



KNUD Jorgensen, centre, president of the Queens County Federation of Agriculture presided at the farmers meeting held Saturday night at Mill Wheatley River, right, are directors of the county federation. (left and Keith Ruckham, right).

Farm Meeting At Milton Splits Down The Middle

By NEIL MATHESON

A farm meeting at Milton Saturday night split down the middle on the question of the quality of potatoes a grower should plant this year. A resolution to approve the government regulation to plant nothing but certified seed, or better was lost when chairman Knud Jorgensen, Fredericton gave his casting vote. The resolution was moved by Daniel A. MacPherson, Oyster Bed Bridge.

The new hall was well filled despite most unpleasant weather and travelling conditions and the potato question was discussed at length before the vote was called.

Irving Toombs, Rustico asked why a grower who knows he has clean seed - clear of Ring Rot - should be required to go outside his farm to purchase certified seed, or Foundation, when he has no assurance that the purchased seed would be free from the disease.

Mr. Toombs spoke as a man who has had the disease on his farm, but has gotten rid of it. He had clean tubers now and has no desire to get contaminated potatoes again, he emphasized.

"Why not have men with clean potatoes plant what they have until this mess is cleared up?" Mr. Toombs asked.

Spokesmen for the seed potatoes were just as insistent that the use of certified seed, or Foundation, is the way to success in cleaning up Ring Rot. They included Jack Howatt, Darlington and Keith Cudmore, Brackley.

TAKING ADVANTAGE

Isaac Stewart, Inkerman said some seed growers are taking advantage of the situation and are asking unreasonably high prices for seed. One man asked \$2.75 a bag, he reported but "I got all my seed yesterday, for 10 cents per bag above table-stock prices." Mr. Stewart reported.

One man told The Guardian that he had seen one grower advertise seed potatoes for \$3.75 per bag.

Mr. Howatt said the seed grower deserves all that he can get for his potatoes. The man who has been producing seed through the years has put a great deal of effort into the job, he emphasized. If it has not been for the seed growers and their concentrated effort, a supply of good seed potatoes would not now be available. Mr. Howatt said.

Mr. MacRae said the government does not wish to create a hardship for anybody, "but we have to protect the industry," he observed.

The minister said the industry had a cash value of \$10 million in the calendar year 1965, for example.

Mr. MacRae quotes figures which showed there were just under 6,000 acres of potatoes with positive or contact Ring Rot last year. He suggested there "may have been additional acreage infected of which we are not aware." Most of the infected spuds "had come from fields planted with tablestock. There had been 57 positive cases involving 718 acres and 62 contact cases involving 1,057 acres in ground planted with seed last year.

In farms planted to tablestock there had been 160 positive cases involving 2,012 acres, and 104 contact cases involving 2,200 acres.

It adds up to a total of 393 growers with positive or contact case of Ring Rot, involving 5,989 acres, one man added.

There were 26,000 acres passed for seed last year, which means that there would be 16,000 or 17,000 acres of tablestock grown, according to estimates by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Mr. MacRae told the meeting.

The meeting also discussed a

LOCAL BRIEFS

PRESENT CONCERT

Charlottetown Royal Canadian Legion Chorus will present a concert at the Confederation Centre. The chorus is under the direction of Leslie Hiscott. Featured on the program will be the Prince Edward Island Regiment Band.

CARD PARTY

Following are the results of Saturday evening's card party held at Marshfield Hall: Ladies first, Mrs. Douglas Moore; second, Mrs. Lloyd Vessey; consolation, Mrs. Gertrude Stewart; Gents' first, Raymond Perry; second, Angus Cluney; consolation, Eric McLure; door prize, Mrs. Harry Lewis; freezeout, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vessey.

NEW MEMBERS

The Sea Cadet Corps is recruiting new members until April 20th. The corps is sponsored by the Charlottetown branch, Royal Canadian Legion. The corps is composed of 40 cadets ranging in age from 13 1/2 to 18 years. Any interested parents of boys are welcome to attend drills on Tuesday evening at the barracks and observe cadet training, which is intended to encourage young men to become better citizens.



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mid. winds south 15, shifting to west 15 this morning; low-high at Halifax 32 and 41, Yarmouth 32 and 43, Kentville 30 and 36, New Glasgow 30 and 41, Charlottetown 30 and 36, Moncton 33 and 41.

