

News and Information FOR THE BUSY FARMER

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SEED MARKET REPORT

Eastern, Northern and Central Ontario

Prices—Red clover 16 to 18c per pound for No. 1 grade; 10 to 17c for country run. Alfalfa 15 to 26c for No. 1 grade, 10 to 13c for country run. Alsike 13 to 14c for No. 1 grade; 10 to 13c for country run. Sweet clover 5c for country run. Timothy 6 to 7½c for No. 1 grade; 4 to 6c for country run.

Supply—500,000 pounds of red clover mainly in the Ottawa Valley; 167,000 pounds of alfalfa mainly in the St. Lawrence counties and the Kingston-Oshawa district; 235,000 pounds of alsike mainly in the Kingston-Oshawa district and the St. Lawrence counties. Sweet clover 300,000 pounds mainly in the Kingston-Oshawa district and the St. Lawrence counties. Timothy 2,360,000 pounds scattered in these parts of Ontario.

Demand—A fair demand continues. Most of the alsike has already been sold by growers, also a fair quantity of red clover. Very little of the alfalfa, timothy or sweet clover has yet moved to the trade.

Western and Southern Ontario

Prices—Red clover 19c per pound for No. 1 grade, 13 to 15c for country run. Alfalfa 18c for No. 1 grade; 11½ to 15c for country run. Alsike 16c for No. 1 grade; 8½ to 13½c for country run. Sweet clover 7½c for No. 1 grade; 4 to 6c for country run. Timothy 6c for No. 1 grade; 3 to 5c for country run. Canada blue grass 8c for No. 1 grade.

Supply—Red clover 4,550,000 lbs.; alsike 585,000 lbs.; alfalfa 500,000 lbs.; sweet clover 255,000 lbs.; timothy 1,150,000 lbs.; Canada blue grass, nil.

Demand—The largest part of the 1936 production has already been bought by the trade and a good demand continues for most items. There has been a good export movement of alsike, alfalfa, red clover and sweet clover to the United States this year. Timothy is in slowest demand at present.

Soya Beans and Corn for Silage

On "The Maples" farm, near Kemptville, Ont., owned and operated by Dr. Frank T. Shutt, C.B.E., and his nephew, A. A. Holmes, a small area of newly-broken land was sown with soya beans, in the spring of 1935. The stuff grew like Jack's bean-stalk and soon presented a problem as to what could be done with it. The stalks were heavily podded and might have yielded a crop of seed, but the crop kept on growing so long that maturing of the seed was out of the question; and still it grew until the idea of making hay out of it was dismissed.

Dr. Shutt, having been Dominion chemist for 46 years, knew something of the chemical composition of soya beans and that they are high in protein and carbohydrates, considerably higher than corn in this respect. So why not put the growthy crop of soya beans in the silo with the corn? Thus was the problem solved, and the resultant silage proved most palatable and nutritious.

This year at "The Maples" another bumper crop of soya beans was grown on a larger acreage, an area fertilized last year for potatoes and mangels, and the soya bean crop was ensiled with the corn, and the results obtained warrant the adoption of this method as standard practice.

On Silage Production

An endorsement of this practice is to be found in a recent bulletin issued by Dr. E. S. Hopkins and P. O. Ripley of the Central Experimental Farm. In a section devoted to soya beans as a silage crop they impart the following information: "Soya beans for silage are planted with a grain drill in rows 30 inches apart, with the plants about three inches apart in the row. This requires about 30 pounds of seed per acre. Soya beans should be ensiled when the pods are well filled but before the leaves begin to turn yellow. They may be ensiled either alone or, as

mixed in any proportion, but as corn is an almost ideal silage crop, it might be used in relatively larger amounts. A mixture of three parts of corn to one part soya beans produces an excellent quality of silage."

Fruit Production Down

Total fruit production in Canada is considerably below last year.

Apple crops in all provinces are smaller this year, Nova Scotia and British Columbia showing the greatest reduction.

Winter injury, spring frosts and summer droughts combined with insect and fungus pests to reduce the yields. Fall rains have improved prospects for next year although much permanent damage to tender fruit trees, grape vines and strawberry plantations will have an effect on 1937 production.

Stocks in storage show appreciable reductions from last year at the same time.

