



ONE WAY STREET-IN ALL DIRECTIONS

Japanese drivers who make the grade on this switchback nightmare 80 miles north of Tokyo turn every direction on the compass on this new highway which goes only one way — up. The newly opened road at Nikko National Park winds for about five miles upward from the top left. Another road takes them down. (AP Wirephoto)

THIS FARMING INDUSTRY



Fox Pelts Reported Bringing High Price

By NEIL A. MATHESON
Older readers know exactly what I mean when I say that the silver fox industry was the glamor phase of this province's economy 40 to 45 years ago. Younger ones know that the industry slumped drastically and almost faded out of existence. But right now foxes are paying their way. Pelts are bringing \$50 each at the present time and that compares with something like \$10 to \$15 in recent years. And I'm talking now about the better pelts.

The long-hair furs are on the comeback but Clayton Mills, Kensington RR, told me yesterday that the demand for those furs from Japan is playing a large part in the fox fur revival. The economy has improved there and they are in the market for good furs of this kind, Clayton tells me.

The only thing wrong with the good prices, so far as this province is concerned, is that there are virtually no foxes left here. The best estimate I could get this morning was that there are probably one half dozen breeders left in the province. And most of them have very few foxes.

And that reminds me that Clayton expects the biggest fox show in some years — he suggests up to 150 animals — when the P.E.I. annual fur show is held November 9 through November 12. Foxes must be in their places in the show room on Tuesday, November 9 and judging will commence at 9 a.m. on Wednesday. The show building will be open Tuesday from 9 in the morning to 11 at night. Fox exhibitors will be responsible this year for the classification of their own animals, but the judge will reclassify animals that are obviously in the wrong classes.

The classification committee will classify all of the mink.

ENTRY DEADLINE
Mr. Mills is president of the Prince Edward Island Fur Breeders Association that is staging the show here. Entries must be in the hands of secretary Claude A. Paynter, 20 Hillside Drive, Charlottetown by Saturday, October 30, and this is important.

The show is open to the public at 10 a.m. on November 10. The committee in charge is expecting the largest show of mink in many years. There's a double reason; there will be no mink at the Atlantic Winter Fair this year, and the Nova Scotia mink show, normally held at Yarmouth, will not be held this year.

I'm told that the experimental fox farm at Summerside will send a selection of foxes to the show here next month. This will help to increase the number of fox entries.

I said the fox pelt prices are up, and so they are. But present day prices of \$50 a pelt, are a far cry from the boom days of the industry.

Back in 1917, for example, 10 pelts sold for an average of \$25 each; 25 skins sold for an average of \$280 and 500 more brought an average of \$250. But the Guardian of that day was almost apologetic for the prices. The news story carefully explained that the pelts sold had been some of the "poorer quality" ones. They were the result of a weeding-out process by ranchers, who had kept the really good animals.

"Next year's returns are expected to reveal a decided improvement", the news story predicted optimistically.

GOOD CROPS
There are some unusually good potato crops in the province this year, and that is in spite of the driest year on record. This may not be the best production, but Leo Gallant on the Colville Road has achieved estimated production of 525 bushels per acre on his six-acre field.

Many of the Gallant spuds, of the Kennebec variety are so large, though, that a portion of them may be unusable. I gather the man manured the land heavily last fall, then applied a ton of fertilizer last spring. Asked why he did that, his father John Wilfred Gallant told me that his son always follows the manure - fertilizer application routine.

Several other people have told me of bumper potato crops, but I have to estimate that the crop this year is down from a year ago.

A reliable source told me Monday that this year's crop will probably be average, or very close to it; last year's crop was a bumper one.

The F.W. Ward and Sons analytical report says this week the Island's production will be 146 hundredweights per acre, with total production of 6,278,000 hundredweights. This compares, the Ward analysis suggests, with production last year of 209.3 hundredweights per acre, and total production of 8,272,000 hundredweights.

MORE ACREAGE
Total acreage this year is estimated at 43,000, and that's 3,000 acres more than a year ago. The Island crop is down 75

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PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Aluminum Co. of America Monday reported third-quarter net income of \$17,004,301, up from \$14,746,296 for the third quarter of last year.

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Alcoa reported net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 totalled \$56,124,530 or \$2.53 a share. For the same period last year the net was \$44,472,074 or \$1.99 a share.

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