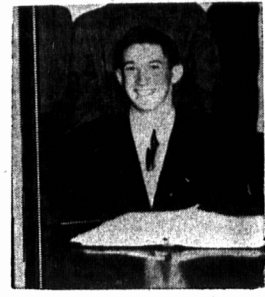


Junior Farmers' Report Shows Downs And Ups



PRES. STERLING MACRAE

Addressing the annual meeting of the P. E. I. Junior Farmers at Charlottetown recently at which he was succeeded by Mr. Sterling MacRae, Bloomfield, retiring President George C. MacDonald, St. Georges, delivered the following President's report:

"On December 30th, 1954 the P. E. I. Junior Farmers directors elected me as their president for 1955.

"To begin with we had only two groups and a membership of between 40 and 50. We had to get more groups organized and try and stimulate interest in the organization or else we would not have a Junior Farmers Federation very long. The Short Course which was held in conjunction with our annual meeting was successful and some interest in Junior Farmers was evident among its members. Our annual meeting was well attended and the resolutions committee brought in some very good resolutions which were as previously reported.

CROKINOLE AND DEBATING

"We held a directors meeting the last of January at which time we discussed the rules and regulations of the debating and crokinole competitions and the appointment of committees to supervise these competitions. Our crokinole competition had a large number of entries. It was finally won by the Wheatley River Farm Forum team of Gregory Dorion and Donnie Deroche. The debating competition had a small entry list and the Simmons and MacFarlane Shield was presented to O'Leary Calf Club. It would seem that debating is dying here on P. E. I. and I hope that the Junior Farmers will try and revive it. There should be a solution and it is up to the Junior Farmers to find it. It is most regrettable that interest in debating cannot be given a shot in the arm.

"I would like on behalf of the P. E. I. Junior Farmers to congratulate the crokinole winners and the debating winners on their achievements and wish them every success in the future.

NEW SECRETARY

"Our genial secretary, Morris Deacon, resigned from the Department of Agriculture and also resigned as our secretary much to our sorrow. Thus we had to get a secretary to fill Mr. Deacon's shoes. In order to select a new secretary I wrote to Mr. R. A. Pierce, Kings County Agricultural Representative and asked him to send out notices to all directors concerning the meeting and I also instructed him to invite to the meeting anyone interested.

"We had at the meeting, Mr. J. L. Dewar, the Deputy Minister, and some members of the Provincial Department of Agriculture. This was a Junior Farmers directors meeting and as your president was to preside at it; however, I was asked to leave the chair vacant for the Deputy Minister of Agriculture who was to chair the meeting. This was the first of many surprises in store for me. The Deputy Minister came in and started the meeting. He began by unfolding more surprises for the directors present. He told those present that:

"(1) Considerable money was spent in November, 1954 by sending Junior Farmers delegation to Ontario with no apparent success and thus it would seem to have been money foolishly spent;

"(2) He mentioned that the secretary for the past number of years had been a Department fieldman and that the secretary had to do all the work. He seemed to think that the presidents of the Junior Farmers Federation were not doing this work and were giving the secretary all the work of the organization;

"(3) He mentioned that in the future the Department was taking the leave of the Junior Farmers in this way of providing a secretary and that the Junior Farmers would have to stand on their own feet. He mentioned that the Junior Farmers would be given the services of the Department stenographer and also paper as well as envelopes. He also stated that the Department was behind the Junior Farmers in any project they might undertake; but it would seem that some of those present were of the opinion that the Junior Farmers were almost dead and that the only way to save them was to send out notices to the undertakers for embalming. Following this they would be laid to rest in our red Island soil and conveniently forgotten.

CAME TO LIFE

"To the surprise of those present at the meeting the supposedly near dead Junior Farmers came back to life and countered some of the charges of the Deputy Minister. It turned out that the meeting was not going to be one-sided and the Junior Farmers had some things to tell the Department.

"(1) The President told those present that the delegation that was sent to Ontario had no chance to do anything. They did not receive any invitations to speak or to organize a group and could not be expected to do so unless the fieldman organized a meeting and invited one of them to come to the meeting to speak. It would seem that the Department thought that the Junior Farmers should buy balls and expound these theories or better still, run an ad in the press



PAST PRES. C. C. MACDONALD

to the effect that three young men would like to tell what they saw in Ontario during their eight day sojourn there;

"(2) It was mentioned that in the past the secretary had to do all the work. This was only partly true and the Department was soon informed that last year in 1954 our president held more directors meetings than in any previous year and had really worked to make the Federation go. It would seem that the Department forgot that the duties of a secretary are to send out notices of meetings and act as a connecting link between members of the executive as well as to do other Federation business.

"As it has been mentioned before our secretary had been a Department fieldman and this system was most successful as it is in Ontario where it is practiced. Here on P. E. I. we must be different and so our secretary now is one of our directors and a fine one she is. She took over in a trying time and came up with a wonderful performance. She really deserves credit on a fine job well done.

