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NEW GLASGOW CHRISTIAN CHARGE.—January 25th, 1953, services at New Glasgow 11:00 A. M. Cavendish Baptist at 3:00 P. M.

CAVENDISH UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE.—Sunday, January 25th, Stanley Bridge 11 A. M. North Bridge 3 P. M. Rev. George Gough, Minister.

NORTH RIVER UNITED BAPTIST PASTORATE.—Sunday, January 25th, Long Creek 11:00 A. M. Clyde River 3:00 P. M. Kingsford 3:30 P. M. Rev. H. Barber, Pastor.

POWNAL UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE.—Services Sunday, January 25th, Bunbury at 11 A. M. Mount Herbert at 2:30 P. M. Pownal at 7 P. M. Rev. T. R. Goudge, Pastor.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA—Central Parish, services next Lord's Day are as follows: Clyde River 11 A. M. Nine Mile Creek 3 P. M. Canoe Cove 7:30 P. M. Rev. Donald Nicholson, Minister.

TRIVON PASTORAL CHARGE.—The United Church of Canada, The services on Sunday, January 25th, will be: Tryon 11 A. M. Crapaud 3 P. M. Cape Traverse 7:30 P. M. Rev. Alexander MacKay, Minister.

HAMPTON PASTORAL CHARGE.—The United Church of Canada, Services Sunday, January 25th, Bonshaw 11 A. M. Victoria 3 P. M. DeSable 7:30 P. M. Rev. R. H. Baxter, Minister.

HAZELBROOK—CROSS ROADS—ALEXANDRA—Services for Sunday, January 25th, Hazelbrook 11 A. M. Cross Roads 3 P. M. Alexandra 7:30 P. M. All are welcome to these services. Llc. Thomas Poole, Minister.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA—Services for Sunday, January 25th, as follows: Montague 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Montague 2:30 P. M. Montague Sunday School 10 A. M. Rev. F. N. Young, Minister.

ORWELL—VERNON UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA—Services Sunday, January 25th, Vernon 11 A. M. Orwell 2:30 P. M. Edon 4 P. M. Cherry Valley 7:30 P. M. Rev. John F. MacKay, B. D., Minister.

BEACH POINT Gospel Chapel, Evangelistic service Sunday, January 25th at 7:30 P. M. Evangelist Al. Vantassell of Halifax will bring the message. Services will continue Monday through Friday at 7:30. Louis Harris.

MURRAY HARBOUR PASTORAL CHARGE.—The United Church of Canada, Services Sunday, January 25th, 11 A. M. Murray River, 3 P. M. Little Sands, Holy Communion, 7:30 P. M. Murray Harbour, Rev. D. Wallace MacPherson, Minister.

CORNWALL UNITED CHARGE. Services January 25th, will be as follows: Kingston at 11:00 A. M. New Dominion at 3:00 P. M. Cornwall at 7:30 P. M. A special feature of the evening service will be the installation of the W. M. S. officers for 1953. Rev. A. S. Weil, Minister.

HUNTER RIVER CHARGE. Services Jan. 25th, Wiltshire 11 a.m. followed by brief congregational meeting. Wheatley River 3 p.m. with Communion. Hunter River 7:30. Sermon: "God in Christ". Rev. Howard Christie, Minister.

CHURCH NOTICE. Breadalbane Pastoral Charge. The United Church of Canada, Services Sunday, January 25th, Pleasant Valley 11 a.m.; North Granville 3 p.m.; Breadalbane 7:30 p.m. Rev. W. B. MacPhail, Minister.

YORK PASTORAL CHARGE.—The United Church of Canada, Minister: Rev. J. M. Sproude, Sunday, January 25th, 11:00 A. M. Central, Holy Communion, 2:30 P. M. Pleasant Grove 7:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all the members of the charge to the Communion Service at Central.