Following are the estimates of this year's production for Canada with last year's final estimate in brackets: Apples 3,777,000 barrels (4,496,000), peaches 440,000 bushels (619,000), cherries 193,000 bushels (214,000), strawberries 21,347,000 quarts (27,505,000), raspberries 5,447,000 qts. (8,140,000), grapes 23,104,000 pounds (42,945,000).

In Ontario, rainfall was abundant over all parts of the province during the late fall period. Conditions were favorable for the development of late crops and the work of harvesting was not unduly hampered.

The apple crop has turned out much better than originally anticipated and the present estimate of 684,200 barrels is only about six per cent. below last year's crop.

With plums, fairly heavy loss of trees and wood continued throughout the season. There was no export movement this year, the domestic trade and processors taking care of the crop satisfactorily.

In the main peach producing section there was also heavy mortality of trees and wood, especially in the eastern area.

Bloom prospects for pears which were considerably below normal in most areas, were further reduced by frost in late May, which also caused heavy damage by blossom and russetting.

Drought conditions in 1935, together with the hard frost in early October of that year, killed many grape vines on the heavy soils, but this loss was largely offset by recent plantings coming into bearing, and the general outlook early in the spring was for a normal crop. The extreme heat and drought which prevailed throughout most of the growing season further reduced the crop and total production is now estimated at 52 per cent. below last year.

BERKELEY

(Held over from last week.)

A merry Christmas to the editor, staff and many readers of The Standard.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wright of Quill Lake, Sask., are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. A. Gillespie, and family. It is 32 years since the former left here to go west.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillespie and Harold and Mrs. E. J. McLaughlin attended the funeral in Toronto on Tuesday of last week of the former's son, Mr. J. M. Gillespie.

Miss Isabel Angus of Toronto is visiting her parents for the Christmas season.

S. S. No. 6 held their Christmas tree in the Orange Hall on Friday evening with a large audience. Much credit is due the teacher, Miss Bessie Beard, and pupils in the splendid program and order given. Mr. John McLaughlin was chairman.

Mr. Howard David of Toronto is spending the holiday season with his parents.

S. S. No. 5 held their Christmas tree in the school on Monday evening with a good attendance. Lunch was served to all at the close.

Miss Charlotte Boyd returned from a visit to her parents in Toronto.

EUPHRASIA COUNCIL

Rocklyn, Dec. 15, 1936

A meeting of Euphrasia Council was held on above date with all the members present and the Reeve in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Carruthers - Miller—That Council refund Gerald Wallace \$2.00, dog tax.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That Council pay \$17.08, relief supplies for the Parks family.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That Council appoint Herb Parker to look after the Parks family in regard to relief.—Carried.

Parker - Pottage—That we renew Treasurer's bond with the British-American Insurance Co. through Mr. Samuel Saunders.—Carried.

Pottage - Parker—That Council pay balance of salary for caretaking of Township Hall, \$1.00 for memorial service and 50 cents for glass for window.—Carried.

Carruthers - Miller—That Council pay to J. D. Crabtree the sum of \$9.50, being Euphrasia's share of Division Court expenses for 1934.—Carried.

Parker - Miller—That we pay to Mrs. V. F. Mercer Euphrasia's share of Division Court expenses for 1936, amounting to \$19.50.—Carried.

Parker - Pottage—That cheque for \$5.16, refund of amusement tax tickets, be received and handed to the Treasurer with a copy of this resolution.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That Council refund to N. L. Curry the sum of \$4.96 for amusement tax tickets which he purchased with his own money.—Carried.

Parker - Pottage—That we purchase file for Clerk at a cost of \$7.70, from the County Office Supply Co., to be used for registering births, deaths and marriages and the Treasurer be instructed to pay for same.—Carried.

Parker - Pottage—That letter from Wm. Woods re relief be received and Mr. J. J. Miller be authorized to investigate circumstances and act accordingly.—Carried.

Miller - Parker—That this Council pay for team work for breaking roads at the discretion of the patrolmen and the Commissioners in each division.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That the Treasurer receive from J. W. King and L. S. Pottage the sums of \$3.60 and \$4.05 respectively, the Treasurer to receive a copy of this resolution.—Carried.

