

AMONG THE FARMERS

Federation of Agriculture Newsletter

ARE WE INCONSISTENT?

Organized agriculture has been termed inconsistent in worrying about surplus production and at the same time advocating policies which would make it easier for farmers to obtain credit and for young farmers to become established. There might be some justice in this charge if the sole purpose of farming were to provide food and fibre for industrial centres. Agriculture is a great deal more than a decentralized food factory. It is made up of units which supply man and womanpower for other industries and other areas. It is a market and an important one for the products of other industries and it is a refuge in times of depression for the industrial worker who finds himself and his family without employment and without a home. Regardless of markets and surpluses, any nation which permits good agricultural land to go out of production is pursuing a policy which will eventually be one to cause regret.

There is abroad in this Province a mistaken belief that a special form of government assistance is available to help immigrants start in farming. This is definitely not the case. The immigrant gets no concessions and definitely starts on his own. However, the Province of Nova Scotia has worked out an arrangement with the Netherlands Government which is guaranteeing the Nova Scotia Land Settlement Board one third of any losses which may be incurred in assisting Dutch settlers. The applicant must be in a position to finance the purchase of a portion of the stock and equipment. Any amount which the farmer has for this purpose may also be duplicated by the Board.

In Ontario, Dutch farmers are through a Credit Union in London, receiving assistance to become established. The Dutch Coop. Bank of Eindhoven, Holland, is providing this Credit Union with a loan of \$100,000 to be used in the next few months for members who wish to become established on their own farms. These Provinces which have a plan for farm establishment will certainly prove to be more attractive to a prospective farmer immigrant. This matter would logically appear to be of greater importance and greater concern to Provinces which are basically agricultural.

THE SAME LANGUAGE

Recently we had a letter from an acquaintance who attended the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture at Hamilton and who criticizes those present for talking in the same language as they did in 1911-21-31-41-51. We were not attending farm meet-ings forty years ago so are not in a position to report but at that time there was no price support legislation, no freight assistance policy, no powerful wheat pools, no Coop. Federees in Quebec, no particular interest or concern with in-

ternational problems of food surpluses and no Federation of Agriculture to represent farmers from Coast to Coast. There was no marketing legislation, few if any Women's Institutes and agriculture had not completed the change from subsistence to commercial farming. Farmers were generally free traders and few little of market-ers and import quotas.

Our acquaintance also suggested that farmers would revert to being hewers of wood and drawers of water. This, we deny. As an industry, agriculture may become relatively less important but the number of people that man-ages it instead of assuming the role of labourers will more and more be- come skilled technicians, biologists, managements experts and the most versatile members of society.

MILK QUOTAS

In the fluid milk business there has always been competition among producers for a share or a larger share of the available market. This situation has led to the setting up of quotas for each shipper. Usually any amount supplied over and above this quota is set- tled for at a lower price. Should the farmer fall below his quota for a certain period then in some markets his quota may be reduced. The method of setting quotas varies from Province to Province. In some cases, a Milk Board or a special quota Committee will set the amount. In most cases, a cer- tain period of the year, usually in the Fall months, is taken as a quota setting period in which the producer tries to get his produc- tion at a level which he can main- tain throughout the year. Other branches of the Dairy industry argue that this system is respon- sible for some of the surplus milk production inasmuch as fluid milk producers make an attempt to get their production up to a high level during an off-production period and go on in flush periods to pro- duce excess milk which must find another home.

1956 OUTLOOK
Heavier marketings of cattle and hogs are forecast for 1956. Cattle marketings may be up five percent and hog marketings up about two percent and prices for both will likely average a little lower than in 1955.

The situation in other products will likely be as follows:
Lower egg marketing with higher prices in the first five months, increased marketings, lower prices in the last half of the year.
Increased supplies of poultry meats and red meats resulting in lower poultry meat prices.
A good apple crop and better prices than in 1955.
A smaller potato crop with less marketing difficulties and stronger prices.
A 10 percent increase in total Canadian supply of feed grain, with greater feed requirements for livestock in the domestic market, and smaller exports.

In spite of the fourth bumper wheat crop in five years, and high carryover, wheat exports will be fairly well maintained, though there may also be an increased carryover on August 1.

