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MEETING TO FORM TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION AT "BIRCH COURT" EXPERIMENTAL FARM CHARLOTTEOWN MAY 19, 1948, AT 2 P.M.

A meeting of all licensed Potato Shippers, also all other dealers not holding License but owning a warehouse on Railway spur is called for above date to discuss Transportation problems and to form an Association of Shippers which will endeavour to assist the railway in allocation of cars to meet the needs of the industry.

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Crop Report

WINNIPEG, Man., May 14 — Seeding will not become general on the Prairies for another week to ten days and possibly longer than that in the northern areas. It is too early to give an accurate estimate of the decrease in wheat acreage, but it is expected that a considerable part of the decrease will be offset by an increased acreage sown to coarse grains if seed stocks are available, according to the weekly crop report of the Department of Agriculture of the Canadian National Railways.

Labor and machinery supplies appear adequate and once the farmers can get on the land it should not take them long to get the crop in.

The livestock situation is brighter now that the stock can get out on pasture land.

COTTON FROCKS AT EVERY PRICE

NEW YORK — Cottons, the darlings of all summer wardrobes, range from less than \$10 up to \$200, all in good style and well-fashioned for daytime wear. Careful selection of fabrics, hem allowance and other fine finishing details among the lower-priced dresses are ways of outsmarting the budget and the eye. It is wise to discover whether a cotton dress will wash without fading, its ironing qualities, and whether or not it is pre-shrunk. Inexpensive, yet good dresses have these features.

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NOTICE

HIGHEST MARKET PRICES Paid for Veal Calves Monday. BUNTAIN BELL'S WHARF CHARLOTTEOWN Also Require Quantity Carrots WILLARD PROWSE

Cream Route

Commencing Wednesday, May 19th, Earle Hughes will haul cream for Haselbrook Cooperative Dairy Association on route, Waterville, Dromore, Avondale, Hermitage Road, Monaghan Road, Lake Verde, Mt. Albion to creamery, once weekly, until further notice.

A. ROY JONES, Secretary.

TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox and Mink Farming

From time to time in these columns we have shown the cause of the present low prices for Silver Fox and its mutations as governed by the law of supply and demand in furs. On account of the American dollar being such a worthwhile object to gain possession of Russia, China, Japan and all other countries that have anything in the shape of furs have been dumping them into the United States and Canada. As an instance of what they are putting over on the American public it may be mentioned that in the Senate, Henry Miller, a United States government official and Federal Trade Commissioner overseeing fur industry trade practice, struck a warning note for women who trusted the statements of fur garment retailers implicitly. He reported that some time ago worthless Russian housecat pelts were imported into the United States, dressed and dyed and made up into fur garments and sold as something else to unsuspecting women. "Caveat emptor, (let the buyer beware)" he said. "That is why we need this labelling bill on the statute books."

We do not know whether Canada has a fur labelling bill but if it has not there should be one to prevent the imposition of low quality goods on an unsuspecting public. During our recent visit to New York we stayed at the Hotel New Yorker, one of the largest, and saw hundreds of women in the foyer wearing capes, stoles and other fur apparel. The most strikingly beautiful and the ones that commanded the most attention were Silver Fox, Platinum Fox and White Face fox capes and jackets. It is the quality of beauty and attractiveness that will eventually bring back to popular recognition our product. However, it would be well if there could be some way to get clear of the low grades and off-color stuff, as they detract and give a black eye to the industry.

At the Great Lakes Mink Association annual get-together at which 300 mink ranchers from 33 states attended in Milwaukee recently, Herbert Metzger of the New York Auction Company in his talk on ranching problems said: "To compete not only with the improvements being made in domestic furs or other types but also with the foreign imports, mink breeders will have to make every effort to step up the quality of their domestic furs. This is especially true of mutation mink pelts — the cream of the mink raisers efforts. The ultimate consumer is looking for fine goods and unless this is provided her the mink rancher is in danger of losing his market."

At the last sale of the New York Auction Company 61% of the Standard Silver Fox was sold with most of the goods going for trimming purposes. The greatest interest was in pelts ranging from \$11. to \$15. Mutation Fox including Platinum, White Face and other type was 36% sold. The White Face types were in good demand particularly in medium and low priced goods. The top for Platins was \$43.00, for White face \$21.00.

Women's Wear Daily in a leading article on furs states that after a trip around the fur merchants they find Platinum Fox jackets at \$279. a number one seller at S. Klein & Co. also silver fox jackets in 28 and 30 inch lengths at \$179. are number one sellers at Klein's. Ranch mink scarfs selling at \$17.50 a skin were moving out very fast. Hearn's displayed on the floor Silver Fox jackets at \$160. and up and said they were moving well. Hecht's featured Silver Fox and Platinum Fox and said they were gaining momentum with \$130. to \$379. tags on Silver Fox with Platina prices starting at \$199. On both foxes the kimona sleeve, scalloped hemline and cardigan necklines styles were shown. At Ash's Silver Fox jackets at \$185. and Silver Fox stoles at the same price were moving quite well. Platina Fox was also selling well in the \$174 to \$250. price range, with the emphasis on the latter. The manager stated — "When customers buy Platina they always seem to prefer the best we carry." A note at the end of the article states — add tax to all quoted fur prices.