The following accounts were ordered paid:—J. D. Crabtree, St. Vincent Municipal Telephone Levy for 1936, \$1210.11; C. Running, Beaver Valley Telephone Levy for 1936, balance due, \$3419.63; Chas. Fothergill, Euphrasia Municipal Telephone Levy for 1936, \$1217.59; B. Hamilton, Euphrasia's share of the Division Court expenses for 1934-5-6, \$39.00; A. E. Colgan, printing account, etc., \$183.25; Dr. R. L. Carefoot, services as Medical Health Officer, \$100.00, Board of Health meeting and mileage, \$4.30; G. McConnell, Board of Health meeting and mileage, \$3.80; H. Dawn, Board of Health meeting and mileage, \$3.50; W. R. Perry, valuing sheep, \$4.00; J. T. Lawson, valuing sheep, \$12.50. Board of Health meeting and mileage, \$3.70; Jas. Gilchrist, conveying Mrs. Trickey to Markdale, \$4.70; Wm. Wright, report of audit, writing old age pensions, postage, \$5.75; D. L. Binns, services as Truant Officer, etc., \$16.50; S. Burritt, services as Truant Officer, etc., \$12.45; J. Yeadell, sheep killed by dogs, \$37.50; C. Reid, sheep killed by dogs, \$11.00; J. Davies, sheep killed by dogs, \$21.00; Wm. Sewell, sheep killed by dogs, \$15.00; J. Menarey, sheep killed by dogs \$15.00; H. Dawn, 3 meetings of Council, committee work, mileage, \$30.00; L. S. Pottage, 3 meetings, mileage, committee work, \$11.52; H. E. Parker, 3 meetings, mileage, committee work, telephone calls, \$9.84; J. J. Miller, 3 meetings, mileage, committee work, telephone calls, \$11.40; R. D. Carruthers, 3 meetings, committee work, mileage, \$12.00; Arthur Pledger, quarter salary, postage, preparing financial statement, \$107.50; E. Lanktree, quarter salary, postage, \$80.00.

Road accounts: Road 3 and 4, \$12.80; No. 8, \$2.40; No. 17, 16, 14, \$17.85; No. 4, 5, 6, 10, \$64.53; No. 2, 3, 15, 50, No. 11, \$7.10; No. 1, \$21.00; No. 2, 10, \$12.53;

HOLLAND TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

Holland, December 15th, 1936

Council met on Tuesday, December 15th, for the transaction of Township business. The members were all present except Mr. Gillespie, who was absent owing to the death of his brother. John Heighes, Esq., Reeve, presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Accounts were received for relief to the extent of \$68.00.

The following were received: Report of Geo. McNeely, valuing sheep of Richard Tennant, \$8.00, and sheep of Russell Allison, two sheep killed and one injured, \$17.00; account of The Municipal World, supplies, \$1.62; account of Phil McKay, stamps, \$9.75; account of John Heighes, stamps, stationery and phoning, \$2.25.

Mr. Lipskie requested permission for the Lutheran Church at Williamsford to place a sign on street allowance opposite the Church.

Messrs. E. McInnis and Ray Wheildon addressed Council regarding the reported intention of the Highway Department to change the route of Highway No. 10.

Dixon - Sutcliffe—That we allow the Lutheran Church to place a sign on street in Williamsford providing they assume all responsibility for the same.—Carried.

Sutcliffe - Howey—That the Clerk write the Provincial Engineer instructing him to have approach to Highway No. 10 to 80 side-road, between Holland and Glencoe, made passable.—Carried.

Dixon - Howey—That the Clerk send a letter of condolence to the Gillespie family in their recent bereavement.—Carried.

Sutcliffe - Howey—That this Council is resolved to oppose the construction of a Provincial Highway through the West corner of this Township, which will not only be injurious to the farms through which it runs but will also return some three or four miles of road to the Township for maintenance.—Carried.

Howey - Dixon—That we refund County and Township taxes to Jacob Specht, \$29.00; Wm. Whitney, \$3.70, and Eddie Edmunds, \$31.90, owing to loss by fire.—Carried.

Howey - Dixon—That the Road Superintendent's Pay Sheet No. 10 for the sum of \$257.34 be paid and Treasurer be instructed to issue cheques for the same.—Carried.

Howey - Sutcliffe—That the Treasurer be authorized to give the tax collector credit for discount allowed on second instalment of taxes.—Carried.

Mr. Howey presented Report No. 12 of the Finance Committee, recommending payment of \$670.56.

Sutcliffe - Dixon—That Report No. 12 of Finance Committee be adopted as read.—Carried.

