

Reviews Activities By Teachers' Federation

Prince Edward Island needs a new deal in education," Miss Matheson, President of the P. E. I. Teachers' Federation, told hundreds of island teachers yesterday at the opening session of the Federation's annual convention at the P. W. C. Auditorium. The convention was held at the P. W. C. Auditorium in the capital city for the three-day meeting.

The Federation President's above-quoted remark was made at the conclusion of that section of her report concerning the presentation of briefs to the Select Standing Committee on Education, which has been adopted by the Legislature. The Federation brief included the following recommendations: Re-allocation of the tax dollars, establishment of larger units of administration and regional high schools, provision of "teach-erages" in certain rural areas, and improvement in the quality of teachers, for which purpose a number of suggestions were made.

"Pressure of time precluded an exhaustive study of all our educational problems by this committee," she said, "but its chairman and members deserve our commendation. They received many briefs, sifted the mass of information contained in them, and prepared their report in a very short period. We can only hope that out of this inquiry will evolve a courageous long-term plan that will ensure the best possible educational opportunities for the children of this Province."

"During the past year," Miss Matheson said, "the Locals have been very active. I believe the future of our provincial organization is closely linked with the work of the Locals. It is here that every teacher has an opportunity to contribute to the formulating of Federation policy by making his or her wishes known to the Local's representatives on the Board of Governors, and by meeting regularly to receive reports from these representatives relative to actions taken by the Board and their stand on important issues. If our organization is to function democratically, it is absolutely essential that members of the Board of Governors be acquainted with the wishes of the teachers they represent and to whom they are responsible.

"We, the members of the Board, have been elected to serve you, the teaching body, and we must ever be mindful it is our duty to initiate and implement policies that will bring the greatest good to our membership as a whole. It is humanly impossible always to satisfy the wishes of every member, but we do welcome your views and suggestions, and assure you they are given serious consideration.

"Local workshops" have done much to arouse teachers' interest, and several Locals have held exceptionally successful ones. Of course, the continued success of these depends on the leadership provided by the Local executive, and on the cooperation of all its members.

EXCELLENT MEDIUM

"Workshops provide an excellent medium for discussing topics relating to school administration and classroom teaching, and for 'in-service' training. We have scarcely scratched the surface of the great depth of knowledge that can be acquired through concentrated study in such groups.

"In order to strengthen the Locals, the Board of Governors agreed at its November meeting that the Local be empowered to enlarge its present executive of three members—president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer—to five; and suggested that the past president be one of the two additional members.

"The members of the Board are very happy about the new life so evident in the Locals, and to encourage activity at that level voted twenty-five dollars a year to each Local to cover incidental expenses incurred in arranging meetings and distributing study materials.

SUMMER SCHOOL AT P.W.C.

"Our organization has long advocated the establishment of a credit-conferring Summer School at Prince of Wales College. The Department of Education took a step in this direction when last summer for the first time gave twelve courses were given, thus enabling teachers to raise their status from second to first class by attending a sufficient number of such Summer Schools. However, we should like to see a further extension to include university credits.

"The Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation feels very strongly that we should have a voice in determining who shall be admitted to the teaching profession, and that only those meeting the full requirements for admission should be granted a license; therefore, we have made strong representations to the Minister of Education requesting that a Certification Board be appointed and that the Federation have representation on such a board.

"It is desirable that teachers-in-training should be thoroughly acquainted with the aims and activities of our Federation. To this end, our General Secretary, Miss Bowness, addressed the trainees in the Normal School last spring, explaining our Constitution and Superannuation Act, informing them on Federation affairs, and pointing out to them the advantages of belonging to such an organization. It is the intention to continue this plan so that the beginning teachers will realize they belong to an organization of which they can be justly proud and to which they owe loyal support.

REQUEST COMMISSION

"The teachers assembled in annual convention in April, 1955, realizing the gravity of the educational situation in Prince Edward Island, instructed the Board of Governors to consider the advisability of requesting the provincial government to set up a Royal Commission to investigate all matters pertaining to education in this province.

