



Items of Interest to the Local Farmer

# OUR Farm Page



## Urge Extreme Caution in Feeding Musty Grain

The Large Quantity Will Result in Sick Animals, Agricultural Officials Point Out.

Farmers who have musty grain in their bins this fall as a result of continued wet weather during harvest time, are advised to use extreme caution in the feeding of this grain to live stock and poultry. Some farmers who have fed musty grain in fairly large quantities have already experienced difficulty and have sick animals on their hands.

While no definite research work has been done in Ontario in the feeding of musty grain, due to the fact that this province seldom experiences an all-rainy harvest season, the consensus of opinion among Ontario agricultural officials is that not more than 20 per cent of a cattle ration should include musty grain and a lower percentage if possible. They point out that there are degrees in "mustiness" and every care should be used in feeding this grain. Rotten grain should be thrown out entirely and not fed at all. Hogs, it was believed, could be fed up to 50 per cent of the ration in grain that was slightly musty, but this too would depend on the degree of mustiness and therefore no special rule could be laid down for individual feeding. Each farmer would have to experiment for himself.

Only a very small portion could be fed to poultry and the grain would have to be ground and on no account fed whole. Officials stated that farmers who have musty grain would be well advised to put it through the fanning mill to dry it out; shovel it over in the bin, or spread it on the barn floor. The quicker it was dried, the better feed it would make.

## HOW PLANT BREEDER AIDS CROP PRODUCTION

Research in crop production is one of the important phases of the work of the agricultural scientists of Canada. Man improves upon nature, not only by careful management of the soil, but also through the selection of the seed or stock from which the crop is produced. Modern practices require that seed must be pure, free from diseases and insects, and of high vitality. Regulations regarding the grading and distribution of seed are based upon careful research with the aid of field trials, and finally drafted into laws that are administered by the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

More fundamental than the appearance and vitality of the seed, however, are the inherited factors carried in the germ of the seed. The natural law of the survival of the fittest produces hardy strains of plants whose main characteristic is their ability to survive, and not their usefulness to man. The plant breeder takes the most useful strains that have been developed by natural selection, and by artificial selection he improves the yield and quality of the crop. The botanist searches Canada and other parts of the

world for suitable hardy varieties to form the basis of improved varieties; the geneticist (the scientist who deals with the life, heredity, and variations of the plants), and the cytologist (genetic expert in the cell structure, functions, multiplication, and life history) study the factors of inheritance that may be transmitted by these strains, and combine them with existing domesticated strains to produce improved varieties. The great diversity of climate in Canada makes it necessary to have many varieties capable of producing satisfactory crops under varying conditions of soil, temperature, light, and moisture. A variety that may prove highly desirable in one area may be quite unsuitable in another.

## TO MAINTAIN QUALITY CANADIAN BACON HOG

One of the major effects of the war on Canadian agriculture has been to increase sharply the movement of export Canadian bacon. This has brought to the fore a problem of the first magnitude, the maintenance of a primary quality which was steadily improving in the United Kingdom market and leading to a better price relation to the product from competing countries. Hog production has reached record volume, and the quality of the hogs has not kept pace with the demand. This may have been an inevitable result of a Dominion-wide record hog breeding program stimulated almost overnight because of increased war time bacon requirements.

Nevertheless, the number of hogs eligible for market prices on the basis of quality, weight, and dressing percentages is below requirement expectations, and not only makes it difficult to maintain during the next twelve months the quality in Canadian export bacon secured during the past year, but represents a considerable loss in revenue to the hog producers and the industry as a whole. One of the most important tasks confronting the industry is the feeding of a much larger volume of improved type hogs so as to get correct weights and finish for Wilshire sides of first quality within weight ranges of 55-85 lb. per side. The product of a finished hog weighs approximately 180 to 224 lb on foot, off truck or off cars.

Canadian bacon cannot be better in quality than hogs from which it is made. Even given no further improvement in packing house operations, the better hogs the better the bacon. Rigid application by the Dominion Department of Agriculture of specific standards for the preparation of Wilshire sides for export has been effective in developing a uniformity of packing house practice, processing, handling, and shipping far beyond any previous achievement, and the improvement is still being followed. It can be said, therefore, that under the requirements of the Department and the Bacon Board regulations for export, the best possible product is being manufactured from the hogs provided.

