

Greatest agricultural show ever awaits thousands next week

Once again it is Old Home Week and Exhibition time and every Islander feels a thrill at the promise of excitement. But the big fair is more than just fun. It gives to all farmers a chance to display their produce; to cattle breeders the opportunity of showing their animals in competition with the best provinces can produce. It is the exhibition part of the big week that carries the greatest interest in all rural communities from Tignish to Murray Harbour.

This year is no exception as one of the greatest entry lists of all time will bring before the eyes of judges the finest horses, cattle, poultry, swine or home handicrafts the people have developed since last Old Home Week.

Perhaps the greatest indication of the interest may be seen in the tremendous number of cattle which will be shown at the fair. So many in fact that the greatest headache officials have is not in the judging, tough

as it is, but in finding stable space for all the entries. It is a little wonder when it becomes known that there will be 883 cattle on display in eight different classifications. The famed Island Horses again lead the way in the number of individual entries with 206 due to appear in the show ring. They will be followed in numbers by the Appaloosas with 158; Jerseys with 146; and Guernseys with 164.

Other types to be shown will include 83 Short horns and 83 dual purpose; 83 Herefords and 50 Angus.

In addition to the hundreds of race horses which will be on hand for the "main event", there will also be a great number appearing in the show rings as a result of 117 entries have been received.

These include 36 Standard-breds; 33 roadsters; 30 draft horses; 11 general purpose horses; five Clydesdales and two Percherons. There will also be 46 ponies shown.

Sheep will outnumber the swine this year as 111 of 11 breeds have been entered. Leading the way are the North Country Cheviots with 29 but close behind are Suffolks with 22. Others are the 19 Leicesters; 14 Shropshires; eight Border Cheviot; 15 Oxford Downs; and three in the market class.

Swine entries show 61 Yorkshires and 13 market class. A vast number of chickens and fowl have been entered and in addition there will be a wide variety of eggs to be judged.



EXHIBITION GROUNDS READY FOR THOUSANDS OF VISITORS AND THE ERECTION OF MIDWAY
ALL ROADS LEAD TO CITY FOR OLD HOME WEEK

Festive feeling engulfs Islanders as year's biggest week approaches

By RALPH CAMERON
It's festive time in Charlotte. The highways and the byways are air dancing and the sea lanes are all dancing with anticipation. Each of them is heavily laden as people and more people pour into Holiday Island for the fun-laden Old Home Week.

There are planes and cars, boats and ships, every conceivable means of transportation is pressed into service to bring holiday-seeking visitors from far and near.

They are arriving in droves from California and Nova Scotia, from Florida and Quebec, from Vancouver and St. John's. The seaward highways across North America are all leading to Charlotte this week.

Excitement is in the air, even the flags are fluttering all over town.

BEEHIVE OF ACTIVITY
The sprawling exhibition plant is a literal beehive of activity. Trucks and trailers, tractors and rice horses, Holsteins and Yorkshires, ducks and turkeys, chickens and geese, all are in an apparently confused state of orderly disarray. But all will be carefully put in their proper places, just as carefully tickled and cared for when Monday morning dawns.

Let's drift around, slow and easy like because you cannot hurry anyway. The crowds are already there to watch what is happening in a sleepy area when fair week fever hits. The transformation is almost magical. It is magical.

Dead silence gives way to the roar of the throng, the alien and welcome though raucous sounds of the midway, the neighing of horses and lowing of cattle.

Birren, feet, frodden ground becomes an overnight fairyland of merry-go-rounds and ferris wheels, tent shows and shooting galleries all a jumble of things that from nothing to full blown life as the "fakirs" make their annual visit.

With them they bring sheer delight. For children it is a fantastic dream world, come true. For adults a break in tiresome routine. For teenagers a chance to see and be seen. For everyone, perchance, a touch of romance, excitement and some of the fullness of life that is missing from ordinary living.

For this is not ordinary living in rural, peaceful Prince Edward Island.

Instead it is all the excitement and color, action and drama that is missing from an Islander's workaday world. And when it is over he is better fitted to tackle the problems which exist even in a rustic land.

MEMORY LANE
May we break in here for a brief journey down Memory Lane? For no real reason other than Old Home Week recalls a host of lovely memories for an older generation. Sometimes it is fun to recall the things that used to be and see again in memory the faces we knew so well.

Let's go way back—and so many men today will remember when the only chance you had of getting into the exhibition was when someone gave you a "boost" over the back fence. It was all your dreams come true.

You visited the animals and admired the famous long-legged to taste the pies and cakes

on display; and then headed for the races. All true Islanders loved the races and the annual free event in Island life. Remember when Hammond Kelly drove Colorado 1? Or when Devilish Dorothy was the ride of "The City" and Moth Miller? And later the days of one of the most beloved racers of all—Milton Kalmuck with Willard Kelly handling the reins.

There were so fakirs there because they were uptown on the square. Or were they out at the park? And no parade was complete without Joe O'Brien leading the way with his white cap.

Remember? It is a little different now, but the differences are only those brought about by progress, modernity, changing times or perhaps the age of the onlooker.

MORE FANTASTIC
The whole show is even more fantastic than it used to be. A tremendous undertaking of surgery great drawing power in a small town.

Islanders still lay down their farming implements, their pencils or their stethoscopes to go to the exhibition. Meetings are cancelled or postponed—or abruptly adjourned when a case of "Everone" everywhere is planned to attend because for Islanders it is the biggest show on their earth.

But mainly, and this goes deep in the hearts of all who live here, it is a time of wonder and excitement, anticipation and realization, and joy absolutely unconfined for the kids.

Maybe they see great acts and great shows on television; display that medium may dispel the wonders of wild animals in their native habitat. But it is different somehow. Old Home Week is real; the things are happening in front of your eyes; and you are a part of them and they become an inextricable part of your life and your memories.

See you at the fair.

Here's our annual tip-bet on this TRIO OF FIRSTS!

"Billy Rice"

"Rushaway Chief"

"Dominion Byrd"

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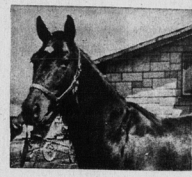
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DEATH OF CHILD THEIR ONE HOPE

DENVER (AP)—The only chance 16-month-old Nancy Joanne Schudlies has to live is for some other baby to die.

The child lies in her crib in Colorado General Hospital where her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Schudlies of Scottsbluff, Neb., wait and pray.

Doctors explain Nancy Joanne was born without ducts in her liver. These are canals by which body fluids and substances are conveyed.

They said Nancy Joanne's only hope is for the transplant of a healthy liver from another child doomed to die from some other ailment. The donor would have to be a child not older than 3.

"It's terrible to think that the only chance for my baby is to find another child which is going to die," said Mrs. Schudlies Tuesday, "but I can only pray that we do find parents of such a child some where who will understand."

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