ON THEIR OWN

"The third contention of the Department was that the Junior Farmers by having their own secretary would be more likely to succeed on their own. This might be true but how can an organization be expected to succeed without some means of guidance? This is especially true of a youth organization. Where would the 4-H clubs be if they had no leaders and adult directors to guide them? It would seem that this was the excuse the Department needed to get clear of the secretary's hip of the Junior Farmers and it was a poor excuse.

"The Department in rebuttal reminded the Junior Farmers that when they had their own secretary they were going ahead; but the Department failed to mention that this occurred in the first two years of the Federation's existence. It also did not mention that since 1950 and up to April of 1955 only one Junior Farmers was organized and that was done without the help of the Department. I wonder why they neglected to mention this or was the Department ashamed of its record.

ONE GROUP LEFT

"All the former groups have since folded and only one, the last one organized is working today. The Department had led the Junior Farmers for years through the secretary and now cut loose the Junior Farmers and told them "to paddle their own canoe" without any pilot to guide them. It was thought on the directors to try and keep the Federation going, interest was at its lowest ebb and we had no one to give us advice as when we had our fieldman secretary to guide us. After we appointed our new secretary we considered how we stood.

"We needed three things: (1) more publicity to encourage new members to join and more groups to be formed; (2) we needed a fieldman adviser who would organize new groups and help guide the organization; (3) we needed a larger grant from the Government to help finance any projects which Junior Farmers might undertake.

"Mr. J. L. Dewar who spoke at the meeting invited the Junior Farmers to send a delegation to the meeting of the Federation of Agriculture directors which would be held in May and state our case to them.

"We thanked Mr. Dewar for his invitation and said that we would send a delegation to the meeting.

"Your president headed the delegation and presented our case to the directors of the Federation. He advised us to send a delegation to see the Premier. We decided to do this. We went to Premier Matheson after the election in case there would be a change in the government. We went to Premier Matheson who received us kindly and listened to our case. He questioned us on some points and then told us of a forthcoming government shakeup and told us that we should see the new Minister of Agriculture and discuss our problems with him.

"The two points which we asked Premier Matheson to consider were a fieldman to help organize new groups, and a larger grant of money from the Government. We now turned to our third problem, publicity.

PUBLICITY

"At the last annual meeting the resolutions committee brought in a stiff resolution calling for more publicity in the press and on the radio. With this in mind your president went to see the manager of C. F. C. Y., Mr. Robert Large. Mr. Large very generously gave us fifteen minutes every two weeks as a "public service" and our deepest thanks go out to Mr. Large and his fine staff at CFCY for their kindness in giving us some program time and for their cooperation and help in putting on the programs.

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JANUARY CLEARANCE



All Winter Goods must be cleared out --- our large stock and big variety of Dry Goods, Men's and Boys' Furnishings, Ladies' ready-to-wear, Floor Coverings, Carpets and Paints, gives you an opportunity to save yourself many dollars by taking advantage of our January Clearance Sale. --- SALE OPENS TUESDAY, JANUARY 3rd AT 9.30 A. M. and continues until all Winter Merchandise is cleared out.

MEN'S and BOYS' DEPARTMENTS

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- Men's all wool Worsted SUITS, Nylon Blends. Large assortment of colors and styles to choose from. Sizes 35 to 48. Out they go **LESS 25% DISCOUNT**
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- Men's Tweed SPORT JACKETS. Reg. \$21.00. Sale Price **\$15.75**
- Plaid MOTOR RUGS, regular \$11.50. Sale Price **\$8.50**
- Plaid MOTOR RUGS, regular \$8.50. Sale Price **\$6.50**
- Men's Broadcloth SHIRTS, regular \$3.50. Sale Price ... **\$2.79**
- Balance of Men's MUFFLERS, all wool Plaids, and Silks. Out they go **LESS 25% DISCOUNT**
- Men's Fleece Lined Capeskin GLOVE sale. Price ... **\$2.19 pair**
- Men's Fleece Lined COMBINATIONS, 36 to 46. Sale Price, suit **\$2.95**
- Men's OVERALLS and DUNGAREES. Sale Price **LESS 20%**
- Men's Flannelette PYJAMAS and NIGHT SHIRTS. Extra good quality. Sale Price **\$3.79**
- Balance of Men's SWEATERS and PULLOVERS. Clearing **LESS 25%**
- Boys' SUITS. Out they go **LESS 25% DISCOUNT**
- Boys' Lined WINTER JACKETS and COATS **LESS 25% DISC.**
- Boys' SWEATERS. Including Pullovers and Coat Style and Hockey Sweaters, clearing **LESS 25% DISCOUNT**
- Boys' Plaid Doeskin SHIRTS. Sizes 6 to 16. Clearing ... **\$1.79**
- Boys' Heavy all wool Plaid JACKSHIRTS, clearing **\$3.95**
- Boys' Fleece Lined COMBINATION UNDERWEAR. Clearing, suit **\$1.89**
- Boys' all wool BREECHES, SNOW PANTS, WINTER SKI CAPS, lined CAPEKIN GLOVES. Clearing **LESS 25%**

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