



TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming

George A. Cullbeck, Summerside, Manager of the Fur Marketing Department of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association...

Prior to the sale of silver fox there had been an offering of 23,000 ranch mink that was completed yesterday with the top lot reaching \$32.50...

The scramble for merchandise was attributed to the fact that this was the last important sale of ranch mink for some time to come...

The bugaboo, OPA, translated means Office of Price Administration, an arbitrary board set up by the United States government...

What May 15th holds forth for us silver fox farmers in Montreal no one can surely predict but it would seem to the writer that we will be compelled sooner or later to take lower prices...

The public sale of Alaska seal skins for the account of the United States government which was to have taken place in St. Louis, Mo., April 24, was postponed by the action of the Government through an OPA order...

BRAY CHICKS "the best I ever had"

That's what many buyers of Bray Chicks write the Bray Hatcheries every season. Here's part of a letter from George Rossow, Pembroke, Ont., for instance:

"I must say that Bray Chicks are the best I have ever had. They have lots of pep and vigor."

And Mrs. E. J. MacDonald, Tracadie Cross, P. E. I., writes:

"Out of the 54 pullets I have raised 32 - I very fine and healthy to raise birds. I never had a bit of trouble with them."

- CHAS. WORTH, 142 Great George Street, Charlottetown; G. Frank Brown, New London; Wm. Christian, Launching; W. K. Crater, R. R. 5, Kensington; Winston W. Currie, Alberton; Earl Diamond, Winsloe; Winston Dingwell, Havelock Station; Raymond Hackett, Hunter River; Mrs. Arthur J. Enman, New Anne; Frances Gardiner, Launching; Kings Co.; J. Harry Green, Central Pictou; Clarence E. Haslam, Springfield; Emerald; Geo. R. Hume, Box 28, Lot 61, Brooklyn, Kings Co.; D. J. Hughes, R. R. 3; Mt. Stewart; H. A. Jolley, O'Leary; C. C. Johnson, Churchill Farm, North Cove; Rae Kennedy, Murray Harbour North; Lorne Kilbride, Port Hill; A. J. McDonald, Tracadie Cross; Chas. F. McKay, Kings Co.; Chas. S. MacKay, Port George; Garth MacLean, Lot 16, South West; P. McQueen, Illeg; Mrs. Payne, Kings Co.; J. Stewart, Kings Co.; Mrs. W. J. Wainwright, Wilmet Valley.

international treaty is regarded as one of the most successful conservation achievements in history. From approximately 100,000 animals in 1908 the herd has increased to nearly three million animals and its value is estimated at \$100,000,000.

Under the terms of the treaty the United States government is trustee for the Canadian government's share of skins at public auction. This department intends to meet its obligation unfortunately circumstances have arisen through the fault of the Department of the Interior which makes it necessary to postpone the sale scheduled for Monday, April 24th.

The announcement that the sale was postponed met with indignation of buyers in years. Many of them had come long distances and at considerable expense. Some went home just as soon as they could get the necessary reservations, which was not easy to do.

The effects of the above on the fur market is not good and all the fur publications are carrying lengthy reports with criticism of OPA. It seems to be a case of too much officialdom throwing business into confusion.

The general opinion throughout the province is that this season's production of silver fox will be smaller than usual. That is, the litters are smaller in average and there are more misses. Of course there are always exceptions to any rule and we are glad to state that J. W. MacDonald, Covehead, has a litter of eight which contains five platinum, and another litter of seven which contains four platinum.

Charlottetown friends were delighted to have a short visit from J. Wilfred Leck, Summerside, on Thursday. Wilfred is one of our best ranchers, modest, unassuming but yet producing the best of his year after year that commands good average on all occasions.

Dr. C. K. Gunn, who is indefatigable in looking after the interests of the fox rancher, sends us a very valuable article which appears below.

CONTROL OF EARMITE DISEASE

Dr. C. K. Gunn, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Fox Ranch, Summerside, P. E. I.

Ear mange or ear mite disease in foxes is a parasitic disease which is widespread in the Canadian fox ranches. It is rarely a fatal condition among these animals, but it plays an important role in retarding the growth of many foxes and causing general unthrifty condition among adult animals.

