

Agricultural News

P. E. I. Department of Agriculture

NATIVE FRUITS

Blueberries — The production of blueberries in this Province has been constantly decreasing during the past few years. It reached a very low level last season, being 441,570 pounds as compared with 600,000 pounds in 1953. Though damage was below average general quality was somewhat poorer than usual. Lack of careful cleaning and grading was quite evident in many cases and blueberry producers must become more conscious of the necessity of such practices. Markets were strong and dealers in the Province were competing to import 280,000 pounds from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to fill their commitments. These berries were cleaned, frozen and reshipped. It is unfortunate that such business transactions are necessary, while in the province there are many acres of potential blueberry-producing land from which no benefit is being derived. United States buyers have already purchased great acreages of blueberry land in Nova Scotia and are now becoming aware of the possibilities in our province. In 1954 about 250 acres of such land was purchased or engaged by long-term leases in the eastern section of the Province. This is an important matter and if our land owners allow it to continue they will be going up for a small price a source of revenue which should be their own.

To bring many of the presently unproductive blueberry areas into profitable production only the removal of competing plant growth is required. This may appear to be a difficult task but through hand-cutting, burning and chemical control a great change can be made in one season. If we do not take some interest in this land at an early date then it will be only a short time before others will be reaping harvests that could very well be ours.

Cranberries — The production of cranberries last year was estimated to be 100,000 pounds. This was somewhat higher than the average for the last ten years. However, the consumer demand for cranberries has been steady and approximately 10,000 pounds were imported from sources in United States because a sufficient quantity of well cleaned and graded fruit was not available in this Province.

It is lately becoming very evident that if our home-grown fruit is to compete with that of other sources it must be properly cleaned and graded. It is the opinion of most dealers here that if a sufficient quantity of native cranberries were harvested and properly cleaned and graded, then the importation of this fruit would be eliminated or greatly decreased. The Horticulture Division of this Department would be very pleased to supply interested growers with information available on any or all phases of blueberry or cranberry production.

DAIRYING

The production of good cheese and butter begins on the farm, and clean sweet-flavored milk is a basic requirement. It is difficult to get clean milk from cows that are not clean milks. Dirty cows will mean dirty milk.

The cows should be curried and brushed daily, and the hair should be clipped short on the udder, legs and flanks at all times. The udder should be washed before milking by using a clean cloth dipped in a painful of chlorine solution. This cloth should not be allowed to become dirty; if it does, it should be replaced with a new one. It should also be washed and dried at the end of each milking period.

The air in the barn must be reasonably free from dust while milking; therefore, avoid moving or feeding hay during the time the milking is being done. Cobwebs collect dust and should be removed from walls, ceilings and ventilators. Remove the manure and used bedding a distance of at least fifty feet from the barn, and clean the stable twice daily. Sweep the floor and sprinkle it with powdered lime. Whitewash the interior of the milking stable at least once each year. Have it well ventilated and lighted, and keep out dogs, cats, hogs and chickens.

UTENSILS

Milk cans, pails and strainers should be made of heavy gauge material so that they do not become dented easily. Seamless constructed utensils are the most sanitary. Do not use utensils that have cracked seams and are pitted or rusty. Do not use galvanized pails and other cheap tinned utensils, such as lard pails, coffee cans, etc. Stainless steel or well-tinned utensils, are best.

To properly clean utensils they should first be rinsed with cold or lukewarm water; then washed with water at 130 degrees F. using dairy washing soda and a suitable brush. Do not use a cloth. Now rinse with boiling water and place on racks to dry. Before using again rinse the utensils with warm chlorine solution. Soap should not be used as a cleanser; it may cause a film to be formed on the surface of the utensil. Do not use steel wool as it may scratch the tinned surface. Improperly cleaned utensils contaminate the milk with millions of bacteria.

Those who handle or care for milk should be healthy. A person having a cold, cough, sore throat, or who has sores on hands or arms should not milk cows or handle milk. Do not sneeze or cough over the milk pail. The milker should wash his hands with soap and water and dry them with a clean towel before milking. He should also wear clean clothing when milking or handling milk. Blood-tainted or abnormal milk should be discarded.

