

Competition This Year Was An Improved Project

by J. LINCOLN DEWAR
 This year's Hay Competition is the second year was an improved project in point of display surroundings and particularly in the display of the three top samples in each class in a booth in the main building.

The best sample of legume hay shown by Wilfred MacKinley, North River was the champion exhibit of the show. It will be recalled that Mr. MacKinley also had the champion sample last year. As a second time winner it would seem obvious to conclude that Mr. MacKinley is an expert in hay making and knows what he is about.

This year's exhibits in the grass hay class did not appear to be up to last year's quality, they were coarser and the lack of leafiness appeared to be fairly general. The winner in this class Arthur Wheatley of North River has also been consistently successful over the years.

In the mixed hay class Taylor Brothers of Norton, New Brunswick had the best sample. Another out-of-the-province winner taking fourth place for clover was Casey VanDeSande, R.R. 2, Norton R.R. 2, N.B.; 4. Casey

Sylvan Valley, Antigonish, N.S. The competitors from out of the province were certainly welcome and took home three of the prizes.

In total some 70 samples were shown, slightly more than last year. Listed below are the prize winners in the different classes.

PRIZE WINNERS
 Prize winner in legume hay class, sponsored by P.E.I. Dairy-men's Assoc. and P.E.I. Fluid Milk Association: 1. Wilfred MacKinley, North River; 2. J. L. Dewar, New Perth; 3. Taylor Bros. Norton R.R. 2, N.B.; 4. Casey

VanDeSande, R.R. 2, Sylvan Valley, Antigonish, N.S. 5. A. G. Moore, Pownal; 6. B. B. Jones, Bunbury; 7. Experimental Farm, Charlottetown; 8. Robert Shaw, Bloomfield.

Prize winners in grass hay class, sponsored by New Holland Machinery Co.: 1. Arthur Wheatley, North River; 2. Russell Wheatley, North River; 3. Ivan Turner, Winsloe; 4. Lorne Glydon, Kensington, R.R.; 5. William Nicholson, New Glasgow; 6. St. Vincent's Farm, Charlottetown R.R. 7; 7. Garry Ford, Harrington.

Prize winners in mixed hay, sponsored by P.E.I. Exhibition Association: 1. Taylor Bros. Norton R.R. 2; 2. Ivan Turner, Winsloe; 3. Wilfred MacKinley of North River; 4. Experimental Farm, Charlottetown; 5. Donald Platts, Howlan; 6. John W. Johnstone, Long River; 7. Andrew C. Wright and Son, Bedouque.

EXHIBITION THOUGHTS
 The tremendous popularity of Old Home Week may be attributed to the drawing power of the horseracing, the midway and the shows in the coliseum. Possibly to this should be added the desire of the people to be where there are crowds and to meet with acquaintances.

Having recognized the attractions in their logical order we now come to purely agricultural matters in relation to the Fair, and are forced to conclude that the drawing power here is practically nil. In an industry which is very machinery conscious the almost complete absence of a farm machinery display where thousands upon thousands of interested viewers would be available is very puzzling indeed.

The show in the handicraft building is slipping in quantity if not in quality, and the reasons for this would appear to merit some consideration. The third remaining facet of the agricultural picture is the livestock and while the Hay's formula has certainly put more economic sense into the business it has certainly downgraded the

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number of animals involved and shortened the time during which they are on display.

Everyone who thinks that agriculture is a very rapidly changing industry. Practices which were considered advanced 10 years ago are now obsolete and this is so regardless of what branch of agriculture may be considered. The time would appear to have arrived when very careful thought should be given to the role and function of exhibitions in relation to modern agriculture. It might be logical to conclude that if exhibitions do not change in keeping with a changing agriculture, that their contribution becomes open to question.

WHITE ONTO THE HARVEST
 The outstanding feature of the Island landscape at the moment is the golden fields of grain now rapidly approaching the harvest stage. Seldom have we seen so many grain fields ripe at the same time and such an excellent appearance of good yield side by side with them in many cases are very beautiful fields of red clover with most gorgeous coloring providing a contrast that is really striking.

NEW STRIKE
 At time of writing the hatches are being battened down for a round of heavy weather with the

railways. We are hopeful that this particular strike should not be allowed to materialize. Railways are an extremely important mechanism in the Canadian economy which could be seriously injured if a railway strike continued for any length of time.

Certainly we are not passing judgment on the issues involved but it might appear logical to conclude that any situation can be resolved where there is a real determination to do so and where, what is more important there is a high sense of responsibility and concern for the general welfare. In far too many cases strike settlements when

arrived at produce featuring which might have been achieved in a very short space of time if there were more concern for the public good, and less concern with face-saving and jockeying for position and advantage.

Theme Song Announced

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Opposition Leader Dr. Noel Murphy invited Newfoundland's organized labor movement Tuesday to "join in our new theme song—'We're Coming to Take Him Away'."

