

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

C. F. A. Conference The future of price support programs in agriculture in Canada, the problem of the satisfactory disposal of surplus of farm products, the progress of producer marketing projects in the various provinces, the U. S. agricultural program and its possible impact on Canadian agriculture—all of these will be subjects before the 18th annual convention of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, scheduled for London, Ont., in the week of January 25.

Wood Stave Silos The possibilities in increasing farm production through better quality roughage has started many farmers either to experiment with or to consider silage either corn or grass. Methods of storage range all the way from stacks with no cost for construction to quite expensive tile or concrete structures. Standing midway in cost is the lower silo constructed of wood staves bound together by iron hoops to form a monster barrel. A silo of this type, 30 feet high and 14 feet in diameter, can be constructed for slightly over \$500, and even this cash out-lay can be lessened substantially if the farmer has his own lumber and can do his own construction work. In fact it would appear possible by practicing strict economy to have a silo for a cash out-lay in the vicinity of \$300. The silo in question will store 15 acres of heavy clover, certainly a more economical method of storage than a modern barn with its elaborate and expensive roof.

Potato Prices Quotations per hundred in car lots on the Boston market show quite a wide variation with Maine Katahdins being offered at 1.50, Island Reds at \$2.75 and New Dominion Russet Burbanks at \$3.50. Increased freight charges raise the cost of the Island and Idaho over Maine but difference in quality also contributes as well.

Farm Forum Since January 1, our Farm Forums have run into some difficulties from a weather stand-point on Monday nights. Forums are very sensitive to inclement weather and the effect of one bad night may continue for some time. Last Monday night our eroups discussed the problem of railway crossings, paying particular attention to highway fatalities and means of protecting the travelling public at these points. With the marked increase of motor traffic, more and more people are daily exposed to the dangers always present. Curiously most people are trapped on crossings near their homes. Apparently familiarity breeds contempt.

Support Programs Not infrequently we hear sympathy expressed for the down-trodden tax payer who among many other things is asked to foot the bill for price support program designed to ease agriculture over a difficult period. Since 1946 each person in Canada has contributed a total of .75 cents to finance support prices or an average of 12.1-2 cents per year, truly an amount of no serious consequence. In all fairness it should be explained that these figures do not cover the cost of the program initiated for cattle and hogs as a result of foot and mouth disease. This program could properly be termed disaster relief rather than support.

Table with 2 columns: Program Name, Net Cost. Includes items like Potatoes support in three years, Apples support in three years, Dried white beans support in one year, Honey support in one year, Dried skimmed milk support in one year, Cheddar cheese support in two years, Butter support in three years, Shell eggs, three years.

Wheat Programs Both Canada and the United States have programs to stabilize Wheat Marketing, programs which are, however, distinctly different. While the United States Government holds 454 million bushels to a value of 1,178 million, the Canadian Government owns no wheat. Canada's surplus is held by the farmers or by their grain trading organizations. In addition to wheat, the U. S. Government also owns 302 million lbs. of butter, 269 million lbs. of cheese, and 436 million lbs. of dried milk.

Maritime Federation Last Saturday, the Maritime representatives of the three Maritime Federations and a number of other organizations met for their annual get-together before proceeding to the Eastern Conference on January 18, at Toronto. At this Conference the five eastern provinces came to an agreement on matters to be brought to the attention of the C.F.A. in its annual meeting this coming week.

Victoria Dropped As Port Of Call VICTORIA (CP)—Victoria's days as a port of call for passenger liners in the Antipodes—Pacific northwest trade appear to have ended. The RMS Oronsay of the Orient line on her initial trip from Auckland, N. Z., called only at Honolulu, San Francisco and Vancouver. The luxurious 28,000-ton liner will make three trips to test cargo and passenger business. If enough trade develops, the Oronsay will be joined on the run by the Orient line's newest ship, RMS Orsova.

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Former Islander Dies In Seattle, Wash.

News was received recently of the death in an Everett hospital of a former Islander, John Dalzell MacEwen, aged 66 years. He had suffered a heart attack two months previous to his death, but had recovered sufficiently to be up and around when a relapse occurred and he passed quietly away in his sleep on November 3. Mr. MacEwen was born in Long Creek, Prince Edward Island, and was a son of the late Duncan and Katherine MacEwen of that place. Early in life he went to the U. S. A. spending some time in California before moving to Seattle to settle permanently. "Dad," as he was familiarly known to his relatives and friends, was a man of splendid physique, a general favorite, and a person of fine upright character. He will be much missed by his sister, Belle, Mrs. Jos. Sells who, with her daughter, moved to Seattle from Kerrobert, Sask., to be near her brother, following the death of her husband in 1945. He is survived also by his wife, Lillian C. a son, Eugene D. MacEwen of Seattle, and three brothers, Herbert of Saskatchewan, Daniel of Long Creek, P. E. I. and Anson of New Hampshire, U. S. A. The first World War, and a sister, Bertha died in 1922. From the "Seattle Times" of November 4, 1953, the following is quoted: "The late John D. MacEwen was a retired official of the Teamsters Union (A. F. of L.) and had been secretary-treasurer of Local 237, Bakery Driver Salesmen's Union, for 28 years. He was also vice-president of Jout Council 29, composed of Teamster locals in the state. He was active in the Seattle Central Labor Council, and often served on council committees to bring about agreements in contract negotiations between unions and employees without strikes. He was a member of the Washington Athletic Club; Seattle Lodge #2, B.P.O.E., Rainier Lodge No. 189; A.F. and A.M.; Rainer Commandery, Knights Templar, and Nile Temple of the Shrine. For a short time he worked as cabinet maker in Ballard, before entering the baking business as a salesman. He was interested in fishing and other sports, and after his retirement on January 1, 1953, moved to a home at Hermosa Beach Snohomish County."

