

A Feature for Every Friday
Among The Farmers
Federation Of Agriculture News

On The Land

The time is right, the soil is right, the weather is right and the result is that practically every farmer is busy with tractor, horse and equipment preparing seed beds, or sowing and planting.

The weather for the past few days has been favourable for rapid growth and pastures and hay crops are particularly well advanced. Any clover crop which covers the stubble by June 1st gives promise of a good crop. This year we see clover fields that have made such progress as early as May 20th. The rapid growth of pasture indicates that cattle may not be able to prevent pastures from growing up into hay. The use of the mower on or about June 20th will improve pastures later in the season. While the reserve of moisture should be adequate for satisfactory growth, showers are desirable to promote germination of grass, clover and root seeds. Root land that is not cultivated until just prior to planting or sowing the crop tends to dry out more rapidly than cultivated land. It would appear to be a good practice to do some cultivation on such fields from time to time through the whole cropping season.

The Shape Of Things To Come

The recent cheese contract negotiated by the Ontario Cheese Producers Marketing Board is important not only from the standpoint of disposing of a surplus product, but is significant in as much as it marks the first time that a group of Canadian agricultural producers have negotiated a contract with a foreign power. It is important that agricultural producers put themselves in position to take care of surplus in the home and export markets so that such surplus cannot be used to batter down the price at which our products will sell on the domestic market, a market quite able to pay a fair price for food.

Farmers can only place themselves in this position by supporting their own farm organization and by striving to solve their own marketing problems.

Census Returns

In the month of June farmers are going to be asked for the usual information on their crops and livestock holdings and in addition enumerators will call on them for information required in the regular ten years census. There will perhaps be some duplication of information as some of the same information will be requested in the regular form returns as in the census returns. However, census information will not be compiled in sufficient

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time to provide the government with the knowledge of agricultural trends gained through the crop and livestock returns. A few minutes suffices to fill out these forms and we suggest that farmers who receive them fill them out as usual and in even greater numbers than last year.

The Barn Is Gone

Two disastrous barn fires in the past week have caused serious loss to the owners and served to emphasize the fact that farm barns are extremely vulnerable to destruction by fire.

Fires are liable to occur at any time and can be crippling financially in the absence of adequate insurance. Fire insurance rates are not high on farm properties and it is sound practice to carry ample insurance. Some farm owners carry no insurance and many inadequate insurance to cover losses. Think it over—tomorrow may be too late.

New Grass and Clover Varieties

Seed houses report an increased demand over other years for new clovers such as Ladine Alfalfa and Brome, Meadow Fescue and Orchard grass. This indicates a growing interest in improving pasture and hay crops and the farmer who does his own experimenting will gain first hand knowledge on the possibilities for these new crops.

Turnip Seed

Information from reliable sources indicates that in British Columbia where much of our turnip seed is produced, turnips did not winter well and that the prospects are for decreased seed production in that province during the current year. Farmers who are planting turnips for seed, particularly the Laurentine variety, can expect good returns for their crop this year.

Egg Prospects

So far this year egg production in Canada has been down about 15 per cent compared with the same period in 1950. On May 1st we had in Canada in storage, 135 thousand cases, less than half the quantity of a year ago. Producers are absorbing practically the entire production which would indicate continued good prices through the summer.

January to April hatchings are about 14 per cent above a year ago for Canada. The increase in hatchings on Prince Edward Island is much greater than for Canada as a whole which would appear at the present time to be a sound practice.

The Potato Business

The potato market continues drab with the demand light and little evidence of prospect for improved prices. Potatoes will continue to move through June and possibly up to the middle of July.

New potatoes from the United States are now being offered in Toronto and by June 20th Ontario new potatoes will be available. Even with three starch factories operating to capacity it is going to be nip and tuck to dispose of the balance of the crop.

New Brunswick still has substantial quantities and is putting considerable pressure on the market. The acreage reduction going into effect this spring will quite likely result in more satisfactory marketing conditions in the coming season but, will not necessarily guarantee any marked improvement in prices.

Potato Disease Control

Demand for Prince Edward Island potatoes has been built up through strict attention to quality and rigid control of disease. Neighboring provinces are afflicted with such disease as bacterial ringrot and potato wart disease, which, if they became prevalent here would very seriously damage our markets.

THE CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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TRANSFERRED—Mr. Derrell B. MacCuire who has been on the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Charlottetown for the past three years, left Monday to take up his new position as acting accountant in the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Parrsboro, N. S.

