

Georgetown And Vicinity

Mr. Earl Rafuse has accepted a position in St. John, N. B. with the Flood Construction Company.

Leroy Oreamer of Hermitage is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Guy Hemphill of Georgetown.

Mr. Joseph French of Pamure Island was a visitor to Georgetown on Monday.

Miss Hattie MacLean, R. N. of Charlottetown spent the weekend in Georgetown, the guest of Mrs. Ruth Rogerson, R. N.

Mr. Percy Rafuse has returned to his home here, after spending a few days in St. John, N. B.

Mrs. (Rev.) M. E. Aitken left on Tuesday on return to her home in Hamilton, Ontario. Mrs. Aitken was called to her former home in Georgetown due to the illness of her father, Mr. E. B. McLaren.

Mr. Cyrene MacDonald recently returned from a business trip to St. John, N. B.

Mr. Pius Sigsworth, medical student at Dalhousie University, Halifax is spending his Christmas holidays at his home in Newport.

Miss Alma Rafuse spent the weekend at her home here and has returned to Murray River, where she will spend the winter at the home of her brother, Mr. Fred "Ted" Rafuse.

Mr. A. E. Jenkins was a business visitor to the City on Monday.

Miss Helen Gottlieb travelled to Charlottetown on Monday.

Mrs. Elmer Hatch and Mrs. J. D. Blackett were visitors to Montague on Monday.

Charles McConnell, an overseas veteran of the Canadian Army, has joined the Royal Canadian Navy and is stationed at H. M. C. S. Queen Charlotte until the new year when he will be posted to the Pacific Coast.

Livestock

Ottawa, Canada, December 12, 1946

SUMMARY

Under reduced offerings, firmer rates were paid for cattle at principal markets. The advance was from 26 cents to 50 cents, with the largest increase in the west. Lambs also moved up 25 cents at most centres, while calves and hogs continued firm sellers.

Eastern Cattle Markets

Cattle offerings at TORONTO were considerably below the previous week and about 2100 fewer than for the same week a year ago. Choice weighty steers were traded at \$14 to \$14.25 on a market 25 cents higher on all killing cattle. Butcher steers were at \$10.50 to \$13 and the better grades of stocker steers \$11 to \$11.75. Receipts were light at MONTREAL on an active market and prices firm, quality considered with fairly good to good steers \$12 to \$13, top load at \$13.50, and good butcher cows \$9.50 to \$10. In the MARITIMES, deliveries declined drastically but prices remained unchanged. Medium good steers and heifers were quoted at \$11.25 to \$11.75 and medium quality cows up to \$9.

Western Cattle Markets

Western cattle markets showed strength on shorter runs and prices were mostly 25 cents to 50 cents above the previous week. In some cases the advance was attributed solely to the lighter offering. WINNIPEG sold some of the better steers at \$13.25 to \$13.50, with a fair number of slaughter kinds at \$12 to \$13, while stockers and feeders were in rather short supply and all good kinds rated \$10 to \$11. CALGARY was higher, with good to choice butcher steers at \$11.75 to \$13, EDMONTON mostly \$12.75 down but with a few sales at \$13, PRINCE ALBERT up to \$13, and VANCOUVER \$12.25.

Exports to the United States

Dairy cattle shipments to the United States for the week totalled 775 head as against 978 in the same week last year. This year's exports since January 1st are 67,000 compared with 44,861 in the same period last year.

Firm Calf Market

Calf prices throughout continued at firm levels on fairly light runs. Toronto paid \$16 to \$17 for choice veals. Montreal up to \$16, Winnipeg \$14 to \$16, Calgary \$11 to \$11.50, Edmonton \$11.50 to \$12.50, with some choice lights at \$13, Prince Albert up to \$13, Vancouver \$12.25, and Moncton \$12.

Strong Hog Market

Hogs continued to sell at strong prices. Toronto paid \$21 for Grade A, Montreal a little higher, at \$21.50 to \$21.75, Winnipeg unchanged at \$18.70, Calgary \$18.80 to \$18.70, Edmonton \$18.25 at plants and \$19 for shipment, Prince Albert \$18.65, Vancouver \$19 to \$19.50 and Moncton 50 cents up at \$21.50.

FOR TINIES ONLY

A "dress-yourself" race is easy to explain to the tinies and very sweet to watch. Put their little shoes, their gloves and their coats all together in a heap. The children then have to find their belongings and put them on. As a variation each they can have an older child as a partner; when they have sorted out their things they take them to their partners who may help them to dress.

The Hills of Montague

Dear hills of Montague: Although you are so far away: I often think of you, In a homesick sort of way.

Enchanting hills of Montague, Clad with green or capped with snow, You were my favorite rendezvous, When blessed with youth and heart aglow.

I dream so oft of home And things around about, Along the shore I loam When the tide is running out.

