



FEDERATION SECRETARY IN ANOTHER ROLE

J. Lincoln Dewar, standing right, is known here as the secretary of the P.E.I. Federation of Agriculture. In this picture he's in the capacity of national chairman of the Canadian Dairy Foods Service Bureau. He was attending the annual meeting last week of the Dairy Farmers of Canada. Others right to left, standing, are George McLaughlin, 1st vice-president of the DFC. He's also chairman of the recently organized Ontario Milk Marketing Board; T. B. Cooper, president of the National Dairy Council; Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association.

THIS AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY



Vickerson Herd Hold Impressive Records

By NEIL A. MATHESON
I visited last Saturday with Jim Vickerson, Warren Grove, and saw his grand old cow River North Beacon's Maid that has made impressive records in production and on classification. Maid is a sister of Jester's Standard Dreamer, a bull bred and raised by Edison Mutch, North River that went to the Grand Championship circle at the Royal Winter Fair back in 1952. She is a daughter of Edgelea Beacon Jester's Standard that the late Mr. Mutch took to the Royal grand championship circle in 1953. The cow has class on both sides of her pedigree. Incidentally, Mr. Mutch told me after he had scored the double triumph at the Royal, that he was the only private breeder in history to win the grand male championship at the Royal with Jerseys in successive years with different bulls. Mr. Mutch bought the Edgelea bull as a young calf from the Edgelea farm just outside Toronto.

age farmer has to keep the cost of the feed in mind when he's going for a record. The wealthy breeder thinks only of the record. He can afford to do so. River North Oscar's Star is the other outstanding cow that helped to build the Vickerson herd. She had an even more impressive production record with two silver medals, three gold medals, one medal of merit, and she had three tons of gold. Her lifetime production was 105,313 pounds milk, 6,989 pounds butterfat in 10 lactations. There's one big difference in the two cows so far as the Warren Grove herd is concerned. Maid produced five heifer calves that are

in the herd. One bull is in the artificial breeding centre at Fredericton, another is in the Dunehill herd at Embro, Ontario. But Star only produced one heifer calf in her 10 lactations. There have been nine excellent animals in the Vickerson herd: Two of them were the two older cows, referred to here, that were bred by Mr. Mutch. But the other seven were bred in the Vickerson stable. Five are in the stable now. I have been talking of Jc Vickerson because he's the one to whom I was talking. But the herd is owned by J. S. Vickerson and Son and the son is Reid

Vickerson. They live in homes in the same yard, with only a driveway separating the establishments.

One of the most unusual accomplishments by the Warren Grove herd was the winning of the progeny-of-dam class for seven straight years with the same two cows at the Provincial Exhibition.

They are Warren Grove Lyn and Warren Grove Nancy. Lyn was one year old and Nancy was two when they first won the class. They are daughters of Beacon's Maid and will retire unbeaten, I understand from Mr. Vickerson. Nancy and Lyn will not contest that class again.

I forgot to say that Beacon's Maid is classified "Superior Excellent." That title is earned when a cow is grading excellent in her earlier years and retains her conformation so that she rates the same classification when she is ten years old.

SILVER MEDAL SIRE
Incidentally, Beacon's Maid is a half-sister to the Jersey bull River North Pansy's Sir, that has just been designated a Silver Medal bull by the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club on the pro-

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duction of three of his daughters. He now has 21 tested daughters that average 7,571 lbs. milk, 410 lbs. fat, 5.41 per cent m. e. He was bred by the late Edison B. Mutch, and is owned by H.H. Ross, Sherbrooke, Que. His sire is Edgelea Beacon Jester Standard, Excellent, Gold and Silver Medal Superior Sire and his dam is Maid's Pansy, Excellent, a daughter of Pansy's White Aim that has qualified for a Ton of Gold certificate and has a lifetime production of 100,415 lbs. milk, 4,868 lbs. fat, in 8 lactations. In addition she is a tested dam with one son and four daughters that average 12,010 lbs. milk, 625 lbs. fat, 5.21 per cent.

My thanks go to the lady who wrote me regarding the column of January 11. One sentence was misleading in that it seemed to indicate that J. Eric Hurry, West Royalty is the only Guernsey breeder in the province with a cow scoring 89 percent in conformation. Mr. Hurry is the only Island man to breed a Guernsey cow that has been rated "Excellent" for conformation. She's Pa-tiole Dorraine's Lassie. As the lady pointed out there have been a number of Guernsey cows rated 89.

HEREFORD BREEDERS
The addition of Charlie Scranton to the executive of the P.E.I. Hereford Breeders Association adds strength in a spot where strength was needed. Mrs. Fulton Sanderson served in the capacity of secretary with great effectiveness for the association. Her death late last year was a big loss to the group. Mr. Scranton - he's known across the province for his work with the poultry division, Canada department of agriculture - should be a distinct asset to the breed. Mr. Scranton has a personal interest in the White Face beefers as he has some registered Herefords on the farm he is developing in the Hazelbrook-Mt. Albion area.

Fitting reference was made at the recent annual meeting to the tremendous feat of Fulton Sanderson, York Point in winning the steer championship at the Atlantic Winter Fair for the second straight year: He had the reserve grand champion three years ago.

I'm still waiting word on the best steer in Canada at shows in 1965. I was told by a man who should know that the Sanderson steer would probably be the top animal in Canada, judging by his score. I'll let you know just as soon as I get confirmation of that, if I do get it.

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