BLESSING OF THE BOATS AT RUSTICO—Approximately 400 people gathered on the new Federal Government wharf at Rustico last Sunday afternoon to witness the annual ceremony of the blessing of the boats. The wharf was attractively decorated with flags and bunting and fishermen from Rusticoville, Oyster Bed Bridge, North and South Rustico gathered to receive a special blessing of protection in their chosen occupation. The St. Augustine's Choir formed in procession and sang the "Magnificat" while marching down the wharf. Appropriate hymns were sung while the boats were blessed by the Rev. Father Peters. The ceremony was brought to a close by singing "O Canada" and "God Save the King."

One of the most serious practices in spreading disease is the use of used sacks for handling potatoes. The farmer has no way of knowing where such sacks originate or what contamination they may carry. Provincial regulations prohibit their use and the full co-operation of all engaged in the potato trade. Beware, the used sack.

Membership Campaign

Membership returns now being received at the office indicate that farmers realize the desirability of supporting their organization. Secretaries who have contacted the members are meeting with a good response and upon their interests and activity depends the success of the campaign. The greater the number of members the more active the Federation can be and the greater will be the results.

With The Dairymen

Island cheese manufacturers met on Wednesday evening to plan their marketing operations for the coming season. Prospects are for satisfactory prices and with good pasturage, cheese producers can look forward to a successful season. In spite of greater returns for milk going to cheese factories, cream producers showed little evidence of switching from butter to cheese. Apparently the dairymen place considerable value on skim milk for the raising of calves, poultry and hogs. The butter market shows considerable strength with prices well above the floor—a condition which may continue well into July. It does not appear that the Dairy Products Board will be embarrassed with any substantial quantities of butter. There has been a definite decrease in the number of dairy cattle in Canada and with the present emphasis on beef production, prospects are for satisfactory demand for all dairy products for some years to come. Dairying, for some years past, has not received the encouragement which its importance as an industry warrants. A fighter who gets hit below the belt too often is apt to throw in the sponge.

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NEW GLASGOW, FREDERICTON, BRADALBANE CHURCH.—Services: New Glasgow Sunday School 10.00 A. M. Preaching 11.00 A. M. Fredericton 3.00 P. M. Bradalbane 7.30 P. M. Bryer Jones, speaker.

M/V. ESKIMO—Freight will be accepted up to 5 P. M. Monday, May 28th, for next sailing M/V. Eskimo to Grand Banks, Fortune and St. John's. Nfld. For space reservations and rates Phone 1606.

CAVENDISH UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE.—Sunday, 27th. New Glasgow 11 A. M. Cavendish 7.30 P. M. Sunday School Cavendish United Church 10 A. M. Rev. George Gough, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.—Schedule for Sunday, May 27th. Wood Islands 11 A. M. Sunday School 10 A. M. Murray Harbour 10.30 P. M. Caledonia 7.30 P. M. Minister: Rev. E. S. Hales.

ENGAGEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farquharson announce the engagement of their youngest daughter Lyle Glover to John William son of Mrs. William Brehaut and the late Mr. Brehaut. Marriage to take place early in June.

WEEKEND VISITOR.—Mr. Randolph Stevenson of the crew of the M.V. Abegevit now in drydock at Halifax, motored to the Island on Friday evening to spend the weekend with his wife in Hunter River. While at home Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson were visitors to Summerside, North Milton and Pleasant Valley. Mr. Stevenson returned to his duties at Halifax Sunday evening.

MURRAY HARBOUR PASTORAL CHARGE.—United Church of Canada. Services: Sunday, May 27th. 11 A. M. Belle River. Holy Baptism 3 P. M. Little Sands 7.30 P. M. Murray Harbour. Rev. Lloyd G. Marshall, B. A., Maritime Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance will preach at all services. Rev. D. Wallace MacPherson, Minister.

Card Of Thanks

I wish to thank my many friends and neighbours for remembering me when I was sick, by calling and bringing treats. Also the Doctor who so faithfully attended me. Signed Seymour Scott, Cornwall.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of a dear Mother and Grandmother, Mrs. Edward Melsaac of Hope River, who passed away May 24th, 1950.

Still to us comes days of sadness Tears in secret often flow, Her cherished memory never leaves us, Tho' she died one year ago.

