

Cold storage facilities boost fish industry

Looking back over the past 28 years when the great move to better conditions of the fishermen began at Tignish, we note the vast expansion and improvement that has taken place. With the approval of a federal grant for the installation of cold storage and freezing facilities at Jades Point, a still greater expanding organization is expected.

The king of the shell fish family the lobster reached an all time high with the fishermen during the past season, despite the fact the setting of traps was delayed till May 30, due to the heavy ice conditions.

Tignish fishermen landed a record making 35,000 pounds of lobster with the top boat bringing in 1,300 pounds and several others over the 1,000 pound mark on a day in June during the season. A total of 873,000 pounds market lobster were recorded during the two seasons 132,000 market lobsters were trucked to Boston. The remainder of the catch was processed at Jades Point.

FISH LANDINGS
Fish landings at Tignish Co-op Fisheries Association for all types the cod, hake and mackerel were down over the previous year. Two car loads of choice boneless and salted cod produced and shalred by Skinners Pond fishermen were shipped to New York and Virginia during the Fall season.

The removal of the fish dryer from the village to Jades Point and the paving of the highway has helped greatly in the fish processing business. Tignish Co-op fisheries now carry on all their business from there where a staff of 25 is still employed. At the peak of the lobster boom 120 are on the payroll.

There are now more than 140 fishermen shareholders in the Tignish Co-op Fisheries, the Skinners pond fishermen joined in 1960. Greater expansion in the harvest from the sea is forecast for 1962 as the fisheries, make plans for another fish dryer at Jades Point, and a holding unit for the salt fish.

TANKS BUILT
Curing tanks with a capacity of 600,000 pounds of fish were built during the past year at Skinners pond. Five boats were built at the Fisheries Co-op

boat shop at Jades Point for fishermen in the area by Henry Arsenault and Arthur DesRoches.

Jerry Buote who operates a fishing business at Tignish Shore has a fishing fleet of 50 boats, his business has increased considerably in the past year. Large holding tanks were erected for the market lobster, the bulk of his catch goes into cans, this provides employment for a large number of people.

IRISH MOSS
The first shipment of Irish Moss from P.E.I. was made by Myrick and MacIntosh Ltd., in Sept., 1941. This proved to be the start of an industry that has been a boon to both farmers and fishermen. It has brought a lot of money to P.E.I. which has been spread out among a great many individual moss gatherers.

Irish Moss is a marine plant which contains vegetable gelatine. The extract derived from Irish Moss is used in hundreds of products. It is used as a stabilizer in chocolate milk, ice cream, drugs, etc., and for its gell properties in other products. It grows on rock ledges or on loose rocks from quite near shore out to a depth of several fathoms.

In the summer of 1941 when due to war conditions the importation of moss became impossible, the larger users of Irish Moss had to look for other sources of supply, and when their agents appeared in Tignish, the wheels of the moss industry started to roll.

With the disappearance of the ice on May 28 the moss business started its boom of the season. Tons of Irish Moss was thrown up on the shoreline from Klidare Cape around North Cape to Waterford. This was a welcome economic boost at the time, as funds were low with the lobster season delayed a month. The moss buyers have increased to six in the past year, with three dryers put into operation.

HISTORY UNFOLDS
One hundred years of history unfolded in Tignish during the past year, when St. Simon and St. Jude R. C. Church marked four days of centennial celebrations. Visitors in large numbers from all over Canada and the United States came to this area for the celebrations. This

resulted in much activity, and therefore was of economical value to the village.

A great many improvements were made in the community to properties, business establishments and homes in preparation for the celebrations. Headquarters to assist the tourists were set up at the Tignish Library, and private homeowners opened their doors to welcome the visitors.

The village was tastefully decorated for this occasion that will long be remembered.

Ratepayers in the village took a giant step forward in the past year, when they voted unanimous in favor of a much needed sewerage system. Rapid progress was made by the Roy F. Smith construction company till bad weather halted the project in December.

The project is 50 per cent completed and is expected to be fully completed this fall. A few places are already connected in emergency areas. A portion of land purchased on the Ascension Road from Lloyd Ready was turned into a new village dump. A big project carried on under the winter works program was the building of three water reservoirs for the fire department one on the Blind Road, one on Phillips Street, in the new built up area, and one at the north end of Church Street.

Three new street lights were added during the year. Prizes were presented for home improvements during the past summer. First prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Patreul who had their home renovated and re-decorated. Second prize, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Harper; third prize Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fitzgerald. Prizes were also given for the Christmas decoration light up contest. First prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fitzgerald. Second prize J. Peter Gaudet, Third prize Mr. and Mrs. Earl Macdonald.

A Co-op housing development is now available in the village for any group contemplating building the co-op way. This will be a great benefit for new home owners. Village Commissioners are J. B. Myrick Jr., Terrance Gavia, E. C. Gaudette, William Handran, Russell J. Perry, Roy MacLeod.

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MASSIVE SEWERAGE INSTALLATION WAS STARTED IN TIGNISH IN '61

fast growing village are the firemen, comprising 20 members, with Earl Macdonald as fire chief, and LeRoy Arsenault, captain. In the past year they held a cribbage tournament, and used the profits to improve fire fighting equipment. Fire supplies were purchased, also two smoke masks. The fire department now has 40,000 gallons of water available for fire fighting. Chief Earl Macdonald reported a very successful collection again this year for muscular dystrophy. This has been sponsored by the firemen for the fourth consecutive year.

The Tignish outdoor skating rink put into operation in Dec. 61 made a number of large improvements in the past three months. A new plywood building 32x16 feet has been completed with two heated dressing rooms, ticket office and a modern canteen. From this building the skater emerges onto a large ice surface 185x70 feet. The ice surface is well lighted for evening skating. Two new hockey nets have been provided for the nine organized teams. Another building houses a new water system.

