montague over the weekend included Dr. and Mrs. John E. Stevens and three children, Linda, Susan, and John, Jr., of Riverside, Albert County, N.B.

IN MONTAGUE Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis and family of Halifax spent the Easter weekend in Montague, guest of Mrs. Leslie MacLeod, Mrs. E. S. Collins.

## Souris Plants Expect Fish Next Wednesday

SOURIS — The fish packing plants are hoping to swing into production next week when the first of the dragger fleet is due back in port.

Eleven of the 21 vessel fleet set out of Souris in the last two days, cleared through the Strait of Canso causeway lock and were expected to start fishing yesterday off the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia.

## Advanced Hours for Montague

MONTAGUE — At a special meeting of the Montague Town Council held last night in the council chambers, council members voted to adopt the Advanced Summer Hours in line with other centres.

expected back with fish about Wednesday. The other 10 vessels are expected to leave port for the fishing grounds before the end of the week.

Although ice poses no problem for the inshore fishermen in the Souris and Naufrage areas, fresh herring for bait for the lobster traps is lacking. The Magdalen Islands which usually supply bait to the Eastern Kings area when herring aren't running in this area, are reported to be unable to operate.

Ice and bait are reported problems in the North Lake and Morel areas. Fishermen in the Souris area say they aren't keen on having the opening of the lobster season postponed but will go along with the other areas which are hampered by ice.

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