WINSLOE PASTORAL CHARGE The United Church of Canada, Services Sunday, January 25th, 1953, Winsloe North 11 A. M. Winsloe South 3 P. M. Princetown Road 7:30 P. M. At eight o'clock

A Feature for Every Friday—

Among The Farmers

Federation Of Agriculture News

Federation Secretary Away

As most of the readers of this column know by now, Mr. Lincoln Dewar left the Province on Wednesday, Jan. 14, to attend a series of agricultural meetings which, before they have ended, will have taken him from Moncton, N.B. to Victoria, B.C. And that journey, as the reader will agree, is as lengthy a one as anyone can make in a westerly direction without running into a lot of water. He will be absent from the Province for two more weeks.

Meanwhile, his "Federation of Agriculture Weekly News" must appear as usual, even though he is not here to write it. His thousands of readers will continue to find the column on the same pages of the same newspapers on the same days of the week.

But there will be one difference, one big difference embracing many little differences, between this column for the next two weeks and that which Mr. Dewar writes. That difference will be one of quality. We have no sense of envy or of humiliation in saying this. He would, indeed, be an egotist who could imagine, even for a moment, that a novice may equal the expert in any line of endeavor. Mr. Dewar knows his agriculture practically as well as theoretically. He keeps abreast of all modern trends in all phases of Canada's most important industry and he has the knack of imparting to his readers, through the written word to others. We have no intention of attempting to emulate him. We fill in for him, that is all, and pray with every word we type that he come back as soon as he can.

The Moncton Meeting The first meeting Mr. Dewar attended after leaving Charlottetown last week was that of the Maritime Federation of Agriculture held in Moncton, N. B. on Jan. 14. Accompanying him to Moncton was Roland MacDonald who was attending an agricultural meeting for the first time in his official capacity of president of the P. E. Island Federation of Agriculture. Also present from this province was Louis O'Connor, who is now a director of the Co-operative Union of Canada.

The Island was ably represented at the Moncton meeting and the main delegates learned from Messrs. MacDonald, Dewar, and O'Connor much relating to the work of the P. E. Island Federation during the past year. Considerable information in detail was given the meeting concerning the Island's potato industry during the past season and the promotion of an accident insurance plan for Island farmers was also explained. The questions of electoral reform and rural electrification were also gone into at some length by Mr. Dewar. Timely resolutions on farm food, substitute dairy products, defence food plan, and the speculative trading in grain were fully discussed and unanimously passed.

As we were preparing these notes, a letter, dated Montreal, was received from Mr. Dewar. In it was enclosed what he calls "The Dairy Policy of the Eastern Agriculture Conference." It is a significant document and one which is sure to be of interest to all dairy farmers in the Province. We shall attempt to tell more about it in the next "Federation News."

The Threatening Strike The news that Canada is now facing a potential tie-up of its vast railway transportation system on Feb. 2 cannot but cause uneasiness in the minds of all the Canadian people. Here in this Province, isolated from the mainland by an expanse of nature, the news is grim indeed. Our whole agricultural economy depends upon the farmers' ability to get their products off this island with expedition and at reasonable cost.

Within recent weeks, they have been called upon to pay an 11-per cent freight increase on their marketable produce. That new freight increase, coupled with the increasing prices charged them for the machinery and the feeds which they must procure from the mainland, has placed them in a position where the present prices established for their potatoes are hardly sufficient to meet the costs of production.

Probably as good a means as any to enable the farmer to realize how far those costs have advanced, is to picture the farmer of ten years ago getting as he is now, a minimum price of \$1.95 per bushel for his Cobblers and \$1.71 per bushel for his Green Mountain, Sebagoes.

Monday evening, January 26th, Service in the Highfield Church, Heber H. Hardy, Presby Supply.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.—Service for Sunday, January 25th, Wood Islands 11 A. M. Minister, Rev. E. S. Hales.