For the quality of hogs provided

by the industry, carcass grading secures a price directly proportionate to the individual quality of the hogs. A standard type of bacon hog finished at correct weights yields a high dressing percentage. Carcass grading pays dividends on high dressing percentage. The task before the hog producer is therefore, to improve the quality of the hog so as to get the best price.

## RECOMMEND FEEDS TO INCREASE ONT. MILK PRODUCTION

Booklet issued by Ontario Feed Board Contains Much Valuable Information For Dairy Farmers

With Ontario being asked to step up the production of cheese for the food line of war time Great Britain, this increase in production in the final analysis depends on the milk flow of Ontario cows.

Farmers may or may not be getting the best results from their dairy herds these winter months. This will depend in large measure on feeding methods. The Ontario Feed Board, sponsored by the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, has issued a handbook of twenty pages on the Feeding and Management of Dairy Cows which may be obtained free of charge from your local Agricultural Representative. It contains much valuable information.

In general, the Feed Board recommends feeding according to the requirements of each animal. Feed at regular intervals each day and avoid sudden changes in feeding. Provide a sufficient supply of fresh water, salt and minerals. For dairy cows in milk the Board advises one pound hay, 2 pounds roots and 2 pounds of silage daily for each 100 pounds of live weight or one pound hay and 3 1/2 pounds silage, or 1 1/2 pounds of hay and 4 pounds of roots or 2 pounds of 2 1/2 pounds of hay.

When it comes to meal mixtures, the Board advises the daily feed of one pound of meal mixture for every 2 or 4 regular meals each day. Recommended mixtures are to be found in the handbook. Every farmer who wants to aid Great Britain to the utmost of his ability, should have a copy of this book.

## INTERNATIONAL UNIFORM Sunday School LESSON

### A GOOD NEIGHBOUR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1940

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself." Luke 10:27.

**LESSON PASSAGE:** Luke 10:25-37. If there be some weaker one, Give me strength to help him on. If a blinder soul there be, Let me guide him nearer Thee. —John Greenleaf Whittier.

Self-seeking Religion, 25  
Eggs can even corrupt religion. So stands out in the action of the scribe or lawyer who questioned Jesus. He expected to win victory in a verbal duel and draw attention to his own cleverness. The question he asked showed that he was thinking of himself. He was acquisitive in his desire to inherit eternal life. He thought that his personal welfare depended more upon doing than upon being. There is no evidence of humility, penitence, being broken in spirit or saddened by the world's sin and sorrow.

**Parable By, 31, 32**  
The priest and the Levite could offer several excuses in self-defence. They were busy, either on duty or coming off duty. Their specialty was worship, not social service. They thought of religion as ritual, so they passed by the wounded traveler lying on the roadside. It is possible to let the church stand in the way of religion. Those responsible for meetings and organizations may be tempted to regard the church as more important than God. A visitor to a church commented that in that one service at least, the chief concern was the denominational enterprise. A minister's schedule may be so full that it is almost impossible to attend to cases of acute need. Occasionally it happens that two emergency calls come at once and only one can receive immediate attention. Church members are usually misunderstanding about such matters as long as they are sure that their minister really cares. A layman wrote recently, "Christianity must step down from its highly mortgaged architecture and in shirt sleeves help the common people. Certainly religion cannot be with ritual. It must express itself in service."

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His spiritual conviction had never come near to the selfishness that for us is the meaning of the Cross. Christ's redemptive power came through his self-emptying; this lawyer was holding out his cup of life to have it filled. Spiritually he was "in the make." He was not getting the best of it; he was more blessed to give than to receive.

**The Old Testament Answer, 26, 27**  
In dealing with this scribe, Jesus proceeded from the known to the unknown. As a copyist or interpreter of the Law, the lawyer had great Hebrew teaching of love to God and love to man. In theory and as an ideal, nothing could be better than to love God with all one's heart, soul, strength and mind, and one's neighbour as oneself. Yet the Jews had rationalized this until it had ceased to be inclusive. It could not, they held, apply to the Samaritans or the publicans or to officers against the law. The Pharisees united the practice of love and were very exclusive racially and religiously. Even the two disciples, James and John, wished to call down fire upon the Samaritans who did not receive Jesus. Christ quoted the Hebrew law of love as being the first and second great commandments, yet this teaching had been made ineffective through a protective interpretation. The Pharisees had sufficient knowledge but they failed in application and action. Too often we do lip service to love while remaining unwilling to show love to the unlovely and the unlovable.

