

OUR FARM PAGE: ITEMS OF INTEREST TO EVERY FARMER

Hon. Mr. Gardiner Tells How War Events Affect Farm Markets

An outline of the situation, as it exists at present in regard to agricultural supplies and the war was given by Hon. James G. Gardiner, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, when the Conference of Dominion and Provincial representatives opened in Ottawa on July 19th. The Conference continued until July 20th.

country and other elevators of 440 million bushels, as certain in peace time only buys 200 million bushels from all countries, and it cannot be expected that all its purchases of wheat in war time will be made in Canada.

FALL RYE FOR PASTURE

Fall rye has proved to be one of the best crops for early spring pasture. Seeded as early as August 1 fall rye usually provides some fall pasture that year but if seeded later than September 15 it should not be grazed until the following spring.

Weed of the Week

Chicory is a persistent perennial weed with a deep tap root. Introduced from Europe years ago it was grown as a cultivated plant for its roots which were ground and mixed with coffee.

EXPORT BACON INCREASE PRICES

The Bacon Board announced on July 18th establishment of prices for export bacon based on \$17.70 for a Canadian No. 1 sizeable Wilshire's f.o.b. grade No. 1 sea board, for product put in cure commencing Monday.

SOIL IS ALIVE

"Soil microbiology has taught us that the soil, in addition to its chemical and physical organisms, has those of a living organism, in that it is teeming with bacteria, fungi, protozoa, and smaller numbers of many other forms."

A Kind Word for Skunks

Although they occasionally raid chicken pens, skunks are not the menace that many farmers suppose. It is claimed by Malcolm W. Bayley in an article published in the Boston Monitor.

BARLEY BEST FEED FOR BACON

According to the report for 1939 and up to July 1, 1940, of the National Barley and Linseed Flax Committee submitted at the recent meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Agricultural Services held in Ottawa, on July 17th, the results of the barley feeding experiments show conclusively that barley is superior to corn or oats as a feed for bacon production.

"OVER OUR FENCE"

ACTON Weddings

At a ceremony at the Presbyterian Manse on Saturday, July 20th, Rev. H. L. Bennie united in marriage Bessie Victoria Vickers of Candfield, and Newton Francis Hurst, of Acton.

Drowning at Eden Mills

A ten-year-old Toronto boy, Peter Worley, was drowned at Eden Mills on July 21st. He had been visiting in Acton with his aunt, Mrs. Mary Zink, and was swimming in the pool at Edgewood Park when the accident occurred.

Former Actonite Dies at Aurora

Thomas Palmerston Martin, highly-respected resident of Acton died at the home of his son, Leslie, in Aurora, on Friday, July 19th. He was in his eightieth year. Another son, John lives in Guelph, and a daughter Anne is in Toronto.

Mrs. Leonard Lovell Loses Father

J. A. McLachlan, father of Mrs. Leonard Lovell of Acton, died at his home recently. He was 66 years old.

REXALL DRUGGISTS GIVING TWO AMBULANCES

The United Drug Co. is donating two ambulances to the government for war purposes. For every dollar that Rexall employees and agents give for this purpose, the Company adds two dollars towards the purchase of the ambulances.

Glimpses of Parliament

By Hugh Cleaver, Halton's Member

This column arrived too late for publication last week. For readers who follow our member's work at Ottawa, we print it this week so they may keep up-to-date on affairs at the Capital.

During the past week considerable progress was made with the Departmental estimates and sufficient progress was made with respect to all of the legislation which will require to be dealt with at this session to indicate that the present session may end about August 3rd. It is generally prorogued rather than adjourn but will be recalled during the fall rather than early in the New Year, the usual practice.

The Banking and Commerce Committee, of which I have been a member for the past four years, dealt with important bills during the week. The bill to permit the wheat pools of the West to incorporate a profit sharing insurance company was finally approved by the committee, with amendments, after four sittings of the committee.

The Unemployment Insurance Bill was introduced this week and was referred to a Special Committee of the House on second reading of the bill. All parties of the House supported the principle of the bill but a few of the members, including Mr. T. L. Church, M.P. of Toronto, thought that it should not be put into effect during wartime.

The Excess Profits Tax Act was given first reading this week. Under this act we take in taxation 75 per cent. of all of the excess profits of the industry. In addition to this the business tax of 18 per cent. is maintained and a further tax is levied, bringing the business tax up to 32 per cent. with respect to industries which do not earn excess profits.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD INFORMAL PORTRAITS OUTDOORS



Excellent likenesses, and a "story idea," make this picture a fine example of a good informal portrait snapshot.

EVERY family album or picture collection should include good informal portraits of the family's members. But many amateur photographers do not know how to take informal portraits, or realize how these differ from other popular types of pictures.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD OUTDOOR SILHOUETTES



It's easy to take silhouette snaps such as this in late afternoon—and they add interest to your album.

SILHOUETTE pictures are easy to take outdoors, and there's an interesting, dramatic quality about these shots that makes them worthwhile additions to your picture collection.

RED CROSS URGES KNITTING OF WINTER SUPPLIES

With many summer days yet to come, the Canadian Red Cross Society is already thinking in terms of Fall and Winter, and women all over the country are urged to knit gloves, mittens, caps and helmets for men of all branches of the active service.