

Big Yield, Achievements Marked Year For Farmers

By J. LINCOLN DEWAR

The year 1966 has had in many respects a great deal to recommend it. Generally the weather has been unusually pleasant and satisfactory, growing conditions produced very good crops indeed and while our potato people are not enjoying good prices, that industry has under its belt 2 1/2 years of very good returns.

An interested group of young farmers have been promoting a Soil and Crop Improvement Association which shows signs of focusing attention on improved cultural practices. Very definite interest was developing in the possibilities associated with barley and corn production. The tobacco growers had a tremendous year and they deserve it because both their investment and risk-taking was very great, it is fine to see the pioneers in any industry rewarded in the early stages.

Some new faces appeared in government circles adding interest and speculation as to what changes might be associated with the new broom. Possibly the most important thing that happened was an apparent development of agricultural optimism and a realization that the province has a tremendous agricultural potential with rewards for those who organize themselves with efficient well-financed, and well-managed units.

ACROSS THE ISLAND

Regulations Recall Railway Opposition

By NEIL A. MATHESON

A NUMBER of people are opposed to the construction of the causeway-bridge-tunnel across the Northumberland Strait. But there was keen opposition to the railway, for example, when it was constructed something like 90 years ago. I was looking for something else when I came across some interesting references to regulations that were passed to make the building of the railway possible.

Fines Went As High As \$60

THE FINE could go as high as \$60 for carrying such dangerous items as lucifer matches, inflammable oil, or other goods of a dangerous character without distinctly marking a suitable warning on the outside of the package. For getting on, or off the train while it was moving, the fine could be as much as six dollars.

Drinking Severely Frowned On

THE RULE against drinking by railway employees is one of the strictest, and most rigidly enforced law. It was also rigidly enforced then, apparently. The railway commissioner had power "to seize and detain" any conductor, porter or engine driver of any train, "who shall be found drunk while employed on the railway."

To furnish teeth for the regulations it was provided that "lock-up" house should be supplied along the railway lines, which should be lawful places of detention for persons charged with offences against this (railway) act.

The right of way was 66 feet wide. I TALKED last week about the early days of the operation of the Borden-Tormentine car ferry and a find in some old notes of mine that car drivers would have to arrive at Cape Tormentine, or at Borden, one hour before the time of departure of the car ferry itself.

The car ferry made two round trips daily. The fare for automobiles was four dollars each way. Memory tells me that the fare for a return trip was seven dollars, but that is not covered in my notes.

An old paper told me that "about ninety percent of the time", the car ferry made an extra mid-day crossing each way.

Beach Grove is now a home for elderly people, but approximately 45 years ago it was advertised as "The most beautifully located summer hotel in the Maritime Provinces".

The advertisement added "our own auto service running at 20 minute intervals places the hotel in close touch with Charlottetown."

The Orient Hotel—the proprietor was H. R. Profit, and the address Victoria, though I believe the hotel was in the Hampton area—had rates of \$2.50 daily, or \$12 to \$14 a week. The hotel's transportation would meet trains, on request, at Breadalbane.

One of the P.E.I. Tourist Association's advertisements featured a pasture field with a herd of Ayrshire cattle. Garages were advertised in 19 centres—there were only three garages in Summerside at the time. At least that's all that were advertised.

Black Fox Trail To Tormentine

VISITORS FROM outside the province were advised to "Take the Black Fox Trail to Cape Tormentine."

Speaking of Black Foxes, Vimy Agnes, owned by Lt. Col. D. A. MacKinnon, Charlottetown was advertised as world champion in the fox show of 1922, with 95 1/2 points.

Here are some rules of the road for motorists some 45 years ago. "Speed limit of 25 miles per hour while the driver has a clear view of the road ahead for at least 100 yards from turns, and intersections, in the direction in which the motor vehicle is proceeding."

"On streets or highways in any city, or incorporated town, the speed limit was 12 miles per hour."

"When approaching and passing any car, or carriage, slow down to a moderate speed and thus avoid accidents, and the dust."

Island News Page

The Guardian, Charlottetown, Thurs., Dec. 29, 1966.

Mayor Bruce Yeo Extends Greetings

MONTAGUE — New Year's greetings for 1967 are extended by Mayor Bruce Holmes Yeo and Town Councillors of the Municipality of Montague. It is a pleasure to once again extend New Year's greetings to all our citizens and all our good friends and neighbours throughout the district.

