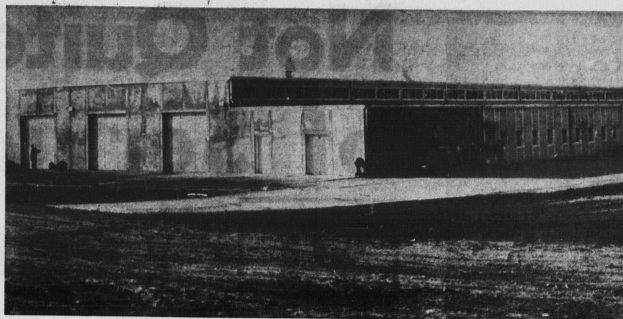


ASSEMBLY LINES HANDLED 3,000 ACRES IN 1962



MILLION DOLLAR SEMAN'S PLANT IS LOCATED AT NEW ANNAN

Seeman's uses 3,000 acres; expansion planned in '63

In their first crop year the food processing plant of Seeman Bros (Canada) Ltd. at New Annan proved a market for 3,000 acres of farm produce, composed of peas, potatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, spinach, and Brussels sprouts.

The company is now completing plans for an increase in acreage this year.

The acreage last year was composed of some 1,700 acres of peas, 700 acres of potatoes, 500 acres of "cote crops," broccoli, Brussels sprouts, and cauliflower, and 100 acres of spinach.

The plant, which operates steadily for 10 months of the year, employs from 75 persons in minimum production periods to 350 during production peaks.

This establishment, the largest food processing plant in the province, has, under one roof, an area equal to an acre and a half.

Included in this plant is a huge frozen food storage capable of handling 4,500,000 pounds of refrigerated food products.

This plant, which began operation on Oct. 18, 1961, is under the management of Murray MacEwen, assisted by a capable executive staff which includes: Don Wood, field superintendent; Stan Moore, field man; Frank Currie, controller; Ray Smith, quality control supervisor; Raeburn Orr, plant superintendent; Lloyd Lawless, personnel manager; Gerald McCarville, traffic and warehouse manager.

Flexibility lures industry

Industry and natural resources Minister Leo Rossiter said the government has no set route but a flexibility which can meet the needs of a particular industry wanting to locate in the province.

"What we do in each case," he said, "is attempt to come up with a program for a prospective industry that will fit its particular needs."

Already the government has been successful in enticing two large companies to operate in the province. For more than a year, the giant Seaman Bros. (Canada) Limited plant at New Annan has been in operation and construction of a \$1,000,000 frozen food plant in Montague for Fraser Valley Frooted Foods Limited, a British Columbia firm, will begin soon.

PROVIDES PLANT

In each case the government provides the plant on a lease-purchase basis.

Mr. Rossiter announced recently that two industries will locate in the province in 1963.

There is speculation that the plants will manufacture plastics or electronic equipment.

Also being investigated is small industry involving peat moss, Irish Moss and instant mashed potatoes.

"We will," said Mr. Rossiter, "also study the possibility of processing lobsters and other basic resources in the province so that more local labor will be used."

"We will also intensify our industrial development efforts by direct contact, advertising and promotion in large centers, such as Toronto, Montreal, New York and Chicago. I will probably, quite frequently, spend a week in each centre interviewing industrial prospects. Such visits would be preceded by local advertisements, notifying interested firms that I will be in their areas for contact."

Mr. Rossiter said one important factor in this province's success in attracting industry is that there is "good legislation on our books that is attractive to industry."

Miscouche residents plan to establish tourist park

Residents of Miscouche are looking forward to the summer season when the community will have its own park area.

To make this possible the Miscouche firemen have purchased 15 acres of shore land, fronting on Northumberland Strait, and the park area is being landscaped, with plans to have it in operation for the enjoyment of tourists as well as local residents.

Fifteen new homes were built in the incorporated village of Miscouche during the past year, and a new regional high school is under construction, with tentative plans for its official opening this spring.

The village residents also have plans for an extension of their fire hall, the purchase of a new fire truck, and a new heating system has been installed in the fire hall which has been completely painted.

38 VOLUNTEERS

The Miscouche fire department consists of 38 volunteer members who have, during the year, responded to eight calls within the village area and an additional eight calls from adjacent districts which do not have fire fighting equipment.

The affairs of the village are conducted under the direction of six elected commissioners who are Eddie Laughlin, Alfred Gaudet, Gerald DesRoches, Abbie Gaudet, Paul LeClair, Eric DesRoches.

During the past year a Boy Scout group was organized in Miscouche, and the boys are participating with real enthusiasm in all phases of scouting.

Sidewalks for the built up area of the village have been under consideration and work on this project is expected to commence as soon as spring or summer weather conditions permit.

Recently the village acquired a new postmistress in the person of Mrs. Marie DesRoches who has replaced the retired post master Elmer Gaudet.

A new station agent, Ralph Blacquire, of Summerside, has replaced retired Miscouche agent, Emmett Power, who served for 28 years with the CNR.

EPIDEMIC DYING

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—A gastro-enteritis epidemic which reached epidemic proportions in Newfoundland during December and January appears to be dying out. More than 100 persons were admitted to hospital since the epidemic last November. Two deaths have been attributed to gastro-enteritis. There have been no new admissions to hospital here in recent weeks and few new cases have been reported.

Business equipment firm reports steady growth

The Cudmore Business Equipment opened in 1951 in the Whelan Building on Grafton Street. The following year the firm moved to the Sidney T. Green Building on Queen Street and after seven years moved to its present site on Grafton Street in order to permit further expansion.

Mr. Cudmore, the owner and manager, is a well known Charlottetown resident. Graduating from Prince of Wales College he joined the RCAP in 1943 and was discharged as a sergeant in 1945.

He played on the Maritime Championship "Legionaires" Intermediate "A" hockey team from 1946 to 1948 and is now active in golf and badminton.

He is also well known in music being director of Queen Charlotte High School band and is associated with the Downtowners dance band since its inception in 1945. He is also active in the P.E.I. Regimental Band.

Mrs. Cudmore is active in the business serving as receptionist and stenographer. The service department is under the supervision of Donald Dover who is assisted by David Burgoyne.

Cudmore's has the exclusive Prince Edward Island dealership for the following firms: Underwood-Olivetti and Victor-Compiometer Business Machines; A. B. Dick Canada Ltd.; Theomax Copy Machines; Philips Dictating Machines; B.K. Juhl Steel Furniture and Seaman-Cross Limited.

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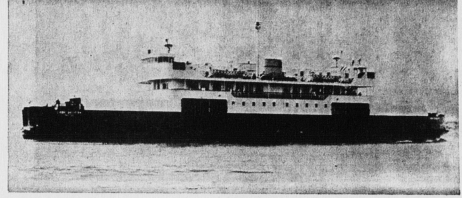
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