Earmite disease is caused by a...

NOTICE

The Appraisal Season for valuing farms for loans from the Canadian Farm Loan Board commences this year on April 24th.

Applications for loans should be made to the undersigned:-

J. A. LAWSON, Provincial Supervisor, Canadian Farm Loan Board, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

mange mite, Otodectes cynotis, which closely resembles the true body mange mite in appearance. Its presence can be readily detected by microscopic examination of scrapings from the ears of infected foxes or by general inspection of the mite is severe.

Regular inspection of all ranch foxes should be made twice annually, in June and December, for earmites and mites and more frequently in individual foxes where heavy infestation has been found.

The presence of mites in the external ear cavity gives rise to an irritation. This causes over-secretion of the ear wax which then combines with the exuded serum from the injured tissues to form thick crusts and scales.

An ear mite lotion composed of a mixture of 1 part Sublimed Iodine, 1 part of Potassium Iodide, 1 part water, mixed with 25 parts of glycerine, has been found quite effective in the control of earmites at the Dominion Experimental Fox Ranch.

It was with the deepest regret that we received the news through Well McNeill that his brother, Ollie, of the R. C. A. F. was lost after a recent bombing trip to one of the munition centres.

NEW GLASGOW W. M. S.

The regular monthly meeting of the New Glasgow W. M. S. took place at the home of Mrs. Melvin MacLeod.

The Easter program in the missionary meeting was followed by the devotional leader, Mrs. W. J. McLeod. Everyone joined in the singing of the hymn, Jesus Christ is risen today followed by the Scripture lesson taken from the books of Luke and Acts which was read in unison.

After singing a ray of Resurrection the stories, "They found the Church There" were told by different members. The devotional period was brought to a close by Miss Anna Stevenson, who sang sweetly "Now may he who from the dead" Eleven numbers and one visitor answered roll call with an Easter verse of Scripture.

After regular offering and Easter Thank offering, Mrs. W. J. McLeod led in prayer. Meeting closed by repeating the Lords Prayer and Mphah Benediction in Unison. Lunch was served by the hostess and committee.

Mrs. A. J. MacLeod has as her guests, her son, Lieutenant Stanhope MacLeod, serving with the American Navy, who is enjoying a short leave at his home, and her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Beck Jackson, Mississippi, who will spend the summer with Mrs. MacLeod.

Mr. and Mrs. David Schurman, Charlottetown, spent Sunday with Mrs. Schurman's mother, Mrs. A. J. MacLeod.

MONTAGUE

Mr. and Mrs. Allison MacLean, Summerside, spent the weekend in Montague, guests of Mr. MacLean's mother, Mrs. M. MacLean.

Miss Helen Grant, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. V. Grant, was a recent visitor to Charlottetown.

Dr. and Mrs. P. MacIntyre, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Poole, Montague, returned Tuesday evening from a trip to Moncton.

NEWSY NOTES

THE BANK OF ENGLAND

The Institution (Bank of England) known for generations as the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street, is one of long history and high tradition.

There are considerable grounds for the belief that this odd title was given to the Bank indirectly by reason of a pitiable occurrence which took place there in the year 1811.

That date there was in the cashier's office a young clerk named Philip Whitehead. Likeable in many respects, his company was much sought after by the gilded youth of his time and he began to live extravagantly.

Fortunate is the youth who attends to the advice of men of experience and character, but young Whitehead, instead of heeding, chose to be offended and threw up his job. He began to gamble heavily on the Stock Exchange and became hopelessly involved.

His sister Sarah Whitehead, a girl of nineteen, who had been acting as his housekeeper, was kept in ignorance of these events.

Time passed on till one day she was missing from her usual haunts. "Where is the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street?" city men enquired, not knowing that she had died suddenly.

Good Strain - Good Mating and Proper Feeding

READ this list of awards at the Quebec Show won by Harvey Doraty, owner of Avion Fur Farm, Old Chelsea, Quebec, and a director of Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association.