The most desirable type of strainer is that which uses a single service cotton filter pad. Cloths are not satisfactory for straining; they are too difficult to clean. Do not use them.

The purpose of straining is to remove extraneous matter that may have fallen into the milk at milking time. Dirty milk, even after straining, does not become clean milk. Bacteria carried into the milk by dirt cannot be removed by straining. It is, therefore, imperative to keep dirt out of the milk. If straining becomes slow when using a single service cotton filter pad, it is a sign that the milking has not been done in a sanitary manner.

COOLING OF MILK

Milk can be cooled very satisfactorily in cans set in a tank of ice water. This tank can be made of cement or plank. It should have an overflow pipe so that the water will not rise above the top of the cans. It is important to drain the bottom to remove the water when it happens to become stale. It should be large enough to hold all the cans the farmer may need for cooling his milk or cream. By placing the cans in a tank of ice water, the temperature of the milk will be reduced from 90 degrees, which is approximately the temperature it is when received from the cow, to about 50 degrees or slightly below in one hour. In two hours, by this method, it can be cooled to 40 degrees. By cooling milk quickly in this manner, the development of bacteria is very slow and milk can be kept in a first class condition for a period stretching from 24 to 48 hours.

Prompt and efficient cooling of milk and cream is one of the most important factors in the production of first grade cheese or butter.

CALF CLUBS

On Friday, January 14th, a meeting of the Rollo Bay East Short-horn Calf Club was held in the Parish Hall at Rollo Bay in which new officers were appointed for the year.

Anne Christian, last year's acting secretary, was elected President winning the position by a large majority of votes. The club members were called on to elect a new Vice-President and that post is to be filled by Edith Burke, Secretary-Treasurer of the club this year will be Gerald Chaisson. Twelve members enrolled for active membership in his Club and by unanimous vote Mrs. John D. Chaisson was re-elected club leader.

Morris Deacon, newly appointed Agricultural Representative for Queens County, spoke to the club members regarding club work cautioning them that active participation was the soundest principle upon which to work if the club were to be a success.

Mr. Deacon introduced to the club members the newly appointed Agricultural Representative for Kings County, Robert Pierce, who spoke to the club members regarding the goal which they should strive for, that of better Calf Husbandry, and mentioned the possibility of winning a trip to the Amherst Fair or to the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto as an award for top honours in calf club work.

The meeting adjourned after several very interesting films were shown.

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1955 Charlottetown Centennial 1955

MANY THANKS

The Charlottetown Centennial Committee wishes to thank all those responsible for the excellent co-operation received over the Holiday Season in the lighting up of our Churches, Public Buildings, Main Business area and Private Homes.

The special street lighting in the main Business area has now been taken down for the winter months and will be replaced in May.

Your co-operation is asked again for the summer months in joining us in a memorable display of special Centennial Lighting, including the flood-lighting of our Public Buildings, Institutions and Private Homes. With longer hours of daylight in those months the expense involved should not be too great.

It is hoped too that our citizens will fittingly decorate their places of business and homes for the summer months with Bunting, Flags, etc., and your early attention is drawn to this matter so that you can secure the same in plenty of time.

CHARLOTTETOWN CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

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BALANCE OF WINTER COATS clearing at 1/2 off. S. A. McDonald.

25 DRESSES, Fall and Summer styles, values to \$18.95. On sale at \$3.00. S. A. McDonald.

REGULAR MEETING Nurses Alumnae P. E. I. Hospital, Cundall Home, Friday, January 21st.

JUST ARRIVED — Orlyne Cardigan and Pullover, Kennedy's Ladies Wear.

HEAR AND SEE COL. E. W. JOHNSON and his illustrated Slide of his trip to Europe. Hearts Hall, Thursday 8 p. m.

RECEIVES BAD NEWS — Mrs. Bertram Younker, North River has received a telegram informing her that her brother-in-law, Mr. Russell Clark, passed away Jan 17 in the hospital in Beechy, Sask. —

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF CONSUMERS

meeting City Hall Thursday 7:30.

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Service Murray River, Thursday, January 20th, 7:30 p. m. followed by annual meeting. Rev. J. H. Bishop.

