



NEWSY NOTES

By AGRICOLA

KERGUELEN ISLAND (4)

During this time he had no trouble to get food: all he had to do was to pick up a few stones and knock a few penguins over. Then he cooked the birds...

A NEW PLANT

I am indebted to Dr. W. L. Holman, of Toronto University, for a very pleasant afternoon's outing, and the opportunity also to see and record a "new" plant; that is, one which has not already been listed as occurring on the Island...

NOTES ON ISLAND PLANTS

We have now reached the last great family of our plant, the Compositae, rather loosely termed by one school of botanists, "the thistle family". In American text-books this family is always placed at the end, as if it were the latest...

THE ORPHANAGE HAS A SURPLUS

It is gratifying to note that the Protestant Orphanage at Mount Herbert finished up the year 1940 with the balance on the right side of the Cashbook. I have just received the Annual Report for that year, which gives the total payments by cheque as \$91,740.80. This not only covers the Maintenance and the Wages but such considerable items as Insurance and Repairs to roof, etc. I remember that when the new building was opened, somewhere about twenty years ago, I was freely prophesied that its maintenance would cost anything from \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year, and that it would be very difficult for the public to finance it. The interested and perfect team-work of the Board of Trustees has successfully answered the latter statement, and the substantially lower cost of maintenance must be credited to the close supervision and care of the Superintendent and Mrs. Beers, R. N. The elimination of waste is the important thing in running any public institution, and during my brief visits to the Orphanage I have noticed with pleasure the careful way in which the Staff attended to this point. The Endowment Fund is growing satisfactorily and is beginning to play some part towards the maintenance of the Institution. Nevertheless that does not mean that the public should relax their support of one of the most constructive influences on the Island—the rescue of these innocent children from penury or neglect.

Weekly Live Stock Market Report

Little change occurred in the cattle market during the past week. Trading, as a rule, was fairly active with a heavier volume of cattle shipped to the United States. The increased movement was principally from western Canada. Cows were strong sellers and bulls were the only class to show weakness, selling lower notably in the west on unusually heavy runs. Calves were definitely lower especially in eastern Canada, while hogs edged slightly and lambs were sharply down, a seasonal trend under the influence of increasing supplies.

EASTERN CATTLE MARKETS

Cattle prices were generally unchanged at TORONTO, although some plain killers and stockers had a top of \$9.25 and butcher steers and heifers were \$8 to \$8.85, with a few \$9. The market at MONTREAL was fairly steady with cows the strongest sellers at \$5.50 to \$7 for good quality, with an odd high mark at \$7.25. The bulk of the steers moved out between \$8 and \$8.85, with some \$9.25 and two head at \$9.50. There was no change in the situation in the MARITIMES, where good to choice steers were quoted at \$8.50 to \$9.50.

WESTERN CATTLE MARKETS

Runs were liberal in western Canada and included a fairly large percentage of grass steers and grass cows. Prices, however, held well except on bulls. WINNIPEG had some top quality butchers steers at \$8.75 to \$9.50 and sold some short-keep feeders for shipment to the south at \$7 to \$7.50, while CALGARY on a heavier run and small butchers steers rated \$8.25 to \$8.75. Sales were reported at country points at \$9 to \$9.25 for mixed weights. EDMONTON was active with the bulk of the good grain steers around \$8.50, with some University of Alberta steers topping at \$9.25. The high point reached on steers at PRINCE ALBERT and MOOSE JAW was \$8.25, SASKATOON \$8.90, REGINA \$8.50 and VANCOUVER \$9.

UNITED STATES MARKET

Buffalo was lower on Canadian cattle during the past week. One load of steers averaging 1309 lb., topped at \$11.25, but most sales were from \$10.85 down to around \$10. Sales of weighty steers made at Buffalo would equal about \$8.50 to \$9.40 at Toronto and light steers \$7.65 to \$9.15. Some of these obtained at Toronto and others 15c or more better. St. Paul quoted common to medium Canadian steers at \$9 to \$9.85, very common to good cows \$8.50 to \$9.25, common to good bulls \$7 to \$8.50 and good and choice veals \$10.50 to \$12.50.

HOG MARKET STEADY TO EASIER

Hogs opened 10 cents higher at Toronto at \$15 for grade B-1 dressed but by the close were \$14.75, a net loss of 15 cents. Montreal held the previous level of \$15.25, with odd sales at \$15.50, and Winnipeg was weaker closing at \$13.75. Calgary continued to pay \$13.25 to \$13.35 and Edmonton was \$13 to \$13.15, with some coast shipments \$13.40. Other western markets held steady. Prince Albert paying \$13.60 to \$13.85, Moose Jaw \$13.55, Regina \$13.70, Saskatoon \$13.10 to \$13.75 and Vancouver \$14.35 to \$14.40.