"In November of that year the Executive of the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation waited on the Executive Council, and requested the appointment of such a commission. Previous to this the Provincial Home and School Association, supported by the Catholic Women's League, Federation of Agriculture, and Board of Trade, had made a similar request; and in October, 1956, the Women's Institute also requested that a Royal Commission on Edu-

cation be set up.

"Finally in February, 1957, a delegation representing the Home and School Association, Women's Institute, Federation of Agriculture, Catholic Women's League, Board of Trade, Provincial Command Canadian Legion and the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation made representations to the Executive Council urging the establishment of a Royal Commission as soon as possible.

"These organizations represent a large part of our population, and we are greatly heartened by genuine interest in matters pertaining to education and by their willingness to support reforms that will lead to a satisfactory solution of our educational problems. The concerted effort of these seven organizations demonstrates very clearly that public opinion has been awakened to the urgent need for immediate remedial action.

"However, the Government saw fit to deal with our educational crisis by setting up a Select Standing Committee on Education to hold public hearings and to submit recommendations to the Legislature.

"The speaker gave an outline of the brief submitted by the Federation.

NATIONAL LEVEL

"On the national level I shall comment on only three matters.

"In January 1956 our General Secretary was accorded the honor of being invited to become an Associate of the Canada Foundation, a non-profit, voluntary association of people who are interested in the national development of Canada's cultural resources; in the promotion of greater cooperation between Business and the Arts, and in the stimulation of two-way exchanges of knowledge between Canada and other countries in various cultural and intellectual fields. The Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation is happy to contribute Miss Bowness' annual fee of ten dollars in order to maintain this valuable contact.

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Some individuals may be suffering from an organic disturbance. These animals should be treated by a qualified veterinarian. In most cases this will save the animal and increase the breeding efficiency of the herd.

NEW CLUBS

This week two clubs were named and organized. The New Glasgow and District Artificial Breeding Club, which includes Lots 22, 23, and 24, selected their inseminator, Charles Carr, Oyster Bed Bridge.

The Crapaud and District Artificial Breeding Club, which includes lots 28, 29, 20, and 67, met and appointed Lyman Harvey of Crapaud as their inseminator.

In both Clubs the inseminators left by air this morning to start their training course at the Central Artificial Breeding Co-op in Fredericton. This is where the bull battery is maintained. The course of instruction and practical training will take approximately three weeks. It is the hope of each Board of Directors to have their Clubs in operation around the twentieth of May. The service fee in the Crapaud and New Glasgow Clubs has been set at four dollars.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Hillsboro and District Artificial Breeding Club are holding their annual meeting tonight in Southport School auditorium. President, Bill MacEachern, will be in the chair, with John Reddin, Secretary-Treasurer recording the meeting. All members and any interested breeders are urged to attend. This is your club so why

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not support it by attending the meetings. The Hillsboro and District Club has been enlarged so as to include the rest of Queens County to the South of the present area. This consists of lots 30, 37, 38, 60, and 62. Any cattle owners in these districts desiring to become members of the Club and to use Artificial Insemination can phone the inseminator, Gordon Sheidow, Vernon River Exchange - 12-110.

In order to receive service during anyone day calls must be placed by ten in the morning. If you have a cow to breed simply call the inseminator. The membership fee is one dollar annually or a five dollar life membership. This can be arranged at the time of the breeding of the first cow.

WIGNISH-MORELL

The response to the breeder survey in both the Tignish-Alberton and the Morell-St. Peters areas have not been too satisfactory. If sufficient interest is not shown by April 30th it will not be practical to go ahead with organizational plans this year.

The love of animals combined with ingenuity is a certain path to success in milking cows. The handling of livestock and the resulting profits have been enjoyed by many men. Those who are renowned for their dairying ability are most surely even-tempered, generous people with a fond attachment to their herd. Kind treatment and careful handling combined with sound feeding practices will help you in obtaining milk from a cow up to her inheriting ability. With this in mind we present a proved feeding programme and some helpful hints on cow care.

GOOD HERDMANSHIP

Have a definite breeding programme. Raise your own heifers from your high producing cows. Keep production records by their use continually. Always use a good pure-bred bull for a herd sire. Always feed a well-balanced dairy ration. Supply salt at all times. Watch the weight and condition of your cows. Be sure every cow has a two-month dry period. Feed and handle carefully during the dry period. Keep the managers clean and sweet. Have regular hours to feed and milk. Cows on summer-dried pasture require extra feed. In winter curdy and brush the dairy cow daily. Cows that are contented are healthy cows.

