

MARITIMES STEALING ONTARIO MARKET

Lack of Government Inspection Blamed by County Council—Certified Seed Urged.

Farmers of Dufferin County, one of the largest potato producing areas of Ontario, annually see their crop sold for less in proportion to the price commanded in Ontario by imported Maritime potatoes because the local grown crop is inferior in

quality and not because of laxity of provincial inspection, a report received by Dufferin County Council from J. T. Cassin, Ontario Potato Fieldman, declares.

Received after a protest had been lodged with the Provincial Department of Agriculture, because of the discount which the local grown crop commands, his report sets forth at length the Dominion Statutes which covered this branch of agriculture and states that there was no provincial act which governed inter-provincial inspection.

Inferiority in quality, was evident in the fact that field inspec-

tion of Prince Edward Island potatoes was 36 per cent compared with one per cent in Ontario and that as much as 65 per cent of the Eastern crop was grown from certified seed, a marked increase over the local crop, it was reported.

50c Bag Difference
In its protest Dufferin County Council declared that the offering of local grown inferior stock, in competition to fully inspected Prince Edward Island potatoes, was the main factor which made for an annual discount on Ontario potatoes amounting to as much as 50 cents per bag in some years. Council believes that a rigid check inter-provincially would eliminate this distressing factor, caused, it was thought, through an ability of truckers to purchase the inferior stock for less and to offer this for sale with virtually no supervision from provincial authorities.

Under the authority of the Natural Products Marketing Act, a federal law, designated areas in Ontario were set up to inspect all local-grown potatoes in 1935. This act was later ruled unconstitutional by the Privy Council which ruled that the Dominion Government had no jurisdiction in imposing any inspection in any province wherein was grown and marketed any such crop on which an inspection might be contemplated.

Raised at a conference held at the Department of Agriculture on January 4, 1938, the report stated that at the present time there was, "a strong feeling among growers, dealers, distributors and consumers for enforced inspection of Ontario potatoes." Interviews with wholesale dealers and consumers brought to light the fact that it was not only the inferior grading of Ontario potatoes but poor cooking quality which forced the local crop to take an annual discount. This quality is the direct result of diseased and frost damaged tubers which factor is partially responsible for the low one per cent field inspection of the Ontario crop, it is claimed. Use of certified seed also commands an important fact in the growing of high quality stock, Mr. Cassin pointed out. Plants which are frost bitten before dug, especially if the plant is immature, result in the production of potatoes which turn dark when cooked, and with cooking quality almost destroyed.

Expect Improved Crop
In the past spring, under the supervision of competent inspectors, meetings were held in many potato growing areas in Ontario to inspect samples of the seed to be sown this year. These meetings showed an increase in Ontario potato growers who intended to sow their crop with certified seed. The net result this fall will be a higher quality crop providing it is harvested before the plants are frost bitten, it is asserted.

"Inspectors during the past season have placed more than 100 detentions on Ontario potato growers and from this total 11 have been convicted," said the report. "It is almost impossible with so many truckers and farmers hauling their crop, to administer any 100 per cent inspection. Our inspectors, besides handling this inspection, must supervise as far as possible the importation of all fruits and vegetables as well as local grown crops."

"I have personally tried to find various markets for Dufferin grown potatoes from time to time," said Mr. Cassin. "At different times I have contacted buyers who have spoken for large shipments of the Ontario stock after being convinced that the stock was as good as the imported grades. Sample shipments, although high in outward grading, showed poor quality with the result the shipment was immediately refused."