LAMB PRICES SHARPLY LOWER

A reasonable decline took place in the lamb market during the past week. At Toronto the total decline amounted to \$1.50 and good ewes and wethers closed at \$12.50. Montreal was down \$1 with good lambs mostly \$12 and odd tops \$12.50. Winnipeg was sharply lower with wethers dropping 75 cents to \$11. Calgary finishing at \$10.25 to \$10.50 and Edmonton was also easier with most of the good to choice lambs \$10 to \$10.50 and a few \$10.75. The close at Prince Albert was \$10 to \$10.50 for good lambs, Moose Jaw \$10 to \$10.50, Regina generally \$10, Saskatoon \$10.80 and Vancouver \$12.50.

CONSERVATION

A WEEKLY COLUMN OF PRACTICAL OPINIONS OF THE VITAL ISSUES AFFECTING THE USES AND ABUSES OF NATURAL RESOURCES BY MR. LUDLOW JENKINS MARSHFIELD.

MOURNING DOVE

From the work in Arizona it appears that in favorable localities this dove may be doubled-brooded, but that elsewhere it has only one brood. Because of its flocking habits the species is extremely vulnerable and, quoted from Neff's latest report: "Shooting is considered to be the major cause of early August migration or movement, rather than storms." This opinion was further confirmed by his observations in one or two localities favorable to the birds, where no shooting occurred until August 22 (the 1939 season opened August 1). At these points the population steadily increased from about 200 to more than 2,000 birds. He also stated that, in his opinion, a young white-winged dove that has not been out of its nest for at least 4 or 5 weeks does not afford a sport-hing target. It is interesting to note the following comment in a report from a game-management agent of the Biological Survey who was operating in the vicinity of Yuma, Ariz., when the 1939 season opened: "On the opening day I checked 23 hunters with a total of 197 white-winged doves, of which 157 were birds and 40 were mature."

Band-tailed Pigeon

It is only on the Pacific coast that the band-tailed pigeon is found in sufficient numbers to be important as game. It is however, locally plentiful in the southern Rocky Mountain region. The species breeds north into British Columbia and in that Province there is some evidence that it is decreasing. On the other hand, reports show that bandtails are at least holding their own, or are even increasing in Oregon and California, and similar reports have been received from Arizona and New Mexico.

CALVES REACT DOWNWARD

Previous gains recorded in the calf market were pretty well wiped out, especially in eastern markets. Toronto opened firm but closed 50 cents lower. Top veals were generally \$12, with a few \$12.50, while Montreal was steady at \$12.50, with veals up to a few \$11 and a high of \$11.50. Winnipeg held steady with top calves at \$9.50 to \$10 and Calgary and Regina had a top of \$9. Edmonton, Prince Albert, and Moose Jaw \$8.50, and Saskatoon \$9.25.

Parasites and Disease

The second sub-division under environmental factors to be considered is that pertaining to infestation with parasites and disease in foxes. If an animal happens to be heavily infested with parasites, or suffers from a chronic infection, the good effects of the well balanced ration, with respect to ingredients and quantity, are lost as the result of the presence of the latter conditions. Therefore, it is just as essential to see that animals are free from disease and parasites, as it is to see that they receive an adequate amount of a well balanced ration. In dealing with pup foxes, it is very advisable that they be given their first treatment for worms between the second and third week of age. This is the all important treatment in fox pups. If treatment is omitted purposely or by accident in fox pups which are moderately infested, the worms become so numerous and large that by the time the pups are 5 or 6 weeks of age they fill the upper portion of the intestinal tract. When such an animal is then treated for worms, death often follows as a result of the lumen of the intestines becoming plugged with the dead parasites.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

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TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming

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The Field Day at Charlottetown was slated for October 15th, or if the weather is unfavorable that day, to be held the first fine day following. A visit will be paid to Mr. Raoul Raymond's ranch at 10:30 in the forenoon and after lunch in the city the ranch of the McLure and MacKinnon Silver Fox Farms, Ltd. will be visited at 1:30 in the afternoon.

After considerable discussion it was decided to issue the Prize List in the same form as last year, that is both shows to be included in the one Prize List. Considerable expense is saved by this procedure and advertisers are not solicited twice—just once.

Quite a bit of detail was submitted regarding last year's pelt show, which without question was a great success, and it was decided that it would be operated on the same basis this year. The Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association would handle the pelts and the show to be held on premises locally plentiful in the southern Rocky Mountain region. The species breeds north into British Columbia and in that Province there is some evidence that it is decreasing.

Parasites and Disease

The live fox show is to be open to Prince Edward Island exhibitors only, and they must be the owners in all classes registered or unregistered. In adults, foxes in unregistered classes must be owned on the same date as the Registered foxes are recorded in the owners name, namely, September 30th. Exhibitors of puppies in all cases must be the breeder and the owner of the dam at the time of mating. In the progeny of dam and Get of Sire section of the Prize List, it was decided that animals, generally, in these two groups need not necessarily be bred or owned by the Exhibitor. Matched pairs in all cases must be owned by the exhibitor.