HOME IMPROVED
The Tignish Legion Branch that aids the community in various ways has come forward a lot since the year of its forming 1919.

Improvements to their modern home were carried out during the past year when two new rooms were completed in the basement of the building, the branch has been sponsoring the air cadets since 1957, and reports a full compliment again this season. During the past year the legion held a carnival that featured live ponies, as an added attraction for the very young.

Legion week was observed in August under the leadership of the President J. Peter Gaudet. During the centennial celebration carried in the village the parades were under the direction of the legion members.

History was made at the annual meeting in December when a woman was elected as a member of the executive. She was Mrs. Gilbert Judge who served overseas as a nursing sister during the Second World War, and saw action in Italy at the Battle of Monte Cassino.

Due to the expanding business of the Tignish Co-operative Association, an extension was added to the self service grocery store, making more space available for cash registers and merchandise.

Russell J. Perry went into business for himself during the past year, when he took over the Irving Service station, and

Opening of high school is highlight at O'Leary

Undoubtedly the highlight of the past year in the incorporated village of O'Leary was the official opening Oct. 31 of a new regional high school described as one of the finest in the province.

The 140 x 60 building, of masonry construction contains six classrooms and their attending facilities, and a beautiful 54 x 100 auditorium. Plans are underway for a number of additional classrooms and a vocational training wing.

The first sod for the new building was turned June 18, 1960 by Premier W. R. Shaw and classes commenced on Jan. 3, 1961. At the official opening the cornerstone was laid by Hon. L. G. Dewar, minister of education and the ceremony of cutting the ribbon was performed by Claude Jelley, chairman of the board of trustees.

CO-OP HOUSING
A second indication of growth in the community was the successful completion of a co-operative housing development known as the Parkview Housing Group, Ltd. The first sod for the construction of five new homes under this plan was turned on May 25 by Alvin Palmer, chairman of the Village Commissioners. The home owners, who moved into their dwellings in February are Orville Willis, Ian Strang, Stirling Ellis, George Bernard and Harry S. Ramsay.

The development is located on Main Street at the western approaches to the village. Early in July O'Leary was designated by the provincial government as the second pilot area in a resources development program. A well attended meeting took place on July 29 in the new regional high school

made many changes. With an increase in business he and his two mechanics LeRoy Arsenault and Emanuel DesRoches are preparing for another busy year.

E. C. Gaudette and Sons erected a large frostproof warehouse near the CNR tracks in the village, where potatoes may be handled during the winter season.

MODERN NEW
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post office and for the department of fisheries and agriculture.

Completion of the sanitary sewer system and the construction of a four-acre treatment lagoons was the biggest project initiated by the town of Alberton in 1961. Some new pavement and new sidewalks were laid during the year and improvement was made in street lighting.

A brook which flows through the central part of the town was deepened and widened to provide 5,000 gallons additional water supply for the fire department. This brings the total reserve to 42,500 gallons. It is believed that the town now has the most adequate fire fighting equipment and one of the most competent crews in its history, one that would compare favorably with that to be found in any town of its size.

Fire Chief Burke and his voluntary firemen have demonstrated their community spirit not only in fire fighting and fire prevention work. Last spring they gave the lead in planting the first flower bed in a public place and before Christmas they, in co-operation with two places of business, erected the first street Christmas trees the town has had.

PARK OPENED
The official opening of Jacques Cartier Park by Premier W. R. Shaw in October was an event of interest to Alberton and surrounding area. Situated about four miles from town, citizens watched with keen interest its development during the summer months and were happy to observe the enthusiasm of tourists and local people who enjoyed its restful beauty, its camping and picnicking facilities and its fine beach.

Accommodation for Alberion Industries, a boat building firm, at Alberton South was considerably increased last fall when they purchased two additional buildings. These, with the shop they had formerly occupied, were moved to a new location right on the water front, and joined together to form one large building.

Perhaps the event of most significance to Alberton and all West Prince was the beginning of restoration of shipping to Alberton Harbour. This restoration to the once busy port was heralded last July when the 341-foot "Orefax" docked with 3,000 tons of crushed rock. This, the largest ship ever to enter the harbour, was safely piloted in by LeMont Huit of Alberton South.

Dredging of the harbour entrance begun in 1959 was completed last fall. The restoration of shipping to Alberton has been a long term project of the Alberton and West Prince Board of Trade and of local representatives in both provincial and federal governments.

When Premier Shaw visited the area in October he promised that Alberton would be made a port of call for the federal-provincial subsidized shipping service from this province to north St. Lawrence shore ports, conditional upon the guarantee that shippers in the area could ship a minimum of 80 tons of produce.

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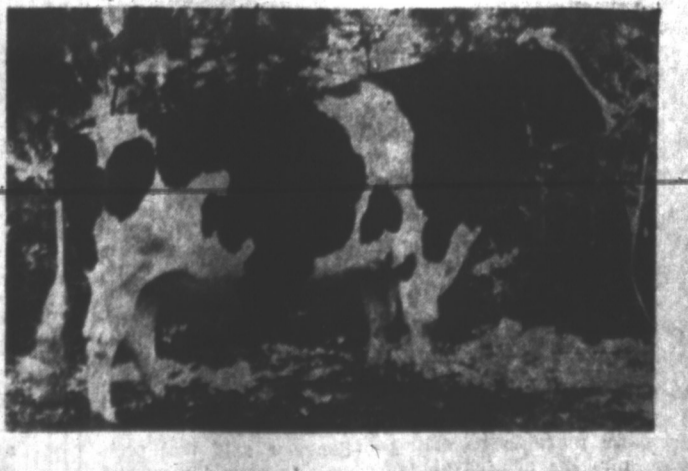
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