High tide today at Charlottetown 11:23 a.m. and 11:18 p.m. At Rustico at 6:43 a.m. and 6:28 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 6:39 a.m. and sets at 6:10 p.m.

Librarian Gives Report

Legislative librarians and provincial archivist Douglas Boylan has urged that the government appoint a professional children's librarian to supervise a program for the provincial library.

The recommendation was contained in his annual report of the Legislative Library, tabled in the Legislature Friday.

Mr. Boylan pointed out that despite excellent physical facilities and an increased buying program, "I must report that our service to children is decidedly poor.

"Your librarian and his assistant cannot devote sufficient time to developing and directing a proper children's program; administrative and technical demands are much too great. I cannot recommend too strongly the appointment of a professional children's librarian to supervise this vital aspect of our library service."

Commenting on book circulation, Mr. Boylan said "despite being closed for two months during relocation, a new high in books circulated was achieved in 1965. A total of 37,281 books were circulated, as compared to 49,522 in 1964.

"Most gratifying was our increased circulation in our children's department - from a low of 522 books circulated in January of 1964 in our old building to a high of 2,744 circulations during the month of July. The provision of a separate teen section has greatly increased our book circulation to children in the 11 to 17 age group."

EASTERN FUNERALS

DALEY FUNERAL - Funeral for Cecily Daley took place on Saturday morning from the home of her brother Edward Daley, St. Mary's Road to St. Paul's Church, Sturgeon, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Lawrence Landrigan who also conducted the service at the grave. Pallbearers were: James Daley, Stephen McKearney, Leo Daley, James Farrell, Frank Roach, James Landrigan. Interment took place in the church cemetery.

BREHAUT FUNERAL - The funeral for Mrs. Bertha Elizabeth Brehaut was held Saturday, March 5, from the Murray River Funeral Home to the United Church, Murray River, where service was conducted by Rev. David Barwise. During the service the Murray River Trio sang, Sweetly Resting, Hymns sung were, The Lord's My Shepherd and Under His Wing. Flower bearers were Willard MacLean, Chester Whiteway, Clarence Whiteway, Frank Young, Russell MacPherson, William MacLeod. Pallbearers included David Whiteway, Freeman Whiteway, Max Cooper, Bert MacLeod and George Ferguson. Interment took place in Murray River cemetery.

Regional forecasts:

Halifax and vicinity, South Shore, Annapolis Valley, Northern Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Eastern New Brunswick Counties: Cloudy with a few clear periods; extremely

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Souris Squad Wins Ch'ship

MONTAGUE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

A Souris team skipped by Dave Townsend won the eight year curling championship on Saturday at Montague, after coming through the three day spiel with only one loss.

The competition which had to be switched to Montague from Alberton only the day before due to ice trouble at Alberton, produced what several older curlers said was the best and most exciting curling in the Montague rink for several years. The Souris rink which had been curling for the past two years only, lost their only game to the Al McCurdy rink of Belvedere when the skip's last rock slid less than two inches beyond the counters.

The Burt Priddy rink of Alberton got away to a strong start and were the only team without a loss at the end of the first day and one half. In the evening they lost out to the Ken Jenkins rink of Charlottetown 10-9. On Saturday morning the Souris team defeated them 10 to 4 to eliminate them from the competition. In the other Saturday morning game between Montague and Belvedere the experts behind the glass were kept confused by the strategy when six of the twelve ends were blanked by one team or the other. At the end of twelve it was all tied up at 4-4. In the thirteenth the Montague skip Ken MacKenzie missed ever so slightly with his last rock to give the Belvedere foursome the game.

In the final between Souris and Belvedere one team then the other would take the lead with the game all tied up in the eleventh. This, however, gave the Townsend rink last rock which won the trophy.

Following is the line-up:

SATURDAY MORNING:
Souris 103 030 030 0xx-10
Alberton 010 002 001 0xx-4

Belvedere 002 000 010 001 1-5
Montague 200 000 100 100 0-4

FINAL:
Souris 013 000 310 101-10
Belvedere 200 011 003 020-9

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ter Johnston, 38 Mt. Edward Road; Lois, Mrs. G.R. Howard and Frances, Mrs. L.H. Clifton both of Moncton.