The red sand seems so soft Beneath my weary feet, And from the banks aloft, The bird songs float so sweet.

The joyous days of long ago I spend beside you there, Many hours I watched you flow, When my heart was free from care.

The tide of life 'tis sad to say: Will never backward turn, The days of youth must pass away, To old age sadly turn.

In the twilight sad and low, As the shadows longer grow, We must await another home, Just how long we never know.

—Lena Vessey, Portland, Me. formerly of Montague.

NORTH MILTON W. I.

The first regular meeting of the North Milton W. I., was held on Thursday evening, December 5th, at the home of Mrs. Alton Rodd, with fifteen members and one visitor present.

With the president Mrs. Robert Carter presiding the meeting opened by singing the Institute Ode, followed by the Creed repeated in unison. Roll call was responded to by members naming a song they would like in the Institute Song Book. The minutes of organization meeting were read, approved and signed. A vote was taken on songs and it was moved and seconded we send in three "Early One Morning," "Land of Hope and Glory" and "Sweet Awhile".

Committees appointed for next three months were: School, Mrs. Verner Coles and Mrs. Chester Matheson; Sick, Mrs. Eric Coles, Mrs. Russell Coles and Miss Phyllis Hooper; Red Cross, Miss Margaret Coles, Miss Elsie Hooper and Mrs. Loren Thompson; Mrs. Thompson was appointed pianist with Miss Margaret Coles substitute.

It was moved, seconded and carried that meetings start at 8:15. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Loren Thompson on January 2nd. Roll call to be answered by naming an ornamental tree or shrub. Lunch committee, Miss Elsie Hooper, Mrs. Verner Coles and Mrs. Eric Coles. Collection amounted to \$1.00. Six members paid their fees.

The programme paper on Drama Festival was read by Mrs. Alton Rodd and after some discussion it was decided to leave until next meeting. A "hidden words" contest was put on by Mrs. Alton Rodd and won by Miss Phyllis Hooper.

A quilt for Red Cross was partly quilted. Mrs. Rodd kindly offered to finish quilting, also to bind quilt.

After the singing of the National Anthem, lunch was served by the hostess.

PISQUID WEST WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The annual meeting of Pisquid West Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. James Hughes on December 5th with an attendance of six members. One new member was enrolled.

The President presided and the meeting opened by singing the Institute Ode and repeating the Creed in unison.

Roll call was answered by paying membership fee for the ensuing year. Minutes of the last annual and regular meetings were read and adopted. Reports of the different committees were heard and new ones appointed.

The Secretary's report on the year's work included donations sent to the T. B. League, Red Cross and Salvation Army. Expenses for painting interior of school and varnish for desks were also paid. Receipts for year, \$131.44. Expenses for year \$14.78, balance on hand \$56.66.

Election of officers resulted as follows: President: Mrs. John Jay, Vice President: Mrs. Andrew MacKinnon.

Secretary: Mary MacDonald, Auditors: Mrs. Kenneth Jay and Mrs. Clarence Coffin. Directors: Mrs. James Hughes and Mrs. Daniel Birt.

Next meeting to be held at home of Mrs. Kenneth Jay, when roll call will be answered by each member bringing a ten cent article for a grab bag.

Lunch was then served by the hostess, and the meeting adjourned.

ADOPT CHILDREN

Over 350 applications from Sweden to adopt Finnish children who now live in Sweden have been granted by the Finnish authorities. In all there are still 14,000 Finnish children in Sweden.

Foster Discusses New 5-Divisional Army Organization

Halifax, Dec. 18 —(CP)—An indication that the Canadian fighting army of the future will be a five-divisional organization like General Crerar's First Canadian Army was given here tonight by Maj Gen. Harry Wickwire Foster, C.B.E., D.S.O.



MAJ. GENERAL H. W. FOSTER

At a press conference, the 44-year-old Eastern Command chief disclosed that the five new military commands in Canada would be modelled on divisional lines with mobile headquarters.

The headquarters will move in open weather during schemes and exercises.

He also disclosed that his own command had a four-ship marine section to keep in touch with Newfoundland and Labrador, and would soon have a flight of four aircraft, the beginning of the business end of his operational striking force.

The planes and 30 personnel will be stationed at Dartmouth, across Halifax harbor, where possibly the Maritime personnel of the future airborne striking head of the Canadian army will keep in shape.

Large Airborne Group The fact that the Dominion was planning an airborne brigade group of 10,000 was disclosed earlier when plans for the new peacetime army were announced.

While General Foster was speaking primarily of his own command, it was understood his statement might have general application inasmuch as Eastern Command has the same general purpose as the other four military areas.

But his statement was the first indication that the peacetime army might be modelled along the lines of General Crerar's first Canadian army.

General Foster said the decentralization into five area commands would obviate large clerical staffs at Ottawa, do away with much "paper-work" and allow a command to operate more as a divisional command in the field.

