

# AMONG THE FARMERS

Federation of Agriculture Newsletter

## A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

It seems such a short time since we dismantled last year's Christmas Tree... carefully packed the Decorations away, and swept up the Evergreen Needles, spent and faded... to make ready for the dawn of a NEW YEAR... 1935, with all its Expectancies and Resolutions, for the making of a Brighter and Better Way...  
 ...A Home...at Work and at Play...  
 ...Possibly the Expectations did not meet the goal of our Dreams... probably some of our Resolutions were hard to fulfill... while others felt by the side of the way but... some we achieved and they stood as a Beacon to light the Road of...  
 ...Live and Let Live...  
 ...After the long Winter chores, the sudden burst of Spring, as if to assure, "All is Well"... Seasonal Harvests renewed... the hot Summer Days... Autumn and Fall, with their rare Golden Beauty... and then Thanksgiving... as if a day of stocktaking of our Many Blessings... a Silent Reminder...  
 ...That God is Good...  
 ...The late Fall work, tending fields and barnyards... stabling the stock... in preparation for the short days and long winter nights... and then... to know, when done, that somewhere, somehow, we have achieved a lot... a feeling of Relaxation... the Seasonal Race is run... when suddenly out of the blue, like an Arrow of Light, the Yuletide Season is about us... the Christmas Spirit once again pervades the Land... bringing an overwhelming desire for... Fellowship... Good Wishes... Love and Happiness...  
 ...The Great Gift... Symbolic of Christ... Not for any one Class, Creed or Color... but for all who care to...  
 ...Love and be Loved...  
 ...So may this Yuletide Season bring to you and yours... A Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

**KING'S COUNTY HERDS**  
 The t.b. tests conducted in King's County during the past summer provide some interesting information. In the County are 2,056 owners of cattle with a total of slightly over 20,000 head. The average per herd 9.78.  
 There are almost 1,300 herds with ten head or less, 383 herds from ten to twenty and 148 from 20 to 30, and a total of 48 herds having 31 animals or more. The largest herd being 121 head. While these figures do not indicate a very large cattle population, what is important is the fact that during the past six years there has been a marked increase in the total.

**WHAT ABOUT BEEF?**  
 This Province is naturally a producer of grass, hay and other roughages which can be processed

ed by cattle into milk or meat. The Dairy industry gives a valuable measure of stability to its economy and in addition lays a sound foundation for soil conservation and agriculture of a high order. The production of beef is, of course, a subsidiary of the Dairy Industry but there would appear to be in this Province place for the production of more and better beef than is presently the case, far too many of our cattle are inferior in type and in the capacity to convert feed into meat. On many farms where good dairy cows are kept there is probably a place for the raising of animals carrying some beef bloodlines. The cost of labour and the advent of much cheaper housing both suggest that cattle numbers will increase in this Province and the beef industry become relatively more important. There is a market in the Maritimes for good beef and it would appear to be good business to be supplying it.

**PERCENTAGE OF INCOME**  
 Naturally potatoes vary from Province to Province in their relative importance and in percentage of value to total farm production. In 1933 in this Province over 30 per cent of the value of field crops was potatoes. New Brunswick showed 26.76, British Columbia 15.03, in Saskatchewan potatoes were less than one-half of one percent, in Ontario 4.12 and in Quebec 9.57.

**FARM OUTFIT**  
 The Financial Post published in Toronto claims to be Canada's National weekly of business, investment and public affairs. It has never shown any sympathy for the problems of agriculture and even less understanding but, nevertheless, continues to make distorted pronouncements which usually contain nothing of a positive nature relative to the agricultural situation. This publication naturally shows a preoccupation with profits, dividends, capital gain, etc. It is, of course, not difficult to understand why the Post looks with contempt upon an industry and operators who are going more often in the red than out. The issue of December 10 refers in courteous terms to the Ontario Federation of Agriculture as "A Farm Outfit" and then proceeds with a twisted, dishonest interpretation of the Federation's brief to the Ontario legislature. The Post suggests that the Federation wishes to hold every other Group back if farmers cannot move ahead. Common sense would indicate to the average reader, if not to financial writers that what farmers are seeking is the opportunity of getting up with other Groups and of travelling along with them as first class citizens. Our reading of the Financial Post leads us to the conclusion that its idea of an economic Utopia would be one in which

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there were no labour unions, farm organizations, combines investigation branches or Governments with socialistic tendencies but only well heeled corporations staffed with well dressed executives, wielding sharp pencils and coming up at the end of every year with higher profits, bigger dividends and more and more monopolies.

