



TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming

After carefully looking over the results of the recent auctions of Silver Fox fur and new types in Montreal the writer has arrived at the conclusion that while there is a good demand for the fur of the silver fox, the price has declined...

Why there should be such a sharp reduction in prices from a year ago is mainly due to the fact that the tax rate of 25% which Hon. Mr. Hiley has made no move to change is one of the reasons...

Herbert A. Nieman & Co. next to Montreal is the largest breeder of silver fox in the world, offering a collection of 12,500 full, standard silver foxes...

The Saskatchewan Department of Natural Resources has issued its annual report for 1943-44 which shows that the province has produced 364 mink pelts and 10,136 fox pelts...

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Last Saturday there appeared another epidemic of fox mites in the vicinity of Southport warning people to keep their dogs off the premises or to have them vaccinated...

At the Alberta meeting Dr. J. Jones, Provincial Pathologist, addressed the gathering on the application of Dr. Green's distemper vaccine. He stated that it has a wide effect on the virus...

Dr. R. G. Green, inventor of the distemper vaccine, was a recent visitor to Winnipeg and announced that his assistant Dr. T. Chadwick of the Promm Laboratories, Grafton, Wis., would visit Winnipeg about May 20th...

The Master Rancher, Vol. 7, No. 1, Dr. E. H. Brown, V.S., B.V.Sc., giving the analysis of the January fox pelt sale in Montreal, arrived and is really masterfully analyzed with a lot of information...

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Clover Hay or Clover Silage for Milk Production

(Experimental Farm News)

Feeding experiments at the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, N.B. indicate that silage made from clover and timothy has, on a dry matter basis, the same feeding value for milk production as well cured mixed clover and timothy hay...

"ARCTIC BLUE"

The offering of Arctic Blue foxes 1006 in number was the largest from the lowest of low grades to a higher percentage than usual of exceptionally good type blue...

When you realize that the Arctic Blue averages about twice as much as the standard silver type, you can understand how much more profitable Arctic Blue is than standard silver even though silvers obtained the same average price...

"PEARL PLATINUM"

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"WHITE MARKED"

The 3000 white marked foxes offered in that special section were all the white marked foxes on the sale. The special collections offered by the white marked agencies and rancher groups also contained a proportion of top quality white marked foxes...

"STANDARD PLATINUM"

There were a few extremely nice bundles of standard platinum. The two top bundles were steady white blue in color, which gradually blended into light steel blue over the shoulders...

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- NEWSY NOTES -

BY AGRODOLA

Status of Agriculture

When the Romans took over Palestine they invaded it from the north and this brought them, first, into the territory of the Samaritans. They found a peaceful agricultural people, cultivating their little farms, which they supposed to be family possessions...

From March the 1st to the 16th we had a remarkable stretch of fine weather, with very good temperatures for a winter month. A friend remarked that we had a March very like this just nine years ago. I found time to look up my Weather Book and sure enough March 1936, up to the 20th, was fine and mild with plenty of sunshine...

The turn of the seasons came when the Normans subjected them, "Sabbatians." In the Roman meaning, implies passing "under the yoke" of slavery. The Saxon serf was a free man; but he was taken longer still to uphold the idea of his inferiority to the rest of the community...

But we can let that pass. What is wrong is the inferior economical position of the farmer, as compared with the rest of the nation. Here is the record of the quarter of a century. Between the years 1915-1919, the farm population in the Dominion of Canada, and received 1-3rd of the national income...

Tobacco Seedbeds for Steaming

A good supply of uniform, healthy seedlings helps in saving labour at transplanting time and permits a good start toward a paying crop of fine-cured tobacco. Patchy or uneven seedbeds are frequently the result of improper preparation and steaming, says F.A. Stinson, Officer-in-Charge, Dominion Experimental Station, Delhi, Ont.

The Pea Vine

Some time ago I read an enthusiastic letter from a western farmer, in which he extolled the virtues of the "Pea Vine" as a pasture plant. I wasn't much wiser, since I didn't know what the Pea Vine was; but this last week I read (in the Family Herald) that its botanical name was Labium sylvestris. I had grown it in the garden for the last five years!

ATTENTION

All parties planning to order their fertilizer through me kindly arrange to call at my home in Cherry Valley within the next ten days. Under present circumstances I am unable to call on you personally as in the past.

FARM AND MILL FOR SALE AT YORK

Well situated farm of the late Mont R. Hardy consisting of 100 acres, 80 acres clear, balance lumber and firewood, nine roomed house and good barn. Also grist and saw mill site, with rotary, lath and shingle mill and other equipment.

FIGHT SMUT-BUNT - STRIPE DISEASE-ROOT ROT, ETC.

See a treatment with CERESAN with less than 3/4c per bushel. Prevents loss from smut, bunt, stripe and root diseases - generally gives better stands of all grains.

Grass Seed Production

(Experimental Farm News)

The production of seed of forage grasses may be a profitable and interesting farm operation providing the grower acquires himself with the information that is available on grass seed production. Choice of land as determined by soil type, till, drainage, fertility and freedom from weeds, will have an influence on grass seed yield.

Generally speaking, good deep loam soils, in a good state of fertility, particularly as regards organic matter, are best for seed production. The soil must be in excellent tilth because poor stands are the natural result of a poor seed bed.

Most grass seeds can be harvested satisfactorily with a combine and time and labor is saved when it can be used. However, disjuncture in obtaining a combine when required may result in a loss of opportunity for harvesting.

Ajax Oats

Ajax is the name given to a new variety of oats developed at the Dominion Rust Laboratory, Winnipeg. At the Dominion Experimental Station at Kapuskasing, it is ready for planting.

At Kapuskasing, it has proved to be perhaps the best variety for Northern Ontario and North Western Quebec that has been tested up to the present time. Ajax is one week later than Carlier or Alaska the hitherto recommended varieties.

In Camera

An English magazine includes some sayings of the indestructible G. B. S.: "The trouble with painters is that they put far too much of themselves into the painting. That is the reason all portraits of me look as though I took spirals."

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Canadian Garden Service 1945

By Gordon Lindsay Smith

Most Canadians are too conservative in the matter of new vegetable varieties. For generations they have been content to grow a very limited variety—beans, peas, lettuce, and potatoes and corn covering the complete range in 100 many gardens.

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