Headquarters of Eastern Command, which absorbed the old Military District No. 6, would remain at Halifax. Old units like the North Nova Scotia Highlanders, West Nova Scotia Regiment, Cape Breton Highlanders and North shore Regiment were being reformed and new units were to be created. An example of the latter was the new Prince Edward Island Reconnaissance Regiment, absorbed from the old Prince Edward Island Horse and Prince Edward Island Highlanders.

"There is no horse in the army," General Foster said, "officially, at least."

He said no manoeuvres were planned in the near future for Eastern Command, which includes Newfoundland and Labrador, operated initially only, as well as the Maritimes.

"We will have very few First Great War officers in the reserve force," he said. "We have been asked why we are not taking in many young Second Great War officers to command reserve units. The reason is this: Many came out of high school to join the army and they have never faced life in civilian street. It will be two years before they can get properly rehabilitated. They are not yet prepared to assume responsibilities which they know exist. In a few years they will be keen to come in and will have the necessary stability to take over. In the meantime, it is necessary to take older men and not necessarily ones with Second Great War experience."

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Inflation Slows Decontrol Policy

By JACK WILLIAMS Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA, Dec. 17 —(CP)—The year 1946 brought on Canada's re-conversion worries in a rush. At the year end conditions were taking a more definite post-war form, but war's hangover still left its imprint on the lives of Canadians.

There were still shortages necessitating continued rationing of some foods—sugar, meat, butter; many other goods were in short supply; but employment and income was at a high level and, on a domestic plane at least, Canada's outlook for 1947 was bright.

Inflation remained a major government worry and slowed down the gradual decontrol policy adopted immediately after the war. Expectations were that as production stepped up in 1947 the process of removing wartime controls could be accelerated with the possibility that few, if any, would remain at the end of the year. Housing difficulties, present

throughout the war, reached new heights as veterans returned and sought homes. Particularly in larger centres the problem became acute and in Ottawa and Montreal "squatter" tactics were used by some groups to take possession of vacant buildings.

Construction of new homes was hampered by shortages of skilled workers and materials with strikes contributing to the material shortages. Nails became as precious as though they were made of valuable metal and material was salvaged from abandoned war buildings.

The 1946 target of 80,000 new homes fell short by between 5,000 and 10,000; but Reconstruction Minister Howe predicted 1947 would bring the greatest building activity the country had ever seen.

High Income Level The high level of income that was maintained — more than double that of 1936 — added to the inflationary threat with a shortage of goods to soak up the available spending power. High production held promise of the best protection.

Price control had been eased during the year, particularly on goods regarded as non-essential, and living costs had risen noticeably but there was no evidence of an im-

mediate abandonment of price control. Wage control, on the other hand, was on the way out at the year-end.

Winding up tag ends of war business, War contractors were regulated to determine whether profitable jobs had been excessive and re-negotiation of contracts returned \$400,000,000 to the Dominion treasury.

Sale of surplus war materials had passed its peak by the end of the year but was contributing at the rate of \$20,000,000 a month, with total sales in excess of \$300,000,000. Thus, with the year of reconversion ended, the way seemed paved for concentration in 1947 on shaping Canada's war-found strength for its first real test in a competitive world field.

SNAIL RACE This Christmas game will cause great amusement. It is best run off in heats, dividing the children according to ages. For each child in a heat you will need two ordinary egg cups and a ping-pong ball. The children lie on their tummies on the floor in a straight line with the two egg cups one in front of the other and the ping-pong ball in the cup nearest the child. On the

word "go" they blow the ball from the back cup into the front cup. Then the back cup is moved in front and so on till they reach the finishing line. If the ball blows out of the cups on to the floor it may be picked up and replaced in the back cup. This is a certain way of causing uproarious laughter.

ORICKEN FOOD Game This is a good running-about game to make all shyness disappear. For if you need a good number of colored counters, and these are scattered all over the house (all doors of rooms to be used are left open, all others kept shut. Divide the children into as many teams as there are colors — usually red, blue, green and yellow — and tie a piece of colored ribbon or thread around the arm of each child in its team color. The object of the game is for each team to gather up the most counters in its own color in a given time. They must not pick up a counter not of their own color or they will lose a point to their side.

Furs Worth \$600,000 To Nova Scotia in 1945

HALIFAX, Dec. 17 —(CP)—The fur ranching and trapping industry brought almost \$600,000 into Nova Scotia during 1945, it was shown today in final figures supplied by the Bureau of Statistics and department of industry.

Silver fox was again the largest revenue producer, 8,478 pelts selling for \$271,900. Others were: Mink 6,178 pelts for \$125,500; muskrat 42,237 for \$101,400; red fox 841,400; weasel, \$16,100; wildcat \$14,200; and racoon \$8,800.

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