

Loberster Fishermen Urge Stiffer Penalties

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Without dissenting opinion, a resolution of the lobster fishermen was passed at a meeting of the Montague Lobster Fishermen's Association last week, calling for stiffer penalties against poachers.

The meeting was called by the federal department of fisheries, and widely attended by lobstermen from all parts of the Maritimes.

LOCAL RESOLUTION
The local resolution, urging the additional levy against poachers, including packers, was passed at the meeting here Monday by the P.E.I. Fisheries Federation, at the instigation of Island packers.

Poaching, the taking of undressed and berried lobsters, and similar offences have been in the West Prince area of this province for years, and at times

against preventive officers. When a dissenting opinion was given on the matter it was known to be held, with many lobster fishermen solidly and frequently and honestly, opposed to the setting of fishing seasons. On the other hand, conservationists are just as solid and honest in their maintaining the taking of undressed or berried lobsters, a bad taking them out of season, will ruin the industry.

GRAVEST PROBLEM
Fishing out of season has been one of the greatest and gravest problems encountered by the department of fisheries, and all levels of officials have expressed deep concern over what they term "lack of foresight on the part of lobstermen in undermining their way of making a living."

Another serious matter facing officers is frequent failure of the legal machinery in assessing fines heavy enough to discourage lobster poaching. It is felt by many that a fine of \$25 or \$30 means absolutely nothing to someone caught with perhaps \$1,000 worth of lobsters. Such a fine is easily absorbed by the high profit on the next trip.

It has been suggested that perhaps a system of fines, similar to those set up under the Excise Act would be much better, with its specific "no op-

Morell Credit Union Annual

Louis McGuire, president of the Morell Credit Union Limited, in his report to the shareholders attending the annual meeting of their organization stated that the assets of the member-owned financial institution exceeded \$65,000, as of September 30, 1962.

Cecil McCarthy, reporting for the credit committee, pointed out that during the year under review 60 loans had been granted for a total of \$30,000.

The board of directors recommended a 2 per cent and 3 per cent dividend on deposits, a 4 per cent and 5 per cent dividend on loans respectively, and a 25 per cent rebate on interest on borrowings.

1962 will mark the "51st Jubilee" of this rural credit union and a committee was named to prepare a suitable program to celebrate the occasion.

Urban LeBlanc, extension department, St. Dunstan's University and Father W. Simpson, P. P. Morell, addressed the meeting.

The following officers were elected: directors: John Sharkey and Walter MacAdam, Credit Committee: Andrew MacDonald, Supervisory Committee: Father William Simpson and Albin Riddershaw, Clifford Keef is the Treasurer. Manager of this 200-member credit union.



BALLOTS PREPARED FOR ELECTION

BalLOTS for Queens County for the Dec. 10 provincial election were checked out and counted yesterday and placed in ballot boxes to be sent to deputy returning officers.

Here returning officer Ben Gallant assists Mrs. Dorothy Rspacki, right, and Mrs. Betty DesRoches in the work.

Liberal Leader Claims Minister Is Proven Wrong

By DON MACLEOD
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Liberals' leader A.W. Matheson said Tuesday morning that he was informed by potato dealers that the price to growers has gone up to \$1 per 75-pound bag since the Liberals announced yesterday that, if elected Dec. 10, they will guarantee, effective Dec. 15, that the minimum growers will get will be \$1.

He said "this already proves that Agriculture Minister Andrew MacRae was wrong in calling such a guaranteed floor price 'ridiculous, vote-getting promise'."

The Liberal leader said "the new floor price will mean that not one grower in the province will get less than \$1 per bag for his potatoes. The overnight price change indicates that a hold, new approach to low prices was needed."

MACRAE COMMENTS
Mr. MacRae said this morning that "floor prices tend to become ceiling prices. This would work to the advantage of the big grower - I know of some that are already planning to increase their acreage next year. Such a system would be harmful to administrators - with overproduction, there would be a tendency for farmers of the government to unload their potatoes at the expense of the smaller growers."

He suggested that setting price floor for potatoes might spread to other types of produce, such as beef, hogs and vegetables.

Commenting on the overnight price increase of potatoes, Mr. MacRae said that prices on the Toronto and Montreal markets strengthened just before the Liberal announcement, thus meaning a better price to the grower.

Annual Masonic Auction Slated For Yeo's Theatre

MONTAGUE - The sixteenth annual Cripple Children's Auction sponsored by the Masons of the Montague area will take place tonight at 8 o'clock.

Sixteen years ago St. Andrew's Masonic Lodge with the assistance of the Charlottetown Rotary Club, inaugurated this little children's auction for this area, and to date have donated many thousands of dollars toward the rehabilitation of unfortunate persons, as well as assisting dozens of children in this area who were in need of medical care.

Each year merchants, farmers and citizens as well as many out of province firms have donated items for this auction and have strongly supported it.