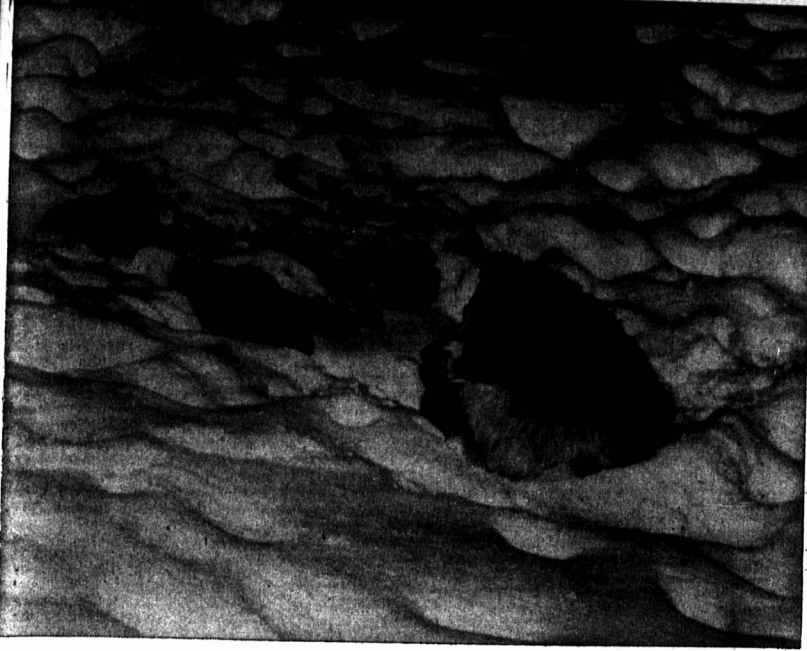
A WRONG IMPRESSION

The Hon. Mr. Gardiner incurred the ire of farmers and gave the public a wrong impression when he stated in the West that farmers had been more prosperous during the last five years than during the five years previous to that period. 1951 and 1952 were record years but net farm income fell from 1951 to 1954 by over a billion dollars. To still further add to the discrepancy, grain on hand has been added into the net income. Juggling figures and statistics will not lead the farmer out of his present difficulties and Mr. Gardiner does not help either when he creates an erroneous impression.

BEEF SPECIALS
AT
SHERREN'S MEAT MARKET
HUNTER RIVER
TODAY, SAT. & MONDAY

SHOULDER ROASTS, lb.	32c
RIB ROAST, lb.	38c
RUMP ROAST, lb.	35c
Sirloin & T-Bone ROASTS, lb.	40c
ROUND STEAK, lb.	42c
BOILING MEAT, lb.	25c
POTTED MEAT, lb.	25c
HAMBURG, lb. 30c; 2 lbs.	55c

HIGHEST QUALITY MEATS
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Long Vigil

When his canine companion dragged himself to the side of a highway near Ottawa to die after being hit by a car, this big collie stood vigil beside him for 36 hours, refusing to allow anyone near. Shortly after the vigil ended, the collie was hit by a car and died the same way as his friend. (CP Photo)

City and Central Guardian

WE TREAT THE SICK WELL.
Giggy's Pharmacy, open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"WHY HAVE a Pre-School class" will be discussed on C. F. C. Y. tonight at 8.45.

SEE "PYGMALION," Saturday afternoon and "Angel Street" evening at High School. Adjudication by Miss Stirling after each performance.

MIKADO — Tickets for Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado" to be presented by the Prince of Wales College Chorus on March 20, 21, and 22 now on sale at Miller Brothers.

HAMPTON PASTORAL Charge. The United Church of Canada Services Sunday February 19. Bonshaw 11 a.m. Desable 3 p.m. Victoria 7.30 p.m. Rev. R. H. Baxter, Minister.

TRYLON BAPTIST Pastorate. Dr. E. J. Barrass, Minister. Services for Sunday February 19th. Westmoreland at 3.00 p.m. Tryon at 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at Tryon at 11.00 a.m.

Power Adds Footnotes To World War Two History

MONTEBELLO, Que. (CP)—Senator C. G. Chubby Power has added two footnotes to Second World War history—one concerning the near-scraping of the Commonwealth air training plan, the other about a \$300,000,000 shipment of French gold in Halifax harbor.

He told the annual banquet of the Air Cadet League here Wednesday night the gold was aboard a French freighter that landed in Halifax harbor in June, 1940. German forces overran France in May and the Franco-German armistice was signed June 22 leaving the southwest, the only unoccupied part of France, ruled from Vichy by Marshal Petain's government.

Senator Power, wartime air minister, said presence of the vessel, the Pierre Bertrand, left him with a "diplomatic dilemma" which lasted three or four days. Defence Minister Ralston was away and newly-appointed navy minister Angus L. Macdonald had not yet arrived in Ottawa.