He told delegates to the annual convention of the Newfoundland Labor Federation the reference was to a popular ditty currently on the hit charts.

The "him" referred to was an obvious dig at Liberal Premier Joseph Smallwood, who has called a provincial election for Sept. 8.

Dr. Murphy told the delegates it was "with very great regret that I see the premier still refuses or at least does not see fit to attend your conventions in person. But still you had a cabinet minister here this year... and the government may have seen the error of its ways."

Premier Smallwood declined an invitation to speak at the convention, as he has done each time he was invited since a violence-torn loggers strike in 1959 when a severe rift developed between labor and government over decertification of the International Woodworkers of America.

Federation President Esau Thomas, introducing Dr. Murphy, said the opposition have been "the only doors open to us."

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British Make Tiny TV Set

LONDON (CP) — A British-made television set which can fit into the palm of the hand is being featured at an international display of radio and television equipment here this week.

Developed by a small firm in Cambridge, the set has a two-inch screen and its over-all dimensions are four inches by 2 1/4 inches by two inches. It uses a 15-inch telescopic antenna.

Power is supplied by six small flashlight batteries. The company says it hopes to be producing 1,000 of the sets a month by next January and expects they will sell for about \$150.

Newspaper specialists who saw the set in operation described the picture as lacking in definition, but said poor reception at the exhibition grounds could have been to blame.

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CHEWING GUM SEALS LEAK

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP) Fireman Robert W. Brock got a call Tuesday night. Gasoline was leaking from the tank of a car.

Brock responded, couldn't find the owner, slapped his chewing gum over the hole in the gasoline tank and returned to the station.

PUSH NEW INVENTIONS

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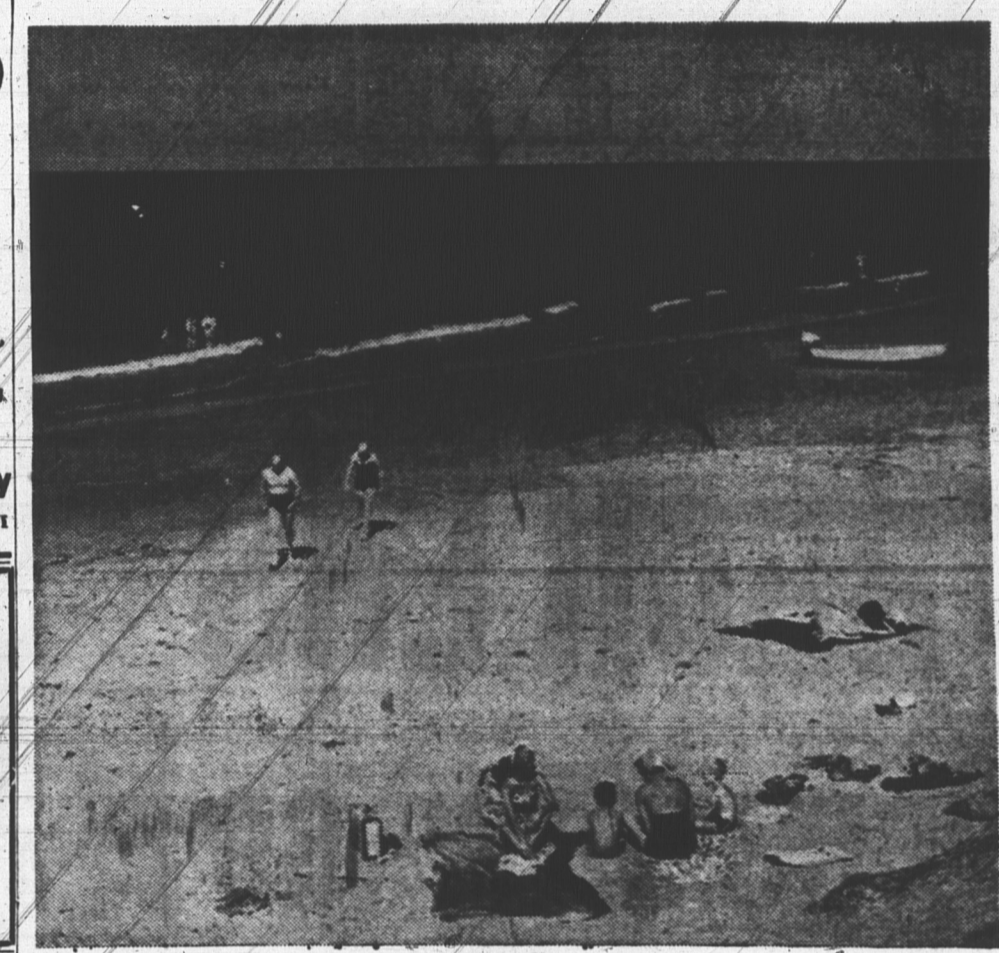
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