Mayor B.H. Yeo as in the past has donated the use of his theatre for this purpose. There will be a door prize and six prizes will be given away to the lucky ticket holders. The ladies and sandwiches at the luncheon.

This year the auctioneers will be Robert Glover, Dr. M.L. Bonnell, Gilbert Clements, Harry MacLeod and Hazen MacLure, all members of St. Andrews Lodge.

Islander Dies In Moose Jaw

Mrs. George Dickleson, New Glasgow, received word of the death of her sister, Mrs. William Rattee in Moose Jaw, Sask., on Friday, November 30.

Mrs. Rattee was the former Margaret Ellen Stewart, a daughter of late Albert Stewart and Mrs. Stewart of Park Corner. She resided in Summerside for some years prior to her marriage.

Her husband predeceased her two years ago and was aged 70 William Rattee was killed during World War II.

Mrs. Rattee is survived by two sons, Charles in Moose Jaw and Jack in St. Hubert, Que., and also by two sisters, Mrs. Dickleson in New Glasgow and Mrs. Wallace Williams in Summerside.

A funeral service will be held at 2 o'clock on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Rattee, 166 Queen St. West, New Glasgow.

EASTERN BREEFS

CONVALESCING
Mrs. Katie Young, Iris, is spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. William Landrigan, Montague, who has been a patient in the Kings County Hospital, but is convalescing at home.

VISITS HOME
Miss Bessie Stewart of the nursing home of the Provincial Sanitarium spent the weekend at her home in New Perth.

VISITING IN N.B.
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Anandar, Lower Montague, are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Scrimgeour, Fredericton, N.B.

WEEKEND GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cann of Northam, P.E.I., were weekend guests of Mrs. Cann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John MacKenzie, Lower Montague.

FROM SACKVILLE
Miss Edith Maron, Sackville, N.B., was a weekend guest of Mrs. Lorne Wigginton, Montague.

RECENT VISITOR
Mrs. Delmar Horton, Halifax, was a recent visitor to Montague the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wightman.

Budget Prepared By Committee

A budget for Centennial Year spending by the provincial Central Planning Committee will be submitted to the provincial secretary by Jan. 1.

William Hayward, committee secretary, has called a meeting of the committee for Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 8 p.m. at Montague Hall.

By that time it is hoped that all special committees will have submitted a report of their proposed 1964 spending so that a budget can be drawn up.

Prior to the committee meeting there will be a directors' dinner meeting at Montague Hall.

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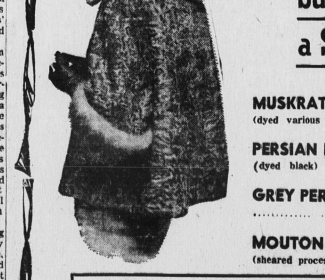
It has been stated by the Tory Government that it is not necessary for any school district in Prince Edward Island to pay a teacher's supplement. Teacher's supplements still being paid by school districts.

The Tory Government says that it is paying all school positions unless insured of a supplement. They then in the face of these facts do the Tories are saying that supplements are being paid by the Government. The taxpayers of the various school districts know differently. Over and above the continued payment of supplements some school districts are now faced with possible additional expenses. Many are considering paying their secretaries more money for extra handling of cheques, income tax reductions and other work that over the past year has been forced upon the secretaries by the Department of Education. Previously the Government did the work.

It has not escaped the notice of rural taxpayers that the Tory Government rounded up all High School buses, for the purpose of inspection in Charlottetown. The inspection was carried out with fanfare by the R. C. M. P. Traffic Division and full array of Government officials in a purely political display designed to impress the voters... BUT at the same time, the Government's own expense. If school buses need periodic inspections R. C. M. P. detachments are stationed all over the Province ready to make on the spot inspection. This is a waste of money. Is the Tory Government so flush with money that it can squander it on this fashion? If it is... the farmer is in no such happy position. Preposterous. The Tories are just making more about the thriving condition of the farmers. They have had three good years and the Tories. Ask any farmer, Tory or Liberal, if he agrees with this claim. Here is a look at the Dominion Bureau of Statistics figures which reveal that in 1961 farm income for the Province was down by two millions of dollars. The Minister of Agriculture Mr. MacRae was furious about the Ottawa figures and violently disagreed with them... but they are unable to label them false despite his best efforts. Not only are the farmers against him, but the long-suffering farmers to a man... know that they are getting the short end of the stick. It is very doubtful if even the most passionately loyal Tory farmer would like to prove that farming today under Tory Policies... is anything but a losing game. (adv.)

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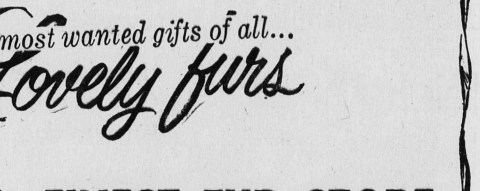
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