

Grain Assistance Policy Had Two-Fold Purpose

It would be possible to write volumes on the freight assistance policy on western grain. Space, however, does not permit extended treatment of the topic in this column. The policy was established in 1941, and was designed to do two things (a) Help the grain growers of Western Canada establish a market in the east and (b) to assist the livestock producers of eastern Canada. There can be no question that both these objectives have been accomplished. As evidence the Canadian Federation of Agriculture has continued over the years to give unqualified endorsement to the policy.

WEATHER

Table with weather forecasts for Toronto (CP) and Halifax (CP) including temperature ranges and conditions like 'Cloudy with intermittent snow'.

Farm Income Hits Peak In Canada

OTTAWA (CP) — The cash income of Canadian farmers reached an all-time high of \$2,926,900,000 last year, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Friday.

A DBS survey revealed that farmers received more money for all major crops except potatoes, oats and barley.

Their total cash income from farming, excluding government supplementary payments, was 5.3 per cent higher than the 1960 figure of \$2,781,500,000.

Seven provinces reported higher farm income in 1961. Income dropped considerably in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, where the key potato crops were hit by drought and disease.

The record national total income does not include \$35,800,000 in federal payments to prairie farmers under the Prairie Farm Assistance Act.

The DBS survey of farm income makes no allowances for costs incurred by farmers in the production of the items sold.

Potato growers in P.E.I. received about \$300,000 in special federal payments for losses sustained as a result of fusarium rot in the 1960 crop.

Cash income, excluding supplementary payments, by provinces, with 1960 figures in brackets:

West: Manitoba \$233,564,000 (\$223,149,000); Saskatchewan \$586,271,000 (\$550,751,000); Alberta \$517,490,000 (\$474,700,000).

Historic Site Aid Promised

OTTAWA (CP) — A New Brunswick delegation has been assured by Resources Minister Dinsdale of federal financial help in acquiring historic Fort La Tour at St. John.

The delegation, led by New Brunswick Education Minister Irwin, called on Mr. Dinsdale about developing the site as a historic park.

Mr. Dinsdale later told a reporter that the land around the historic site has become available through settlement of an estate. He said the federal government would be willing to share in the cost of acquiring the land on an equal basis with the province and the municipality.

Development of the historic site was linked with an urban renewal program in the area of Saint John where the fort once stood. It was declared a historic site in 1926.

Mr. Dinsdale also told the N.B. delegation that he will refer the matter of developing the fort as a park to the historic sites and monuments board for consideration.

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New London Laymen Report Wide Range Of '61 Activities

KENSINGTON — The annual meeting of the New London Parish Laymen's Association was held in St. Mark's Hall with 16 members present. Meeting opened with prayer by the president, and the lesson was read by Rev. Ronald Parsons.

After some discussion it was decided to purchase a filing cabinet for the rectory, and a committee was appointed to buy one.

The sick committee reported cards were sent and visits made to the sick of the parish, and the sick committee, John Bernard, Leigh Paynter and William Pidgeon was re-appointed.

The association decided to adopt the new study book issued by the World Council of Churches.

At the conclusion of the new business, the president vacated the chair and turned the meeting over to the honorary president who called upon the secretary to give his report on the past year's activities.

The New London Parish Laymen's Association started off the year by welcoming the Rev. Ronald Parsons as the new rector of the parish and honorary president of the association.

During the month of May and June the Laymen's staged a variety concert in Spring Valley hall and Sea View hall with entertainers from the parish. The association attended three corporate communions during the year, one at Kensington, one at Burlington and one at French River, with the commissioning of new members taking place at St. Mark's, Kensington; also during the month of June the association bought and paid for 30 loads of fill to go between the rectory grounds and the railway and planted flowers around the rectory. Three of the guest speakers during the year were: Rev. W. Eric Ingraham; Rt. Rev. T. Greenwood, bishop of the Diocese of Yukon; Dr. Frank Jelks.

The laymen made various donations during the year, to the new parish of St. Margaret's of Scotland in Halifax, the Sunday school by Radio and Post, and to a family in need. The WA groups of the parish were invited to the September meeting, as well as the Deanery Council of the Laymen's Association when Bishop Greenwood showed slides and spoke on the Diocese of the Yukon. There were 11 meetings during the year with 23 members on the roll.

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FIREMEN and local residents had their work cut out for them yesterday morning, as they tried to keep fire from this burning potato warehouse from spreading to the house on the right, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis MacDonald, only 10 feet from the flames.

Carleton Warehouse Is Destroyed By Fire

SUMMERSIDE BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN — An explosion of stove is believed the cause of a blaze which levelled a potato warehouse owned by Paul Lavoie, at Carleton Siding yesterday and caused damage estimated at \$10,000.

Included in the loss were 3,000 bags of potatoes valued at about \$1,500. The building was purchased about five years ago by Mr. Lavoie for \$5,000. The building and contents were covered by insurance.