Show won by Harvey Doraty, owner of Avion Fur Farm, Old Chelsea, Quebec, and a director of Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders' Association. At the show he exhibited 21 foxes. He won THREE OUT OF FOUR GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS (grand champion silver, grand champion platinum, grand champion pearl platinum). Four championships. Eight firsts, three seconds, four thirds, one fifth and one seventh. Quite a record anywhere, any time.

Harvey doesn't believe in "luck" in the successful operation of a modern fur farm. He goes at it scientifically—and it shows results.

He attributes part of the success to GOOD FEEDING. He writes: "Some of the credit goes to you, as we have been using HEXITE feed continuously for the past 4 or 5 years. We have found it to be a well-balanced fox ration, giving plenty of growth during the growing months, and then putting on fur in the months previous to show and pelting time."

Experience Counts Kellogg's Fox Foods have been tested and proved with many generations of foxes. They are backed by the nutritional knowledge of Kellogg's—world's largest makers of ready-to-eat cereals.

SEED OATS FOR SALE

A limited quantity of Banner seed oats, government inspected, \$3.00 per 100 lb. bag. Charlottetown Barley, government inspected, \$1.25 a bushel. Also Banner seed oats from mill 75 cents per bushel, bags extra.

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AN ENGLISHMAN'S TRAVELS

The party arrived at Prince Arthur's Landing (now Fort Arthur) on Thunder Bay, and commenced the second part of the journey to Fort Garry via the Dawson Road.

When Colonel Wolesey's force disembarked at the Landing in 1870, says our traveller, there were only two or three wooden shanties; but now (1912) there are one or two hundred, with some good buildings, scattered along the shore.

Had he returned fifty years later he would have found a population of 14,886 souls; Canada was growing up!

As an aside he notes: "The persistent loyalty of Canadians comes to the surface in the names they give to almost every new settlement. The number of Victorias, Prince Alberts, and other royal-family names already in the north-west promises a good crop of confusions and annoyances in postal matters in the future."

However matters are not as bad as he anticipated. The Dawson Road he divides into three sections. The first he dismisses in a few words — "From

Attention Farmers Near Charlottetown

We are well stocked with fertilizer to be delivered the very moment the roads open and we are in a position to serve the same number of customers that we served last year with the same amount of fertilizer.

Orders for fertilizer must be in within a few days and we especially ask for your cooperation due to the fact that, on account of ill health, I have been out of the office almost continually since the first of January and I have to go to Montreal sometime in the next three weeks for another operation.

We see no daylight ahead on the turnip market. The outlook of the potato market this spring is not at all desirable.

Frank B. Clarke

Thunder Bay to Shebandoway

Thunder Bay to Shebandoway Lake, forty-five miles, we drove in one day, in wagons light and heavy.

The second part of the Dawson Road—the Lacustrine—was three hundred and fifty miles long, and would never (he thinks) be forgotten by the party, for its many novel pleasures.

Only those who have enjoyed for successive days the motion of gondolas gliding over the water-streets of Venice, can understand the delights of canoeing.

The canoes were "four or five fathoms" long, fragile looking, but each carried nine or ten men — six of them crew — and three or four hundred pounds of luggage.

He waxes enthusiastic over the crews, Iroquois and Ojibways, "the best voyagers known; as first-lookers, clean-limbed men as our eye could desire to rest on, punctual, diligent, uncomplaining, and reserving their chief affection for their canoes." Further on he says: "We could easily understand how it is that an Englishman travelling for weeks together with an Indian guide invariably contracts a personal feeling amounting to friendship for him. His patience, endurance, and dignity, his fertility of resource and self-forgetfulness are admirable, and can hardly fail to evoke friendship."

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Harvey Doraty Tells How His Foxes Won Three Grand Championships at Quebec



H. A. Doraty and Les Mansfield—with grand champion platinum and grand champion silver at Quebec Fox Show.

HEXITE - Very Important at Whelping Time. Whelping time—when the mother fox needs increasing amounts of food, until she gets all she can "clean up". Time to increase the cereal supplement to 25% of the total feed. That's why the right cereal is so important. You'll be interested to know that HEXITE contains 19 quality ingredients, scientifically balanced and thoroughly cooked. The ingredients provide vitamins A, B1 (or thiamine), B2 (or riboflavin), other factors of the B complex, D, E and K. Protein.