

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

### What Is Freedom?

An anonymous newspaper correspondent from New Wiltshire recently expressed concern that farmers were in danger of transgressing upon the Bill of Rights and the Magna Carta in setting up, under legislation, marketing boards to regulate sale of farm products.

This writer placed our merchants and traders upon an exalted pedestal in the form of saviours and benefactors of all the unhappy race of farmers, stressing the fact that their existence depended upon the extension of credit for fertilizer and spray material.

While this system may be satisfactory to the New Wiltshire writer it will hardly appeal to young people planning on agriculture as a career. Surely there must be something better to offer them other than crop mortgages and dependence upon the private capital of business people.

### Pool Marketing

While dealing with the anonymous letter we draw attention to one originating from Carleton which in complete innocence suggests that those connected with the marketing of potatoes under the Dominion Co-operative Act are unaware that an initial payment above the market price could be considered as support.

The letter was well written and displays better than average knowledge of the matters discussed but the writer can rest assured that those who are examining the possibilities of the system are fully acquainted with this particular implication.

Present indications do not point to high prices for our potatoes going to the U. S. and the grower can be the best judge in making a decision as between a reasonable initial payment and first-rate prices for export.

### Educational Programs

On Monday and Tuesday nights at Charlottetown and Sherbrooke Floyd Griesbach, National Secretary of Farm Forum met with groups interested in discussing educational programs which might be of value in developing the rural community and its people.

The decision arrived at is to invite the heads of our various Provincial Organizations to meet for the purpose of attempting to develop a unified educational program which will serve the general purposes of groups such as

the Women's Institutes, Federation, Farm Forum, Junior Farmers, Co-operatives, and Department of Agriculture.

The plan may perhaps be an ambitious one but the benefits to be derived would appear to justify considerable effort in removing the obstacles.

### Co-operation

On Tuesday and Wednesday Island Co-operators held their annual meetings and took a searching look at their accomplishments over the past year.

The co-operative Movement would appear to be making sound and steady growth and is becoming an increasingly important factor in the business life of the Province. While the movement must of necessity concern itself with sound and profitable business, it does not stop at this point, but accepts responsibility for the development of the members as citizens.

The idea of working together and doing business together can be the essence of democracy and so long as the co-operative movement stays close to the individual member, free enterprise and democracy cannot fail to develop in a satisfactory manner.

### For Or Against!

In conversation with a Scandinavian who has made a success of farming in this Province, the remark was made that too many people here are inclined to be against things rather than for them. The statement started us wondering whether Island farmers are different in this respect from those in other places but there is apparently ground for believing that we are more inclined to be vitally opposed than strongly in favor.

Any attempt at farm organization usually produces a substantial number of persons who are strongly opposed and will work strenuously for the wrecking of a structure when they would be much better employed in attempting to improve it.

Building can be a slow and often unrewarding endeavour—wrecking on the other hand can be swift, violent, exciting, and results very evident.

### Transportation

At the hearing held by the Board of Transport Commissioners regarding the case for the potato industry of P. E. I. and N. B. was ably presented by the Chairman of the Potato Board.

That present freight rates constitute a serious handicap to our potato business was strongly emphasized and the necessity of fair treatment dealt with. It is entirely fitting that such representations should be made by the growers through their own elected Board and we have the feeling that since its inception the Board has rendered the growers good service in respect to making submissions on their behalf.

### Is This Us?

"The people who have achieved, who have become large, strong, vigorous people, who have reduced their infant mortality, who have the best trades in the world, who have an appreciation of art, literature, and music, who are progressive in science and in every activity of the human intellect, are the people who have had liberal amounts of milk and its products."—Dr. E. M. MacCollum, Nutritionist, John Hopkins University.

### Canada's Contribution To Relief Fund

Individually and through governments, Canadians have contributed a total of \$2,877,708 to the European flood relief fund for the relief and rehabilitation of the flood-stricken areas in England, Holland and Belgium.

More than \$1 million worth of supplies have been shipped or are en route to the areas, and additional supplies are to be forwarded as needed.

Part of Canada's contribution to flood relief in England was a gift of two million board feet of Canadian lumber, valued at \$200,000, which was already in England, and which it is estimated will repair all the damaged homes and farm buildings in the flooded area. In The Netherlands, rehabilitation is to include replacement of farm implements.