At the height of the fire two nearby homes owned by Eldon Burke and Louis MacDonald narrowly escaped the flames. Both families evacuated their homes.

Paul Junior, son of the owner, was the first to give warning of the fire, as he noted smoke pouring from the front windows while on his way to school about 8.30 a.m. and ran home to inform his father.

By the time that Bill Flomp, a warehouse employee, rushed into the building after receiving notice of the fire, flames were climbing up one wall, and he noticed that the stove was tipped back against the wall and oil was spread over the counters and floor.

The fire truck from Borden arrived within half an hour, but the pump engine would not run, and no adequate supply of water could be sprayed on the flames.

A fairly strong breeze was blowing the fire towards Mr. Burke's house, about 50 feet away, and the house smoking heavily. However the arrival of the Crapaud pumper, and a shift of wind, saved the house.

An interesting sidelight was revealed when it was learned that the flawless operation of this truck from Crapaud was due to the work done on it last fall by Mr. Lavoie, who built the fire truck.

Although the wind shift helped save Mr. Burke's home it almost caused the loss of Mr. MacDonald's two storey wooden frame home located less than 10 feet from the burning structure on the opposite side of the Burke house.

A continual avalanche of water was poured on this side of the warehouse and on the home, in a successful effort to prevent further damage.

Mr. Lavoie revealed that only two days ago he had checked the building and stove completely and everything was in good shape at that time.

Recently the entire inside of the building was painted and renovated and considered to be in excellent condition.

It is speculated that a change from fuel to stove oil a day or so ago might have resulted in overheating, but the owner remarked that this has been done on many occasions with no dangerous results.

All that was saved from the building was a potato grading machine and the accounting records.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Dickson, Darnley and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tuplin, Kensington were recent visitors in Stanhope, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George MacMillan and family.

MULLIGAN FUNERAL — The funeral for Mrs. Louis Mulligan was held on Feb. 2, 1962, from her late residence in Newton to St. Malachy's Church, Kinkora, where Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by her brother, Rev. Clifford Murphy, with Rev. Francis Bolger, dean; Rev. Harold Croken, sub-deacon; Rev. Francis Cameron, master of ceremonies. Seated in the sanctuary were Very Rev. P.S. MacDonald, Rev. Reginald MacDonald, Rev. Urban Gillis, Rev. Basil Croken, Rev. J.N. Trainor, Rev. Leonard McKenna, Rev. Plus Murnaghan, Rev. F.B. Aylward, Rev. James Smith, Rev. Dennis Gallant, Rev. Preston Hamill, Rev. Clure MacDonald, Rev. Arthur Pendergast and Rev. Andrew MacDonald. Pallbearers were Raymond Smith, Wilfred Smith, Clayton McCabe, Charles Smith, Walter Murtagh, Eric Hamill. Interment took place in the church cemetery with service by Rev. Clifford Murphy.

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FLUORIDE

(Continued from page 1) June and an expanded program will be carried out.

Commenting on his department's inoculation program, Dr. McNeill said "the results of this program are very gratifying."

"To the list of smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus, which have been controlled in Prince Edward Island, polio can be added. Polio, only a few years ago, was hitting a great many children and adults in our communities with crippling results. Because of the Salk vaccine and an energetic program of immunization, polio in 1961 was non-existent in the province."

According to Dr. McNeill, "we must continue our energy to keep our record clean. This will become increasingly difficult as polio scares become a thing of the past. It is difficult to persuade adults to turn out for clinics and because of this complacency we must increase our efforts."

SCHOLARSHIPS PLANNED — Dr. McNeill announced that his department is preparing a list of scholarships available to residents of the province for training in public health.

"The list," he said, "will soon be advertised and applications will be accepted from those having suitable qualifications for these scholarship fields: dental hygienists, sanitary inspectors, laboratory technicians, speech therapists, liaison teachers, social workers, dietitians, sanitary engineers, postgraduate nursing, nutritionists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, and licensed nursing assistants."

Dealing at some length with the province's hospital insurance plan, Dr. McNeill said "since the plan came into operation shortly after this government took office, additional hospital facilities have been provided through the opening of a new section at the Prince Edward Island Hospital and a large addition to the Western Hospital at Alberton."

"Great improvements have been brought about in the existing hospital facilities at both general hospitals in Charlottetown, as well as at the Community Hospital in O'Leary and in the older portion of the hospital at Alberton."

Boards of hospitals at Souris, Tyne Valley and Montague are also considering renovations and extensions which will greatly improve the hospital services available to people in those areas.

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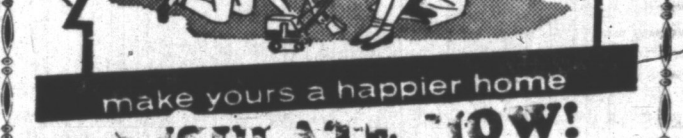
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