We watched her suffer day by day It caused us bitter grief, To see her slowly pine away And could not give relief.

Some may think you are forgotten Though on earth you are no more, But in memory you are with us, As you always were before.

Always Remembered by Her Son James, Wife and Grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear Father, John T. Garland who died May 28th, 1945.

Sweet are the memories that linger, Dear is the one that is gone In memory I'll hold you dear Father, As long as the years roll along.

This I will always remember, And this I will always pray, That the joy you missed on life's highway, Are yours in Heaven today.

Fondly Remembered by Daughter Mary.

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In loving memory of our dear Father, John T. Garland who died May 28th, 1945.

A happy home we once enjoyed, How sweet the memory still, But death has left a loneliness, This world can never fill.

They say time is a healer And helps us to forget, But time so far has only proved How much we miss you yet.

Lovingly Remembered by the Family.

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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Our sport fans might not get much of a kick out of seeing a pair of crickets fight, but a battle between two champion crickets is one of the most exciting of contests among the Chinese. The insects fight in a bowl six or seven inches in diameter. To incite the little scrappers, their owners scratch their backs with a rat's whiskers fastened to the end of a stick. Heavy bets are placed on favorites.

The Siamee are most fond of fish fights, often placing all they possess on the outcome of a battle between two fighting fish. (See Strange Fish and Their Stories.) When a finny champion dies or is killed in action it is given a real funeral. This event is accompanied with all the ceremonies which would be accorded a well known person, even including the honorary pall bearers.

We who profess to believe that existence in the next world is much better than the present life, grieve at the loss of a dear friend or loved one. Not so with many savage races. They rejoice and celebrate in the presence of death, feeling that the one who has passed away has gone onward to a happier existence. Looking upon death in this light, our behavior is really the old one.

What is Joe Louis' real name? A. Joseph Barrow. Joe defended his title more than any other champion in history, and of his 62 ring contests he won 51 times by K. O., 9 times by decision, and was knocked out only once by Schmeling on June 19, 1936. Louis is still going strong and may yet fight some of the most dramatic fights of his fighting career. Incidentally, Joe is 37 years old.

A King Cobia ate a dinner that cost the London Zoological Society eighteen pounds. It all happened when the zoo keeper put the King Cobia in a small cage, along

with six common cobias. The big fellow ate the little ones during the night. The little cobias were on deposit from a dealer and valued at three pounds each. Some persons will tell you that snakes swallow their young at the approach of danger. Don't believe it! The story is explained thus: The spectator is the victim of an optical illusion. On the mother being opened up, she is found to contain young. True, but they are unborn young.

Tamrack, California, holds the record for having the greatest snowfall ever recorded in one year. Seventy feet of snow fell during the winter of 1906-1907.

The Arctic tern flies an average of 22,000 miles every year. No other animal in existence travels so far under its own power. A full-grown albatross has a wing spread of twelve feet from tip to tip, and is the largest flying bird in the world. Most of us has the notion that Niagara Falls is among the major waterfalls of the world. It is not. Ten others are higher, and Angel Falls, discovered by Jimmy Angie, an American pilot, while flying over the wilds of Venezuela, is nearly a mile high, or twenty times as high as Niagara. Think of it!

The Empire State Building, New York City, is 1250 feet high, and contains 102 stories. It can house a population twice the size of Charlottetown, and has a daily visiting population of 50,000. Enough steel has gone into this structure to make a double track railway across the island. As many as 4000 workmen were engaged in its construction on certain days. It has 63 passenger elevators. The gorilla, a name signifying "Wild Man," was first made known to civilization by a Portuguese captive in Angola, in 1698. He wrote: "The pongas differ not from man but in their legs, for they have no calves. They cannot speak and have no more understanding than a beast. They sometimes band together and kill natives that travel in the woods."

According to Scripture, even King Solomon paid a salty price for his horses—150 shekels of silver, each. Second Chronicles 1: 16-17—"And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt. . . . and a horse for an hundred and fifty shekels." Computing the silver shekel at 65 cents, Canadian currency, King Solomon paid a little less than one hundred dollars each for his steeds.

Jesus spoke of a hen and her chickens in Matthew 23: 37. "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killed prophets. . . . how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" See Luke 14: 34. One of the oldest of our so called native fishes is the eel. Eels have been known to live up to half a century. At the approach of a storm, the eel becomes excited and buries itself in the mud.

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