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Kinsmen Council Convening Today



Members of the Kinsmen National Executive Council convene today at the Charlottetown Hotel for their annual Mid-Year National Council Meeting. (Shown above, who will be in attendance, are National President Wald Gaudet of this City, who will preside over the three-day meetings; National Vice-President Herb Plinder of Saskatoon, Sask.; Immediate Past National President Syd Welsh of Vancouver, B. C.; General Secretary Barty Bantick of Toronto, Ont.; National Treasurer Ike Sinclair; National Secretary Stew Ives; National Co-ordinator Ian Rankin, and National Registrar Freemont Archer, all of Charlottetown; and the eight district Governors as follows: Phil Scalisi of Woodstock, Ont.; Jim Mabb of Winnipeg, Man.; Cliff MacLeod of Regina, Sask.; Rod Ashburner of Medicine Hat, Alta.; Norm Martin of Duncan, B. C.; Win Todd of Montreal, P.Q.; Randy Reynolds of Saint John, N.B.; and Norm Whitney of Toronto, Ont. In addition to those shown above, National Director of Kim Information, Frank MacIntosh of Montreal, P.Q., and National Expansion Director Smitty Watts of Liverpool, N.S., will be in attendance. — (Photo by E. M. Allen of Vancouver).

Farm Prices & Market Report

Following are excerpts from the weekly marketing report of the Provincial Department of Agriculture prepared by Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister:

Wool Latest reports from wool markets indicate a better tone to the market than has existed for some time. The world wool market season closed in 1952 in an excellent condition. Prices for finer wools were particularly strong and reasonably steady for inferior grades. Last year Britain and Japan were the chief buyers, but this year it is expected that substantial purchases will be made by the United States.

As is well known Canada and the United States produce only a very modest fraction of their requirements. Any extensive buying in America (and there is evidence that there will be) should strengthen prices. Another factor indicates that eleven chief wool-textile manufacturing countries are using wool at a 12-12 per cent greater rate than at the lowest point of the past two years.

The returns from wool marketed last year through the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, along with the bonus paid by that organization on the previous year's wool, amounted to as high as 46c per pound, and the average price secured was substantially above that of the open market price. Information regarding the procedure to be followed in shipping wool is available from the secretary of the Prince Edward Island Sheep Breeders' Association.

Eggs and Poultry Canadian egg production is somewhat below the same period last year, but volume is in excess of immediate requirements and some storage of the surplus has taken place. This small surplus has had the effect of depressing egg prices. Dealers in Halifax, Saint John, and Moncton, are generally quoting 40c for Grade A Large, covered, graded pack. Expressing costs are approximately 2c to deliver eggs at these points. The net price to the Charlottetown dealers would be approximately 38c.

Dealers are quoting operators of Grading Stations for the graded pack Grade A Large 38c, and as it costs approximately 1c per dozen to deliver the product in Charlottetown the net price to country stations would be 37c. On this basis of reasoning the local operator buying the graded pack at 38c has little margin of profit, if shipping out immediately to these centers, to entice a buyer.

Here are the prices at January 21st:

Table with columns: Gr. A Lge., Gr. A Med., Gr. A Sm., Gradet B. Rows list prices for Charlottetown, O'Leary, Morell, and Souris for various egg grades.

And the consumer is paying: AL 50-53—a 21c difference from the producer's price; AM 47-49—about the same difference; and AS 42-43.

In concluding the poultry report I would like to point out that some

producers for some reason are receiving better prices than those quoted through commissions, special packs, and shipping ungraded eggs to points in New Brunswick, and by grading and selling direct to retailer.

Livestock

Hog prices are still getting farther away from the floor. The situation indicates just how one can be fooled. It was everybody's expectation that, when the 23c floor came in on January 1st, hog prices would adjust themselves to that floor. Well, the end is not yet, of course, but at the moment prices are advancing and are up 2.00 again at Moncton and Charlottetown.

Here are the details: Moncton hogs hot dressed weight delivered, and Charlottetown f.o.b. country points. Moncton: Grade A 30.00; B1 29.60; No. 1 sows 21.00; No. 2 sows 20.00.

Charlottetown: Grade A 29.00; B1 28.60; No. 1 sows 20.00; No. 2 sows 19.00.

