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### STALLION ENROLMENT

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Applications for enrolment should be accompanied with the required fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) and should include name of horse, breed, age, colour description and registration number, if horse is registered.

Stallion owners who use horses for service not enrolled or inspected, or in grades not authorized by the Act will be subject to the penalty provisions of the Act. Only horses enrolled, graded and authorized by the Department of Agriculture will be permitted to travel for public service. All horses that have graded "out" will not be permitted to stand or travel for service.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Charlottetown, P. E. I.

### NOTICE Highways Closed To Motor Vehicles

COMMENCING Thursday, March 23, 1950, at 12:01 A.M., and until further notice, all highways in this Province are closed to Motor Vehicle traffic, (including tractors and trailers), except in such cases where the total weight of vehicle and load does not exceed 5,000 lbs.

Anyone driving on Provincial Highways contrary to this order will be duly prosecuted.

DATED the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1950.

J. W. MacKINNON,  
Deputy Provincial Secretary

### TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox and Mink Farming

Dr. E. R. Bowness has an article in Canadian Silver Fox and Fur March issue entitled "An Analysis of the January Fox Pelts Sale, which shows prices paid for the various types and the quantities that attained these prices. It is quite interesting to study the figures and how many top foxes were actually placed on sale in January. He makes a recommendation that the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association should again carry on an inspection program; and to make such program self-sustaining there should be a re-arrangement of registration fees. We quote...

"The securing of properly qualified men to carry out the work of inspection should not be difficult at this time. Together with the present experienced staff at the Canadian National we have the several men working in the marketing department at Ottawa who have been grading fox pelts each fall for the past several years. The amount of work done is not great at the present time as we have only in the neighborhood of 200 registered ranchers throughout Canada. Some plan will have to be devised to encourage more people to enter registration.

An adaption of the plan whereby hog producers get premiums for top grades on the hog carcass, could be used in the fur industry. Under our present system of pelt grading which are graded Selects, A's and B's, could be awarded a premium of a dollar or more per pelt, these premiums being available only to members of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association. The aim and purpose of the re-institution of inspection and the offering of premiums for better grade pelts, would be to improve our Canadian pelt production by the elimination of the low end of the quality scale. You cannot obtain top-quality foxes by legislation; that is a matter entirely in the hands of the experienced breeder, but by the process of eliminating less than desirable fox types through rigid inspection, you can gradually reduce the low end of the production until it assumes its rightful proportion in the genetic sense. We pointed out earlier, that on many sales three years ago 65 per cent of the pelts were inferior types. Even on the sales today, one-third or better of the pelts that were offered were inferior. Surely we can so handle this genetic proposition that we can reduce the inferior to 20 per cent. If the fox business is to survive on the quality standpoint, we must do that or better."

The above proposition of Dr. Bowness to bring about reinspection of fox ranches of members of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association does not make practical sense to us. Every member of that Association who has continued in the fox business has been rigidly culling his foxes for three or more years. He has been faced with losses in the production of fox pelts for three or more years and as a member of the Association he is as well able to determine the quality of a fox pelt as most any inspector who would be sent to his ranch, and he certainly is not keeping foxes of poor quality for breeding purposes. But no matter how high the quality of the foxes you keep there are other things that enter into the production of a good pelt. It may be climate, it may be the feed or parasites, in fact there are a dozen things that affect a fox pelt, and no matter what care you take you will have a certain number of pelts that do not turn out as well as you expect. They may go back genetically to forebearers that did not possess good pelts and that may be the reason for their inferior qualities. The idea of making the Canadian National Fox Breeders'

Association responsible for the inspection of ranches throughout Canada in the present state of affairs would mean an expenditure of many thousands of dollars as the two hundred or more ranchers are scattered all across this broad Dominion and transportation costs, salaries and other expenses would be altogether out of proportion to the activity pursued. The Canadian Fox Breeders' Association that you are likely to find the large proportion of inferior pelts as they have year after year gone to the trouble and expense of registering addition to new herds and these have been the choicest of the season's pups.

The Northwood Fur Farm of Gary Illinois, has been successful in breeding a fox called the Blue Mist Fox. Otto Cross, owner of the farm, says that more than eight years of research have been devoted to developing this entirely new kind of fur-bearing fox. As the color implies there is no white and no black hairs on this blue fox. The hairs of this fox are both thick and short as well as blue. This fall for the first time the Blue Mist Fox will be available on the market.

Re the above, some time ago we read where Fromm Bros. were developing a Magenta Fox and that when they breed a sufficient number of them they would put them on the market. Personally we do not think the silver fox or mutation fox breeder has very much to fear from these two breeds as the dyes can easily dye any type of fox Magenta or Blue.

Prices ranged 10 per cent higher at the New York Auction Company's recent sale in Minneapolis. Seventy per cent of the 10,000 dark ranch mink were reported sold with males ranging from \$17. to \$22 and females from \$10. to \$12.50. Of the 5,000 Silverhus prices ranged from \$18. to \$24 on males and \$11 to \$16 on females.

The first annual meeting of the National Retail Furriers of Canada, formed in Toronto last year, is to be held in Montreal the second day of the annual fur trade convention and fashion show April 17-19 at the Mount Royal Hotel. Plans for the convention have been completed and a large number of manufacturers are participating. The Canadian fur fur advertising committee is exhibiting three types of Standard, Silver and Platinum Foxes in the show. In addition there are a number of retail and manufacturing firms.

