

A Feature for Every Friday—
Among The Farmers
Federation Of Agriculture News

Potato Plantings
 There are indications that Island potato growers in common with potato growers in other areas, are planning on an increased acreage this season. Apparently, the old proverb of "seed produces" is entering into the planning and thinking at the moment, while it has been true on a number of occasions, the exceptions have been sufficiently numerous to raise some doubts. It can be pointed out that on the average, we have had two good potato years and that while seed has been cheap at the moment, that seed was worth \$2.00 or thereabouts for much of the crop. Potato growers, in increasing acreage, would appear by present indications to be taking a chance and unless conditions are sufficiently unfavourable over

large areas to produce low yields, there is little to justify optimism on the score of favourable prices. Last year's high prices early in the season have been responsible for greatly increased plantings at an early date this season and there is every possibility that all the potatoes which could be ready for market in August will have some trouble in finding a home, it should be borne in mind that a scarcity during the summer months in 1932 was responsible for good early prices, there is no evidence of any similar scarcity at the moment.

Newfoundland Potatoes
 We heartily sympathize with the director of agriculture in Newfoundland in his sorrow over low potato prices in that Province. However, we take exception to the charge that Island farmers are dumping the product as there is

THE CENTRAL GUARDIAN

JIMMY'S TAXI - Phone 524.
"YOUR DOLLAR BUYS MORE—" at the HUGHES DRUG STORE.
BURKES JEWELLERS, next to Bus Stop for expert watch repairs.
KEROSENE, Electric and Propane Gas Refrigerators, Bryenton and MacKay.
SUIT SALE—English Worsteds \$55.00, week-end sale \$39.50. Henderson & Cudmore.
ZENITH HEARING AIDS with New Features, \$85.00. Toombs Music Store.
HELP THE NEEDY—Buy a tag on Saturday. Catholic Social Welfare Bureau.
HAMPTON PASTORAL CHARGE—Services for Sunday, May 17th. Bonshaw 11 A. M. Victoria 3 P. M. De Sable 7.30 P. M. Rev. R. H. Baxter, Minister.

no doubt that the market price for potatoes would be the same, regardless of what market they are intended for.
 The director should realize that it is practically impossible to have a product cheap in one province and expensive in another, and that the Newfoundland grower is no worse off than his neighbors in the rest of the Maritimes who have had American potatoes dumped into their markets.

Farm Forum
 The Provincial Farm Forum Committee met on Monday with five of its six members present. Elected as a new chairman was Charles Yeo of Sherbrooke, the Maritime Executive member of the C.F.A. and a past president of the Island Federation. Mr. Yeo has been an active member of the Enterprise Forum at Sherbrooke, a group which has been to the forefront in community development.
 The new vice-president, Mrs. E. S. Rose, while a comparative newcomer to Farm Forum, is keenly interested in the project. Plans were made to provide, early in the season next fall, for training of Forum officials in short courses with the participation of Department of Agriculture and Women's Institute officials.
 It was pointed out that Institutes had been responsible for getting five new Forums started and that three new Institutes had grown out of Farm Forums at the Farm Forum is working hand in hand with the Departments of

Co-Operative Journeyings Down Through The Years

By J. A. Gillies, Charlottetown (Continued from Wednesday's issue)

The Egg Circle movement of 1912 had its beginning on a very modest scale. A number of farmers with poultry flocks, in a few different communities, were persuaded to pool their weekly egg production and sell co-operatively on a quality basis, on the assumption this method would bring them increased net returns. Eggs were to be collected and shipped weekly to a central receiving station, where they were officially "candled" and graded according to a system adopted. Each patron was responsible for the quality of his eggs and was paid weekly according to his grading.
 Identity of ownership was maintained by allotment of a "number" to each patron. This number was indelibly stamped on each egg previous to shipment, by the owner. Poultry men were given proper instruction on feeding and care of the flock, as well as that of the eggs and crating, so as to assure delivery of a top quality product, in the best possible condition. Early experiment proved a profitable innovation and brought increased returns to all participating, who observed regulations. Within the period of a few years, the Province was dotted with "Egg Circles" and the receiving station at Charlottetown was a veritable mecca of industry.
 Demand for Island eggs increased rapidly as a result of marketing a guaranteed quality product. Eggs were collected on a specified day each week by a "circle" manager, who made payment for the previous week's collection when taking up the following week's gathering.
 Of course the exploit was not all sunshine; the movement had its scoffers, its critics, its hypocrites and deserters, but despite all that, and on the whole as time went by, it revitalized and improved the egg production phase of the industry in the Province. So successfully was this done, that ere long the production and marketing principles and policies involved were applied to the production and sale of poultry itself. The actual bird that mothered the egg, as soon as its "laying" usefulness came under suspicion, and as well its progeny, chicken, capon, cockerel, etc., and all its feathered associates in the domestic realm of the barnyard.
 The story of the new movement in the poultry industry in Prince Edward Island soon found its way abroad, first to the neighboring Maritimes then further afield to the central Provinces, the Prairies and British Columbia, respectively, whenever opportunity offered, and no doubt while enroute Laws or regulations to curtail or

