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## The Editor's Column

### PRICE CONTROL NOT SO BAD

In common with other Canadians, we have been developing a new respect for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board during the past week as we read of the lifting of price ceilings in the United States and the skyrocketing of prices which resulted. Particularly does this seem to effect food prices and such staples as butter, meat and eggs are costing almost double what we pay here in Canada.

In fact, as we talked with an American friend at the beach last week-end we realized why he enjoys spending his summer here, even though his American dollar no longer commands a ten per cent premium. In Detroit, butter and meat are not rationed — but try and find them in any quantity. If one is able to buy butter at all, it is usually restricted to a quarter-pound to a customer, and this sometimes has to last his family of four for several days. Bread is another item on the scarcity list and many times he has joined the line-up at 7.30 in the morning to buy a loaf of bread.

All of which adds up to the fact that we consider ourselves very lucky to be living in Canada just now, where prices have not been allowed to run wild.

### SOFTBALL TO THE FORE

Softball fans are in for some heads-up ball at the park these summer nights, as the Industrial League swings into action. The Recreational Council is supervising softball activities and has drawn up a new schedule with two of the twelve games already played.

The Recreational Council is providing a trophy for yearly competition, and crests for the winning team. The four teams which comprise the league, Dayfoot's, Smith & Stone, Alliance and Businessmen have had a pre-season warm-up and are all in good shape for some real good ball. More and more fans have been congregating in the park to see the games and interest is running high to pick the winner.

### A TRACK AND FIELD DAY

With a program of forty events, the field day on Civic Holiday sponsored by the Recreational Council promises to be the best ever held in this district. The Civic Holiday show is the first major event sponsored by the Council and will fill the double purpose of fostering organized track and field events in town and making money which will be used in this and other forms of recreation in the future.

The events will be run on the lines of the British Empire Games. In order to provide a better yardstick for competition, boys' classes have been drawn up according to weights rather than ages. Junior boys are under 105 pounds, intermediates under 130 and seniors, over 150. This is a trend which is evident in the city collegiate sports. The program will get underway promptly at 1.30 p.m. on Civic Holiday, as it is lengthy and must be run on schedule.

In the evening, the Council is planning a garden party in the park of similar calibre to that presented by the Lions Club on Dominion Day.

### BABY CHICKS FOR POLAND

(contributed by the Bray Hatcheries)

UNRRA Officials in Washington recently had an inquiry from Poland for Light Sussex Chicks. Investigation showed the most satisfactory source was in Canada. So, the Canadian Commercial Corporation purchased for UNRRA, 12,000 Light Sussex chicks (with Canadian dollars) for shipment from the Bray Hatcheries, to Poland.

Three of these shipments have already gone forward by Railway Express to Newport News, Virginia. They arrived in first-class condition, and were transferred to battery brooders, fed and watered in a proper brooder room, at Quayside, until the ship was ready to sail. The battery brooders were transferred to the ship, and the chicks fed and watered during the ocean voyage. Vast quantities of feed, as well as pure-bred cattle and horses are going forward in an effort to try to re-establish the war-wrecked countries. This method of transportation seems to be well thought out on the part of UNRRA Officials and the chicks should arrive at destination well started and ready to go ahead with no lost time.

These chicks, on arrival in Poland will be placed on Government-controlled farms and raised this season. The progeny next season will go out to the general farms to replace and replenish the ordinary flocks. The cockerels that are in the mixed chicks with these chicks will be used on existing flocks which will

supply new blood and help grade up the peasant flocks that remain here and there in the country.

It is interesting to note that while endeavouring to get the national economy of Poland on a sound footing, the UNRRA officials have evidently recognized the necessity of having something for the Poles to export, probably to the British market, and have chosen the Light Sussex as being the breed most likely to command the premium paid on well-finished white-fleshed chickens, for which this breed is renowned.

Mr. W. A. Brown, Canada's Chief of Poultry Services, as early as 1935, visited England and made a survey of the British market, finding that large quantities of chickens were being imported from Eastern Europe. (In 1938 the imports of chicken on to the British market were over 55,000,000 lbs.) Birds uniform in size and fleshing, averaging about 4 lbs. in weight, brought Premium Prices.

Interesting to the Western Canadian farmer is the possibility of using Light Sussex Cockerels on New Hampshire flocks already on Western farms. This would produce a Cross very similar, as far as market requirements are concerned, to the Light Sussex. The Light Sussex X New Hampshire Cross is very popular in Eastern Canada, where a considerable amount of Cross-breeding is being carried out under official Government supervision. The British market has been known to pay as high as 2c per lb. premium on well-finished, white-fleshed chicken.

While visiting in England, en route to the World's Poultry Congress in 1936, Mr. Bray realized the importance of the Light Sussex breed as being an ideal table bird and one that lays a large quantity of high quality eggs, as indicated by this strain winning the English Daily Mail Egg-Laying Contest in 1936. This breed, even at that time, showed great promise as a market bird that would have adequate fleshing at 4 lbs. and yet would make economical gains up to seven or eight lbs.

In 1937, the first importations of this strain were made by the Bray Hatcheries. Since then, careful selection for egg production and meal quantities have been carried on continuously and the results in the hands of the growers have created an unusual demand for this breed.

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 Constance Lynn, wife of Mr. Irwin Shults, died suddenly on Wednesday evening, July 3, at Peel Memorial Hospital in her 36th year. Mrs. Shults was a daughter of Mr. Charles Lynn of Brampton and had lived in that district all her life. Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Donald, 10 years old. The funeral was held on Friday with Rev. F. J. Dunlop of Norval United Church in charge of the service. Interment was in Norval cemetery.

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