At Lampson, Fraser & Huth's sale of ranch mink last Thursday the market was strong with better grades advancing 10% and other grades firm compared to the last sale of the same auction company. The first eighteen pages of the catalogue which contained all

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NEWSY NOTES - By Agricola

An esteemed correspondent writes to say that a number (400, I believe) of these fine game birds have been released in P. E. I. with the object of naturalizing them, an action with which I am thoroughly in accord, as will presently be seen. This gentleman also asks if I will prepare a Note on the Bob-white? As luck has it, I have a deal of literature dealing with this beautiful and useful bird, which will supply some very interesting information, I begin with a description.

Bob-White Quail. AOU. 289. Male: front of crown, a band from the bill to beneath the eye, and a band on the upper breast, black; a broad line from the bill over the eye white; throat white. Upper parts variegated with black chestnut, tawny and gray; tail ashy gray, inner feathers mottled with buff. Sides chestnut, margined black and white. Lower breast, and below, white barred with black. Female similar but duller; throat, line over eye, forehead and lores, buff, not white. No black on upper breast. Length of adult bird, 10 inches.

The Bob White makes its nest on the ground, arched over by grass or weeds. Ten to twenty pure white eggs are laid and the parents take turns in incubating them, a task which requires twenty-three days.

For the first two or three months of their lives the young Quail feed almost entirely upon insects, and each one will consume nearly its own weight of them every day. As the birds approach maturity they add the seeds of weeds and grasses to their fare but they still eat whatever insects are available, grasshoppers being particularly favored. After these fall, the Quails take to the stubble fields and weed patches. "When the deep snow comes," says Charles W. Nash, in his Birds of Ontario, "when it is that our Quail suffer from lack of food and die in large numbers from starvation and cold."

As a simple method of affording the requisite protection and food, Mr. Nash advised farmers and others to arrange three or four forked poles so that they support each other in tent form, and throw over them a little pea straw, buckwheat stalks, or any such waste stuff, so as to have a hollow underneath into which the birds may go to be safe from storms. "Into these places throw a few measures of tallings or waste grain occasionally and the Quail will be able to maintain themselves in safety."

In North Carolina (according to C. S. Brimley) where over-shooting has occurred, Quails were brought in from Mexico to replenish the stock. The "colonists" speedily disappeared. Whether they were absorbed by the old Quail population, or died out is not clearly known. But another author (in another State) telling of a similar situation, said that birds which were introduced to re-stock the game coverts, could not maintain themselves as the original Quails did, and speedily died out. Possibly they were winter-killed.

The insects devoured by the Bob-White Quail are chiefly those which feed on low-growing plants, among them being some of the farmer's greatest pests; even those having secretions distasteful to most other birds are eaten with avidity. Potato Beetles are especially enjoyed at all stages. In one case a Bob-White was shot as it rose from a potato patch; its crop contained seventy-five potato beetles. In another instance 101 of these beetles were found in a single crop. Three captive Bob-Whites ate fifty potato beetles in 5 minutes! Click beetles, whose grubs are wireworms, and June Bugs (really Beetles) and their larvae, the "White Grubs," are largely consumed. All caterpillars except the hairy ones, are greedily eaten.

As weed-seed destroyers these Quails have no equals. All kinds are eaten but the birds have a special liking for the seeds of Ragweed, Bindweed, Plantain, Pigweed, and various wild grasses. From the crop and stomach of one bird, says C. W. Nash, 10,000 Pigweed seeds were taken.

No evidence was found, in Ontario, that Quail injured cultivated fruit or grain. After harvest the birds pick up grain from the stubbles (and this applies especially to buckwheat) but so long as their natural food, either weed seeds or insects, is obtainable, they seem to prefer it.

Worse than our winter storms, to the welfare of introduced birds, are our predators. These are foxes, dogs, minks, skunks, cats, and quite possibly rats, among the animals; and hawks, certain owls, and crows. Since the game birds nest on the ground, the animals can destroy both eggs and young, while the predatory birds prey on adults and young. Possibly not all crows pick up young game, but it is a trick which is too easily picked up, one from another. (There are altogether too many crows in the Province.) The foxes, minks, and skunks, should be relentlessly shot

and trapped; there should be no let up. Dogs, except setters, etc. are no longer required, and if kept as pets should be under restraint during the birds' nesting season. Cats are more important, for rats and mice can be a grave menace on every farmstead; but if Tobby is shut up for a couple of months, it should meet the situation. With regard to owls, the usual culprit is the Great Horned Owl, which hunts in the daytime when the game birds are abroad. Some winters the Snowy Owls come down from the Northland in flocks and are just as destructive. Apart from these, the other Owls ought to be protected by law since they hunt at night, with mice and rats as their objectives.

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