

Sickness Poses Problem For This Farm Columnist

By NEIL A. MATHESON

I have several interesting bits of comment and news that the main reason I'm writing this column—it's the first work I've done since the doctor ordered a strict "complete rest" regime two weeks ago—is to tell my friends of the livestock world, and other exhibition fans, why I disappeared from the Provincial Exhibition Coliseum on Tuesday evening.

I was on my way back to town from Southport I intended to turn in the story I had written on the day's cattle and swine show, and then attended the Avshire hafter sale. But a tight soreness in my chest changed the situation rapidly.

A blood pressure check indicated I had been working much too hard and that was that. In fairness to my publisher, Bill Hancock, and my friends Willie Ward and Pius Callaghan who handle the managing editor's duties, I want to say the hard work bit is entirely my own fault. These men have long since put me completely on my own, and emphasized the perils of overwork.

But the Matheson home was really rocked when Mrs. Matheson went to the hospital with a fairly bad case of pneumonia, and last Friday suffered a stroke, which paralyzed her left side. The deterioration in her condition had the morale of my daughters and myself just as low as it could be by Monday morning.

Yesterday noon our medical adviser talked with us at length about it, though, and convinced us our favorite lady has a little better than a fifty percent chance of recovering.

Enough of the Matheson problems. We're hoping and praying for the best, just as many of you have done, and are doing for your own loved ones when they are threatened by disease.

CONGRATULATIONS I want to congratulate Lester Rankin and his son, Barry, for showing the grand champion steer at the exhibition. And congratulations also to Don and Blair Wood of Prima Fertilizers who paid the top price

of 35 cents a pound alive for the Angus steer that weighed 1,062 pounds. Don told me they are going to change an appropriate amount of the price up to advertising, and he and Blair are going to split the carcass and their freezer for consumption in their homes.

We think it will be reasonably priced meat of that, he told me, "and it will make choice eating."

The real situation was explained in a letter to the editor by Daniel Gass, Cornwall and it's this way, as Dannie explained to me when I visited him Saturday afternoon.

Beef cattle prices in Toronto are one cent a pound below what they were this time a year ago. Beef prices here in this area are three cents per pound higher than they were at the same time a year ago.

Mr. Gass told me, I believe, that our beef cattle prices here now are just about one cent per pound below Toronto. They have

been four cents lower and on some occasions even more I have been told.

Mr. Gass and several other beef spokesmen observed that many cattlemen feared a drop in beef cattle prices when the strike tied up the local packing plant in Charlottetown. Instead, these men say, the price of cattle here has been that much ahead of what it was a year ago. They give a great deal of credit to the plant at Moncton that has been buying a large portion of the cattle, and to the co-operative abattoir at Halifax for this result.

I have no comment for I've been completely out of circulation these past two weeks. It's nice to be back with you again, though my appearance after the office will be curtailed sharply for the next week or so.

My earnest hope is that the lady who is still my sweetheart, after 32 years of married life, will soon be back with me. Her inspiration, and encouragement have often made my columns

more readable, and enjoyable for so many of you who tell me you read them regularly.

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Director Announces New Title

It has been announced by G. G. Duclos, Director-General Manpower Department of Manpower and Immigration that the National Employment Service Offices will henceforth be known as "Canadian Manpower Centres."

This is a further step in the reorganization of the NES following its complete separation from the Unemployment Insurance Commission.

In recent months, during this reorganization, George F. Cheshire of Sherwood was appointed manager of the Canada Manpower Centre, Charlottetown, and Earl G. Cannon as manager of the Canada Manpower Centre, Summerside.

Union and the Peoples' Movement for the Liberation of Angola have merged. Announcing this Monday John Victor, secretary-general of the union, said the only way to end Portuguese domination is by a joint armed struggle. He appealed to all Angolans to join the strengthened movement for Liberation.

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Local YMCA Places High

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Accused Offers Not Guilty Plea

A plea of not guilty was entered by Ivan Edison Meyers of Lake Verde when he appeared before Magistrate James R. Johnston in Queen's Court yesterday morning on a charge of impaired driving.

Robert Alexander MacKenzie of Charlottetown was fined \$10 and costs on each of two charges of making false representation of facts in claiming Unemployment Insurance benefits. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge of telling a UIC official that he was available for work when in fact he was not.

John Frederick MacRae, Iris, was fined \$25 and costs for 30 days for illegal possession of an unlawful manufacturing liquor.

Four other men appeared on charges of illegal possession of liquor, that had been legally purchased and were fined \$20 a nd costs or 30 days.

Director Announces Open House

Jim Fox, City Recreational Director has announced that for the annual "Open House" Day for the City supervised playgrounds set for today.

A full round of events await all participants with the following highlights: 9:30 a.m. Horseshoe tournament (at Victoria Park). Ten boys entered in this event.

10:00 a.m. Girls Softball Finals—Hillsboro Square vs. Connaught Square. Best two of three series.

10:00 a.m. Little League and Farm League semi-finals best two of three series.

Orin Simons States Views On New System

Orin Simons, director of the Prince Edward Island Emergency Measures Organization said in an interview yesterday that the system of issuing permits to vehicles leaving the Island on the Northumberland Ferry Service has been working well since it went into effect on Saturday morning.

He said in an interview that permits are only required for vehicles leaving the Island province. No permits are required for vehicles going to P.E.I.

Mr. Simons said persons phoning the EMO headquarters here are issued permits for the Wood Islands to Cariboo crossing. All they have to do then is drive to the ferry terminal an hour before departure and board the ferry, he said.

The EMO chief said "traffic hasn't been as heavy as we anticipated."

Sometimes the ferries sail half full, and sometimes they are fully loaded, he said. The ferries have a capacity for 60 cars.

Mr. Simons said the ferry company has increased its daily sailings to 10 from each terminal from the usual eight.

The service starts at 6 a.m. and runs through to 8:15 p.m.

Mr. Simons said that so far no one leaving Prince Edward Island has had to change his planned sailing time. He said that on the Cariboo side, a car might have to wait for the next ferry run, but this was normal at any time.

The EMO chief added that heavy traffic had not been heavy during the weekend but is expected to pick up.

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