

ISLAND NEWS PAGE

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Rumors Are Unfounded Says Tourist Minister

In a written press statement yesterday, Tourist Development Minister J. David Stewart said he hopes the apparent lack of responsibility on the part of the press in publishing a rumor that race discrimination is being practised by owners of motels and hotels in the province.

NO EVIDENCE
 Mr. Stewart said he has made a "thorough investigation" into the rumors and has found "absolutely no evidence, whatsoever, of any discrimination anywhere in the province," other than the "one isolated case of Dr. Philis."

Dr. J. A. Philis, a Montreal resident, was the subject of a newspaper last week that he was turned away from a North Shore resort on the grounds that he is a Negro.

The turning away of Dr. Philis has prompted Mr. Stewart to write a letter to all innkeepers in the province, asking the innkeepers' co-operation in preventing further incidents of this kind.

Text of the letter is as follows:
 "TO ALL INNKEEPERS OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND:
 "You may have noticed from the press the fact that members of the colored race were refused accommodation at one of our Prince Edward Island hotels."

"This province has always had the reputation of being discrimination free, insofar as people of other races in the province are concerned, and the Government of this Province is insistent that this reputation be maintained. Anything to the contrary will have grave detrimental repercussions to the industry as a whole, in the province.

"While we do not have any anti-discriminatory legislation on our Statute Book, any further incidents of this nature will force the Government to bring in this legislation. A move which may be avoided by the co-operation of everyone in the industry.

"May I ask you for this co-operation? First of all, I have made a complete and thorough investigation into rumours of discrimination by owners of motels and hotels in the province with special emphasis on the North Shore Resorts. I have found absolutely no evidence whatsoever (other than the one isolated case of Dr. Philis) of any discrimination anywhere in the Province. All resort operators report a particular increase of guests from the province of Quebec and in every instance have commented on the most pleasant relations being established with this important group of visitors.

"I deplore the apparent lack of responsibility on the part of the Thomson Press in publishing a rumor, completely unfounded in fact, that Jewish and French Canadian families were being discriminated against in this province, and worse still, filing this unfounded statement with the Canadian Press for use as a news item.
 "I may further state that the following action has been taken. First of all, a letter of apology has been forwarded to Dr. Philis by Acting Premier A.B. Macdonald.
 "A letter of admonition was sent by me to the owner of Gregor's Hotel with particular reference to the case of Dr. Philis.
 "A further letter, copy of which is being made available, is being forwarded to all innkeepers in the province of Quebec and in every instance with particular reference to this discrimination problem. I may further point out that the Press have said that a communication from the City Council of the City of Montreal in relation to this problem, this is not correct. The fact is that a wire was received by Premier Shaw from an individual member of the Montreal City Council.

"Gill net experiments in several island fishing centers have produced results that are highly encouraging, and fishing interests should give careful study to their use," Fisheries Minister Leo Rostetter said yesterday.

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FRAGMENT MAN-MADE
 CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — The Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory said Friday that a metal fragment found in Wisconsin Wednesday was man-made, but it was unable to determine whether it was from a de-orbiting satellite. The 204-pound piece of metal is believed to be a fragment of the 10,000-pound Soviet Sputnik IV that apparently broke up about 27 months in orbit and disintegrated.

WEATHER

TEMPERATURES ISSUED BY THE WEATHER OFFICE

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	31	48
Vancouver	56	70
Victoria	52	70
Edmonton	37	41
Calgary	32	38
Regina	30	36
Winnipeg	34	49
Toronto	49	71
Ottawa	50	69
Montreal	50	69
Quebec	39	68
Halifax	44	68
Saint John	50	67
Moncton	53	64
Halifax (CP)	51	63
St. John's	45	53

HALIFAX (CP) — The weather office says clear or clearing skies are expected Friday. However, in Cape Breton clouds and showers may persist.

Regional forecasts:
 Halifax and vicinity: Clear and continuing cool. Light winds. Low-high at Halifax 50 and 63. Yarmouth for Sunday: Sunny then clouding over.

South Shore: Sunny and little change in temperature. Light winds. Low-high at Yarmouth 48 and 63. Outlook for Sunday: Sunny then clouding over.

Northern Nova Scotia, Eastern Shore: Clearing during morning; light winds. Low-high at New Glasgow 50 and 70. Goshaw 50 and 67. Outlook for Sunday: Sunny then clouding over.

Cape Breton: Mostly cloudy, isolated showers especially over hills; little change in temperature. Light winds. Low-high at Sydney 52 and 65. Outlook for Sunday: Sunny then clouding over.

Prince Edward Island, Lower St. John River Valley: Sunny with little change in temperature. Light winds. Low-high at Charlottetown 48 and 67. Fredericton 45 and 70. Saint John 43 and 60. Outlook for Sunday: Increasing cloudiness.

Eastern N.B. counties: Mostly sunny and warmer; light winds. High tide today at Charlottetown at 3:46 a.m. and 5:27 p.m. At Rustico at 11:40 a.m. and 1:10 p.m. Summer tide eleven minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 5:33 and sets at 8:22.

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MOSS RAKES EXAMINED

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Tignish Regional High School, has 190 enrolled with 59 in grade nine, 50 in grade 10, 53 in grade 11, 21 in grade 12 and 13 in commercial.

The teaching staff at the regional high has Sister St. Mary Arnold, BA, principal; Sister St. Eileen, BA, vice-principal; Sister St. Elizabeth, BA, MA, home economics; Sister St. Mary, Sister St. Patrick, Sister St. Thomas, Sister St. George, Miss Zita Dion, Aubin Gallant, M.A., and David Harner, physical education.

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Unemployed Figures Show Slight Change

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From figures compiled by his department, Mr. Cannon stated that there were 356 males and 176 females unemployed in August. Last year the figure was 464 males and 178 females. Of the 531 unemployed persons, 311 drew benefits each month.

He explained that although the figure for females unemployed in August this year was almost similar to that of last year, more and more women are entering the employment market. "Almost every day we see a new face... when a woman who has not worked before begins."

The figure for males was down because Mr. Cannon thought the frozen foods plant in New Annan employed many of the unemployed people. In fact, the plant was not sufficient he said. The commission is engaged in bringing some out-of-the-province labourers.

It was noted that transportation to the plant was one problem that blighted local interest of workers. Also the location is out of love and board is not so easy to obtain.

Mr. Cannon commented that the wage rate at the plant compares favourably with similar operations in other parts of the province and the Maritime, but is still lower than some forms of construction or other types of industry.

He also noted that the labour force in Prince Edward Island is gradually building up because less people at the moment are leaving the province to seek work, since it is not readily available.

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