

FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

Heavy Schedule Of Farm Meetings On The Books

By J. LINCOLN DEWAR
WEATHER-WISE

We have been told that our romancing about the perfect winter will have to take a different turn as a result of the recent cold snap, this we are not prepared to admit.

Generally in our winter, wind, snow and frost are the troublesome ingredients. During the cold snap there has been no snow, practically no wind and as a result almost ideal traveling. We suggest that it really takes two of the ingredients to make for bad weather, in this instance we have had only the one so our position still is that we have had practically four months of ideal winter weather.

QUEENS COUNTY

Advised elsewhere in the press is a meeting sponsored by the Queens County Federation of Agriculture at North Milton Hall on Saturday, February 26 at 8 p.m. Matters to be discussed will include beef, potatoes, taxes, and other items of interest. It is hoped to have speakers on these different topics and question periods.

The regional meeting held at Breadalbane produced very good attendance and lively discussion. With good attendance North Milton can do a repeat.

HAY AND STRAW

At a recent meeting of the Federation Directors references was made to the fact that some farmers have hay and straw for sale and others must buy. For this reason it has been suggested that persons with fodder for sale would be rendering a service if they would take steps to make this information available. So if you have supplies to dispose of, a small ad or a notice posted in some public place will no doubt bring buyers.

CFA AND CABINET

This week J.A. Rodd, president of the Island Federation is in Ottawa for an executive meeting of the Federation and for the annual meeting with the cabinet. In addition, the brief presented to the Cabinet will be discussed with the cabinet of the different political parties.

MARCH FEATURES

Two important events are scheduled for the latter part of March. The annual meeting of the Dairymen's Association will be featuring the Hon. J.J. Greene, Minister of Agriculture on the twenty-fifth. The previous night the Fatstock Show people will be holding their annual banquet, on March 9 a special Safety Conference is being planned.

FARM PROFITS

The following are extracts from an article in the recent issue of Doane's Business Report, the article, "Essentials for Making a Profit" reports on observations made over a period of years.

"Kansas farm management specialists feel that a gross farm income of \$15,000 or more

per man is required to cover farm expenses, family living costs and to leave any appreciable amount for increasing net worth.

Another conclusion drawn from 35 years of Kansas farm records is that net income can be increased much faster by gearing to produce more dollars per acre than by trying to save dimes of expenses. Prudent spending to increase production usually pays off.

In analyzing records of southern Michigan dairy farms, economists at Michigan State University have emphasized low total investment per cow — under \$2,000. A suggested combination is: land, \$800; buildings, \$300; machinery, \$250; cattle, and feed, \$150. The analysts made this simple but pertinent statement: "Many things can cause high investment per cow. The most frequent is having too few cows."

Stanton believes that generally large farms pay better than small farms. Of the factors which affect the financial success of a farm business he believes the following are most important: (1) Size of business, (2) Rates of production, (3) Labor efficiency, and (4) Cost Control.

In achieving the needed dollar volume of business you ultimately get down to the fundamentals of high crop yields and good livestock gains, sold for a favorable price."

CANADA PENSION PLAN

Farmers who have hired workers are reminded that they

are responsible for collecting and remitting pension premiums. The first step is to become registered as an employer with the income tax people in Charlottetown. This matter should not be delayed as contributions started on January 1.

MODERN POTATO

Recently we had the opportunity of visiting one of the newest and most modern farmer owned potato warehouses in this province. The large size, the scientific arrangement, air conditioning and mechanization all made for a very impressive operation.

A bucket mounted on a small tractor picks up some 12 bushels of potatoes at a time and dumps these into a potato box from where they feed to the grader. This is all a very far cry from our earliest recollections of getting down on our knees and picking potatoes out of the pile. Even the potato fork (We choose to disregard the wooden shovel) was an important advance.

More and more it is apparent that in practically every type of endeavour be it potatoes, cattle, hogs, or poultry the trend is to much larger units requiring large amounts of capital and management ability.

BEEF PRODUCERS
The Beef Producers' Association is sponsoring a meeting on Thursday, March 3 at the Legion Home Kensington. The meeting starts at 2 p.m. and with dinner at 5 p.m. There will be further publicity of this meeting but cattlemen both beef and dairy are requested to keep this date open.

RURAL CHURCHES

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MONTAGUE Baptist Pastorate. Rev. A.G.J. Steeves, M.A., BEd., BD., minister. Sunday, Feb. 27. Montague: Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Evening Song 7:30 p.m. Murray River: Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Murray Harbor: Sunday School 2 p.m. Worship 8:00 a.m. Sturgeon: Sunday School 2:30 p.m. Worship 1:30 p.m.

MURRAY RIVER Pentecostal Church. Worship (11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Rev. Fred Day, minister.

MONTAGUE Bible Chapel. The Lord's Supper 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 10:45 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 a.m.

THE PRESBYTERIAN Church. Sunday, Feb. 27. Murray Harbour North: Church School 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m.

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Caledonia: Worship 2:30 p.m. Murray Harbour: Worship 7:30 p.m. Rev. M. Carl Cuffie, minister.

GEORGETOWN BAPTIST Church. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Gospel Service 7:30 p.m. Rev. Earle Smith, pastor.

UPTON Gospel Chapel. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Gospel Service 7:30 p.m.

EAST POINT Protestant Parish. Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship and Communion at South Lake Christian Church (Disciples), Week of Compassion. Dedication service 11 a.m. Wor-

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ship at Kingsboro Baptist Church 7:30 p.m. Malcolm O. Smith, pastor.

GEORGETOWN Holy Trinity Anglican Church. Sunday, Feb. 27. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Rev. J. Stephen Sherren, Priest-in-charge.

DUNDAS — Annandale United Baptist Pastorate. Dundas: Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Annandale: Worship 11 a.m. Le. Myrtle Ingersol, pastor.

SOURIS — BAY Fortune United Churches. Sunday, Feb. 27. Worship: Bay Fortune 11 a.m. Souris 7 p.m. Rev. F.E. Phinney, minister.

MURRAY HARBOR — Murray River Pastorate, the United Church. Sunday, Feb. 27. Mur-

ray Harbor: Worship 11 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Little Sands: Worship 2 p.m. Murray River: Worship 7 p.m. Church School 11 a.m. Rev. David Barwise, minister.

FREE CHURCH of Scotland.

Worship: Bangor 2 p.m. Belle River 4:30 p.m. Birch Hill 7:30 p.m. Rev. Ewen E. MacDougall, minister.

CENTRAL Kings Pastoral Charge, the United Church St. (Continued on page 17)

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