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## Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Strange as it may seem the Malays believe that rice possesses a soul like that which these people attribute to mankind. They imagine that in the fibers of the plant, as in the body of man, there is a vital element which may for a time be separated from it without fatal effects, but if its absence is prolonged beyond certain limits the plant will die. This vital element they call the soul of the plant and on this myth is built the worship of rice.

So the Indonesians treat the rice plant with the same consideration they show to their fellows. When the rice is in blossom they respect it as they would a woman heavy with child; no loud noises are indulged in lest they frighten the soul of the rice causing it to have a miscarriage and perhaps never be fruitful again, and for the same reason they bear fruits of various kinds to the rice fields and feed the plants as if they were human babies. In spite of these precautions it sometimes happens that a rice field does not flourish. The soul of the rice has fled. That's bad and something must be done about it right away. That something is to recall the soul of the plant. The following formula is used: "O come, rice, come! Come to the field. Come from the East, come from the West." Repeated often enough these words are supposed to bring forth the wandering soul.

Certain stocks of grain are called the "Rice Mother". From these comes the number one rice seeds which, after having been sprouted, are transplanted to the fields to form a central plot while the common seed is planted round about them. The rice mother is supposed to influence the rest of the field for good or for evil. If she does not flourish, the harvest will be bad in consequence.

The first fruits of the field are carried home to serve as a festival meal for man and beast.

An entire chapter could be written about the rice mother in the East Indies, but enough has been said about the subject to give my readers some highlights on the amazing superstition behind the growing of rice, in the country of the Indonesians.

No one can a Mockingbird imitate the songs of other birds, but he can sing the same music as a nightingale only much better than the nightingale can sing his own songs. What's more amazing, the mockingbird only takes a few minutes to learn a new song.

To prove it, some years ago a few nightingales were expressed to Florida in cages. That same night nightingale songs rang through dale and glen. Indeed the whole countryside appeared to be flooded with melodious nightingale music. But no nightingales had escaped. Mockingbirds had picked up the songs and were singing them better than the immigrants.

To give the devil his due, he is not responsible for all the misfortunes that come to mankind. Take, for example, the natives of the island of Rock, between New Guinea and New Britain. When misfortune comes to them in the way of a plague or what have you, all the people blame their woes on the devil. So armed with clubs and other weapons, they descend upon his satanic majesty and drive him step by step to the sea. Then with curses and waving clubs they expel him to a distant island.

The natives of Halmahera also attribute epidemics to the devil who they believe comes from other places to drag them off to hell. To appease the old boy, every person in the town or village donates a costly garment. These are placed in containers and carried into the heart of the forest where the devil is supposed to be waiting to receive the gifts. Then with mocking words he bids the demon be gone.

In the island of Nias, when anyone is seriously ill and the usual remedies have been tried in vain the sorcerer tells the people the devil is back of the disease. A pile is put up beside house and a rope is stretched to the roof of the house. Then the sorcerer gets atop the house with a fresh killed porker, and lets it roll from the roof to the ground. The old boy, anxious to get his hands on the pig, lets himself down in a hurry from the roof via the rope, and a good spirit, invoked by the man of magic, prevents his satanic majesty from climbing up again.

When cholera broke out in a Burmese village some years ago, all the men hit for the roofs of their dwellings and lay there with billets of wood, while the women and children beat drums and blew trumpets. This uproar was more than the devil could stand so he stamped out the cholera and that was that.

## THE CENTRAL GUARDIAN Address and Presentation

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**SACRED CONCERT** in Pleasant Valley United Church, Sunday July 19th, at 8.45 P. M. with musical talent from Charlottetown.

**NORTH TRYON** Presbyterian Church Service July 19th—11 A. M. Church School following the services. Miss Mary A. MacKenzie, Deaconess.

**HAMPTON PASTORAL** Charge The United Church of Canada Services Sunday, July 19th, Victoria 11 A. M. Hampton 3 P. M. Bonshaw, 7.30 P. M. Rev. R. H. Baxter, Minister.

**HAZELBROOK AND CROSS** Roads for Sunday, July 19th, Hazelbrook, 3 P. M. Sunday School 2 P. M. Cross Roads, 7.30 P. M. L. L. Hartley Condon will be the speaker at all services.

