

BOTHWELL MAN

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presents an appearance of confidence and happiness that is all too rare even among people who have no physical handicaps. And Dan has a sense of humor that is a handicap to him.

He's a farmer by choice but he had to be. It was the only way he had several jobs when he came back from overseas. He actually had two appointments, one at the Souris vendor's store and another in the department of agriculture affairs.

But he missed the open spaces, the farm life, and went back to it. "I've never regretted the decision," he said last week as he sat in his kitchen with his charming wife, the former Pauline Peters of St. Charles.

They "really saw" each other for the first time in the hall at Elmira when the people gathered to welcome Dan back, though they had met several times when they were children. They were married December 13, 1945.

The number "13" has played a large and a never-unlucky

Even egg yolks to have variety

Discriminating tastes of the Canadian consumer are being pampered — even to the shade of yellow of egg yolks.

Though the color of the yolk has no effect on the food value of the egg, many people find a pale yellow yolk unappealing and others object to a dark yellow color.

With this in mind, the Poultry Products Division of the Canada Department of Agriculture has come up with a yolk color chart which may become a standard in the industry.

Color of an egg yolk is determined by the pigment in the feed offered to the hens.

Thus, if the eggs being laid by a specific flock are proving unpopular with housewives because of the color of the yolks, the problem can be overcome easily by altering the diet.

D. A. Fletcher, animal projects officer with the Poultry Division, stated the task of creating a new yolk color chart more than three years ago.

Working closely with the National Research Council chemists and oil research laboratory, he tested about 200 shades of yellow before settling on a representative group of 15.

Having determined the 15 shades of yellow, Fletcher and his colleagues put the colors on metal disks, each of which contained a hole the size of a yolk to facilitate the job of identifying the kind of eggs preferred by the average consumer.

Visitors to the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, asked their questions in yolk, unanimously selected numbers six to 10 on the color scale — rejecting the top five as too dark and the bottom five as "anemic."

The Toronto survey was a joint undertaking of the Poultry Division, the Ontario Agricultural College and the Poultry Products Institute.

Not only could the new color chart set a standard for all of Canada, but it could be a good advantage in the frozen egg business where the color of the yolk is an important factor.

Given wide application, the chart should result in even more palatable eggs for the breakfast table.

Charts can be procured from Canadian Government's Specification Board, Montreal Road, Ottawa 2.

part in Dan's life. "It's my lucky number," he said with a conviction.

"I left for overseas on March 13, the ship was on her 13th trip across the ocean and I belonged to the 13th platoon at the time. It was later learned that with the Cape Bretoners where he formed many lasting friendships. Many of the old comrades in arms came back to visit him.

SEVEN CHILDREN

The MacDonalds have seven children. Blair is 15, Heather and Gail look like twins, and are often taken for twin sisters, and the two blonde lassies are 12 and 12 respectively. Dan's nine, Leo five, Walter is two and Gloria arrived just over one month ago.

When he left the town job — he had worked at it for a short time but "felt forced" into working in an office, he and four brothers went to the woods that winter and got out 60,000 feet of lumber, to build his house. Dan did the cooking that year and the other jobs but he can't remember an axe effectively with his right arm.

He had my eye on the 'bird, and I was building the cage before I married her," he said smilingly, as he glanced at Mrs. MacDonald with an imp of mischief in his eye.

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through the year when they are not brought in for the farrowing and nursing periods. There was only one day this past winter, he said, that the weather was so stormy he couldn't get the animals fed outside.

Cecil produces purchased Yorkshires for the most part, but he has a few Landrace-Yorkshire crosses and, like most other breeders who do some cross breeding, likes the vigor and growthiness of the litters.

20 CALVES

He has one litter of pigs from "the Scotch boar", a large English white that was brought here several years ago, but the pigs were only babies when seen a few days ago, and their possibilities could not be evaluated.

Mr. Godfrey is raising 20 calves this year and he has a dozen or more thrifty looking steers bearing-born accommodation that he'll sell off the grass this summer. He sold one two-year old steer a few weeks ago that hit 3,000 pounds and brought in over a pound. He likes the Holstein cross with beef, and gets steers up to 3,000 pounds on the average of one and one-half years.

The enthusiastic young farmer liked what he saw of poll barns on the farm tour of this last year, and would like to have one, though one gathers that possibility is for future development. Most of the gentlemen there have poll barns for their beef, and a few for dairy cattle, he said.

He has 10 milk cows but he lets the calves do milking, except for one cow the calves except for household needs.

The cows nurse the calves each during the first few months and that is reduced to one calf when the animals get on a pasture. The remaining calves are fed inside.

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Dried spud pulp used to supplement ration

The heavy soil makes for excellent grass and pastures, he said.

He "didn't mind" speaking on the draft address debate in the Legislature in his first year. It wasn't nearly as bad as his first morning as an orderly corporal in Italy. A big Cape Bretoner, "he was bigger than me," he said, had a hangover from the night before and came at the Corporal MacDonald. But the Bothwell soldier had just come off a tough battle course, and he "took care" of the situation. Another Prince Edward Islander heard the loser remark later, "That son of a blank, blank Dan MacDonald! he's as tough as hell!"

Far from a novice at public speaking, Mr. MacDonald has been active in co-operative work as president of the Souris Legion branch, president of the Eastern and Eastern Legion club and has been active for some time in his church laymen's association.

He has a fund of stories, most of them humorous. I liked this one best.

The mit had 18 Arabs attached to it as muleteers — mule drivers — during a particularly bad season in Italy. Sgt. MacDonald drew the rum rations each afternoon of an ounce per man. He drew rations for the Arabs though their religion forbids them to drink.

The commanding officer caught on some time later, and charged the sergeant with drawing the rations with the observation "Arabs don't drink."

"Nobody said they did, sir," retorted the unabashed Islander who now represents First Kings as councillor.

I recall that the Canadian Legion magazine said in part: in a natural story — "The stalwart six-footer has a charming grin that does not conceal the seriousness of a born leader... Dannie has been the inspiration for more than one lad who had begun to think there was no place for him in civilian life. You can't stop a man with guts, faith and a fighting heart. He saves the soil and independence. No man was to be his boss." That seems to pretty well describe this Hleasle St.

Cleaning milk machine reduces bacteria count

No sanitary precaution contributes more to a low bacteria count in milk than does keeping the milking machine clean, asserts Dr. C.K. Johns of the CDA Dairy Technology Institute at Ottawa.

Milk residues in the fine cracks of the rubberware especially in the test cup liners, promote the growth of billions of bacteria. Since rubberware cracks as it deteriorates, it is advisable to replace the liners after about 750 milkings — that is 50 milkings of a herd of 15 cows.

It is more economical to have two sets of liners in use than one. If each set is used one week and then rested one week in a five per cent lye solution, it will last half as long again as a set in constant use. There are several pointers to keeping the milker clean: —Just before use, suck a full-gallon of recommended sanitizing (germ killer) solution through each unit; use this solution to

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