**Neighbours in Need, 28-30**  
The lawyer thought of his neighbours as a very limited company, but Christ gave the word a new content. Anyone in need was to be regarded as a neighbour. The broad humanity of Christ is shown by the parable of the Good Samaritan. The first words of Christ was simple and concrete. He did not employ resounding terms such as "philanthropic interest" or "altruistic effort" or "elemosynary service."

Christ thought of the "certain man" in need. He did not talk about humanity in the abstract. For him the reality was "a certain man." Dr. Charles F. Brown has said: "The picture of neighbourliness drawn here serves to bring the second great commandment down out of the clouds and back out of the fog of vague generalities, making it effective by directing it toward 'certain men.' Who is my neighbour? 'A certain man,' a man near you, who needs you, a man whom you have in your power to help. The readiness to meet the needs of each situation as it arises becomes the measure of each man's love."

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**Love As Service, 33-37**  
A Canadian woman with heavy home cares, knits piles of sweaters for the poor, sends handmade things to Orphan children at Christmas time, puts boxes of food and clothing for poor people in a rural district and takes sick people into her own home and nurses them. There is no doubt whatever about her Christian love; her deeds prove it. There could be no question about the relationship of the Good Samaritan. He had dismounted, with his own hands helped the sufferer, and paid real money to restore him to health. Christ did not say a word of warning about the Sam-

## THIS AND THAT IN SPORT

By G. "Mac" McElroy

**HOCKEY** has taken a more serious trend in Georgetown this week. It always takes an annual meeting to make things more official and start the ball rolling.

**TWO TEAMS** have been entered for competition—Intermediate and Junior—but the groupings may present some trouble this year. Rumours at the present would have it that Milton, Brantford, Bolton, Orangeville and Acton are out of Intermediate hockey. This would leave Georgetown in a position to join the Elora-Pergus-Guelph group, which would mean heavy travelling expenses. However, when ice comes, these towns may be able to organize a team of some description. In the Junior section, Milton, Bolton and Brantford will definitely have teams, while Acton is still silent on this matter.

**THE HOCKEY CLUB** are sending out an SOS to all club supporters. The Intermediate boys are without sweaters and socks this season, and donations will be appreciated. Sweaters and socks are valued at approximately \$4, and local businessmen will be asked to outfit a player. It is hoped those called on will co-operate.

**WE LEARN** on good authority that the Lions Club will sponsor a juvenile team in the Ontario Juvenile Hockey Association this year. Ed McWhirter is in charge of this entry, and plans are well under way. This column has been advocating an entry in this section for some years past, and think it a valuable step in hockey in town. These players can be coached for junior hockey in another season. We hope the sporting public will take to this group and give them full support.

**CONGRATULATIONS** are in order from this corner to Werden Leavens, of Bolton, on the occasion of his recent marriage to Marjorie Malloy, of Aurora. Werden is associate editor of the Enterprise, and sports commentator for the paper.

**BOLTON WILL** have at least five of their last year's players on the ice again this year for junior hockey, which will mean another hectic season if the local outfit is grouped with them. They are Bud Barnett, Phil Scarrow, Gib Bridgman, Calhoun and Adams. They are also having the advantage of practicing on artificial ice.

**ACTON PLAYERS** are now scattered far and wide. Perry Norman and Gus Morton are at army camp Niagara; Woods, Bayliss, Russ Brush, and Holmes are stationed at Stratford; Molezzi is with the R.C.A.F. at Brantford, while Ilio Marzo is playing hockey with London Seniors and Johnny Brush with a Hamilton Club. Those left to carry on with a few new recruits are Jack Kentner, Minute Walters, Ezio Marzo, Frank Gibbons and Doug Dawkins. Yes, Georgetown is not the only town that is hard hit by boys on active service and away from home.

**AND WHAT** are our own players doing—we mean those who were on the line-up last year. Some of this was reviewed by Sidelmer a few weeks ago, but with additional fans may like to refresh the situation and try to form opinions as to our prospects for this season. Those on active service in England are George Riddall and "Sheehey" Tost (although Tost did not play last season); on active service but still in Canada—Dave Crich-ton, who managed the Intermediate last winter; Ken Richardson at Sussex Military Camp, New Brunswick; Bill Ritchie, at Petawawa Military Camp; Lloyd Sanderson is now employed in an aircraft factory in Belleville; Palmer and Baker—George, two imports, may be available if desired. Those still in town to form the backbone of this year's squad—"Bunny" Ward, Joe Hall, Frank Dewhurst, "Sonny" Stockford, Dick Riddall, Walter Richardson, Jim Sargent and Reg Hoare. Those moving up from last year's junior team to intermediate are Jack Keimshied and Bill Sohenk. Last year's junior team is pretty well broken up, but there are a number of the younger boys who can fill the

spots. We had a number of players last year from Brantford, including the goalie, Lequerquis, Binell, Hamman and Henderson. Then there is Daily Beaumont who is now attending Northern Vocational School in Toronto; Murphy, Lamb, Gherard, Louch and Coffey, who we believe are still eligible for junior hockey.