prevent over exertion in this respect, are useless and incapable of being satisfactorily enforced, and when attempted, lead only to confusion and business chaos. History is replete with experience of this kind. Co-operative effort provides an inoffensive avenue of escape from business oppression for producer and consumer alike, and its protective features are available to individuals through group organization and action.

The unpardonable sin against voluntary co-operative organizations when they disband, is that of leaving producers in general as well as its membership, destitute of the price protection that had been theirs. The situation is well illustrated in the instance of the organization under discussion.
 Since its ill-advised dismemberment, egg and poultry producers have had to accept any price offered by the "catch as catch can" method of trading which it was succeeded. Products of equal grading and standard are now bought by the trade in different Provincial localities, at a wide spread in quotation.
 The mark-up from wholesaler to consumer, according to weekly market reports, is frequently topping a fifty per cent increase over the price paid at the source of supply; and yet while we have a superfluity of agricultural organization in the Province, there is no evidence of action on behalf of producers anywhere within its bounds. What has happened? Are

Save Work—
IN YOUR DAILY DUSTING

CLEANS AS IT POLISHES

SAVE TIME
ZER-O-PAK
FROSTED FOODS

SAVE MONEY

farmers already in reverse, going back to conditions that existed before and immediately following the turn of the century?
 (To be continued)

Feature Values
Ladies' Basement
Friday - Saturday
40 Ladies' Cotton Dresses
\$1.29 each
 Regular to \$3.95

Here's cotton dresses at a price you cannot afford to turn down—broken styles and sizes—sizes are 12-14-16-40 and 44—some are slightly soiled.

Ladies' "Helen Morgan" and "Juliana" HOUSEDRESSES—full assortment of sizes from 14 to 44 in the newest spring and summer styles and colors. **2.95 and 3.95**
 Priced at

SPECIAL
POT-OF-GOLD YARN

1 oz. balls—3-ply—in colors pink, brown, sand, yellow, green, wine, light blue, dark blue, scarlet and white—Priced at only, per 1 oz. ball **19c**

Ladies' JEANS—good quality blue denim, sizes are 12 to 20—priced at, **3.15**
 per pair

Ladies' Full Swing SKIRTS—in new colorful cottons—sizes 12 to 18—each **2.98**

Ladies' Krinklecrepe NIGHTGOWNS with Lace Trim—Half sleeve length—colors are pink, blue and yellow. Each **1.95**

Ladies' Jersey NIGHTGOWNS with Lace Trim in colors pink and blue, in sizes small, medium and large—Each **2.95**

Ladies' Rayon Crepe SLIPS with Lace Trim at top and bottom—White only in sizes 32 to 40—Priced from **1.75 to 2.95**

Mayflower WOOL—3-ply 1 oz. balls in various colors—per 1 oz. ball **29c**

Stanfield's Blue Label YARN—3-ply, 3 oz. skein—priced at only per 3 oz. skein **69c**

Children's Ribbed HOSE in 1x1 rib—Mapleton shade in sizes 4 to 10 and priced according to size at per pair **45c to 1.35**

Children's White HOSE — full length in 1x1 rib — sizes 4 to 9 — Priced **40c to 90c**

Children's Wool and Nylon KNEE HOSE with elastic top in colors red, navy, green and brown— sizes 6 to 9 1-2—per pair **75c**

Children's Wool Blazers—single breasted with cord trim— sizes 3 to 6 in colors navy, blue and wine— Priced at, each **3.75**

Children's Krinklecrepe SLIPS with eyelet embroidery on top and bottom—white only— Sizes 2 to 6— **1.25**
 Each

Sizes 8 to 14— **1.45**
 Each

Children's Rayon BRIEFS in colors white, pink, blue and yellow— Sizes 2 to 6— **39c and 49c**
 Per pair

Sizes 8 to 14— **55c**
 Per pair

Children's 100% All Wool Coat SWEATERS—smart jacquard designs in various new colorings— Sizes 2 to 6—Each **2.50**

Children's Pullover SWEATERS—Same quality and designs as above Coat Sweaters— Sizes 2 to 6—Each **2.25**

Children's Cotton DRESSES—Colorful neat designs in sizes 2 and 4 only— Priced at, each **1.00**

TRINITY SCOUTS are presenting a Mount Allison Concert Party in a special Recital this evening at Hearts Hall at 8.15. Don't miss this treat! Piano and vocal selections will be featured by Alexander Champoux, Myra McKel and Robert Mills.

