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## News and Information for the Busy Farmer

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### Lowering the Cost

One authority makes the following suggestions for lowering the cost of milk production: (1) Eliminate inefficient producers. (2) Raise your own feed for the herd. Legume roughages will reduce the need for purchased concentrates. Raising more legumes will also increase grain yields. (3) Provide warm water for the herd in winter, preferably kept before them in the stable. A proper water supply has a greater effect on production than is commonly realized.

### Winter Care of Machinery

Winter care of farm machinery is of decided economic importance and this cannot be effected without a shed for shelter. Weathering caused by snow coverings and continual freezing and thawing and wet periods in fall and spring brings rapid decay of wooden parts, and causes metal parts and bearings to rust.

This weakens the implements and rusty, stiff bearings are often a source of costly breakages. Not only will the period of usefulness be lengthened by housing the machinery during the long idle period, but at the time of storing the mud and thick grease can be removed, bearings oiled, shares and mould boards greased, and lists made of repair parts necessary to put the machinery in shape for the following season.

The farmer who has his machinery housed has a much better opportunity to repair the machine during the winter months than has the farmer who has his machines buried in the snow.

### Value of the Institute

At the annual convention of Women's Institutes recently, Superintendent G. A. Putnam discussed the value of the Institute in providing opportunity for all women and girls in the rural communities to meet once a month on common ground for discussion of problems of mutual interest and to have a social half hour. The Institute was recognized as the great rural service club. It made surveys as to the community's needs, provided assistance where required, and frequently it furnished proper treatment and care for crippled children. Pointing to the enviable record of Women's Institutes, he declared that its form of organization was being copied in many lands and that it was one of the strongest forces to combat the tendency to rebellion against existing methods and institutions. The government was very generous in its offer to provide instructors, because it felt that money spent in this way was worth while.

### Weekly Crop Report

Recent rains have modified the severity of the water shortage situation which had become acute in many counties. According to reports of agricultural representatives, a large percentage of the wells and streams had dried up and stockmen particularly were alarmed. Fall work is reported in good shape and plowing in all counties practically completed. In Dundas, compensation and salvage received for reactors to bovine tuberculosis tests are in many cases more than sufficient to cover their replacement with clean cattle on account of the low price right now. Fall wheat in Grey is said to be wonderfully improved with the crop going into the winter in fine shape. A sudden drop in temperature in Kent found the farmers with work well done and time to devote to clearing up around the premises. In Lambton farm stock auction sales are bringing good prices, while in Lanark there is a big demand indicated for stockers and hogs with a light supply. Farmers in South Simcoe are marketing their grains by feeding it to hogs and beef cattle. All stock are being stabled in Temiskaming with little slipping being done.

### Good Demand for Apples

The lifting of the British embargo against the lower grades of United States apples on Nov. 15 has made no difference in prices generally throughout the British Isles. According to Andrew Fulton, overseas representative of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, As a matter of fact, Mr. Fulton says that there is a keen demand for both dessert and cooking apples with a marked tendency for higher values. There is a good demand for better quality red apples with every indication that this situation will continue.

It is my opinion that Ontario shippers can export with considerable confidence in receiving satisfactory prices, providing the apples are attractive, Mr. Fulton states. Ontario growers with apples to ship are urged to mark all the barrels plainly with the words "Canadian Apples" or "Empire Apples". Failure to comply with this regulation has created no small hardship both in clearing shipments from the port of entry into the United Kingdom as well as the loss of several good sales.

### Live Stock in Peel

The agricultural representative in Peel County reports that in 1929 that county had only 20 fully accredited herds of cattle. At present there are 55 herds, either accredited or under accreditation. He continues to say that this large number will be increased next spring and accredited live stock men claim to be entirely sold out of surplus stock. A number of purebred accredited cattle being brought in from Norfolk, Haldimand, Oxford and Perth Counties. Open and bred heifers are being bought in preference to springing cows.

### Canadian Seed in Demand

A sharp increase in the demand for registered grades of Canadian-grown seed of roots and vegetables is indicated, particularly in Ontario. Vegetable growers, gardeners, and farmers find that the extra cost of high quality seed is slight in proportion to its actual superiority. Two factors make for quality in seed grown in Canada. These are the inherent advantage of careful selection in foundation seed stock and the important fact that seed produced in Canada is acclimated, giving maximum assurance of productive results.

Heretofore the most of field root and garden vegetable seeds used in Canada have been imported from the United States and Europe. Field tests are showing that this imported seed is of poor quality and much of it is very questionable worth.

### Iodine for Live Stock

According to Dr. Lionel Stevenson, provincial zoologist, most losses among live stock, particularly those of such a nature as goitre in lambs and calves, hairlessness among hog-litters and joint ill in foals, can easily be prevented if iodine is incorporated in the rations of the breeding stock and especially in the rations of pregnant animals. Its regular use is essential during the period when the stock is stabilized, as there is then absolutely no chance of picking up any iodine in its natural state.

For convenience sake iodine is usually fed in the form of potassium iodide, being mixed with salt, feed or water. It is quite simple to handle and according to the best live stock opinion in Canada is a cheap insurance against many live stock losses.

As does vary with the different animals, stockmen are well advised to secure a pamphlet entitled "The Significance of Iodine in the Feeding of Livestock" and distributed on request by the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Toronto. It covers the whole subject, giving the methods of administration and the particular doses for the various types of live stock, under various conditions.

ship, upon, alert minds and cool heads.

National recognition of these facts is epitomized in the welcome home extended Premier Bennett at Ottawa by people of all political persuasions. There was unanimous recognition of the fact that he had reflected the heart of Canada at the Imperial Conference and there was acknowledgement that he had seen into and endeavoured to deal with the problems which confront the Canadian mind.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

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Wm. Breadner repairing culvert and

grading road \$10.45; Roy Law-

rence, Euphrasia's share of work on

road 1 \$15.62; John King, work on

road 3 \$8.60; Foster Clark, cartage

and work on road 15 \$3.65; Wm.

Lyons, work on road 7 \$25.40; G.

Williamson, grease and repairs to

grader \$8.30; E. Kirkpatrick, 4 days

oversealing, phone calls and station-

ary \$22.82.—Carried.

The council adjourned until the

15th of December.

N. L. Curry, Clerk.

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## EUPHRASIA COUNCIL

The Council met at the township hall at Rocklyn on Nov. 7th, with all members present and the Reeve in the chair.

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