**FARM SUBSIDIES**  
 Last week we listened to a panel made up of representatives from the Canadian Association of Consumers, the Federation of Agriculture, Labour Organization and a newspaper man discuss matters relative to the coloring of margarine and the passing on of wage increases to consumers and farmers. The discussion was an interesting one but all through it was the suggestion by the newspaper man and the labour representative that farmers were very heavily subsidized at the expense of the taxpayer. This statement was made specifically with respect to Western wheat marketing and the farm organization man was under the necessity of pointing out the complete inaccuracy of the statement. It is unfortunate that taxpayers and consumers have in some manner incorrectly gained the idea that agriculture is heavily subsidized. Actually the taxpayers contribution on behalf of farmers in the way of supports and subsidies is of a very modest nature. In fact, when broken down on a per capita basis it is hardly worth discussing.

**HAMPTON Pastoral Charge** The United Church of Canada Services Sunday, December 25. Bonshaw, 11 a.m. DeSable, 3 p.m., Victoria, 7 p.m. Note change of time at Victoria. Rev. R. H. Baxter, minister.

**COVEHEAD Pastoral Charge** United Church of Canada, services, Sunday, Dec. 25. Covehead Road, 11 a.m.; Union R o d, 3 p.m.; West Covehead, 7:30 p.m. Rev. N. R. Green.

**YORK PASTORAL CHARGE**—The United Church of Canada. Minister, Rev. J. M. Sprouts. Sunday, Dec. 25, 1935, 11 a.m. Central, 2 p.m. Pleasant Grove, 3:15 p.m., Brackley, 7:30 p.m. York (Christmas Candlelight Service.)

**BRADALBANE United Church**, Sunday, December 25th. Pleasant Valley 11 a.m. North Granville, 3 p.m.; Bradalbane, Sunday School Christmas Service 11 a.m.; Regular service 7:30 p.m. Rev. H. S. Raynor, minister.

**POWNAL UNITED Pastoral Charge**, Sunday, Dec. 25. Christmas services at Bunbury 11 a.m.; Mount Herbert at 2:30 p.m.; Pownal at 7 p.m. Sunday Schools at Pownal at 10:45 a.m. and Millville at 11 a.m. Rev. T. R. Goudge, Minister.

**CRAPAUD AND Springfield** Christmas Services. St. John's Church Crapaud, Dec. 24th, 11:15 p.m. Holy Communion, Dec. 25th, 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer, St. Elizabeth's Church, Springfield, Dec. 25th, 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion. Parishioners are asked to note the change in times of services. Rev. George R. T. Ebsary, Rector.

**TRYON BAPTIST PASTORATE**—Services for Christmas Sunday—Westmoreland at 11:00 a.m.; Tryon at 3:00 p.m. Service at Tryon a special Christmas Musicale with Dedication of Communion Table, Pulpit Light, and Pulpit Hymn Book. Sunday School at Tryon at 1:45 p.m. Dr. E. J. Barras, Minister.

**LEARN AND GIVE**—Two carpentry classes at the Vocational School have combined learning a trade with being Santa Claus. Principal Edward MacPhail reports that classes instructed by Mr. C. B. Hamm and Mr. M. L. MacDonald made a number of hand sleighs in the course of their training and, as in other years, have donated them to the children of both orphanages and the Provincial Infirmary.

**TRYON UNITED Churches**, Services Sunday December 25th: Tryon 11 a.m.; Crapaud 3 p.m.; Cape Traverse 7:30 p.m. There will be a White Gift Service for the children and a Missionary Basket for the adults at each of these services. A Christmas Cantata, directed by Dr. Peter MacDonald, will be presented in the Tryon Church at 8:30 p.m. Christmas night. Rev. Lloyd Archer, Minister.

**MARSHFIELD Pastoral Charge**. The Presbyterian Church in Canada Christmas Services, 11 a.m. Harrington; 3 p.m. Mt. Stewart; 7:30 p.m. Marshfield; soloists Miss Joanne Lilly and Earl Dixon. Pastor: duet, Misses Shirley Scott and Elizabeth Stetson. Everyone welcome. Rev. Lee MacNaughton, Minister.

## ORWELL COVE W. I.

The regular meeting of the Orwell Cove Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Wilfred and Mrs. Edison MacLean on Dec. 14th. The president, Mrs. John MacLean, presided. Meeting opened by singing the "Ode" followed by the "Creed" in union. Nine members answered roll call. There were two visitors present. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Committees gave their reports.

