

News and Information FOR THE BUSY FARMER

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Youth Rejuvenates Fairs

An atmosphere of spontaneous interest—a feeling of rejuvenation that promises to become a permanent feature—has been observed to pervade the various agricultural fairs now in full swing throughout the Dominion. The reason for this spirit of youthful alertness is not difficult to discover. In a great measure it is due to the increasing part taken in the exhibition by the young members of the boys and girls farm clubs of Canada. The elder generation has taught the younger generation well, and the younger generation with its enthusiasm to learn it, in turn, interesting its elders in points that formerly did not call for deep consideration.

The momentum thus created has developed a state of affairs in which the zeal of youth regulates the tempo of the modern agricultural fair. Nowadays, it is not a question of whether or not any young farmerettes or farmers may be exhibitors at the fair, but what they are showing. And the most interested people in the exhibits of the younger folk are the older folk.

The high standard of the young farmers and farmerettes as responsible exhibitors at Canadian agricultural fairs has been attained gradually and surely. A quarter of a century ago, the boys' and girls' farm club movement in Canada was inaugurated, and one of the principles embodied in the club work was "Learn to Do by Doing." This principle has been applied to the fullest extent, and the fact that each club member had to carry on one or other of the club projects on the home farm laid the foundation of the Dominion-wide club work which now forms an integral part in Canadian agricultural endeavor. The projects include Live Stock, embracing dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, horses and poultry; Field Crops; Horticulture and Home Economics, under which comes, nutrition, gardening and canning, garment making, home making, and local leadership.

Grate Feeding Poultry

A substantial amount of money in the aggregate is lost by farmers every year due to sending their poultry to market not properly finished. Far too much of the poultry offered on both the domestic and export markets is below the Milkfed A and Milkfed B classes for which a premium up to as high as three cents per pound is paid over the lower grades.

The sure and certain way to raise the grade is by the comparatively simple process of grate feeding the birds on a ration of finely-ground home grains, potatoes and sour milk.

There are various fattening mixtures that give good results, but the point is to make use of the feed produced and available on the farm. The best results will be obtained if the birds are put in disinfected crates two or three weeks before marketing. The crates should be put in reasonably warm quarters free from draughts and the birds should be fed morning and evening. The following ration is recommended: Equal parts of oats and wheat, with barley or buckwheat; add potatoes at the rate of one pound of Epsom salts to rate of one-third of the total weight of the meal mixture; mix with sour milk so that the mixture will pour easily.

The beginning of the feeding period is most important. If the birds placed in the feeding crates have food in their crops they should miss a meal and should be fed sparingly for about two days. Immediately on being placed in feeding crates birds should be given a purgative in the form of Epsom salts in the first feed, the dosage being at the rate of one pound of Epsom salts to one hundred birds. The salts should be dissolved in water and the solution used for mixing the first feed.

Feeding the birds all they will eat the first days results in loss of appetite and weight. It is better to leave the birds without feed for the first twenty-four hours after

putting them in the crates than to overfeed them. For the first few days the birds should be kept fairly hungry and never satisfied until they become used to their confined quarters. After that as much feed as they will take may be given two or three times a day. After every feed, however, the troughs should be cleaned, and a supply of grit should be available two or three times a week.

International Plowing Match Draws U. S. Agriculturalists

Further recognition of the annual International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Demonstration held each year in Ontario under the auspices of the Ontario Plowmen's Association has just been announced by J. A. Carroll, manager.

The Atlantic section of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, according to Mr. Carroll's statement, has made arrangements to hold its annual convention in Toronto this year at a time when they will be able to devote a considerable portion of their time to studying this renowned agricultural event, which each year is having its fame carried farther afield.

The plowing match is being held this year at Fergus from Oct. 12 to 15 in the centre of Western Ontario, which has been described as "the best large farming area in Canada."

The A.S.A.E. is a body of agricultural experts which represents chemical, electrical and machinery

organizations interested in farm problems. It also includes in its membership many agricultural experts from state colleges throughout the Atlantic seaboard.

In considering a suitable time and place for the convention, the directors of this noted association found that almost every aspect of the activities in which they are interested will be included in the annual plowing match at Fergus.

There they will be able to study many questions of farm cultivation and management which, for generations, have kept Ontario farmers in the front rank of successful agriculturists.

At the farm machinery demonstrations, held each year in conjunction with the match and rated by exhibitors as second to none in the world for exhibitions of this type, visiting agricultural engineers from the United States will be able to see the most complete range of electrical and other machines which have made such a tremendous contribution to successful farming throughout Canada.

Officials of the Ontario Plowmen's Association stated recently that all available space originally set aside for exhibits and demonstrations in the concession area had been reserved almost immediately after registration opened, and that so many additional applications for space had been received, that it had been found necessary to enlarge extensively the grounds set aside for the farm machinery demonstration. It is probable that there will be almost 100 exhibits and other concessions operating at Fergus when the match opens on October the 12th.

Get rid of fear and I believe the world would be a safer place.—Sir Philip Gibbs.

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TWO VIEWS ON THE LIQUOR QUESTION



"THE PROFIT"—says Mr. Hepburn

"THE PEOPLE"—says Mr. Rowe

FOR three years the liquor problem has been out of control in Ontario. Mr. Hepburn, worried by the rising tide of public indignation, now tacitly admits the fact. In acknowledgment of the situation, he makes another typical last-minute, pre-election promise.

But Ontario voters are not going to be fooled again.

"Revenue First"—Hepburn

"Profit" has been Mr. Hepburn's liquor policy ever since he took office. Here are his own words as quoted in the Border Cities Star, Windsor, October 26, 1934:-

"Another thing that the Province requires is revenue. I am informed that since Mr. Oettt took office, he has turned over to the Treasury \$2,800,000. Let these people point out some other source of revenue. Do they want higher gasoline or corporation tax? Do they want a Provincial Income Tax? It is obvious that if we lose the revenue from the Liquor Control Board, we will have to get it elsewhere."

"People First"—Rowe

Contrast this "liquor for profit" policy with Mr. Rowe's clean-cut stand in the interest of the people.

Mr. Rowe has pledged himself: "I will return to a policy of control by a responsible board, free from political patronage. A survey will be made by the new board of all licensed hotels. I promise you that these mushroom dives which have sprung up and flourished under Hepburn will be closed—and stay closed."

The Conservative Party takes the position that public revenue should not be gained at the expense of decency.

No More Mushroom Dives

When Mr. Rowe is elected, beverage rooms will be confined to standard hotels which respect the law and give adequate service to the public.

Restaurants, taxi offices, rooming houses and hot dog stands will not, by means of a few "jerry-built" changes in construction, be able to qualify as standard hotels.

Beverage rooms will not be forced on communities where they are not wanted. Nor will such places flourish in the shadow of the churches of the Province.

Non-Political Control

Under Conservative administration, by means of a responsible non-political control body, beverage rooms will be so regulated that they will cease to be a blot on the social and moral life of Ontario.

A vote for the Conservative candidate is a vote for this policy of control.

YOU Can TRUST ROWE

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