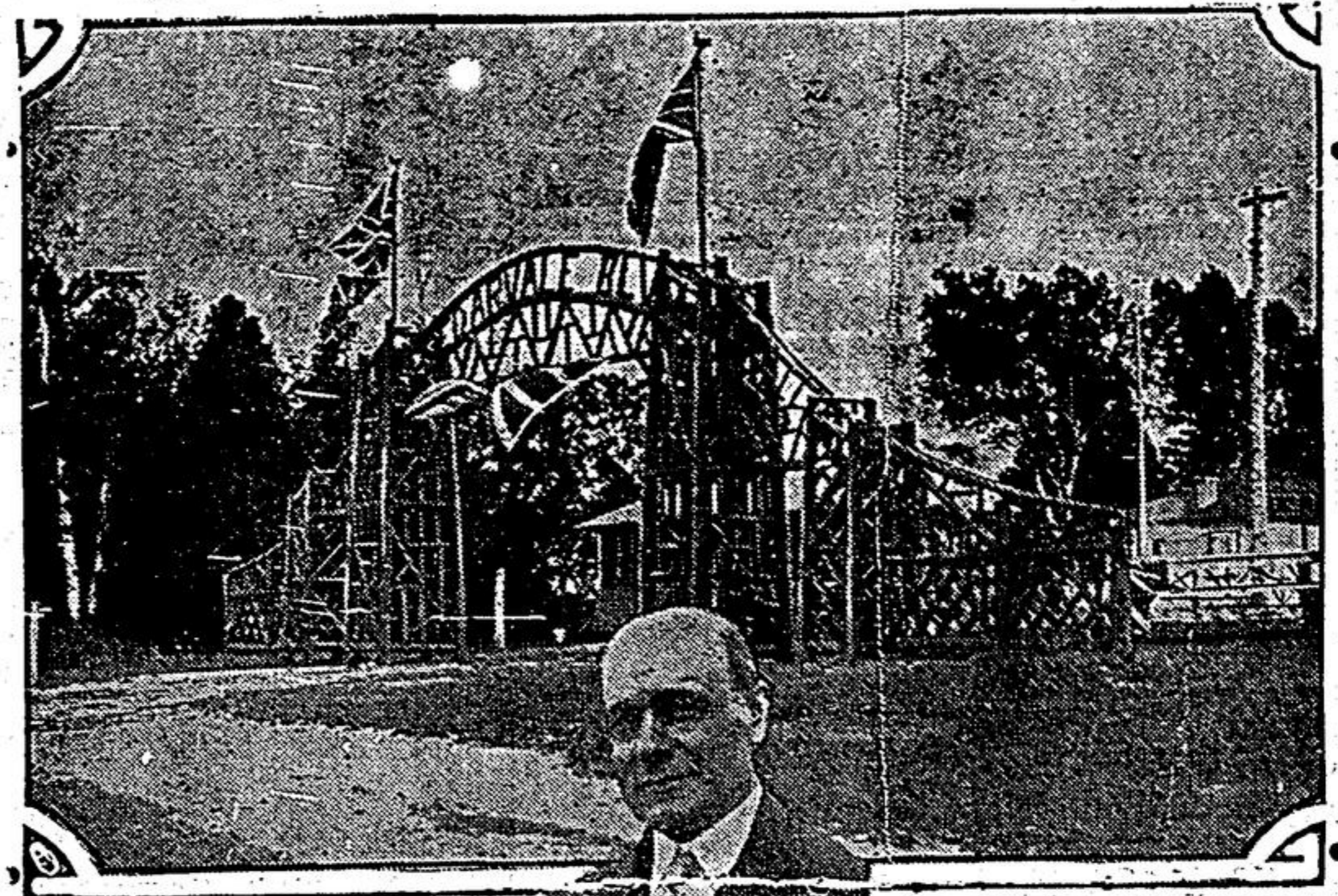
OLD BOYS' TROPHY GOES TO NEWMARKET

Eighteen rinks from Toronto and district entered the men's tournament held by the Stouffville Lawn Bowling Club last Wednesday afternoon.

The Stouffville Old Boys' Trophy, presented by F. L. Button, K.C., and Dr. G. F. Richardson of Toronto was won by William Bosworth's rink of Newmarket. William Ford, of Norwood club, Toronto, was second, while Norman Eade was third.

Fred West, of North Toronto club, was high for two wins and A. E. Miller, of Uxbridge, high for one win.

RUSTIC ARCH AT MUSSELMAN'S LAKE



In close proximity to Musselman's Lake are numerous avenues or drives lined with cottages. This huge arch at the entrance to Cedarvale Blvd. is 30 feet high and 66 feet wide. It was donated by the cottagers on the boulevard and built by E. Knapp. Insert shows Councilor H. Kidd of Whitchurch who as reeve in 1932 cut the ribbon to officially open the arch. Other drives well populated are

Connor's, Valley Road, Windsor, North Shore, Coultee Park, McNelly, Lake Shore, Appleton, Maple Grove, and Evans.

On Civic Holiday the ratepayers will hold their annual picnic at the lake, which is annually attended by a tremendous crowd of people. This year there will also be a Sports Program of some magnitude sponsored by the proprietor of Cedar Beach Park.

Victoria Square

TAUGHT TWO GENERATIONS

An event of unusual interest took place in the school, of section number 7, Markham, when a large number of friends, parents and children gathered together to do Mr. L. L. Nichols, the retiring teacher, honour, and to bid him farewell last Friday evening. Mr. Nichols began teaching in this school in 1902, when he was only eighteen years of age. He remained there for two years. Then in 1921 he again became the teacher but this time the pupils in many cases were the children of his former pupils. This time he remained for seven years. What a record for faithfulness to service. Mr. Orla Heise, a former pupil and now the parent of children attend-

ing was the chairman, and a splendid program was presented. The school choir, the Henderson sisters, the Steckley quartette and the Jr. Heise quartette contributed several selections which were immensely enjoyed. Short speeches expressing appreciation of services rendered were given by Messrs. Rumney, Barber and Farquharson. Mr. Nichols had been very successful with his entrance pupils having had only one failure in ten years among the ones recommended by him. He also took a keen interest in sports which appealed very much to the fun-loving side of the boys' and girls' nature. Master George Rumney, the captain of the ball team, with his team, played games against the four surrounding schools and were successful in winning. A bronze medal was

won and also two gold medals when some of the pupils competed in the reading contest in Aurora. The school choir won the shield for two years when the surrounding schools competed in Aurora. Miss Marion Boston and Master Leslie Hart were the youthful conductors. These are a few of the outstanding honours that Mr. Nichols has won by his faithful efforts with the pupils. And they appreciated it, as was shown by the beautiful Westminster chime clock which was presented by Paul Jones, a young pupil, at the conclusion of the program.

Addresses were read to Mr. Nichols by Harold Heise, a former pupil, and Miss Marion Boston a pupil now.

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