Correspondence was read and discussed. Business was as follows: Moved by Mrs. J. A. MacLeod, seconded by Mrs. F. E. Rooney that we send \$5.00 to T. B. League. Moved by Mrs. Walter MacLeod, seconded by Mrs. Edison MacLean that we renew our subscription to C.A.C. Gifts were packed for the two orphanages. The president kindly offered to pack the treats for the children at Christmas. Next place of meeting with Mrs. O. M. MacDonald; roll call: "Name of a song containing a woman's name". Program committee: Mrs. Edison MacLean and Mrs. Frances McKenna. A discussion followed on how we might increase our funds. It was decided to hold a card party in the hall Jan. 9th. Luncheon served, prizes given. A Christmas contest put on by Mrs. Walter MacLeod was won by Mrs. Frances McKenna. Meeting adjourned. Luncheon was served during a pleasant social hour.

## Union Commercial College Closes For Christmas Holidays

The Annual Christmas Closing of Union Commercial College took place on the evening of December 20, at which a number of students who had successfully completed the course of studies, received diplomas and certificates. Mr. Edwin Johnstone, Manager of the Dominion Life Assurance Company, gave a short address to the graduates, congratulating them on their achievement, and wishing them the best of success in the future. Those completing their training at this time were: Honour Diploma, Jean Fraser, Murray Harbour; Diplomas, Florence Drake, Charlottetown; Sally Leard, Mount Stewart; Isabel Stead, Souris, R. R. 4; Certificates, Ruth Corbett, Millton; Adele Cutcliffe, Cape Traverse; Wendell Cutcliffe, Cape Traverse; Doreen Hughes, Covehead; Hazel Thompson, Augustine Cove. A presentation was made to Jean Fraser in token of her high scholastic standing, and also in appreciation of her assistance to the staff in various ways during the term. The program was as follows: Carol - Silent Night; Address to Graduates, Mr. Edwin Johnstone; Presentation of Diplomas and Certificates; Carol, "Joy to the World"; Film, "U. C. C. Diary"; Piano Solo, Jean Fraser; Highland Fling, Beryl Buchanan; Film, Graduating Students; Song, "Here Comes Santa Claus"; Santa Claus; "God Save the Queen". A Gregg Emblem Pin was presented to Barbara Dunsford, Hampton, for excellence in shorthand transcription. Those taking part in the singing of the carols led by Jean Fraser, were Judy Arthur, Ruby Moore, Colleen McGee, Ethelene Barbour, Barbara Coffin, Gloria MacIsaac, Florence Drake, Sally Leard, Beryl Buchanan, Betty Shaw, Ruth Corbett, Miriam Hurry, Lois Beltram, Isabel Stead. Each member of the teaching staff, including W. D. Fraser, principal, Miss Mary MacInnis, and Miss Frances Barbour, was the recipient of a gift from the student body.

**GOVERNMENT FARMS**  
 Ceylon has seven government dairy and cattle farms with a total of 3,000 head of cattle.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, John F. Power Covehead Road who passed away December 23, 1935. Our lips cannot tell how we miss him, Our hearts cannot tell what we say, God only knows how we miss him, In a home that is lonesome today.  
 Lovingly remembered by wife and family.  
 In loving memory of my Dad David Bernard who passed away Dec. 23, 1935.  
 He has gone to be with His Savior, the one who loved him best. Where all who believe in Jesus, shall have eternal rest. Always remembered by daughter Vollet.

## Liberals Will Not Contest B. C. By-Election

VANCOUVER (CP)—There will be no Liberal candidate running in the Jan. 9 by-election to fill the provincial seat of Vancouver-Centre, it was announced Wednesday night. J. A. MacDonald, president of the Vancouver-Centre Liberal Association made the announcement in a statement issued after an executive meeting. The move leaves only Progressive Conservative, Social Credit, CCF and Labor-Progressive (Communist) party with candidates nominated. Mayor Fred Hume asked if he would accept nomination has declined, said Mr. MacDonald. The seat came vacant with the death of George Moxham, who held the riding for Social Credit.

**37-BELOW WEATHER**  
 KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont. (CP)—Wednesday night was the coldest of the season here as the temperature sank to 37 below zero at Lake Shore mine. By 7:30 a.m. Thursday the temperature had "warmed up" to 20 below.



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