Hudson's Bay Company's Montreal general sale of furs will be held Monday, April 17, Tuesday, April 18 and Wednesday, April 19. Mink will be sold on the first day and Silver and Mutation foxes on the third day. It is expected that there will be a large attendance of buyers at this sale. On Tuesday, April 18th, Lamson, Fraser & Huth will hold a sale of Silver Fox and Mutation Fox in New York with the largest offering—10,000 Silver Fox and color phase fox—they have placed on sale for the past two years.

**FIND UNEXPLODED BOMB**  
TOKYO, April 7 — (AP) — An unexploded 500-pound bomb was found today by Japanese workmen excavating a site about 100 yards from General MacArthur's headquarters. It presumably was one dropped on Tokyo by United States airmen during the war.

### ONE MINUTE NEWS ABOUT JOHNS-MANVILLE

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### NEWSY NOTES

**The Chipping Sparrow**  
The Chipping Sparrow is not a timid bird and its trust in man's good intentions has everywhere inspired a liking for the confiding little creature. I usually nests in low bushes and seems to prefer those growing near houses. It will even build in a vine-covered porch, if protection from the domestic cat is assured. The nest is constructed with grass and rootlets, mixed with long hairs. The amount of horse-hair used in the nest is the origin of one of the bird's popular names—The Hair Bird—according to Dr. Taverner. The adult Chipping Sparrow is a small, slim bird, whose chestnut cap gives the first clue to its identity.

The food of these Sparrows consists of weed seeds, worms, and insects, the young being supplied with insects only. Very rarely have a few cultivated grains been found in stomachs examined. In this part of the Province these useful birds seem to be in less numbers than they were forty years ago. The presence of predators galore, and poisoned insects, may be blamed for this.

**Chipping Sparrow. AOU. 560.**  
Summer Resident. Adult: Bill and forehead black, crown chestnut, superciliary line whitish, and a black line through the eye. Back of neck grayish. Back streaked with black, chestnut, and buffy; rump slaty-gray. Wings bars not conspicuous. Underparts grayish white, lighter on the throat. Immature birds streaked, on the breast; bill brownish; no chestnut on crown. Length 5.37 inches.

**What They Went Forth To See:**  
The British Tourist Association has issued a summary of its observations concerning Canadian and American visitors during 1949. They did not go in for the glamorous night-life of the cities, as might have been expected—probably because they had better at home! They made for theatres, museums, historic buildings, rustic villages, concerts, and athletic events. I see no mention of the Old Country but that apparently does not rank high; the tourists need not leave their own country to see that!

Next follows a list of their preferences in buying. First favorite was perfume, mostly French; more than half of the visitors bought at least a sample. A third of the Society of Antiquaries, situated in the "Black Gate" of the old castle, near the Cathedral. The lower storeys of this Museum were filled with a wonderful collection of Roman Statues of gods and goddesses, altars, tombstones, inscribed tablets and other remains. The upper storeys were devoted to coins, medals and other valuable historic material. A particularly fine specimen of a British stone axe which had been found by a quarryman and presented to the Museum by a wealthy brewer, was on exhibition in this section. (I had tried to buy it, but the brewer had more money). On a visit to the Museum, I enquired for it and the curator, a four-oh Northumbrian, told me that a visiting American had tried to bribe him for it, but had been treated under a barrage of local ironies. "So, it is not enough to have a museum," I reflected: "there must be a trustworthy man at the head of it!"  
(Note: The axe in question, was greatly superior to the Indian axe in my possession. It was egg-shaped, pierced and counter-sunk for a wooden handle, and had a cutting face or edge at its smaller end. It was about the size and weight of a brick, and was polished till smooth as glass. The Ancient Briton must have spent months over it. As a weapon it would be most effective.)

**ALBANY RURAL SCHOOL**  
February and March.  
Grade X.—1, Eddie MacMurrer; 2, Phyllis Large; 3, Charles Dawson.  
Grade VIII.—1, Shirley Cameron and Lorraine Sherry, equal; 2, Althea Large; 3, Hedley Muttart.  
Grade VII.—1, Harvey Worth; 2, Boyd Stewart; 3, Lloyd MacDonaid.  
Grade VI.—1, Wendell Stewart.  
Grade V.—1, Frances Sherry; 2, Lois Muttart; 3, Hillard Muttart.  
Grade IV.—1, Wanda MacDonald; 2, Arthur Large; 3, Betty Large.  
Grade III.—1, Barbara Worth; 2, Pearl Stewart; 3, Hary Large.  
Grade II.—1, Leonard MacMurrer.

**HAMPTON SCHOOL**  
Report for February.  
Primary Department  
Grade V.—1, Howard Morrison; 2, Margaret Cannon; 3, Marjorie Ferguson.  
Grade IV.—1, Ruthie Cannon; 2, Reid Villett; 3, Norma Ferguson.  
Grade III.—1, Gloria Myers and Ralph Callbeck; 2, Dale Sherren; 3, Henry Ferguson.  
Grade II.—1, Moyse Callbeck; 2, Robert Cameron; 3, Stanley Ferguson.  
Grade I. Sr.—1, Joe Ferguson; 2, Florence Ferguson; 3, Johnny Hiss.  
Grade I. Jr.—1, Myrna Cameron; 2, Edmond Sherren; 3, George Ferguson.  
Teacher—Annie MacDonald.

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### QUICKIES by Ken Reynolds



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**OUT OUR WAY** BY J. R. WILLIAMS  
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YOU'VE GOT A LOT TO LEARN! HE'LL JUST CUT THEM OFF AND INSTEAD OF ONE BALL OF TWINE, YOU'LL HAVE A THOUSAND PIECES!  
WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY.  
J.R. WILLIAMS