On motion the Reeve left the chair, when it was moved by R. Dixon, seconded by M. Sutcliffe, that the thanks of this Council be tendered to our Reeve, John Heighes, for the efficient and impartial manner in which he has presided over this Council for the past year, and we all join in wishing him a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.—Carried.

This was tendered to Mr. Heighes by the Deputy-Reeve, Mr. Howey, to which he fittingly replied, after which all joined in the National Anthem and the Council adjourned Sine Die.

JAMES P. HARE, Reeve

No. 12, 5, \$14.80; No. 7, 15, \$25.00; general, \$29.22.

Parker - Pottage—That on behalf of this Council we extend to our Reeve our sincere thanks and appreciation for the courteous and efficient manner in which he presided over our Council and wish him and his a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.—Cd.

The Council then sang God Save the King.

The Council arose.

Edward Lanktree, Clerk

CEYLON

(Held over from last week.)

Miss Hazel Copeland visited her sister, Mrs. J. R. Sinclair.

Miss Jean Hincks has returned home for the Christmas holidays.

Misses Macil and Dorothy Snell were in Markdale on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sinclair and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sinclair and Mrs. Frank Collinson were in Owen Sound on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Elliott and Miss Reta Marshall spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall.

Miss Susie McKinnon and Miss Frances Collinson have returned from Toronto to spend the Christmas holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jackson of Dundas are spending the winter with the latter's father, Mr. Donald McLeod.

Mr. Bert Wright of Toronto spent the latter part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. P. Hemphill.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at Mrs. Knox's home on Wednesday, Dec. 30th, at 2 p.m. The roll call is to be answered by "Suggestions for Winter Reading" and a Magazine exchange. Mrs. McWilliams has charge of the Feature reading. There will be the usual gift exchange, after which the election of officers for 1937 will take place. Social Committee: Cake, Mrs. McWilliams and Mrs. A. C. Muir. Sandwiches, Mrs. Udell, Mrs. A. Sinclair. Come and be an active member for 1937.

The Women's Institute met at Mrs. A. Sinclair's on Thursday, the 17th, at 8 p.m. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President, Mrs. Sinclair opened the meeting with the singing of the Ode, followed by the collect repeated in unison. The roll call was answered with a New Year's resolution. Mrs. Geo. Udell gave a very interesting paper on current events, touching on infantile paralysis, radium, municipal elections, results and abdication of Edward VIII. Mrs. Archibald read the story of the child born at Beth-

lehem. Mrs. Kennedy extended an invitation for the January meeting, after which the social committee served refreshments.

The school at Ceylon was packed on Friday night of last week when Miss MacInnis and her pupils presented their Christmas programme. The opening number, "Hello, Everybody, Glad to see You Here", was followed by the chairman's address.

Rev. Geo. Service, who acted in that capacity, extended a very cordial greeting to all and amused the audience by telling humorous stories in his very jovial manner. Recitations were given by Gordon Nichol, Phil McMullen, Donald McLeod, Carman Plester, Jean McMullen, Kenneth Muir, Marian Collinson, Dorothy Plester, Harold Nichol, Joe McWilliams, Barbara Marshall, Mary McMullen. Marjory Stewart gave the hornpipe. Hilda Duckett and Edna Marshall tap danced and Miss MacInnis did the Highland fling. A motion song, rooster drill, fan drill and nursery rhyme songs were greatly enjoyed, also a negro duet by Marjorie Stewart and Verna Kennedy. A Christmas episode and "Aunt Serena for a Christmas present", were well presented dialogues.

"Star of the East", "Away in a Manger" and "We nip Our Sighs with Sunshine When we Say Good-Bye" were splendid choruses. At the close of the program by pupils a number of members of the choir presented the play entitled "The Empty Room". The setting was the city of Nazareth just previous to the birth of the child King. The caste was as follows: Prophet, P. Hunt; Nobleman, F. Purdy; Hamar, the innkeeper, I. B. Whittaker; David, the servant, Bob Plester; Rebecca, Macil Snell; Mary, Nellie Genoe; Joanna, Mrs. I. B. Whittaker. Each member of the caste had been carefully chosen and excellent in the particular part. Mr. Service was responsible for the play and must have felt very gratified with the results. Santa Claus, Mr. Vernon Stewart, arrived with his reindeers and distributed Christmas presents to all the children from a beautifully decorated tree. The proceeds amounted to \$26.10, half of which goes to the choir and the other half to the school. The National Anthem brought a very successful evening to a close.

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