TIPS ON MILKING

Handle cows carefully when they are first milked. A cow must like to be milked if there is to be a complete response to milking. Consequently, special care is necessary so that newly freshened heifers do not come to associate unpleasant sensations with milking.

Avoid the unusual during milking. Such things as strange noises may attract the cow's attention and so prevent complete response to milking.

The milker must be a person who does not arouse the cow's suspicion. Some people, by their actions, create nervousness in cows and cannot be good milkers.

Milk those cows first which let down their milk in response to preparation for milking, such as starting the milking machine, clanging utensils, etc.

Milk rapidly. If milking takes more than seven minutes for most cows, the effectiveness of the hor-

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Miss Carolyn Robins, President, Canadian Teachers' Federation will give an address on Education in Prince of Wales College Auditorium Wednesday, April 24, at 4:15 P.M. The public is cordially invited to attend.

ATTENTION HOG PRODUCERS

We believe many farmers must be finding the present method of settling for hogs to be very confusing. Effective immediately we are discontinuing the paying of all extras. INSTEAD, this week we will pay a premium of \$2.00 per hundred weight for all hogs shipped to our plant in Charlotte-town. This premium will be added to the basic price on your settlement form. In addition we will pay truckage of \$1.00 per hog and \$1.50 per sow on all hogs delivered by farmers to our plant. For further details on our paying price listen to our 5.00 p.m. broadcast over CFCY daily Monday through Friday. For highest market prices and less shrink ship all your livestock to CANADA PACKERS LIMITED CHARLOTTETOWN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

AGRICULTURAL NEWS

P. E. I. Department of Agriculture

This year has shown great advances in Artificial Breeding in the Province. To date approximately eighty five hundred cows have been artificially bred. Nine Clubs are operating under the following inseminators: O'Leary and District, Ted Sabine; Tynes Valley and District, Russell Dymont, Northam; Ken Walker, Summerside; Kensington and District, Jim Hefel, Travellers Rest; Cornwall and District, Charlie Lank, North River; York and District, Lloyd Vesey; York, Hillsboro and District, Gordon Sheidow, Milverton; Montague and District, Lloyd MacKinnon, Brooklyn; Eastern Kings, Albert Mills, Bay Fortune.

The conception rates have been satisfactory. However, from time to time breeders, who are breeding artificially for the first year, run into difficulty. Generally speaking it is difficult to point at any one thing as being the source of trouble. In most cases it is a matter of several small factors being involved. The time of breeding is a very important one. In artificial breeding the cow should be inseminated during the latter part of the heat period. Care and sound judgement must be exercised because all females do not respond in the same manner. Some animals are known to have extremely short heat periods. Animals should be kept quiet before and after breeding. This applies equally as well to breeding naturally.

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Coming Events

Dance Millview Hall, Friday April 26.

Pantry Sale at Moore & McLeod, Friday, April 26, Bonshaw W. I.

Wholes Rummage Sale, Friday, 26th, Kirk Basement, 6.30 p.m.

Show Corran Bann Hall, Saturday, April 27th.

Show, St. Peter's Holy Name Hall, Friday, April 26, 8 p.m.

Bingo, Morell Parish Hall tonight, 8 p.m. Jackpot \$30.00!

Crokinole and Card Party, Crapaud Hall, Thursday night. Lunch served.

Dance every Thursday night, Cardigan Legion hall, Webster's Orchestra.

A.Y.P.A. Drama Festival St. Marys Hall, Summerside Thursday, April 25, 8 p.m.

Dance and card party - St. Mary's Parish Hall, Friday, April 26th. Cliff Peters orchestra. Admission 50 cents.

Dance, Stanhope and Covehead Community Hall, April 27th, dancing 9-12. Sale of lunches proceeds in aid of hall.

Special meeting Kingston branch Canadian Legion to be held in Legion rooms Grafton St., Thursday April 25, 8 p.m. A full attendance is requested. Important business.

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