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Federation News

(By Clifford Allen, President of Grey County Federation of Agriculture)

It was quite evident at the recent annual meeting of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture that women are really prepared to assist in directing, and to share the responsibility of that organization.

Up until two years ago women had no voice in the work of the Federation but at that time the constitution was ammended to provide that there be at least six women directors and six directors sponsored by the young people on the board with one of each six to be appointed to the executive. That was the beginning, but not the end. At the annual convention this year a group of six women made a very effective presentation to the general convention, setting forth their attitude and views.

Mrs. Ralph Burton, who in 1943, represented women on the executive reported that fifty-five women had met in separate session. About fifteen came as delegates from county federations and she urged that every county send one woman delegate next year.

Mrs. O. G. Anderson explained that women are doing more of the actual work in the production of such commodities as cream, poultry and eggs and felt that organization of producers f these commodities should be developed with all possible speed because, all the other things for which women are asking, in the way of improvement of rural life, are directly dependant upon our economic security and set-up.

Other matters dealt with in their presentation were the distribution of hydro, saying that hydro should be a public service for everyone with the total cost pooled over the whole province, the urgent attention of rural people on the matter of health and medical service; the provision or extension of existing rural recreation facilitees and that more women be appointed to all Federation commitees, boards of directors and executives.

It is highly desirable that women be given a more important place in the Federation. It is because of the unbalanced ecomomy of our country, because of the lack of labor-saving equipment and farm conveniences that the health and vigour of our farm people (not excepting the women) has been sapped with the result, in a good many cases, that they are wearied of the whole situation.

Yes, we want women in our Federation and we want women to become more active in our Grey County Federation. Grey County ranks among the leading counties of the province in the number of Farm Forums reporting each week and our women have been active in this part of our program. The Federation of Agriculture with its broad economic and social program is interesting in many of the same things as our Womens' Institutes, the former U.F.W.O. Clubs and other groups of women. We want to help them and we want their assistance in directing our program.

Wellington County Federation of Agriculture has a woman president, in the person of Mrs. Taylor and she represents that county on the board of directors of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Yes, women can have a voice in the affairs of agriculture. Come on women! Let us make Grey County Federation stronger.

ORDER YOUR CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES NOW

Certified seed potatoes are being withheld from export to meet the requirements of Canadian growers, but, the Plant Protection Division, Dominon Department of Agriculture points out, demands for these potatoes from other countries are very strong. Supplies not needed for planting in Canada should be released for export in March before the season in the U. S.A. is too far advanced for planting. This means that order for certified seed potatoes should be placed without delay while supplies are still available.

The planting of certified seed potatoes for table stock will give a heavier yield from each acre planted to such seed. Seed potato growers are reminde that fields entered for certification in 1944 must be planted with either "Foundation" or "Foundation A" seed.

The local District Inspector Seed Protato Certification, Plant Protection Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture, has a list of growers having the above grades of potatoes for sale.

A woman bigamist in Western Ontario was given a reformatory term. Wouldn't two husbands be punishment enough.

To men who complain that women talk too much we suggest that after all it is mostly other women who do the listening—The men go to the club.

Times certainly do change. We read this week that bullet-proof glass is to be used as armor on airoplanes. That knocks out the old saying that people who live in glass houses should not throw stones.

BUCKINGHAM

Mrs. J. W. Mullen returned recently from a months visit at the home of her daughter Mr. and Mrs. J. Hall in Owen Sound.

Members of the Rob Roy Ladies' Aid attended a meeting of the West Church Woman's Association at the home of Mrs. Livingstone on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Taylor spent the week end in Toronto.

Mrs. N. Plummer arrived on Tuesday from the West to visit her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and other friends.

Miss Helen Carter of Toronto spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ale- Mullin.

The February meeting of the Community Club at the home of Mrs. J.-G. Davidson on Thursday last was attended by fourteen members and nine visitors. After devotional exercises the secretary's report of the January meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Douglas was read and adopted. Several letters were read from boys overseas and some still in Canada in appreciation of Christmas parcels received. In accordance with plans made at the last meeting a large number of names were handed in for an autograph quilt and blocks distributed. After the lunch hour all enjoyed a sing song and also several numbers by the male quartette. Mrs. Alf. Tawton invited the ladies to her home for the March meeting.

Mr. Bruce Mullin spent the week end at his home here.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Jos. Freethy and Mrs. H. Smith, who received word last week of the accidental death of their brother, Mr. Thos. Styan, which occurred in the West.

Mrs. Mervin Mullin and small son, Arthur, are visiting friends in Collingwood this week.

(Intended for Last Week)

Mr. Arnold Hutchinson spent a few days in Toronto last week.

Mrs. W. Armstrong accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Herb Eby back to Barrie on Sunday to spend a week there.

Messrs. Hughie Adair and Harold Freethy returned to the north Monday, where they and several others are engaged cutting wood.

Mrs. Howard Smith and Mrs. Geo. Clark were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. Brown this week.

A dance and euchre was held in Rob Roy hall on Thursday evening, the proceeds being for war work.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hawton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hawton.

Mrs. W. J. Conn of Toronto is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Conn and friends.

There are 17,492 teachers in Canada who receive a salary of less than $537 per year.

When the other fellow shouts that he is deeply insulted the chances are you have told the truth.

The new speaker for the Legislature is an undertaker. Not a bad arrangement to make the M.P.P.'s look alive.

The Italians are becoming united. Six important political parties have all agreed that King Victor Emmanuel should abdicate.

Then there was the chap working in the war plant who wrote to a friend, 'Having a wonderful time and a half.

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AT ONCE

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ORDER "CERTIFIED" for Table Stock Production. Larger crops are needed in 1944. Obtain a heavier yield from each acre by planting Canadian **Certified Seed** Potatoes.

ORDER "FOUNDATION" and "FOUNDATION A" for Certified Seed Production. All fields entered for certification in 1944 must be planted with either **"Foundation"** or **"Foundation A"** seed potatoes.

DISTRICT INSPECTOR FOR ONTARIO—Seed Potato Certification, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Ont.

For lists of growers having "Certified", "Foundation A", or "Foundation" seed potatoes for sale, apply to the local District Inspector, Seed Potato Certification, or to the Plant Protection Division, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

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