Orders were given to sink the ship if she tried to leave the harbor. The late Prime Minister Mackenzie King, "who was a very careful man," was reluctant to declare war on France. However, a British cruiser arrived off Halifax and the gold eventually was taken

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 - Mrs. John MacMullin, 63 Maple Street, Moncton, N. B. (Walking Doll)
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FOOD SALE Moore and MacLeods today. 2.30 o'clock. J. W. A. Group I.

ORVILLE — VERNON United Church Rev. John M. Sheen, Minister. Orwell 11 a.m. Cherry Valley 2.30 p.m. Veron River 7.30 p.m.

RUMMAGE SALE at the Community Centre, Friday evening, Feb. 17th. at 6 p.m. Sponsored by the Holy Redeemer sub-division C.W.L.

MT. STEWART United Church Services for Sunday Feb. 19th. are as follows: Mt. Stewart, 11 a.m. Bristol, 2.30 p.m. Rev. Dr. Weir Supply Minister.

THE PRESBYTERIAN Church in Canada, Central Parish Services, next Lord's Day are as follows: Canoe Cove 11 a.m. S.S. 10 a.m. Nine Mile Creek 3 p.m. Clyde River 7.30 p.m. Rev. Donald Nicholson, Minister.

to Martinique in the West Indies. Senator Power said he believes it ended up in the United States.

He said the air training plan was in "serious danger" in mid-1940 when it was feared that all flying instructors in Canada would have to be sent overseas to fight in the Battle of Britain.

Reception And Tea

The Charlottetown Liberal Women's Club will hold a Reception and Tea, on February 21st, in the Confederation Chambers immediately following the opening ceremonies of the Provincial Legislature. The Public are cordially invited.

ATTENTION! COMMUNITY CONCERT MEMBERS

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NOTE—
All workers and prospective workers are cordially invited to our 25th Anniversary Party at the Y. M. C. A. Monday, Feb. 20th—8 p.m.

REMEMBER—
Boris and Hobi Concert Tonight at 8:30 p.m. — High School Auditorium.

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York Point Mission Band Has Meeting

The Mission Band of York Point held their annual meeting on Monday afternoon, Jan. 16 in the school. The devotional part of the meeting was with the scripture reading by Lois MacKinley, after which "Jesus Loves Me" was sung followed by a story, "The Missing Guest" read by Mrs. Reg. MacEwen.

The following are the new officers for the coming year: Pres, Lois MacEwen; Vice-Pres, Patsy Anne MacEwen; Sec., Donald MacEwen; Treas., Lois MacKinley.

It was decided to make scrap books to be sent to a mission school Committees for next meeting are lunch, Lois MacEwen, Willard and Wilma MacPhail. Scripture reading will be read by Donald. Collection was taken and amounted to 38 cents. Nine members paid their fees. Meeting closed by singing, "Hear the Pennies Dropping" followed by the "Lord's Prayer".

MILLVALE NOTES

Miss Beulah Hickox has returned home from Toronto to spend the winter months.

Mr. George Hickox has entered the Charlottetown Hospital. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Miss Irene Hickox has returned to her home after being employed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John MacKenna, Maple Plains.

Miss Lena Hickox has returned home after spending a few days in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Duggan were visitors to Kensington.

Mr. Walter Somers of Millvale, was in Charlottetown Monday on business.

Mr. John MacKenna and Mr. Peter MacCarville, were visitors to Millvale recently.

Mr. Garth Robinson spent a weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Somers, Millvale.



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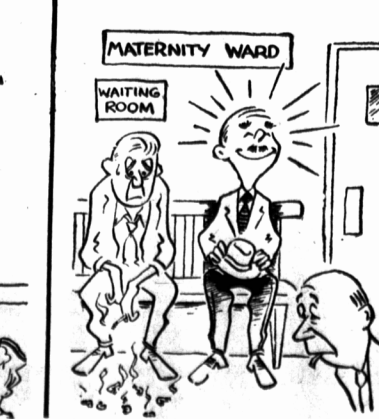
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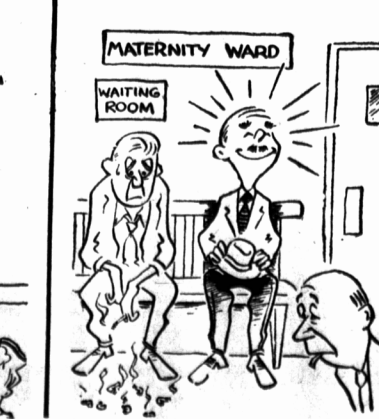
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