CORNWALL UNITED CHURCH Services May 17th, will be conducted by the Minister, Rev. A. S. Weir, as follows: Kingston at 11.00 A. M. New Dominion at 3.00 P. M. Cornwall at 7.30 P. M. Sunday Services as announced.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Belfast, Services May 17th, Sunday School 10 A. M. Service 11 A. M. At 7.30 P. M. the Minister and choir of Valleyfield and Orwell Head will attend and render a service of songs, sponsored by the Y. F. S. Rev. James Heathwood, M. A., Minister.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald, who departed this life May 15th, 1943 and June 10th, 1934.

Today is a day of remembrance. With many sad regrets, A day we shall always remember. When the rest of the world forgets.

We think of you in silence, And oft repeat your names. What would we give to hear your voices, And see your faces again.

Lovingly Remembered by Family.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our Father, JOHN A. ROSS, Ocean View who passed away May 15th, 1932.

In silence we remember. Son and Daughters.

SPECIAL
SUITS 1-3 OFF
 No Appropriations No Refunds
SUNTER'S LADIES' WEAR
 162 Great George St.

BURNS
 THE DISTINCTIVE BARRE GRANITE

Your tribute to your loved ones should be one of beauty and permanence. Let us give you experienced assistance in making your selection.

We carry a large stock of the world's finest granite and marble. Our many designs range from ones of utmost simplicity to others of delicate sculptured beauty. We invite you to come in and see our display.

VERE BECK & SON LTD.
 MONTAGUE & CHARLOTTETOWN
 Skilled Memorial Craftsmen Since 1870

FREE! - A LOVELY JEWEL CASE

WITH EACH PURCHASE OF A SHADOW WAVE KIT OR REFILL

MANY OTHER USES... UTILITY CASE • CARD BOX • COSMETIC CASE • SEWING CASE

THE JENKINS PHARMACY
 THE Retail STORE
 DISPENSING CHEMISTS • PHONE 219
 COR. ST. GEORGE & KENT STS. CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.

SUNSET LODGE WITH NEW WING

RED SHIELD and SUNSET LODGE HOUSE FURNISHING APPEAL

SPECIAL NAMES CANVASS
MAY 16th to 25th

The splendid New Wing which will double the present accommodation is under construction and will be completed this summer.

The Advisory Board earnestly desire to raise sufficient funds to furnish and equip the new wing so that it may be ready for occupancy as soon as completed.

GIVE GENEROUSLY — LET'S OPEN THE DOOR OF THIS NEW WING FREE OF DEBT.

SPECIAL NAMES CHAIRMEN
B. EARL MacDONALD, M.L.A. — R. E. SELLER

CANVASSERS:

G. M. Avar	J. Gordon MacDonald	F. A. Stewart Jones	N. D. MacLean
Earle C. Baker	G. E. Hartlen	Ralph M. Jones	J. Fulton Pierre
W. G. Barbour	Ivan A. Horne	A. Alistair MacLeod	Brig. W. W. Reid, D.S.O.
A. B. Belcher	F. W. Hyndman	N. W. Lowther, Q.C.	B. E. Rogers
Lt. Col. F. B. Conrad, M.M.	T. G. Ives	K. M. Martin, Q.C.	George J. Rogers
T. Roy Cudmore	W. R. Jenkins	J. C. Montgomery	H. L. Sear
T. D. DeBlois	E. C. Johnstone	G. Fred Moore	R. Earl Taylor
J. T. Davies			

Provincial Organization
 PATRON
 Hon. T. W. L. Prowse
 Lt. Gov. P. E. I.

Honorary Chairmen
 Hon. J. Walter Jones
 Premier P. E. I.

Lt. Col. J. D. Stewart
 Mayor City of Ch'town.

Lt. Col. K. S. Rogers
 President CFCY

Member Advisory Board
 Salvation Army

Provincial Chairman
 T. Roy Cudmore