

HUNTERS'

(Continued from page 9) as there was no mention in the report of meeting just when view he gave?

The columnist has given an views often enough and they are well known. Our Huns and pheasants, that furnished sport fields that couldn't be improved upon a few years back, are now on the protected list. The rabbit season itself within a twenty five or thirty mile radius of Charlottetown, in the days before calcium chloride and pesticides, had a daily bag limit of 8 and only two hunting dogs to use at the same time.

Our rabbits were looked upon as something that didn't raise conservation thought. A three month open season — November 1st to January 31st — with the sky the limit with regard to the daily take and number of hunting dogs allowed, in hunting. Some hunters wouldn't dream going out without at least eight beagles. The record number

running in a swamp is eleven in this columnist's book of remembrances. Rabbits are not to be fed on foxes or other animals, according to the Game Act, but there are hunters, professed conservationists as a matter of fact, who stock pile rabbits for dog food. This winter I was told by a reliable party that three years ago he called on a rabbit hunter who has a large kennel of rabbit dogs with a view of selling him some horse meat for his dogs. He didn't get to first base in his effort. The party in question took him to a building and opened the door and showed him a pile of rabbits stacked up like cordwood and remarked: "What do I want with horse meat?"

SAVED THE DAY

It was our wild geese that saved the day for our waterfowl hunters this season and they sure look it on the chin—if they had a chin. Hunters are wondering how long they can stand up to the illegal hunting methods to which they were subjected this past season — Magnum

ten gauges, rifles, speed boats, night shooting. The next thing we know someone will swipe one of the cannons at Victoria Park and load it up with scrap iron.

Toward the end of November a concentration moved in to Orwell bay in the area between Donald John MacKenzie's Point and Halliday's. They were not there in the evening but were there in the morning. My hunting partner spotted them in the drawing and said the rays of the rising sun shining on the serried ranks of white breasts was a sight to be remembered. He estimated at least two thousand in the concentration. I talked to Donald John later and he said he had never seen so many geese in 'The Cove' in his life.

According to information received the geese had a quiet day but that night two car loads of night shooters arrived and shot until after midnight. The next morning the geese were rafted off Mitchell's shore at the mouth of China Creek. It wasn't too long till a speed boat with two men in it loitered right around McInnis Point on the Earncliffe side.

It drew this concentration of geese, like a homing pigeon with shots popping like a string of firecrackers. For minutes the sky was darkened with honking geese. Later they formed into flock formation and moved to Buchanan's Island. The speed boat followed and routed them out of there. Strange, as it may seem, at least a portion of this concentration came back to the area near McInnis's Point, where they were in the morning, and the speed boat operators had another spell bombarding them.

Wild geese were seen no more. In this area and information disclosed they headed in the direction of Port Joli, Nova Scotia, and were seen no more. I was furnished with a minute description of both speed boat and its occupants. I was told that after this bombardment the speed boat was beached at Melissa's Point and its two occupants walked to the old Mutch farmhouse now occupied by a Dutchman.

As an aftermath to the night shooting episode, the night previous, four freshly shot wild-

geese were picked up along the shore between Angus Nicholson's Point and Birch Island. All had their breasts torn off by gulls and were unfit for table use. Night shooting is a hit and miss game and more birds are lost than are brought to hand. The sixty-four dollar question is: how long will our wildgeese absorb such punishment before shunning our shores completely? It could happen quickly and without advance warning. Wildgeese are like that — they'll absorb punishment until they feel they have enough and then move out in a body. When this happens our hunters cannot say that they were not warned.

KILLER DIES
COLAGNE, West Germany (Reuters)—A West German due to go on trial next week charged with complicity in Hitler's euthanasia program fell to his death from an eighth-storey window here Wednesday, police reported. Friedrich Tillman, 60, was former director of the Cologne orphanage and a director in the Nazi euthanasia central office in Berlin during the Second World War.



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