**WITH AN ABUNDANCE** of snow, skiers and tobogganers are having a glorious time on the hills about town. It would be a good year to revive the Skalom Ski Club which was popular a few years ago.

**CURLING** enthusiasts are busy already selling membership tickets and rounding up all curlers and would-be curlers in town. A number of curler played at Galt last week, and report a good time but a little more practice needed.

## CIVIL GUARD DISCUSSED AT COUNTY COUNCIL

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tion that if, and when, our services were required, we should be notified by the Provincial Police in Milton." Col. Ballantine: "Perhaps Oakville and Nelson's reluctance to co-operate may be because they got away by flying start and thus feel that priority of service should be considered. Personally I hold Oakville and Nelson Guards in the greatest esteem and hope they will eventually join us." Mr. Cleave: "Who called for the organization of Civil Guards in the first place?"

Col. Ballantine: "The Provincial Police with the idea that the Home Guard would act as an Auxiliary Police Force, should they be needed." Mr. Robertson (Nelson): "We have gone to a lot of trouble in organizing our Home Guard and I would like to know why our company objects to a County Civil Guard, before supporting such a motion." Finally it was moved by Mr. Cleave, seconded by Mr. Chalmers, that this council pass a resolution, asking authorization for the formation of a Halton County Volunteer Civil Guard as asked for by Col. Ballantine and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. H. S. McCready, Deputy Commissioner of Ontario Provincial Police.

The resolution carried, but three members refrained from voting. It was announced by the Finance Committee that Mr. Moore would not place the equalization question before council, but would wait until the 1941 council had been elected. Reeve Cleave a strong opponent of equalization, said he would have liked to hear Mr. Moore's address to the Finance Committee, and thought he would have been addressing council as a whole. The following accounts were passed as was a debenture for \$5,000 covering road construction:—

County Buildings	\$ 647.81
Printing	\$ 58.06
Agriculture	\$ 28.32
Finance	\$ 1403.22

A resolution from Pergus was endorsed by Halton council, which asked that an appeal be made to the Government for free passes to be given to men in the Forces when on leave. Council agreed that men serving their country should not be reduced to thumping their way from one place to another.

An interesting report was brought back by Mr. Gilbert, chairman of the County Good Roads Committee, and Mr. Smith, County Engineer, of the Canadian Good Roads Convention, held in Quebec City last month. Said Mr. Gilbert: "This was the most interesting and informative convention I ever attended. Good roads were referred to at the convention as Canada's first line of defence and it was recommended that heavier and better highways should be built to carry heavy military equipment. The Hon. T. B. McQuesten said in his address that the element of uncertainty which may bring a speedy end to the war is great and for that reason we should prepare for any eventuality. Unfinished work and completion of new work would easily occupy a period of five years and such a period would be necessary for demobilization. We could spend \$40,000,000 a year for five years without over-building in the Province of Ontario and would give employment to 150,000 men a year. Said Capt. A. W. Brandt, New York State: "If Canada and the United States are to jointly defend themselves against a common enemy, co-operation and co-ordination in highway construction for military preparedness is a necessity, not a theory."

Resolutions were passed, asking that all motor-vehicles received from tax and motor vehicle licenses be ear-marked for highway construction.

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aritan heretics of this Great Heart on the Jericho Road. The lawyer who had been inquiring about eternal life was simply told the story of The Good Samaritan and advised to "go and do likewise." Christ had faith in the transcendent power of self-sacrifice. The test in the last judgment was kindness, active, out-reaching love. Christ's own life is the highest example of the power of his sacrificing love. Questions for Discussion

1. How would you have answered lawyer's question?
2. What has the gospel added to the law?
3. How big is your neighbourhood?
4. What have the churches done to solve unemployment in Canada?
5. What does the parable of The Good Samaritan tell us about Christ? (Lesson Outlines copyrighted by the International Council of Religious Education. Used by permission.)