HEAR CANADA'S Distinguished Betty-Jean Hagen, violinist and Boris Roubinski, pianist, at Prince of Wales Concert, Friday, January 21st, at 8:30 in College Auditorium. Admission at door 75 cents, school pupils 25 cents.

THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND PRESBYTERIAL of the United Church in Canada will meet in Trinity Church, Summerside, on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 25th and 26th. Sessions Tuesday, 2 p. m. and 7 p. m. Wednesday, 9 a. m. The full executive will meet Tuesday at 11 a. m. Public meeting Tuesday, 7 p. m.

SPRING PARK — Prize winners at card party held in Spring Park Hall Monday night were: Ladies 1st, Mrs. Ray Garnum, 2nd, Mrs. Beverley Dunsford, consolation, Mrs. Ray Archer; gents: 1st, Mr. Fulton Robertson, 2nd, Mr. Henry MacLeod, consolation, Mr. J. C. Shaw; Freezout: Mrs. Robert Stewart and Mr. Henry MacLeod.

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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Some of England's fastest trains carry what is known as "slip" coaches. These can be dropped off at stations where trains do not usually stop. This method permits passengers to get off without delaying the train.

The Aids Department Store in West Plains, Missouri, has a number one mystery on its hands. Every 94 seconds water leaks through the third floor ceiling in dry weather and wet.

The mysterious drip, drip, drip, was discovered just after the Christmas holidays last year. It has continued at 94-second intervals ever since. Owners and clerks who work in the store say the drops keep coming through the ceiling even in the driest weather.

There are no water pipes on the third floor ceiling. Out of curiosity, the owners placed a tub on the room's floor directly under the leak and thus far they have collected five gallons.

They have no explanation for the dripping.

News that should make every gardener feel good inside tells about a new weed-killing device which brings death to dandelions, thistles, and what have you in the weed family in your garden. Made from a length of butyrate tube, it is as easy to handle as a cane.

The new gadget will hold enough 24-D to slaughter a thousand weeds. Just press the lower end of the tube over the weed center and the juice feeds out through a sponge stopper. There's no drift to harm nearby plants.

The fluid can be seen through the transparent wall, and the tube cap can be removed for refilling.

Safety to people, animals, and plants, other than the weed variety—is an important consideration when choosing chemicals for your garden. Many of the most effective bug killers are extremely low in toxic hazard. New combinations of methoxychlor fungicides such as ferbam are particularly safe and effective.

Believed drowned in a lake while fishing in 1953, H. J. Johnson, Jr., of Spartansburg, South Carolina, has just returned home. In April of last year, Johnson rented a motor boat and went fishing. The next day the up-turned boat was found floating in the Santee-Cooper Lake. A futile search for Johnson's body followed. Asked about his sudden exit, he tersely replied, "No comment."

After serving a short term in jail in Los Angeles, California, Charles C. Lenzinger, of Dallas, Texas, sent the city clerk a small cheque with the following note: "Thanks for the excellent care and food I received while in your jail. Please accept this small sum for expenses, etc."

"People are people the world over," says a sociologist. Yes, indeed—what a pity!

YORK POINT MISSION BAND

The January meeting of the York Point Mission Band was held in the school Friday January 7th with a good attendance.

The president, Lois MacKintley, presided. The minutes were taken by the secretary Linda Dockendorf.

The meeting opened with the hymn, "Away in a Manger" followed by Scripture reading by Wilma MacPhail. The offering was taken by Donald MacEwen. The devotional period closed by singing, "The Lord's My Shepherd."

The program included a solo by Irene MacKintley, a story by the Mission Band Superintendent and a riddle by Patsy MacEwen. Lunch was served by the committee after which the boys and girls played a game.

TOWN GETS OIL WELL

VIRDEN, Man. (CP) — Premier D. L. Campbell turned a gold-plated wheel Thursday officially putting into production the first oil well within the limits of this southwestern Manitoba town. The well is the first of 16 planned for drilling with in the town limits under a unique profit-sharing arrangement among the town, the province and the oil companies involved.

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Ruhamah Scheinfeld Frank

We And Our Neighbors

SIGNIFICANT PHRASES

Now at the end of the series, which was the real Emily Carr, and which is the real you?