Says Britain Will Soon Adopt New Belgian Rifle

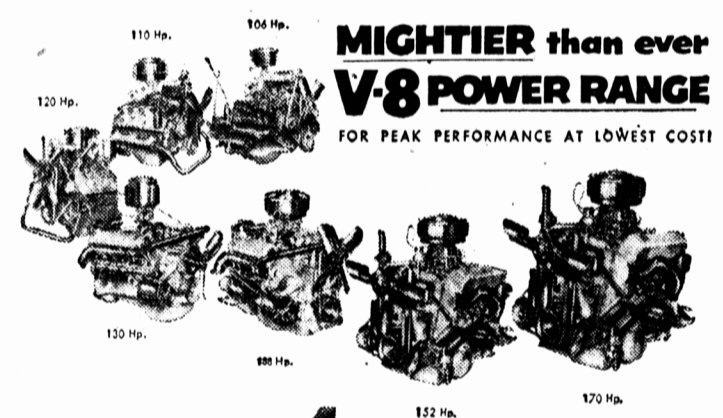
NEW YORK (CP)—The New York Times says today in a London dispatch that Britain will soon adopt a new Belgian-designed self-loading rifle as the standard infantry weapon for British forces. Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons in London Tuesday that the Belgian weapon, now under consideration as standard equipment for North Atlantic Treaty powers, is "equal in performance to the latest British pattern and quicker and easier to make and maintain." The Times dispatch says indications are that the decision "might have political repercussions in the narrowly divided Parliament." Woodrow Wyatt, financial secretary to the war office in the former Labor government, accused Churchill of "weakness" in "not standing up to the Americans." "In friendly rivalry with the Belgians Fabrique Nationale d'Armes de Liege, which was designing a similar rifle, the British tried to persuade both the United States and Canada to accept the British Lee-Enfield rifle as the Atlantic Alliance standard," the dispatch recalls. In 1951, the U. S., backed by Canada, declined to do this, for reasons of heavy retooling problems and immense stocks of unsuitable ammunition. Woman Accused Of Diamond Smuggling MONTREAL (CP)—A 25-year-old woman Wednesday was accused of having a part in an alleged diamond-smuggling by air organization at which RCMP struck last week. Mrs. Melka Honigwax was arraigned in criminal court on a charge of aiding in the transport of diamonds worth \$125,000 seized by RCMP. Her husband, Jack Honigwax of Montreal, faces a similar charge. Jacob Kusmiercki of Paris is charged with possession of the smuggled gems. Moses Mandel of Brooklyn, N. Y., is accused with assisting in transport of the diamonds. Hearing of the four was postponed Wednesday by Judge Gerald Almond until Jan. 29 at the request of the prosecution. DEFENSIVE REPTILE Rattlesnakes live on rodents, and seldom attack human beings unless they are molested.



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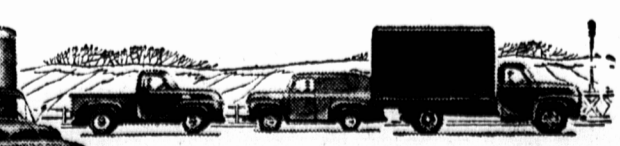
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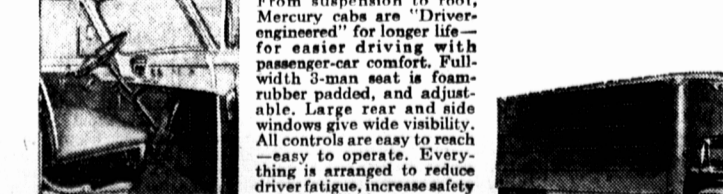


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Card Of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McKinnon and Harry, Canoe Cove, wish to thank all those who sent cards and letters of sympathy, during the death of Mrs. McKinnon's mother, Mrs. J. A. McLean.

Card Of Thanks

The family of the late Mr. H. Bakker wish to thank Dr. Murchison, Miss Matheson, Clergymen, friends and neighbors and all those who sent cards, flowers, etc., during our recent sad bereavement.

Card Of Thanks

Mrs. Augustine Wisner and Family wish to express their sincere thanks to the clergy, Reverend Francis Cooper for his many visits during his illness and who administered the last rites of the Holy Catholic Church of which he was a faithful member; Dr. J. P. Sweeney, Sisters and Nurses of the Charlottetown Hospital and to all those who sent Mass Cards, Spiritual Offerings, flowers and messages of sympathy; also to all kind friends and neighbors who visited and helped in any way during their sad bereavement.

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