

TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox and Mink Farming

According to Women's Wear Daily, New York, the small fur fashion which has risen to such heights during the past few seasons, was never in a stronger or more promising position than it is this year.

All types of fox pelts declined 46 percent from the preceding year, while sales of all types of mink pelts rose 30 per cent.

From Montreal comes the report that fur farm revenues were moderately higher in 1949 than in 1948, although there was a substantial decrease in the number of farms in operation.

Suit has been filed in U.S. District Court at Madison, Wisconsin by Richard Ekern, La Farge, Wis., owner of a mink ranch in Webster Township, Vernon county seeking \$8,000 damages from the U.S. Government for the death of 285 mink.



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ILLUSTRATION STATION FIELD DAYS

The Dominion Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Provincial Department of Agriculture will hold Illustration Station Field Days on the following dates—rain or shine.

Farm of Robert Woodside and Son, Knutsford, August 7, 2:00 p.m. Speakers: Miss Mary H. Robin, Hon. C. C. Baker, W. R. Shaw, M.B.E., R. C. Parent, Dr. G. Fisher, S. G. Wright, R. B. MacLaren.

Farm of William E. Johnstone and Son, Long River, August 8, 2:00 p.m. Speakers: Miss Eleanor Clapp, Hon. C. C. Baker, W. R. Shaw, M.B.E., R. C. Parent, Dr. G. Fisher, I. L. Tulpin.

Farm of Zenon Gallant, Urbainville, August 9, 2:00 p.m. Speakers: Miss Mary H. Robin, Hon. C. C. Baker, W. R. Shaw, M.B.E., R. C. Parent, Dr. G. Fisher.

Farm of J. W. MacKenzie and Son, Rose Valley, August 10, 6:00 p.m. Speakers: Mrs. Malcolm MacLeod, Hon. C. C. Baker, W. R. Shaw, M.B.E., R. C. Parent, Dr. G. Fisher.

A tour will be made of the Station fields and fertilized pastures, meadows, cereals, root and potato crops will be observed. The experimental work active on the Illustration Stations will be reviewed and discussed by the Supervisor.

Take this as an opportunity to meet your neighbors, to converse with Departmental representatives and view the work that is in progress.

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NEWSY NOTES

By J. A. Clark, D.S.

The Festival of Britain

The British people are fond of anniversaries. They have many occasions on which to celebrate great deeds and events of the past. Wherever one travels in the Old Country there are places which will always be remembered: "Runnymede" where the Magna Carta was signed by King John; Stratford-on-Avon, the home of Shakespeare; Eton, famed for its school; Abbotsford, the residence of Sir Walter Scott; great cathedrals, abbeys and shrines are to be seen in most of the cities and towns; among these the greatest is St. Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey in London and the Scottish War Memorial on Castle Rock, Edinburgh; places of great human interest as Gretna Green, Sherwood Forest and Coventry. These and thousands of others are rich in historic lore, golden legends and romance.

Exhibitions within the London area and others at Edinburgh, Glasgow and Belfast.

There are travelling exhibitions, that will visit four other great cities during the summer. There is a sea exhibition in the converted aircraft carrier, Campania, that will call at ten cities around the coast of England, Scotland, Wales and North Ireland before autumn. Festivals of Art are being held in London and at twenty three provincial centres. They started with the Shakespeare Festival at Stratford-on-Avon in April. It is being continued until October. These Festivals of Arts present the finest in drama, music, cinema and opera. The Festival of Britain has put the whole of the British Isles on show. Wherever you go you find the British people in festive mood, eager to welcome you and show you their beautiful country and well kept cities and towns.

Opened In May

For more than two years the people throughout the whole of Britain have been making great preparations to demonstrate to the whole world that, though they have borne the blunt of two of the most terribly devastating wars of history, and an exhausting period of depression and reconstruction, they are carrying forward, as their ancestors did, the great nation building services. In arts and sciences, transportation, industry and invention, that have always been characteristics of their nation. Their hopes were high and with courage and determination they set about commemorating "The Great Exhibition of the Works of Industry of All Nations" that was planned by Prince Albert and held in Hyde Park, London, in 1851.

The Prince Consort stated the purpose thus: "To give us true test and a living picture of the point of development at which the whole of mankind has arrived... and a new starting point from which all nations will be able to direct their further exertions. I confidently hope the first impression which the view of this vast collection will produce upon the spectators will be that of deep thankfulness to the Almighty for the blessings which He has visited upon us here below; and the second, the conviction that they can only be realized in proportion to the help which we are prepared to render to each other—therefore, only by peace, love, and ready assistance, not only between individuals, but between nations of the earth".

