

Seek New Uses For Versatile Scotch Seaweed

SOUTH UIST, Western Isles, Scotland — Seaweed may provide northern Scotland with a major industry.

The underwater plant has been eaten as a vegetable, turned into jelly, made into bread, used as cattle fodder and fertilizer and at one time in the production of iodine and potassium.

Now experiments are under way to squeeze new uses from the slimy waterweed. If these prove successful, large-scale expansion is expected in the industry centred around the island of the Outer Hebrides.

Crofters get £5 a ton for seaweed after it has been dried. At factories the plant winds up as a fine powder.

Alginate acid is easily obtainable from most brown seaweeds and the salt of this acid—called alginates—have a wide range of uses. Some ice cream now is made smooth to the palate by the addition of alginates. Other uses are in paint, textiles and medical swabs.

Insoluble alginates are flame-proof and it may be possible to weave textiles from them.

Busy Pastor

BROOKHAM, England — Rev. Wilfred Tristram says he has covered more than 15,000 miles in three years on his light motorcycle, visiting rural parishes in Surrey.

Mother Saves Son, Dies With 4 Kiddies in Fire

SQUAMISH, B.C. — An Indian mother threw her baby to safety from an upstairs window, then refused to jump herself and died with four of her eight children when fire destroyed their cabin home.

The blaze, caused by an exploding oil lamp, killed Mrs. Minnie Joe, 34, her children, Elmer, 8; Doreen, 6; Harriet, 3; and Hazel, 10, at their Creekside, B.C., home 50 miles north of here.

A neighbor, John Felix, was critically burned, RCMP said. Surviving are Vera, 15; Daniel, 13; Joseph, 19; 20-month-old Richard, and the father, Dick Joe.

Flames spread to the nearby cabin of Sylvester Joe, brother of the children's father, and both structures were destroyed.

Mr. Felix told RCMP he was

passing when the flames mushroomed through the cabin's windows. He called to Mrs. Joe to throw the baby to him.

Having caught the baby, he urged Mrs. Joe to jump, but she disappeared inside the cabin.

Mr. Felix ran inside himself and pulled out Hazel.

Dick Joe was five miles away at the time, working at a logging camp.

An inquiry into the deaths is proposed. Squamish is 40 miles north of Vancouver, at the head of Howe Sound.

MONTREAL (CP) — Corporal Pauline Gauthier of the CWAC won top prize in the tyro class, defeating all men in this division, at the Royal Montreal Regiment's rifle meet. She scored 275 of 300 points while two men tied for second with 268.

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Fishery Council Names Officers

OTTAWA — H. A. Russell of St. John's, Nfld., Wednesday was elected president of the Fisheries Council of Canada, succeeding Francis Millard of Vancouver. Mr. Russell is the first Newfoundland man to head the fishing industry's national organization. Vice-presidents elected include J. N. Hyland, Vancouver.



ITALY LUPU, a 57-year-old Milan, Italy, artist who works in the unique medium of straw as he fashions a new piece. Shunning the standard materials of the sculptor, former student of the American University in Beirut, molds his figures entirely of straw. He won a prize for his "portrait" of G. B. Shaw. Eventually, he plans to display his work and perhaps in the U.S. Surrounding him in his studio are the figures of Stalin (bottom); Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy (centre, right); Churchill (top right); and the (top left).

ing Soviet Concert Artists Attract eds of Curious in Canadian Cities

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Press Staff Writer

Outside the dancing Russians light of foot. No parrot of ham-ble slogans by the concert artists now can road show. Nothing could help create there—or get them at home.

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the people wearing them. The strongest words were prompted by a statement by the one Canadian on the tour. Manager John Boyd of Toronto said the Russians wouldn't perform in Quebec because the owners of halls there are afraid of what Premier Duplessis would do if the Soviet artists appeared in them.

Asked to comment, the Quebec premier said: "It is dirty Communist propaganda as usual."

The entertainers arrived in Canada April 15 and will return in mid-May. Everywhere they have appeared there have been capacity audiences: Toronto, Vancouver, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Winnipeg.

Curiosity would be a good explanation for the crowd turnouts. Seldom have the Reds sent their concert performers to the Western Hemisphere.

Besides Kogan the program offers ballerina Sophia Goloykina,

soprano Elizabetha Chavad, ballet soloist Leonid Zhdanov, tenor Arturs Frindberg and pianist Pavel Serebryakov. All interviews are carried on through an interpreter from the tour's non-artistic side, which includes an attache from the Russian embassy in Ottawa, a professor who looks after such things as program adjustments and a staff writer for the Moscow fortnightly "News."

The violinist boasted to reporters that the Soviet Union financed every part of his violin training—"they even bought me the violin I am playing on now—a 1730 Stradivarius."

The group's final show will be a special performance in Ottawa May 3 for diplomats and attaches.

Mother Charged For Beating, Blinding Child

LOS ANGELES — Five criminal charges against the negligent mother of seven children were filed here as the result of an aggravated child-beating.

Complaints charging mayhem, assault with a deadly weapon and three counts of "assault likely to produce great bodily injury" were filed against the mother Mrs. Trinidad Vera, 28. Unable to post \$5,000 bail, she was jailed pending a hearing May 6.

Authorities said Cell 54, new Mrs. Vera's daughter by a previous marriage, was the victim of one of the most brutal instances of child-beating in years.

The child was blinded in one eye, for which mayhem is charged; both her arms were broken by being twisted; her nose was broken and her body was covered with welts from beatings with a rubber hose, inflicted repeatedly during 18 months, officers said.

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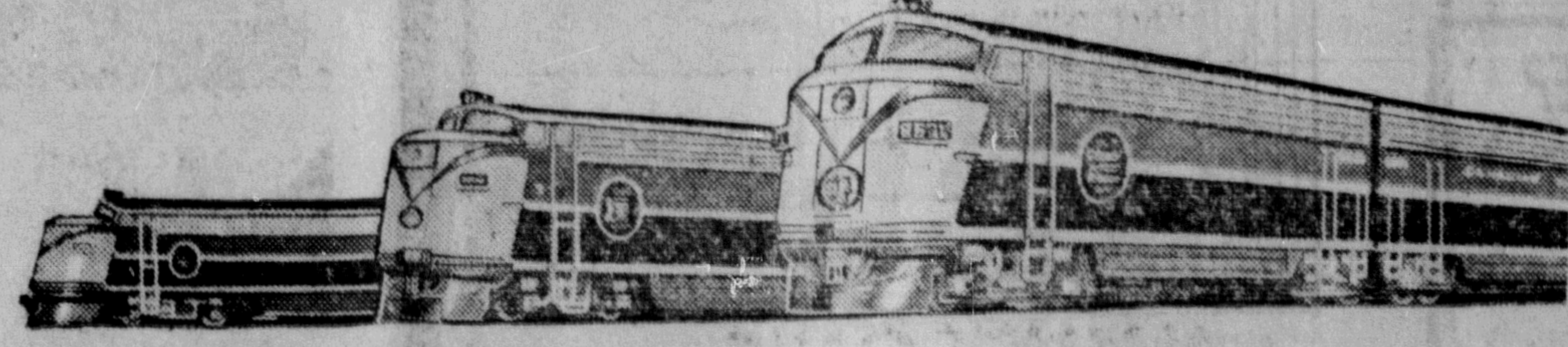
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