A number of projects were completed in 1966 to the satisfaction of the citizens. The Montague Regional High School consisting of 44 rooms is filled to capacity. A new athletic field has been added immediately behind the school. The field was made possible by the regional board, which includes outlying districts. We are anticipating a Vocational School being built in the very near future.

The Montague Elementary School with its fourteen modernized classrooms is a great educational tribute to the town and the surrounding community. Extensive landscaping, paving on the property for school parking, and a special section for games have been completed.

The Garden of the Gulf Museum is not only one of the greatest tourist attractions in our town, but also in our province, bringing more and more people from all parts of Canada and the United States each year.

Several new units have been added to the senior citizens housing project. These new units have all been occupied and it is hoped that more will be built in the future.

As part of our Centennial project, a new artificial ice skating rink will be opened early in the new year. This project was under the supervision of the community welfare league. The town wishes to congratulate the members of the league on their initiative in this gigantic undertaking.

A special care centre which will accommodate fifty patients is presently under construction at an estimated cost of a half million dollars. This should take care of patients who are presently using the facilities of our now overcrowded King's County Hospital.

The Montague Fire Department, under the direction of Fire Chief Doug Coffin, has been most efficient during the past year. A new fire truck at a cost of \$10,000 has been added to the present equipment. Montague now has one of the best equipped fire departments in the province. A few months ago, chief Coffin was appointed Provincial Fire Marshal and Ralph Beck has now taken over the duties of Fire Chief of the town.

In closing, Mayor Yeo wishes to extend best wishes to all our citizens for their co-operation and friendliness during the past year. The best is all for 1967, the mayor concluded.

Day-blooming flowers placed indoors in dim light will continue to open at sunrise and fold up at sunset.

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Weekly Livestock Sales Are Held

The numbers of cattle offered were down—there were 51 head—but "the bidding was brisk, with prices stronger on all classes" at the Weekly Livestock Sales this week. It has been learned reliably. Finished steers and heifers were in good demand. There were five bib calves, 19 grassers, six drinkers, five fat calves, 21 cows, 34 steers, heifers, bulls and feeders.

The following are the prices and the classification: Steers — medium, \$22.50 - \$25.00; common, \$20.00 - \$22.50. Heifers — medium, \$22.00 - \$24.75; common, \$19.00 - \$22.00. Cows — good, \$17.50 - \$19.75; medium, \$15.00 - \$17.00; canners and cutlers, \$14.35 - \$15.00. Bulls — medium and common, \$18.50 - \$19.50. Feeders — Dairy type, \$16.00 - \$21.50; beef and beef cross, \$20.00 - \$22.50. Grassers — \$15.50 - \$22.50. Drinkers — \$22.00 - \$23.50. Fat calves — \$24.00 - \$28.25. Bob calves — \$25.00 - \$34.00 per head.

Centennial Activities Are Underway Here

Montague Centennial activities are underway and on New Year's Eve, Mayor B.H. Yeo will light the Centennial bonfire at 9:30 p.m. on a vacant lot, on John Bear Drive.

Fire Chief, Ralph Beck, assisted by the firemen will look after the fire. Anyone wishing to contribute their Christmas trees for this fire may do so. The town siren will blow at

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EXPO GETS \$250,000

OTTAWA (CP) — A grant of \$250,000 to the Canadian Corporation for the 1967 World Exhibition was announced Wednesday by Labor Minister Ficholson. The grant from Central Mortgage and Housing Corp. is to help meet costs of research and design in the development of an experimental housing project called Habitat 67 at next year's world fair in Montreal.

WINTER WELCOME ALL

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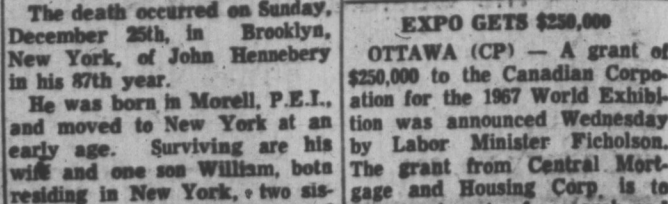
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City Man Is Fined \$125

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