

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

Potato Movement It is evident that some farmers, particularly those holding a large quantity of potatoes, believe that the movement of potatoes was held up or impeded during the past season.

For the information of our readers the table below showing a comparison of the 1951 and 1952 crop movement indicates from a volume standpoint a marked difference. Quite significant is the greatly increased business done up to December 31st as compared with the previous year.

Table with 4 columns: Month, 1951 (bus.), 1952 (bus.), and 1953 (bus.). Rows include August, September, October, November, December, and Sub total.

Carloads at 750 bu. ... 4,680 9,252

Dairy Business O. J. W. Shugg, director of publicity and advertising for the Dairy Farmers of Canada is meeting representatives of the dairy industry in the Vocational School tonight.

Canadian dairy farmers are the only group which have put themselves in a position to raise funds on a national basis for the promotion of a branch of agriculture. Vegetable oil competition forced such action upon the dairymen and it is more and more apparent that there can be no slackening of effort in the public relations campaign already initiated.

The Senate Again The Canadian Senate might well be considered the godfather of the vegetable oil baby. It was the Senate that the original agitation arose which resulted in bestowing on a section of the Canadian people the blessings of a synthetic substitute for a natural product, the production of which is of vital importance to the welfare of a large proportion of our Canadian people.

Currently, the Senate is considering the abolition of the sales tax on margarine. The supporters of this idea will no doubt state their interest in the welfare of the consumer, but we doubt

Farm Prices & Market Report

Following are excerpts from the weekly market report of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, prepared by Dr. G. C. Fisher, Director of Veterinary Services:

Cattle trading on the Montreal market this week was about steady with last weeks close, with Good to Choice Steers 20.00 to 21.50; Good Cows 14.50 to 15.50, with a few at 16.00. Calves were one dollar stronger with Good to Choice 21.00 to 23.00, and a few tops at 24.00. Hogs were unsettled.

On the Maritime market hogs and sows were up \$1.00 at both Moncton and Charlottetown. The following are the details: Hogs at Moncton: Grade A 28.50; Grade B1 28.10; No. 1 sows 21.00; No. 2 sows 20.00; hot dressed weight delivered.

Hogs at Charlottetown: F.O.B. country points, Grade A 27.50; Grade B1 27.10; No. 1 sows 20.00; No. 2 sows 19.00.

Cattle at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Steers: Choice 18.25 to 19.25; Good 17.75 to 18.50; Medium 16.00 to 17.00; Common 10.50 to 12.00. Heifers: Choice 18.00 to 19.00; Good 17.50 to 18.00; Medium 16.00 to 17.00; Common 11.50 to 12.50.

Cattle at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Steers: Choice 19.00; Good 18.00; Medium 16.00; Common 11.00 to 12.00. Heifers: Choice 18.50; Good 17.50; Medium 16.00 to 17.00; Common 10.50 to 11.50.

Calves at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Choice 20.00 to 21.00; Good 17.00 to 19.00; Medium 12.00 to 14.00; Common 11.00 to 12.00. Grassers 10.00 to 11.00.

Calves at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Good to Choice 21.00 to 22.00; Medium 17.00 to 19.00; Common 12.00 to 15.00; Grassers 10.00 to 12.00.

Lambs at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 17.00 to 18.00. Rail grade price for A's, 41.00, up to 46 lbs.

Lambs at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, 17.50 for good lambs. Rail grade prices for A's, 42.00, up to 46 lbs.

Sheep at Moncton: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 3.00. Rail grade price for A's, 16.00, up to 70 lbs.

Sheep at Charlottetown: Delivered to plant. Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 3.00. Rail grade price for A's, 16.00, up to 70 lbs.

Eggs And Poultry There is little to report on the egg situation from last week. Prices are holding steady at last week's levels. Production shows a slight increase, but indications are it is nearing the peak. Quality is holding fair to good.

Shipments are going forward to other Atlantic Provinces with a few by others concerned. In the event of very heavy world production, England might perhaps buy her supplies at a lower figure but should scarcities develop, buying outside the agreement could well prove an expensive proposition.

The Old And The New The past twenty years has seen such marked changes in agriculture that even the most venturesome farmers have had difficulty in keeping abreast of the times. There is still, in this Province, a large group of farmers who have made changes quite slowly and may have good reason for believing that such a policy has kept them out of troubles which fall to the lot of the man with a large acreage, big capital investment and labor trouble.

It is still possible to farm efficiently with horses and light equipment and the farmer who pursues this method and practices economy may in the long run be as independent as his neighbor who operates by more modern methods.

Cropping Operations Should fair weather continue the last week of April could see much of our Island land ready for cultivation and the early birds swinging into cropping operations. This is the season of the year when the farmer is faced with decisions which have a direct bearing upon his economic position for the balance of the year.

Questions such as, how many acres of potatoes to grow? Should I fertilize the grain? Will I have enough hay? Will I sell that litter of pigs or feed them? Will there be a dollar in feeder cattle? Will the old tractor put the crop in? Will labor be available for harvesting the different crops? Will I be richer or poorer after the year's work? And many others contribute to keep the farmer scratching his head at this time of the year.

CATTLE LOSSES Cattle losses have been experienced in various parts of the Province this Spring from Blackleg. These heavy losses can be prevented by having your calves and young heifers protected.

Blackleg is a highly fatal, rapidly progressive, infectious disease of young cattle. Animals between the ages of six months and two years are most susceptible, although the disease sometimes occurs in both younger and older stock. The germs are found in the soil and on foliage in many areas. Animals become infected by eating or drinking contaminated feed and water, or through puncture wounds or abrasions of the skin.