After this report was transcribed Charlottetown announced a drop in hog prices of 4c per lb., leaving present levels as follows: A 25.00; B1 24.50; No. 1 sows 17.00, and No. 2 16.00.

Top grades of steers and heifers are revised downwards at both points with steers at Moncton; Choice 22.00; Good 21.00; Medium 17.50; Common 12.00-13.00. And at Charlottetown: Choice 21.00; Good 20.00; Medium 17.50; Common 12.00 to 13.00. At Moncton: Choice heifers 21.50; Good 20.50; Medium 17.00; Common 11.00 to 12.00. At Charlottetown: Choice heifers 20.50; Good 19.50; Medium 17.00; Common 11.00 to 12.00. At Moncton: Good cows are 12.00; Medium 10.50; Common 10.00; Canners and Cutters 7.00 to 7.50. And at Charlottetown: Good cows 12.00; Medium 10.50 to 11.00; Common 9.00 to 10.00; Canners and cutters 7.00 to 8.00. Bulls at Moncton: Good 12.00; Medium 11.00; Common 10.00. And at Charlottetown: Bulls Good 12.50; Medium 11.00; Common 9.00 to 10.00. Calves at Moncton: Choice 21.00 to 22.00; Good 18.00 to 20.00; Medium 14.00 to 16.00; Common 12.00 to 14.00; Grassers 10.00 to 11.00. Calves at Charlottetown: Good and Choice 21.00; Medium 17.00 to 19.00; Common 12.00 to 15.00; Grassers 9.00 to 11.00.

Sheep at Moncton: Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 2.50. Rail grade price for A's, 15.00, up to 70 lbs. Sheep at Charlottetown: Live grade quotations, Good 7.00; Medium 5.00; Common 3.00. Rail grade price for A's 16.00, up to 70 lbs. Lambs at Moncton: Live grade quotations, Good 19.00 to 20.00; Rail grade price for A's, 46.00 up to 46 lbs. Lambs at Charlottetown: Live grade quotations, 17.50 for good lambs. Rail grade price for A's, 42.00, up to 46 lbs.

Potatoes

A great measure of attention has been centered on the potato market during the past few weeks, and demand seems to be indifferent. Latest figures on storage stocks in both Canada and the United States show supplies larger than had been anticipated. In Canada at January 1st, 1952, storage stocks were 11,813,000 bushels and at January 1st, 1953, the stocks were 14,439,000 bushels or about 2,626,000 bushels higher than at the same date last year. Imports from the United States January 1st to May 31st, 1952, were 2,263,645 bushels. In view of these facts the increase in Canada's stocks should not pose a serious problem. As a basis of comparison at the same date in other years the following figures are illuminating: Surplus at January—1948 12,759,000 bus. 1949 15,655,000 bus. 1950 20,491,000 bus. 1951 19,720,000 bus. 1952 11,813,000 bus. The United States stocks unfortunately are fairly substantial with an estimated volume at Jan-

uary 1st, 1952, of 93,900,000 bushels, as compared with 113,370,000 bushels at January 1st, 1953. This leaves 20 million bushels over last year's levels; rather a surprise in view of preliminary total estimates and market absorptions. Undoubtedly the release of these estimates has had a softening effect on markets which already had been dull.

At the same time storage stocks as indicated should not create any undue panic in the trade, we have a larger consuming population with improved quality and keen potato appetites, and with careful handling and all-round observance of efficient marketing practices, with prices necessarily adjusted to existing supplies, and other conditions, the market should not undergo a drastic deterioration.

Aside altogether from the influence of increased supplies other conditions have had an undoubted influence on the market this year. Throughout the whole Eastern area in Canada and the United States there has been a wide spread absence of snow and cold weather. This has favoured the easy movement of supplies to market by truck and rail from every direction, and the impact of this general movement has helped to clog and reduce demand.

It is interesting to note that the Tab Potato Service states that the market in the United States is a mixed-up affair with the general tone in the East rather droopy and weak, while in the Central and

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