**NORTH RIVER UNITED BAPTIST PASTORATE**—Sunday July 19th, Fairview 11.00 am, North River 3.00 p.m., Long Creek 7.30 p.m. Sunday Schools as locally announced. Rev. H. Barber, Pastor.

**BREADALBANE PASTORAL** Charge. The United Church of Canada Services Sunday, July 19th, Rose Valley 11 A. M.; North Grandville, 3 P. M.; Pleasant Valley, 8.45 P. M. (note change of hour). This service will be a Sacred Concert with musical talent from Charlottetown. Rev. W. B. MacPhail, Minister.

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND** Services for the 7th Sunday after Trinity in New London Parish, Rev. W. E. Ingraham, are: St. Stephen's Burlington, Holy Communion 9 A. M.; Sunday School 10 A. M.; St. Mark's, Kensington, Holy Communion 11 A. M. The officiant will be the Rev. Douglas Sherren, St. Thomas, New London Sunday School 6.30 P. M.; Evening Prayer, 7.30.

**WINSLOE PASTORAL CHARGE.** The United Church of Canada. The services Sunday are as follows: Highfield 11 a.m., Winsloe North 3 p.m., Winsloe South 7.30 p.m. At the evening service the Princetown Road Choir will have charge of the music. S. School at South Winsloe 10.30. Other sections of the charge as announced. Heber H. Hardy, Presby Supply.

**CRAPAUD AND SPRINGFIELD** Parishes Services for Sunday July 19th, Seventh after Trinity, St. Elizabeth's Church, Springfield 11.00 a.m. — Holy Communion St. Thomas's Church, Long Creek, 3.00 P. M.—Evening Prayer, St. John's Church, Crapaud, 7.30 P. M.—Evening Prayer, Rev. George R. F. Ebsary, Rector.

**THE TRYON-BONSHAW** Group of United Baptist Churches. On Sunday July 19, 1953, services as follows: Bonshaw, 11.00 A. M.; Westmoreland, Sunday School, 2.00 P. M.; Public Worship 3.00 P. M.; Tryon, Sunday School, 11.00 A. M.; Public Worship, 7.30 P. M.; The D. V. B. S. Girls, Misses Joan White and Dorothy Barnet in charge of all services.

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**POWVAL UNITED PASTORAL** Charge. Services Sunday July 19th—11 a.m. at Millview; 7.30 p.m. at Powval. Visitors specially welcome. Rev. T. R. Goudge, Pastor.

**BEACH POINT GOSPEL** Chapel, services for Sunday, July 19th. Sunday School at 10.30. Worship at 11.30. Evangelistic Service at 7.30. Special Singing—Louis Harris.

**ORWELL-VERNON** United Church of Canada services Sunday, July 19, will be conducted by the Minister at Orwell, 11 A.M.; Cherry Valley, 2.30 P. M.; Vernon Road, 7.30 P. M. Rev. John P. MacKay, B.D., Minister.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA**—Central Parish. Preparatory Services this Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. in the Canoe Cove Church. Rev. Donald Nicholson, Minister.

**MARSHFIELD PASTORAL** Charge. Presbyterian Church in Canada. Sunday July 19th. Marshfield Sunday School 10 A. M.; service 11 A. M.; St. Stewart, 3 P. M.; Harrington Sunday School, 10.30 A. M.; service 7.30 P. M. Rev. Lee MacNaughton, Minister.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN Church** in Canada, Central Parish. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Canoe Cove Church next Lord's Day, July 19th. Service beginning at 10.30 A. M. Worship Service 7.30 P. M. Rev. Donald Nicholson, Minister.

**—NEW LONDON** Presbyterian Churches. Services Sunday July 19th. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in Geddie Memorial 11.00 A. M. Evening Service 7.30 P. M. Preparatory Service, Friday 8.00 P. M. South Grandville 2.30 P. M. Clifton S. S. 10.00 A. M. Rev. D. A. Campbell, Minister.

**CORNWALL UNITED CHURCH,** Rev. A. S. Weir, Minister. Services July 19th will be as follows: Cornwall, 11.00 a.m., New Dominion 3.00 p.m., Kingston 7.30 p.m. Rev. Alexander MacKay of Kensington, will be guest preacher at each of these appointments. Sunday Schools, Cornwall 10.00, Kingston 10.30, New Dominion 2.00 p.m.

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