South Bank Exhibition

The center of the Festival of Britain is the South Bank Exhibition of Science, which tells the story of Britain from earliest times to their accomplishments of today in industry, transportation, farm, at home and on the seven seas. Her explorations and discoveries not only on the continents and islands of the world, but in the arts and sciences, where many of her men have distinguished themselves as they have helped build a better world for the future.

This wonderful exhibition occupies what was a bombed area on the South side of the Thames, between Waterloo Bridge and Westminster. Streets were closed, a Bailey bridge was built over the Thames so visitors could walk from the Embankment to the Exhibition. Seen from the roof of the Shell-Mex House directly across the Thames, the most striking features were: The Dome of Discovery, the largest dome in the world; the Royal Festival Hall; the Shot Tower, with radar equipment; the Skylon, for television and telecinema. We felt it would take months instead of days to see what was of most interest to us.

Queen Victoria wrote in her diary May 1st, 1851: "This day is one of the greatest and most glorious days of our lives, with which to my pride and joy, the name of my dearly beloved Albert is forever associated. It is a day which makes my heart swell with thankfulness... The Park presented a wonderful spectacle, crowds streaming through it—carriages and troops passing, quite like the Coronation, and for me, the same anxiety".

His Majesty King George VI expressed why Britain should hold the Festival of 1951 in the following words: "The motives which inspire the Festival are common to us all—pride in our past and all that it has meant; confidence in the future which holds so many opportunities for us to continue our contribution to the well-being of mankind... The Queen and I trust that every family in all parts of the country will share in this great Festival so that all of us may join in showing that Britain lives no now as ever, taking her rightful place among the nations of the world".

Britain At Home To All It is almost impossible to convey in words the magnitude of the 1951 Festival of Britain. An outline of the official Festival Program would require many pages of paper. There are four

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W.C.T.U. NOTES

A CHRISTIAN CITIZEN AND THE DRINK PROBLEM

The church is concerned with the drink problem at the point of human personality. Jesus declared that the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost. Christianity endeavours to redeem men from enthralling habits and to make possible the realization of their highest possibilities as children of God. This purpose puts the Christian religion in direct conflict with those elements in society which seek to exploit human weakness, or to degrade or destroy personality, or to prevent the individual from achieving his highest spiritual development.

The modern scientific laboratory finds alcohol a narcotic, of which small amounts affect the highest mental and moral functions—first—caution, judgment, self-control. These are the God-like attributes which, created in the image of God, make us different from and superior to the animals. The two great impulses to drinking are promoted by the liquor traffic: the ubiquitous taverns and the colorful ever-present advertising on billboards and in magazines. Both are paid for by the drinkers—not only by drunks, but by those who drink moderately, perhaps not enough to interfere with their business or occupation. The drunkards all know what drinking does for them and they curse it. But the moderate drinker drinks under the delusion that he can "let it alone" when he wants to, and vigorously protests his right to drink when he wants to—until he finds himself and others it is too late.

"Woe to him that giveth the bottle to his neighbor," are as positive and binding as though numbered among the ten. The "thou shalt not" thundered to Aaron and his sons was followed by Solomon's warning from his own experience: "Look not on the wine when it is red" (fermented). This means abstinence—not moderation. Of our 142,000,000 population 74,492,000 are church members. These members finance 253,762 churches (pages 743, World Almanac, 1947) while 446,500 places either legally or illegally are selling alcoholic beverages which cause crime and untold human suffering. The liquor sellers outnumber the churches more than three to two and yet every adult church member has a vote. It has become obvious these past few years that efforts to

solve the drink problem must be based on sound educational procedure influenced by deep social and spiritual concern. The legalization of the manufacture, distribution and sale of alcoholic liquor has created conditions to which the church cannot be indifferent and still be true to its high purpose in the world. Direction and motivation are given to life in the three primary social institutions of civilization—the home, the church, and the school. The duty of the church is to instruct its members, who form more than half of those who live in the nations' homes and who control the schools. The churches dare not shirk responsibility in this which, more than any other thing, directly or indirectly devastates the homes of the land. To meet this responsibility, every church ought to formulate a carefully thought

out program of alcohol education and action. It is useless to speak "moderation" in reference to substance which affects drinkers' powers to stop. Abstinence from narcotics in form is the only standard for Christian citizen. By positive example and expressed conviction to influence others. Every church member can do these four things: 1. Be an abstainer. 2. Maintain an alcohol-free home. 3. Be informed and ready to give a reason for the faith within. 4. Eager, like the early apostles, to bring others into this way of life. The liquor industry would destroy the church if it could. The church could destroy the liquor traffic if it would.

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