



NEWSY NOTES

By AGRICOLA

A NOTABLE CAREER (1)

The Nazi government of Germany has closed the University of Rostock and two other colleges on the grounds that they are not profitable to the community, and therefore unnecessary.

There then is the question of particular localities producing such individuals in marked numbers.

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TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox Farming

The Dominion Fur Auction Sales Ltd., Winnipeg, whose trade name is so reasonably the popularly known as the "Fur Exchange", has assumed a position of considerable importance in the fur world.

Following is a brief summary of the principal articles sold: ERMINE—508 skins; good demand poor quality; top prices 80 to 92 cents.

ERMINETTE—26 skins; poor collection of large and extra large pelts; 7 1/2 sold well. Top price \$22.

CROSS FOX—421 skins; good demand for better quality skins and prices ranged from \$5 to \$25.

RED FOX—1582 skins; good demand at prices up to 5 per cent higher. 2nd best prices for North West Territories pelts \$9.00 to \$9.50.

WHITE FOX—284 skins advanced 5 per cent to 10 per cent; ones and twos \$13 to \$17.

MARTEN—419 skins; excellent demand at enlarged prices. Top prices for light brown and brown pelts \$45 to \$48.

MINK—1139 skins; wild mink North West Territories ones and twos \$8.50 to \$9.50; ranch ones and twos poor quality \$4.00 to \$7.00.

The estimated production of fur bearers by the Scandinavian countries for the season of 1938-39 is quoted as follows: Norway, silver fox 400,000 pelts; blue fox 10,000; mink 6,000.

Adding up the silver fox pelt population of the three countries we find that it amounts to 535,000 which must be pretty nearly 50 per cent of the world's production.

When one considers that in 1920 the fox population of these northern countries was not more than 100,000 and that they really did not get interested in the industry until 1926 it is to say the least astonishing the progress they have made.

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Weekly Livestock Market Report

OTTAWA, AUGUST 31, 1939.

The movement across the line during the week consisted of 3,832 beef cattle, 286 dairy, and 1,771 calves, making the totals to date this year 132,592 beef, 8,593 dairy, and 69,013 calves, compared with 32,219 beef, 7,146 dairy, and 36,457 calves in the same period last year.

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Another matter of particular interest to Canadian breeders is the likelihood in the next year of a diminution in the production of choice full silvers and quarter silvers.

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CONSERVATION

A WEEKLY COLUMN OF PRACTICAL OPINIONS OF THE VITAL ISSUES AFFECTING THE USES AND ABUSES OF NATURAL RESOURCES BY MR. UDLLOW JENKINS, MARSHFIELD.

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PILVEX advertisement for eye treatment, including text and a small illustration of a person's face.

SCANDIA Fox Farm Choppers advertisement, featuring an illustration of a chopper and descriptive text.

ROYAL FOX FEED advertisement, including text and a small illustration of a fox's head.

B.P. ARMORED CORNER advertisement for B.P. Insul-Ated Sidings, featuring a large illustration of a building corner and descriptive text.

BUILDING PRODUCTS LIMITED advertisement, listing Montreal, Toronto, Saint John, and Hamilton branches.

ASK FOR BUILDING PRODUCTS PRICES THE ROGERS HARDWARE COMPANY LIMITED advertisement.

MACDONALD-ROWE WOOD WORKING CO., LTD. advertisement, listing agents for various products.

BRACE, MACKAY & CO. LTD. advertisement, listing agents for building products.

PERCY TANTON LUMBER CO. advertisement, listing agents for building products.