The first question is comparatively simple: answer to a volume available at the Charlottetown library; or many personal sketches, "The heart of a Peacock" written by Emily Carr and published in 1928, eight years after her death.

These sketches reveal that extraordinarily, intuitively, imaginatively and emotionally force that the true artist must possess. They picture her inner world of feeling, thought and attitude. In style, treatment and subject matter, most artists give themselves away—and Emily is franker than most.

Why are almost all of her sketches devoted to her relationship with creatures other than human beings? There is the first chapter about a peacock and chapters about more lowly birds: a crow, a gull, a vulture, bull finches. There are sketches devoted to dogs and cats of course, and a rat, and "Woo" the monkey fills one fourth of the pages of the book.

These birds and animals were all caught or bought by her and tamed and raised with understanding and love. (They are described with great vividness and humor). It is obvious that Emily Carr had more than the average need for uncritical love and acceptance and for giving love and had been disappointed in "civilized" people again and again. Thus she turned to her non-human friends and to the uncultured Indian fishermen. In both she found the unqualified love and attention she craved.

The "real" Emily Carr was neither the unpleasant woman among her neighbours, nor probably always the laughing one among the Indians. She was both. After all, she kept a boarding house and wrote a book, "The House of All Sorts" about her experiences as a landlady. I am certain there were many who did not feel her sharp tongue. But she herself relates the violence of her speech toward those who were cruel to animals. She was punished repeatedly for it in her childhood—but it simply sent her for comfort to her pet.

The real Emily Carr was everything she was—her artist's gifts and weaknesses, her appearance, her good intentions and her failures. But the inner reality, the essence, the "true" Emily Carr, was the loving, hard-working artist, I would say.

And perhaps after all, the inner

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Cards of Thanks

Mrs. MacDonald and Family extend sincere thanks to Dr. Goady, Clergy, Sisters and Nursing Staff of the Charlottetown Hospital for many kindnesses during the illness and death of the late Capt. Leo J. MacDonald; also to the many friends who helped in any way during their bereavement.

The family of the late Mrs. John T. Inman, St. Catherine's, wish to express their sincere appreciation to those who sent flowers, cards, notes of sympathy and neighbours and friends who helped during their bereavement.

I wish to thank the Doctors, Nursing Staff and Special Nurses of the Prince County Hospital for the kindness shown me while a patient there.

Also those who sent card, flowers and kind friends who remembered me.

James E. MacNeill, Kensington.

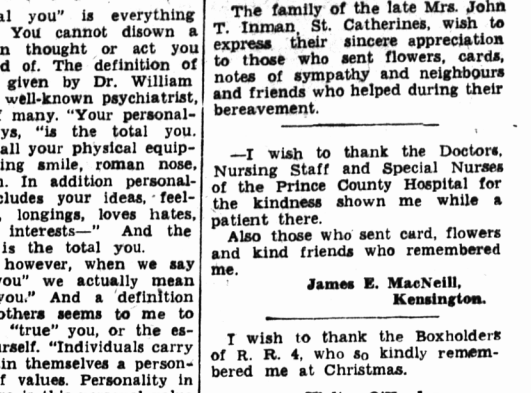
I wish to thank the Boxholders of R. R. 4, who so kindly remembered me at Christmas.

Walter O'Hanley, Mail Courier, R. R. 4, St. Peters.

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Family of the late Henry Alfred Robertson.

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Men's SUITS to 59.50 ..	30.00	Values to \$250.00—1 Loose Style Black French	89.50
Men's Leather JACKETS & DUFFLE COATS	14.95	SEAL (dyed rabbit) size 40	39.50 & 49.50
Men's BOMBER JACKETS to 14.95 ..	5.00	Including Elysians — Ladies' COATS to 74.50 ..	15-\$25-\$30
Boys' MELTON JACKETS to 14.95 ..	3.95	Ladies' DRESSES to 12.95 ...	3.00 - 4.00 - 5.00
Men's Dress Shirts to 5.95 ..	2.95	To 29.50 — Children's COATS & COAT SETS ...	10.00--15.00
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