Vaccination is the only reliable and effective means of protecting animals against this disease, and should always be done before the animals go out to pasture. The practice of using the pill shot under the skin is not satisfactory, and in a great many cases does more harm than good. The most satisfactory way to have your animal vaccinated is to contact your District Veterinarian.

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surplus stocks being moved to Montreal. Dealers are quoting for ungraded eggs delivered: AL 42-43, AM 40-41, AS 32-33, B 32-33, C 20. And for the graded pack delivered: AL 48-50, AS 47-48, AS 41-42, B 41-42, C 27-28. And are quoting retailers in cartons: AL 56-57, AM 54-55, B 40, C 34-35. Retail to consumer: AL 63-64, AM 54-55, B 48-49. Rural Stations—ungraded eggs delivered: St. Peter's—AL 42, AM 40, B 33, C 20. O'Leary—AL 41, AM 38, B 39, C 18. Montague—AL 42, AM 39, B 32, C 20. Sydney Market—as at April 20th, 1953: Dealers paying loose: AL 56. Dealers selling loose: AL 60. Cartoned eggs 4c extra. Retail prices in cartons: AL 62-73. Egg prices on this market have shown a sharp decline, origin 85% Prince Edward Island, 15% Nova Scotia. The demand is good. Receipts of Grade A Large are sufficient to meet requirements with all other grades off. Halifax Market—as at April 21st, 1953: To Producers: AL 50, AM 47, AS 43, B 32, C 25. To Retailers (cartoned): AL 64, AM 62, AS 54, B 44. To Consumers: AL 66-72, AM 65. Spot Price: AL 55, AM 52, AS 48, B 37, C 28. This egg market is steady to firm at present prices. Prices quoted for Northern Florida, and a Medium size are unchanged, but other grades advanced two cents. Volume of local receipts continues at about the same level, and dealers are depending on arrivals from Ontario and Prince Edward Island to meet requirements. Demand is good. The dressed poultry market is firm. Receipts are limited and under a steady demand available supplies are being readily absorbed.

Potatoes The potato market remains a more or less listless affair with prices for seed and tablestock showing a slight improvement one day and down again the next. On the other hand the rail movement has been heavy so far this month with some 1,014 cars ferried up to and including the 22nd. This is equal to the total number of cars shipped in all of April last year. As a matter of fact total shipments to date this year are almost exactly double those of last year. Some small vessels are now being loaded for Newfoundland points. A record high production is indicated for Northern Florida, and the lower Texas Valley, with a crop estimated at 5,805,000 bushels which is 13% larger than the crop harvested last year in those areas. Potatoes from Florida, Alabama, Texas, and California, are now reaching the consuming centres.

In the so called late spring States the first report issued by the United States Government is estimated at 162,700 acres, which is 32% larger than the acreage planted last year. These heavy plantings may possibly cause growers in the late States to think twice before increasing their acreages, particularly in view of the fact that potato prices have declined steadily since mid-January. The following are the prices and market details at certain centres on the Island as secured today: Tignish: Some tablestock moving at 40c per bus. Foundation Mountain Seed 80c per 100 lbs. at the farm. Borden Line: Some tablestock moved this week at 60c per 75 lbs. loaded. Some cars mixed seed moving at about 60c per bus. Morell: Fair movement in tablestock and seed. Price 45c per 75 lbs. at the farm, for tablestock. Montague: Quiet. Small vessel loading for Newfoundland today. Tablestock 45c per 75 lbs. at the farm. No seed moved past week. Souris: Five or six cars seed moved this week, mostly Katahdins at about 45c per bus. Tablestock 40c per bus. at the car. Charlottetown: Fairly good movement of seed and tablestock, mostly table. Price about 45c per 75 lbs. at the farm. Price of seed during past week about 70c per 100 lbs. at the farm.

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HEAR BOY M. JOHNSTON speaking upon the work of the Churches of Christ in the Maritimes at Central Christian Church Schoolroom tonight, at 8:00 P. M. YORK PASTORAL CHARGE. — The United Church of Canada Minister: Rev. J. M. Sproule. Sunday, April 26th, 11 A. M. Central. 2:30 P. M. York. 7:30 P. M. Brackley. CAVENDISH UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE. — Sunday, April 26th. New Glasgow 11 A. M. Cavendish 7:30 P. M. Rev. George Gough, Minister. PLOT HOLDERS and all parties interested in Winsloe North Cemetery, please meet in Church Monday night, at 8 P. M. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.—Schedule for Sunday, day, April 26th. Caledonia 11 A. M. Murray Harbour South 3 P. M. Wood Islands 7:30 P. M. Minister: Rev. E. S. Hales. HUNTER RIVER CHARGE.— Services April 26th. Wiltshire 11 A. M. with Communion. Hampshire 7:30. Sermon: The Four Anchors of Faith. Rev. Howard Christie, Minister. CHERRY VALLEY PLAYERS. Present the three act play "The Path Across the Hill". North River Hall, Monday, April 27th. Audiences Hall Committee. Curtain 8:30. FUNERAL YESTERDAY —The funeral of the late Robert Griffin, who died at the Charlottetown Hospital April 20th, was held yesterday morning from his late residence, South Shore to St. Martin's Church, South Shore, where Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. A. MacLellan, C. S. R., who also conducted service at the grave. The members of the Kingston Branch of the Canadian Legion attended in a body, the Legion service being conducted by Angus MacEachern. The pallbearers were: Norman MacDonald, Ivor Smith, Wilfred Dolron, Walter Quilly, Edmund Handrahan and Ernest MacNeill. Interment was in the church cemetery.

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