Another brother Sterling predeceased him in 1944 while serving overseas.

SERVED OVERSEAS

Mr. Reid taught school from 1931-1939. He was a teacher at West and served in the RCAF overseas as a flight lieutenant from 1940-1945 in England, Corsica, France and Africa.

Upon returning to Charlottetown, Mr. Reid worked with the Potatoes Growers Association and later formed his own company known as E.D. Reid Produce Ltd.

He was a large grower of potatoes as well as a shipper, and he had a large farm machinery distributing business.

Prominent in church work, Mr. Reid was an elder in Zion Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Reid took an unusually active interest in organizations that worked for the good of the province and also in those of Maritime scope.

He was a past president of the Maritime Board of Trade and of the Charlottetown Board of Trade, for example. He had been a member of the Maritime Transportation Commission for many years - he was still a member at the time of his death.

PROMINENT LIBERAL

A prominent Liberal, Mr. Reid had contested the Queens constituency for his party in 1958. He was a past president of the P.E.I. Liberal Association.

Active in many community organizations, the appointment of Mr. Reid had been announced last weekend as provincial chairman of the Salvation Army's Capital and Maintenance campaign.

Members of the coroner's jury empanelled by Dr. MacMillan include Gordon MacKinnon, West Valley; William MacGregor, 99 Upper Prince Street; James Sherrin, Cross Roads; Russell MacNeil, Mt. Edward Road; Reginald MacAlear, 207 Water Street; and Gene Coady, Birchwood Street, foreman.

Expressing his sympathy of Mr. Reid's death, Alex Campbell, leader of the Liberal party for P.E.I., said: "I am shocked and saddened with the tragic news of Mr. Reid's death and I join with the people of our province in extending deepest sympathy to his widow and family."

TV Potential Pointed Out

Fort Augustus home and school goers had Mrs. Hestia MacDonald, provincial president of home and school, as guest speaker for their regular monthly meeting.

In her talk on the subject "What is Television Doing to Our Children?" Mrs. MacDonald pointed out the great potential that television possesses for entertainment, education and enrichment.

Such a medium is bound to exert a powerful influence since the material presented for viewing may be good, bad or indifferent; the viewing habits of children need parental supervision.

We do not give adult novels to children and expect them to read them. Many programs are neither suitable for nor intended for young viewers stated the speaker.

Parents can aid their children to be selective - to pick and choose what is most appropriate and worthwhile. Mrs. MacDonald concluded her address by saying that with guidance television can be used wisely and well.

SHIPS USES JETS

A British frigate, HMS Exmouth, is to be the first ship in the world to use aircraft turbine engines exclusively.



THE Dave Townsend, rink of Souris, is the winner of the eight year and under curling championship for the 1966 season. Dave is pictured receiving the trophy from Peter Sinclair, president of the P.E.I. Curling Association, following their win on Saturday. Other members of the team are Hollis Jenkins, mate; Reg Peters, second stone; and Alan MacLean, lead. The team came through the competition with one loss. The Souris curlers have been curling for only two years.

Yanks Hit Hard At N. Vietnamese

SAIGON (AP)—U.S. marines and South Vietnamese troops slammed about 5,000 men directly at four North Vietnamese regular army battalions Sunday in a fight to the death eight miles from Quang Ngai on the central coast of South Vietnam.

A U.S. spokesman said the North Vietnamese had "chosen to stand and fight it out." He listed enemy casualties as 516 dead—a figure determined by body count—and perhaps another 450 killed in air strikes and artillery barrages in the weekend action.

U.S. 1st Infantry Division troops operating 35 miles north of Saigon reported killing 188 Viet Cong guerrillas in a clash with an enemy regiment.

In air war activities, officials in Saigon reported U.S. Air Force and navy jets flew 41 missions against targets in North Viet Nam Saturday, cutting a railway line near Hanoi and blasting supply lines heading south. Pilots reported heavy ground fire and spotted two anti-aircraft missile launchings but both missed. No U.S. aircraft losses were reported.

At Lai Khe, Gen. William C. Westmoreland, commander of

U.S. forces in Viet Nam, said U.S. and South Vietnamese forces wiped out four enemy battalions in the last few days—some of them including North Vietnamese regulars. An enemy battalion is between 200 and 500 men.

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