A resolution was passed instructing the Secretary to write to B. Graham Rogers, Manager of the Travel Bureau, thanking him for the support given through his organization in rendering publicity in the interests of the Association and the fox industry generally.

A committee was appointed to investigate the question of publicity, emphasizing the value and expansion of markets for Prince Edward Island pelts, and also to increase the number of pelts for the show. George A. Callbeck, Manager of the Fur Department Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association, was appointed judge of the live show.

Today we publish the second part of Dr. C. K. Gunn's lecture at the Fox Field Day at Summerside. This treatise of parasites and diseases and should be read and kept by every fox rancher. What the Doctor says is absolutely correct from our own experience, and will mean many dollars to those who follow his advice.

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have room to exercise. This not only gives rise to a better appetite but to better muscular development and growth. It is usually advocated that two or three fox pups should be kept in a single pen to promote better competition for the feed and so give rise to increased exercise on the part of the growing pups.

Just a few words on the handling of pelts, with respect to its effect upon the ultimate size of the market product. It is not a wise practice to stretch a small pelt on a large pelting board with a view to greatly increasing its size. The result of such action merely tends to open the fur and pull the pelt out of shape, so that upon inspection it is quite evident to a trained fur man what has taken place and he will pay even less money for such a pelt than if it had been stretched proportionately to its original size.

In summarizing these remarks, I might say that large breeding stock should be selected and bred together; sufficient feed of a well balanced ration should be fed to growing pups; that the animals should be carefully checked for parasitic infestation and treated accordingly with appropriate medicines; that the animals should be housed in well ventilated, clean pens where they can receive sufficient exercise to maintain normal muscular development and the pelt stretched over a pelting board in proportion to its size and density of fur.

Toronto Exchange

TORONTO, Aug. 8.—(CP)—A Trading spirit in the western oil on rising prices gave that group an index gain of 46 on the Toronto exchange today. Volume totaled 292,000 shares.

O'Brien had a set-back under profit-taking, the price closing down 14 cents at 1.14. Turnover in the stock totaled 18,000 shares. Realizing was heavy also in Steep Rock and the price broke 15 cents to close at 1.65. It traded 11,400 shares. Naybob was another trading feature with turnover of 65,000 shares on a gain of a cent to 20.

Lake Shore weakened 5-8 to 14 7-8 and in the cheaper group losses of 4 to 10 cents were noted by Kerr-Addison, Inspiration, MacLeod-Cockshutt, Mining Corporation, Preston and Upper Canada, Wright-Hargreaves formed 5 cents to 4.05 and juniors doing better were Francoeur, Bunker Hill and Gold Eagles.

Royale led the western oils with a gain of 1-2 to 24 1-2 while Home Oil closed 4 cents up at 2.30, after selling as high at 2.39. Calgary and Edmonton firmed 4 cents to 1.45 and Anglo-Canadian and Foothills added 2 to 3 cents.

British American Oil advanced to 17 for a gain of 1-2-point and Imperial weakened 3-8. Steels firmed strong with gains showing finally for Dominion Foundries, Dominion Steel B. United Steel and the Canadian Car and Foundry issues and in the interlisted pivotal issues narrow gains were held by Bell Telephone, Distillers - Seagrams, Consolidated Paper and Gypsum. The Canada Cement issues firmed higher and Canada Making ruled at 3-4. Walkers common dropped 1-2 to 42 1-4.

OUT OUR WAY

SO YOU WON ANOTHER MEDAL TODAY--GOOD! I WAS JUST WONDERING IF I MADE A BUNCH OF TIN MEDALS WOULD YOU WORK THAT HARD FOR ME?

By J. R. Williams

OH, THAT'S DIFFERENT! NOBODY EVER LOOKS UP TO A GUY WHO'D WIN A MEDAL FOR WORK--I'D WORK FER NOTHING SOMETIMES BUT NEVER GIVE ME A MEDAL FER IT--I WANT TO BE ADMIRER, NOT LAUGHED AT!

TARNISHED TIN

YOU'LL FOOL MRS. HERKIMER--BUSS LIKE A DUCK DECOY, AMOS! THINK OF YOUR LOVING BROTHER JAKE WHEN YOU'RE BATTING CLEANUP MAN ON THOSE TURKEY DINNERS!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

I'LL GRAB THE FIRST TRAIN--NIGHT I COULD HEAR THE OLD FROG CROAK WHEN THE WIDDA SUGARS HIM UP FOR A MOON-LIGHT WALTZ!

With - Major Hoopla

HEH HEH! THIS CAPRICE RECALLS MY THESPIAN DAYS! AS PHIL THE PICKPOCKET IN 'THE LIMEHOUSE SPIDER', I WAS SO REALISTIC THAT CRITICS CLAIMED THEY MISSED MONEY FROM THEIR WALLETS AFTER THE SHOW!

JAKE WILL BE MISSING AFTER THIS SHOW, TOO

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